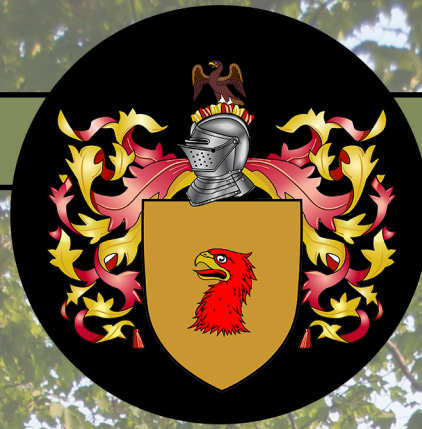


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About The Squire Munro Project

The Squire Munro Project is a long-term genealogical research project begun in March 2006 by Mark Conway Munro concerning the Onondaga County New York Munro family. The overall goal of the project is to extensively research the life, ancestry and descendants of the progenitor of the family – Squire Munro (1758-1835), who was the first of the line to move from Massachusetts to Central New York State and to compile this information into a comprehensive book.

In order to more effectively organize and digest the vast amounts of material involved, many smaller book projects, including this one, were formed as a precursor to the final family volume. Although these books are primarily intended to provide source material for the wider project, they can be quite enjoyable and informative on their own and may prove invaluable to future genealogists and family members alike.

In addition to researching historical records and volumes, this project relies heavily on the contributions of family records from living individuals of the various branches of the family. If you can trace your ancestry back to the Onondaga County Munro family or any other old family from the Syracuse area, please contact Mark to discover if you are a Squire Munro descendant and should contribute data to this effort.

To learn more about the project, including how to contribute information about your branch of the family, visit the website:

markconwaymunro.com

About The Author



Mark Conway Munro, was born in Indiana, raised in Ohio, and spent a decade living and working in the New York City area. In 1994, an interest in genealogy led him to scan photographs, convert old home movies to digital video and gather information about his immediate branch. This work eventually led to the formation of the Squire Munro Project. Today, Mark lives and works in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, with his wife Shannon, their dog Apache and cat Fin.

Introduction

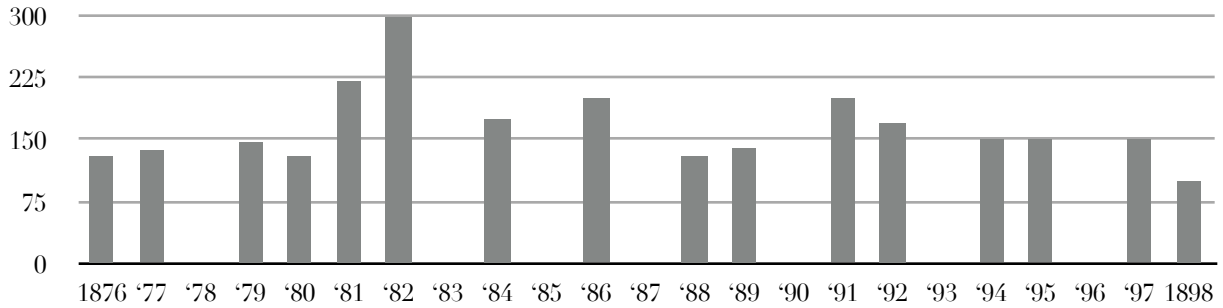
After an organizational meeting in 1876, the Onondaga County, NY Munro family began holding annual reunions in 1877. These massive events were held on or around June 27, the birthday of Squire Munro (1758-1835) who was the first of the line to settle in the county. Hundreds of family members attended the early meetings in Elbridge and they were often written about in the local newspapers – the source for most of the accounts included in this book.

From these records, we know that one of the stated reasons for holding these reunions was to allow the family to gather, organize and update the genealogical records for the extended family. The primary motivation for compiling this book is for a similar goal – to develop an organized research aid for my larger project, a comprehensive genealogical book about the Onondaga County Munro family, focusing on Squire Munro (1758-1835). It is also intended to be a resource for future genealogist and historians who might be interested in the subject. As with personal letters and diaries, the stories of these family reunions provide a unique window into the lives of our ancestors, conveying a more vivid glimpse of their personalities than can be gleaned from a simple recitation of names, dates, and locations.

Most of the material presented is transcribed exactly as it appears in the original source. I did make some minor modifications to the material to correct major spelling errors, adjust spacing and correct surnames that were clearly identifiable. Beyond these minor changes, all of my comments are in footnotes. Each name mentioned in the text is identified in a footnote with some being educated guesses based on the year and other contextual information within the account. As a result, some are less certain than others and these are prefaced with “possibly”, “probably”, or “most likely” indicating my level of certainty. In some cases, the person I list may be a different spelling from the original or the middle or first initial doesn’t match the original text – these are to correct alternate or incorrect spellings, incorrect initials and other typos in account without changing the original source. In many cases, I assumed the text referred to the elder of two family members with the same name (father and son), especially when mentioned as being a member of the executive committee or speaking about the family history – the assumption being that the elder of the two (or more) would be chosen for such activities.

I chose to include all available accounts from different newspapers for a given year even when they are extremely similar in the hope that differences between them will help to provide additional information and validate some of the educated guesses about which family member is being discussed. On some pages the same person referred to more than once and I chose to identify each mention of the name with an identical footnote to avoid confusion. In all cases, if a “Squire Munro” or “Squire Manro” is not identified with a footnote, that indicates it is referring to the first Squire Munro (1758-1835) to settle in Onondaga County, NY. Similarly, Squire’s wife, Mary Daggett (1745-1845) is not identified in footnotes. Also when an individual is not a direct family member, they are not mentioned in a footnote.

From the information contained within these accounts, we can generate a graph showing the number of people in attendance each year:



While information about attendance for some years is not available — or there is simply no report found in the newspapers — this chart shows that for the first twenty three years the Munro reunions had an attendance averaging well over 100 family members.

At the 1888 reunion, the life of Thomas W. Hill (1810-1887) — who died on Dec 7, 1887 — was remembered. It was said that “his love for his kindred and desire for the perpetuation of the reunion, that the future generations might know and love their kindred and reverence the deeds of their ancestors”. It is my hope that this book and the entire Squire Munro Project will inspire the living descendants of Squire Munro to once again seek out each other’s company in grand and well attended annual or semi-annual reunions in Onondaga County. Perhaps we can reach a day in the near future where our numbers exceed that of the 1882 reunion (which had almost 300 attendees).

Finally, a special “thank you” to my third-cousin-once-removed, John Paul Munro for his tireless help gathering many of the newspaper articles listed within.

Mark Conway Munro

Lewisburg, PA

Dedication

To our family genealogists from the early reunions and to those who carried on the work more recently

John Dickinson Rhoades (1801–1884)
Laura Maria Carpenter (1839–1913)
Squire Munro Brown Rhoades (1835–1904)
Jonathan Squire Manro (1821–1890)
Olivia Hall Bigelow (1853–1892)
Edward J. Munro (1849–1884)
Mary Wallace (1826–1916)

Wing Russell Smith (1850–1924)

Philip Allen Munro (1876–1963)

John Willoughby Munro (1905–2003)

Munro Will (1910–1993)

1876–1877

The Syracuse Journal – October 2, 1876

TOWN NEWS

Elbridge¹

A reunion of the Munro family of the County of Onondaga, whose paternal head was the lion, Squire Munro, deceased, of the town of Elbridge, in said county, will be held at the Baptist Church parlors, in the village of Elbridge on Saturday, the 7th day of October, 1876, commencing at ten o'clock A.M. of that day. On account of the number who may be present, it is deemed advisable to regard the occasion in part as a "basket picnic," each and all to bring some article of provisions to grace the table and rejoice the "(---) (---)." All members and branches of the family are cordially invited to be present.

Booklet – "Munroe Annual Re-union: Proceedings of Two Annual Sessions"

And it came to pass in the year of the Lord 1876, that word came to the family of Nathan Munro², concerning the "Potter Reunion" and the idea took possession of the family that they also would call together the vast family of the Munros. And they said we will open our doors and invite the families to concur with us concerning this great event. Then all Elbridge gathered itself together saying, we are of the same family by birth or by marriage, and the family has increased so mightily that we know not our own kinsmen when we see them face to face, let us therefore search out the records and find out the families, the name of all both small and great, who have descended from him is known as Squire Manro, for his life was just, and his memory blessed, and his children's children, even to the third and fourth generation do honor him, and therefore be it decreed that the labor of searching out the records be ascribed to J. D. Rhoades³, who has long been connected with the family, and is deemed worthy and competent for this great undertaking and it seemed good to those assembled that the Re-union, should take place on the 7th day of October, and that invitations should be sent to all the States where the families were found, that they should come down once more to the town where their fathers had lived, and assemble in the church which they had built.

Pursuant to an invitation from several members of the Munro family, a large number of the descendants of Squire Munro, met at the parlors of the Baptist Church in Elbridge, Oct. 7th, 1876. After a few hours of pleasant social intercourse, and after partaking of a bountiful repast, and listening to remarks by J. D. Rhodes⁴ and others, a permanent organization was effected by the election of the following officers:

President James M. Munro⁵, of Camillus.

Vice-President Thomas J. Manro⁶, of Auburn.

Secretary and Treasurer John Munro⁷, of Elbridge.

On motion, an executive committee was appointed, consisting of D. C. Munro⁸, John Munro⁹ and Thomas W. Hill¹⁰ and their wives.

On motion,

¹ ELBRIDGE, ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK.

² NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886).

³ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801–1884).

⁴ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801–1884).

⁵ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁶ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁷ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁸ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

⁹ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

¹⁰ THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887), HUSBAND OF MARY ANN MUNRO (1820–1878) AT THE TIME AND SAMANTHA MUNRO (1815–1838) PREVIOUSLY.

Resolved, That this organization be known as the Manro Re-union.

It was also

Resolved, That the Re-union take place annually, on the 27th day of June, that being the birth-day of Squire Manro, the first settler of that name in Central New York.

It was also,

Resolved, That the next meeting be held at Elbridge, on the 27th day of June next.

It was suggested that the proceedings of this meeting be printed in the daily papers of the county.

The Munro Re-union convened pursuant to adjournment, at the parlors of the First Baptist Church, of Elbridge, June 27th, 1877. The attendance was larger than at the meeting of Oct. 7th, 1876, and after refreshments had been served the meeting was called to order by the President, James M. Munro.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Thomas W. Hill, the officers who served last year were re-appointed for the current year as follows:

President James M. Munro¹¹, of Camillus.

Vice-President Thomas J. Manro¹², of Auburn.

Secretary and Treasurer John Munro¹³, of Elbridge.

On motion of J. D. Rhoades¹⁴, a secretary was appointed from each branch of Squire Munro's family to transmit to the Secretary of the Munro Re-union, previous to its next annual meeting, such statistics to and furnish a permanent record for the Munro Re-union, as follows:

Laura M. Carpenter¹⁵,

S.M.B. Rhoades¹⁶,

Jonathan Munro¹⁷,

Olivia Bigelow¹⁸,

Edward J. Munro¹⁹,

Mary Wallace²⁰.

On motion, the following persons were appointed executive committee for the current year:

Nathan Munro and wife²¹,

Mary Munro Hill and husband²²,

Daniel C. Munro and wife²³.

¹¹ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813-1900).

¹² THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826-1903).

¹³ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821-1900).

¹⁴ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801-1884).

¹⁵ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913) REPRESENTING JOHN MUNRO'S (1781-1860) BRANCH.

¹⁶ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835-1904) REPRESENTING BETSEY MUNRO'S (1779-1863) BRANCH.

¹⁷ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821-1890), REPRESENTING PHILIP ALLEN MANRO'S (1795-1870) BRANCH.

¹⁸ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853-1892), REPRESENTING DAVID MUNRO'S (1784-1866) BRANCH.

¹⁹ EDWARD JAMES MUNRO (1849-1884), REPRESENTING NATHAN MUNRO'S (1791-1839) BRANCH.

²⁰ MARY ARNE (1826-1916), REPRESENTING MARY "POLLY" MUNRO'S (1794-1878) BRANCH.

²¹ NATHAN MUNRO (1824-1886) AND SARAH A. DAWLEY (1826-1899).

²² MARY ANN MUNRO (1820-1878) AND THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810-1887).

²³ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819-1893) AND ELVIRA COMAN (1816-1897).

Laura M. Carpenter²⁴ read a historical sketch which she was requested to prepare for the press.

Rev. Thomas Rogers was called out and made some remarks very appropriate to the occasion.

Allen Munro²⁵ presented the Coat of Arms and Pedigree of the family, running back 1500 years.

On motion of William B. Rice²⁶, a vote of thanks was tendered to Miss Laura M. Carpenter²⁷ for her able and interesting historical paper.

On motion of Edward J. Munro²⁸, a vote of thanks was tendered to J. Page Munro²⁹, for the excellent manner of reading the paper giving the lineal descent of the family.

Remarks were then made by J. D. Rhoades³⁰, Payne Bigelow³¹, David A. Munro³², Thomas J. Munro³³ and Mr. Porter³⁴.

The following statistics were furnished by Mr. J. D. Rhoades³⁵:

The family members: 478
There are now living: 340
Present Oct. 7th, 1876: 130

Adjourned.

John Munro³⁶

Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Porter³⁷,

Resolved, That the historical sketch of the family, read by Miss Laura M. Carpenter³⁸, be printed in one or more of the daily papers of the county.

After some amusing and very pertinent remarks by the President, James M. Munro³⁹, on motion of J. D. Rhoades⁴⁰,

Resolved, That this meeting do now adjourn to re-assemble in these parlors on the 27th day of June next.

John Munro⁴¹

Secretary and Treasurer.

²⁴ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

²⁵ ALLEN MUNRO (1819-1884) AND JULIA ISABELLE TOWNSEND (1824-1906).

²⁶ WILLIAM B. RICE (1827-1903), SON OF AMY BROWN (1804-1867).

²⁷ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

²⁸ EDWARD JAMES MUNRO (1849-1884).

²⁹ JOHN PAGE MUNRO (1848-1885).

³⁰ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801-1884).

³¹ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814-1893), HUSBAND OF HANNAH MUNRO (1823-1902).

³² DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818-1897).

³³ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826-1903).

³⁴ MOST LIKELY DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818-1892).

³⁵ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801-1884).

³⁶ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821-1900).

³⁷ MOST LIKELY DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818-1892).

³⁸ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

³⁹ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813-1900).

⁴⁰ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801-1884).

⁴¹ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821-1900).

"Doubtless God might have made a better family than the Munros,
but doubtless God never did"

For centuries, in a quiet home-spun way, the Munros have been civilizing and evangelizing the world. By reason of their ancient birth they have had a pretty large share in the foundation and increase of the human family, and representatives are found in nearly every State of the Union.

They have shown from the beginning, that they possess in a remarkable degree the faculty of taking good care of themselves.

They are now, and have always been considered a weighty family. There may be questioning about wit and beauty, but by the ton they are regarded as leaders.

They are level headed and persistent, delight in the society of each other, and carry along from generation to generation the clanship of their Scottish ancestors. Family gatherings are common and strangers are welcome with genuine hospitality. I might enumerate their characteristics, but being connected with an eminently respectable branch, prefer to quote the words of a gentleman who has known the family for half a century. He says, "I do not believe there is so remarkable a family in the United States for the possession of sterling virtues." He finds that among the five hundred descendants of Squire Munro, the names for ministers, teachers, lawyers, physicians, State Senators, Members of the Assembly, Judges and a Lieutenant Governor occur.

The family have maintained an honorable record, and important offices of trust have been bestowed upon them by the kindness and good will of the reflow men. If any body is inwardly chuckling over fallen greatness, I will add, the exceptions are just enough to make the rule good.

Now dear friends if you are disposed to throw stones, reflect. You may be remotely connected by marriage or lineal descent. By the aid of Algebra, which science treats of unknown quantities and transposition of terms, you may find yourself belonging to some branch of this family tree. Therefore swallow the dose prepared, make wry faces in secret, think what good things the world owes to your own private family, but for to-day let us have our say. We do not complain that we are not appreciated. With the many private residences, with mills, stores, hotels, banks, churches, academies and colleges, bearing the stamp of the Munro foresight and prudence, that would be unnecessary. Perhaps the sage has not chronicled the deeds of our ancestors as he should. Perhaps our ancestors were too busy in caring for others to think of their own good deeds. Lorenzo Dow, the eccentric preacher once discoursed from the text, "If a man blow not his own horn, by whom shall it be blowed." The sentiment is as commendable to-day as it was then. With the exception of good cooking, groaning tables, and abundant larders the eulogies over the Munros have not been extravagant. Occasionally we hear the expression: The world has lost a good butter maker or something akin to it, as one steps out of this life of activity, but generally their lives are simple, their deaths happy, their funerals expensive and their memories blessed.

As we listen to the pleasant reminiscences, a feeling of pardonable pride fills our minds as we note the virtues of our ancestors, and the love and respect with which they are remembered by families and friends. If we have not the faculty of holding on and drawing ourselves steadily up, we may catch and hold fast that which falls into our hands. But if we are growing poorer and wiser, let us remember that brains without money are infinitely better than money without brains. But let us leave this great family of Munros in general and go back a couple of centuries and look into the lives of the old patriarchs who emigrating from Scotland, brought from thence with the Coat of Arms, and paternal name, the virtues and truth, honesty, industry, faith in God, and love for man. In those good old times, the household consisted of a baker's dozen, and it was no small undertaking to go "West," but with the motto, "Nett results and no chin music". they left their home, lost their fortune in the Connecticut River, and never despairing, with the everlasting arms around them, kind human hearts to assist, and an indomitable will to overcome obstacles, they finally reached what is now Elbridge, and were soon first and foremost in the work of civilization. The

churches in Elbridge, the Academy and other buildings are standing witness of the truth of this statement. We are fond of saying facetiously in our family circle, when opinions are rigorously maintained, "You have got your Munro blood up, or that is the Munro of it," which conveys the idea of stubbornness. But these remarks generally come from the imported stock. The Munros lay the blame to Tom, Dick or Harry, never to the Munros. The Munros to a Munro are never aggressive or self opinionated. It is a difficult thing to write a paper concerning the Munros, and leave them all out of it and quite as difficult to write a paper and put them all into it. But this paper would be deemed incomplete without a short history of the founder of the name in Elbridge.

Deacon Squire Manro was born in Rehoboth, Mass., June 27, 1757⁴². He was the oldest son of Nathan Manro⁴³. His grandfather, William with his great grandfather, John, emigrated from Scotland in the early settlement of America⁴⁴. His grandmother was the grand-daughter of Colonel Benjamin Church⁴⁵, the distinguished officer in King Phillips war⁴⁶. Squire Manro served three years in the Revolutionary war, and was married at the age of twenty-two in Mary Daggett, by whom he had ten children, six of whom survived him. Only one, Polly⁴⁷, the widow of Dr. Arne⁴⁸, of Wolcott, is now living. Educated in the Scotch Presbyterian faith, with a long line of ancestors holding the same views, after a careful study of the word of God he became a zealous Baptist, and these are his own words recorded in an historical sketch found in the history of the Baptist State Convention, published in 1837. I introduce this portion of his history, inasmuch as we are now assembled in the church, which he carefully nurtured and which was for him a home while he lived.

The strong church which now exists owes much to the generous and magnanimous man, who renouncing the practices of his forefathers, boldly and fearlessly advocated the doctrines which he believed to be the truth, and his children's children even to the third and fourth generation are doing good work for the God whom he so faithfully served.

These are his own words. "I was brought to the straight to see that I was a very great sinner, and that God would be just in my eternal condemnation. I gave up all for lost, when suddenly the words of John to his disciples, came into my mind. 'Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.' From that moment I saw all things new. My great anxiety then, was, to know what God would have me do. I accordingly commenced a thorough search of the scriptures, to know my duty. I conversed with many of the saints of God for information ; and, on examination, doubts arose respecting the practice of my parents, for I was educated a Presbyterian. I carried my doubts, for a solution to my pastor, who instead of enlightening me said. 'Why Manro you are a Baptist.' I was unwilling to submit to the duty so clearly pointed out in the gospel, until God by his providence made me willing to say 'Thy will be done, O God.' I was baptized by Elder Joseph Cornell, at Cheshire, Berkshire County, Mass., and united with the church under the care of Elder Peter Worden."

In the year 1799 he came to Camillus, now Elbridge. He kept a public house some years, purchased land with the proceeds and soon became a wealthy farmer. When it was thought advisable to build a meeting house, he sustained a great share of the expense, and gave it to the church. Squire Manro was a man of unusual strength of mind. He weighed a subject well before giving his opinion. He took a deep

⁴² MOST SOURCES SAY SQUIRE WAS BORN IN 1758, ALTHOUGH HIS GRAVE AND A FEW SOURCES SAY 1757.

⁴³ NATHAN MUNRO (1730-1806)

⁴⁴ THIS IS NOT HISTORICALLY ACCURATE-SQUIRE'S GREAT-GREAT-GRANDFATHER JOHN MUNRO (~1632-1691) IS THOUGHT TO BE THE "JOHN MONROW" ARRIVING IN MASSACHUSETTS AS AN INDENTURED SERVANT IN 1652 AFTER BEING CAPTURED BY THE ENGLISH IN THE BATTLE OF WORCESTER IN 1651. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A ROBERT MONROW, HUGH MONROW AND ANOTHER MONROW WHOSE NAME IS NOT READABLE ON THE DOCUMENT BUT WHO IS THOUGHT TO BE WILLIAM MUNRO THE PROGENITOR OF THE LEXINGTON MUNROS.

⁴⁵ BENJAMIN CHURCH (1639-1718).

⁴⁶ A WAR BETWEEN NATIVE AMERICANS AND ENGLISH COLONISTS AND NATIVE AMERICAN ALLIES BETWEEN 1675-78.

⁴⁷ MARY "POLLY" MUNRO (1794-1878)

⁴⁸ DR. DAVID ARNE, JR. (1785-1847)

interest in all benevolent objects. He made liberal donations to Madison University, was a zealous advocate of the sentiment that ministers should be well supported. He gave five dollars a month to foreign missions and was equally liberal toward other objects of benevolence. I might say much of the good done by his children, but it would prolong this paper, and their good deeds are always before us. The Congregationalist church, the parsonage and the Academy, owe their existence to the benevolence of Nathan Munro⁴⁹. While Camillus is justly proud of her sons, and Auburn, Baldwinsville, Throopsville and Syracuse, will all testify to the good deeds of the descendants of this brave pioneer. Now, although it would be fitting that a chronology of this family should be prepared with many incidents interesting to the living, I shall not attempt it. In the first place I should marry John⁵⁰, Mary⁵¹, Hannah⁵², Squire⁵³ or Betsy⁵⁴, to the wrong persons, which might bring discredit to the family, and in the next place it requires certain data and researches which time forbade me to obtain, and another year will roll right along, and the next scribe will want something to do. The present generation may smile at the well filled garrets, where thyme and rosemary, summer savory, peppermint, spearmint, catnip, smartweed, wormwood, boneset, pennyroyal, motherwort and coriander, made the breath of the old room sweet and kept the doctors from the house, the white sheets upon which rested the caraway, the vegetable oysters, the sage, the parsnip, carrot and other garden seeds, while out of the way far back the seed onions hang and the long golden ears carefully selected for seed, hang by the white braided strands which mystery we vainly tried to solve, and across the line the popcorn, and spread upon the floor by the bushels, butternuts, black walnuts, hickory nuts, beech nuts and chestnuts gladdened the eyes of the children. With the old clothes too bad for use, and too good to give or throw away, the old swords and guns, powder flasks, straps, ropes and a little of everything not enumerated, grandfather's garret presented an explanation of Dr. Kendrick's English for the impenetrability of matter. The "can't-go-through-it-ability-of-stuff."

We still smile at the anxiety to know that the platter was safe, and the indifference to broken bones, but platters were scarce in those days and bones plenty. We, many of us remember the quiet humor of grandfather Munro, who made us forget our troubles by the silver lining of the cloud always turned toward us. Did you burn your shoe or tear your clothes. How fortunate that it was no injury to your person as the clothes could be mended. Did you cut, burn or bruise yourself, the same happy outlook declared that the flesh would soon heal, how much better than as if the injury had come to the clothes. I speak of the families who have lived in Elbridge, because I know them better, not because they are deemed worthier.

The daughter of Squire, who settled in Elbridge, when obliged to give up the name of Munro did it up Brown, and her descendants in the great numbers revere the name. Some of her family have come into possession of Rhoads which are excellent in all respects, but one finding Rhoades inferior called again Samuel, and voluntarily took the name of Brown, while another unwilling to lay aside the Rhoads added Rhoads to Rhoads, and her way must be about right. The specimens of Rice which we have on exhibition in Elbridge, are as good as any this side of Egypt. If there are any bad developments they do not come from the Munro side of the house. Thomas W. Hill, a synonym in Elbridge, for justice, judgement, honesty, goodness and benevolence and every other virtue, has taken at least three Munros into his family any has besides if his own to perpetuate the name. Hon. A. S. Upham⁵⁵ has married twice into the Munro family. Samuel Brown⁵⁶ also, and several of the present generation. Besides there is a class which has become so numerous of late that I feel that I should do them an injustice to omit them entirely from this paper.

