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Photo courtesy of Nancy Starr

The House that Cooper Built

The man in front of this house is Eugene Cooper. Eugene Cooper was a farmer, carpenter and inventor. He moved to Jamestown Township, Michigan with his family about 1866 or 67 and built the house above. The home was located in Jamestown Township, Michigan with Grandville on the east and Holland on the west. Jamestown was established in 1849. The home above no longer exists but there is one that Cooper built in Canada built in 1848 that still stands. There is a 1850 patent in Canada for a lever action stump puller that was invented by Eugene Cooper.



Lever Action Stump Puller

It was not long after arriving in Jamestown that he built a Canadian wind-mill to operate a grist-mill, the first one in Jamestown. It was 70 feet in diameter with six sails each, six feet wide. He built all his own machinery. If the wind blew it would grind feed, saw wood, bale hay, grind apples for cider and thresh his grain. When the wind blew it would grind all night. He would fill the hopper, set the alarm and go to bed. When awakened by the alarm he would go and fill the hopper again and return to bed. In the Jamestown area he was known as Windmill Cooper.

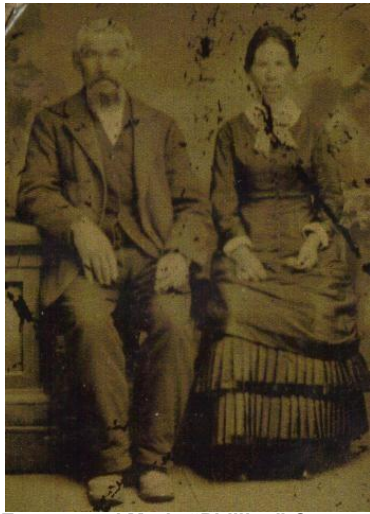
Windmill Cooper was born in Cayuga County, New York on March 05, 1823 the son of

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The House that Cooper Built Continued

Dorman Cooper and Lucretia Lydia Shaw. He married Maria Phillips, daughter of Henry Phillips and Nancy Ann Clock. Maria was born October 20, 1830 in Ontario, Canada. The Coopers needed a large house in order to raise their eleven children. The home even had an elevator!

Maria Phillips was the granddaughter of Jacob Conrad Klock and Anna Eva Staring. Jacob and Anna Eva Staring were married February 19, 1774 in the Dutch Reformed Church, German Flatts Township, Herkimer, New York.



Eugene and Maria "Phillips" Cooper
Photo's courtesy of Nancy Starr

Jacob Klock served in the Continental Army as a second lieutenant in Captain Severinus Casselman's Company of the Kingsland and German Flatts District Regiment of the Tryon County Militia. He was taken prisoner

by the British on April 3, 1780 during the raid on Remensnyder's Bush. He was taken to Montreal, Canada where he signed up to fight for the British in the in the second battalion of the British Kings Royal Regiment of New York under Sir John Johnson. He was sent to attack the people of his home in the Mohawk Valley. Once in the valley he took advantage of an opportunity to escape. He deserted the British Army and returned home to his wife and family. Later, in 1802 Jacob and Anna returned to Canada to live.

Jacob Conrad Clock and Anna Staring had thirteen children. Some stayed in New York and some moved to Canada with them. Several of the descendants of Jacob Conrad Clock ended up in the state of Michigan.

I met Nancy Starr and Alice Tietema at the last Klock Reunion that was held at Fort Klock.

Nancy and Alice are descendants of Eugene Cooper who was born March 05, 1823 and died January 03, 1901. Maria "Phillips" Cooper was born October 20, 1830 and died December 26, 1896.

Nellie J. (Newman) Kennedy A Pioneer Mother of Crawford County, Iowa

Nellie J. Newman was born August 10, 1841 in New York, the daughter of Stephen F. Newman and Lovian Klock. Lovian was the daughter of John Beekman Klock (Jacob George, Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock) and Margaret Klock (Joseph G., George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock).

In 1861, when Nellie was 20 years of age she moved to Illinois. On May 2, 1865 she moved to Crawford county, Iowa, where she taught school. She was married on January 1, 1865 to David W. Kennedy. Her husband, David was born April 11, 1838, the son of Charles Kennedy. Charles was born in Ireland in April of 1790 and came to America in 1821. Charles located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was employed as a manufacture of trunks. In 1837 he moved with his family to Crawford County, Iowa.

After her marriage Nellie came with her husband to Harrison county to enter upon the career of farming and homemaking. On March 1st 1865 they moved on a farm near Whitesboro, Iowa and the family home was maintained in that neighborhood.

