Descendants of Israel Sr Disosway

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Our goal is to research the pioneers that came into the Walla Walla Valley Area, as a starter for those doing their family genealogy; we are not related.

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Generation No. 1

1. ISRAEL SR\(^1\) DISOSWAY He married GERTRUDE VAN DEVENTER.

Children of ISRAEL DISOSWAY and GERTRUDE VAN DEVENTER are:

2. i. GABRIEL POLLION\(^2\) DISOSWAY, b. 06 Dec 1798, New York City, Richmond County, NY; d. 09 Jul 1868, Staten Island, Richmond County, NY.

ii. ANNA DISOSWAY.

iii. MARK DISOSWAY.

iv. CORNELIUS DISOSWAY.

Notes for CORNELIUS DISOSWAY:

brother’s obit:

Cornelius R. Disosway, attorney at law, in the city of New York.

v. ISRAEL JR DISOSWAY, b. Abt. 1789, Staten Island, N. Y; d. 02 Jun 1878.

Notes for ISRAEL JR DISOSWAY:


June 6, 1878

At Sheldon, June 2, of old age, Israel Disosway, aged 89 years, father of E. T. Disosway of this city.

Israel Doty Disosway, who was buried on Tuesday, in the cemetery at Magnolia, died on Sunday last, June 2d, at the residence of his son, William, near Sheldon, Iroquois county. Father Disosway was born in 1789, on Staten Island, N. Y.; was a successful dry goods merchant in the city of New York for 30 or 40 years, being largely engaged in the southern trade. The disastrous financial crisis of 1837 embarrassed him with thousands of others. He was a graduate of Columbia college New York city, and a man of uncommon energy and remarkably social.
He was the eldest of four brothers - G. P. Disosway (deceased), a member of New York legislature, and writer of considerable note; Cornelius R. Disosway, attorney at law, in the city of New York. C. F. Deems, D. D., editor of Leslie's Sunday Magazine, and pastor of the Church of the Stranger, New York, married his eldest daughter.

Having moved to Virginia, previous to the late rebellion, his family with the exception of William, who was in Missouri, and E. T. Disosway of Henry, who left Virginia before the war, suffered the loss of their fine estate there, and moved to Illinois some years since, and settled on R. Broaddus's farm on Sandy. They left there some three years since and purchased land in Iroquois county. Father D. suffered much in his declining years from loss of sight, memory and extreme nervousness. He was of old Methodist stock, being a member of old John street church, New York, upwards of 50 years. The Harper Brothers, the great book publishers, were members of his class. So silently pass away the old landmarks.

Generation No. 2

2. Gabriel Pollion2 Disosway (Israel Sr1) was born 06 Dec 1798 in New York City, Richmond County, NY, and died 09 Jul 1868 in Staten Island, Richmond County, NY. He married Diana Tabb Riddick 25 Dec 1828 in Suffolk, Nansemond, VA. She was born 29 Aug 1810 in Suffolk, Nansemond, VA, and died Abt. 1883 in Staten Island, Richmond, NY.

Notes for Gabriel Pollion Disosway:

The Reverand was an antiquary of New York City, and the author of "The Children's Book of Sermons".

He was a graduate of Columbia College in 1819, and received his A.M. degree in 1823. He became a prominent Methodist missionary and pastor and was one of the founders of Randolph-Macon College, located in Boudton, VA., chartered in 1830. He was also a member of the New York assembly in 1849, and was the founder of the Methodist Missionary Sunday School, and was elected to membership in the New York, the Long Island and the Baltimore Historical Societies. He received from Wesleyan University the honorary degree of A.M. in 1833.

He wrote: The Huguenots and Earliest Churches of New York (1864).

