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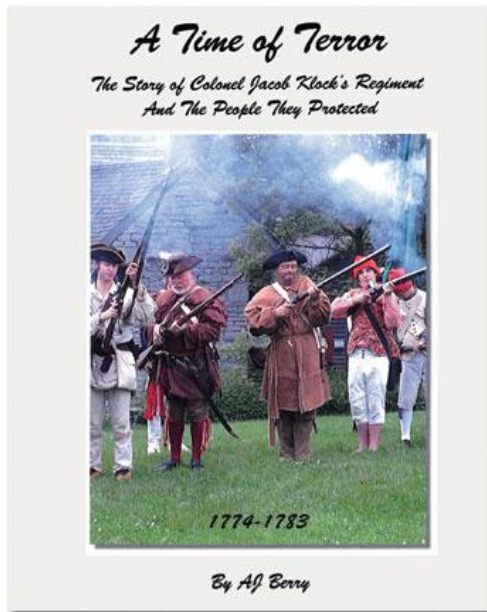
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A Time of Terror: The Story of Colonel Jacob Klock's Regiment And The People They Protected, 1774-1783

Joyce Berry, Web Master of the Three Rivers Web Site has written and published a book about Colonel Klock's Regiment. The book is about the Revolutionary War in the Mohawk Valley, and the story of the Second Tryon Militia. There were 308 battles fought in the Revolution, 92 of them in New York and most of the New York battles were fought in Tryon County. The story is told through various methods, the people the Regiment protected, the battles and raids the Regiment fought in, and the men who served. Thousands of names of the Militia and local people are included in the story along with some

marvelous stories about the people, and families.

The book has some of the pension applications of the veterans with their story told in their own words. Before the war started, there were 10,000 people in the area and after the war, there were just 3,000. A "Time of Terror" will give you an appreciation for the struggles to gain our freedom.

I purchased one a few weeks ago from Joyce while in New York. It is a great book and I would recommend it to anyone who is interested in the History of the Mohawk Valley and the part the Klock Family played in gaining the freedoms we now enjoy. Thank you for telling this long overdue story of Colonel Klock's Regiment.

You can find this book on the publisher's web site below:

<http://www.trafford.com/4dcgi/view-item?item=9710&208103422-26047aaa>

Joyce has also written another book. It is a story about her life, her childhood and her parents. Joyce was born and raised in Muskegon, Michigan and moved to upstate New York where her children were born. The book is called "Past Times" and can be found at the following publishers web site.

<http://www.trafford.com/05-1481>

A link to the publishers web this site can also be found on the title page of the Three Rivers Web Site or the Klock Connections web site:

www.klockconnections.com
www.threerivershms.com



George S. Klock

George Sillenbeck Klock was the son of Morris Klock and Emmeline Sillenbeck (Cornelius, Jacob George, Johanguergh "Old George" and Hendrick Klock. He was born about 1859 in Montgomery County, New York and was "a member of one of the older respected families of this state", according to an old newspaper clipping I found in the Historical Society in Rome, New York. The article (no date) included the above picture of George S. Klock. George married Mary Minerva Jarrett, daughter of Edward Weldon Jarrett and Sara Dobie.

I do not have much information on George S. Klock, as to his date of birth, death, or if he had any children, but this is what I do know about him. He was educated in the district schools of Montgomery County and the Fort Plain and Whitestown Seminaries and after a course of study for three and one-half years became a Attorney. His brother, Charles Moris Klock was a well know Doctor in Little Falls, New York. George S. Klock was admitted to the bar in 1880. He was a an attorney and counselor in the supreme court, which admitted him to all courts in the state of New York. He had a law practice in Rome, New York and his law partner, James S. Sherman, who later became Vice President of the United

States. George was the District Attorney in Rome. "Mr. Klock has attained prominence in his profession and has been distinguished as a successful trial lawyer in his official capacity as district attorney", according to the article. George S. Klock was elected District Attorney in 1892. "District Attorney Klock has convicted many noted criminals." according to the article.

