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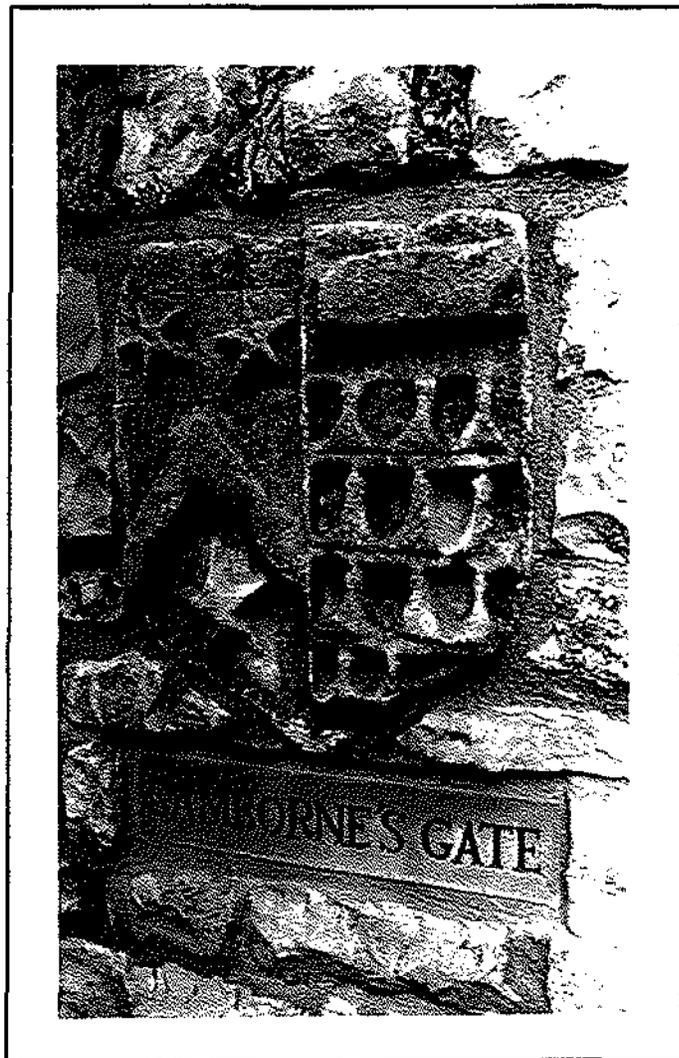
## OUR SECOND REUNION

With attendance from seventeen states and Canada, the Second Annual Reunion of the Sanborn Family Association was held at the Deerfield Fairgrounds in Deerfield, NH on August 25th. Approximately 300 Sanborn and allied family members were present despite the inclement weather.

In the morning, coffee, punch and donuts were served while attendees browsed the large memorabilia display, which included old pictures, documents, and family group charts. A collection of hand-made Sanborn wood planes was exhibited by Mr. Wendall Badger of White River Junction, VT. Genealogical questions were discussed and many acquaintances were renewed. A lovely display of photographs of Timsbury Church was sent from England and presented at the Reunion.

On the day of our Reunion, our cousins across the Atlantic dedicated the "Samborne Gate" at Timsbury (see photo). This gate was walled up after the Timsbury Manor House, which adjoined the Church property, was destroyed. Traditionally the gate had been along the pathway taken by the Samborne family when going to church. The head of the Samborne family in England, Capt. Barnaby Frederick Palmer-Samborne, O.B.E., wrote and called to tell us of the dedication (see letter on page 3). Following the dedication, we received a newspaper clipping which included a picture of Mrs. Sheila Cunningham, one of the last Sambornes to live at the Manor, cutting the ribbon to open the gate. We were very pleased that the date of the dedication was chosen to coincide with our Family Reunion.

The Annual Sanborn Family Association business meeting was opened by Reunion Chairman, Arthur H. (continued)



The Samborne Gate at Timsbury

The Sanborn Family Association  
P.O. Box 185  
Candia, NH 03034

## OUR SECOND REUNION continued

Sanborn of Candia, NH. Reverend Mary Caldwell of the Deerfield Community Church gave the invocation. Chairman Sanborn read an original poem, "Sanborn Footprints," which was written for the occasion by Judith A. Sanborn of Newington, CT.

President George F. Sanborn Jr. of Boston, MA, announced the unexpected passing of Mrs. Elenora (Currier) Sanborn Stearns, formerly of Sanbornton, NH, most recently of Danvers, MA. Mrs. Stearns had been the last Secretary-Treasurer of the old Sanborn Family Association, which was disbanded in 1941. Mrs. Stearns had served actively on the committee to reorganize the present Sanborn Family Association.

Secretary Elizabeth A. (Chase) Sanborn announced that she had received a very exciting telephone call from Capt. Palmer-Samborne of Alderbury, Wiltshire, England. Capt. Samborne is a direct descendant of Sir Barnaby Samborne whose tomb is located in the Tisbury Church. He sent the best wishes and greetings of the English Sambornes to the American Sanborns.

Mrs. Mary Ellen (Sanborn) Bradford of Yarmouth, ME made an excellent presentation on the trip to Tisbury which she made with a group from the American Bar Association.

The membership voted to accept the By-Laws which were drawn up by the Executive Board. William E. Sanborn of Deerfield, NH, acting for Nominating Committee Chairman Francis F. Sanborn of Mill Valley, CA, read the proposed slate of officers, who were subsequently elected for 1985-86: President, George F. Sanborn Jr. of Boston, MA; Vice President, Arthur H. Sanborn of Candia, NH; Secretary, Elizabeth A. (Chase) Sanborn of Candia, NH; Assistant Secretary, Ruth S. Sanborn of Deerfield, NH; Treasurer, Ruth Anne Sanborn, Deerfield and Genealogist, Melinde Lutz Sanborn of Boston, MA.

A Roll Call of members was led by Arthur H. Sanborn of Candia, NH, with the youngest Sanborn being 3-week-old Scott Allan Sanborn, son of Allan G. and Margaret M. Sanborn of Tewksbury, MA. The honor of being the oldest at the reunion was given to 95-year-old H. Helen Sanborn of Chichester, NH.

Little Scott received an engraved pewter baby cup made by Baroody Pewter of Candia, NH and Helen received a box of candy from Sanborn's Fine Candies of Plaistow, NH. Two 1-pound cans of Chase and Sanborn Coffee were given as prizes to Mrs. Leslie Sanborn Miller of San Diego, CA, and Amelia P. Klink of Los Osos, CA, who had both come the farthest for the reunion.

The raffle winner for the 1899 reprint of THE GENEALOGY OF THE SAMBORNE-SANBORN FAMILY IN ENGLAND AND AMERICA by V.C. Sanborn, was Mary Ellen (Sanborn) Bradford of Yarmouth, ME.

The Reunion attendees were asked whether they would favor holding a future Sanborn Family Reunion in Bangor, Maine and about 3/4 of those present indicated that they would attend such a Reunion.

At the close of the business meeting, an original Farewell Song, with words by Elizabeth A. (Chase) Sanborn of Candia, NH, was sung to the tune of "Edelweiss." The singing was led by Ellen (Sanborn) Merriam of Danvers, MA and her brother, Allison Q. Sanborn of Westboro, MA. Many felt that this lovely song was one of the best features of the Reunion.

Catering of the noontime meal was done by Martin's Caterers of Goffstown, NH and light entertainment was presented during lunch by Bill O'Neal of Deerfield, NH, who gave a few recitations.

The panoramic picture was rained out this year, but smaller, group pictures were taken and are available through the Association. This year the Reunion was video-taped. Copies of this tape are also available through the Association.

From a report submitted by Elizabeth (Chase) Sanborn

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We are a growing Association. The Sanborn Family Association now has over 400 dues-paying members.

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TIME TO RENEW

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Have you paid your 1985-1986 dues? To insure that you receive every issue of SANBORN SIGNATURES, be sure to remit your 1985-1986 membership dues, which are payable now. Beginning with our next issue of SANBORN SIGNATURES, only our dues-paying members will be carried on our mailing list. The SANBORN SIGNATURES is the only source of Reunion information and progress reports on our family association projects!

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Plans are being formulated for the revision of the Sanborn genealogy. A committee headed by Francis Sanborn of Mill Valley, CA is discussing the best approaches to take. If you are interested in this project, please write to the Association: Attention: Genealogical Committee.

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Thank you to Allison Q. Sanborn of Westboro, MA who will serve as Auditor for the Association this year.

