

Shermantown Death Research Notes

White Pine County, Nevada

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Sacramento Daily Union, 7/24/1868: White Pine District, Nevada. – The Austin Reveille of July 20th has the following: ...Major E. A. Sherman, of this city, with characteristic energy, has laid out a town on the southeastern slope of the hill, and had **named it Sherman**. General Page has selected a site for his proposed mill, near this town where there is a spring of water... (See discussion of Page's mill under Treasure City./ss)

Daily Alta California, 11/26/1868: White Pine. (2nd part of a letter that appeared on 11/25/1868/ss) ... The distance from Hamilton to Treasure City is not over one and a half miles in a direct line, though two and one half miles by the toll road, and the difference in altitude is estimated at from 1,000 to 1,200 feet. **The town of Silver Springs, sometimes called Sherman Town**, is located at the southern end of the Base? Metal Range, two miles southwest of Treasure Hill, the road winding down a deep canon to reach it. It is probably 1,560 feet lower than the town of Treasure City, or 7,500 feet above the level of the sea, and contains 400 or 500 people... Silver Springs has two or three good brick buildings, and is generally better built than either of the others (Hamilton or Treasure City/ss)....

Daily Alta Cal, 12/4/1868: ...Treasure City, White Pine, December 16. ...We have at Hamilton, Treasure City and Silver Springs or Shermantown, **a population of about 3,000 people**, and since my arrival the increase has been large...

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/7/1869: Letter from White Pine. (Correspondence of the Union) Treasure City (Nev.), January 2, 1869. ...In estimating the probable amount of discomfort we shall have to undergo here this Winter, the **Wretched Character of the Habitations** must be taken into account... With such habitations it is evident there must be a great deal of suffering this Winter; the high prices of fuel, especially in this place, adding largely to the likelihood of such a result. Moreover, these, in connection with other privations and discomforts and certain climatic peculiarities growing out of altitude, etc., are already beginning to develop what we have most to dread, a variety of **Endemic Diseases**, such as pneumonia, mountain fever, erysipelas, etc., several cases of sickness, **with one or two deaths, having already occurred from some one of these complaints**; and it is the opinion of the physicians in practice here that these maladies are bound to multiply at a fearful rate, with the prospect that many cases will prove fatal. Anticipating such a condition of things, **steps have been taken looking to the early erection of Two Hospitals, both to be located at Shermantown – the one a private and the other a public institution**... (saved to hard drive)

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/20/1869: A private letter of White Pine says **there are seven cases of small pox at Silver Springs or Shermantown, and money had been raised by subscription to build a pest house**.

Daily Alta California, 1/21/1869: White Pine. People Still Flocking Thither...The Health Question.
Colonel Tyson, writing to A. S. Gould, of this city, from Treasure City, under date of January 13th says: Owing to the severity of the climate on Treasure Hill nearly all San Franciscans take up their abode at Hamilton, where the temperature is much milder... One of the great questions now agitating the public mind is, "Which will be the important city of White Pine?" The rivalry, of course, is between

Treasure, Hamilton and Sherman... The only thing to recommend Shermantown is that of being by far the most pleasant place to reside at. It is, however, very difficult, if not impossible, to say where the Town will be. There are many different opinions with regard to it as there are different interests... I see it reported that **several cases of Small Pox** have made their appearance in Sherman, and one of two in Treasure Hill, but I doubt if there is a single case at either place. The people of Hamilton yesterday raised a subscription of \$1,000, to be used toward the **erection of a hospital**. Severe colds, rheumatism – inflammatory or otherwise – sore throats, pneumonia, diphtheria, and all sorts of pulmonary complaints, are as prevalent as ever, and **death from some one of these occurs frequently**, but people are too busy to pay much attention to such trifling occurrences. (full issue saved to White Pine County folder)

Daily Alta California, 1/24/1869: By Telegraph. Small Pox at White Pine. ... Austin, January 23d. – Passengers who arrived here yesterday from White Pine report the small-pox in Shermantown. **Hiram Jones**, engineer for the Oasis mill, **died of the disease** and five other cases are said to exist in that town.

Daily Alta California, 2/8/1869: White Pine. (extracts) ... There are **now from 4,000 to 5,000 people at least in the district within an area of four or five miles square**... Before August 1st, there will be from twenty to fifty thousand people in the White Pine District and immediate vicinity.