⁴⁹ NATHAN MUNRO (1791-1839).

⁵⁰ JOHN MUNRO (1781-1863).

⁵¹ MARY "POLLY" MUNRO (1794-1878).

⁵² HANNAH MUNRO (1788-1822).

⁵³ PROBABLY SQUIRE MUNRO (1758-1835)

⁵⁴ BETSEY MUNRO (1779-1863).

⁵⁵ HON. ALONZO SIDNEY UPHAM (1811-1882) MARRIED EMILY LOUISE MUNRO (1832-1920) AND MARY MUNRO (1808-1864)

⁵⁶ SAMUEL A. BROWN (1818-1897) MARRIED BETSEY C. BROWN (1818-1857) AND MARIA L. RHOADES (1831-1882)

Somebody says, "that the old maid of the period is round and jolly, with two dimples in there cheeks and a laugh as musical as a bobolink's song. She wears nicely fitting dresses and becoming knots and bows. She goes to concerts and parties and suppers and lectures and matinees and she don't go alone. She carries dainty parcels and wears killing bonnets, and has live poets and philosophers in her train. She has sense and conversation as well as dimples and curves. and she has a bank book and dividends." Now that is better expressed than I could have expressed it, although I have experienced the truth of it, still it seems more modest to quote. I have not been able to find anything so appropriate concerning bachelors. Doubtless something has been said in their favor; but it has not been brought so directly in my way.

But the world moves steadily on with the mystery of life and death ever before us. To many of us death has been a new revelation, to some a startling terror, while to others it was the laying aside of old garments for the robe of righteousness. If the Sun has gone down while it was yet noon we can realize that the Lord is the Shepherd who tenderly cares for his own and that blessed in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Thomas Hugs says, of his hero, when he heard that his old master was dead. "It was the first great wretch of his life. The first gap which the angel death had made in his home, and he felt numb and beaten down and spiritless," but he also adds, "I believe it was good for him. I had to learn by that loss, that the soul of man can not stand or lean upon any human prop in his own wise and merciful way until there is no ground nor stay left but Himself the Rock of Ages, upon whom alone, a sure foundation for every soul of man is land." This experience comes to us all, sooner or later. Death is inevitable, but it is not an evil. It causes separations, but we may enjoy an eternal re-union.

We may learn much of the mysterious love of God through these causes of earthly loves.

The Syracuse Journal – November 27, 1876

The Munro Reunion

The Munros convened in the parlors of the Baptist Church at Elbridge, October 7, 1876, to organize an annual meeting of the descendants of Squire Munro.

It was resolved that the meeting shall be known as the Munro Reunion, and that all members of the family shall receive an informal invitation to be present at these gatherings. That the proceedings of the meeting shall be published in the Syracuse papers and in the Jordan Transcript.

It was also resolved that the next meeting shall be held in the village of Elbridge on the 27th day of June, the birthday of Squire Munro, the first settler of the name in this county. The following persons were duly elected officers for the year 1877:

President James Madison Munro⁵⁷ of Camillus

Vice President Thomas Jefferson Manro⁵⁸ of Auburn

Secretary and Treasurer John Munro⁵⁹ of Elbridge

Executive Committee Mr. John Munro and wife⁶⁰, Mr. Daniel C. Munro and wife⁶¹, Mrs. Mary Munro Hill and husband⁶²

After the business arrangements were completed, a hundred and thirty-seven representatives of the family gathered about the tables, which were abundantly supplied with the good things of this world.

⁵⁷ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁵⁸ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁵⁹ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁶⁰ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900) AND EVELINE M. PAGE (1823–1877).

⁶¹ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893) AND ELVIRA COMAN (1816–1897).

⁶² MARY ANN MUNRO (1820–1878) AND THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887).

After the dinner, speeches were made by several gentlemen present, and a family history embracing many important details was read by Mr. J. D. Rhoades⁶³ of Elbridge.

He found by careful research that the descendants of Squire Munro now number four hundred and seventy-eight, three hundred and fourth of whom are now living. Some gratifying allusions were made to the various offices of honor and trust which the family have enjoyed, and many pleasant reminiscences were recalled, and testimonials pertaining to the honesty of purpose, and integrity of heart, made those present proud of their ancestry and infused into them a desire to emulate their sterling virtues. It was regarded by all present as one of the bright days of old, which come too rarely to us of the third and fourth generations.

The meeting was declared adjourned until June next, at the specified time, on which occasion it is hoped that all the family will come together; that it may be indeed a reunion of the Munros.

By order of Committee,

John Munro⁶⁴, Secretary

⁶³ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801-1884).

⁶⁴ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821-1900).

1877

The Syracuse Daily Standard – June 1877

The Porter family was well represented at the Munro gathering at Elbridge last week.

1879

The Syracuse Daily Standard – 1879

Mr. And Mrs. David Porter⁶⁵ attended the reunion of the Munro family, at Elbridge, on Friday last. Hon. James M. Munro⁶⁶, of Frankfort city, Kansas, was in town last week, visiting his relatives, Mr. And Mrs. David Potter⁶⁷.

The Marcellus Weekly Observer – July 3, 1879

The usual Munroe reunion was held in Elbridge Friday. We understand it took place in the Baptist church. One hundred and forty seven people were present.

The Syracuse Daily Journal – June 26, 1879

The preceptress, Miss Laura Carpenter⁶⁸, after attending the Munro reunion, which will be held in the Baptist Church in this village next Friday, the 27th inst., goes to the White Mountains for a part of her vacation.

The Daily Courier – July 1, 1879

ELBRIDGE

Correspondence of the Courier

Elbridge, June 28. The great event in the town of Elbridge this week was the annual reunion of the Munro family, which occurred on the 27th inst. It is estimated by actual count that there were 150 present. The utmost good feeling and harmony prevailed. Those from abroad tried to suggest some way of enjoying the social gathering without putting so much labor into it, which necessarily falls upon the Elbridge friends. It was also suggested to meet at Baldwinsville, but it seemed that Elbridge was the best place. The Elbridge people are so noted for genuine hospitality, and know so well how to manage such an affair, that it was thought to insure a success of it it would be best to meet on the third Wednesday in June next year at the same place. Mr. James M. Munro⁶⁹ of Kansas, the "lion of the day", was chosen president in the absence of the president, John C. Munro⁷⁰, and the vice-president, Jefferson Munro⁷¹. After the preliminary exercises the secretaries employed in the different families were called upon for the reports. Laura M. Carpenter⁷² read all the names of the descendants of John Munro⁷³ of Elbridge which numbered one hundred and forty-seven. Olivia Bigelow⁷⁴ read the names of the descendants of David Munro⁷⁵ of Camillus. Jonathan Munro⁷⁶ read the history of Philip Munro's⁷⁷ family. Squire M. B. Rhoades⁷⁸ said he had carefully rearranged his report from last year and was sure that the family of Betsey Munro Brown⁷⁹ outnumbered all the others, but when he came to the family of David Rives⁸⁰ he had laid down his pen and

⁶⁵ DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818–1892) AND LYDIA HUMPHREY MUNRO (1826–1900).

⁶⁶ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁶⁷ POSSIBLY DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818–1892) AND LYDIA HUMPHREY MUNRO (1826–1900).

⁶⁸ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁶⁹ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁷⁰ JOHN CARPENTER MUNRO (1809–1889).

⁷¹ MOST LIKELY THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁷² LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷³ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

⁷⁴ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892).

⁷⁵ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁷⁶ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

⁷⁷ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870)

⁷⁸ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904).

⁷⁹ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863)

⁸⁰ MOST LIKELY DAVID M. RICE (1832–1913), PROBABLY A TYPO IN TRANSCRIPTION.

did not complete the record and would have to wait until next year to report. Mrs. Wallace⁸¹ was not present to make a report of Mrs. Ames' family⁸², nor Edward J. Munro⁸³ of Nathan Munro's⁸⁴ family. It was moved that the same secretaries proceed with the report until a reliable record be obtained which shall be printed. Mr. Daniel Munro⁸⁵ moved that Mrs. Harriet Sisson⁸⁶ of Geneva be appointed in place of Mrs. Wallace whose health would prevent any work of that kind. Next, a paper was read by Laura M. Carpenter⁸⁷, on the families connected by marriage with the Munros, giving some account of Mary Daggett, wife of Squire Munro, who was made to shoulder a good many of the predominant characteristics which occasionally creep out in the different families there represented. After the election of officers, the meeting was adjourned.

⁸¹ MARY ARNE (1826–1916), WIFE OF DAVID B. WALLACE (1820–1877).

⁸² MOST LIKELY “MRS. ARNE’S FAMILY”, PROBABLY A TYPO IN TRANSCRIPTION.

⁸³ EDWARD JAMES MUNRO (1849–1884).

⁸⁴ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁸⁵ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

⁸⁶ HARRIET A. SISSON, WIFE OF THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887).

⁸⁷ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

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The Syracuse Daily Courier – June 4, 1880

The executive committee for the Munro reunion, met at Nathan Munro's⁸⁸ on Wednesday, and agreed upon the general arrangement for the 10th of June. The question now being agitated is where to go for recreation? If one might remain quietly in Elbridge it would be as near perfection as any other place. But other people are of the same mind.

The Elbridge Courier – June 19, 1880

THE MUNRO FAMILY.

Gathering of the Clan at Elbridge Comparing Notes for the Year.

ELBRIDGE, June 16. Perhaps there is no event of the year that produces so great an effect in our little town as the annual gathering of the Munro family. Small minds have an opportunity to show their smallness; generous minds show out generosity; jealousy and pride always absent, rankles in the hearts of those who are condemned by the green-eyed monster to eat humble pie instead of chicken, beef-roast, pig, and all the fine dishes that the best cooks in the county can concoct, and in the solitude of their homes congratulate themselves that they are in no wise inferior to the human family, especially to those who have married into the family and wish that henceforth, inasmuch as it seems likely to be a settled fact, the Reunion shall take place every year; that all bitterness and strife and evil speaking might be laid aside, and that we might all enjoy the best the day affords. The 16th of June brought into the church parlors one hundred and thirty Munros. The large dining room by twelve o'clock presented an inviting appearance, and soon after every seat at the tables was well filled, and all did ample justice to the substantial repast. Prof. Boriah's⁸⁹ ice cream which has long been celebrated at home, was received with many genuine compliments, and is largely advertised by this time. Representatives were present from Syracuse, Baldwinsville, Skaneateles, Auburn, Sennett, Throopsville, Camillus, Marcellus, Belle Isle and Phelps with their families and enjoyed by far the pleasantest gathering yet attended. After the collation the president, Daniel C. Munro⁹⁰, called the company to order and while the memory of the bountiful table was uppermost, a collection was taken, which amounted to five dollars and eighty-five cents, sufficient to defray all the expense incurred. The regular business was then in order. Officers for next year are president, D. C. Munro⁹¹; vice-presidents, John C. Munro⁹², of Belle Isle; D. A. Munro⁹³, of Camillus, T. Jefferson Munro⁹⁴, of Auburn, Allen Munro⁹⁵, of Syracuse; secretary and treasurer, John Munro⁹⁶, of Elbridge; executive committee and corresponding secretary for each branch of the family the same as before. A committee for general supervision of the required statistics was appointed, viz: Laura M. Carpenter⁹⁷, Squire M. Rhoades⁹⁸, Thomas J. Munro⁹⁹ and John Munro¹⁰⁰, of Camillus. The reports of the several branches of Squire Munro's family were called for in order. Miss Carpenter gave the number of John Munro's¹⁰¹ descendants 155, 100 now living, and in speaking of the changes of the year noted one birth, Lottie

⁸⁸ PROBABLY NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886).

⁸⁹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁹⁰ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

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¹⁰⁰ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

¹⁰¹ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

Curry¹⁰², grandchild of Nathan Munro¹⁰³, of Elbridge, and the death of Squire Munro¹⁰⁴, of Baldwinsville, which occurred in March. In memory of Squire Munro, we can but say this branch of the family has sustained an irreparable loss, a good friend, in the highest and best sense of the word, esteemed among neighbors and friends for his simple love of truth, for his unpretending and unostentatious integrity and for his love of home. Few children mourn a better father. Few wives have lost a truer or more affectionate husband. The other changes are the marriage of Mary DeClercq¹⁰⁵ to C. A. Mitchell¹⁰⁶ of Kansas, a stranger to us all, but judging from the past, we will venture the prediction that he will honor the family; and the introduction into the family of John Carter¹⁰⁷ of Syracuse, a young man well known in business circles and respected for his fidelity to principle and honesty of purpose, and who by marrying Hattie¹⁰⁸, daughter of Nathan Munro¹⁰⁹, suddenly found himself the possessor of five hundred new relations, and as he has been connected with a large family heretofore, we shall expect him to add honor unto honor.

Last, but by no means least, we have a miracle to record, and inasmuch as it was brought about by the level-headed persistence of a Munro, we watched the changes with a new and ever-increasing interest. The Ranneys have been for years the intellectual rivals of the Munros; so when the two great champions prepared to play the game of life we heard from the Ramsey side, "Check, check, check," and feared that the game was lost, but after a long siege John Munro¹¹⁰ so exultingly cried "Checkmate!" and won, although it is reported that he gave her back her queen and at last it was a draw-game. A draw game in another sense, as the courtship was managed after that fashion. It was draw from beginning to the end, the horse employed having served an apprenticeship with the young men in the family, and was perfectly trained for the business. If anybody is about to start out in pursuit of a wife, buy that horse of John Munro¹¹¹. Take your Dulcians to hear Joseph Cook lecture, and with plenty of pure air, gently exercise a mind steadied by hearing philosophers talk, joined to the Munro energy, perseverance and skill. I will guarantee success to the most diffident man present.

Miss Bigelow¹¹², of Baldwinsville, next presented a report for the changes for that branch of the family. She said there had been no births and one death, that of Grace Hill¹¹³, who present a year ago, "had been cut off like a branch in its blossoming. We own only give a loving remembrance to the dead, and honest sympathy to the living. But if to suffering souls the tender angel of ministry comes, she has surely appeared to this bereaved heart and is sweetly fulfilling his mission." Referring to the marriages¹¹⁴ in Mr. Bigelow's¹¹⁵ family she says: "They rejoice in the engrafting into their life of two new members," and in reference to Mr. Porter's¹¹⁶ sons' marriage¹¹⁷, "Nor can I close without commending the pluck and energy of the young branch who has taken unto himself a helpful young wife to give beauty to his strength, and honor and length of life to the grand old ancestral tree."

¹⁰² CHARLOTTE "LOTTIE" MAUD CURRY (~1880-) DAUGHTER OF MARY JANE MUNRO (1854-1916).

¹⁰³ NATHAN MUNRO (1824-1886).

¹⁰⁴ SQUIRE MUNRO (1804-1880), SON OF JOHN MUNRO (1781-1860).

¹⁰⁵ MARY LOUISA DECLERCQ (1852-).

¹⁰⁶ CHARLES ALBERT MITCHELL ().

¹⁰⁷ JOHN CARTER (1855-).

¹⁰⁸ HARRIET "HATTIE" MUNRO (1850-).

¹⁰⁹ NATHAN MUNRO (1824-1886).

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¹¹¹ JOHN MUNRO (1821-1900).

¹¹² OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853-1892)

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¹¹⁴ OTIS MUNRO BIGELOW (1849-1939) MARRIED LILLIAN MAUD SWETLAND (1859-1948) ON MAY 12, 1880 AND EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850-1891) MARRIED LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856-1955) ON OCTOBER 15, 1879.

¹¹⁵ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814-1893).

¹¹⁶ DAVID PLINY PORTER SR. (1818-1892).

¹¹⁷ DAVID PLINY PORTER JR. (1859-1885) MARRIED EMMA L. NEWCOMB (1863-) ON DEC 31, 1879.

Squire M. Rhoades¹¹⁸ was next called upon to report for the Betsey Brown¹¹⁹ branch. He claimed that the family far exceeded any other branch in number; and the names alone covered eight pages of foolscap and numbered two hundred and eleven. We have not had time to count up and compare, and we willingly give to him the championship until all statistics are received. Next followed eulogistic speeches by Messrs. J. D. Rhoades¹²⁰, D. A. Munro¹²¹ and Payne Bigelow¹²², in which the family was commended for humanity, benevolence and interest in the cause of education and Christianity, and although not fond of parading themselves before the public in pride, renowned for good works.

The Journal – June 18, 1880

Elbridge, June 16th The fourth annual reunion of the Munro family was held in the parlors of the Baptist Church today. A more delightful day could not have been selected. The sky was cloudless, the atmosphere cool and exhilarating, the roads dry but free from dust. From ten to twelve o'clock, carriage after carriage single and double, rolled into the village depositing their heavy loads at the parlor doors, until one hundred and thirty guests, representatives of almost every village, hamlet, nook and corner of the county and parts of other counties, were assembled. Hats, dusters, and wraps were at once laid aside, and with them all social, political, and religious differences and all went in for a good time. For a time mutual recognition, hand-shaking and social intercourse was the order of the day with the older ones, while the children found amusement and enjoyment in the yard adjoining. In due time the tables were spread and loaded with refreshments gathered in from near and far until of substantial and luxuries there was in abundance and to spare. After all had partaken to their heart's content, not to say their stomach's discontent, the president of the Association took the chair, and reports of committees to gather statistics for the year and, speeches were in order. S. M. Rhoades¹²³ reported for the Betsey Brown¹²⁴ branch of the family, Olivia Bigelow¹²⁵ for the David Munro¹²⁶ branch, and Miss Laura M. Carpenter¹²⁷ for the John Munro¹²⁸ branch. These reports show that in the language of Olivia Bigelow¹²⁹ "the year has come to us as the whole of life itself comes to most, bringing the pleasant and painful not unmingled." She spoke in an amusing way of the unfruitful branches of the great family, and expressed the hope "that, for the glory and perpetuity of our noble tree, to these unprofitable branches this may have been only a resting year." She spoke with pathos of the "In Memoriam," referring to the affliction of Mr. Thos. W. Hill¹³⁰, by the death of his promising son Isaac¹³¹, who was with them one year ago, Miss Carpenter¹³² reported that of the John Munro¹³³ branch there had been one hundred and fifty descendants, of whom one hundred and nine were still living. The most amusing part of her report refers to the courtship and marriage of our ex-Supervisor John Munro¹³⁴ and Miss Martha Ranney¹³⁵. It is as follows: "Last but by no means least, we have a miracle to record, and inasmuch as it was brought about by the level-headed persistence of a Munro, we watched

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¹²⁷ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

¹²⁸ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

¹²⁹ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892).

¹³⁰ THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887).

¹³¹ ISAAC W. HILL (1862–1879), DIED ON JULY 15, 1879.

¹³² LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

¹³³ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

¹³⁴ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

¹³⁵ MARTHA RANNEY (1821–1890).

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In this branch of the family a death had occurred, viz, Squire Munro, of Baldwinsville. S. M. B. Rhoades¹³⁸ reported that of the Betsey Brown¹³⁹ branch of the family, there had been 210 descendants, of whom 167 were living. The John Munro¹⁴⁰, whose descendants number 150, and the Betsey Brown¹⁴¹ whose descendants number 201, were children of Squire Munro and Mary Dagget, his wife, who settled in this town, then a part of the old township of Camillus, in 1779, and back to whom this now numerous and influential family date. Speeches were made by Hon. J. D. Rhoades¹⁴² of Elbridge, D. A. Munro¹⁴³ of Camillus, and Payne Bigelow¹⁴⁴ of Baldwinsville. The marriages during the year were Mary De Clerk to C. A. Mitchell¹⁴⁵ and Hattie Wiggins to Mr. John S. Carter¹⁴⁶ of Syracuse. The officers appointed for the ensuing year were D. C. Munro¹⁴⁷ of Elbridge, president; T. J. Munroe¹⁴⁸ of Auburn, D. A. Munro¹⁴⁹ of Camillus, and J. C. Munro¹⁵⁰ of Bellisle, vice-presidents; and John Munro¹⁵¹ of Elbridge secretary and treasurer. The third Saturday of June 1881, was fixed upon as the time for the next meeting. Among the guests was Sybil Munro¹⁵² of Auburn, widow of Philip Munro¹⁵³ back to whom this family date. She is of great age, and the sole survivor of that generation of the family.

After partaking of refreshments, of which Prof. Bulah's¹⁵⁴ ice cream formed a delicious part, the gathering dispersed to await the events and gather the statistics which another year shall reveal.

¹³⁶ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

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¹³⁸ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904)

¹³⁹ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863).

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¹⁴⁵ MARY LOUISA DECLERCQ (1852–) MARRIED CHARLES ALBERT MITCHELL () ON DEC 10, 1879.

¹⁴⁶ JOHN S. CARTER (1855–) MARRIED HARRIET MUNRO (1850–), WIFE OF THE LATE EUGENE C. WIGGINS (–1874) ON JULY 24, 1879.

¹⁴⁷ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

¹⁴⁸ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

¹⁴⁹ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

¹⁵⁰ JOHN CARPENTER MUNRO (1809–1889).

¹⁵¹ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

¹⁵² SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885).

¹⁵³ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

¹⁵⁴ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

The Daily Courier – June 21, 1881

TOWN NEWS.

What is Going On In Onondaga and Adjoining Counties.

ELBRIDGE.

ELBRIDGE, June 19. The sixth annual reunion of the Munro's occurred on Saturday, the 18th. A little after 12 o'clock the parlors of the Baptist church were well filled, and five generations of the family were counted. Aunt "Sybil,"¹⁵⁵ the only living representative of the second, was warmly welcomed, and although she stood alone in one sense, all her family having died, she was in the midst of hundreds of her own race. The company was composed of a greater number of children than ever before, and an effort was made to get a reliable report of the actual number of the descendants of Squire Munro, the first settler by that name in the county. As far as reported the number exceeds six hundred, the families of Dr. Arne¹⁵⁶ and Dr. Adams¹⁵⁷ not being as yet reported. It is hoped the list will be perfected by the third Saturday in June, 1882. At 2 o'clock dinner was announced and after a short prayer by Rev. Samuel Jones one hundred and forty-four were counted at the tables who did justice to the strawberries, ice cream, chicken pies, cold meats and the different kinds of cake and pastry, tea and coffee. The next tables numbered seventy five making the whole number two hundred and twenty-one the largest number yet assembled on this occasion. The President D. C. Munro¹⁵⁸ of Elbridge called to order and the report of the secretary and treasurer were read and approved. A collection of twenty two dollars was then taken which was declared sufficient for current expenses. Reports by the secretaries of the different branches of the family were next read by L. M. Carpenter¹⁵⁹, S. M. Rhodes¹⁶⁰, Olivia Bigelow¹⁶¹, E. J. Munro¹⁶² and Lizzie Monroe¹⁶³. Mrs. Holmes¹⁶⁴ of Auburn represented the other branches but was not prepared to report. The officers were all re-elected and speech making was in order. J. D. Rhodes¹⁶⁵ was first called out who briefly enumerated what Elbridge had received from the Munros, - The Presbyterian church was founded by Nathan Munro¹⁶⁶, so was the Academy and a fund of \$20,000 had been left from which the new academy had been built. The Baptist church was founded by another member of the same family, John Munro¹⁶⁷ and the Presbyterian church at Camillus by David Monroe¹⁶⁸ and his son D. Allen Monroe¹⁶⁹ had contributed largely to the building of the new Baptist church in that town. The mill, the Munro House, and a great number of beautiful residences here have been built by the family. He said Elbridge owes much to the Munros and he hoped the children would be taught to love the memory of Squire Munro, reverence his name and emanate his virtues. Rev. Mr. Jones was called out who thanked the committee for the invitation to attend this family reunion. It was his second experience and the contrast in number made him ashamed. He was glad that the Munros believed in large families, he had felt sometime that it was necessary to apologize for his but he thought the blessing of the

¹⁵⁵ SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885), WIFE OF PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

¹⁵⁶ MOST LIKELY DR. DAVID ARNE JR. (1785–1847), HUSBAND OF MARY "POLLY" MUNRO (1794–1878).

¹⁵⁷ DR. TRUMAN ADAMS (1785–1832), HUSBAND OF HANNAH MUNRO (1788–1822).

¹⁵⁸ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

¹⁵⁹ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

¹⁶⁰ MOST LIKELY SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904)

¹⁶¹ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892).

¹⁶² EDWARD JAMES MUNRO (1849–1884).

¹⁶³ POSSIBLY ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" ELLA MUNRO (1867–), DAUGHTER OF NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886) OR ELIZABETH "LIZZY" COOLEY MUNRO (1860–1927) DAUGHTER OF JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890)

¹⁶⁴ POSSIBLY CHARLOTTE ARNE (1821–1893), WIFE OF WILLIAM HOLMES (1822–1901).

¹⁶⁵ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801–1884).