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Brother's obit:
G. P. Disosway (deceased), a member of New York legislature, and writer of considerable note

http://www.zarahemlabranch.org/condemnation.htm

The journey of the four Northwest Indians might be unpublished today, except for the efforts of William Walker. Walker, a white-man, had married a Wyandot woman. The Wyandots placed him in a leadership position, probably because he was an American. Walker came to St Louis on his way to inspect lands in Western Missouri to which the government was requiring the Wyandots to relocate. He sought an audience with William Clark at the same time that the Nez Perez Indians called on the General. According to Walker, the Indians sat in an adjacent room while he talked with Clark. Walker wrote a friend, G. P Disosway several letters, telling about the Indians and their plight. Disosway, a New York banker and Methodist who was interested in missionary work among the Indians, published the letters, the first appearing in the Christian Advocate on March 1, 1833.

http://www.lexisnexis.com/academic-guides/african_american/southern_industries/slavec1.asp

Slavery in Ante-Bellum Southern Industries

Series C: Selections from the Virginia Historical Society

Section 10 consists of nine items, materials (compiled by Benjamin Brand), 1824-1832, concerning the Virginia Colonization Society. Items include a broadside of the Petersburg Auxiliary Colonization Society, Petersburg, Virginia (issued by authority of William Mayo Atkinson and Andrew Syme, and bears circular letter issued by William Mayo Atkinson, Gabriel Poillon Disosway, Doctor Richard Feild, John Grammer, and Hugh Nelson); a bill of exchange of Doctor Joseph Mechlin to the President and Board of Managers of the American Colonization Society to pay Dailey & Russwurm of Monrovia, Liberia; a bill of lading issued to Jacob W. Prout by Joshua Lowell (of the ship Criterion) for the shipment of camwood and ivory to
Benjamin Brand; a bill of lading (unexecuted) issued by [otherwise unidentified] Gray (of the ship Cyrus) concerning the shipment of books, clothing, and tobacco to Lott Cary (of Liberia); and newspaper clippings concerning the Norfolk Colonization Society, Norfolk, Virginia, and African American emigration to Haiti.

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1850 Census NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (8 July 1850 G P Disosway)

Line 9

2 2 Gab P Disosway 54 M Merchant 2500 New York
Diane T Disosway 40 F Virginia
Anne G Disosway 19 F New York
Mary G Disosway 17 F New York
Martha B Disosway 15 F New York
Wilber F Disosway 13 M New York
Ella T Disosway 12 F New York
Clement Disosway 10 M New York
Cornelius Disosway 8 M New York
Mill R Disosway 5 M Virginia
Rich Disosway 4 M New York
Virginia Disosway 2 F New York
Ann M Duffy 14 F Ireland

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1860 Census NY Richmond Castleton Image 140 (20 June 1860 MA Mathes)
Line 12

956 1012 Gabriel P Disosway 61 M Merchant -- 500 New York

Diana Disosway 50 F Virginia

Gabriella Disosway 28 F New York

Martha R Disosway 22 F New York

Ella Disosway 20 F New York

Clement Disosway 19 M Clerk New York

Mills R Disosway 15 M Virginia

Richard H Disosway 13 M New York

Virginia Disosway 12 F New York

Diana A Disosway 9 F New York

Georgiana Disosway 7 F New York

Ann Welsh 16 F Servant Ireland

More About Gabriel Pollion Disosway:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A

Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140

More About Diana Tabb Riddick:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Husband)

Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Husband)

Marriage Notes for Gabriel Disosway and Diana Riddick:

Bible Records of Suffolk and Nansemond County, Virginia, page 139
Diana Tabb Riddick daughter of Mills and Mary Riddick was married to Gabriel P. Disoaway, Dec. the 25th, 1828

More About Gabriel Disosway and Diana Riddick:

Marriage: 25 Dec 1828, Suffolk, Nansemond, VA

Children of Gabriel Disosway and Diana Riddick are:

i. Ann Gabriela 3 Disosway, b. Abt. 1829, NY.

More About Ann Gabriela Disosway:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

ii. Mills Israel Disosway, b. 31 Jul 1831, NY; d. 13 Aug 1832.

iii. Mary Gertrude Disosway, b. 15 Dec 1832, NY; m. T. W. Burtis.

More About Mary Gertrude Disosway:

Census: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)

3. iv. Martha Riddick Disosway, b. 05 Sep 1834, NY; d. Abt. 1911.