Health of the District. - Pneumonia, pleurisy and mountain fever have been quite prevalent of late in White Pine, and in many instances, owing to the lack of proper accommodation for the sick, and medical attendance, prove fatal. The small-pox, supposed to have been brought from the end of the railroad track, broke out at Silver Springs (later Shermantown?/ss) a few weeks since, and **Hiram Jones, engineer of the Oasis Mill, a man named Brown and an Indian, died from it**. It was reported last week that there was a case or two at Hamilton, but the correctness of the report is not vouched for. At last accounts no new cases had occurred at Silver Springs or Treasure City, but the citizens of the three towns, with commendable forethought and liberality, in view of the imminent danger of an epidemic occurring before the long winter is over, raised \$4,000 and a committee consisting of J. W. Garland, of Treasure Hill; Frank Wheeler, of Hamilton; J. C. (sic) Credit, Lucius Moore and C. Greeley, of Silver Spring, who are superintending the **erection of the hospital**. It is **located near Silver Springs**, and will be finished this week. Mr. Garland is Chairman of the Committee... (NOTE: This would be the hospital shown at Swansea./ss)

Alta California, 2/28/1869: Pacific Coast Despatches. Nevada State Legislative Proceedings. ...The following bills **passed**: ... and House **Bill to incorporate Shermantown**.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/13/1869: DIED. In Shermantown, April 6th, **infant daughter of J. M. Crenshaw**.

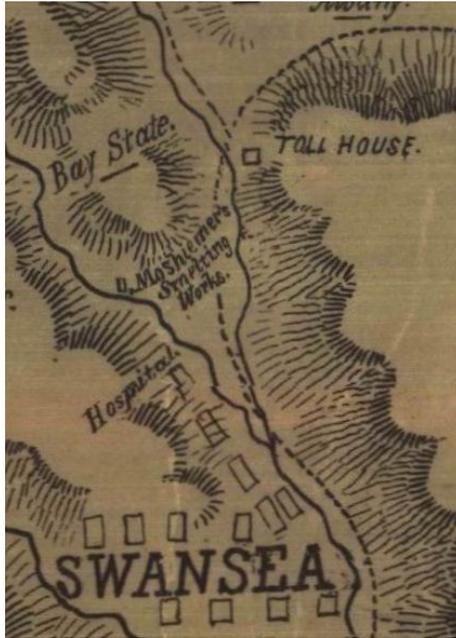
See also John M. Crenshaw, d. July 1871.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/20/1869: From White Pine. ...The *News* of April 15th says: J. G. Jackson, who **killed H. I. Cocker near Shermantown**, was bound over to await the action of the Grand Jury, and held under \$5,000 bail. Not procuring bail, he was committed to jail.

Find A Grave (Mark's Mom): posted for "Mourner's Point" (Hamilton) Cemetery as "**Caker, Unknown**"; dates of birth and death unknown; notes: "A coal burner at Shermantown, he was beaten with a sawed-off shotgun by Unknown Jackson in 1869. Taken to Swansea Hospital where he died. May be buried here." (Note: The Swansea Hospital was located near Shermantown./ss)

Daily Alta California, 7/25/1869: Nevada. White Pine. - ... J. C. Jackson has been acquitted on the charge of manslaughter, for beating **H. C. Crocker**, who was trying to shoot him. – *Inland Empire*.

Note 1: The hospital at Swansea was located north of Shermantown and west of Hamilton, as shown in the map view below. The Toll House shown is on the road that veers easterly to Hamilton. Shermantown is located on the road shown leading south of Swansea.



(Map of the White Pine Mining District, 1869)

*** see saved item SF Bulletin, 4/21/1869 on hard drive Note 2: No census enumeration was located for H. C. Crocker, H. I. Cocker or Caker was located in either Nevada or California. **There is no indication that the remains were taken elsewhere, either locally or beyond.** As a cemetery has not yet been documented to exist at or near Shermantown, **if it is proved that no Shermantown area cemetery actually exists, Mr. Crocker/Cocker/Caker's remains would probably have been taken to the nearest available cemetery.** Therefore, this name has also been added to the Hamilton list.