¹⁶⁶ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

¹⁶⁷ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

¹⁶⁸ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

¹⁶⁹ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

Lord was upon their families. He spoke with great tenderness of Aunt Liby¹⁷⁰, the only one left of the second generation, and invoked the blessing of God upon them all. Ivid tried to keep the number but did not like to take out his pencil and had become lost and besides we were not all reported yet. E. J. Munro¹⁷¹ was next called out who excused himself in the presence of so many of more age and experience. D. A. Munro¹⁷², of Camillus, spoke with great emotion and feeling of the hand of God in the guidance and protection of so great a family, of the benevolent spirit which characterized them, and thought no better monument had been built by statesmen than represented this family in the public buildings, the schools and churches, and was glad that we had present to-day a representative of the family who had taken the name around the world. Hon. Payne¹⁷³ next addressed his dear wife's relations and said he was admonished before leaving home not to make a fool of himself and did not know where to begin, but wanted the friends to know that his son Otis¹⁷⁴ had a son and his family was doing what they could for the Munro name, and hoped they would go on until the room was filled, he thought that thanks should be tendered to Isaac Munro¹⁷⁵ for producing a girl¹⁷⁶, and hoped the blessing of God would always be upon the Munro family. The descendant of the Duke of Bedford is thankful that there is no aristocracy in the Munro family. Mr. Thomas Hill¹⁷⁷ and Jefferson Munro¹⁷⁸ on being called out each made one of Grant's speeches. Mr. John Munro¹⁷⁹, of Elbridge, said for the first two or three of these gatherings he had been fearful of the result, but to to-day was free to say that he was glad that the Munro reunion had been established, and that for one half day in the year we could look our relatives in the face and shake their hand, that this social feeling could not be kept up by visits the family had grown so large, but that we could by assembling at their gatherings once every year renew our friendship and keep each other in mind. He had a telegram to read from C. W. Plunkett¹⁸⁰, of Massachusetts, who sent kindly greetings and congratulations for himself and family to the Munro reunion. Miss Bigelow¹⁸¹ suggested that singing, a few well prepared speeches, an essay or two would be an improvement, and this was pieced in the hands of the executive committee to arrange. It was also decided to publish the minutes of the last three meetings. The reunion then adjourned to the third Saturday in June, 1882.

Auburn News & Bulletin – June 21, 1881

The Munro family of Elbridge, numbering six hundred all told, but not all present, had a celebration on Saturday. Mrs. Holmes of this city, represented one of the branches of the family. Over 200 people were in attendance.

¹⁷⁰ SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885), WIFE OF PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870)

¹⁷¹ EDWARD JAMES MUNRO (1849–1884).

¹⁷² DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

¹⁷³ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893)

¹⁷⁴ OTIS MUNRO BIGELOW (1849–1939).

¹⁷⁵ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

¹⁷⁶ MARY JANE "MERNIE" MUNRO (1881–1968), BORN ON APRIL 23, 1881.

¹⁷⁷ THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887).

¹⁷⁸ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

¹⁷⁹ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

¹⁸⁰ WILLIAM CAUDWELL PLUNKETT (1800–1884), HUSBAND OF LOUISA BROWN (1815–1881).

¹⁸¹ THIS COULD REFER TO SEVERAL DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF THE BIGELOW FAMILY.

The Syracuse Daily Standard – 1882

ELBRIDGE

Elbridge, June 28. The annual reunion of the Munro family was held at the Baptist church parlors on Saturday, June 17th, about 300 being present...

From Munro Will's papers

The annual gathering of the Munro family took place June 17 at the parlors of the Baptist Church in Elbridge. The day was bright and pleasant and noon brought families from all parts of the county. Mrs. Sybil Munro¹⁸², the eldest member, was a daughter-in-law of Squire Munro, one of the pioneers of Onondaga County, and the only representative of that age. She is in her ninety-sixth year, and is living at her old home in Throopsville with a grandson. Hon. J. D. Rhoades¹⁸³, who has been sick for some months, was present. We gladly welcomed many new relatives who for the first time attended this family gathering, prominent among them were Mr. and Mrs. John Munro¹⁸⁴ of Baldwinsville with three of the nicest boys in the world. We missed the well-known faces of John Munro¹⁸⁵ and wife of Belle Isle; D. A. Munro¹⁸⁶ and wife of Camillus; Mr. and Mrs. Harlan¹⁸⁷ of Throopsville, and Mrs. Thilman¹⁸⁸ of Elbridge. Many inquiries were made for William Rice¹⁸⁹, Squire Rhoades¹⁹⁰ and Dr. Rogers¹⁹¹. It is hoped they have not caught a disease somewhat prevalent during the last six years in Elbridge, but which is as harmless as any childish irritation or eruption.

Dinner was announced at two o'clock and six long tables were filled. All did ample justice to the roast pigs, turkeys, chickens, hams and a great variety of cake and pastry, strawberries, and ice cream which has made Professor Beulah famous. After dinner the President, D. G. Munro¹⁹², called the meeting to order and the report of the Secretary and Treasurer, John Munro¹⁹³, was read and adopted. A collection of twenty-seven dollars was taken to defray the necessary expense and keep the treasury good. Then the reports were read by the representatives of the different families. Miss Carpenter¹⁹⁴ for John Munro¹⁹⁵, Mrs. Lamson¹⁹⁶ read Mr. Rhoades¹⁹⁷ report for Betsy Brown¹⁹⁸, Miss Bigelow¹⁹⁹ for David Munro²⁰⁰. Mr. Jonathan Munro²⁰¹, Mr. Holmes²⁰² and Edward J. Munro²⁰³ did not furnish reports. Mr. Spencer²⁰⁴ of Syracuse moved that all the officers be retained, which was amended by Miss Carpenter, who thought the executive committee should

¹⁸² SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885), WIFE OF PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

¹⁸³ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801–1884).

¹⁸⁴ UNCERTAIN WHICH JOHN MUNRO THIS WOULD BE.

¹⁸⁵ JOHN CARPENTER MUNRO (1809–1889) AND EMILY BENNETT (1809–1897).

¹⁸⁶ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

¹⁸⁷ PROBABLY STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW (1819–1905) AND MARY MANRO (1822–1901).

¹⁸⁸ UNCERTAIN WHO THIS PERSON IS, IT MIGHT BE ANOTHER TYPO.

¹⁸⁹ WILLIAM B. RICE (1827–1903).

¹⁹⁰ PROBABLY SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904).

¹⁹¹ POSSIBLY SHERMAN S. ROGERS (1833–), HUSBAND OF HARRIET L. ARNE (1846–).

¹⁹² MOST LIKELY DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

¹⁹³ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

¹⁹⁴ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

¹⁹⁵ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

¹⁹⁶ LAURA ELIZABETH RHOADES (1828–1892), WIFE OF MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907).

¹⁹⁷ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801–1884).

¹⁹⁸ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863).

¹⁹⁹ POSSIBLY HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902), WIFE OF PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

²⁰⁰ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

²⁰¹ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

²⁰² WILLIAM HOLMES (1822–1901), HUSBAND OF CHARLOTTE ARNE (1821–1893).

²⁰³ EDWARD JAMES MUNRO (1849–1884)

²⁰⁴ ALVA CARLISLE SPENCER (1835–1883), HUSBAND OF AMY “EMMA” ELIZA RHOADES (~1837–1899).

be changed occasionally. Mrs. Daniel E. Munro²⁰⁵ nominated Squire M. Brown²⁰⁶ as President and Page Munro, Esq.²⁰⁷ of Syracuse, Vice-President; to this was added Elias Hale²⁰⁸, Mason Brown²⁰⁹, Myron Lamson²¹⁰, Squire Rhoades²¹¹ and Samuel Brown²¹², with their wives. Mr. Spencer preferred that Miss Carpenter's name be added, and Mr. Mason Brown moved that if Miss Carpenter should have a husband by the next reunion he should also have a place on the committee, all of which was passed by an unanimous vote. Mr. Jefferson Munro²¹³ called upon Mr. Lemuel Jones²¹⁴ for some remarks, who responded happily and gracefully. Fred Munro, Esq.²¹⁵ of Minneapolis, Minn. next made a characteristic speech. He had come eleven hundred miles for the pleasure of attending this meeting of kindred. He found that the name of the Onondaga County Munros was known far and near, and a pass word into good company. As Hon. Payne Bigelow²¹⁶ of Baldwinsville was detained at home, the meeting adjourned sooner than it otherwise would, and the "happy family" went home, anticipating the next meeting on the third Saturday of June 1883.

²⁰⁵ POSSIBLY FANNIE BLANCH MEDILL (1864–1940), WIFE OF DANIEL ELMER MUNRO (1860–1933) OR POSSIBLY ELVIRA COMAN (1816–1897), WIFE OF DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

²⁰⁶ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903).

²⁰⁷ JOHN PAGE MUNRO (1848–1885).

²⁰⁸ ELIAS REUBEN HALE (1837–1904).

²⁰⁹ CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888).

²¹⁰ MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907).

²¹¹ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904).

²¹² SAMUEL A. BROWN (1818–1897).

²¹³ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

²¹⁴ THE IDENTITY OF THIS PERSON IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

²¹⁵ FRED S. MUNRO (1862–).

²¹⁶ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

1883

The Baldwinsville Gazette – June 21, 1883

Half a dozen carriage-loads of members of the Munro family left this village for the reunion at Elbridge, last Saturday. A pleasant time is reported.

The Syracuse Daily Courier – June 23, 1883

D. A. Munro esq.²¹⁷, arrived home on Monday from his trip through Kansas and the west. Some one got mixed a little in a letter to the Courier one day this week in reporting the Munro reunion as having taken place last Saturday in Camillus, when it really did take place in Elbridge. We would be happy to have such an affair take place here but have to deny the fact this time.

²¹⁷ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

1884

The Syracuse Daily Courier – 1884

A HEAVENLY REUNION

The Gathering Together of the Descendants of the
Munro Family, A Most Enjoyable Event.

The Munro family, which organized its reunion, in the autumn of the centennial year, and have continued the organization annually, to the present time, celebrated the event on Saturday, June 21st. The branches of Squire Munro's family were all largely represented, the eldest representative of his immediate family and the only living one being Aunt Sybil²¹⁸, widow of his son Philip, formerly of Throopsville. The (---) stopped at the little red house east of John Munro's²¹⁹, climbed the hill and gained the consent of the occupant, Mrs. Hanly, to visit her old home, where she married and buried her first husband and married Philip Munro²²⁰, youngest son of the pioneer settler of this town. She was very much delighted to find the house so well kept and orderly, but declined the offered tea and sweet bread in reference to the good things in store for her. Hon. J. D. Rhoads²²¹ who had been feeble during the year and Thomas W. Hill²²², without whose genial presence the Munro's reunion would lose much of its (---) hospitality and who is recovering from a severe sickness, were able to be present. Although the time and labor of our citizens have been severely tried during the week by the demands for the annual festival given by the Ladies Aid Society, the picnic for the Band of Hope under the W. C. T. C. And anniversary exercises at the Academy, all whom were fed from the (---) (---), still the resources of the Munros were not exhausted, and the abundant tables ministered to the wants of nearly two hundred. After dinner those who could not endure the heat of the parlor assembled for the official business and literary exercise. There was a collection which amounted to \$29.76, and this was augmented by the sales of berries left. The ice-cream made at the Munro House was of excellent quality, and the executive committee are worthy of the (---) thanks they received from the reunion for their (---) management of the affair. The family secretaries were called upon for their reports, in order. Miss L. M. Carpenter²²³ reported one addition by marriage, Miss Oliva Bigelow²²⁴ six by births, Mrs. Lamson two births, Mr Jonathan Munro two marriages. The families of Mrs (---) and Nathan Munro²²⁵ were not reported. The following officers were elected; President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, the same as last year.

By request of Mr. Squire Brown²²⁶, chairman of the executive committee, Mr. Squire H Munroe²²⁷ was made chairman. Mr. And Mrs. Brown²²⁸ take the places of Mr. Mason Brown²²⁹ and wife who resigned. The report of the committee on (program[?]), appointed last year consisting of Miss L. M. Carpenter²³⁰, and Mrs. Mason Brown²³¹, submitted the following which was adopted as the program for 1885.

1. Official busines.

²¹⁸ SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885).

²¹⁹ JOHN MUNRO (1821–1900).

²²⁰ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

²²¹ JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES (1801–1884).

²²² THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887).

²²³ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

²²⁴ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892).

²²⁵ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

²²⁶ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903).

²²⁷ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926).

²²⁸ PROBABLY SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903) AND ELIZABETH A. GORHAM (1841–1907).

²²⁹ CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888).

²³⁰ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

²³¹ THE IDENTITY OF THIS PERSON IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

2. Singing, led by Jefferson Munro²³² & Son of Auburn.
3. Poem by J. Page Munro, esq.²³³ Of Syracuse.
4. Reminiscences of the Munro family, Rev. C. G. Carpenter²³⁴ of Philadelphia.
5. Ode, adapted to the occasion, set to familiar music, by Oliver Bigelow²³⁵ of Baldwinsville.
6. Singing.
7. Reports from the family secretaries.
8. Miscellaneous business committee on music.

Mr. And Mrs. Isaac Munro²³⁶, Mr. William Rice²³⁷, Mrs W. Seward Hale²³⁸, Mr. Jefferson Munro²³⁹, Mrs William Wood²⁴⁰, Mr. Frank Brown²⁴¹, Miss Hattie K Whitman²⁴², Mr. Weed Munro²⁴³, Miss Louisa Tyler²⁴⁴. The (chronicles?) of the family were read by the President D. C. Munro²⁴⁵, and a paper on family reunions read by Miss Carpenter²⁴⁶.

Like the measles, whooping cough, chicken pox and scarlet fever, reunions are contagious, they are (---) as we realize the (---) and breaking out. Just before the crisis, Talk of transferring the place of Meeting, putting off the reunion for a longer time, changing it to some other time in the year and many other (---) of a disordered brain. Occasionally we here not a polite, and restrained cough, but an unmistakable whoop but it passes harmlessly by, and the victim feels generally relieved by the outburst mild forms of chicken pox, (---) a mild poison through the air leave a very small scar on the person afflicted, and the scarlet fever which attacks young children is much dreaded but once lived through never comes back. These things have to be endured, let us bear patiently all opinions, and hope for good health in time to come.

It happened that our forefathers settled in Elbridge, lived and died there and from this center spread like the rivers of Eden North, South, East and West and all love to come to the old home. Some members of the family think that it is harder to stay at home than it is to go away. But if we had to kill our chickens and roast our veal we should feel (---) hereafter to stay at home. The reunions are ready and willing to pay women and men to do all the necessary work and there has always been, from the first, (---) money left in the treasury. We have been assured again and again that we were not in any way responsible for the failure or success of these family meetings. Persons are not expected to be present at every meeting, but by meeting year after year sometimes one branch of the family and (---) (---) (---). When these reunions were (---) I had never seen John C. Munro²⁴⁷ of Belle Isle, and hardly knew a representative of his family. I had never seen any of the Bigelows²⁴⁸ (or (---) know nothing of Philip Munro's²⁴⁹ family, not even the names of the children. I had

²³² THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

²³³ JOHN PAGE MUNRO (1848–1885).

²³⁴ CALVIN GREENE CARPENTER (1800–1893).

²³⁵ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892).

²³⁶ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922) AND EDWENA KNAPP (1849–1888).

²³⁷ WILLIAM B. RICE (1827–1903) AND JENNIE HALE (~1833–1911).

²³⁸ WILLIAM SEWARD HALE (1834–1924) AND CZARINA S. MUNRO (1845–BEF 1900).

²³⁹ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

²⁴⁰ SARAH MARIA BROWN (1835–1904), WIFE OF WILLIAM WALLACE WOOD (1834–1909).

²⁴¹ PROBABLY FRANK A.D. BROWN (1859–1919), BUT POSSIBLY FRANK GREEN BROWN (1852–1920).

²⁴² HARRIET "HATTIE" E. WHITMAN (1842–1933).

²⁴³ JACOB WEED MUNRO (1853–1907).

²⁴⁴ LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856–1955), WIFE OF EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850–1891).

²⁴⁵ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

²⁴⁶ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

²⁴⁷ JOHN CARPENTER MUNRO (1809–1889).

²⁴⁸ DESCENDANTS OF PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893) AND HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902).

²⁴⁹ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

heard my mother talk of Aunt Arne²⁵⁰ and her family but had no personal knowledge of them. Had never see (---) (---) or his wife and so on through the long line. Now I feel personally a sense of gratification, in the fact, that I am now acquainted with most of the families; if one is mentioned I know where he lives and something of his family, and have spent some of the pleasant days of my life among these new friends. Life is short in hours, and always uncertain. Can we not afford to spend one day out of the three hundred and sixty five, in a family reunion, recalling the blessed memories of those who have passed away from our sight, but whose kindly sympathy and genuine hospitality make the air fragrant with the (---) (---) offered in loving (---) on the altars of old homes. Is it not worth something to be able to look back over a record of centuries in which the family name stands out in (---) among business men, whose benevolence has manifested itself in many public benefactors. We do (---) (---) (---) that these are (---) (---) things done by the Munros. We know their imperfections a great deal (---) than anybody can tell us. We have inherited from our great grandmother wife of Squire Munro disposition to what she termed “poor spells” we get (---) or disaffected and do not overcome it we do so enjoy having our own way, we have inherited a certain persistence, which is very (---) when it is in the right direction but the persistence (---) just as strong when we are bent in the wrong direction. These particulars are well recognized axioms in the family, but with all our shortcomings, I think we stand as fair and squire in the world as any family equally large. The Union (---) to the president of this (---) (---), Mrs. Myron Samson, the (---) of (---) for the use of their parlor dining room and furniture; and through Mrs. (---) the gift was accepted, and the thanks of the (---) (---) to the Reunion. On motion of David Allen Munro²⁵¹, of Camillus, the Reunion then adjourned, to meet at the same time and place on year from date.

From Munro Will's papers

One Hundred and Seventy-five Representatives Assembled to Enjoy A Day's Festivities. The annual reunion of the Munro family took place in the church parlor on Saturday, June 21 - by far the largest and most enjoyable gathering of the kind. The oldest representative present and the , only one of her generation, was Aunt Sybil²⁵², widow of Philip Munro²⁵³ of Throop, who has passed her ninety-first birthday. Among her children present were Jefferson²⁵⁴ and Jonathan Munro²⁵⁵, with their families, children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Harlow²⁵⁶ and family, Mr. and Mrs. Benham²⁵⁷, Mrs. Atwater²⁵⁸ and family. From Baldwinsville, Mr. and Mrs. Bigelow²⁵⁹ with their daughters²⁶⁰. Kirby Munro²⁶¹, Charles Munro²⁶² and Mrs. Lizzie Munro²⁶³. The children of Henry Munro²⁶⁴, of Belle Isle, were present; Mrs. Wallace²⁶⁵ and Mrs. Holmes²⁶⁶ of Auburn, sisters of Mrs. Thomas Hill²⁶⁷; Russell Wheeler²⁶⁸ of Skaneateles, and Messrs. Healy²⁶⁹

²⁵⁰ MARY “POLLY” MUNRO (1794–1878), WIFE OF DAVID ARNE JR. (1785–1847).

²⁵¹ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

²⁵² SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885).

²⁵³ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

²⁵⁴ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

²⁵⁵ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

²⁵⁶ STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW (1819–1905) AND MARY MUNRO (1822–1901).

²⁵⁷ WYATT ALLEN BENHAM (1833–1906) AND CYNTHIA HELEN MANRO (1835–1919).

²⁵⁸ ERASMUS ATWATER (1824–1872) AND BETSEY LOUISE MANRO (1824–1906).

²⁵⁹ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893) AND HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902).

²⁶⁰ CLARA SAMANTHA (1845–1930), OLIVIA HALL (1853–1892), MARY ABIGAIL (1851–1933), LOUISA MARIA (1856–1955), AND EMMA (1864–1942).

²⁶¹ KIRBY CHAMBERLAIN MUNRO (1844–1917).

²⁶² CHARLES KIRBY MUNRO (1862–1934).

²⁶³ EITHER ELIZABETH ELLA MUNRO (1867–), ELIZABETH COOLEY MUNRO (1860–1927), LIZZIE MUNRO (~1868–), MARY ELZABETH MUNRO (1879–1898).

²⁶⁴ HENRY SMITH MUNRO (1835–1911).

²⁶⁵ MARY ARNE (1826–1916), WIFE OF DAVID B. WALLACE (1820–1877).

²⁶⁶ CHARLOTTE ARNE (1821–1893), WIFE OF WILLIAM HOLMES (1822–1901).

²⁶⁷ HARRIET ARNE (1825–1902), WIFE OF THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887)

²⁶⁸ RUSSELL BROWN WHEELER (1837–1910).

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of Jordan; Frank Munro²⁷⁰ of LeRoy; Miss Eva Munro²⁷¹ of Montclair, New Jersey; Miss Mary Carpenter²⁷² of New York, accompanied by her nieces, Misses Grace²⁷³ and Florence Carpenter²⁷⁴ of Syracuse; Miss H. Louise Carpenter²⁷⁵ of Phelps; David Allen Munro and wife²⁷⁶, with their sons and families from Camillus; William Sisson²⁷⁷ and family from Camillus, and many representatives of the Brown and Munro branches of the family from Elbridge. The day was excessively warm, but that did not prevent the gathering of a large number from the near villages and cities. One hundred and seventy-five were counted at the tables, which were abundantly supplied with cold meats, biscuit, cake, strawberries and ice cream. The president of the executive committee, Squire M. Brown²⁷⁸, deserves good praise for his judicious management. Elias Hale²⁷⁹ provided the best ice cream which has yet been served at the Munro reunions, and we were pleased to learn that it was made at the Munro House in this village. Messrs. Munro Hill²⁸⁰ and Charles McGowan²⁸¹ procured delicious home strawberries, and Mrs. Myron Lamson²⁸² and daughter exercised a general oversight without which much would have been detracted of the pleasures of the day. After dinner the president of the Munro re-union called the house to order and the report of the treasurer was read and adopted. On the suggestion of the president that the dishes, parlor and furniture necessarily suffered somewhat from the use, it was moved and carried that the treasurer pay into the hands of the president of the Ladies' Aid Society \$10, which was done. Mrs. Myron Lamson²⁸³, the president, being present, thanked the society in behalf of the ladies of the church for the acceptable gift, but suggested that it would have been very gratifying to her personally if the Munros had seen fit to have purchased some fitting memorial as an ornament for the parlor, which may also be done at some future time. The following officers were appointed for the coming year: The president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer as before; Squire H. Munro and wife²⁸⁴, Squire Brown and wife²⁸⁵, Elias R. Hale and wife²⁸⁶, Charles McGowan and wife²⁸⁷, Myron Lamson and wife²⁸⁸, Sam Brown²⁸⁹, J. Page Munro and wife²⁹⁰, and L. M. Carpenter²⁹¹ were appointed an executive committee. The report of the committee on the program for next year was accepted, viz: 1. Official business. 2. Singing. 3. Poem by J. P. Munro, Esq.²⁹² of Syracuse. 4. Reminiscences of the Munro families by Rev. C. G. Carpenter²⁹³ of Phelps. 5. An ode suitable to the occasion and adapted to some familiar music, to be written by Miss Olivia Bigelow²⁹⁴ of Baldwinsville. 6. Singing. 7. Reports from the family secretaries. 8. Miscellaneous business.

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²⁷¹ EVA MAY MUNRO (1856–1893).

²⁷² MARY E. CARPENTER (1844–1923).

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²⁸⁴ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926) AND KATHERINE MADDEN MCCABE (1851–1925).

²⁸⁵ EITHER SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903) AND ELIZABETH A. GORHAM (1841–1907) OR SQUIRE LEONARD BROWN (1857–~1910) AND CATHERINE "KATE" A. WARTON (1865–).

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The committee on music--Isaac Munro and wife²⁹⁵, J. Weed Munro,²⁹⁶ Mrs. Louise B. Tyler²⁹⁷, Jefferson Munro²⁹⁸, Miss Hattie E. Whitman²⁹⁹, William Rice³⁰⁰, Mrs. W. Seward Hale³⁰¹, Mrs. William Wood³⁰², Frank Brown³⁰³. By order of committee - Laura M. Carpenter³⁰⁴, Mrs. Mason Brown³⁰⁵. Miss Laura M. Carpenter gave the report for John Munro's family, increased by one marriage, no deaths and no births. Miss Olivia Bigelow³⁰⁶ reported for David Munro's³⁰⁷ an increase of six. Mrs. Myron Lamson³⁰⁸ for the Betsy Brown³⁰⁹ family, two births. No report for Nathan Munro's³¹⁰ branch nor Mrs. Arne's³¹¹. The report given by Mrs. Atwater³¹² for Philip Munro's³¹³ included two marriages and mention of the oldest member, Aunt Sybil³¹⁴. D. C. Munro³¹⁵ gave the following address:

In the scripture language of Nehemiah we would say, Thou art the Lord, the God, who didst choose Squire and Mary Munro, and brought'st them forth out of Rehobeth of New England, and gavest them a name, and found'st their hearts faithful before thee, and madest a covenant with them in Cheshire, the county of Berkshire, New England, to give them the town of Camillus in the then great State of New York, to give it, I say, to their seed, and hast performed thy word, for thou are righteous. Now it came to pass the twenty-first day of this month, the children and those adopted by Squire and Mary Munro assembled themselves together, and the children of Squire and Mary separated themselves from all strangers and stood up in their place, and read the book of record one-fourth part of the day. In thy great goodness thou gavest them this fat land. Behold we are servants this day on the land thou gavest unto our fathers, and it has yielded much increase unto the children of thy former servants, whom we welcome to this re-union, and extend a cordial hand of fellowship and kindly greeting, and because of all this we make a sure covenant together, each branch of the family for him or herself. The family is the oldest and most valuable institution on earth. In the garden of Eden it had its origin, and its foundation was no less a being than God himself, the author of life and the creator of the world. In the beginning God made the first pair, male and female, put them together in a common home and commanded them to be fruitful and multiply, and so the world was gradually filled by the increase of children and the multiplication of families and homes, and we who have assembled here today are the representatives of one family. There is not a single institution of earth, whether sacred or secular, but has had its rixe in the family. The church is simply a large Christian family. The State is nothing more than a congregation of families. Family government is the original model of State authorities, discipline and punishment. The father of a family was the first priest and preacher. There is probably not a country-bred man or woman present who has ever found in the luxuries of later life, anything so sweet and satisfactory as the simple meals with which he satisfied the play begotten appetite of

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²⁹⁶ JACOB WEED MUNRO (1853–1907).