## OUR ENGLISH COUSINS

Sanborn Family Association Officers Arthur and Betty (Chase) Sanborn were delighted and surprised one evening this past August to receive an overseas call from Capt. Barnaby Frederick Palmer-Samborne of Salisbury, Wiltshire, England. Capt. Samborne spoke at length of his interest in keeping the lines of communication open between England and our Association. He followed up this exciting phone call with a lovely letter, which we quote here in full:

Lower Lodges  
Alderbury  
Salisbury, SP5 3DN  
Wiltshire, ENGLAND

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Sanborn  
Sanborn Family Association  
PO Box 185  
CANDIA N.H. 03034  
U.S.A.

Dear Mrs. Sanborn,

I was delighted to get in touch with you by telephone last night, after obtaining your address from Mr. William Isom, the Warden of Tisbury church. As I said on the telephone, some members of my family will be attending the Dedication service for the Samborne Gate at the church next Sunday 25th August - the same day as your Association are holding their reunion.

I am the head of the Samborne family in England - full name Captain Barnaby Frederick Palmer-Samborne, O.B.E., Royal Navy (Retired), and my home is at the above address, but I work in Glasgow, Scotland and get home to Wiltshire most weekends. The immediate family consists of my two elder widowed sisters, Margaret Brewster and Sheila Cunningham, my wife, also Margaret, and my three children Richard, Michael and Meriel and two grandsons, Alexander and Timothy: Richard and Michael are married to Elspeth (Liz) and Virginia (Ginny) respectively.

Although the first so far discovered record of the Sambornes, was an entry in the Wiltshire "Roll of the Pipe" that Juliana de Sandburne paid her taxes in 1194, there is very strong evidence that the family originated from a Burgundian Knight - Sir John Sambueren - who came to England with the Conqueror in 1066. He came from Sombernon in France, where the family crest can be seen on a grave.

The first record of Tisbury estates is in the Domesday Book of 1086 as "Timesberie" or "Temesbare". It was inherited by John Samborne in 1506 and remained as the seat of the Samborne family until 1947. It

has since been destroyed and replaced with a modern housing estate.

I have many original documents going back over the centuries in an Archivist's store giving details of the Samborne's history, and also some voluminous notes made by a researcher in the 1930s, as well as the original Grant of Arms to the Palmer-Samborne family. I enclose a photocopy of 3 pages of the researcher's notes concerning the American Sambornes.

It has occurred to me that some members of your Association might be interested in a full history of the (English) Sambornes, compiled from documents and information in my possession, and tracing the American connection. This would require quite a lot of work, and, if to be properly printed, would not be cheap: if there is interest, and you could give me an indication of how many people might like a copy, I will look into the costs involved and advise you.

I hope this arrives before your re-union, for which I send my heartiest greetings to all my relatives in North America, and hope to meet them if they ever visit this country.

With kindest regards,  
Yours sincerely,

B.F.P. Samborne - Known as Peter

P.S. I visit the States on business from time to time, and would very much like to meet you if I have the opportunity.

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We are all very pleased to learn of the interest Capt. Samborne has in his American relatives. As a thank-you from the Association for the information on the family beginnings and his expressions of friendship, the Executive Board sent an inscribed copy of the 1899 SAMBORNE-SANBORN GENEALOGY to the Captain with our compliments.

-Ed.

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## ATTENDEES AT THE 1985 SANBORN FAMILY REUNION

Ervin Fisher, Hazleton, PA  
 Leslie Fisher, Hazleton, PA  
 Lucilla F. Rinehimer, Hazleton, PA  
 Harold C. Rinehimer, Hazleton, PA  
 Phyllis H. Lufkin, Portsmouth, NH  
 Gary McQuesten, Plainfield, CT  
 Deborah McQuesten, Plainfield, CT  
 Gary McQuesten, II, Plainfield, CT  
 Amanda McQuesten, Plainfield, CT  
 Michael McQuesten, Plainfield, CT  
 Allison Q. Sanborn, Westboro, MA  
 Elaine J. Sanborn, Westboro, MA  
 Eileen Haurand, Derry, NH  
 Christopher Hussey, Manchester, NH  
 Margaret E. Hussey, Manchester, NH  
 Walter W. Sanborn, Monson, MA  
 Susan Sanborn Wheeler, Barnstead, NH  
 Leonard Sanborn Irwin, Lindenwold, NJ  
 Richard C. Sanborn, Jr., Coventry, CT  
 Roberta Sanborn, Coventry, CT  
 Justin Sanborn, Coventry, CT  
 Joshua Sanborn, Coventry, CT  
 Jarrod Sanborn, Coventry, CT  
 Richard C. Sanborn, Sr., Coventry, CT  
 Louis Sanborn, Coventry, CT  
 Norman O. Sanborn, Knowlton, Quebec  
 Antoinette Sanborn, Knowlton, Quebec  
 Stephen W. Naas, Presque Isle, ME  
 Rebecca Naas, Presque Isle, ME  
 Lillian Sanborn Korman, Mansonville, Quebec  
 Bradley Martin Sanborn, No. Bennington, VT  
 Lois H. Sanborn, No. Bennington, VT  
 June Drinkwalter, Lockport, NY  
 Perry Drinkwalter, Lockport, NY  
 Jane Shank, Circleville, OH  
 Jim Shank, Circleville, OH  
 Janet Swanson, Nashua, NH  
 Donna Sanborn, Coventry, CT  
 Edwin LeDoyt, Coventry, CT  
 David C. Sanborn, Norwalk, CT  
 Aldonna Sanborn, Norwalk, CT  
 Scott T. Sanborn, Norwalk, CT  
 Stephen T. Sanborn, Norwalk, CT  
 Glenn Sanborn, Chelsea, VT  
 Dorothy Sanborn, Chelsea, VT  
 Ralph D. Sanborn, Portsmouth, NH  
 Roy H.P. Bradley, Hooksett, NH  
 Sarah A. MacFarlane, Kensington, CT  
 Robert A. MacFarlane, Kensington, CT  
 Lillian Morrill, Charlestown, NH  
 Irene Sanborn Crowley, Norwood, MA  
 Frances B. Sanborn, Wethersfield, CT  
 Alice Sanborn, Ossining, NY  
 Philip Sanborn, Ossining, NY  
 Shirley Seavey, Candia, NH  
 Robert Sanborn Parker, Bradford, ME  
 Muriel S. Parker, Bradford, ME  
 Edwin F. Sanborn, Parkland, CA  
 Maria G. Agliano, Parkland, CA  
 Ursula Sanborn, Parkland, CA  
 Thelma E. Brown, E. Hampstead, NH  
 Clark H. Bagnall, Nashua, NH  
 Charles E. Sanborn, Syracuse, NY  
 Patricia Sanborn, Syracuse, NY  
 Ricky Sanborn, Syracuse, NY  
 Norma Sanborn Duguay, Greenfield Park, Quebec  
 Eleanor Rogan, Menomonee Falls, WI  
 Ruth Young, Wilmington, MA  
 Francis W. Sanborn, Campton, NH  
 Thomas Sanborn, Lebanon, NH  
 William F. Sanborn, Lebanon, NH  
 Mary Sanborn, Lebanon, NH  
 Tracy Sanborn, Lebanon, NH  
 Shirley C. Lamothe, St. Johnsbury, VT  
 Gerard W. Lamothe, Morrisville, VT  
 Ethelind R. Wright, Worcester, MA  
 Betty H. Wright, No. Falmouth, MA  
 Leslie Sanborn Miller, San Diego, CA  
 Blaine Miller, San Diego, CA  
 Susan Paul, Manchester, NH  
 Marion Hall, Manchester, NH  
 Jane Roberts, Manchester, NH  
 Sara M. (Sanborn) Davis, Dover, NH  
 Doris E. (Sanborn) Batchelder, Durham, NH  
 Marelou Sanborn, Victorville, CA  
 Paul H. Sanborn, Victorville, CA  
 Alfred N. Sanborn, Jr., Manchester, NH  
 Coralie Sanborn, Manchester, NH  
 Dr. Majic S. Potsaid, Hanover, MA  
 Jeanette Sanborn Potsaid, Hanover, MA  
 Janina L. Potsaid Foster, North Easton, MA  
 Barbara Potsaid, Norwell, MA  
 Ward Klink, Los Osos, CA  
 Amelia Klink, Los Osos, CA  
 Janice Floyde, Southboro, MA  
 William Floyde, Southboro, MA  
 Chester Sanborn, Bucksport, ME  
 Louise Sanborn, Bucksport, ME  
 Ruth Sanborn King, Henniker, NH  
 Mike Bradford, Yarmouth, ME  
 Mary Ellen Sanborn Bradford, Yarmouth, ME  
 Carl Bradford, Yarmouth, ME  
 George M. Sanborn, Attleboro, MA  
 Ruth Sanborn MacPherson, Leominster, MA  
 Mary Sanborn Pleau, Bradford, MA  
 Alice E. Sanborn, Amesbury, MA  
 Gail R. Sanborn, Salisbury, MA  
 Norman R. Sanborn, Salisbury, MA  
 Philip L. Sanborn, Attleboro, MA  
 Ralph Willard Theall, Newport, NH  
 Caryl P. Wayman Poblacki, Webster, MA  
 Caryl Wayman, Webster, MA  
 Maureen Wayman Blake, Webster, MA  
 Winifred Sylvina Wayman, Webster, MA