Daily Alta California, 7/14/1869: Suicide at Shermantown – Mining Excitement... Shermantown, July 13th. – A German, named **Julius Peine**, a native of Prussia, about 35 years of age, committed suicide, this evening, by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. Cause, despondency, the effect of illness and poverty. Coroner Henley is holding the inquest.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/15/1869: - A dispatch dated at Treasure City (Nev.), July 14th, says: ... **Julius Peine**, a Prussian, aged 43 years, shot himself in the head with a pistol yesterday, in Shermantown, Cause, long illness.

Note: There is an age discrepancy in those reported at the time of his death. A Julius Peine enlisted in the Union Army in January of 1864 as a Private in Company K, California 2nd Cavalry Regiment. He mustered out at Fort Laramie, Dakota Territory in mid-August 1865. No age was given for this Julius Peine in the available record. No other candidate as a match to this Julius Peine was identified in this review. As Mr. Peine killed himself at Shermantown and the Coroner was holding an inquest, **normally done over the body where it was found, it is possible that the remains were removed to Hamilton for burial. It is equally possible that the Coroner had the remains buried locally.**

Daily Alta California, 7/25/1869: Nevada. White Pine. - ... W. L. Callahan stabbed **Marion Adams**, at Shermantown, in a quarrel about the collection of a debt; Adams was stabbed six times with a pocket-knife, and **the injuries are supposed to be fatal.** – *Inland Empire*.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/26/1869: White Pine, Nevada. - The Inland Empire of July 22d has this summary of local news:

Yesterday morning at about half-past six o'clock, Shermantown was thrown into sudden consternation by the announcement of a serious, **if not fatal stabbing affray**, two miles below that place in the big canyon leading down toward Green Springs. The rumor was prevalent in the neighborhood,

even extending to this city, that a man had been literally hacked to pieces at the point designated. Upon investigation, however, it was found that the affair, although serious and **most probably fatal**, had been somewhat exaggerated. The following are the facts in the case, so far as we have been able to glean them from reliable sources:

The names of the parties to the affray are W. L. Callahan and **Marion Adams**; the latter being the injured party. It seems that some time ago Callahan lent Adams a horse and saddle, which the latter never returned, assigning as a reason that the horse strayed away, and that the saddle had been stolen, or in some way lost. Callahan claimed that Adams was justly indebted to him for the value of the property he had loaned him, and on several occasions pressed a demand for the amount. Hearing a report that Adams had sold out and was about leaving the neighborhood, Callahan repaired to his cabin yesterday, for the purpose, if possible, of having his demand settled. On getting there, he found Adams and his companion, a man named Keating, engaged cooking their breakfast. Soon after, Callahan said to Adams, "I want that money;" to which Adams replied, "I can't pay you or anybody else till I collect some," or words to that effect. Thereupon, and while slightly advancing, Callahan called Adams a "dishonest son of a b----." At this Adams struck at him with a stick of wood, when they immediately engaged in a scuffle, during which Callahan **stabbed his antagonist six times with a large-sized pocket-knife, the blade of which was about four inches in length**. Keating, the only person a witness to the affair, interfered, and with little or no difficulty separated the combatants, not knowing, however, that a knife had been used or any serious damage effected. **Adams, meanwhile, staggered toward the door, and passing out exclaimed, "I am cut."** Callahan immediately left the premises, and going to his own cabin near by, remained there until called for by the officers.

Note: **Uncertain if he died of his wounds**. There was no Marion or M. Adams enumerated in White Pine County on the 1870 Census. Without a birthplace or age, locating earlier or later censuses for this man is impossible. Was unable to locate W. L. Callahan in Nevada or anyone named Keating at Shermantown on the 1870 Census.

Sacramento Daily Union, 8/25/1869: Press Dispatches. Treasure City, August 24th. - ... A German named **Philip Walter**, committed suicide several days ago near Shermantown.

Note: No census information was located for a Philip or Phillip Walter in either Nevada or California. Without an approximate an age it is difficult to identify a subject by census. As in other cases of suicide, the Coroner would have held an inquest and taken charge of the remains if Mr. Walter had no family. **If a cemetery exists at Shermantown, Mr. Walter may possibly have been buried there. It may have been at the Coroner's direction, in which case burial might have occurred at Hamilton or Treasure City.**

Sacramento Daily Union, 9/28/1869: DIED. In Shermantown (Nev.), Sept. 24th, **Willard C. Chandler Harmon**, aged 16 months and 4 days.