²⁹⁷ LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856–1955), WIFE OF EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850–1891).

²⁹⁸ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903)

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³⁰⁰ WILLIAM B. RICE (1827–1903).

³⁰¹ WILLIAM SEWARD HALE (1834–1924).

³⁰² WILLIAM WALLACE WOOD (1834–1909).

³⁰³ MOST LIKELY FRANK A.D. BROWN (1859–1919), BUT POSSIBLY FRANK GREEN BROWN (1852–1920).

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³⁰⁵ CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888).

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³⁰⁹ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863), WIFE OF TIMOTHY BROWN (1774–1852).

³¹⁰ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

³¹¹ MARY “POLLY” MUNRO (1794–1878), WIFE OF DAVID ARNE JR. (1785–1847).

³¹² BETSEY LOUISE MANRO (1824–1906), WIFE OF ERASMUS ATWATER (1824–1872),

³¹³ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

³¹⁴ SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885), WIFE OF PHILIP ALLEN MANRO.

³¹⁵ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

childhood o The memory of early happiness is a treasure-house of sweet comforts and consolation. Its pure, simple, earnest joys become wells to draw from whenever we sit down in thirst and weariness by the dusty highways of life. Of this one good the world can never cheat us. To us who are older the sunshine of those days reaches across our little stretch of life, and mingles its rays with those which beam from the heaven of our hope. We may lay up in the receptacles of memory abundance of undigested material, which we recall and appropriate to our refreshment and nourishment, and this process of living life over again grows upon us as we grow in years, till at last it becomes our all. Exhausted power has no resource but to dwell upon its old achievements. Sir Robert Howard says, "Over all men hangs a doubtful fate, one gains by what another is bereft. The frugal deities have only left its common bank of happiness below, maintained like nature by an ebb and flow."

The meeting adjourned to meet one year from date, at the same time and place.

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CHORUS.

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By Order of Committee,

LAURA M. CARPENTER,
MRS. MASON BROWN.

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From Munro Will's papers

A Pleasant Gathering of the Munro Family
at the Elbridge Baptist Church Parlors.

The Munro Reunion which celebrated its decade on Saturday was the most enjoyable of the kind. The weather was cool and bright, and something over two hundred sat down to the tables which were abundantly supplied with the good things of the earth. David Allen Munro³²⁴ of Camillus invoked the Divine blessing and prayed earnestly that each one present might use these gifts to his own advantage and for the good of the world and the glory of God. We are sure that this petition was answered, for if the Munro family gave anything to be especially grateful for, it is the gift of a good appetite; and as the first requisite of success in life is to be a healthy animal, and in the mutual admiration society that followed, was shown conclusively that the premises were correct, it followed in the course of reasoning that the Munro family were the salt of the earth, at least in Onondaga Co. The family was represented in all the different branches. Miss Laura M. Carpenter³²⁵ for that of John Munro³²⁶, the number was increased by one, the marriage of Fred Munro and Cora Whitney³²⁷, two added by birth³²⁸ and two removed by death³²⁹. There were present, John Munro's³³⁰ family from Baldwinsville and Dr. Shumway's³³¹ family from Syracuse, descendants of Squire Munro, Mrs. Oliver G. Wells³³², Misses Laura³³³, Mary³³⁴ and Louise³³⁵, daughters of Rev. C. G. Carpenter³³⁶ of Phelps, Miss Hattie E. Whitman³³⁷ and Mrs. Joseph Thomas³³⁸ and family of Clinton, Iowa, daughters of the late Mrs. B. C. Whitman³³⁹, and the families of Daniel³⁴⁰, John³⁴¹ and Nathan Munro³⁴² of Elbridge.

Miss Olivia Bigelow³⁴³ reported for the David Munro³⁴⁴ branch that there had been no marriages or deaths, but that the number had been increased by several births. This family was largely represented by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Munro³⁴⁵ and son of Belle Isle, and the families of Henry Munro³⁴⁶ and Elias Hale³⁴⁷, and Mr. and Mrs. Porter³⁴⁸ of Lysander. Mr. and Mrs. Payne Bigelow³⁴⁹ and family of Baldwinsville, Judge

³²⁴ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

³²⁵ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

³²⁶ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

³²⁷ FRED S. MUNRO (1862–) AND CORA WHITNEY (1862–1897) WERE MARRIED ON JANUARY 15, 1886.

³²⁸ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING AS THERE WERE MORE THAN TWO BIRTHS SINCE THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S REUNION.

³²⁹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING AS THERE WERE MORE THAN TWO DEATHS SINCE THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S REUNION.

³³⁰ IT IS UNCLEAR AT THIS TIME TO WHICH JOHN MUNRO THIS IS REFERRING.

³³¹ JOHN PHELPS SHUMWAY (1836–1912) AND HARRIET HANNAH MUNRO (1837–1917).

³³² ANNA ELIZA CARPENTER (1836–1914) WAS MARRIED TO OLIVER YORK WELLS (1834–1913).

³³³ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

³³⁴ MARY E. CARPENTER (1844–1923).

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³⁴⁵ JOHN CARPENTER MUNRO (1809–1889) AND EMILY BENNETT (1809–1897).

³⁴⁶ HENRY MUNRO (1835–1911).

³⁴⁷ ELIAS REUBEN HALE (1837–1904).

³⁴⁸ DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818–1892) AND LYDIA HUMPHREY MUNRO (1826–1900).

³⁴⁹ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893) AND HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902).

Dwight and wife³⁵⁰ of Auburn, David Allen Munro and wife³⁵¹ of Camillus and the family of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill³⁵² of Elbridge.

Mrs. Caroline Munro³⁵³ of Dresden, Germany, who is visiting in this country, reported the changes in the Nathan Munro³⁵⁴ branch, in the death of Robert Townsend³⁵⁵ of Syracuse, on the 40th anniversary of the marriage of her parents³⁵⁶. Mrs. Munro and Mr. Nash³⁵⁷, grandson of Mrs. Burnet³⁵⁸ we think, were the only representatives of the family.

Mrs. Jonathan Munro³⁵⁹ reported for Philip Munro's³⁶⁰. She alluded at the to the death of the oldest representative Sybil Munro³⁶¹, at the age of 93 and to several births, and gave a short history of Mrs. Sybil Munro's life.

This family was represented by the sons of Jonathan³⁶² and Jefferson Munro³⁶³ of Auburn and the daughters, Mrs. Atwater³⁶⁴, Mrs. Harlan³⁶⁵ and Mrs. Benham³⁶⁶ of Throopsville with their families.

The young gentlemen and ladies of this family, through Mrs. Barnes³⁶⁷, daughter of Jonathan Munro³⁶⁸, offered to wait upon the tables this year, and thus relieve the Elbridge ladies of that part of the work. The offer was accepted in the same spirit in which it was made, and the work proceeded as pleasantly and quietly as usual, with the added grace, that willing service always gives. A few of the trained and trusted leaders stood at the helm, among them we noticed Squire Munro³⁶⁹, Elias Hale³⁷⁰, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGowan³⁷¹, Miss Mary Lamson³⁷², and Squire M. Brown³⁷³, to whose efficient work, though done without any pretension, much of the success of this reunion is due.

There was no record given of the Betsey Brown branch. Squire M. B. Rhoades³⁷⁴, being constitutionally afflicted with diffidence and dislike to anything that savors of public life, and to everything of the spread eagle kin, absented himself from the company when the reports were called for. There were present: Samuel Brown³⁷⁵ and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Brown³⁷⁶, Mr. and Mrs. Squire M. Brown³⁷⁷ and

³⁵⁰ CHARLES CHAUNCEY DWIGHT (1830–1902) AND EMMA MUNRO (1847–1937).

³⁵¹ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897) AND ELECTRA REYNOLDS SMITH (1825–1894).

³⁵² THOMAS W. HILL (1810–1887) AND HARRIET ARNE (1825–1902).

³⁵³ POSSIBLY CAROLINE A. CLARK (1825–1917), WIFE OF JAMES MUNRO (1815–1869).

³⁵⁴ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

³⁵⁵ ROBERT TOWNSEND (1854–1886) DIED ON MAY 21, 1886.

³⁵⁶ JOHN BARBER BURNET (1818–1889) AND CYNTHIA MARIA MUNRO (1826–1913) WERE MARRIED ON JUNE 9, 1846.

³⁵⁷ PROBABLY JOHN BURNET NASH (1872–1939).

³⁵⁸ CYNTHIA MARIA MUNRO.

³⁵⁹ PROBABLY TEMMA C. CASTNER (1866–1936), WIFE OF FRED JONATHAN MUNRO (1863–1942).

³⁶⁰ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

³⁶¹ SIBEL ROBERTS (1793–1885).

³⁶² JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

³⁶³ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

³⁶⁴ IT IS UNCLEAR WHICH "MRS. ATWATER" IS BEING REFERENCED.

³⁶⁵ POSSIBLY MARY MANRO (1822–1901), WIFE OF STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW (1819–1905).

³⁶⁶ POSSIBLY CYNTHIA HELEN MANRO (1835–1919), WIFE OF WYATT ALLEN BENHAM (1833–1906).

³⁶⁷ ELIZABETH "LIZZY" COOLEY MUNRO (1860–1927), WIFE OF ASA RANDALL BARNES (1858–1926).

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family, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Rhoades³⁷⁸ and family, Harry Rice,³⁷⁹ Mr. Healy³⁸⁰ of Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Squire M. B. Rhoades³⁸¹ and family, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Lamson³⁸² and daughter³⁸³.

We think there was no representative of the Arne family excepting Mrs. Thomas Hill's³⁸⁴ children and grandchildren, and no report was given from that branch. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill were missed by many old friends and their absence regretted by all. Mr. Hill has become so infirm that he could not for the first time attend the reunion.

After dinner the President, Daniel C. Munro³⁸⁵, called the meeting to order, and the Secretary and Treasurer, John Munro³⁸⁶, read his report which was accepted. The President resigned his office on account of his becoming somewhat deaf. He said it was quite embarrassing for him as he could not always hear the motions, etc. The meeting reluctantly accepted the resignation of Mr. Munro, who had so long and faithfully served them, and nominated Jefferson Munro³⁸⁷ of Auburn for the place. The other officers were continued. The committee on family reports are Laura M. Carpenter³⁸⁸, Squire M. B. Rhoades³⁸⁹, Olivia Bigelow³⁹⁰, Mrs. Jonathan Thomas³⁹¹, Mrs. Wallace³⁹² and Mrs. Townsend³⁹³. This committee is to report to the secretary by the first of May. If the report is not forth coming the following committee was appointed to make a report; Laura M. Carpenter³⁹⁴, Mrs. Mason Brown³⁹⁵, Mrs. Myron Lamson³⁹⁶ and Irving Smith³⁹⁷. Committee on program for 1887: Laura M. Carpenter³⁹⁸ and Mrs. Mason Brown³⁹⁹; committee on invitation: Misses Ella⁴⁰⁰ and Fannie Brown⁴⁰¹; executive committee: Squire Munro⁴⁰², Squire M. Brown⁴⁰³, Myron Lamson⁴⁰⁴, Charles McGowan⁴⁰⁵, Elias Hale⁴⁰⁶, with their wives. Samuel Brown⁴⁰⁷, Mrs. Ella Munro⁴⁰⁸ and Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁴⁰⁹. Regrets were received by the secretary, John Munro⁴¹⁰ from Messrs. John Wheeler⁴¹¹ of

³⁷⁸ PROBABLY MARY RHODA BROWN (1857–1899), WIFE OF JOHN IRVING RHODES (1852–),

³⁷⁹ WILLIAM HARRY RICE (1863–1914).

³⁸⁰ PROBABLY TIMOTHY B. HEALY (1830–1909).

³⁸¹ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904) AND HARRIET AUGUSTA PRESTON (1839–1929).

³⁸² MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907) AND LAURA ELIZABETH RHOADES (1828–1892).

³⁸³ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

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³⁹³ HARRIET MUNRO (1829–1919), WIFE OF ROBERT TOWNSEND (1819–1866).

³⁹⁴ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

³⁹⁵ LUCINDA EUGENIA COLE (1827–1872), WIFE OF CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888).

³⁹⁶ LAURA ELIZABETH RHOADES (1828–1892), WIFE OF MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907).

³⁹⁷ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

³⁹⁸ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

³⁹⁹ LUCINDA EUGENIA COLE (1827–1872), WIFE OF CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888).

⁴⁰⁰ ELLA CYNTHIA BROWN (1866–1934).

⁴⁰¹ FANNIE ELIZA BROWN (1893–1899).

⁴⁰² SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926).

⁴⁰³ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903).

⁴⁰⁴ MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907).

⁴⁰⁵ CHARLES G. MCGOWAN (–1924).

⁴⁰⁶ ELIAS REUBEN HALE (1837–1904).

⁴⁰⁷ SAMUEL A. BROWN (1818-1897).

⁴⁰⁸ PROBABLY MARY ELLA MUNRO (1847–1940).

⁴⁰⁹ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

⁴¹⁰ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁴¹¹ JOHN MASON WHEELER (1831–1919).

Wisconsin, Edward Lamson⁴¹² of Ohio, Mrs. A. E. Spencer⁴¹³ and family of Syracuse, J. M. Carpenter⁴¹⁴ and family of Syracuse, Mr. and Mrs. Plunkett⁴¹⁵ of Mass., Fred Brown⁴¹⁶ of Genesee, and Rev. Wm. C. P. Rhoades⁴¹⁷ of Brooklyn. Payne Bigelow⁴¹⁸ of Baldwinsville promptly responded to an invitation to speak and amused his friends in his characteristic manner. David Allen Munro⁴¹⁹ made a witty speech and called upon Judge Dwight⁴²⁰ who very happily and gracefully responded. As it was his first introduction to the Munros in their united capacity and in view of all the pleasant things he said, we shall excuse him for supposing them all Orthodox, Scotch, Presbyterians and Republicans. The most enjoyable feature of the day was the paper of Irving Smith which showed that its author had given much time and research in the investigation of the family history, and many amusing anecdotes were given, none more instructing than the last will and testament of Squire Munro.

On motion of Miss Carpenter⁴²¹, it was carried that Mr. Smith⁴²² be invited to present his history to the family who should preserve it among the archives for future reference. as it contains also a reliable chronological history of the Munros, this side of the ocean. The Ladies Aid society were presented with \$5.00 for the use of the parlors and dining room, etc., and Mrs. Lamson⁴²³, the president, thanked the donors for the gift. After again indulging in ice cream and strawberries, the young people finished the day by a drive to Weedsport via Jordan and all left the parlors satisfied that the Munro Reunion is not likely to become a thing of the past.

⁴¹² MOST LIKELY HAROLD EDGAR LAMSON (1886–1960) OF NEWARK, LICKING CO., OHIO.

⁴¹³ AMY “EMMA” ELIZA RHOADES (1837–1899), WIFE OF ALVA CARLISLE SPENCER (1835–1883).

⁴¹⁴ JOHN MUNRO CARPENTER (1842–1921).

⁴¹⁵ EITHER WILLIAM BROWN PLUNKETT (1850–1917) AND LYDA FRENCH (1850–1907) OR CHARLES TIMOTHY PLUNKETT (1855–1927) AND LEILA E. TAYLOR (1856–1908).

⁴¹⁶ FREDERICK PARKHAM BROWN (1821–1889).

⁴¹⁷ WILLIAM CALDWELL PLUNKETT RHOADES (1877–1929).

⁴¹⁸ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

⁴¹⁹ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

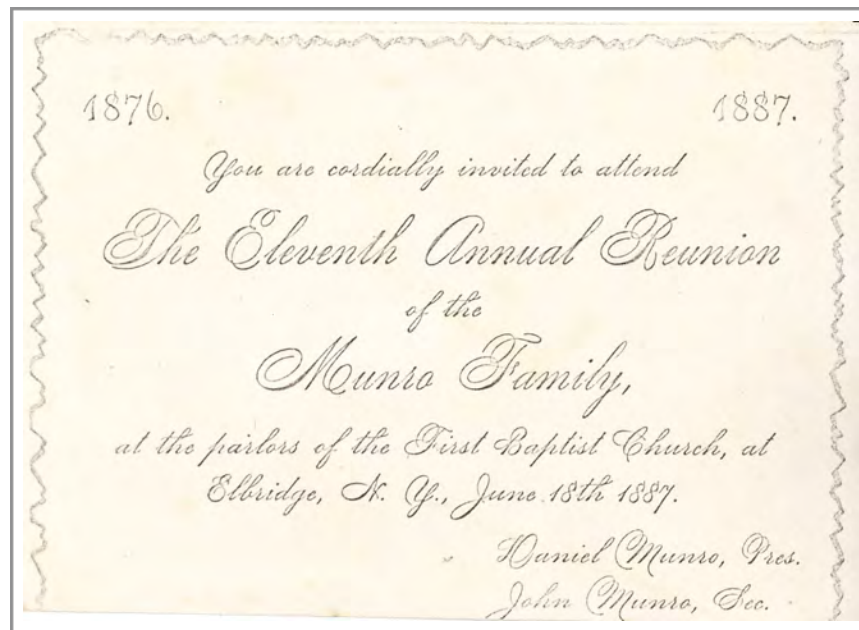
⁴²⁰ CHARLES CHAUNCEY DWIGHT (1830–1902).

⁴²¹ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁴²² IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁴²³ PROBABLY LAURA ELIZABETH RHOADES (1828–1892), WIFE OF MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907).

1887



Syracuse Daily Standard – 1887

The Munro reunion was held at the Baptist church parlors on Sunday and was well attended.

The Syracuse Journal – June 19, 1888

The annual reunion of the Munro family was held in the Baptist church parlor Saturday. Members of the different branches of the family to the number of one hundred thirty were in attendance. After dinner speeches were made by Payne Bigelow⁴²⁴, Hon. D. A. Munro⁴²⁵, Hon. James M. Munro⁴²⁶ of Kansas, and others. Prominent in the (---) report were the deaths of Mrs. Ann Sorrowood Munro⁴²⁷, wife of James Munro⁴²⁸ which sad event occurred nine days after the celebration of their golden wedding, Thomas W. Hill⁴²⁹ and C. Mason⁴³⁰.

*From Munro Will's papers
(which incorrectly says 1887)*

The 12th annual reunion of the Munro family occurred on Saturday the 16th. A violent storm on the preceding evening had purified the air and laid the dust so that the circumstances were very favorable for those living in neighboring villages to drive. The fear of diphtheria kept many of the little ones at home, and all had anticipated a smaller gathering than usual. Soon after 12 o'clock, dinner was announced and the tables were soon filled. The young people from Auburn had volunteered to wait upon the tables and did their work like veterans, the "indispensable three" worked like trojans. Mr. Elias Hale⁴³¹ stood guard over the ice cream which he had ordered, as usual, and which proved to be the best yet made by Mrs. Pierce⁴³² of the Munro House. Although it was served bountifully at first many before leaving partook a second time and there was a good deal sent to families who were not able to be present. Squire Brown⁴³³ and Squire Munro⁴³⁴ carved the roast pigs which their bounty had provided, and upon which, their grandfathers would have smiled approvingly as did their uncles and aunts, we observed the head was severed and presented with due ceremony by Mr. Charles McGowan⁴³⁵ to Mr. David Rice⁴³⁶. The executive committee failed to cooperate so that the burden fell upon one or two families, which must be prevented in the future if possible. Misses Ella⁴³⁷ and Fannie Brown⁴³⁸ sent invitations to several hundred and regrets were received from comparatively few, among them was a letter from a clergyman, now settled in this state who is recently from Scotland and knew the clan on their native heath or by the "Roe", as the name signifies, "The Man by the Ro River". We have his promise to be present next year and hope for an account of the home scenes . . . The officers were, for the most part, re-elected also the corresponding secretaries for each branch of the family tree. Miss Sybil Munro⁴³⁹ of Auburn, was chosen in the place of Jonathan Munro⁴⁴⁰ and Mrs. Brinkerhoff⁴⁴¹ for the Arne Branch. The reports were then read in order. Miss Carpenter⁴⁴² said the family

⁴²⁴ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

⁴²⁵ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

⁴²⁶ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁴²⁷ ANNA H. SHERWOOD (1813–1887) DIED ON APRIL 7, 1887.

⁴²⁸ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁴²⁹ THOMAS W. HILL (1810–1887).

⁴³⁰ PROBABLY CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888).

⁴³¹ ELIAS REUBEN HALE (1837–1904).

⁴³² THIS DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE A FAMILY MEMBER.

⁴³³ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903).

⁴³⁴ SQUIRE MUNRO (1804–1880).

⁴³⁵ CHARLES C. MCGOWAN (–1924).

⁴³⁶ DAVID M. RICE (1832–1913).

⁴³⁷ ELLA CYNTHIA BROWN (1866–1934).

⁴³⁸ FANNIE ELIZA BROWN (1893–1899).

⁴³⁹ SIBYL H. MANRO (1862–).

⁴⁴⁰ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

⁴⁴¹ EMILINE FOOTE HOLMES (1848–), WIFE OF TRUMAN SHEPARD BRINKERHOFF (1832–1888).

⁴⁴² LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

has been increased by two additions, Gertrude Gardiner⁴⁴³ born at Jefferson, Wis., great-granddaughter of Mrs. B. C. Whitman⁴⁴⁴ whose picture Rev. C. G. Carpenter⁴⁴⁵ of Phelps, has known all of five generations says, shows no depreciation in the family. The other is Albert Munro⁴⁴⁶, son of Squire Munro⁴⁴⁷ of Elbridge, who was there to speak for himself, and it is fortunate he was not old enough to be spoiled by all the compliments he received. As the Brown family are anxious to become the banner family and their activity during the year deserves encouragement, Miss Carpenter here closed her report, when a voice heavy with suppressed wrath, shaky with emotion, high with indignation, and fierce with determination sounded from the north east corner of the parlor, we were nearly annihilated but as soon as we could recover and lift our eyes, beheld the majestic form of Mrs. John Munro⁴⁴⁸ of Baldwinsville, who standing as the representative of wounded dignity hurled at us these words, "I want this assembly to understand that I have had a son married this year and whenever I have a son married or when I have any babies, I want them duly reported". The reporter meekly apologizing, promised to do double duty another year, and on being introduced to Mrs. Jack Munro⁴⁴⁹, did not blame Mrs. John one bit for wishing the people to know that she had an abiding interest in the beautiful bride, especially she was her first daughter.

Mr. Will Brown⁴⁵⁰ made the report for his grandmother's family. They claim a hundred and ninety-six living representatives. We think that must be about fifty too many and 'then the family would be far ahead Of the others numerically but when we come to the physical and intellectual, we claim the banner. He reported the death of Mr. Mason Brown⁴⁵¹, the marriage of his two sons⁴⁵² and the birth of a child to Louis Spencer⁴⁵³.

Mrs. Jonathan Munro⁴⁵⁴ made the report for the Philip Munro⁴⁵⁵ branch. This family adhere to the original spelling of the word Munro. This family numbers 80, there was no change except the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Asa Barnes⁴⁵⁶ of Auburn.

Mrs. Curtiss⁴⁵⁷ of Syracuse, formerly Olivia Bigelow, gave a report for David Munro⁴⁵⁸, alluding affectionately to the life and death of Thomas W. Hill⁴⁵⁹, his love for his kindred and desire for the perpetuation of the reunion, that the future generations might know and love their kindred and reverence the deeds of their ancestors, also to the death of Edwina Munro⁴⁶⁰, who was taken from her family when she could not be given up except to that grim necessity which takes no denial, to the birth of a child⁴⁶¹ to Mr.

⁴⁴³ GERTRUDE GARDINER (1888-) WAS BORN ON MARCH 20, 1888

⁴⁴⁴ BETSEY CAROLINE MUNRO (1810-1885), WIFE OF JOSEPH C. WHITMAN (1806-1851).

⁴⁴⁵ CALVIN GREENE CARPENTER (1800-1893).

⁴⁴⁶ IT IS UNCLER HOW ALBERT MUNRO CONNECTS TO THE FAMILY.

⁴⁴⁷ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851-1926).

⁴⁴⁸ MARY STOUGHTON MINARD (1838-1894), WIFE OF JOHN HENRY MUNROE (1835-1905).