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Rob Kirkpatrick, Columbus, IN  
 Ann Page Kirkpatrick, East Bridgewater, MA  
 Oscar H. Kirkpatrick, East Bridgewater, MA  
 Lester C. Peterson, Hazleton, PA  
 Jean Peterson, Hazleton, PA  
 Janet Sanborn, Saugus, MA  
 Parker Sanborn, Saugus, MA  
 Blanche L. Blackmer, Holden, MA  
 Norris R. Sanborn, Wolfeboro, NH  
 Ansel N. Sanborn, Chichester, NH  
 Robert P. MacPherson, Sr., Leominster, MA  
 Arthur Ritchie, Lexington, MA  
 Dorothy Ritchie, Lexington, MA  
 Judy Sanborn, Amherst, NH  
 Becky Sanborn Ehrhardt, Lynnfield, MA  
 Eunice G. Sanborn, Brooksville, ME  
 Murray L. Sanborn, Brooksville, ME  
 Jonathan Lee Sanborn, Westboro, MA  
 Sara L. Sanborn, Westboro, MA  
 Jana Elaine Sanborn, Westboro, MA  
 George Freeman Sanborn, Jr., Boston, MA  
 Melinde Lutz Sanborn, Boston, MA  
 Ruth Alice Sanborn, Boston, MA  
 Charlotte Dearborn Sanborn, Center Harbor, NH  
 Pauline Sanborn, Hampton, NH  
 Charles F. Sanborn, Hampton, NH  
 Pauline Sanborn, Westbrook, ME  
 Leonard R. Sanborn, Westbrook, ME  
 Clifford A. Mello, Newbury, MA  
 K. Joyce Sanborn Mello, Newbury, MA  
 Catherine E. Sanborn, Arlington, MA  
 Kelly Sanborn, Medford, MA  
 William E. Sanborn, Camden, ME  
 Martha A. Sanborn Gilson, Nashua, NH  
 Roy Gilson, Nashua, NH  
 Sanborn Partridge, Proctor, VT  
 Davena Rogers DeWolf, Wakefield, NH  
 Donald J. DeWolf, Wakefield, NH  
 Norma Sanborn Clemens, Dryden, ME  
 Jean Sanborn Johnson, Weld, ME  
 Mel Sanborn, Faribault, MN  
 Mary Sanborn, Faribault, MN  
 Lois Sanborn, Brattleboro, VT  
 Reveer Kerrisk, Brattleboro, VT  
 J. Michael Sanborn, Contoocook, NH  
 Lois M. Sanborn, Contoocook, NH  
 Eric E. Sanborn, Contoocook, NH  
 Craig Sanborn, Contoocook, NH  
 Joanne Sanborn, Monson, MA  
 Marshall Sanborn, Northbridge, MA  
 Robert E. Sanborn, Whiting, NJ  
 Alice M. Sanborn, Whiting, NJ  
 Donald Sanborn, North Port, FL  
 Virginia Sanborn, North Port, FL  
 Polly Sanborn, Lynn, MA  
 Russell Sanborn, Lynn, MA  
 Barbara Markson, Fremont, NH  
 Walter Markson, Fremont, NH  
 Trina Markson, Fremont, NH  
 Edith Buckley, East Longmeadow, MA  
 Clifford W. Smith, Plainfield, CT  
 Laura Smith, Plainfield, CT  
 Mr. and Mrs. William C. Smith, Plainfield, CT  
 Clifford Smith, Plainfield, CT  
 Matthew Sanborn Smith, Plainfield, CT  
 John Sinnott, Utica, NY  
 Wilma Sanborn Sinnott, Utica, NY  
 Elizabeth Sanborn, Concord, MA  
 Natale Linton Brown, Dunbarton, NH  
 J. Willcox Brown, Dunbarton, NH  
 Elnora Elizabeth Rogh, Portland, OR  
 Elizabeth Hartshorn Phillips, Centerville, MA  
 Donald Kimball Phillips, Centerville, MA  
 Virginia L. Hartshorn, Ledyard, CT  
 Carl R. Hartshorn, Jr., Ledyard, CT  
 Richard Sanborn, Milwaukee, WI  
 Mae Sanborn, Milwaukee, WI  
 Karen Sanborn, Milwaukee, WI  
 Ruby O. Sanborn Huston, Bradford, MA  
 Stephen A. Sanborn, Newburyport, MA  
 Marjorie J. Sanborn Fillman, Colona, IL  
 Oliver Fillman, Colona, IL  
 John Bell Sanborn, Bethlehem, PA  
 Doris Krimman Sanborn, Bethlehem, PA  
 Ruth Anne Sanborn, Bethlehem, PA  
 Susie Avis Brown, South Daytona, FL  
 Doug Watts, Deerfield, NH  
 Priscilla Sanborn Watts, Deerfield, NH  
 Pamela J. Watts, Deerfield, NH  
 Ruth S. Sanborn, Deerfield, NH  
 Robert B. Sanborn, Deerfield, NH  
 Richard R. Brown, Hallowell, ME  
 Wesley Sanborn, Franconia, VA  
 Janice Sanborn, Franconia, VA  
 William E. Sanborn, Deerfield, NH  
 Phyllis Sanborn, Deerfield, NH  
 Dianne Sanborn, Montreal North, Quebec  
 Bruce Frederick Davis, Riverside, CA  
 James Sanborn, Montreal, Quebec  
 Grace Sanborn, Montreal, Quebec  
 Edmund Joseph Sanborn, Rawdon, Quebec  
 Ann Sanborn Maloney, Exeter, NH  
 Norman Sanborn, Manchester, NH  
 Muriel Sanborn, Manchester, NH  
 Hazel Sanborn Berry, Augusta, ME  
 Richard Dickinson, Merrimack, NH  
 Alice Dickinson, Merrimack, NH  
 Arthur H. Morrill, Litchfield, NH  
 H. Helen Sanborn, Chichester, NH  
 Walter Sanborn, Chichester, NH  
 Alice Sanborn, Chichester, NH  
 Edgar Franklin Sanborn, Poinciana, FL

## SANBORN REUNION ATTENDEES concluded

Marion Sanborn, Poinciana, FL	Rose Buckman Morrison, Winchester, MA
Timothy Edwin Sanborn, Newmarket, NH	Richard Norcross, Waltham, MA
Emily Sanborn, Newmarket, NH	Geraldine Sanborn, Claremont, NH
Donald R. Sanborn, Epping, NH	William Towle, Claremont, NH
Barbara N. Bonin, East Longmeadow, MA	Colin J. Sanborn, Claremont, NH
Jeanne E. Bonin LeFevre, Arlington, MA	Robert E. Sanborn, Auburn, NH
Kristen Reidt LeFevre, Arlington, MA	Brenda Sanborn, Auburn, NH
Katharine Page LeFevre, Arlington, MA	Matthew Sanborn, Auburn, NH
Edwin M. (Ted) Sanborn, III, Chichester, NH	Homer Sanborn, Upton, MA
Ginger Sanborn, Chichester, NH	Helen Sanborn, Upton, MA
Helen Jeanette Sanborn, St. Paul, MN	Don Sanborn, Upton, MA
Bruce Sanborn Johnson, Minneapolis, MN	Sherri Sanborn, West Brookfield, MA
Calvin Potter, Danvers, MA	Doni Sanborn, West Brookfield, MA
Jane Potter, Danvers, MA	George A. Sanborn, Henniker, NH
Elsie K. Chase, Manchester, NH	Duane B. Sanborn, Henniker, NH
Ruth Anne Sanborn, Deerfield, NH	Nancy Sanborn Jones, Norfolk, MA
Miss Perry Elyn Sanborn, Manchester, NH	Charles W. Jones, Norfolk, MA
Sandy Sanborn, Newburyport, MA	Ruth A. Kaselis, Bound Brook, NJ
Millie Sanborn, Groveland, MA	JoAnn Proulx Sanborn, Candia, NH
Charles Sanborn, Groveland, MA	David A. Sanborn, Candia, NH
Charles H. Smith, Jr., Lynnfield, MA	Krystal Elizabeth Sanborn, Candia, NH
Allan G. Sanborn, II, Tewksbury, MA	Frederic Merriam, Danvers, MA
Margaret M. Sanborn, Tewksbury, MA	Ellen Sanborn Merriam, Danvers, MA
Scott Allan Sanborn Tewksbury, MA	Elizabeth A. Chase Sanborn, Candia, NH
Carolyn Whitney Sanborn, Tewksbury, MA	Arthur H. Sanborn, Candia, NH
Meghan Elizabeth Sanborn, Tewksbury, MA	Martine Merriam Banister, Derry, NH
Winifred C. Sanborn, Beverly, MA	Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Badger, White River Junction, VT
Holly E. Sanborn, Beverly, MA	Roger Colby Sanborn, Boscawen, NH
Cynthia Comeau, Beverly, MA	Iris Morrill Ball, Nashua, NH
Virginia Comeau, Beverly, MA	W. Duer Thompson, III, Concord, MA
Nelson Sanborn, Allenstown, NH	Mrs. Andrew Hyduke, Bethlehem, PA
Nancy Leahy, Allenstown, NH	Betty Jean Sanborn Patnode, Maple Grove, MN
Carol Buckman, Epsom, NH	Shirley Perry, Orlando, FL

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We are very pleased to announce that nineteen persons have chosen to take out Life Memberships in our SANBORN FAMILY ASSOCIATION. Thank you to each and every one for your support.