The Klock/Clock Genealogy has the following on George S. Klock # 516, page 50, " Twitchell in "Leading Facts of New Mexican History", (Lib. of Congress, pg. 137) gives in biographical sketch his name as George Sheldon and that he was admitted to the bar in 1880, practiced in Rome, N.Y. until 1896, went to Utica, and in 1901 to Albuquerque, then to Phoenix, and back to Albuquerque. m. Mary Minerva Jarrett, dau. Of Edward Weldon and Sara (Dobie) Jarrett, March 1902. Served as westryman in the Episcopal Church thought not an Episcopalian; was a Mason, K of P, SAR, Dis't Att'y for the 6th. Judicial Dis't, territory of New Mexico."

The Klock/Clock Genealogy also has the following note:

From Mr. Nellis' article in the E. & N. 7/12/1951 "in West St. Johnsville cemetery family burial plot of the family of Dr. C. Morris Klock and his brother George S., who, until forced to go to New Mexico for a throat ailment, was the law partner of James S. Sherman, of Utica, N.Y., later Vice Pres. of the U.S."

The Klock/Clock Genealogy was compiled by Helen Laura Clock Williams in 1952. If you have any information on George S. Klock as to dates of birth, death, children, please let me know.

Fort Klock and History of the Tryon County Muzzel Loaders Association

A meeting was held on March 4, 1953 at St. Johnsville, New York for the purpose of joining together all persons in the area who had an interest Continued Next Page

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in collecting and firing of ancient firearms. Twelve people met that day, elected officers and formed an organization they called the Tryon County Muzzle Loaders Association. The first officers were; Willis Barshied Jr., President; John Warn, Vice President; Herbert Mueller, Secretary; and Fred Cairns as the Treasurer.

Regular meetings were held at the V.F.W. Post in St. Johnsville, but they wanted a place they could call their own, a place they could hold their meetings and build a firing range where they could fire their muskets. On May 21, 1954 the club incorporated and on September 20, 1954 the search for a suitable meeting place was ended with the signing of a long term lease. The new meeting place, Old Fort Klock. This lease was secured through the kindness and cooperation of Mr. Alex Don, who was born February 26, 1889, Alex Don was the owner of the property and a direct descendent of the Klock family. His father, William Don, married Catharine Klock, the daughter of Amos Klock (Adam I. Klock, John J. Klock, Johannes J. Klock, who erected the old fort in 1750). In the spring and summer of 1954 several meetings were held with Alex Don and a tentative agreement was reached to lease the property. A 20 year lease with an option to renew for another 20 years was signed by both parties. At the time no doors, windows remained in the old fort, the roof leaked and a long section of the south stone wall lay on the ground. Part of the agreement was that the group would restore the old fort, so restoration began on the fort that summer. On August 8, 1954, while burning brush and weeds, the long abandoned Fort Klock School was badly burned by fire. It would have to wait five years before it was restored.

In the meantime the Tryon County Muzzle Loaders formed a flintlock firing squad which marched in parades and fired salutes at cemeteries and historic sites as there were no

other reactivated historic groups in the area at that time. On September 22, 1959 a bill of sale to the Fort Klock School was obtained from the St. Johnsville School and in the spring of 1960 the old school house was restored. The first recorded visitors came to visit the school on May 28, 1960 and shortly after Mrs. Bardberry brought her St. Johnsville class to experience a day in a one room schoolhouse.

Early in 1960 the group met to discuss the creation of a new organization to be chartered by the NYS Board of Regents. A charter would help ensure Fort Klock's future as an historic site, but the Board of Regents would not grant a charter to an organization in the name of "Tryon County Muzzle Loaders."

In the summer of 1961 Fort Klock first opened to the public. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Getman were the first caretakers. Then in the Summer of 1962 the Tryon County Muzzle reactivated the 115th NY Vol. Regiment, which was a local Civil War Regiment. The group participated for several years in parades so young people could see how a properly uniformed and equipped Civil War soldier would have looked.