⁴⁴⁹ EUGENE CHAMBERLAIN "JACK" MUNRO (1865-1913) MARRIED BESSIE LOUIS GORDON (1868-1951) ON OCT. 11, 1887.

⁴⁵⁰ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863-1940).

⁴⁵¹ CALEB MASON BROWN (1825-1888) DIED ON MAY 30, 1888 SO IT'S UNCLER HOW THIS ACCOUNT COULD OCCUR IN 1887.

⁴⁵² EDWIN M. BROWN (1852-) MARRIED LILLIAN V. IN 1887; SQUIRE LEONARD BROWN (1857-AFTER 1910) MARRIED CATHERINE "KATE" A. WARTON ON NOVEMBER 21, 1887.

⁴⁵³ A. CARL SPENCER (1886-1967), BORN ON OCTOBER 22, 1886.

⁴⁵⁴ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821-1890)

⁴⁵⁵ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795-1870).

⁴⁵⁶ ASA RANDALL BARNES (1858-1926) AND ELIZABETH "LIZZY" COOLEY MUNRO (1860-1927) HAD A DAUGHTER, PEARL WOODWORTH BARNES ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1887.

⁴⁵⁷ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853-1892) MARRIED EDWARD F. CURTIS (1852-) ON JAN 25, 1888.

⁴⁵⁸ DAVID MUNRO (1784-1866).

⁴⁵⁹ THOMAS W. HILL (1810-1887) DIED ON DEC 7, 1887.

⁴⁶⁰ EDWENA KNAPP (1849-1888), WIFE OF ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848-1922) DIED ON MARCH 12, 1888.

⁴⁶¹ HELEN MARGARET BIGELOW, BORN JUNE 8, 1888 AND DIED ON OCTOBER 11, 1888.

Otis Bigelow⁴⁶² and a daughter⁴⁶³ to Mr. Frank Brown⁴⁶⁴, her own happy marriage congratulating herself and the Munro family on the success attending her efforts to increase the family by so valued an acquisition as her husband had proved to be. The families of Nathan Munro⁴⁶⁵ and Mrs. Arne⁴⁶⁶ were not reported. The report of the treasurer being accepted and adopted. The chairman of the executive committee announced the expenses .occurred to be \$35.00. Messrs. William Brown⁴⁶⁷, Elmer Munro⁴⁶⁸ and Asa Barnes⁴⁶⁹ were appointed a committee to take the collection. They raised the required amount in about five minutes. Prof. T. K. Wright⁴⁷⁰, Rev. A. N. Raven⁴⁷¹, James Munro⁴⁷² of Kansas, D. Allen Munro⁴⁷³ of Camillus, Payne Bigelow⁴⁷⁴ of Baldwinsville and Dr. Shumway⁴⁷⁵ of Syracuse, were called upon for speeches.

The Munros had no cause for complaints of the estimation in which they are held by themselves and their visitors, even Prof. Wright made a commendable improvement in his estimation of the family. Payne Bigelow⁴⁷⁶ said he wanted to hear his brother-in-law, James Munro⁴⁷⁷ of Kansas, tell some of his western stories. He had told him that the farmers cut off the heads of the rattle snakes and left their bodies on the ground to fertilize it, and the cyclones carried off the wells. Mr. James Munro⁴⁷⁸ spoke enthusiastically of the resources of Kansas, and told stories big enough about their cyclones and marvelous growth. He said while he lived he hoped to live in Kansas and when he died he wanted to lay his bones in Kansas soil. It was the state of his adoption and he loved it. Mr. David A. Munro⁴⁷⁹ assented to what his brother had said of Kansas, and both spoke to the edification of the friends. As many business men of Syracuse had signified a wish to attend if it were any other day but Saturday, it was voted that next year we meet on the Thursday after the third Saturday, in June, so as to determine whether it is all talk or whether our friends mean business when they say they will attend on any day but Saturday. The meeting then adjourned, all feeling that the 12th annual reunion excelled all its predecessors in social interest and in the excellence of the dinner and in the beautiful day.

L. M. C.⁴⁸⁰

⁴⁶² OTIS MUNRO BIGELOW (1849–1939).

⁴⁶³ JULIA MAY BROWN (1888–1960) WAS BORN ON APRIL 21, 1888.

⁴⁶⁴ FRANK A. D. BROWN (1859–1919).

⁴⁶⁵ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁴⁶⁶ MARY “POLLY” MUNRO (1794–1878), WIFE OF DAVID ARNE JR. (1785–1847).

⁴⁶⁷ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

⁴⁶⁸ DANIEL ELMER MUNRO (1860–1933).

⁴⁶⁹ ASA RANDALL BARNES (1858–1926).

⁴⁷⁰ THE IDENTITY OF T. K. WRIGHT IS UNKNOWN.

⁴⁷¹ THE IDENTITY OF A. N. RAVEN IS UNKNOWN.

⁴⁷² JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁴⁷³ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

⁴⁷⁴ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

⁴⁷⁵ JOHN PHELPS SHUMWAY (1836–1912).

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⁴⁸⁰ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

The Daily Courier – June 19, 1888

Elbridge.

The twelfth annual reunion of the Munro family was held Saturday. The absence of children was noticeable, but 130 representatives of the children of Squire Munro, the paterfamilias, sat down to the bountifully spread tables. The collation consisted of roast pigs furnished by Messrs. Squire M. Brown⁴⁸¹ and Squire Munro⁴⁸², chicken pie, cold ham and other cold meats, with the fitting accompaniments, cake, pie, strawberries and ice cream, with tea and coffee. After dinner the president, Jefferson Munro⁴⁸³ of Auburn, called the meeting to order. The secretary and treasurer, John Munro⁴⁸⁴ of Elbridge, gave his report, which was accepted and adopted. The officers were re-elected, and these secretaries for the different branches of the family were elected: Laura W. Carpenter⁴⁸⁵ for John manor, Will Brown⁴⁸⁶ for Betsy Brown⁴⁸⁷, Mrs. Harriet Townsend⁴⁸⁸ for Nathan Munro⁴⁸⁹, Mrs. Brinkerhoof⁴⁹⁰ for Cynthia Arne⁴⁹¹, Cynthia Munro⁴⁹² for Philip Munro⁴⁹³, Mrs. Curtiss⁴⁹⁴ of Baldwinsville for David Munro⁴⁹⁵. Miss Carpenter⁴⁹⁶ reported two additions to this branch of the family tree, Gertrude Gardiner⁴⁹⁷, great granddaughter of Mrs. B. C. Whitman⁴⁹⁸, and Egbert Munro⁴⁹⁹, son of Squire Munro⁵⁰⁰. Of being sharply reprovved for neglecting to chronicle the marriage of her son, Jack⁵⁰¹, by Mrs. John Munro⁵⁰² of Baldwinsville, Miss Carpenter⁵⁰³ made the proper apology. Will Brown⁵⁰⁴ reported the marriages of Edwin⁵⁰⁵ and Squire Brown⁵⁰⁶, the death of Mason Brown⁵⁰⁷, and the birth of a child to Mr. and Mrs. Spencer⁵⁰⁸. Mrs. Curtiss⁵⁰⁹ alluded fittingly to the character of Thomas W. Hill⁵¹⁰, his life and death; and that of Edwina⁵¹¹, the wife of Isaac Munro⁵¹², the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown⁵¹³ and to her own happy marriage, a valuable addition to the

⁴⁸¹ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903).

⁴⁸² SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926).

⁴⁸³ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁴⁸⁴ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁴⁸⁵ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁴⁸⁶ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

⁴⁸⁷ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863).

⁴⁸⁸ HARRIET MUNRO (1829–1919), WIFE OF ROBERT TOWNSEND (1819–1866).

⁴⁸⁹ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁴⁹⁰ EMILINE FOOTE HOLMES (1848–), WIFE OF TRUMAN SHEPARD BRINKERHOFF (1832–1888).

⁴⁹¹ CYNTHIA ARNE (1838–).

⁴⁹² PROBABLY CYNTHIA HELEN MANRO (1835–1919)

⁴⁹³ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

⁴⁹⁴ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892), WIFE OF EDWARD F. CURTIS (1852–).

⁴⁹⁵ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

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⁴⁹⁷ GERTRUDE GARDINER (1888–) WAS BORN ON MARCH 20, 1888

⁴⁹⁸ BETSEY CAROLINE MUNRO (1810–1885), WIFE OF JOSEPH C. WHITMAN (1806–1851).

⁴⁹⁹ EGBERT DAVID MUNRO (1887–1957) WAS BORN ON JAN 2, 1888.

⁵⁰⁰ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1815–1926).

⁵⁰¹ EUGENE CHAMBERLAIN “JACK” MUNRO (1865–1913) MARRIED BESSIE LOUIS GORDON (1868–1951) ON OCT. 11, 1887.

⁵⁰² MARY STOUGHTON MINARD (1838–1984), WIFE OF JOHN HENRY MUNROE (1835–1905).

⁵⁰³ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁵⁰⁴ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

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⁵⁰⁷ CALEB MASON BROWN (1825–1888), DIED ON MAY 30, 1888.

⁵⁰⁸ LOUIS ROGERS SPENCER (1866–1932) AND ANNA TYLER () HAD GEORGE TYLER (1887–1937) ON OCT 11, 1887.

⁵⁰⁹ PROBABLY OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892), WIFE OF EDWARAD F. CURTIS (1852).

⁵¹⁰ THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810–1887), DIED ON DEC. 7, 1887.

⁵¹¹ EDWENA KNAPP (1849–1888), DIED ON MARCH 12, 1888.

⁵¹² ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁵¹³ FRANK A. D. BROWN (1859–1919) AND CAROLINE MARY HILL (1862–1956) HAD JULIA MAY BROWN (1888–1960) ON APRIL 21, 1888.

Munro family. Mrs. Jonathan Munro⁵¹⁴ reported one birth, a daughter⁵¹⁵, to Mr. and Mrs. Asa Barnes⁵¹⁶ of Auburn. The reports of the families of Mrs. Arne⁵¹⁷ and Mr. Nathan Munro⁵¹⁸ were omitted. A committee consisting of Messrs. Will S. Brown⁵¹⁹, Elmer Munro⁵²⁰ and Mr. Barnes⁵²¹ were appointed to take the collection and (---) were raised in five minutes. Speeches were made by Rev. Mr. Raven, Professor Wright, James Munro⁵²² of Kansas, D. A. Munro⁵²³ of Camillus, Payne Bigelow⁵²⁴ of Baldwinsville and Shumway⁵²⁵ of Syracuse. Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁵²⁶ read regrets from Mr. Lamson⁵²⁷ of Toledo, Mrs. Spencer(?)⁵²⁸ of Brooklyn, Rev. John Munro⁵²⁹ of Marion and Mrs. Barton⁵³⁰ of New York. There was some sharp sparring between Payne Bigelow⁵³¹ and his brothers-in-law, the Monroes, taking great pride in the old stock, and laying especial stress upon the religious character, impressed upon their grandchildren. Mr. Bigelow had heard the story that his sons went fishing on Sunday, and came home with their trout beautifully dressed for the family breakfast. After enjoying the good breakfast the sin of Sabbath, breaking was impressed by flogging the boys severely, which showed that they mixed ideas of economy with religion in these days. The sin was in breaking the Sabbath. It would do no good to throw away the fish. David Allen Monroe⁵³² said they caught rabbits instead of fish. The company adjourned to meet on the Thursday following the third Saturday, June, 1889.

⁵¹⁴ ELIVRA POLLARD (1829–1855), WIFE OF JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

⁵¹⁵ PEARL WOODWORTH BARNES (1887–1972) WAS BORN ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1887.

⁵¹⁶ ASA RANDALL BARNES (1858–1926) AND ELIZABETH “LIZZY” COOLEY MUNRO (1860–1927).

⁵¹⁷ MARY “POLLY” MUNRO (1794–1878), WIFE OF DAVID ARNE JR. (1785–1847).

⁵¹⁸ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁵¹⁹ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

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⁵²⁵ JOHN PHELPS SHUMWAY (1836–1912).

⁵²⁶ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁵²⁷ MYRON HAWLEY LAMSON (1823–1907).

⁵²⁸ POSSIBLY LOUIS ROGERS SPENCER (1866–1932).

⁵²⁹ IT IS UNCLEAR WHICH OF THE MANY JOHN MUNRO THIS IS REFERRING

⁵³⁰ ASA BARNES MANRO (1888–1911), WIFE OF MAY BARTON ().

⁵³¹ PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

⁵³² DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

The Utica Globe – June 29, 1889

A Very Pleasant Gathering at Camillus.

Syracuse, June 28.--There was a reunion of the Munros of this county in the parlors of the Baptist Church at Camillus on Monday. The Munros are among the wealthiest old families of the State and several members of it reside in this city. John Munro⁵³³, of Camillus, is now one of the best known members of the family. They are the descendants of pioneers of the county and are now influential residents of Camillus, Baldwinsville, Belle Isle, Auburn, Throopsville, and several other points of the State. Those from out of the State were: Will Plunket⁵³⁴ and Mr. and Mrs. Tyler⁵³⁵ from Adams, Mass., Mrs. Fred Brown⁵³⁶ from Geneseo, Ill., and Miss Eva Munro⁵³⁷ from Pennsylvania. The day was changed from Saturday, the usual date for holding these reunions, to accommodate business men, especially those who live in cities and towns. The new arrangement seriously interfered with children who are still in schools. Dinner was served at 1 o'clock, and fully 140 persons sat down at the tables that groaned with every tempting dish that money could buy. Afterward 30 more were accommodated. If their action on this occasion is anything to go by, it is safe to say that the Munros are good feeders. A business meeting followed the banquet. The old officers were re-elected. The vacancies caused in the Executive Committee by the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Lamson⁵³⁸ to Toledo, were filled by the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. James Halstead⁵³⁹, and in the Committee on Invitation by the substitution of Miss Bessie Brown⁵⁴⁰ for Mrs. Willard Northrup⁵⁴¹, who has removed to Corning. The reports for the different branches of the families were read by Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁵⁴² for the John Munro⁵⁴³ branch of the family, Will S. Brown⁵⁴⁴ for Betsey Brown⁵⁴⁵, Mrs. Payne Bigelow⁵⁴⁶ for David Munro⁵⁴⁷, Sybil Munro⁵⁴⁸ for Philip Munro⁵⁴⁹. On motion of David A. Munro⁵⁵⁰ of Camillus, Miss Carpenter⁵⁵¹ was called upon for a speech, who resigned her opportunity in favor of Will Plunkett⁵⁵², who gave a speech worthy of the Old Colonel, who was always a welcome visitor in Elbridge. He was followed by D. A. Munro⁵⁵³ of Camillus. Payne Bigelow⁵⁵⁴ read an interesting historical sketch of Squire Munro, and Mrs. Prof. Wright⁵⁵⁵ made a pertinent speech in regard to her adoption into the family. Messrs. Will Plunkett⁵⁵⁶ and Allen Brown⁵⁵⁷ took the collection, which was something over \$40. The company then

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The Daily Courier June 28, 1889

THE MUNRO REUNION.
That Numerous and Celebrated Family
Meet Again at Elbridge.

ELBRIDGE, June 24. Contrary to expectation the day fixed for the annual gathering of the Munros in the parlors of the Baptist Church, proved as perfect a day as could be desired. At 12 P. M. the families which descended from the children of Squire Munro, the old patriarch of the town, began to move towards the homestead from Camillus, Baldwinsville, Belle Isle, Auburn and Throopsville. Those from out of the State were Will Plunkett⁵⁵⁸ and Mr. and Mrs. Tyler⁵⁵⁹ from Adams, Mass., Mrs. Fred Brown⁵⁶⁰ from Geneseo, Ill., and Miss Eva Munro⁵⁶¹ from Pennsylvania. The day had been changed from the time honored Saturday to accommodate business men in the cities, but it seriously interfered with the attendance of the children who are still in school. Dinner was announced at about 1 P. M. and 140 sat down to the burdened tables. It was said that a stranger could pick out the genuine Munros by their activity at the table. Chicken pies, roast veal, lamb and chicken, with the pinkest ham, golden butter, creamiest of cream, freshest of strawberries, whitest of biscuit and best of ice cream, coffee, tea, cakes and pastries disappeared under the combined stimulus of the long ride, good company and well served eatables. After another table was served, numbering about thirty, the business meeting was called. The same officers were re-elected. The vacancies called in the Executive Committee by the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Lamson⁵⁶² to Toledo, were filled by the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. James Halsted⁵⁶³, and in the Committee on Invitation by the substitution of Miss Bessie Brown⁵⁶⁴ for Mrs. Willard Northrup⁵⁶⁵, who has removed to Corning. The reports for the different branches of the families were read by Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁵⁶⁶ for the John Munro⁵⁶⁷ branch of the family, Will S. Brown⁵⁶⁸ for Betsey Brown⁵⁶⁹, Mrs. Payne Bigelow⁵⁷⁰ for David Munro⁵⁷¹, Sybil Munro⁵⁷² for Philip Munro⁵⁷³. On motion of David A. Munro⁵⁷⁴ of Camillus. Miss Carpenter⁵⁷⁵ was called upon for a speech, who resigned her opportunity in favor of Will Plunkett⁵⁷⁶, who gave a speech worthy of the Old Colonel, who was always a welcome visitor in Elbridge. He was followed by D. A. Munro⁵⁷⁷ of Camillus. Payne Bigelow⁵⁷⁸ read an interesting historical sketch of Squire Munro, and Mrs. Professor Wright⁵⁷⁹ made a

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The Phelps Citizen – June 12, 1890

Miss Louise Carpenter⁵⁸² is absent from home for a few weeks. She will attend the annual reunion of the Munro family held in Elbridge, and will visit friends and relatives there, also in Syracuse before returning home.

The Syracuse Daily Journal – June 24, 1890

Last Saturday was the day for the annual reunion of the Munro family. On Tuesday last occurred the death of Jonathan Munro⁵⁸³ of Auburn. Instead of the usual festive gathering at the Elbridge Baptist church, the relatives were summoned to attend his funeral rites on the reunion day. Mr. Munro died Thursday morning and at noon of that day the large barns at his late residence were burned to the ground.

⁵⁸² LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁵⁸³ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890) DIED ON JUNE 19, 1890.

The Skaneateles Free Press – June 27, 1891

The Munro Reunion was on Saturday June 20th, and as usual was accompanied by rain. Guests assembled to the number of 175. There may have been 200, and it was quite impossible to get them together long enough to count them. The above estimate was made from the tables where each Munro did his duty. The discrepancy in statement arises from the number of tables lying around where it was most convenient to store them. The tables were filled with an abundance of good things well (---) and (---). The David Munro⁵⁸⁴ branch of the family waited upon the tables. The reports of the different families were read by Miss Carpenter⁵⁸⁵, Will Brown⁵⁸⁶, Miss Sybil Munro⁵⁸⁷ and Mrs Curtis⁵⁸⁸. Three families were not reported. A short history of Jonathan Munro⁵⁸⁹ of Auburn, who was buried on the Reunion day, was read by Miss Carpenter⁵⁹⁰. The executive committee and officers were all reelected, and the meeting adjourned to (---) next year at the same place the third Saturday of June.

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1892

From Munro Will's papers

Elbridge, N. Y., May 4th, 1892 You are cordially invited to attend the fifteenth Annual Reunion of the Munro Family, at the parlors of the First Baptist Church, Elbridge, N. Y., June 18th, 1892.

JEFFERSON MUNRO⁵⁹¹, Pres.

John Munro⁵⁹², Sec'y.

The Marcellus Observer – May 26, 1892

The committee for the Munro Reunion will meet on Tuesday May 31.
The Munro Reunion is on the 18th and the commencement at the Academy June 21st.

The Marcellus Observer – June 9, 1892

The Munro Re-union Committe assume their respective duties as usual and the gathering will be held at the parlors of the Baptist church June 18th. Elias Hale⁵⁹³ has the charge of the ice cream, Charles McGowan⁵⁹⁴ procures the strawberries, Squire Brown⁵⁹⁵ supplies of tea, coffee, ice, sugar, etc. Miss Nathan Munro⁵⁹⁶ and Mrs Hattie Whitman⁵⁹⁷, Committe for setting tables, Miss Eva Munro⁵⁹⁸, Miss Laura Carpenter⁵⁹⁹, Reception committee on invitation, Miss Carpenter⁶⁰⁰ on securing the necessary help, Mr. And Mrs. Squire Munro⁶⁰¹ will make the coffee. Hon. James Munro⁶⁰² of Kansas, Mrs. James Munro⁶⁰³ and granddaughter⁶⁰⁴ from Berlin, Germany, Fred Munro⁶⁰⁵ of Colorado, Eva Munro⁶⁰⁶ of Louisville, Ky. Will be present.

The Marcellus Observer – June 23, 1892

The annual meeting of the Munro Family occurred Saturday, June 18, at the parlors at the Baptist Church in Elbridge. About 170 assembled of which number fifty were from Cayuga County. The family of John Munro⁶⁰⁷ had the greatest number present. All the branches of the family were represented. One of the greatest attractions was the presence of Mrs. James Munro⁶⁰⁸ formerly of Elbridge, but who has resided abroad a number of years, who brought with her her granddaughter⁶⁰⁹ who visited America for the first time. She is the daughter of Gabril Wesselirky⁶¹⁰ and Julia Munro Wesselirky⁶¹¹ now resident of Berlin, Prussia. The young lady made a pleasant impression upon her American cousins and is a bright and charming young lady. The collation consisted of cold meats, chicken pies, cake, biscuits, jellies, delicious

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coffee with cream, Strawberries and Ice Cream. The officers were all re-elected and the meeting adjourned to meet at the same place the third Saturday in June, 1893. The family Secretaries read the reports. An effort was made to find the number of descendants of Squire Munro the founder of the family in this State. Miss Carpenter⁶¹² reported 198 members of the John Munro⁶¹³ branch, 140 still living. Mrs. Carter⁶¹⁴ 100 members still living of the David Munro⁶¹⁵ branch and Miss Sybil Munro⁶¹⁶ 60 of the Phillip Munro⁶¹⁷ branch.

The Libretto given by Mrs. Wm. Sweet⁶¹⁸ and Miss Maud Merrineor⁶¹⁹ was a great success. The singing was good and the acting fine. The costumes were charmingly appropriate and the young ladies, who acted the part of the fairies, were beautifully dressed in robes of white, brilliantly decorated. The audience was large and appreciative. After the entertainment the audience adjourned to the parlors where they partook of ice cream and cake and enjoyed a pleasant time socially.

Skaneateles Free Press – June 25, 1892

THE MUNRO FAMILY REUNION.

ELBRIDGE, June 18. The great event of this week was the Munro reunion, which (---) at 10 A.M. Saturday morning in the parlors of the Baptist church. The day was in marked contrast with three (--- rest of paragraph really hard to read ---) seventy quarts of strawberries, boilers of coffee, pitchers of cream and butter are the never omitted essentials of the annual feast. Chicken pies, cakes, pastries, (---) and fruit ornamented the tables.

Charles G. Munro⁶²⁰ on calling his name to order by gripping the table with his carving knife before proceeding to carve a huge chicken pie. No trained (---) which better exemplify obedience than did this “royal family,” who have been trained to thank the Lord for the good gifts of life. The waiters standing in line who saw the accident had turned their backs upon the expectant throng and were shaking with suppressed laughter. One by one the heads came up, each wondering at the delay. Weed Munro⁶²¹ of Indianapolis and they were doubtless waiting for volunteers. As last one of the waiters suggested to the President, Thomas J. Munro⁶²², to call upon some one for the blessing. And as James Munro⁶²³ of Kansas confessed to the greatest number of years, the honor devolved upon him and “Weed” was counted out.

After the substantial means those interested adjourned to the parlors to hear the reports of the Family Secretaries. Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁶²⁴ reported for the John Munro⁶²⁵ branch, 198 members; 140 still living. During the year there had been three deaths – Dr. John Dowling⁶²⁶ of New York, grandson of Hannah Munro Williams⁶²⁷, formerly of Elbridge; Mrs. Elmer Gardiner⁶²⁸ of Grinnell, Iowa, granddaughter

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⁶²¹ JACOB WEED MUNRO (1853–1907).

⁶²² THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁶²³ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁶²⁴ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁶²⁵ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

⁶²⁶ DR. JOHN DOWLING (–1892), HUSBAND OF EDITH ELLA WILLIAMS (1865–).

⁶²⁷ HANNAH JEANETTE MUNRO (1814–1846), WIFE OF ELIJAH D. WILLIAMS (1807–1875).

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of Caroline Munro Whitman⁶²⁹ of Elbridge, and Mrs. William Shumway⁶³⁰ of Chicago, granddaughter of Squire Munro⁶³¹ of Baldwinsville. One marriage, John Munro⁶³² of Elbridge to Sarah West Titus⁶³³ of New Haven, Conn. There were three additions by births—Robert Ellery Carter⁶³⁴, grandson of Nathan Munro⁶³⁵; Mary Munro⁶³⁶; granddaughter of John Munro⁶³⁷, and Hattie Shumway⁶³⁸, granddaughter of Squire Munro⁶³⁹ of Baldwinsville. William Brown⁶⁴⁰ was absent, so there was no report for that family. Mrs. Townsend⁶⁴¹ of Syracuse gave a verbal report for the Nathan Munro⁶⁴² branch. There had been no marriages nor deaths, but she was happy to announce herself a grandmother. Mrs. Tyler⁶⁴³ of Baldwinsville and Mrs. Carter⁶⁴⁴ reported for the David Munro⁶⁴⁵ branch. There was one death, Mr. Porter⁶⁴⁶, and three births⁶⁴⁷. The family number 100. Miss Sybil Munro⁶⁴⁸ of Auburn reported for the Philip Munro⁶⁴⁹ branch. There was one marriage, one birth, no deaths, the family numbering about sixty.