Ruth Anne Sanborn of Deerfield, NH  
 Dan Sanborn of McAllen, TX  
 Mr. and Mrs. Clifford W. Smith of Plainfield, CT  
 Raymond Clarke Sanborn of San Diego, CA  
 Augustine H. Ayers of Rancho Cordova, CA  
 Sanborn Partridge of Proctor, VT  
 Frederic R. G. Sanborn of Cincinnati, OH  
 Scott D. Sanborn of Milwaukee, WI  
 Howard Baine Sanborn of Falmouth, ME  
 Bruce Richard Sanborn Johnson of Minneapolis, MN  
 Dr. Earl Boyce Sanborn, Jr. of Laguna Hills, CA  
 Roger Anderson Sanborn of Florissant, CO  
 Dorothy B. Wood of Scituate, MA  
 Donald H. Sanborn, Jr. of Geneva, IL  
 Dean E. Sanborn of Wantagh, NY  
 Norman A. Sanborn of Manchester, NH  
 Francis F. Sanborn of Mill Valley, CA  
 J. Michael Sanborn of Contoocook, NH

In late October 1847, Harriet (Sanborn) Kimball and her family stopped their painful trek west at the Presbyterian mission kept by Marcus and Narcissa (Prentiss) Whitman at Waiilatpu (in Eastern Oregon) to wait for spring. It was a fatal decision.

On November 29th, a small band of Cayuse Indians entered the Mission, killing the Whitmans, Harriet's husband, Nathan Kimball, and eleven others.

A number of the survivors recorded their stories, including Harriet's children, Nathan Kimball, Jr. ("Recollections of the Whitman Massacre," TRANSACTIONS OF THE OREGON PIONEER ASSOCIATION, 1903, pp. 189-195) and Susan Kimball Munson (WAIILATPU, by Cannon, Fairfield, WA: Galleon Press, 1969 [reprint] pp. 157-158), but no account of Harriet (Sanborn) Kimball's experiences ever appeared. On March 15, 1850, Harriet wrote a long letter to her sisters and brother in Lower Canada, sharing the tragedy of her trip west, Nathan's murder, the rape of her eldest daughter and the family's captivity.

Lillian G. Morrill, great-granddaughter of Harriet's twin sister, Sophia (Sanborn) Rutter, has preserved this historic letter and given permission for its reproduction. Special thanks go to Elizabeth Chase Sanborn who painstakingly transcribed the often difficult handwriting. Harriet's original spelling and punctuation are reproduced here.

Clatsop Oregon

March 15 1850

Dear brother and sisters<sup>1</sup> I received your letter this evening I just sat down to supper my Nathan<sup>2</sup> come home from astoria and told me he had got a letter from my Sister, it gave me such attack that I could not eat no more. I miss you both and could not help the tears from running down my cheeks to think we are so far from each other when i think of it i think i never shall see you again i have seen so much trouble to get to oregon i say trouble, Dear Sister you can not never no the trouble that i have see I yous to think years ago that i see trouble when we was traveling on the road i lost little clarisa and i thought i thought trouble had commenced the was 4 years old the next somer the dear child he<sup>3</sup> was sick about five days. he drove one team all the way till he was taken sick the day he died we crost snake river. after we crost we campt for the night on his account. in thee afternoon see he could not stay with me long i askd him if he thought he should ever get well he said i don't no mother I askd him if he was willing to dye he said, o yes for he has got to dye some time and if he dyed now he would see no more trouble in this world but mother, but mother i cannot bear to to leave you. he then went into one of his bad spells and was out of his head he got up and was a going out of the waggon. he had not helpd himself before while he had been sick even turn him self over without his father's help or mine. i cathd him as he was going and askd him where he was going he said mother i am going hom i am going home come mother go home with me all his mind was that he was going home till he brethd his last. The next morning he was buried and we had to go on leave him. it was like breaking my heart my dear sisters i thought then i had troubles, but dear no it was nothing nothing to be compaired to what come afterwards.

I cannot tell you much about it you never can no what i sufferd and my children. I will now commence about the massacre to Dr. Whitman Stations we had put up there for the winter and calculated go through in the spring had turned all of our cattle off to get their living all but one cow that had a young calf. the Dr. said they would come out in the Spring as they could walow we was liveing there and taking all the comefort we could wish when the massacre begun my children nathan My boy was sick with the measles and Mina Ann<sup>4</sup> Susa M<sup>5</sup> byron<sup>6</sup> S. Sophia<sup>7</sup> had got over with them we lived a few rods from Dr. Whitmans house. nathan was with Some other men a dressing a beef when the first i heard was a gun fired in the room joining me. I catcht my little child in my arms and susa and i run out doors to see what was the matter we see her poor father a running to whitmans house with his arm broke the blood arunning down it the next we saw was the indians a chopping down the men one poor man<sup>8</sup> fit with his ax till he was shot down Dr. whitman was shot in his house and then chapd to pieces with a hatchet

Nathan got in the upper part of the Dr. whitmans house with the scoolchildren they<sup>9</sup> tore up some cloth and done up his arm the next morning he went out to go a few rods to get a drink the indians saw him and fired at him but did not hit him but he fell down as if he was dead the old french Jo<sup>10</sup> that was left with us told me that he had been to him and told him to lay where he then was till night and then come to the house where we was he stayd till the sone was a half an hour high and then started to come to his family he got within one rod of the door and then was shot down<sup>11</sup> I herd the gun but did not no what it was for but soon my children came to me and said O my father's shot, my father, my Father Susa and Nathan ran out see him and I started to go and would get on the door steps and would have to turn back again. he was buried the next

day. the was but three 3 young women there Lovinda buia<sup>12</sup> mary smith<sup>13</sup> and my susa they was all took for indians wives. the one that had susa said she was his because he killed her father.<sup>14</sup> The was 7 families of us I had five children Mrs Sanders 5 Mrs Hall 5 Mrs Smith 5 Mrs Canfield 5 Mrs haze 2 Mr and Mrs youngs 2 and 1 was killd.<sup>15</sup>

we got factory cloth to the Drs hous and sowed it together and raped them up as well as we could. susa and the other girls and the old catholick priest<sup>16</sup> washed them. susa helpd with them all but when she came to her father she told the old priest that was her father and she could not wash him so he done it she told me he was cut open and afterwards lay on the ground. Mrs Sanders told me that they cut them all open and took out their hearts and burnt them the French Jo and the priest and the old cheaf indian<sup>17</sup> buried them all in one grave Mrs whitman to one side the Dr. next and then the rest along side by side.