On November 20, 1964 the NYS Board of Regents granted a charter in the name of "Fort Klock Historic Restoration." Earlier that spring the Fort Klock Blacksmith shop was restored, equipped and opened to the public. At this time there were 57 people who had become charter members.

After the death of Alex Klock Don, his wife Mrs. Mabel Don, deeded the property to Fort Klock Historic Restoration on September 13, 1965, however the deed included a reversion clause. On May 26, 1993 Fort Klock Historic Restoration purchased the reversion clause from the heir of Mabel Don.

The Tryon County Muzzle Loaders remained in existence as a firearms related organization and they surrendered their lease

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to Fort Klock Historic Restoration. Most of the members were associated with both organizations at that time. Then in September of 1973 Fort Klock was designated as a National Historic Landmark. The two tenant houses were willed by C. Bradford Dean, to Fort Klock Historic Restoration on May 16, 1978. In the summer of 1989 the Dutch Barn was erected at Fort Klock. Weaving had become an important craft activity at Fort Klock under the direction of long time member Gene Walk. She purchased about 20 acres across the street and donated it to Fort Klock Historic Restoration. Thus making Fort Klock a 30 plus complex.

Information for this article came from a time line of the history of Fort Klock written by Willis (Skip) Barsheid and an old Fort Klock Pageant Book written in 1958.

Pathfinders to the North

Mohawk Valley Folks Who Settled in Jefferson County, following the Revolution, from Jefferson County Gazeteer, by Hamilton Child, 1890.

Klock, Henry, Town of Lyme was a native of Montgomery County whence he removed to this town where he died. He married Betsey, daughter of Major Klock and their children were Jeremiah, John, Hezekiah, Lany A., Barbara, Nancy, Josiah, Elizabeth and Theron H. The latter died in Lyme, his native town in 1879, aged 46 years. He married Sarah E., the daughter of David Shuler, of Lyne who bore him children as follows; Belle, Emma, Jane, Katie, Schuyler, and Jay C. The latter married Julia A., daughter of Eleazer and Harriet A. (Danley) Watkins, of Lyme and they have one daughter, Hattie A. Mr. Klock was a farmer

Henry was also known as Henrich. He was born in Stone Arabia, Montgomery County February 28, 1796. He was the son

of George I., and Barbara (Baulder) Klock. He moved to Jefferson County before 1850 which would make him a pioneer of Jefferson County. He married his cousin, Elizabeth Klock on November 26, 1815 in Fort Plain, Montgomery Co., New York. Elizabeth was the daughter of John J. Klock, Jr. and Elizabeth Lampman. She was born November 22, 1797 and died April 10, 1869. Henry G. Klock died February 05, 1871 and they are both buried in Three Mile Bay, New York.

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Indian Castle Cemetery New York

Klock, Marie (Freeman) d. 14 August 1875, aged 30 y. 9 mo. 0 days, wife of Zebina. Additional Information: Zebina Robert Klock is buried in St. Johnville Cemetery, St. Johnville, New York. They had four children. She was the first wife of Zebina Robert Klock. Zebina was also married to Gertrude Anna Robinson and they had two children.

Klock, Albert G., B. 1845-1918 spouse of Emma. Additional Information: (Daniel, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock, Hendrick Klock) He was born August 15, 1845 and died November 11, 1918. I have him buried in Inghams Mills Cemetery, Stone Arabia, New York and not Indian Castle Cemetery. I have them with two children; Mabel and Roy E. Klock. I have his wife Emma Wolfe b. January 19, 1856 d. February 29, 1944

Mountain View Memorial Gardens Shell's Bush Road Herkimer County, New York

Klock, Blanche b. June 1, 1895, d. unknown. No Additional Information.

Klock, William R. b. 11/12/1936 d. 4/29/1999 U. S. Army- Korea, spouse of Elizabeth. Additional Information: (Kenneth Sherman, Sherman O., Jacob A., Luther, John J. Jr., John J., Johannes J., Hendrick Klock) William had a disability that caused him to go blind. Despite his blindness, he was known for his hobby of making Adirondack pack baskets. Continued Next Page

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He married Elizabeth Delia Walters September 1, 1956 They had five children.