Nevada Marriages, 1869-1987: Joseph C. Harmon and Sarah A. Gallagher, 8/4/1867, Lander County, Nevada (Vol. 1, p. 23)

1870 Census, Family 399, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada (7/21/1870): Joseph C. Harmon, 36 yrs, Carpenter, RE \$5,000/PE \$2,000, b. Maine; Alice Harmon, 32 yrs, Keeping House, b. New Brunswick; Alice J. Harmon, 3 mos, b. Mar, b. Nevada

1875 Nevada State Census, Eureka County: J. C. Hannon (sic), 40 yrs, Carpenter, b. Maine; L. A. Hannon (sic), female, 36 yrs, b. New Brunswick; A. J. Hannon (sic), female, 5 yrs, b. Nevada; A. M. Hannon (sic), female, 2 yrs, b. Nevada; W. H. Manning, 52 yrs, b. Massachusetts, Printer

1880 Census, Eureka, Eureka County, Nevada: J. C. Harmon, 45 yrs, Married, Wood turner, b. Maine, Parents born Maine; Sarah Alice Harmon, wife, 42 yrs, b. New Brunswick, Parents born England; Alice Harmon, daughter, 10 yrs, Single, attends school, b. Nevada, Father b. Maine, Mother b. New

Brunswick; Ida Harmon, daughter, 7 yrs, Single, attends school, b. Nevada, Father b. Maine, Mother b. New Brunswick

1900 Census, Portland Ward 8, Multnomah County, Oregon: J. C. Harmon, b. Jan 1835, 65 yrs, Married 35 yrs, b. Maine, Parents born England, Carpenter, Rents House; Ida Harmon, daughter, b. Dec 1871, 28 yrs, Single, b. Maine, Father b. Maine, Mother b. Nova Scotia

1900 Census, Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon: Sarah A. Harmon, b. May 1858, 42 yrs, Married 33 yrs, **4 children born/2 children then living**, b. Canada, Parents born Canada, to US 1864, Owns home free of mortgage; Alice J. Jones, daughter, b. Apr 1870, 30 yrs, Married 0 yrs, b. Nevada, Father b. Maine, Mother b. Canada

Find A Grave, IOOF Cemetery, Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon: Jos. C. Harmon, 1835-1902; Alice J. Harmon, 1870-1952 (daughter/ss)



(Courtesy of Wendy Reeder, 2010)

Note 1: A gravestone for a Sarah G. Harmon, who died June 20, 1902, is located in Deer Creek Cemetery, Selma, Josephine County, Oregon. The G. has been misread by the poster to be a "C." and is believed to stand for Gallagher, her maiden name. No grave has been located for daughter Ida Harmon.

Note 2: Mother Sarah Alice Harmon states in 1900 that she gave birth to 4 children of whom only 2 were then living (Alice J. and Ida). The second Harmon child to die was Charles J. Harmon who was listed on the 1870 Census Mortality Schedule and was noted as associated with Family No. 399, which was the household of Joseph C. Harmon. Willard C. Chandler Harmon was probably the son of Joseph and Sarah Alice Harmon and **he was probably buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City.** See also Charles J. Harmon, d. March 1870.

Sacramento Daily Union, 11/16/1869: DIED. In Shermantown (Nev), Nov. 6th, **Clayton M.**, son of M. J. **Rourke**, aged 11 months.

IRS Tax Assessment Roll, Oct. 1864: M. J. Rourke, Silver City, Nevada, Income, Tax \$25.00

1870 Census, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada (July 1870): (Household of George T. Finnegan, Engineer) Moses J. Rourke, 33 yrs, Millwright, b. Canada

Sacramento Daily Union, 11/9/1870: BORN. In Pioche, Nev., Oct. 16th, the wife of M. J. Rourke, of a daughter. (Note: No female child named Rourke born approximately this year found on 1880 Census. No widowed wife of Moses J. Rourke found by 1870 Census or later.)