Dear sisters i have not begun to tell you the trouble that I see. If you new how my daughter \_\_\_\_\_ my face and eyes you might think i had trouble. i wished they would kill me and then I could not bear that unless they killd my children. we was with them one month to a day a cooking and a making close for the indians when the news came to our ears that Capt. augden<sup>18</sup> had bought us there was rejoicing you may think the fort wally wally was 25 miles from Dr. whitman stations the indians \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ that augden the captain of fort wally wally had bought all the women and children they was to send us to the fort in five days then our cattle was to hunt up and a waggons was to fix, but we watchd every opportunity set up nights and cookd our victuals to take with us got up our cattle all ready and shut up in a yard and the indians came in the night and let the fence down and the cattle went off again and we was oblige to stay to more nights then augden was in trouble again the fort men said he wachd the house \_\_\_\_\_ the to night we hunted the cattle again and got them yarded and we sat up all night watcht them and got what few things they had not aken from us in to our waggons and the cattle hitchd on and ready to start by day light

we had to go the 25 miles that day or lay out we got a few miles and the was an old indian that pretended to be friendly and said there was a gang of indians a coming on towards us to kill us if we had to lay out my nathan was all the help I had to drive my team and he had not got over with the measles but he done the best he could and with some of my help to drive we got to the fort a little after dark about nine oclock at night in came the indians augden orderd us to bolt our doors. we done so but they would come pound the door and sing their war songs and they kept it up all night long the next day capt augden settled of with them paid them for his poor suffering prisoners \_\_\_\_\_ staid there to nights I have \_\_\_\_\_

Part of my long story the next day after nathan was killd the was a great big ugly looking indian came up to me and askd me if i had any money. he had seen nathan have some. I pretended to him i did not no what he said and he calld eliza spalding<sup>19</sup> to talk for me. i told eliza to tell him that my man had it in his pockets and the indians had taken it out. he said he new i had some and if i did not give it to him he would shoot me, for he said i had lied. i stuck to it for it i lost my money i might as well be dead for i was in a strange country and no husband to help me along, nor no home to go to but he blabd awhile and then went of. i had then 4 hundred and fifty dollars in gold in my pocket in my dress it was made just in a belt one peace by it such it took it that might and made it fast no and my boddy<sup>20</sup>

and now i will commence to wally wally after staying there to nights, our boats was ready to start on our journey to the city of Oregon<sup>21</sup> We all got in to the boats there we left what property they did not take. we was one week till we landed to vancoever there we staid over sunday and then set off again to the city we landed to the city there had a house to go in and lived through the winter. Then I married and moved to clatsop plains i am their now and making money like dirt. i made about 5 hundred dollars worth of butter and cheese last summer. Nathan worked away from home last Summer for fifty dollars a month and I took him home to go to school. we thought the learning was better than the \_\_\_\_\_. Our children all goes to school but mina and she it too little yet but I have learnt her the letters this winter. i think it is time for me to stop. The sallaratas beds you spoke of we saw sallaratas beds on the road that was a pure as any sallar-atus you ever saw it would make as light cakes as you ever saw they was on the other side of the rocky mountains we saw hot springs boiling hot a women tied a string to a hens feet and held it in the spring and it cookd it as nice as it could be our little dog ran through the stream to rods from the spring. He whind and cried and bit his feet a little dog jumped in to the spring and they took him out as soon as they could and his hear all came off. the \_\_\_\_\_ springs was the greatest curiosity. The water had formed a stump three feet high around hole in the \_\_\_\_\_ where the water sprouts out and when the water draws back we could not reach it my boy sat down on one of the stumps and it threw him three feet. it made the best of cakes.

Dear Sisters i wish verry much that i could see you and your children i no that is a hard country to live in it is fit for nothing but indians.<sup>22</sup> Do try to come to this.<sup>23</sup> i can say that oregon is a fine country it is so healthy i never have been so healthy since i left lower canada as i have since i have been in oregon my children has not seen a sick hour since we came here we live where we can go to the ocrean when

we please beef pork salmon is great i will not advise you to go to callifornia it is verry sickly there a great many of the people that goes dies the was one man by the name of hall had been to callifornia and got back with six thousand dollars in gold but he could not be contented with that, besides he owned a god farm and a large band of cattle and cows that was bringing him in the dollars \_\_\_\_\_ and died jest as he reacht callifornia he has got no \_\_\_\_\_ here and his property goes to support schools you come here to oregon come by watter you can come all the way to astory if you get here with nothing, you will be better of for i would be your friend nathan has handled more money of his own than than ever i see while i was in that country. if you come here donot bring nothing but clothing and cloth boots and shoes bring a large price boots bring from 14 to \_\_\_\_\_ dollars a pair shoes five and cannot be got at that if you will bring shoes here for my family, i will give you a high price good shoes and boots would be better than many woollen cloth \_\_\_\_\_ cloth flannel cloth wis Polly Sandborn and Saphronia ingalls was here in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ young women can get any price for work we want some girls to teach school george and naman killey take your wives and come to oregone the country is a filling up verry fast the quicker you come the better brother thomas and \_\_\_\_\_ dont go to callifornia, but come to oregone they have found gold in different places in oregone bring your families rite along with you.

you wishd to no if i lost my property i lost amost all but the money we was worth fifteen hundred dollars the soldiers that went to war to kill the indians, killd Some of my cows, some of my oxen they drove the the rest down to the citty and i got them one yoke of oxen, three cows when i got to the citty i had no close only what i had on my back and my children to but the people say we will get fit some tim from the government. i got nathans wach from the old french man that was with us to wishion i thought the indians got it he was taken off and tried for life and he denied having the wach but afterwards was cathd a buerring it in the sand they found found a number of hundred dollers of monney with him we women was all supened to go to cort against him i should think the was enough proved against him to hang him but they clard him i do believe that he was the means of the massacre him and the old catholic priest he has left the country where he is we donot no his name is Joseph Stanfield. Dear sisters i mourn the loss of my husband although i have got annother nathan was a good husband he thought every thing of his children you wished to no about my present husband. he is the same notion that you said I bee h says he was born in newhampshire state. has wound quills for my aunt Sally Sandborn he was \_\_\_\_\_ to me before i married him by men that was well acquainted with him he has my little mina loves him as much as she does me. He can not come in the house \_\_\_\_\_. He is a professor of religion belongs to the methodist. you must tell sister clarisa Kimball to not to mourn for her brother he has gone to his long home and have no reason to dout but he has gone to heaven and we must try to be preparad to meet him there we have but as he time to stay in in this world if we should live so that we could meet in heaven where parting is no more nor pain nor sorrow always in piece and happiness forever and ever.

dear mother a few words to you i should be dreadful glad to see you as glad as you would to see me i no that here i am thousands of mills from you you must be very old now mother. i will warn you to make your peace with god if you have not allready fit for it would be better than all the gold in callifornia for we brought nothing into the world nor we can carry nothing out be preparad let me no how old you be. the was an old woman moved to this country the same year that i did that was eighty six years old and i expect is living yet. i traveld with her the most of our journey she was smart and done considerable of work annother think that would be a good article to bring, stockings + yarn. the is plenty of work here, but no wheels to shin it on. you must not blame me for not riting before my trouble was so great that could not compose my mind to rite. i told Susa tha she at rite and when she receivd an answer then i would rite let everybody read this that wishes to and so farewell Sister Sophia, kiss your Hariet for me and when she comes here i will make her a nice present. this from your sister,

Harriet Jewett

to my mother and all my Sisters and brothers

Dear Brothers and Sisters, I have wrote over to sheets but I cannot give up without telling you something more about this fine country our nearest neighbor has got cabbage last fall he cut the heads off left the stumps standing their. They have grown up and have got three and four heads on them. they have got lettice as nice as it is in the summer and onions too our garding pinks have blown all winter and Mr. oens owns our neighbor has got a sheep that had a lamb last winter in Februry last year she had to last January she had to more there is five lambs in one year Mr. Jewett says he has got ten acres of land in his yard that was \_\_\_\_\_ where he raised oats. last year the oats that scattered when he harvested them came up last fall and his cows has fed on them all winter and Spring to \_\_\_\_\_ got at the \_\_\_\_\_ without any more seed \_\_\_\_\_ people say harvested the third crop of wheat without seeding but once and the third crop was the best I dont no as you will believe it but

it is as true as the sone rises. nathan and byron has had a great deal of fun this winter a Shooting wild geese and blackbirds and wild ducks, and you you young men that wish to marry had beter get your a wifes there and bring them along with you because there is not much chance here. girls is scarce there is so many young men that comes her without a wife that the girls are snatchd away by the time they are fourteen or fifteen Weltha Spencer, I remember you well and your husband to, george and naaman Willey too your wives i never saw as i no of but i think we would soon become acquainted if we should meet Betsey Willey Come on come on to sweet Oregone and bid adieu to old canada then come on. Sophia Ruitter

Susa



O pray for me pray day and night  
that i may always live aright  
that when i leave this world of sin  
I may with God fall in.

Happy they within whose breast  
revenge is never allowd to rest  
but who like christ would live  
even his murderes could forgive

When this letter comes to home  
read it and say you will see this land  
if god will spare your life on year  
then i would laugh to see you here  
and so farewell to you all, I expect forever  
till we all meet  
above in that heaven

Harriet Jewett

Sarah



<sup>1</sup> This letter was presumably addressed to Sophia (Sanborn) Ruitter, her husband, and Lucinda, Lectie, Betsey and Austin Sanborn. This Sanborn family appears to have originated in the Abercorn, VT area and early moved across the border into Canada (family records). We have not been able to identify Harriet's parents. Persons knowing of descendants or ancestors of this family are encouraged to contact the Sanborn Family Genealogist in care of the Association.

<sup>2</sup> Nathan Kimball, Jr., born c1835 in Indiana. he settled in Clatsop Co. near his mother and by wife, Lucinda had: i. Curtis, b. c1862 in OR; ii. Edgar, b. c1869 in OR; iii. Ida, b. c1871 in OR and perhaps others (1850-1880 Clatsop County, OR census records).