The reports from the other families were not got in. An attempt was made last year to find the number of descendants; living and dead from Squire Munro, the founder of the family in the State, which was only partially accomplished. The officers were all re-elected. On motion of Miss Carpenter⁶⁵⁰ Squire M. Brown⁶⁵¹ was made Chairman of the Executive Committee, which consists of Mr. and Mrs. Squire M. Brown⁶⁵², Samuel Brown⁶⁵³, Mr. and Mrs. John Munro⁶⁵⁴, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hale⁶⁵⁵, Mr. and Mrs. Munro Hill⁶⁵⁶, Mr. and Mrs. James Crosssett⁶⁵⁷, Charles G. McGowan⁶⁵⁸, Mr. and Mrs. Squire Munro⁶⁵⁹ and Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁶⁶⁰. Misses Ella⁶⁶¹ and Bessie Brown⁶⁶² were named Committee on Invitation. Mrs. James

⁶²⁹ BETSEY CAROLINE MUNRO (1810–1885), WIFE OF JOSEPH C. WHITMAN (1806–1851).

⁶³⁰ UNKNOWN WIFE OF WILLIAM MUNRO SHUMWAY (1865–).

⁶³¹ SQUIRE MUNRO (1804–1880).

⁶³² JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁶³³ SARAH J. WEST (1821–1909), FORMERLY THE WIFE OF JOHN TITUS ().

⁶³⁴ ROBERT ELLERY CARTER (1891–) WAS BORN ON AUGUST 1891.

⁶³⁵ NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886).

⁶³⁶ MARY MUNRO (1891–1981) WAS BORN ON AUGUST 24, 1891.

⁶³⁷ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁶³⁸ HATTIE SHUMWAY (1892–), DAUGHTER OF JOHN PHELPS SHUMWAY (1836–1912) AND HARRIET HANNAH MUNRO (1837–1917).

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⁶⁴⁰ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

⁶⁴¹ HARRIET MUNRO (1829–1919), WIFE OF ROBERT TOWNSEND (1819–1866).

⁶⁴² NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁶⁴³ LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856–1955), WIFE OF EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850–1891).

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⁶⁴⁵ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁶⁴⁶ DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818–1892) DIED ON MARCH 11, 1892.

⁶⁴⁷ SARAH ELIZA MANRO (1892–) WAS BORN SEPTEMBER 11, 1892; JAMES MAXWELL SMYLLIE IV (1892–1948) WAS BORN ON AUG 22, 1892; MARY MUNRO (1891–1981) WAS BORN ON AUG 24, 1891.

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Munro⁶⁶³ of Berlin, Germany, being called upon for a speech and that Mrs. Wright⁶⁶⁴ suggested that she tell them that they all looked younger than they did six years ago. Short speeches were made by James Munro⁶⁶⁵ of Frankfort, Kansas; David A. Munro⁶⁶⁶, sr., of Camillus; Dr. T. K. Wright⁶⁶⁷ of Elbridge, and Mrs. Wright⁶⁶⁸.

Among the guests were Mrs. Robert Townsend⁶⁶⁹ of Syracuse, Mrs. James Munro⁶⁷⁰ and granddaughter⁶⁷¹, of Berlin, Germany, of the family of Nathan Munro⁶⁷², founder of the Academy at Elbridge; James Munro⁶⁷³ of Kansas and his daughter, Mrs. Dwight⁶⁷⁴ of Auburn; David Allen Munro⁶⁷⁵ of Camillus with his wife⁶⁷⁶ and sons, David A. Munro, jr.⁶⁷⁷; John⁶⁷⁸ and Isaac Munro⁶⁷⁹, with their families; Mrs. Bigelow⁶⁸⁰ with her daughter, Mrs. Tyler⁶⁸¹, of Baldwinsville; Mr. and Mrs. Gere⁶⁸² and Misses Mary⁶⁸³, Hattie⁶⁸⁴ and Emily Munro⁶⁸⁵ of Belle Isle, daughters of Henry Munro⁶⁸⁶, Henry LeRoy⁶⁸⁷, son of Mrs. Lydia Porter⁶⁸⁸, Munro Hill⁶⁸⁹, Charles McGowan⁶⁹⁰ and Hoyt North⁶⁹¹, with their families, son of Mrs. Thomas Hill⁶⁹², deceased; twenty-seven members of David Munro's⁶⁹³ family were present. Philip Munro's⁶⁹⁴ family was represented by his daughters, Mrs. Harlow⁶⁹⁵, Mrs. Benham⁶⁹⁶ and Mrs. Atwater⁶⁹⁷, and the only surviving son Jefferson⁶⁹⁸, with their families. The Brown family were represented by Mr. and Mrs. George

⁶⁶³ CAROLINE A. CLARK (~1825-), WIFE OF JAMES MUNRO (1815-1869).

⁶⁶⁴ POSSIBLY MARION WRIGHT (), WIFE OF BARLOW RHODES ().

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⁶⁷² NATHAN MUNRO 1791-1839).

⁶⁷³ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813-1900).

⁶⁷⁴ EMMA MUNRO (1847-1937), WIFE OF CHARLES CHAUNCEY DWIGHT (1830-1902).

⁶⁷⁵ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818-1897).

⁶⁷⁶ ELECTRA REYNOLDS SMITH (1825-1894).

⁶⁷⁷ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO JR. (1844-1895).

⁶⁷⁸ PROBABLY JOHN MUNRO JR. (1812-1900).

⁶⁷⁹ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848-1922).

⁶⁸⁰ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁶⁸¹ LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856-1955), WIFE OF EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850-1891).

⁶⁸² DAVID MANZER GERE (1865-1924) AND SARA SOPHRONIA MUNRO (1865-1924).

⁶⁸³ MARY MUNRO (1817-1939).

⁶⁸⁴ HARRIET "HATTIE" MUNRO (1865-1924).

⁶⁸⁵ EMILY LEONORA MUNRO (1875-1944).

⁶⁸⁶ HENRY SMITH MUNRO (1835-1911).

⁶⁸⁷ HENRY MUNRO LE ROY (1847-1909).

⁶⁸⁸ LYDIA HUMPHREY MUNRO (1826-1900), WIFE OF DAVID PLINY PORTER (1818-1892).

⁶⁸⁹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁶⁹⁰ CHARLES G. MCGOWAN (-1924).

⁶⁹¹ W. HOYT NORTH (), HUSBAND OF MARY LETITIA HILL (1852-1876).

⁶⁹² MARY ANN MUNRO (1820-1878), WIFE OF THOMAS WALKER HILL (1810-1887).

⁶⁹³ DAVID MUNRO (1784-1866).

⁶⁹⁴ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795-1870).

⁶⁹⁵ MARY MANRO (1822-1901), WIFE OF STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW (1819-1905).

⁶⁹⁶ CYNTHIA HELEN MANRO (1835-1919), WIFE OF WYATT ALLEN BENHAM (1833-1906).

⁶⁹⁷ BETSEY LOUISE MANRO (1824-1906), WIFE OF ERASMUS ATWATER (1824-1872).

⁶⁹⁸ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826-1903).

Brown⁶⁹⁹, David Brown⁷⁰⁰, Squire Rhoades⁷⁰¹ and daughter May⁷⁰², Mr. and Mrs. William Wood⁷⁰³ and son Alonzo⁷⁰⁴, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Healy⁷⁰⁵ and family of Jordan; Mr. and Mrs. David Rice⁷⁰⁶, Mr. and Mrs. James Halsted⁷⁰⁷, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Powell⁷⁰⁸ and son⁷⁰⁹, Miss Minnie Crosssett⁷¹⁰. The Arne family were represented by Harriet Stevens⁷¹¹ and her brother Thomas⁷¹². The John Munro⁷¹³ branch this year proved to be the banner family. Daniel Munro and wife⁷¹⁴, their sons Squire with his wife⁷¹⁵ and five children, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Munro⁷¹⁶ and son⁷¹⁷, Miss Elvira Munro⁷¹⁸, Mr. and Mrs. John Munro⁷¹⁹, Miss Merriam Munro⁷²⁰ of Syracuse, Frank Munro⁷²¹ of LeRoy, Mr. and Mrs. Weed Munro⁷²² of Minneapolis, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Munro⁷²³ and son⁷²⁴ of Antler, Colorado. Miss Eva Munro⁷²⁵ of Louisville, Ly., Mrs. Nathan Munro⁷²⁶ with her daughter, Lizzie⁷²⁷ and daughter, the Misses Chester(?)⁷²⁸, Willis Hunt⁷²⁹ and sisters⁷³⁰, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Munro⁷³¹ and son⁷³² of Baldwinsville. Mrs. Sarah Howell⁷³³ with her son and daughter⁷³⁴, Miss Hattie Whitman⁷³⁵ and Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁷³⁶ in all forty-one members present. Rev. Mr. Drake and wife of the Congregational church and Professor and Mrs. Wright⁷³⁷ were guests.

For the first time all the families were represented. The whole number in attendance was 170. They took up a collection, amounting to something over \$40 to defray expenses, tendered a vote of (---) and \$5 to

⁶⁹⁹ GEORGE ISAAC BROWN (1870–1946) AND MARY ELIZABETH TURCOTTE (1870–1908).

⁷⁰⁰ DAVID BROWN (), SON OF TIMOTHY BROWN (~1845–BEF 1897).

⁷⁰¹ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN RHOADES (1835–1904).

⁷⁰² MAY HARRIETT RHOADES (1876–1960).

⁷⁰³ WILLIAM WALLACE WOOD (1834–1909) AND SARAH MARIA BROWN (1835–1904).

⁷⁰⁴ ALONZO BYRON (1865–1924).

⁷⁰⁵ TIMOTHY B. HEALY (1830–1909) AND SARAH E. HOLCOMBE (1834–).

⁷⁰⁶ DAVID M. RICE (1832–1913) AND EMMA D. BENNETT (1830–1902).

⁷⁰⁷ JAMES M. HALSTEAD (1840–1930) AND MARY BROWN (1842–1902).

⁷⁰⁸ EDMUND F. POWELL (1850–1932) AND CAROLINE ELIZABETH BROWN (~1854–1913).

⁷⁰⁹ JAMES HALSTEAD POWELL (1879–1930).

⁷¹⁰ POSSIBLY CAROLINE MAY CROSSETT (~1873–1923).

⁷¹¹ HARRIET LILLIAN STEVENS (1882–1956).

⁷¹² THOMAS JEFFERSON STEVENS JR. (1885–1918).

⁷¹³ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

⁷¹⁴ DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893) AND ELVIRA COMAN (1816–1897).

⁷¹⁵ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926) AND KATHERINE MADDEN MCCABE (1851–1925).

⁷¹⁶ DANIEL ELMER MUNRO (1860–1933) AND FANNIE BLANCH MEDILL (1864–1940).

⁷¹⁷ WILLIAM M. MUNRO (1890–1971).

⁷¹⁸ ELVIRA M. MUNRO (1845–1917).

⁷¹⁹ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900) AND EVELINE M. PAGE (1823–1877).

⁷²⁰ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷²¹ FRANK MUNRO (1850–1925).

⁷²² JACOB WEED MUNRO (1853–1907); HIS WIFE'S NAME IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

⁷²³ FRED S. MUNRO (1862–) AND CORA WHITNEY (1862–1897).

⁷²⁴ JOHN RANNEY MUNRO (1886–1977).

⁷²⁵ EVA MAY MUNRO (1856–1893).

⁷²⁶ SARAH A. DAWLEY (1826–1899), WIFE OF NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886).

⁷²⁷ ELIZABETH “LIZZIE” ELLA MUNRO (1867–).

⁷²⁸ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷²⁹ POSSIBLY WILLIAM MUNRO HUNT (1872–1953)

⁷³⁰ SARAH LOUISE HUT (1877–1959); JENNIE ALIDA HUNT (1882–1951); ELLA MAE HUNT (1886–1972).

⁷³¹ EUGENE CHAMBERLAIN “JACK” MUNROE (1865–1913) AND BESSIE LOUISE GORDON (1868–1951).

⁷³² DONALD GORDON MUNROE (1891–1950).

⁷³³ IT IS UNCLEAR AS TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷³⁴ IT IS UNCLEAR AS TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷³⁵ HARRIET “HATTIE” E. WHITMAN (1842–1933).

⁷³⁶ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷³⁷ IT IS UNCLEAR AS TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

the Baptist church for the use of their parlors, and a vote of thanks to the Executive Committee for the splendid entertainment provided.

A telegram of greeting from John M. Carpenter⁷³⁸ and family was read by the Secretary. The meeting was then adjourned to meet the third Saturday in June, 1893, at the same place.

⁷³⁸ JOHN MUNRO CARPENTER (1842–1921).

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The Syracuse Courier – May 1, 1894

The Executive committee of the Munro reunion will meet at Squire M. Brown's⁷³⁹ this evening.

The Evening Herald – June 26, 1894

MANY MUNROS

Different Branches of the Family Assemble at Elbridge

The Munro family annual reunion occurred on Saturday at the Baptist church in Elbridge. From Auburn, Syracuse and surrounding places carriage loads of relatives bearing the name of Munro or having some direct connection with that family came to Elbridge. Five long tables were filled with guests. A dainty collation was served. The president, Thomas Jefferson Munro⁷⁴⁰ of Auburn, called the reunion to order at 4 P. M. Reports from different branches of the family were heard.

The family elected for president T. Jefferson Munro⁷⁴¹ of Auburn; first vice president, Isaac Munro⁷⁴² of Camillus; second vice-president, W. S. Brown⁷⁴³ of Elbridge; secretary and treasurer, John Munro⁷⁴⁴; executive committee, Mr. and Mrs. Squire M. Brown⁷⁴⁵, Mr. and Mrs. Munro Hill⁷⁴⁶, Mr. and Mrs. Squire Munro⁷⁴⁷, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hale⁷⁴⁸, Mr. and Mrs. James Crossett⁷⁴⁹, Charles G. McGowan⁷⁵⁰. Samuel Brown⁷⁵¹ and Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁷⁵² committee on invitations, Miss Ella Brown.

The Daily Courier – June 26, 1894

MUNRO FAMILY REUNION

The annual reunion of the Munro family occurred
at the Baptist church in Elbridge June 23.

The day was a typical summer day. About noon the guests began to arrive from adjoining villages and from the cities of Auburn and Syracuse by carriages and by train.

Five long tables were filled with guests eager for the friendly interchange of the year's experiences and ready for the bountiful collation so temptingly spread upon showy damask enlivened by flowers and the freshest berries, with good things in which all men delighted.

Hon. James Munro⁷⁵³ of Frankfort, Kansas, invoked the divine blessing upon the gathering. The descendants of the Philip Munro⁷⁵⁴ branch waited upon the guests. After the second table was served the family adjourned to the lawn where the afternoon was spent in a pleasant reunion of friends. The gentlemen enjoying their cigars on the pleasant grounds of W. W. Wood⁷⁵⁵ adjoining.

⁷³⁹ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903).

⁷⁴⁰ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁷⁴¹ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁷⁴² ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁷⁴³ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

⁷⁴⁴ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁷⁴⁵ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903) AND EZLIABETH A. GORHAM (1841–1907).

⁷⁴⁶ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷⁴⁷ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926) AND KATHERINE MADDEN MCCABE (1851–1925).

⁷⁴⁸ ELIAS REUBEN HALE (1837–1904).

⁷⁴⁹ JAMES M. CROSSETT (1845–1911).

⁷⁵⁰ CHARLES G. MCGOWAN (–1924).

⁷⁵¹ SAMUEL A BROWN (1818–1897) OR HIS SON SAMUAL ALLEN BROWN (1853–1906).

⁷⁵² LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷⁵³ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁷⁵⁴ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

⁷⁵⁵ WILLIAM WALLACE WOOD (1834–1909).

At 4 p. m. the president, Thomas Jefferson Munro⁷⁵⁶ of Auburn, called the reunion to order. The report of the secretary and treasurer, John Munro⁷⁵⁷ of Elbridge, was read and accepted. At the request of the secretary Miss Carpenter⁷⁵⁸ read the regrets of some not able to attend. The family secretaries then gave the reports in order. Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁷⁵⁹, for the John Munro⁷⁶⁰ branch, most of whom settled in Elbridge. There had been added to the family by birth five, by marriage eight, and five had died. The report of the David Munro⁷⁶¹ branch who lived near Camillus was not given, the secretary, Olivia Bigelow Curtiss⁷⁶², having died since the last meeting.

William S. Brown⁷⁶³ gave the report for the Betsy Brown⁷⁶⁴ branch.

Mrs. Townsend⁷⁶⁵ of Syracuse reported for Nathan Munro's⁷⁶⁶ family.

Miss Sybil Munro⁷⁶⁷ of Auburn for the Philip Munro⁷⁶⁸ branch who live near Auburn and the other branches were not reported, the secretaries being absent.

The following officers were elected: President T. Jefferson Munro⁷⁶⁹ of Auburn; first vice-president, Isaac Munro⁷⁷⁰ of Camillus; second vice-president, W. S. Brown⁷⁷¹ of Elbridge; secretary and treasurer, John Munro⁷⁷²; Executive committee, Mr. and Mrs. Squire M. Brown⁷⁷³, Mr. and Mrs. Munro Hill⁷⁷⁴, Mr. and Mrs. Squire Munro⁷⁷⁵, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hale⁷⁷⁶, Mr. and Mrs. James Crossett⁷⁷⁷, Mr. Charles G. McGowan⁷⁷⁸, Mr. Samuel Brown⁷⁷⁹, Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁷⁸⁰, Committee on invitations, Miss Ella Brown⁷⁸¹.

Mrs. Tyler⁷⁸² was appointed in the place of her sister, Mrs. Curtiss⁷⁸³, and Mary Gardinier⁷⁸⁴ secretary for the Arne and Adams branches of the family.

⁷⁵⁶ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁷⁵⁷ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁷⁵⁸ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷⁵⁹ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷⁶⁰ JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

⁷⁶¹ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁷⁶² OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892), WIFE OF EDWARD F. CURTIS (1852–) DIED ON NOVEMBER 8, 1892.

⁷⁶³ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

⁷⁶⁴ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863), WIFE OF TIMOTHY BROWN (1774–1852).

⁷⁶⁵ HARRIET MUNRO (1829–1919), WIFE OF ROBERT TOWNSEND (1819–1866).

⁷⁶⁶ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁷⁶⁷ SYBYL H. MANRO (1862–).

⁷⁶⁸ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

⁷⁶⁹ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁷⁷⁰ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁷⁷¹ WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863–1940).

⁷⁷² JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821–1900).

⁷⁷³ SQUIRE MUNRO BROWN (1840–1903) AND ELIZABETH A. GORHAM (1841–1907).

⁷⁷⁴ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷⁷⁵ SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926) AND KATHERINE MADDEN MCCABE (1851–1880).

⁷⁷⁶ ELIAS REUBEN HALE (1837–1904) AND SARA SAMANTHA MUNRO (1839–1904).

⁷⁷⁷ JAMES M. CROSSETT (1845–1911) AND LYDIA ELIZA BROWN (~1847–1921).

⁷⁷⁸ CHARLES G. MCGOWAN (~1924).

⁷⁷⁹ SAMUEL ALLEN BROWN (1853–1906).

⁷⁸⁰ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷⁸¹ ELLA CYNTHIA BROWN (1866–1934).

⁷⁸² LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856–1955), WIFE OF EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850–1891).

⁷⁸³ OLIVIA HALL BIGELOW (1853–1892), WIFE OF EDWARD F. CURTIS (1852–).

⁷⁸⁴ MARY ELOISE GARDNER (1872–).

After the business meeting, Mr. James Munro,⁷⁸⁵ David Allen Munro⁷⁸⁶, Professor Wright⁷⁸⁷ and Rev. Mr. Winchester⁷⁸⁸ entertained the audience with speeches, in which the Munros were duly appreciated, their sterling virtues set forth for the emulation of the living and their faults if there were any religiously kept in the background.

Much amusement was afforded by the reading of the will of Nathan Munro⁷⁸⁹, more than six generations past, by D. Elmer Munro⁷⁹⁰, who was appointed to find out the exact place that Nathan occupied in the genealogical tree. Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁷⁹¹ was appointed to find out the father name of the first settler in this county and to add any history of the family she found worthy of presentation at the next reunion.

The meeting was adjourned for one year, the exact date and place of meeting to be fixed by the executive committee. There were present from Syracuse Mrs. Townsend⁷⁹² and Mrs. Burnet⁷⁹³, daughters of Nathan Munro⁷⁹⁴, founder of the academy at Elbridge; Louis R. Spencer⁷⁹⁵ and sons; J. S. Carter⁷⁹⁶, wife⁷⁹⁷ and daughter⁷⁹⁸; John Carpenter⁷⁹⁹ and daughter⁸⁰⁰, Mrs. Joslyn⁸⁰¹ and Miss Mary Carpenter⁸⁰², Mrs. Kennedy⁸⁰³ and son⁸⁰⁴, and Miss Mirriam Munro⁸⁰⁵; from Auburn, Jefferson Munro⁸⁰⁶ and family, Mrs. Jonathan Munro⁸⁰⁷, Fred Munro⁸⁰⁸ and family, Mrs. Atwater⁸⁰⁹ and family, Mrs. Powell⁸¹⁰ and Mrs. Healey⁸¹¹; from Throopville, Mr. Benham and wife⁸¹², Mr. Harlow⁸¹³, Mr. Bedford Harlow⁸¹⁴ and family; from Jordan, Lyman Healey and wife⁸¹⁵. Kansas was represented by Hon. James Munro⁸¹⁶, Colorado by Mr. and Mrs. Burns⁸¹⁷ of Denver, Iowa by Mrs. Crawford⁸¹⁸, Illinois by Mrs. Fred Brown⁸¹⁹ of Geneseo, Baldwinsville by

⁷⁸⁵ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁷⁸⁶ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

⁷⁸⁷ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁷⁸⁸ MERRITT J. WINCHESTER (1865–1945).

⁷⁸⁹ NATHAN MUNRO (1730–1806), THE FATHER OF SQUIRE MUNRO (1758–1835).

⁷⁹⁰ DANIEL ELMER MUNRO (1860–1933).

⁷⁹¹ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁷⁹² HARRIET MUNRO (1829–1919), WIFE OF ROBERT TOWNSEND (1819–1866).

⁷⁹³ CYNTHIA MARIA MUNRO (1826–1913), WIFE OF JOHN BARBER BURNET (1818–1889).

⁷⁹⁴ PROBABLY NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886).

⁷⁹⁵ LOUIS ROGERS SPENCER (1866–1932).

⁷⁹⁶ JOHN S. CARTER (1855–)

⁷⁹⁷ HARRIET "HATTIE" MUNRO (1850–).

⁷⁹⁸ EITHER LAURA BELLE CARTER (1818–1897) OR MABLE G. CARTER (1888–).

⁷⁹⁹ JOHN MUNRO CARPENTER (1842–1921).

⁸⁰⁰ EITHER GRACE LOUISA CARPENTER (1874–) OR FLORENCE EMMA CARPENTER (1875–1951).

⁸⁰¹ FRANCES CAROLINE JOSLYN (1837–1899), WIFE OF HOMER MUNRO WILLIAMS (1836–1898).

⁸⁰² MARY E. CARPENTER (1844–1923).

⁸⁰³ BETSEY RICE (1841–), WIFE OF DENNIS M. KENNEDY (1839–).

⁸⁰⁴ HARRY NEWELL KENNEDY (1871–).

⁸⁰⁵ HELEN MIRIAM MANRO (1885–1978).

⁸⁰⁶ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903).

⁸⁰⁷ JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821–1890).

⁸⁰⁸ FRED JONATHAN MUNRO (1863–1942).

⁸⁰⁹ PROBABLY BETSEY LOUISE MANRO (1824–1906), WIFE OF ERASMUS ATWATER (1824–1872).

⁸¹⁰ CAROLINE ELIZABETH BROWN (~1854–1913), WIFE OF EDMUND F. POWELL (1850–1932).

⁸¹¹ PROBABLY SARAH E. HOLCOMBE (1834–), WIFE OF TIMOTHY B. HEALY (1830–1909).

⁸¹² WYATT ALLEN BENHAM (1833–1906) AND CYNTHIA HELEN MANRO (1835–1919).

⁸¹³ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸¹⁴ PROBABLY STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW (1819–1905) OR STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW JR. (1856–1933).

⁸¹⁵ LYMAN C. HEALY (1859–1936) AND MARY GOFF (~1862–1927).