4. v. Wilbur Fisk Disosway, b. 15 Oct 1836, NY.


More About Ella Taylor Disosway:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

5. vii. Israel Clement Disosway, b. 21 May 1840, NY; d. Bef. 1878, Oregon.

viii. Cornelius Doty Disosway, b. 25 Feb 1842, NY; m. Annie M. Hughes.

More About Cornelius Doty Disosway:

Census: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)

ix. Mills Riddick Disosway, b. 03 Nov 1843, Virginia; m. Lucy L. Lindsay, Abt. 1871, Manhattan, New York, New 1.

More About Mills Riddick Disosway:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)
More About MILLS DISOSWAY and LUCY LINDSAY:

Marriage: Abt. 1871, Manhattan, New York, New

x. VIRGINIA ALLLEN DISOSWAY, b. 12 Jul 1846, NY.

More About VIRGINIA ALLLEN DISOSWAY:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

xi. RICHARD HENRY DISOSWAY, b. 19 Aug 1846, NY.

More About RICHARD HENRY DISOSWAY:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

xii. DIANA AMELIA DISOSWAY, b. 24 Sep 1850, NY.

More About DIANA AMELIA DISOSWAY:

Census: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

xiii. GEORGETTE FITZRANDOLPH DISOSWAY, b. 06 Feb 1853, NY.

More About GEORGETTE FITZRANDOLPH DISOSWAY:

Census: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

Generation No. 3

3. MARTHA RIDDICK DISOSWAY (GABRIEL POLLION, ISRAEL Sr) was born 05 Sep 1834 in NY, and died Abt. 1911. She married GEORGE TUDOR. He was born Abt. 1833, and died Abt. 1902.

More About MARTHA RIDDICK DISOSWAY:

Census 1: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 2: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)

Child of MARTHA DISOSWAY and GEORGE TUDOR is:

i. MARY TUDOR, m. CHARLES W PARKHURST.
4. Wilbur Fisk³ Disosway (Gabriel Pollion², Israel Sr¹) was born 15 Oct 1836 in NY. He married Louise M. Webster.

More About Wilbur Fisk Disosway:

Census: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)

Children of Wilbur Disosway and Louise Webster are:

i. Helen Louis⁴ Disosway, b. Abt. 1895.

ii. Wilbur Fisk Jr Disosway, b. 07 Aug 1899; d. Dec 1971, Portsmouth, Norfolk, VA.

5. Israel Clement³ Disosway (Gabriel Pollion², Israel Sr¹) was born 21 May 1840 in NY, and died Bef. 1878 in Oregon. He married Mary A. Libby Bet. 1860 - 1867. She was born Jun 1841 in Baden, Germany, and died Abt. 1936 in Pendleton, Umatilla, Oregon.

Notes for Israel Clement Disosway:

Israel enlisted as a Private on the 27th of May, 1861 in New York City, NY at the age of 21. He enlisted in Company E, 83rd Infantry Regiment New York on the 27th of May, 1861. He made Full Lieutenant 2nd Class on the 27th of October, 1861 (as of Co. C 5th NY HA). He was discharged for promotion of the 27th of October, 1861. Commission in Company C, 5th Heavy Artillery Regiment New York on the 26th of December, 1862. Promoted to Full Lieutenant 1st Class on the 16th of September, 1864 (not mustered). Promoted to Full Captain on the 27th of February, 1865. He was mustered out on the 19th of July, 1865 in Harper's Ferry, WV.

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The place was Libby prison, Richmond Virginia. Among the prisoners was brother Israel Clement Disosway. A lieutenant in the U.S. infantry. Brother Disosway felt some discomfort as he lay amid the straw and stench of libby prison. But it was nothing in comparison to what he felt on his way to be
executed for what the confederate partisan John Singleton Mosby saw as the murder of his men by the federals. Six of his rangers had met their unmerciful fate on September 23 in front royal, and the seventh hanged a month later. Now seven Union soldiers must die in retribution.