<sup>3</sup> An unnamed son who died along the trail circa October, 1847, perhaps near Payette, Idaho.

<sup>4</sup> Mina Ann, born c1846 in Indiana, only a year old at the time of the massacre. She married 13 Aug 1867 in Clatsop Co., A.J. Megler from Saxony (1850-1870 Clatsop Co., OR census; Clatsop Co. Marriage records).

<sup>5</sup> Susa M., born c1831 perhaps in Vermont. She may have married A.C. Mint of PA and had: i. Noyes S., b. c1848 in OR (?); ii. John K., b. c1852 in OR; iii. Hattie M., b. c1853 in OR; iv. James S., b. c1855 in OR; v. Omer B., b. c1857 in OR; vi. Olive, b. c1860 in Washington Territory and perhaps others (1850-1860 Clatsop Co., OR census). See photo above.

<sup>6</sup> Byron, b. c1839 in Indiana. Unmarried in 1880 (1850-1880 Clatsop Co., OR census).

<sup>7</sup> Sarah Sophia, b. c1841 in Indiana. Married \_\_\_\_\_ Munson. (Family record). See photo above.

<sup>8</sup> Jacob Hoffman (Drury, Clifford M., MARCUS AND NARCISSA WHITMAN AND THE OPENING OF OLD OREGON, Glendale, CA: Arthur H. Clark Co., 1973, volume 2, p. 229; hereafter, Drury).

<sup>9</sup> In the attic, some suffering from measles and all from lack of water, were six children under 13 years of age. Three died as a result of the measles and captivity (ibid., pp. 202, 232, 263, 299).

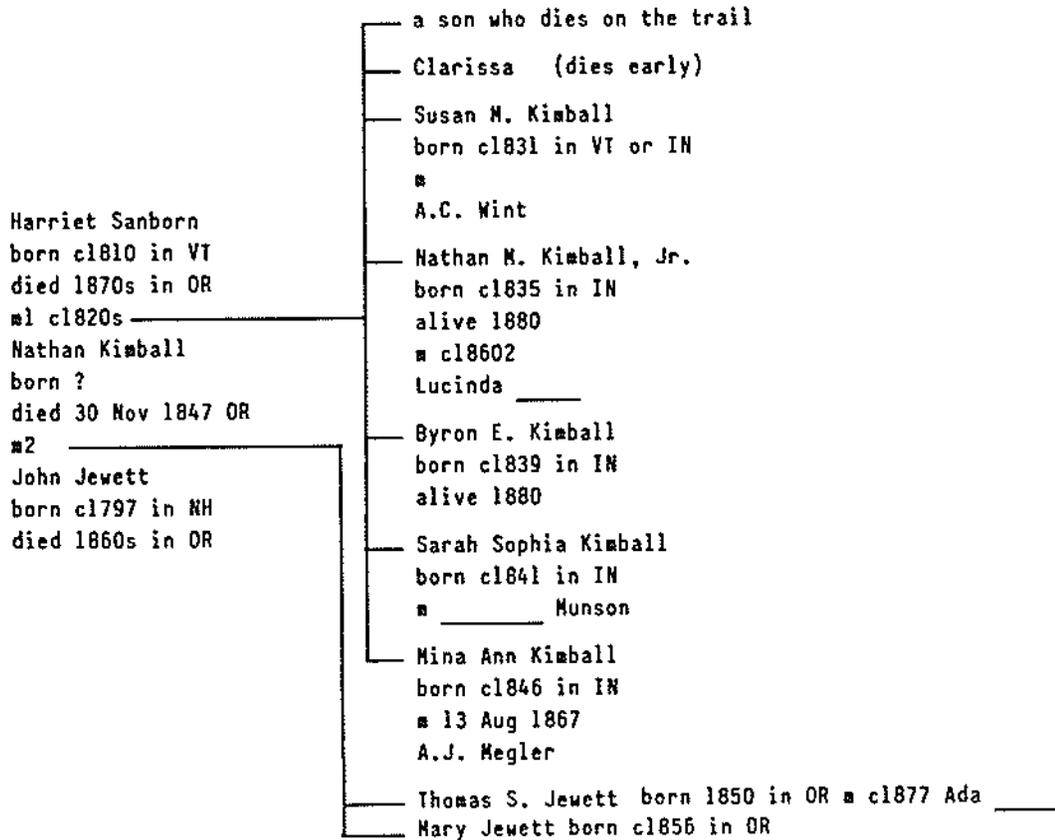
<sup>10</sup> Joseph Stanfield, "a French Canadian of a very common type" killed the beef which was being butchered the morning of the massacre. He was convicted of complicity in the murders but was freed by a quirk of fate. It was commonly thought that he died in the California goldfields in 1849 or 1850 (Catherine Sager Pringle, Pringle ms., quoted in Drury, volume 2, p. 300).

- 11 Disguised as a blanketed Indian, Nathan reached the river. At sundown he started back to the house with water and was shot while climbing over a fence (Drury, volume 2, p. 240).
- 12 Esther Lorinda Bewley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bewley (Ibid., p. 202).
- 13 Mary Smith, daughter of Joseph Smith, who was at the mission to attend the school taught by Judge Saunders (Ibid.).
- 14 Frank Escaloom
- 15 Harriet's memory accurately reflects other accounts.
- 16 Father Brouillet from the nearby Catholic Mission conducted a Roman Catholic burial service for the victims. Some of the survivors later remembered that they did not understand the Latin (Ibid., p. 255).
- 17 Tiloukaikt
- 18 Peter Skene Ogden, Chief Factor, Fort Vancouver
- 19 Daughter of Rev. Henry Harmon Spaulding and his wife, Eliza; the first white child born in Idaho (Ibid., volume 1, p. 265).
- 20 This interchange was not mentioned in other accounts.
- 21 Oregon City, the place where the Cayuses involved in the massacre were later tried and hanged.
- 22 This is her description of Lower Canada.
- 23 Very typical of letters from this time period. The many virtues of Oregon Territory are extolled in detail. Harriet was probably very lonely for her family.

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A number of interesting discussions have appeared in print on the causes and results of the Whitman Massacre. The very best treatment in print is Drury, cited above. For those who wish to learn more of the Whitman Massacre, Drury's two volume treatment is highly recommended.

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## BIRTHS

Christopher Scott Sanborn, a first child, was born August 29, 1985 at Valley Regional Hospital in Claremont, New Hampshire to Scott and Lorna (Kriplin) Sanborn. Christopher Scott weighted 8 pounds and 14 ounces. His grandparents are Loretta Kriplin of Claremont and Arthur Sanborn of Newport.

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## OBITUARIES

We are grieved to report that Mrs. Elenora Currier Sanborn Stearns, the last Secretary-Treasurer of the old Sanborn Family Association and one of the guiding spirits of the reorganization of the present Association, passed away this August, just a few days before the 1985 Reunion, which she had planned to attend. Mrs. Stearns was born 29 January 1895 in Malden, MA and married firstly Howard Weaver Sanborn. She married secondly Samuel Loring Stearns. Both husbands predeceased her. She was the mother of Russell Theodore Sanborn, Margaret Elizabeth Sanborn Ryon of Victor, NY, Ellen Louise Sanborn Merriam of Danvers, MA, Ruth Evelyn Sanborn Briscoe of Groveland, MA, Haven Lincoln Sanborn, Allison Quimby Sanborn of Westboro, MA and Lois Gale Sanborn. Three of her children predeceased her. Mrs. Stearns was a long time member of the Sanbornton Congregational Church where a Memorial Service was held for her September 14th.

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Isaranda F. Sanborn, 95, died 8 August 1985 in Proctor Vermont. She was born 13 July 1890 in Chenoa, IL, daughter of Orville Dearborn Sanborn and Frances (Carfield) Sanborn. She was a 1913 graduate of Oberlin College and earned a master's degree at Columbia University. She taught English for a number of years at Proctor High School and coached dramatics and public speaking. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, the Proctor Historical Society and the First Church of Christ Scientist in Rutland and of the Mother Church in Boston, MA. Survivors include two nieces, Frances Partridge Coulter of Bridgeport, CT and Ruth Partridge of Pearl River, NY; three nephews, Charles F. Partridge and Sanborn Partridge, both of Proctor, and David Partridge of Stowe; eight grandnieces and nephews and eight great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews. She was predeceased by her sister, Sarah Sanborn Partridge and her brothers, Orville Carfield Sanborn and John Sanborn.

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## OBITUARIES cont.