⁸¹⁶ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁸¹⁷ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

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⁸¹⁹ HARRIET NEWELL BENNETT (1822–1904), WIFE OF FREDERICK PARKHAM BROWN (1821–1889)

Mrs. Squire Munro⁸²⁰, Miss Elizabeth Munro⁸²¹ and Mrs. Coleman⁸²²; Rome by Will Munro⁸²³ and family; Phelps by Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁸²⁴; Camillus by Hon. David Allen Munro⁸²⁵, D. A. Munro, jr.⁸²⁶, and family, Isaac Munro⁸²⁷ and family, Thomas Munro's⁸²⁸ family, Irwin Rhodes⁸²⁹ family, and nearly half of Elbridge was represented.

It was conceded by all present to be the largest and pleasantest reunion held in years. Mrs. Daniel Munro⁸³⁰ expressed a wish that the reunion might at some time be held at her home, the place where Squire Munro lived when he came into this town in 1799.

The old elm where the first settler ate his lunch still stretches its branches over the homestead.

The Auburn Argus – June 29, 1894

One hundred and fifty of the descendants of the four brothers, David⁸³¹, John⁸³², Nathan⁸³³ and Philip A Manro⁸³⁴, and two sisters, Mrs. Brown⁸³⁵ and Mrs. Arne⁸³⁶, met as is their custom, annually, in the parlors of the Baptist church in Elbridge, on Saturday, June 23.

Members of the family were present from Syracuse, Camillus, Baldwinsville, Jordan, Auburn, Throopville, and others from the distant states of Kansas, Colorado, Iowa, etc., were present. Regrets were received from members who could not be present, as the family is scattered through nearly every state in the union. The extreme heat of the day did not deter those present from doing justice to the tempting menu prepared for them and after leaving the dining room, the large company adjourned to the shady lawn in front of the church and listened to the secretary's report and attended to other routine business, after which they listened with pleasure to speeches from Hon. James M. Manro⁸³⁷ of Frankfort, Kan., David Allan Manro⁸³⁸ of Camillus and several others. After a social time which all enjoyed, they adjourned to meet again in June, 1895.

⁸²⁰ PROBABLY ELIZABETH FLAGG ALDEN (1824–1914), WIFE OF SQUIRE MUNRO (1804–1880).

⁸²¹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHICH ELIZABETH MUNRO THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸²² IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

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⁸²⁴ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁸²⁵ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

⁸²⁶ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO JR. (1844–1895).

⁸²⁷ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁸²⁸ THOMAS HILL MUNRO (1850–1905).

⁸²⁹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸³⁰ ELVIRA COMAN (1816–1897), WIFE OF DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

⁸³¹ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁸³² JOHN MUNRO (1781–1860).

⁸³³ NATHAN MUNRO (1791–1839).

⁸³⁴ PHILIP ALLEN MANRO (1795–1870).

⁸³⁵ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863), WIFE OF TIMOTHY BROWN (1774–1852).

⁸³⁶ MARY "POLLY" MUNRO (1794–1878), WIFE OF DAVID ARNE JR. (1785–1847).

⁸³⁷ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁸³⁸ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

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The Baldwinsville Gazette & Farmers Journal – June 20, 1895

Mrs. Payn Bigelow⁸³⁹, Mrs. L. B. Tyler,⁸⁴⁰ Mrs. Elizabeth Munro⁸⁴¹, Mrs K. C. Munro⁸⁴², Mrs. E. C. Tallman⁸⁴³, and Mr. And Mrs. H. M. Munro⁸⁴⁴ attended the Munro reunion at Elbridge Saturday. About 150 were present.

⁸³⁹ HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902), WIFE OF PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

⁸⁴⁰ LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856–1955), WIFE OF EDWARD DUTY TYLER (1850–1891).

⁸⁴¹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHICH ELIZABETH MUNRO THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸⁴² KIRBY CHAMBERLIN MUNRO (1844–1917).

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The Phelps Citizen – July 9, 1896

Among the guests at the reunion of the Munro family at Elbridge were Mr. And Mrs. John Rhodes⁸⁴⁵ and Miss Laura M. Carpenter⁸⁴⁶.

The Daily Courier – June 23, 1896

MUNRO FAMILY REUNION

An Enjoyable Gathering of Relatives at Elbridge

Elbridge, June 22. The annual reunion of the Munro family occurred Saturday at the parlors of the Baptist church in Elbridge. The day was perfect, and the town looked its best. By 12 o'clock the guests had arrived from Syracuse, Auburn, Camillus, Throopsville and Skaneateles, with by far the largest number from the immediate vicinity of Elbridge.

The tables were loaded with the good things of earth, and all did justice to the well served feast. The president, Jefferson Munro⁸⁴⁷ of Auburn, called upon our new cousin, Rev. Mr. Winchester⁸⁴⁸ of the Baptist church, to pronounce the blessing, after which the descendants of Betsy Brown⁸⁴⁹, elder daughter of Squire Munro, proceeded with old time hospitality to serve the tables. Over a hundred were served at the first tables, and there were present about forty at the second table. The ice cream and strawberries were of the finest quality, and the vianda(?) reflected credit upon the Munros, who are noted cooks and providers.

In the afternoon the company adjourned to the beautiful lawn in front of the church and reorganized, with Jefferson Munro⁸⁵⁰ of Auburn for president, Isaac Munro⁸⁵¹ of Camillus and William Brown⁸⁵² of Elbridge vice presidents, John Munro⁸⁵³ secretary and treasurer; executive committee, Isaac Munro⁸⁵⁴, John S. Munro⁸⁵⁵, Irving Rhodes⁸⁵⁶, William A. Gere⁸⁵⁷ and their wives. By invitation of Isaac Munro⁸⁵⁸ the next meeting will be held the third Saturday in June, 1897, at Camillus.

After the business meeting professor Wright⁸⁵⁹ and J. Weed Munro, Esq.⁸⁶⁰, of Minneapolis gave short addresses filled with reminiscences. Among the guests from out of the county were Mrs. Charles Dwight⁸⁶¹ and son⁸⁶² of Auburn, Jefferson Munro⁸⁶³ and daughter, Mrs. Jonathan Munro⁸⁶⁴, her son Fred⁸⁶⁵

⁸⁴⁵ EITHER JOHN IRVING RHODES (1852-) AND MARY RHODA BROWN (1857-1899) OR JOHN RHODES (~1854-1911) AND HANNAH LOUISA CARPENTER (1846-1907).

⁸⁴⁶ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839-1913).

⁸⁴⁷ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826-1903).

⁸⁴⁸ MERRITT J. WINCHESTER (1865-1945).

⁸⁴⁹ BESTEY MUNRO (1779-1863), WIFE OF TIMOTHY BROWN (1774-1852).

⁸⁵⁰ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826-1903).

⁸⁵¹ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848-1922).

⁸⁵² WILLIAM SPENCER BROWN (1863-1940).

⁸⁵³ JOHN MUNRO JR. (1821-1900).

⁸⁵⁴ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848-1922).

⁸⁵⁵ JOHN SEYMOUR MUNRO (1856-1924).

⁸⁵⁶ JOHN IRVING RHODES (1852-).

⁸⁵⁷ WILLIAM ANSON GERE (1860-1942).

⁸⁵⁸ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848-1922).

⁸⁵⁹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸⁶⁰ JACOB WEED MUNRO (1853-1907).

⁸⁶¹ EMMA MUNRO (1847-1937), WIFE OF CHARLES CHAUNCEY DWIGHT (1830-1902).

⁸⁶² UNKNOWN SON OF CHARLES DWIGHT.

⁸⁶³ THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826-1903).

⁸⁶⁴ HELEN COOLEY (1838-1920), WIFE OF JONATHAN SQUIRE MANRO (1821-1890).

⁸⁶⁵ FRED JONATHAN MANRO (1863-1942).

and family, Mrs. Atwater⁸⁶⁶ and family, Mr. and Mrs. Benham⁸⁶⁷ and son, Mr. and Mrs. Harlow⁸⁶⁸ and their son Bedford⁸⁶⁹, with his family, all from Cayuga county; Mr. and Mrs. John Rhodes⁸⁷⁰ from Newark, Wayne county; Mrs. L. M. Carpenter⁸⁷¹ from Phelps; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Northup⁸⁷² and family from Corning; Mrs. Nathan Munro⁸⁷³ from Johnstown, Miss Wilson⁸⁷⁴ from Houghton seminary, and Mrs. Merrill⁸⁷⁵ from Auburn.

The family secretaries from the different branches of the patriarchal tree read reports including the deaths, births and marriages in their respective family, and a request was made that these secretaries prepare a full list of all descendants, living and dead, of Squire Munro, the first settler of this name in the county, for the next reunion.

Regrets were read by Miss Carpenter⁸⁷⁶ from Mrs. Wilmarth⁸⁷⁷ of Newport, N. H.; Mrs. Townsend⁸⁷⁸ of Syracuse, Rev. Mr. Benham⁸⁷⁹ of Pittsburg, Pa. Last but by no means least, the Betsy Brown⁸⁸⁰ branch of the family in Toledo, O., sent regrets and greeting signed by twenty-one names. The reading of this was received with cheers. One of the tables bore a large cake bearing the figures 1879 and 1896, the work of Mrs. Ellen Munro⁸⁸¹. Among the number always present we missed Mrs. Elvira Munro⁸⁸², who is ill, and David Allen Munro⁸⁸³ of Camillus, now visiting in Kansas.

After a delightful afternoon socially the company adjourned at 6 p.m. to meet again in Camillus.

⁸⁶⁶ PROBABLY BETSEY LOUIS MANRO (1824–1906), WIFE OF ERASMUS ATWATER (1824–1872).

⁸⁶⁷ PROBABLY WYATT ALLEN BENHAM (1833–1906) AND CYNTHIA HELEN MANRO (1835–1919).

⁸⁶⁸ STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW (1819–1905) AND MARY MUNRO (1822–1901).

⁸⁶⁹ STEPHEN BEDFORD HARLOW JR. (1856–1933).

⁸⁷⁰ JOHN IRVING RHODES (1852–) AND MARY RHODA BROWN (1857–1899).

⁸⁷¹ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁸⁷² WILLARD H. NORTHROP (1865–1944) AND FANNIE ELIZA BROWN (1867–1953).

⁸⁷³ SARAH A. DAWLEY (1826–1899), WIFE OF NATHAN MUNRO (1824–1886).

⁸⁷⁴ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸⁷⁵ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸⁷⁶ LAURA MARIA CARPENTER (1839–1913).

⁸⁷⁷ POSSIBLY EMMA MANRO (1868–), WIFE OF RICHARD WILMAN ().

⁸⁷⁸ PROBABLY HARRIET MUNRO (1829–1919), WIFE OF ROBERT TOWNSEND (1819–1866).

⁸⁷⁹ DEWITT MILES BENHAM (1862–).

⁸⁸⁰ BETSEY MUNRO (1779–1863), WIFE OF TIMOTHY BROWN (1774–1852).

⁸⁸¹ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸⁸² ELIVRA COMAN (1816–1897), WIFE OF DANIEL COMAN MUNRO (1819–1893).

⁸⁸³ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

1897

A Baldwinsville, NY Newspaper – June 24, 1897

CAMILLUS

The Munro reunion in Munro grove Saturday was a very pleasant gathering. Members of the various branches of the large family were present from many places, far and near, in large numbers. The officers of the previous year were re-elected, and interesting letters were read from absent ones unable to attend. The out-door meeting was such a decided success that it was voted to have the next reunion at the same place.

The Skaneateles Free Press – June 25, 1897

The annual reunion of the Munro family was held in the form of a picnic in I. H. Munro's⁸⁸⁴ grove at Camillus last Saturday about 150 being present.

⁸⁸⁴ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

1898

The Marcellus Observer – June 10, 1898

The annual Munro reunion will be held at Munro Glen, Camillus, Saturday, June 18. All the family are cordially invited.

A Baldwinsville, NY newspaper – June 23, 1898

The Munro Reunion

On Saturday, June 18th, the members of the Munro family met, as has been their custom for twenty years or more, and had their annual greetings and picnic and dinner. On this occasion the place of meeting was in a grove of the late Allen Munro⁸⁸⁵, now the property of Isaac Munro⁸⁸⁶, of Camillus. There were over one hundred present. Some came from distant places. One family; that of Timothy Brown⁸⁸⁷, came from Madison, Wisconsin. Syracuse, Baldwinsville, Auburn, Corning, Elbridge, Skaneateles and other places were well represented. The weather was cool and enjoyable until after dinner, and well on toward 2:00 p. m., but directly after the minutes of the last meeting had been read and approved, and before the reports of committees and letters of regrets of members who could not be present were read, a storm broke upon the grove, and put a hasty end to what had been a pleasant reunion of this extensive and noted family. The president of the association, Jefferson Munro⁸⁸⁸, is in his eightieth year, and the youngest member, Hannah Munro⁸⁸⁹, was also present, although she was just two weeks and four days old. However, she and her active little mother⁸⁹⁰ seemed to enter into the full spirit of the outdoor gathering. Hannah Munro is the daughter of Isaac Munro⁸⁹¹, of Camillus.

Mrs. Otis M Bigelow⁸⁹² and children, Louise⁸⁹³, Otis Jr.⁸⁹⁴ and Wallace⁸⁹⁵, Mrs. Squire Munro⁸⁹⁶, Mrs. K. C. Munro⁸⁹⁷, Miss Elizabeth Munro⁸⁹⁸, Mrs. Alex Hammill⁸⁹⁹, Mrs. Payn Bigelow⁹⁰⁰, Mr. And Mrs. A. K. Owen⁹⁰¹, John H Munroe⁹⁰² and D.C. Leroy⁹⁰³ attended the Munro family re-union at Camillus Saturday.

⁸⁸⁵ PROBABLY ALLEN MUNRO (1819–1884).

⁸⁸⁶ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁸⁸⁷ DESCENDANTS OF TIMOTHY E. BROWN II (1823–1877)

⁸⁸⁸ PROBABLY THOMAS JEFFERSON MANRO (1826–1903), BUT HE WOULD HAVE BEEN 72 IN 1898.

⁸⁸⁹ HANNAH MUNRO (1898–1981) WAS BORN ON MAY 30, 1898.

⁸⁹⁰ GRACE ELECTA WARNER (1868–1926).

⁸⁹¹ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁸⁹² LILLIAN MAUD SWETLAND (1859–1948), WIFE OF OTIS MUNRO BIGELOW (1849–1939).

⁸⁹³ MARY LOUISE BIGELOW (1884–1967).

⁸⁹⁴ OTIS MUNRO BIGELOW JR. (1881–1932).

⁸⁹⁵ WALLACE BIGELOW (1890–1939).

⁸⁹⁶ KATHERINE MADDEN MCCABE (1851–1925), WIFE OF SQUIRE HENRY MUNRO (1851–1926).

⁸⁹⁷ FLORA PECK (1846–1914), WIFE OF KIRBY CHAMBERLIN MUNRO (1844–1917).

⁸⁹⁸ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHICH ELIZABETH MUNRO THIS IS REFERRING.

⁸⁹⁹ MARY ELLA MUNRO (1847–1940), WIFE OF ALEXANDER HAMILL (1843–1927).

⁹⁰⁰ HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902), WIFE OF PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

⁹⁰¹ LOUISA MARIA BIGELOW (1856–1955), WIFE OF ALBERT KIMSEY OWEN (1847–1916).

⁹⁰² JOHN HENRY MUNROE (1835–1905).

⁹⁰³ DEMOSTHENES CICERO LE ROY JR. (1852–1929).

1901

The Baldwinsville Gazette and Farmer's Journal – June 6, 1901

Arrangements are being made for the annual reunion of the Munro family of Onondaga county to be held at Owasco Lake about the middle of June.

The Syracuse Post-Standard – June 17 1901

I. H. Munro⁹⁰⁴, John S. Munro⁹⁰⁵, Thomas H. Munro⁹⁰⁶ and Mrs. D. A. Munro⁹⁰⁷, accompanied by their families attended the Munro family reunion at Owasco Lake Park yesterday, Henry Le Roy⁹⁰⁸ was also present.

The Baldwinsville Gazette & Farmers' Journal – July 4, 1901

A HISTORICAL SKETCH.

Read at the Munro Reunion June 15, 1901,

By Mrs. Marie Louise Bigelow Owen⁹⁰⁹.

David Munro⁹¹⁰, second son of Squire Munro and fifth in the line of descent from John Munro⁹¹¹, who settled in Massachusetts at an early period, was born in Cheshire, Mass., in 1784. In 1799 his father moved the family to Elbridge, Onondaga county, New York. When 23 years of age, in 1807, he was married to Abigail Carpenter⁹¹². The marriage ceremony was performed by his father, who was probably a justice of the peace at that time. Ministers did not come to these western wilds until some time after that date.

I wonder if grandfather went wooing in the cool, methodical, business-like fashion of James Geddes of Erie Canal fame, who in 1806 writes thus in his diary: "Have come this day to the ripe age of 30 years, and never having experienced the grand passion. I will not wait, but get me a wife. I have considered all the families here about and have decided I'll ask Abigail Carpenter to be my wife." I dare say he was really picking out a congenial father-in-law, for we read on April 10, 1804, the Surveyor General ordered that in the June following, certain lands near Salina were to be sold in the village of Utica, the money thus raised to be expended by Moses Carpenter⁹¹³, John Young and James Geddes in improving the road from Onondaga to Manlius. Again in 1806 an act appropriated \$600 out of the duties on salt to build a road from Onondaga Hill to Oswego and another from Salina to Oswego, Moses Carpenter and two others being chosen to lay these out; one passes through Baldwinsville, the other through Liverpool. In the same year, the Surveyor General directed Moses Carpenter and two others to lay out a state road, six rods wide, from the Walton Tract through the State Lands. A part of this road became the Salina street of Syracuse. But this is a grandfather's eulogy, and not a grandmother's. However, if you care to hear the sequel of James Geddes' courting of grandmother Abigail, I'll give it to you later.

I was interested to learn that through the efforts of Henry M. LeRoy⁹¹⁴ it has been found that David Munro⁹¹⁵ was a soldier in the war of 1812. When it was noised about that Wellington's veterans were being sent over to Canada, people throughout New York state were filled with deep concern. David Munro, then 28

⁹⁰⁴ ISAAC HILL MUNRO (1848–1922).

⁹⁰⁵ JOHN SEYMOUR MUNRO (1856–1924).

⁹⁰⁶ THOMAS HILL MUNRO (1850–1905).

⁹⁰⁷ EMMA E. BROWN (1852–1924), WIFE OF DAVID ALLEN MUNRO JR. (1844–1895).

⁹⁰⁸ HENRY MUNRO LE ROY (1847–1909).

⁹⁰⁹ POSSIBLY MARY LOUISE BIGELOW (1884–1967), BUT IT IS UNCLEAR THAT SHE HAD A SPOUSE WITH THE NAME "OWEN".

⁹¹⁰ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁹¹¹ JOHN MUNRO (~1632–1691).

⁹¹² ABIGAIL CARPENTER (1790–1869).

⁹¹³ MOSES C. CARPENTER (1751–1829), FATHER OF ABIGAIL CARPENTER (1790–1869).

⁹¹⁴ HENRY MUNRO LE ROY (1847–1909).

⁹¹⁵ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

years of age and filled with the war spirit, raised a company of forty men in Camillus. It was supposed the English would cross the lake to Oswego, and sail up the river. But when the brave little band arrived at Oswego Falls, they were met by runners telling them to camp there and wait for the regular army coming from Albany. In so long a march the men were not able to carry provisions, so for two weeks David Munro bore all the expenses for the forty men, then the regulars coming, he was told he could return home. This was on Saturday, and the men in their eagerness to spend Sunday at home started at once, but in the late evening, when they arrived at Baldwinsville, many begged to spend the night there; but not so the captain, they had started for home and home they must go, and in forcing his argument he broke his new \$20.00 sword. But they marched home that night, twenty-two miles in one day; and imagine the roads in those early days too.

This year, May 30th, three little flags waved over three generations of David Munro⁹¹⁶ in the cemetery at Camillus, one for this soldier of 1812, one for David Allen Munro⁹¹⁷, who was the only man adopted into the 122nd regiment for his help and generous assistance, and one for David Allen Munro, Jr.⁹¹⁸, who fought in the war of the Rebellion. And on that same day in far-off Kansas, a new grave was flower-bedecked for our dearly beloved, big-hearted uncle, Hon. James M. Munro⁹¹⁹, third son of David Munro⁹²⁰. This uncle lived to the good old age of 84 years, loved and highly esteemed by all who knew him.

There is a tradition in our family that Squire Munro and his sons were building a bridge, when one of the heavy girders fell into the stream. After raising the great beam the water cleared so quickly he exclaimed, "Look, it's as clear as the Jordan." Since then the little hamlet has grown into the pretty flourishing village of Jordan. Can any one here tell me if this is really history? David Munro⁹²¹ and Abigail Carpenter⁹²² had eight children, one only is now living, Hannah Munro Bigelow⁹²³, she was born in 1823, is therefore, 78 years old. There are eighteen grandchildren, fifty-four great-grandchildren, and twenty-eight great-great-grandchildren. At present there are one hundred lineal descendants of David Munro.

⁹¹⁶ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁹¹⁷ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO (1818–1897).

⁹¹⁸ DAVID ALLEN MUNRO JR. (1844–1895).

⁹¹⁹ JAMES MADISON MUNRO (1813–1900).

⁹²⁰ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁹²¹ DAVID MUNRO (1784–1866).

⁹²² ABIGAIL CARPENTER (1790–1869).

⁹²³ HANNAH MUNRO (1823–1902), WIFE OF PAYNE BIGELOW (1814–1893).

1904

The Marcellus Observer – January 1, 1904

The Munro family reunion was held on Christmas this year at J. S. Munro's⁹²⁴. There was a large attendance.

⁹²⁴ JOHN SEYMOUR MUNRO (1856–1924).

1908

The Auburn Semi-Weekly Journal – June 28, 1908

A Manro reunion was held at Lakeside park last Thursday afternoon, about 50 members of the Manro family being present from Auburn, Throop, Marcellus, Elbridge, Camillus, and Baldwinsville. For several years these reunions have been discontinued on account of removals and deaths but they had a very pleasant gathering.

1923

The Marcellus Observer – June 20, 1923

The annual Munro reunion will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Munro⁹²⁵ Wednesday, June 27.

⁹²⁵ FRANK MUNRO (1850–1925) AND MILLIE A. BOWEN (1856–1932).

1924

The Marcellus Observer – July 5, 1924

MUNRO FAMILY REUNION

The annual Munro picnic was held Friday, June 30, at the home of Mr. And Mrs. Frank Munro⁹²⁶ in Elbridge. Among the out of town guests were Mr. And Mrs. Elmer Munro⁹²⁷ of Auburn; John S.⁹²⁸, E. K.⁹²⁹ And Thomas H. Munro⁹³⁰ with their respective families of Camillus. A cafeteria dinner was served from the dining room.

⁹²⁶ FRANK MUNRO (1850–1925) AND MILLIE A. BOWEN (1856–1932).

⁹²⁷ DANIEL ELMER MUNRO (1860–1933).

⁹²⁸ JOHN SEYMOUR MUNRO (1856–1924).

⁹²⁹ EDWIN KNAPP MUNRO (1878–1936).

⁹³⁰ THOMAS HILL MUNRO (1876–1939).

1983

Attendees List – Conway Munro Photo Album

Attendance at Munro Family Picnic, 1983 (Partial List from Photographs)
David & Barbara Stratton⁹³¹

Dick & Polly Nicholson⁹³²

Carolyn & Charles Herrold⁹³³

Seymour Munro⁹³⁴

Margaret Munro Stratton⁹³⁵

Betty Higbee⁹³⁶

Sally Edwards⁹³⁷

Betty Munro⁹³⁸

Willard Munro⁹³⁹

James Munro⁹⁴⁰

Jane Will⁹⁴¹

John Munro⁹⁴²

Dave Munro⁹⁴³

Munro Will⁹⁴⁴

David Munro⁹⁴⁵

Evelyn Munro⁹⁴⁶

⁹³¹ DAVID MACFARLAND STRATTON (1937–) AND BARBARA THOMPSON (1939–).

⁹³² RICHARD ECROYD NICHOLSON (1929–1995) AND POLLY LEE SCHERRER (1929–).

⁹³³ CAROLINE SHERWOOD MUNRO (1930–1991) AND CHARLES MEEBOLD HERROLD (1923–2005).

⁹³⁴ SEYMOUR SHERWOOD MUNRO (1902–1991).

⁹³⁵ MARGARET COTTER MUNRO (1911–1995).

⁹³⁶ ELIZABETH MUNRO (1910–2000).

⁹³⁷ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁹³⁸ ELIZABETH “BETTY” BENNET (1919–).

⁹³⁹ WILLARD LOWE MUNRO (1902–1995).

⁹⁴⁰ JAMES M. MUNRO (1908–1991).

⁹⁴¹ JANE BEATRICE SYLIAASEN () OR HER DAUGHTER BEAT

⁹⁴² JOHN WILLOUGHBY MUNRO (1905–2003).

⁹⁴³ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁹⁴⁴ MUNRO WILL (1901–1993).

⁹⁴⁵ DAVID ALAN MUNRO (1903–1997)

⁹⁴⁶ EVELYN TOTTENHAM SMITH (1914–2007).

1985

Highlights of Munro Family History – Munro Will

Reunion Picnic - Fayetteville, N.Y. Sept. 1, 1985

Since today there are several members of the Munro family present who may not be familiar with its historical background, and to refresh the memories of others, I thought appropriate a review of highlights of Munro Family history.