Thus brother Disosway found himself bound and mounted on a horse to a final destination. Or so he thought, until he caught a glimpse of a Masonic pin on the lapel of a confederate officer returning with a detachment of troops. Thinking quickly in his desperation, brother Disosway flashed the distress sign of a mason. The Confederate officer, brother Richard P. Montjoy, saw it and convinced the trooper leading the prisoner to allow an exchange for one of the prisoners he was holding. When brother Montjoy reported to Major Mosby on what he had done. He received an icy reply from the Major stating that his command was not a Masonic lodge. But let the exchange stand.

http://www.geocities.com/blue_and_gray/LIBBY_PRISON.html

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Morris's memorial history of Staten Island, New York Vol II, Copyright 1900,Pg 210-211

CLEMENT DISOSWAY -- Clement Disosway was a son of the late Gabriel P. Disosway, and a brother to ex-Trustee Wilbur F. Disosway, of West New Brighton. His mother was Miss Riddick, of Virginia.

When the war broke out in 1861, Clement Disosway was living at West New Brighton, and enlisted in the Ninth New York Volunteers, in which he won a lieutenant's commission, and spent a season in Libby Prison, after which he was exchanged. Resigning from the Ninth Regiment, he entered the Fifth New York Heavy Artillery, and soon rose to the rank of Captain.

One day in 1864, Captain Disosway was in command of a detachment of troops en route for Harper's Ferry, and all were captured by Colonel Mosby. General Sheridan had been hanging Mosby's men whenever they were captured, and Mosby notified him that he would retaliate, and would hang man for man.
The capture of Captain Disosway and his men caused Mosby to issue an order for execution of seven -- that number of guerrillas having been hanged a day or so before. They were directed to "draw lots" -- that is, pull straws; the short straws meant death and the long ones prison -- worse than death.

Captain Disosway drew a long straw, while his drummer boy, a mere lad, drew a short one. The boy cried and begged for mercy, claiming that he had not taken up arms against the South, and was not entitled to be executed. Captain Disosway pleaded on behalf of the boy, that he might be given another opportunity, to which Mosby consented. The result was that Captain Disosway drew the short straw, and the drummer boy a long one.

The officer who was about to conduct the execution, placed the ropes around the necks of the seven victims and the party started for the scene where their lives were to be sacrificed -- upon a hill a quarter of a mile or so distant, and in full view of the Union line. Captain Disosway made up his mind that he would try to escape in the ravine through which they were to pass, because he would rather be shot than hanged. Just before the ravine was reached, however, a Confederate Cavalry officer -- Captain Montgomery -- approached Colonel Mosby and enquired,

"What are you going to do with these men?"

"Hang them, to be sure!" replied Mosby.

"Well," add the Confederate Captain, "I'll be responsible for this man." Then, turning to Captain Disosway said, "Captain, follow me." Captain Disosway did as he was ordered, wondering what turn his fate had taken. He regretted being compelled to leave his companions; but there was no time to ask questions or express regrets.

Captain Disosway was escorted to Captain Montgomery's tent, still in awful suspense; but was treated with such kindness as to increase his curiosity. Still he asked no questions. He dined with the Confederate officer, and then the two sat down together in a tent. Conversation immediately took up the subject of the capture, the execution, and the peculiar escape of one of the number.
"When you were captured," said Captain Montgomery, "your overcoat and boots fell to my lot. In your pocket was your Masonic certificate." And then he handed Captain Disosway the parchment document which proved him to be a member of Manhattan Lodge, No. 62, of New York City. Captain Disosway continued to be Captain Montgomery's "guest" for several weeks, and the visit terminated only when a sudden flank movement of Sheridan drove Mosby from his quarters. Captain Disosway was sent again to Libby Prison, and so on to Andersonville and Salisbury. Captain Montgomery was killed in one of Custer's cavalry battles in the Shenandoah Valley.