Sara M. (Sanborn) Davis died 12 September 1985 in Dover, NH. She was born 5 July 1910 in Auburn, NH, the daughter of Henry Coleman Sanborn and Lida May Davis. She was the widow of Marlo R. Davis and is survived by a sister, Doris E. Sanborn Batchelder of Durham, NH and brother Henry H. Sanborn of Greenland, NH, a niece, Ruth Sanborn Fowler of Export, PA and two nephews, Arthur H. Sanborn of Candia, NH and Alfred N. Sanborn, Jr. of Manchester, NH.

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Norma Edith (Sanborn) Frost died 4 April 1985 in Hanover, NH. She was born 23 December 1911 in Cascade NH, one of 12 children: Marion Sanborn Merrick of Springfield, OR; Virginia Sanborn Davis of Covina, CA; Grace Sanborn Warren of Laconia, NH; Helen "Polly" Sanborn Agan of Claremont, NH; Harry Elliot Sanborn of Lyme Center, NH; Clifford Sanborn of Enfield, NH; Norman Sanborn of El Monte, CA; Howard "Billy" Sanborn of Alton Bay, NH and three other brothers who predeceased her. She was the wife of Roland B. Frost and is survived by her daughter, Janet Frost Stewart of Enfield, NH and a son, Willis LaBombard of Etna, NH.

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Cora (Roberts) Sanborn, 72, died 26 August 1985 from injuries suffered in an automobile accident in Sunapee NH. She was born in Lennoxville, P.Q. 26 June 1913, the daughter of Alfred and Julia (Gonyea) Roberts and had been a resident of Claremont and Sunapee, NH all of her life. She was a member of St. Mary Church. She was associated with her husband, Carl J. Sanborn, in the operation of Sanborn Machine on Severance Street in Claremont. Survivors include her husband, one brother, William Roberts of Lauderdale, FL, one sister, Lillian Feeney of Claremont, NH, nieces, nephews and cousins.

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Natalie Hutchinson Sanborn died 22 December 1984. She was the wife of Wilson Fiske Sanborn of St. Petersburg, FL and Peaks Island, ME.

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James R. Sanborn died 3 September 1985. He was the husband of Winifred C. Christie of Ipswich, MA and Boca Raton, FL, the brother of Edwin N. Sanborn of Gloucester, MA and father of Wayne H. Sanborn of West Newbury, MA and David R. Sanborn of Reading, MA.

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## FOR SALE

Just in time for Christmas!

4 Generation Sanborn charts - 14" x 20" on heavy paper - suitable for framing. These charts trace the family from the unknown Samborne and his wife, Ann Bachiler, through the third generation born in the Americas. \$3.00 each plus \$2.00 for postage & handling.

Coat of Arms - Attractive pamphlet designed by a Sanborn descendants. This is the coat of arms which V.C. Sanborn believed belonged to an early Sanborn in our branch of the family. 50¢ each.

"The Old Maps of Rockingham County, New Hampshire in 1892" - contains 66 old maps reproduced, with old roads, every house and family, taken from the town and city atlas of the State of New Hampshire by D.H. Hurd and Co. of Boston. \$6.00 each plus \$1.00 for postage and handling.

## NOTES

Anyone interested in abstracting records for our genealogy from their local courthouses or city halls, please write to the Association, Attention: Sanborn Family Genealogist. Many thanks to those who have already checked their local sources.

Remember to submit your lineage charts which were passed out at the Reunion. If you haven't received a lineage chart, please write to the Association and we will be glad to send you as many as you need.

Persons interested in becoming a Sanborn Family Assn. Chairman for their state or region, please contact the Association: Attention: State Chairman. Duties include keeping in contact with cousins in your area and helping disseminate information on reunions and other events.

Donations are still being welcomed in our English Research Fund. Money given for this fund will be spent to hire an English researcher to solve the mystery of the three Sanborn boys' father's name.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Timsbury Fund. The Association was able to contribute \$250.00 to the efforts to restore parts of the historic church at Timsbury, Somersetshire, England. We are pleased to have been able to assist our English cousins in raising the needed £6,000.

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## MORE NOTES

The 1986 SANBORN FAMILY REUNION will be held on Sunday, the 24th of August at Martin's Place in Manchester, NH, the site of the 1984 Reunion. Martin's Place has expanded their facility by installing a folding wall between their two main rooms in place of the solid wall which was there in 1984, so there will be room for all.

Thank you to everyone who brought family memorabilia for display during the 1985 Reunion. Please be thinking of family items to bring in 1986.

Are there any Sanborn-run businesses that would like to donate prizes to be given out at the 1986 Reunion for the oldest and for those who travelled the farthest to attend? (The youngest receives a lovely pewter cup.) If so, please contact the Association: Attention: Reunion Committee. Thank you.

The Genealogist would like to gratefully acknowledge the many people who brought information on their families to the recent Reunion. Splendid compilations were submitted by Donald R. Sanborn and Winnifred Sylvia Wayman. A fascinating collection of records and old letters was brought and copied by Gerard Lamothé and the Bible records of the C.B. Sanborn family were also copied. In the mails we have received many fine items, including books written by Sanborns. An excellent article on an untraced Sanborn line was submitted by Donald H. Sanborn of Geneva, IL and will be appearing in the next issue of SANBORN SIGNATURES.

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Does anyone have any pictures which they took at our 1985 Reunion which they would like to share with us for our scrapbook? Copies would be gratefully received at the Association's address.

Have you renewed your 1985-1986 membership? This will be the last issue of SANBORN SIGNATURES sent to non-dues-paying members. Use the enclosed renewal slip and continue to receive notices of our Reunions and special projects.

The Sanborn Family Association is a not-for-profit organization composed of persons interested in Sanborns. Most of our members descend from the three English brothers, John, William and Stephen Samborne who came to America circa 1632. Others may come from the Swedith, Norwegian, Jewish and Portuguese immigrants of later dates. All interested persons are welcome!

## QUERY SECTION

Queries are offered free of charge and published as space permits. Each query should have a Sanborn connection.