Klock, Elizabeth D. 9/1/1937 d. 1/19/1982, spouse of William R. Klock. See above

Klock, Vernon R., 1942-2002, spouse Janet M. Additional Information: (Kenneth Sherman, Sherman O., Jacob A., Luther, John J. Jr., John J., Johannes J., Hendrick Klock) Vernon was born March 22, 1942 and died December 30, 2002. Vernon married Janet M. Benson on July 30, 1966. They had four children.

Middleville Cemetery, Town of Fairfield, Herkimer (1/4 mile from Route 28) Middleville, NY.

Klock, Edna L. Starkings, b. 1878 - d. 1910. Additional Information: Edna was born April 12, 1879 and died March 28, 1910. She was the first wife of Sherman O. Klock. They had three children; Hazel Ada, who died in infancy; Mildred Edna and Kenneth Sherman Klock.

Klock, Sherman O. b. November 28, 1873 d. January 11, 1940. Additional Information: (Jacob A., Luther, John J. Jr., John J., Johannes J., Hendrick Klock) Sherman was a genealogist who wrote the "Genealogy of Sherman O. Klock", which I have used in my family tree.

Klock, Hazel, b. May 10, 1897 - d. May 12, 1897 (daughter of Sherman O. Klock and Edna L. Starkings) See above

The Old Herkimer Cemetery Town of Little Falls Off Overlook Rd., off Route # 5 (Also known as Klock-Petrie Cemetery)

Klock, Henry b. Aug. 7, 1748, d., June 21, 1810, in Herkimer aged 61 years. (spouse of Maria (Anna) Margaretha Waggoner. Additional Information: (Also known as Henrick Johannes Klock (Johannes J., who married Ann Margaretha Fox, Hendrick Klock) They had 10 children.

Klock, Henry P., d. 9-20-1825, 24yr. (Not sure on

this Henry but may be the son of George G. Jr. Klock and Nancy Klock. They had three children, Martin, David and a Henry Klock that would have been born about this time.

Klock, Isaac, d. 11-8-1830, 22 yr. Isaac was the son of Peter Klock and Anna (Nancy) Stahring. Additional Information: (Peter, Henrick Johannes, Johannes J., and Hendrick Klock) Klock, Peter, d. 8-24-1873, 95yr, wife Nancy Stahring. Additional Information (Henrick Johannes, Johannes J., Hendrick Klock) Peter Klock was born July 05, 1778, married Anna (Nancy) Stahring and they had 12 children.

Klock, Nancy, d. 5-5-1843, 63yr, (husband Peter Klock) Additional Information: Nancy was born March 02, 1779 the daughter of John Adam Staring or Stahring and Elisabeth Gaks. 12 children.

Klock, Ira, d. 9-18-1888, 69yr, Veteran Additional Information: (Robert, Henrick Johannes, Johannes J., and Hendrick Klock) Ira married, Mary Catharine Unknown (by me) Two children.

Klock, P?iro, d. 4-?-1850, 18yr. No additional Information.

Petrie, Benjamin, d. 3-16-1816,(husband of Elizabeth Klock)

Petrie, Elizabeth (Klock), d. 7-19-1817,(wife of Benjamin Petrie) Additional Information: I have Elizabeth born February 27, 1802 (a twin with Heinrich Klock) and the date of death as July 19, 1847 (Klock/Clock Genealogy) and the wife of a Benjamin Petrie. Elizabeth would have been about 15 when she died. Ben and Elizabeth also had a son, Warren that was born in 1810, that died at the age of 9. This would have made Elizabeth 8 years old when Warren was born. Elizabeth's parents, Peter Klock and his wife Nancy are also buried in the same cemetery as well as Henry who was the twin of Elizabeth. (Cemetery information found on Internet), dates somewhere are not correct. More research is needed.

Petrie, Warren, d. 9-10-1819, 9yr, son of Elizabeth & Benjamin. Additional Information: See above

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