One day a heavily-laden transport came up the Narrows, anchored a little while at Quarantine, and then proceeded on its slow way up to the city. On it were several hundred human wrecks -- poor fellows who had, somehow or other, managed to exist through the horrors of Southern prisons, and were on their way home. Among the groups that staggered and hobbled down the gang-plank, was one that had long been given up for dead. It was Clement Disosway. Black and filthy, beyond the recognition of friends, with scarcely rags enough upon him to conceal his nakedness; hungry, emaciated and weak. To this sad plight had the "fortunes of war" brought one of the proudest officers in the Union Army.

Captain Disosway came too West New Brighton, where after rest and care in his home, his health partially returned, and in time he took up his abode in Pendleton, Oregon, where he became a successful newspaper publisher, and was also connected with other remunerative enterprises. he died in that city about thirteen years ago, leaving a wife and daughter. Besides holding a number of public offices, he was a Presidential Elector in 1876.

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Civil War Pension Index (Ancestry.com)

Disosway, J Clement

Widow Disosway Mary A

Service: E. 83 NY Inf

Service: C. 6 NY H A

1892 June 18 Widow Appl 552537 Cert: 373119 Oregon
PENDLETON TRIBUNE

January 3, 1878, Lot Livermore & Co. issued the first number of the Pendleton Independent, an independent weekly paper with Republican tendencies, edited by I. Disosawy. The paper has passed through the hands of Tustin & Haner, Tustin & Co., and Sharon & Burroughs, the last firm purchasing it in December, 1879. On the first of July, 1880, the name was changed to the Tribune, which has been published since June 4, 1881, by Burroughs & Reading.

1870 census shows real estate worth 00 and personal property worth $300.

This family is listed 6th June on Pendleton census and 6th July on Umatilla Reservation.

1870 Census OR Umatilla Pendleton to Willow Creek Pg 345A (6 June 1870 JS White)

Line 37
12 12 Disoway Isaac 30 MW Flour Mill 300 New York

--------------, Mary A 29 FW Keeping House Baden

--------------, Minnie 3 FW Maryland

More About Isreal Clement Disosway:

Census 1: 1870, OR Umatilla Pendleton to Willow Creek Pg 345A
Census 2: 1850, NY Richmond Castleton Pg 1A (See Father)
Census 3: 1860, NY Richmond Castleton Image 140(See Father)
Census 4: 1875, Umatilla, Oregon

Estate: 1878, Umatilla, Oregon

Occupation: 1870, Flour Miller

Notes for MARY A. LIBBY:

http://www.loc.gov/catdir/toc/fy0604/38029149.html

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Mrs. Mary Disosway

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BLM Land Records

Names

Patentee: MARY A DISOSWAY

Survey

State: OREGON

Acres: 0.115

Geographic Name: PENDLETON TNS

Metes/Bounds: No
Title Transfer

Issue Date: 6/30/1885

Land Office: Lagrande

Cancelled: No

U.S. Reservations: No

Mineral Reservations: No

Authority: July 1, 1864: Sale-Townsite Settlement (13 Stat. 343)

Document Numbers

Document Nr.: 12

Accession/Serial Nr.: ORLGAA 084793

BLM Serial Nr.: ORLGAA 084793

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1880 Census OR Umatilla Pendleton Pg 54A

Mary DESISWAY Self W Female W 39 BADEN Keeping House BADEN BADEN

Minnie DESISWAY Dau S Female W 13 MD At School BADEN BADEN

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1900 Census OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 116 Pg 180A (17 June 1900 Harold H Horton)

Line 5

326 336 Disosway Mary A Head WM June 1872 Wd (4 Children 1 Alive)
Germany Germany Germany Germany 1845 55

Stillman Elizabeth Daughter WF June 1867 M 12 (No Children) Maryland New York Germany
--------, Alonzo Son-in-law WM Apr 1864 36 M 12 Oregon New York Ireland Lawyer

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1910 Census OR Umatilla 2Wd Pendleton Dist 254 Pg 73A (15 April 1910 John Roach)

Line 42

501 11 11 Disosway Mary A Head FW 68 Wd (1 child 1 Alive) Germany Germany Germany Own Income

Stillman Minnie E Daughter FW 42 D (No Children) Maryland New York Germany Stenographer Lawyer's Office