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 Seeking ancestry of MARY SLEEPER who d 17 Oct 1773, wife of WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> SANBORN (TRISTRAM<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2,1</sup>) m 6 Nov 1750. Both died in Kingston, NH. He was b 1 May 1723.  
 Mrs. Sally A. MacFarlane, 127 Hickory Hill Road, Kensington, CT 06037  
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Wish to learn more of brothers of JOHN EASTMAN SANBORN (#570 vi in the Sanborn genealogy [1899]), particularly JEWETT SANBORN, JR (#570 ii) and ABRAM SANBORN (#570 vii).  
 J. Michael Sanborn, RFD 1 Box 406, Contoocook, NH 03229  
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Interested in descendants of ELISHA TOWLE, bpt. 20 Sep 1739, d 7 Jan 1820; m ANNA SANBORN, bpt. 20 Mar 1740, d 16 Jan 1824. ANNA was dau of JONATHAN and PRISCILLA (BRYANT) SANBORN. ELISHA and ANNA TOWLE had son JOSHUA b 20 Oct 1764, m Apr 1787 to OLIVE BROWN. JOSHUA and OLIVE TOWLE's desc m into the SARGENT and WILLEY families.  
 Elaine C. Merrell, 16 Watch Hill Dr., Southbury, CT 06488  
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Looking for more info on EDMUND SANBORN of Boston. He was a railroad conductor from Boston to Montreal, Canada. His wife was GERALDINE MORRISSEY. His son JAMES SANBORN would appreciate any information. James Sanborn, 3033 Contrecoeur, Montreal, Quebec, Canada H1L 3Z7  
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Looking for a DR. FREDERICK SANBORN, vacation home in Ashford, NH; home in Winchester, MA. He was in Mass. Gen. Hosp. as Neurosurgical intern in 1939-40, on staff of Cape Cod Hospital and was in US Navy in Spring, 1948. He was a memorabilia collector.  
 Dorothea Mason, 78 Selkirk St., Chatham, Ontario, Canada N7L 1Y9  
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Looking for the anc of PAUL SANBORNE of Stowe, VT. His wife was either MARY or NANCY and was accused of being a witch. Their dau NANCY m ALEXANDER SEAVER on 11 Feb 1814.  
 James A. Madden, P.O. Box 15872, Honolulu, HI 96815  
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Wish to share info on LOVINA THOMAS who m JONATHAN SANBORN (#498 in the Sanborn genealogy [1899]). She was dau of JOSEPH THOMAS and ANNA \_\_\_\_\_. Rec'd. bounty land for JOSEPH's Revolutionary War service.  
 Rose Marie Reuland, 566 West Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60506  
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 Want info regarding IRA SLEEPER SANBORN, CYNTHIA AMES SANBORN, dau LOUISA, son HERBERT SANBORN, resided Delavan, WI circa 1870.  
 Leslie Sanborn Miller, 1795 Royston Dr., San Diego, CA 92154  
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Wish to learn more about the parents of DINAH SANBORN who m 23 Jul 1678 JAMES MARSTON of Hampton, NH.  
 Mrs. L.M. Townsend, Slab Meadow Road, Morris, CT 06763  
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Who was the wife of OBADIAH MARSTON, son of SAMUEL MARSTON and SARAH<sup>3</sup> SANBORN? Her first name was ELIZABETH. They lived in Hampton, NH and later moved to Deerfield. Donna Doe Southall, 3111 North Taylor Street, Arlington, VA 22207  
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Looking for info on desc of ARTHUR SANBORN, b 1875 in Hampton Falls, NH.  
 Sandy Sanborn, 119 State St., Newburyport, MA  
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Seeking info on JOSEPH B. SANBORN, b 1809, Northfield, NH; d 1845, Burlington, VT; m MARY BONNELL or TONNELL, adopted dau of NATHANIEL KNIGHT. Three ch: FREDERICK, ROLLINS and ELIZA. Buried in Eldridge Cemetery in South Burlington, VT.  
 Ruth M. Young, P.O. Box #15, South St., Wilmington, MA 01887  
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Searching for info about the family of EBENEZER STEVENS and MARY SANBORN STEVENS of Gilwanton, NH. m 31 Dec 1776. Who was EBENEZER's father? mother? What happened to their sons JOHN, EBENEZER, SAMUEL, BENJAMIN, MOSES, DANIEL and dau, POLLY STEVENS GREELY? Dorothy R. Turner, 110 W. 35th St., Erie, PA 16508  
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Would like to learn of any desc of LEWIS DECATUR SANBORN (#1831 in Sanborn genealogy [1899]) and DEBORAH WEYMOUTH SANBORN (#750 xi) who moved to CA. Lewis b 22 Mar 1828 in New Hampton, NH.  
 Mrs. Dorothy Blanchard Ritchie, 21 Balfour St., Lexington, MA 02173  
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Can anyone furnish name of JOSEPH SANBORN's father and mother and where they were born? JOSEPH b circa 1800, d circa 1847. Was father of SAMUEL, b 20 Jun 1828; ELEANOR MARIA who m JOSEPH ROWE; HORACE, b 7 Jan 1833; OLIVER, b 1838, d Franconia circa 1888; MARY JANE who m LEWIS GRANT and lived in Lawrence, MA; TRUE, b 20 Jul 1840 and m EMILY KELSEA CLOUGH; LUCY ANN, b 4 Oct 1842 and m HENRY BURT; ADALINE and SARAH MELISSA.  
 Cora Sanborn, RFD 1, Hwy 25, Rumney, NH 03266  
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 Would like info on maternal grandmother of ABIGAIL  
 PRESCOTT, wife of DANIEL 4 SANBORN. DINAH SANBORN  
 m JAMES MARSTON and remarried JOHN BRACKETT.  
 Barbara Zimmer, POB 534, Clements, CA 95227  
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Wish to learn more about SARAH BUTLER and husband  
 JAMES PRESCOTT, parents of MARY PRESCOTT, wife of  
 JOSIAH 5 SANBORN. JAMES PRESCOTT was b 11 Apr 1711  
 and d 8 Sep 1754.  
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Was RACHEL BERRY/BERREY b 17\_\_, d \_\_\_\_ (?) wife of  
 JOSIAH 6 SANBORN definitely the dau of ITHMER BERRY  
 JR and ABIGAIL \_\_\_\_\_ with bros JOHN and ELLET from  
 Chester?  
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Would like to know of SARAH ANN REED, wife of EZRA  
 WILMARTH 7 SANBORN dau of Col/Pvt CALVIN REED who m  
 HANNAH LUDDEN and fought in Rev War? Would like to  
 learn more about HANNAH and CALVIN.  
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Wish to learn more of my great-great-great-grandfather  
 MOSES SANBORN perhaps b 27 Aug 1819. He m HANNAH  
 MARIA THOMPSON, dau of ORPHEUS THOMPSON in NH.  
 Bonnie L. Quigg, 6702 Elwood Road, San Jose, CA 95120  
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Trying to trace NATHAN SANBORN who m ALMYRA ATWOOD  
 and was living in Marietta, OH in 1820. Lived in  
 Cincinnati in 1830. Some of their ch were in Meigs  
 Co., OH in 1840.  
 Mrs. Madge Warner, 2675 Springside Ct., U-2C, Grand  
 Junction, CO 81501  
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Looking for anc of NATHANIEL SANBORN b 1782, Sanborn-  
 ton, NH, d 1865, Dodge Co., WI, m ELIZABETH HEATH  
 COLBY (widow) and had 12 ch.  
 Keith P. Sanborn, PO Box 1124, Mason City, IA 50401  
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Would like parentage and any other data on ELIZABETH  
 SANBORN b 1800, m 1 Jan 1835, Hanover, NH to CHESTER  
 CAMDEN CUTTING. ELIZABETH d 21 Sep 1871, Davenport,  
 IA.  
 Mrs. Jana R. Hertz, 23385 Via San Gabriel, Laguna  
 Hills, CA 92653  
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Wish to learn more of CHARLES SANBORN who m LUCY MAY  
 JOY before 1888. They were parents of HOWARD BARTLETT,  
 WILLIAM (of Fremont, NH), FRANK and FRED.  
 Helen Sanborn Breaner, 183 Platt Avenue, Saddlebrook,  
 NJ 07662  
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Looking for relatives of QUINT SANBORN of Columbus,  
 WI, my grandfather.  
 Tim D. Sanborn, 1102 Avenida Grande, Casa Grande,  
 AZ 85222  
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Seeking info that WILLIAM SANBORN who m DORCAS N.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, b c1815, of Lagrange and Old Town, ME, was  
 son of SEWALL SANBORN (1791-1826) who moved from  
 Kingston, NH to Sebec, ME. Also want to confirm  
 WILLIAM's son HENRY W. interchanged first and middle  
 names, becoming WILLIS H. SANBORN, b 1853 Lagrange,  
 d 1914, Bangor, ME; m ISABELLE GOULD (1856-1935).  
 Donald H. Sanborn, Jr., 617 Illinois St., Geneva,  
 IL 60134  
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Interested in wooden molding planes with the name  
 SANBORN on them.  
 Wendall E. Badger, 16 Pleasant View Terrace, RR 2,  
 Box 221, White River Junction, VT 05001  
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Wish to contact desc of GEORGE SANBORN b 13 Nov 1852  
 in Canada or VT; m c1875 SUSAN C. KENNESON, b 3 Jul  
 1860 VT and d 13 Feb 1929, KS. Sons VAN BUREN, b  
 18 Jul 1882 and HARRY ALLISON, b 23 Jan 1885 stayed  
 in NH. Ch BERTHA MAUDE, b 16 Feb 1880, GERTRUDE GRACE  
 b 17 Aug 1876 in Irasburg, VT and d 14 May 1938 and  
 HENRY GEORGE, b 1 Jan 1890 moved with mother SUSAN  
 to Shawnee Co., KS.  
 Mrs. A. Ruth Haskell and Mrs. Marian R. Perrone, 2844  
 E. Weldon Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85016  
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Looking for the family and parents of ETHEL SANBORN  
 b c1880s and buried 1950s in Bucks Harbor, ME. Father  
 said to be a sea captain. ETHEL debuted in Boston  
 as a concert pianist; m THOMAS LYMAN EVANS of Bidde-  
 ford, ME; m 2nd GEORGE WELTON of NYC and Ridgefield  
 Park, NJ. ETHEL had an Aunt AUBINE in Bucks Harbor  
 who had a son or bro named CHESTER. CHESTER m AGNES  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and the two women ran a country store after  
 his death. ETHEL's sons: THOMAS LYMAN EVANS and  
 LAWRENCE EVANS.  
 Victoria White, 251 East 51 st./PHD  
 New York, NY 10022  
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Wish to learn more of ANNE GREEN, b c1600; d 4 Dec  
 1668; mother of MARY MOULTON, wife of immigrant  
 WILLIAM SANBORN.  
 Barbara Zimmer, POB 534, Clements, CA 95227  
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Interested in information on anc of JOHN MARRIAN,  
 father of ELIZABETH MARRIAN (1644-1716), mother of  
 ELIZABETH DEARBORN, wife of WILLIAM SANBORN 3. Any  
 info on DEARBORNS before GODFREY DEARBORN who was  
 b 24 Sep 1603 in Lincolnshire, Eng.?  
 Barbara Zimmer, POB 534, Clements, CA 95227  
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Seeking further info on the paternal grandmother of  
 DANIEL 4 SANBORN 's wife, ABIGAIL PRESCOTT. MARY  
 BOULTER b 15 May 1648 was dau of NATHAN BOULTER, b  
 1625, d 1698 and GRACE SWAINE (?) and NATHAN's father  
 was a Capt. BOULTER, b c1590, d 1672 mi GOODY?  
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