1874 Salt Lake City, Utah Directory: M. J. Rourke, supt. Johnson's sampling works, 15 wd. 4 W es. bet 2 & 3 S.

1878 Silver City, Lyon County, Nevada Directory: M. J. Rourke, miner, Res-W s Main nr Fourth

1880 Census Mortality Schedule, Bodie, Mono County, California: **M. J. Rook**, 3 yrs?, male, Single, b. United States, Father b. United States, Mother b. United States, no occupation given, d. Nov 23, 1879, Cause-Bowel complaint

Territorial Enterprise, 11/26/1879: Died in Bodie. – **Moses J. Rourke**, of Silver City, died in Bodie after an illness of but thirty-six hours, and will be **buried to-day at noon at Silver City.**

Note: **This Rourke child probably buried at Shermantown, Treasure City or Hamilton.** His brother Lawrence later died in April, 1870 at Shermantown. See research notes for Lawrence Rourke for additional family information.

Sacramento Daily Union, 12/21/1869: DIED. In Shermantown (Nev), Dec 15th, **Mrs. Minnie Schirmir**, aged 28 years.

(Possible Family Match)

1860 Census, Yuba City & Township, Sutter County, California: J. M. Shermier, 48 yrs, Farmer, RE \$1,000/PE \$1,000, b. Hanover; Hannah Shermier, 40 yrs, Domestic, b. New York; John Shermier, 23 yrs, Ship carpenter, b. New York; Henry Shermier, 12 yrs, b. New York; J. M. Wallaz, 21 yrs, Farmhand, b. Ohio

1870 Census, Hamilton, White Pine County, Nevada: (Household of Charles H. Seymour, Surveyor) John H. Shirmer, 30 yrs, Deputy Sheriff, b. New York

Note 1: Alternate spelling of name may be Schermier. John H. Schermier was a partner with J. E. Molony in Austin, Lander County, Nevada, in 1866 and 1867, as notaries public and commissioners of deeds.

Note 2: Minnie Shirmer's name does not appear on the 1870 Census Mortality Schedule, which would have provided a family number to definitively link her to John H. Schermier if she was his wife. Because of the date of her death, if the roads were impassable in and out of the White Pine district area, she was probably buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City. If the roads were passable and John H. Schermier/Shermer was able, he may have taken her home to California for burial. No gravestone photo for a Minnie Schirmir/Schermier was found via Find A Grave. **Mrs. Schirmir is considered a possible burial at one of the local cemeteries.**

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/24/1870: Brief Items. A man named **Jonathan Young** was shot and almost instantly killed, January 21st, in the Occidental Saloon, Shermantown, Nevada, by **Trav. M. Johnson**. The shot was intended for a man named Fraser, but hit Young in the back of the head. Johnson has been arrested and committed to trial. The parties were all sporting men.

Sacramento Daily Union, 2/8/1870: Brief Items. ... The Grand Jury at Hamilton (Nev.) have presented true bills against Samuel P. Howard and **Travis M. Johnson** for murder.

Sacramento Daily Union, 2/17/1870: Brief Items. The trial of **Travis M. Johnson**, at Hamilton (Nev), for the killing of **Jonathan Young**, at Shermantown, about a month since, was resumed, Feb 15th, In the District Court. The jury retired, and after deliberating two hours, failed to agree.

Daily Alta California, 4/7/1870: White Pine. Hamilton, April 6th. – **Travis M. Johnson**, who was on trial for killing **Jonathan Young**, in Shermantown, some time since, was **acquitted**.

Note: A Harvey A. Young (33 yrs, b. New York) was enumerated at Shermantown on the 1870 Census. A few persons named Young were enumerated at Hamilton and, fewer, were enumerated at Treasure City that year. Without information as to Mr. Young's age and birthplace, it is impossible to identify him. No additional death notice ran in the California newspapers after the initial report of the shooting. As the original article notes that the participants in the affray "were all sporting men," it may be there was no associated family at Shermantown with him. **Jonathan Young is considered to be a probable burial at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City.**

1870 Census Mortality Schedule, Family No. 399, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada: **Charles J. Harmon**, 10 yrs, b. California, d. Mar (1870), Cause-Pneumonia

Note 1: Son of Joseph C. Harmon. See family information listed under Willard C. Chandler Harmon, d. Sept. 1869. Charles Harmon may have been a son from a former marriage as Harmon married Sarah Alice Gallagher in 1867.