The pioneer conditions of the days immediately following the civil war were not pleasant, but women like Mrs. Kennedy did not complain. In addition to the duties of her own home she took upon herself at numerous times the work of a nurse and sometimes a doctor to the sick of the community. She did what she could to help alleviate suffering with her comforting hands, kind deeds and her helpful words.

Joy and sorrow came to the Kennedy home as well. David and Nellie were the parents of eight children.

Charles was born December 23, 1868. Charles married Esther Hansen and he became a pharmacist. Charles and Ester did not have any children, but they did adopted a daughter, Louise Grace.

A Pioneer Mother Continued

George was born August 09, 1870. He married Irene McMinimee. They had a daughter they named, Nellie.

Merritt was born December 15, 1871. When Merritt was 25 he was working for the Iowa Telephone Company in Avoca, Iowa. He had climbed a pole to the height of seven feet when his hold slipped and he fell. It was this fall that caused his ultimately death a week later on February 2, 1900.

David E. Kennedy was born May 13, 1874 and died September 2 of that same year .

Lewis M. was born Feb. 17, 1876 and died January 22, 1882.

Minnie was born November 22, 1878. She married John Edward Massie and resided in Kansas City, Mo. They had five children. Minnie died January 07, 1973 in Fresno, California.

Marcus B. Kennedy was born August 31, 1881 and died in 1952 in Logan, Harrison County, Iowa He married Zella E. Miller who was born December 19, 1888 and passed away in Phoenix, Arizona in June 1972. No record of children.

Nellie May was born February 28, 1886 and died August 23, 1972. She married John F. Hanneman. No record of children.

David W. Kennedy died May 27, 1900 and his wife Nellie died April 21, 1929. They are buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Harrison County, Iowa.

For more information on Charles Kennedy check Issue # 35. While research and writing the above article it sounding familiar so I checked past issues of Klock Connections. I found I had written an article on Charles Kennedy in June 2004.

Updating Klock Connections Web Page

I have recently updated my family tree on the Klock Connections Web Page. Check it out at www.klockconnections.com

While researching I run across Klock Families that may or may not be connected to the Kloks of the Mohawk Valley. I put this information in my tree to keep from researching the same family or person several times. Last count I have over 18,800 people on my family tree. Some of these

people are lost in my tree and do not show up when I update my tree on the Web Page. I have about 90 pages of information on Johan Peter Klock who married Margaretha Truckenmiller as well as information on Peter Clock/Klock who married Elizabeth Deck and many more Klock Families that came to the United States after 1800. As I run across these lines I will be adding them to the web page. By doing this; you will be able to access information on other Klock families on the Klock Connections Web Page.



The Kloks of Latvians

I received an e-mail from Peteris Kloks who lives in Latvian. "We Latvians have pretty weird spelling of our names, many of which end with '-is' or 's'. So, John would make Johns- doesn't mean it's plural or something," Peter told me in his e-mail. The photo above was taken in 2007. Left to right: Andris Dobelis, Liene Dobele, Ansis Dobelis Andris Teteris, Eduards Teteris, Arturs Dobelis, Peteris Kloks, Austra Kloka (grandmother, 87), Maija Karele Andris Dobelis, Rihards Teteris, Anna Dobele (sitting).

I have to state in the very beginning the purpose of this email- curiosity about my surname. I myself am Peter Klock and live in Latvia (Europe, Baltic states) and have been researching the roots of this surname for quite a time. The problem was the fact that the surname in Latvian translates to that of Kloks (Klock), so up to this moment I thought that there are as few as 10-20 people having this surname. How wrong I was, huh? Well, just wanted to say that apparently those Dutch/ German emigrants loved not only United States, but also Livonia (at the time- under

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The Kloks of Latvians Continued

German occupation probably could have made a decent living here). As far as I know there are 5-10 alive members of this surname in my country.

Peter attends school in Latvian. It's always nice to hear from cousins that live in distant lands. I have talked with Kloks that live in Canada, England, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden, South America, Japan, Australia and now Latvian. Thanks for your e-mail.

Cemetery List Continued From Last Month

Information for this cemetery list comes from several different sources and therefore may not be completely reliable. If you have additions or Corrections, please let me know.