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1920 Census OR Umatilla ED 163 Pg 9A

Line 30

501 162 173 Disaway Mary A Head FW 78 52 W 1845 Na 1864 Baden Baden Baden

Stillman Minnie E Daughter FW 52 D MD NY Baden Stenograpre Law Office

More About MARY A. LIBBY:

Burial: Olney Cemetery, Pendleton, Umatilla, Oregon

Census 1: 1870, OR Umatilla Pendleton to Willow Creek Pg 345A(See Husband)

Census 2: 1875, Umatilla, Oregon

Census 3: 1880, OR Umatilla Pendleton Pg 54A

Census 4: 1900, OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 116 Pg 180A

Census 5: 1910, OR Umatilla 2Wd Pendleton Dist 254 Pg 73A
Census 6: 1920, OR Umatilla ED 163 Pg 9A
Census 7: 1930, OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 58 Pg 168B (See Daughter)
Emigration: 1869, NY by Ox Team 28 yrs old
Picnic: 1892, Weston, Umatilla, OR
Residence: 1892, Pendleton, Umatilla, OR

More About ISREAL DISOSWAY and MARY LIBBY:

Marriage: Bet. 1860 - 1867

Child of ISREAL DISOSWAY and MARY LIBBY is:

i. ELIZABETH MINNIE\textsuperscript{1} DISOSWAY, b. Jun 1867, MD; d. Abt. 1936; m. ALPHONZO DERWIN STILLMAN, 03 Jul 1887, Umatilla, OR; b. 21 Apr 1864, Granite creek, Grant, Oregon; d. 24 Aug 1937, Kalispell, Flathead Co., Montana\textsuperscript{6,7}.

Notes for ELIZABETH MINNIE DISOSWAY:

1930 Census OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 58 Pg 168B (2 April 1930 Frances S Quinney)

Line 86
50 Stillman Minnie E Head FW 62 D Maryland Virginia Germany City Recorder Police Judge

---------, Disosway Mary A Mother FW 88 Wd Germany Germany Germany

More About ELIZABETH MINNIE DISOSWAY:

Burial: Olney Cemetery, Pendleton, Umatilla, Oregon\textsuperscript{8}

Census 1: 1870, OR Umatilla Pendleton to Willow Creek Pg 345A (See Father)

Census 2: 1875, Umatilla, Oregon\textsuperscript{9}

Census 3: 1880, OR Umatilla Pendleton Pg 54A (See Mother)

Census 4: 1900, OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 116 Pg 180A (See Mother)

Census 5: 1910, OR Umatilla 2Wd Pendleton Dist 254 Pg 73A (See Mother)

Census 6: 1920, OR Umatilla ED 163 Pg 9A (See Mother)

Census 7: 1930, OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 58 Pg 168B

Notes for ALPHONZO DERWIN STILLMAN:

http://www.deltachi.org/history/founders/Alphonso_Derwin_Stillman.html
Alphonso Derwin Stillman