Note 2: This is the second Harmon death that occurred at Shermantown. Like his brother, Willard, **Charles was also probably buried at Shermantown or Hamilton.**

1870 Census Mortality Schedule, Family No. 353, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada:

Lawrence Rourke, 5 yrs, b. California, d. Apr (1870), Cause-Scarlet Fever

1870 Census, Family No. 353, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada: Benjamin Rourke, 30 yrs, Grain? Dealer, PE \$3,000, b. Ireland; Jennie Rourke, 23 yrs, Keeping House, b. England

1880 Census, San Jose, Santa Clara County, California: (Household of Powell Crosley, Saloon Keeper) Jennie Rourke, boarder, 32 yrs, Widowed, b. England, Parents born England; Grace A. Rourke, daughter (of Jennie), 9 yrs, Single, at school, b. Nevada, Father b. Canada, Mother b. England; Elliott Rourke, son, 7 yrs, Single, at school, b. Utah, Father b. Canada, Mother b. England

U.S. Passport Applications, 1795-1925: Emergency Passport Application for Thomas Elliott Rourke applying to American Embassy, Santiago, Chile, 8/12/1918; "I solemnly swear that I was born at Salt Lake City, in the State of Utah on Oct. 28, 1872; that **my father Moses J. Rourke** was born in the United States and is now residing at – deceased when child was 5 years old..."; "...that my legal domicile is in Santiago, Chile, my permanent residence being at same, and I last left the United States on April 1914 arriving at Santiago, Chile, on May 1914, where I am now residing for the purpose of Automobile Business, on behalf of T. Elliott Rourke & Co., Santiago, Chile, Chilian dealing principally with U. S. firms; that I have resided outside the United States at the following places for the following periods: Chile, from 1880 to date; Been to the United States three times - 1888, 1901 and 1914. (Note: A regular Passport Application was also file and approved in Oct. 1918, when T. Elliott Rourke returned to Chile. On that application Grace A. Owings, of New York, made an affidavit that corroborated his date and place of birth by "being his sister."/ss)



T. Elliott Rourke, son of Moses J. Rourke (circa 1918)

Note: **Lawrence Rourke** was the second son of Moses J. Rourke to die at Shermantown. It is not known why Family 353 included Benjamin Rourke (b. Ireland) unless Benjamin was a brother of Moses (b. Canada). If so, he may have lived in the household but was not the husband of Jennie Rourke, but her brother-in-law. By the time of the birth of Grace A. Rourke (later the wife of Robert Owings) in November 1870, the Rourke's lived at Pioche, Lincoln County, Nevada. By the time of T. Elliott's birth in 1872 (this differs from his age on the 1880 Census) the family was in Salt Lake City, Utah, as evidenced by the 1874 city directory listing M. J. Rourke. Because the family was prone to moving and apparently was in Silver City at the time of Moses J. Rourke's death at Bodie in 1879 (there is no gravestone for Moses J. Rourke at the Silver City Cemetery, Lyon County, Nevada), **Lawrence was probably buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City.**

Sacramento Daily Union, 5/18/1870: From Hamilton, Nevada – Sudden Death. Hamilton, May 17th. **G. A. Breir**, editor of the Shermantown Reporter, dropped dead this afternoon in the office of Wells, Fargo & Co., at Shermantown. He had been suffering with congestion of the lungs. (Also spelled Brier/ss)

Note: A Gustavus Brier (30 yrs, b. Indiana, laborer) was enumerated in Washington, Alameda County, California on the 1860 Census. No other Breir/Brier with initials of G. A. located by census search. The account of his death does not mention a surviving widow. If there was no widow to direct his remains elsewhere, **Mr. Breir was probably buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City.**

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/6/1870: BORN. In Shermantown (Nev.), May 28th, the wife of Hansen **Nelson**, of a daughter.

1870 Census, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada (7/22/1870): Hanse Nelson, 28 yrs, Laborer, RE \$1,000/PE \$500, b. Denmark; Boletta Nelson, female, 30 yrs, Keeping House, b. Denmark; Caroline Nelson, 5 yrs, b. Utah Territory; Hanse Nelson, 3 yrs, b. Utah Territory; Helena M. Nelson, 1 yr, b. Nevada

1870 Census, White River, Nye County, Nevada (8/12 & 15/1870): Hans Nelson, 27 yrs, Farmer, RE \$200/ PE \$300, b. Denmark; Britton Nelson, 30 yrs, Keeping House, b. Utah (sic), Caroline Nelson, 4 yrs, b. Utah; Hans Nelson, 2 yrs, b. Utah; Infant Nelson, 1 mo, b. May (1870), b. Utah (sic)

Note: Reviewed for potential of infant mortality. **No death at Shermantown here.**

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/6/1870: BORN. In Shermantown (Nev.), May 30th, wife of Clay **McCoy**, of a daughter.