New Forest Cemetery Utica, Oneida County, New York

Roberts, Charles E., Son of Irving & Leveina Klock Roberts. Additional Information: Charles was the son of Irving Roberts and Lucinda Klock (John J., Jacob G., George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock)

Roberts, Milton W., Irving & Lucinda Clock Roberts. Additional Information: Milton was the son of Iving Robert and Lucinda Klock/Clock (John J., Jacob G., George G., Johanguergh and Hendrick Klock).

Saint Marys Cemetery Rome, Oneida County, New York

Klock, Edward Birth: 1880 Death: 1910
Note: Also on stone, Rose T. Klock 1870 or 74 – 1924 Matilda M. Sherman 1874-1925. No Information

Klock, Rose T. Birth: 1874 Death: 1924
Note: Wife of Edward. No Information

Orange County, New York

Pleasant Hill Cemetery Mountainville, Orange County, New York

Emery Klock, Pvt. Birth 1882, Death: 1944.
No Information

Unionville Cemetery AKA Cross Corners Cemetery Orange County, New York Town of Bath

Klock, Catherine, Spouse of Peter A., Died 5/3/1874, Age 69y. **Additional Information:** Catherine Woolever was born October 06, 1806 and died May 03, 1874. She married Peter A. Klock below.

Klock, Irene, Spouse of James, Born 1840, Died 1930. **Additional Information:** Irene Strough was born January 05, 1840. She married James N. Klock below.

Klock, James N., Spouse of Irene, Born 1840, Died 1919. **Additional Information:** James Nelson Klock was the son of Peter A. Klock and Catherine Woolever. See Line below.

Klock, Peter A., Spouse of Catherine, Died 5/19/1874, Age 71y **Additional Information:** Peter A. Klock was born August 21, 1803 and died May 29, 1874, the son of Adam Klock (Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Catherine Snyder.

Onondaga County, New York

Riverside Cemetery Brewerton, Onondaga Co., N.Y.

Carpenter, Elizabeth (Klock) 1849-1933. No Information.

Fay, Thomas, b. 1831; d. 1913. Additional Information. Thomas Fay married Marilla Klock (See line next page)

Fay, Flora, b. 1867; d. 1936. Additional Information: Flora was the daughter of Thomas and Marilla Fay (Klock). See line below)

Fay, Marilla (Klock) d. 30 Dec. 1936, 92 years -4 months and 28 days. d/o Abram Klock. Additional Information: Marilla Fay (Klock) was the daughter of Abram Clock/Klock. (Joseph Clock, Joseph Clock,

Cemetery List Continued

Conrad Clock, Hendrick Klock.) Marilla was born June 02, 1844 and died December 30, 1936. I have only one child, Flora Alice Fay.

Haskins, Jerry d. 14 June 1894, ae. 58y, Pvt., Co. E., 53rd Mass. Vol. Additional Information. Jerry Haskins married Venelia Klock. See below.

Haskins, Venelia (Klock) d. 25 Dec. 1930, 85-9-1, d/o Jonas & Lydia Klock. Additional Information: Venelia Klock (Jonas, Joseph, Joseph, Conrad and Hendrick Klock) married Jerry Haskins

Klock, Alice, his wife,(Tarbell) b. 1857 (wife of Frank Klock or Clock). Additional Information: Alice Tarbell married Frank Clock. Alice was born about 1857 and died October 22, 1878. Frank Clock and Alice had two children; Frank Melville and John H. Clock. No information on children.

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2010 Klock Family Reunion

The Klock Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 7, 2010 at Fort Klock in St. Johnsville, New York.

The cost will be \$10.00 per person, (\$5.00 in advance - non-refundable) Includes a great meal prepared by Frank Snyder.

½ Chicken, corn on the cob, coleslaw, beverages and desert.

Paul Graff, who portrays a Mohawk Valley Militiaman and Susan Jones, portraying a Native American female will demonstrate loading and firing of flintlock weapons. Between weapons demonstrations, Paul and Susan will be basket weaving and telling stories about the history of the Mohawk Valley.

For those interested in genealogy, Cathy Ossenfort will be on hand with computer, books and other Genealogy information.

Use the form below to let me know if you can make it to the next Klock Family Reunion.



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KLOCK FAMILY REUNION

FORT KLOCK



ST. JOHNSTVILLE NEW YORK

AUGUST 7, 2010

Mail to: **David W. Klock**
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We plan on attending the Klock Family Reunion that will be held August 7, 2010 at Fort Klock in St. Johnsville, New York.

Enclose \$5.00 for each person. Children age 3 and under are free. I understand this deposit is not refundable.

_____ Number of people planning on attending the Reunion.

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