Born: April 21, 1864

Died: August 24, 1937

Alphonso D. Stillman was born 1864 at Granite creek (also called Granite City) in Grant county Oregon. He had two brothers and one sister. His father mined for gold. In 1872 his father, E.D. Stillman, purchased a fruit farm near Milton, Oregon. He went to Pendleton to work at his trade as mechanic and machinist, and left his farm to be conducted by his family. Alphonso worked at general farm work and obtained a meager education in a country school. In 1882 he moved to Pendleton and went to work at the lumberyard and planning mill of Watson & Luhrs. In 1887, he left that employment and went to a Business College in Portland. He only stayed there one term before returning to his former employment. Later that year he went to work for the East Oregonian Publishing Company. During his year there he worked as a reporter and a bookkeeper. He married Minnie Disosway, daughter of his employer on Jul 3, 1887. They divorced a few years later. In 1888, he began his study of Law with Bailey & Balleray, reading for a year. He became dissatisfied with his progress and entered Cornell University. He graduated in 1891 with the degree of LL.B. He returned to Pendleton and in 1892 formed a partnership firstly with John C Leasure and after two years with W.M Pierce. Their firm, Stillman & Pierce, was well known in Eastern Oregon. During this time he was a member of the executive council of the Woodmen of the World. The 1900 census shows him to be living with his ex wife's sister in Pendleton. Ten years later he was living in the Flathead area of Montana. He married the local schoolteacher, Effie Erickson, around 1912. They had one son named Adee. The next 25 years he spent Ranching in Pleasant Valley, mining and established a law practice in Kalispell. He was active in politics and took a leading part with the progressive wing of the Democratic Party. He wrote a small book, "Montana's Nightmare," concerning governmental farm policies in the state. At one time he had extensive holdings but a failed irrigation plan and other bad luck, turned his fortune. Two years before he died he suffered a severe stroke. He spent his last years under the care of his son. In 1997 his daughter-in-law wrote, "A.D. Stillman died broke. I purchased a flat marker for his grave after my husband's death. A.D. lived his life with gusto, had some tough financial problems and died of phenomena. His son loved and respected him."

Stillman is credited with writing much of the fraternity's ritual during the summer or early fall of 1890. Later a committee composed of Stillman, Barnes, and Fred Kingsbury Stephens completed the work

He is buried in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell, Montana.

Epilog: Stillman's first wife never remarried. When she died she left her estate to the City of Pendleton. There is a small Park called Stillman Park that exists today and a permanent fund was established to maintain it. There is an impressive granite marker in the park.

Note: The Fraternity is truly indebted to M. Frank Gilbreath, Texas State Alumnus for the extensive research on Founder Stillman's life history.

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CONRAD CEMETERY

Stillman Alphonso D 8.24.1937

More About ALPHONZO DERWIN STILLMAN:

Burial: Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell, Flathead, Montana

Census 1: 1880, OR Umatilla Milton Pg 10C(See Father)

Census 2: 1875, Umatilla, Oregon

Census 3: 1900, OR Umatilla Pendleton Dist 116 Pg 180A(See Mother-in-law Mary Libby Disosway)

Marriage Notes for ELIZABETH DISOSWAY and ALPHONZO STILLMAN:

Marriage: A. Stillman married Minnie Disosway on Jul 03, 1887 in Umatilla County,

OR.
Gender: Female

Source Location: Record of this marriage may be found at the Family History Library under microfiche reference number(s) 6088045.

More About ALPHONZO STILLMAN and ELIZABETH DISOSWAY:

Divorce: 1904, Umatilla, OR

Marriage: 03 Jul 1887, Umatilla, OR

Endnotes

1. New York City Marriages, 1600s-1800s, "Electronic," Name: Millo R. Disosway Spouse Name: Lucy Lindsay Marriage Date: 1871 Marriage Place: Manhattan, New York, New York Certificate Number: 3053 Source: Marriage Registers, Extracts from Manhattan (1869-1880) and Brooklyn (1895-1897) Comments: See Family History Library catalog for films 1543971-1562446 (Manhattan) and Film 1653852 (Brooklyn), for actual certificate. Save Person to My Ancestry View printer-friendly .

2. Oregon Historical Records Index, Case# pg 046 Name Disosway, I C Date 1875 Record Type Census County Umatilla Source Genealogical .

3. Oregon Historical Records Index, Case# 022-10 Name Disosway, Clement Date 1878 Record Type Estate County Umatilla Source County .


5. Oregon Historical Records Index, Case# pg 046 Name Disosway, M A Date 1875 Record Type Census County Umatilla Source Genealogical .


9. Oregon Historical Records Index, Case# pg 046 Name Disosway, M Date 1875 Record Type Census County Umatilla Source Genealogical .


11. Oregon Historical Records Index, Case# pg 005 Name Stillman, A D Date 1875 Record Type Census County Umatilla Source Genealogical .

12. Oregon Historical Records Index, Case# 183-040 Name Stillman, Minnie E vs Stillman, Alphonso D Date 1904 Record Type Divorce County Umatilla Source County .