Note: No Clay McCoy in White Pine County on the 1870 Census or elsewhere in Nevada. No child named McCoy, born 1870 in Nevada found by census enumeration anywhere in the U.S. in 1870 or after. Shermantown enumerated in July 1870. **Reviewed for potential infant mortality, but inconclusive results at this time.** Additional research and review of local area newspapers may reveal more.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/12/1870: From Hamilton, Nevada. Hamilton, July 11th. A man named **John McKughlin** died at Shermantown yesterday from the effects of excessive heat.

Daily Alta California, 7/12/1870: White Pine. Hamilton, July 11th. – A man named **John McLaughlin** was suddenly stricken to the sidewalk at Shermantown yesterday, and died shortly afterward from the fatal visitation.

Note: No information by census search found about a John McLaughlin/McKughlin on the 1870 Census in Nevada. No McLaughlin enumerated in White Pine County in 1870. **Mr. McLaughlin/McKughlin probably buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City.**

Ancestry.com, Public Members Stories: re: Emma Jane Swasey, d. Oct 1, 1870; wife of Charles Goodyear Hubbard

“169. Charles Goodyear Hubbard (Lorenzo Dow Hubbard⁷, Moses Hubbard⁶, Daniel Hubbard⁵, Daniel Hubbard⁴, Daniel Hubbard³, Daniel Hubbard², George Hubbard¹) was born 1835 in New York, and died 20 FEB 1892 in Agnews State Hospital, Santa Clara, Santa Clara, California. He was buried in Centerville Cemetery, Centerville, Butte, California. He married Elizabeth Hanna Kavanaugh 23 JAN 1872 in St James Parish, Eureka, Eureka, Nevada, daughter of William Preston Kavanaugh and Elizabeth Alsbury Hilyard. She was born 31 AUG 1852 in Galena, Jo Daviess, Illinois, and died 27 JAN 1940 in Oakland, Alameda, California. He married Emma Jane Swasey 26 OCT 1862 in Eureka, Eureka, Nevada, daughter of Gustavas Adolphus Swasey and Clarissa Jane Clifford. She was born ABT 1842 in Quebec?, Canada, and **died 01 OCT 1870 in Shermantown**, White Pine, Nevada.

Children of Charles Goodyear Hubbard and Emma Jane Swasey are:

- 302 i. Frances (Fannie) G. Hubbard was born 19 DEC 1865 in Shermantown, White Pine, Nevada, and died 08 AUG 1867 in Belmont, Nye, Nevada.
- + 303 Gertrude May (Mary) Hubbard was born 1867 in Shermantown, White Pine, Nevada,
 - ii. and died 31 MAR 1947 in El Paso, El Paso, Texas.
- + 304 Charles Goodyear Hubbard was born 19 MAR 1869 in Silver Springs, Lyon, Nevada,
 - iii. and died 1969 in Alaska.
- + 305 Aimee Clifford Hubbard was born 28 SEP 1870 in Nevada.
 - iv.

Note: The above information does not reveal a place of burial for Emma Jane Swasey Hubbard. Daughter Frances G. Hubbard died at Belmont, Nevada and a gravestone photo for her at the Belmont Cemetery has been posted to Find A Grave. In reviewing the movement of Mr. Hubbard after the death of his first wife, it would seem more likely that **Mrs. Emma Hubbard would have been buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City**. From family documentation (well sourced), Mr. Hubbard practiced law in Shermantown, became a District Judge in Lincoln County, and by 1872 was residing in Eureka County. In 1889, he wrote the Commissioner of Pensions, in Washington, D. C., regarding his Civil War pension, writing from San Diego, California. Judge Hubbard was adjudged insane in 1890, being sent from San Diego to the Stockton State Hospital.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/27/1871: DIED. In Shermantown, Nev., July 18th, **John M. Crenshaw**, aged 53 years.