This is not an original composition, but gleanings from the copious Munro historical literature and the Encyclopedia Britannica. It is generally accepted that in pre-Roman times, i.e. B.C., Scotland was inhabited by a people who were mainly Celtic and that they reached this country in three principal waves of immigration; to the east coast by way of the North Sea, by way of Gaul (or France) to the south of England, and also from the continent by way of Ireland.

The Roman conquest of Britain was accomplished by the Emperor Claudius in 43 A.D. After the departure of the Romans about 400 A.D. five races settled in Scotland; the Picts, the Scots, the Britons, the Attacothi and the Saxons. For three centuries there was a struggle for supremacy between the Picts and the Scots. About the year 836, Alpin, the last King of the Scots, was killed in battle and the accession of his son, Kenneth McAlpin, marked a new era in the history of Scotland.

A new element entered into Scottish history in the coming of the sea-raiding Norsemen in 793. Before the end of the 9th century the Norsemen were masters of the Orkney, Shetland and Western Isles. In 915 the Danes occupied the north of England so that at one point or another the greater part of Scotland was surrounded by or in the hands of the Norsemen. With periods of varying success the Norse occupation continued until about 1264 when they were finally expelled except from the Orkney and Shetland Islands.

Meanwhile, the conquest of England by the Normans under William the Conqueror had taken place in 1066 A.D. at the Battle of Hastings on the southern coast of England. The Normans came from France. The name Scotland, ancient Caledonia, originated in the 11th century when, from the inhabiting tribe of Scots, part of it was called Scotia. It became established in the 12th and 13th centuries. The Scots had come from Ireland, a Christian land, and had brought their religion with them, and Christianity had persisted from Roman times. The Kingdom of Scotland was founded in the early years of the 11th century by an amalgamation of four tribal kingdoms; Scots, Picts, British and Angles. Malcolm Ceanmore succeeded to the Scottish throne in 1057 which marks the rise of the Highland Clan system. Then commenced a long succession of rebellions against King James II of England, called the Jacobite uprisings, ending in 1745 which resulted in the extinction of the clan system.

Historically speaking, the Scottish Clan is a social group consisting of an aggregate of distinct branch families actually descended from, or accepting themselves as descendants of a common ancestor, and which group has been received, in the person of its "Representer" by the Crown, either through a "Charter of Chieftancy", or through the "Supreme Officer of Honor", as an "Honorable Community" in the "Communitas Regni Scotiae". The word clan simply means "children", so the community-idea is necessarily based on a Hereditary Parent - the Chief, but it also envisages a home.

Clan Societies have existed since the 17th century. They provide invaluable machinery for a clan fund, repository for records and treasures, and virtually form the civil Service of the Clan.

The Clan, or Family, like every other institution requires symbolism and ceremonial, else its existence, functions and traditions get overlooked. It is a legal and practical community - a biological corporation - under the representative whom we call Chief, distinguished by his shield and banner which pass as property in the ruling line of succession. It spreads into branches and subbranch families. Each child should be taught to "name your chief", the chief's genealogy and his own. It was the mother's duty to

learn this and teach them; the father's to encourage the child to "decor the house", support the chief and work for the glory of the clan.

The judicial system of the clan was administered by a judge and the laws had their foundation in, and were a survival of, older Celtic Law. The clan had a definite formation in war with officers and ranks much the same as military regiments. The social customs of the clans evolved largely from Celtic sources. Women were held in high esteem and in early times were permitted to assist in councils and in settling disputes.

The arms of the clansmen consisted of bows and arrows, spears, swords, dirks, axes, shields and firearms. The Highlanders were often expert bowmen, but archery died amongst them about the beginning of the 18th century on the introduction of firearms. Shields, muskets and pistols completed the armory. Each clan had a slogan or war cry. They carried standards, the duty being a hereditary one. The population of the Highlands was small, and only 22,000 clansmen, or 1/6th the total population of 132,000 were able to bear arms. At one time, however, the Munro Clan was able to muster 1000 men.

At the height of the clan system there were 96 clans in existence. Of particular interest to this gathering is the Innis Clan in which George Innis, husband of Edwena Munro Innis, was represented. Also, the Fraser and MacLennan clans if you accept "Mac" for "Mc", represented by our host, Fraser McLennan. The clan system ended April 16, 1746 when the clan forces of Prince Charles Edward lost to those of the Duke of Cumberland in the Battle of Culloden. The clan system was ideally suited to the circumstances of the times. The land belonged to the people in common and each clansman was duty bound to assist the other, but it often induced clan feuds and prevented a strong union. The dictionary describes "tartan" as a plaid textile design of Scottish origin consisting of stripes of varying width and color usually patterned to designate a distinctive clan. The antiquity of the Scottish tartan is amply proved by the many references to it in early Scottish literature and in the written accounts of travelers who visited Scotland several hundred years ago.

The ancient method of describing tartan was to refer to it as mottled, checkered or striped, sundre-colored, marled, and so on, but the gaelic word for tartan is Breacon meaning checkered and is aptly descriptive of the check-like arrangement of tartan patterns. When we refer to the "sett" of a tartan we mean the pattern, and a length of tartan is made up of one sett repeated over and over again until the desired length is made.

For many centuries tartan formed part of the everyday garb of the Highland people and while it was worn in other parts of Scotland, it was in the Highlands that its use continued and developed until it became recognized as a symbol of clan kinship. The red Munro tartan with green overcheck, lines and narrow lines of blue and yellow, is generally regarded as the ancient clan sett, although some variations are known. The dark green tartan of the oldest Highland Regiment, the Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment), sometimes also claimed as an early Munro pattern, is used as a hunting sett.

It is believed that the tartans used several centuries ago were simple checks of two or three colors and that the colors were obtained from the dye-producing plants, roots, berries and trees found in the districts where the cloth was woven. These simple checks were district tartans and were worn by the people of the district where they were made. As the people inhabiting a district were generally members of the same clan, their district tartan was, in effect, a clan tartan.

The weaver took great pains to give exact patterns of the tartan by having the number and color of every thread upon a piece of wood. It is well known that these pattern sticks served as guides for the weavers in making their tartans. Care was taken to keep an exact record of tartan setts, but that also the people of each district could be identified by the pattern of their tartan.

After the Battle of Culloden in 1746, the government in an effort to purge the Highlands of all unlawful elements, passed an act of Parliament whereby the Highlander was disarmed and the wearing of tartan made a personal offense. By the time the act was repealed in 1785, Highlanders had become accustomed to wearing the same type of dress as other Scots. Tartan was almost a thing of the past. Little knowledge remained of pre-1745 tartans. The first great tartan revival took place in 1822. Today the confusion of past uncertainty is being regulated into some semblance of order and patterns are being standardized into recognized settings by the national registration. An early Munro historian believes the surname Munro, and its various spellings (Munroe, Monro, Monroe) signifies "from the Red Marsh", at the mouth of the River Roe which flows through Londonderry County in Northern Ireland into the Atlantic Ocean. Another translation of the name might be "Man on, or from, Roe". The origin of the earliest Munros is not generally agreed upon, one theory being the family was driven from Scotland into Ireland by the Romans in 357 A.D. where they remained for 700 years before returning to their Highland home. Some believe the clan was of purely Gaelic origin and driven down into the southern Highlands from the rocky islands of the north.

Earliest record of the surname is that of Donald Munro who lived during the reign of Malcolm II, King of the Scots from 1003-1059. Tradition states Donald's surname was originally O'Cain, son of OCCAON RO, who was either an Irish king or nobleman residing in County Derry on the north coast of Ireland near the River Ro. If one takes the trouble to check his atlas map of Ireland, he will find the River Ro still perusing its ancient course to the sea.

As a reward for material aid to Malcolm in his contest with the Danes, Donald was rewarded with lands in what is now County Ross in the Scottish Highlands. Donald's son, George, helped Malcolm III wrest the Scottish throne from the usurper Macbeth, made famous by Shakespeare. George's son, Hugh, erected these lands into the Barony of Foulis, even at the present time in the possession of the family. Hugh is the first to be designated Baron of Foulis, a title which was held by the chiefs of the clan in the male line for 800 years.

In the 14th and 15th centuries the name Munro appears several times on record as "de Monro" showing that it was local or territorial in origin. The family at first were vassals of the Earls of Ross. George de Monro of Foulis witnessed a grant of lands in Badenoch in 1338. Robert de Monro, 1341-1372, had a charter from Robert I and is the first assured chief by charter evidence. The current Chief of C Ian Munro is Capt. Patrick Munro.

From about the time of the Norman Conquest, 1066 A.D., a great mass of charters and writs remain to show the domestic interests of the clan in relation to its lands, but all the while the wider national interests were not neglected. Nearly the whole manpower of the C Ian served under Gustavus Adolphus in the 30 Years War in Europe when they practically officered the Protestant army. The military tradition of the clan was sustained by the victories in India of Sir Hector Munro and as recently as the Second World War when over 200 Munros are known to have made the supreme sacrifice, one clansman was awarded the Victoria Cross in the Indian Mutiny of 1857, and another won the U.S. Congressional Medal of Honor at Guadalcanal.

Particularly in administration members of the Clan have shown aptitude. We can point to a President of the United States who can also be traced to a prisoner of war immigrant, two British Commonwealth Prime Ministers, a Governor General of Australia, and a , Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives. Major General Sir Thomas Munro, soldier and Governor of Madras Province in India, may stand as a model of those who, right up to the present day, have shown the qualities in both national and domestic affairs that for ages has been characteristic of members of Clan Munro.

Our clan territory lies along the northern shore of the Cromarty Firth, a bay of water opening into the larger Moray Firth and the North Sea, between Dingwall and the Alness Water, its background the huge

mass of Ben Wyvis. Here the Chiefs could always obtain snow to cool the sovereign's wine which was the only rent required for the tenure of their lands. This comparatively small but fertile area the clan held undiminished against all comers for many generations. The old tower of Foulis, built according to tradition in 1154 and still the center of the castle, looks across a stretch of park scenery to the precipitous escarpment of the Hill of Fyrish, on the summit of which the beacon-fires were kindled when the rallying cry "Foulis Castle Ablaze!" summoned the Clan to gather.

Within these encircling bastions, and bordered on the other side by one of the finest natural harbors in the world, lies a fair countryside, which is worthy of a place in the "Garden of Ross". It is a territory bearing the stamp of the character of the Clan - always ready to resist predatory aggression, yet deeply attached to the arts of peace and quick to respond to the call of the wider world beyond the homeland.

The Great Rebellion is the generic name for the Civil Wars in England and Scotland between 1642 and 1652. The Scots sided with the English Monarchy when Oliver Cromwell, representing the English Parliament, rose to challenge this northern threat. He decisively defeated King Charles II of Scotland in the famous Battle of Worcester, 1651, in which his forces outnumbered the opposition 2-1. King Charles escaped to France but his army was completely destroyed, 3000 of his men dead, 10,000 taken prisoner. Cromwell's losses were but 200. Worcester lies in Worcestershire, 120 miles northwest of London. Though a fortified city, its walls had been demolished in 1646 and, though partially restored, presented no formidable obstacle to an attack. Scotland was thus reduced to the status of an English Province under martial law.

It was the custom in those days to deport prisoners of war, consigning them to some wealthy man, who, in turn for paying their passage; would be given the privilege of selling their services (for 20-30 pounds) for periods of from 6-8 years. In November 1655, the prisoners taken at the Battle of Worcester were consigned to Mr. Thomas Kemble of Boston and were shipped across the Atlantic in the brig "John and Sarah". Mr. Kemble was a well-to-do merchant and lumber dealer with interests in northern New England as well as Massachusetts, and he probably had no trouble disposing of his unhappy cargo to planters and manufacturers throughout the area. Some of the men he may have sold for work in the iron bogs of Lynn, Saugus, Braintree, or Taunton, Mass.

The record of the consignment to Mr. Kemble of the 272 prisoners on the "John and Sarah", together with their names, appears in the Deeds of Suffolk County, Book I, pg. 5. In the list are four Munrows - Robert, John, Hugh and another whose first name was obliterated but which is believed to be William.

One of the early settlers at Cambridge Farms, now part of Lexington, Mass. was a William Munroe⁹⁴⁷, who became the founder of the large Lexington Munroe Family. He is believed to be identical with William, son of Robert of Aldie, born 1625, and captured at the Battle of Worcester. Robert of Aldie's son, William, is known to have been deported, hence the belief that the obliterated name on the passenger list is William. It is quite possible there was a blood relationship between the four men and that Robert, John or Hugh was the founder of the Munroe Family of Bristol, R. I., forerunner of those in Central New York.

John Munro⁹⁴⁸ is the most likely candidate. What disposition Thomas Kemble made of prisoner John on his arrival at Boston in February 1652 is not known - and we can only guess where he was, and what he was doing for his first 22 years in New England.

⁹⁴⁸ JOHN MUNRO (ABT 1632-1691)

We do not see him from 1652 until Jan. 28, 1674 when he was one of several witnesses to the taking of land in Sakonnet (New Little Compton, R. I.) by Mr. Constant Southworth from an Indian Squaw Sachem. It is a safe assumption that John Munro was living in or near Duxbury, R. I. at the time.

John Munrow's next appearance is in Bristol, R. I. (founded in 1680). In 1688-89 when the first Bristol Census was taken, there appears in it the name "G." (for Goodman) Row, who had a wife and ten children. The name Munroe has often been shortened to Row, or Roe. An inventory of the estate of John Munro, who died in 1691, was taken by two Bristol men on Nov. 10 of that year. An estate appraisal and will were drawn up Feb. 1, 1692 for the benefit of his wife, Sarah, and the six eldest children. The four other children were named so that we know he had ten children.

The earliest Munroe births in Bristol beginning in 1696 list children born to men of the same names as John's sons, and the first marriage in 1694, that of Elizabeth, the same name as one of his daughters. This should indicate almost without a doubt that John was the ancestor of the Bristol Munroes.

From John Munroe of Bristol we progress to his second son, Thomas⁹⁴⁹, who married Mary Wormwell⁹⁵⁰ on Oct. 13, 1698. Thomas and Mary settled in Bristol and the births of three children are recorded there. Mary died Feb. 13, 1705, and he remarried Margaret⁹⁵¹, family name unknown. John⁹⁵², the second son of Thomas and Mary Wormwell Munroe, married Hannah Rosbotham⁹⁵³ on April 29, 1728 in Bristol. They had 13 children, the first 11 being born in Bristol, the last two in Rehoboth, Mass. where they moved between 1748 and 1750. John died April 18, 1793.

The second child of John and Hannah Rosbotham Munroe was Nathan⁹⁵⁴, born Sept. 29, 1730. On Nov. 21, 1751, Nathan Munroe married Hannah Allen⁹⁵⁵ of Rehoboth, which accounts for the frequent appearance of the name Allen in later family trees.

Nathan and Hannah Allen Munroe had 11 children. Nathan died in 1806 and was buried in Rehoboth. Hannah in 1816 at age 83.

The fourth child of Nathan and Hannah Allen Munroe was Squier⁹⁵⁶, born June 27, 1758. The spelling of Squier varies from "Squier to Squire". It is not a title but appears to derive from a family by that name on his mother's side. He was perhaps the most illustrious and best known member of the Munro Family within recent generations, having settled the Munro Family of Central New York in Elbridge, N.Y. by the end of the 18th century.

On May 16, 1779 Squier married Mary Daggett⁹⁵⁷, born March 16, 1755, daughter of John and Penelope Daggett of Rehoboth. Squier died March 30, 1835 in his 78th year, and Mary March 25, 1845 at age 90. Both are buried in the rural cemetery on Rte. 5 east of Elbridge. Over his grave waves an American flag as befitting a Revolutionary War veteran.

Squier and Mary had 10 children of whom the fourth was David⁹⁵⁸, who lived from 1784 to 1867 and was the founder of the Camillus branch of the Munro Family. In 1808 he married Abigail Carpenter⁹⁵⁹, the namesake of one of our attending members.

⁹⁴⁹ THOMAS MUNRO (ABT 1666-1717).

⁹⁵⁰ MARY WORMWELL (ABT 1677-1705).

⁹⁵¹ NOTHING FURTHER IS KNOWN ABOUT THOMAS' SECOND WIFE MARGARET.

⁹⁵² JOHN MUNRO (1701-1793).

⁹⁵³ HANNAH ROSBOTHAM (1711-1809).

⁹⁵⁴ NATHAN MUNRO (1730-1806).

⁹⁵⁵ HANNAH ALLEN (1733-1816).

⁹⁵⁶ SQUIER MUNRO (1758-1835).

⁹⁵⁷ MARY DAGGETT (1755-1845).

⁹⁵⁸ DAVID MUNRO (1784-1866).

⁹⁵⁹ ABIGAIL CARPENTER (1790-1869).

David and Abigail had 10 children of whom the fifth was David Allen Munro, 1818-1897, the great-grandfather of many of us here today, and whose ancestors and descendants were reviewed at the 1984 reunion.

For those who do not know - there is a Clan Munro Association - and who may be interested in joining, I offer the following information.

The Clan Munro Association was founded in Scotland in 1937 to perpetuate the loyal traditions of the Clan system as a strictly non-political and non-sectarian organization.

Clan Munro Association, U.S.A. was organized in 1968 with the approval of Clan Munro Association, Scotland and has held annual gatherings subsequently. It has published annually a magazine called The Munro Eagle which is mailed without charge to members. Membership in Clan Munro Association, U.S. A. is restricted to those who can qualify as Clan Munro Associates, Scotland, whose objectives are:

The acknowledgement in practice of the spirit of the ancient motto - "The fear of God be upon you". The general promotion of the interests of the Clan and the cultivation of a spirit of kin and fellowship and of social intercourse among the members.

The collection and preservation of the history and traditions of the Clan and its branches and of historical works of art, poetry, music, antiquities, and relics connected therewith.

Eligible members may be those who bear the name Munro by birth or marriage in the various forms in which that name is recognized by the Association, or of the various Clan Septs, or Branches.

Annual dues are required by each organization, initial dues accompanying the application, which must be signed by a member in good standing as a recommender.

Munro Will⁹⁶⁰, Sept. 1, 1985

⁹⁶⁰ MUNRO WILL (1910-1993).

Attendees List – Conway Munro Photo Album

Attendance at Munro Family Picnic, Fayetteville, N. Y., Sept. 1, 1985 (Partial List from Photographs)
Margaret Munro McLennan⁹⁶¹

Fraser McLennan

Catherine Hildahl Running⁹⁶²

Lisa Munro Running⁹⁶³

Genevieve Munro Peck⁹⁶⁴

Conway Munro⁹⁶⁵

Jane Maxwell⁹⁶⁶

Betty Higbee⁹⁶⁷

Marie Burton Munro⁹⁶⁸

Evelyn S. Munro⁹⁶⁹

Anthea Proulx⁹⁷⁰

Michael Proulx⁹⁷¹

Kinara Erickson⁹⁷²

Abigail Carpenter Munro Proulx⁹⁷³

David A. Munro⁹⁷⁴

John W. Munro⁹⁷⁵

Betty Bennett Munro⁹⁷⁶

Willard L. Munro⁹⁷⁷

Allen K. Bridges⁹⁷⁸

James Munro⁹⁷⁹

Munro Will⁹⁸⁰

⁹⁶¹ MARGARET COTTER MUNRO (1911–1995), WIFE OF FRAISER MCLEANNAN ()

⁹⁶² CATHERINE HILDAHL RUNNING (1966–).

⁹⁶³ LISA MUNRO RUNNING (1964–).

⁹⁶⁴ GENEVIEVE MUNRO (1905–1990).

⁹⁶⁵ CONWAY MUNRO (1908–1995).

⁹⁶⁶ M. JANE MAXWELL IS THE DAUGHTER OF MARY ELLIS MAXWELL, THE AUTHOR OF THE BOOK AMONG THE HILLS OF CAMILLUS.

⁹⁶⁷ ELIZABETH MUNRO (1910–2000), WIFE OF LYMAN HIGBEE. (~1910–1987).

⁹⁶⁸ MARIE LYON BURTON (1913–2002), WIFE OF JAMES M. MUNRO (1908–1991).

⁹⁶⁹ EVELYN TOTTENHAM SMITH (1914–2007), WIFE OF DAVID ALAN MUNRO (1903–1997).

⁹⁷⁰ ANTHEA BRONWEN MUNRO PROULX (1981–).

⁹⁷¹ MICHAEL THEODORE PROULX ().

⁹⁷² KINARA INGRID ERICKSON ().

⁹⁷³ ABIGAIL CARPENTER MUNRO (1946–).

⁹⁷⁴ DAVID ALAN MUNRO (1903–1997).

⁹⁷⁵ JOHN WILLOUGHBY MUNRO (1905–2003).

⁹⁷⁶ ELIZABETH “BETTY” BENNET (1919–).

⁹⁷⁷ POSSIBLY JOSEPH WILLARD MUNRO (1972–).

⁹⁷⁸ ALLAN K. BRIDGES (), HUSBAND OF HEATHER LYON MUNRO (1951–).

⁹⁷⁹ JAMES M. MUNRO (1908–1991).

⁹⁸⁰ MUNRO WILL (1910–1993).

David P. Munro⁹⁸¹

Thomas B. Munro⁹⁸²

Nancy Munro Scherrer⁹⁸³

Martha Welch⁹⁸⁴

David Stratton⁹⁸⁵

Jim Stratton⁹⁸⁶

Sherri Stratton⁹⁸⁷

Polly Scherrer Nicholson⁹⁸⁸

Richard E. Nicholson⁹⁸⁹

Heather Munro Bridges⁹⁹⁰

⁹⁸¹ DAVID PERSONS MUNRO (1946–).

⁹⁸² THOMAS BENNET MUNRO (1951–).

⁹⁸³ NANCY MUNRO SCHERRER (1924–2001).

⁹⁸⁴ MARTHA ANNE WELCH (1962–).

⁹⁸⁵ DAVID MACFARLAND STRATTON (1937–).

⁹⁸⁶ JAMES HUBERT STRATTON (1949–).

⁹⁸⁷ SHERRI JO STRATTON (1969–).

⁹⁸⁸ POLLY LEE SCHERRER (1929–).

⁹⁸⁹ RICHARD ECROYD NICHOLSON (1929–1995).

⁹⁹⁰ HEATHER LYON MUNRO (1951–).

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Attendees List – Conway Munro Photo Album

Attendance at Munro Family Picnic, August 31, 1986 (Partial List from Photographs)
Marg & Fraser McLennan⁹⁹¹

Conway Munro⁹⁹²

Dick Stratton⁹⁹³

Eileen & Autumn Blackwell⁹⁹⁴

Munro Will⁹⁹⁵

John & Betty Munro⁹⁹⁶

Allen & Heather Bridges⁹⁹⁷

Marie B. Munro & James Munro⁹⁹⁸

Dave Munro⁹⁹⁹

Janet & Bill Neisel¹⁰⁰⁰

Dave & Sherri Stratton¹⁰⁰¹

Willard Munro¹⁰⁰²

Harry & Barbara Norton¹⁰⁰³

Dick & Polly Nicholson¹⁰⁰⁴

James H. Stratton¹⁰⁰⁵

Jeff Stratton¹⁰⁰⁶

Nancy Scherrer¹⁰⁰⁷

Tom Munro¹⁰⁰⁸

⁹⁹¹ MARGARET COTTER MUNRO (1911–1995) AND FRAISER MCLENNAN ()

⁹⁹² CONWAY MUNRO (1908–1995).

⁹⁹³ RICHARD MUNRO STRATTON (1945–).

⁹⁹⁴ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

⁹⁹⁵ MUNRO WILL (1910–1993).

⁹⁹⁶ JOHN WILLOUGHBY MUNRO (1905–2003) AND ELIZABETH BENNET (1919–).

⁹⁹⁷ ALLAN K. BRIDGES () AND HEATHER LYON MUNRO (1951–).

⁹⁹⁸ MARIE LYON BURTON (1913–2002) AND JAMES M. MUNRO (1908–1991).

⁹⁹⁹ PROBABLY DAVID ALAN MUNRO (1903–1997).

¹⁰⁰⁰ WILLIAM JAMES NEISEL (1911–2005) AND JANET GERE MUNRO (1911–1998).

¹⁰⁰¹ DAVID MACFARLAND STRATTON (1937–) AND HIS DAUGHTER SHERRI JO STRATTON (1969–).

¹⁰⁰² POSSIBLY JOSEPH WILLARD MUNRO (1972–).

¹⁰⁰³ IT IS UNCLEAR TO WHOM THIS IS REFERRING.

¹⁰⁰⁴ RICHARD ECROYD NICHOLSON (1929–1995) AND POLLY LEE SCHERRER (1929–).

¹⁰⁰⁵ JAMES HUBERT STRATTON (1949–).

¹⁰⁰⁶ JEFFERY WILLIAM STRATTON (1859–).

¹⁰⁰⁷ NANCY MUNRO SCHERRER (1924–2001).

¹⁰⁰⁸ THOMAS BENNET MUNRO (1951–).