Daily Alta California, 7/29/1871: Poisoning at White Pine. Hamilton, July 28th. – A woman named Malvina Crenshaw, and a man named Wm. Halford, were arrested at Shermantown yesterday, on suspicion of being concerned in the poisoning of **John M. Crenshaw**. They were brought to this city, and lodged in the County Jail, pending an examination.

1870 Census, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada: (Household of Uriah E. Allen, Saloon Keeper) John Crenshaw, 52 yrs, Miner, b. Ireland

1870 Census, Shermantown, White Pine County, Nevada: (Household of Peter S. Gopfort, Saloon Keeper) William Halford, 42 yrs, Miner, b. England

Nevada Marriages, 1860-1987: Malvina Crenshaw and William Halford, 5/13/1872, Pioche, Lincoln County, Nevada (Vol. 1, pg. 1)

Note: **John M. Crenshaw probably buried at Shermantown, Hamilton or Treasure City.**

Note: No other deaths identified at Shermantown through the present research. Local area newspapers may reveal additional deaths at this location.

SHERMANTOWN, WHITE PINE COUNTY, NEVADA
DEATHS and BURIALS
Chronological Order

NAME OF DECEASED	AGE	DATE OF DEATH	TMB	SOURCE
ADAMS, Marion	Unk	pre-25 Jul 1869		Daily Alta Cal, 7/25/1869
BREIR, G. A. (Brier)	Unk	17 May 1870		Sac Daily Union, 5/18/1870
BROWN, Unknown man	Unk	Jan-Feb 1869		Daily Alta Cal, 2/8/1869
COKER, H. I. (H. C. Crocker)	Unk	pre-15 Apr 1869		SDU, 4/20/1869; see Hamilton list
CONLEY, Edward E.	12y	00 Jan 1870		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
CRENSHAW, Infant daughter of J. M.	Infant	1 Apr 1869		Sac Daily Union, 4/13/1869
CRENSHAW, John M.	53y	18 Jul 1871		Sac Daily Union, 7/27/1871
HARMON, Charles J.	10y	00 Mar 1870		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
HARMON, Willard C. Chandler	16m 14d	24 Sep 1869		Sac Daily Union, 9/28/1869
HARRINGTON, Thomas K. (or R.)	43y	00 Mar 1870		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
HARTMAN, Edward F.	6y	00 Oct 1869		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
HINES, Ida F.	3y	00 Feb 1870		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
HUBBARD, Emma Jane (nee Swasey)	Unk	1 Oct 1870		Ancestry.com; Family documentation
JONES, Hiram	Unk	pre-24 Jan 1869		Daily Alta Cal, 1/24/1869
McCOY, Daughter of Clay	Infant	pre-July 1870		Sac Daily Union, 6/6/1870; Census
McLAUGHLIN, John (McKughlin)	Unk	10 Jul 1870		Sac Daily Union, 7/12/1870
NELSON, Infant Daughter of Hanson	Infant	pre-22 Jul 1870		SDU, 6/6/1870; 1870 Census
PALMER, Susan E.(?)	8y	00 May 1870		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
PEINE, Julius	43 y	13 Jul 1869		Sac Daily Union, 7/15/1869
ROURKE, Clayton M.	11m	6 Nov 1869		Sac Daily Union, 11/16/1869
ROURKE, Lawrence(?)	5y	00 Apr 1870		1870 Census Mortality Schedule
SCHIRMIR, Minnie (Mrs.)	28y	15 Dec 1869		Sac Daily Union, 12/21/1869
UNKNOWN, Man	Unk	00 Feb 1869		Sac Daily Union, 3/1/1869
UNKNOWN, Man	Unk	00 Feb 1869		Sac Daily Union, 3/1/1869
WALTER, Philip	Unk	00 Aug 1869		Sac Daily Union, 8/25/1869
YOUNG, Jonathan	Unk	21 Jan 1870		Sac Daily Union, 1/24/1870

Total Deaths Documented = 26
Less 3 needing **more research** = 23
Less 1 **no death found** = 22

Total potential burials: 22

Note: If no Shermantown Cemetery is located, it must be determined which local area cemetery was used for the burial of the above deceased persons.

(Research to 1/25/2013)
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