

ROBERT⁵ LOUNSBURY AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS IN WESTERN NEW YORK

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I. INTRODUCTION

This paper has been prepared primarily to make available to historians and genealogists of the LOUNSBURY family the data collected by the writer during the past year while studying some of the records in the county seats and libraries of Western New York. Specifically, the deeds and surrogates' records of Cattaraugus, Erie, Cenesee and Wyoming Counties, together with census microfilm available at the Rundel Memorial Library in Rochester, NY, and the original census records available at county clerks' offices provide a factual base on which a more complete history of Robert⁵ Lounsbury and his descendants can be erected. Copies of this memorandum are being sent to a number of persons known to be students of the LOUNSBURY family, including Jack Lounsbury, Marie Lounsbury, Raymond H. Lounsbury, Donald A. Lounsbury (a descendant of Robert⁵), Andrew MacEwen, Bea Clark and Betty Hunt. Reproduction for further distribution or use in genealogical compilations is authorized.

II. ROBERT⁵ LOUNSBURY

The ancestry of Robert⁵ LOUNSBURY has been well established for some years. He is descended from Richard¹ LOUNSBURY and his wife Elizabeth PENNOYER through their second son John² LOUNSBURY and his wife Anne GUION of Rye, Westchester County, NY. The baptism at Rye on 11 Oct 1703 of Isaac³ LOUNSBURY, eldest son of John² and Anne, is recorded. Isaac³ and his wife Sarah CLOSE had an eldest son Isaac⁴, who was born probably in Rye about 1728. Isaac⁴ was a Quaker who settled in what is now the town of Carmel, Putnam County, NY, but which was at the time in the South Precinct of Dutchess County. On 27 Aug 1766, Robert⁵ was born to Isaac⁴ and his wife Deborah SMITH. This date was recorded on the flyleaf of a book of the writings of George Fox, as is reported in an article by W. S. Pelletreau in the New York Cenealogical and Biographical Record, Volume 17, page 280.

About 1789, Robert⁵ married Elizabeth PINCKNEY. She was a daughter of Gilbert and Sybil (Townsend) PINCKNEY of Somers, Westchester County, NY. Andrew MacEwen cites "Andrew Warde and His Descendants" by George K. Ward, New York (1910), page 91, as the source for her birth date, 11 Sept 1767. At some time during the 1790's, Robert and Elizabeth migrated to the Province of Upper Canada, now Ontario, and settled west of Niagara Falls in the section between Lakes Erie and Ontario. The writer has not searched the records in Ontario that may bear on Robert's residence there. He moved his family, or part of it, back to New York State between mid 1811 and mid 1815. This move may have some connection with the War of 1812.

On 31 Aug 1815, Robert⁵ purchased from the Holland Land Company an undeveloped tract of 240 acres, more or less, at the eastern edge of the town of Alexander, Genesee County, along the Little Tonawanda Creek. (Genesee County Deeds, Liber S, page 66). While he was still a Canadian resident on 20 July, 1811, Robert had prepared and signed a will that was eventually recorded in Genesee County Wills Book 1, page 228. This document shows that Robert was well-to-do. First he names his wife Elizabeth and nine children, apparently in the order of their birth: Nancy, Townsend, Deborah, Isaac, John, Zebee (later Sebe or Sybil), Caroline, Rodolphus, and Julia. Perhaps there were other children who had died before July 1811 and whose names were omitted as a consequence. All these children, with the possible exception of Nancy, were under age in 1811. (A chart sent to Andrew MacEwen by Valerie (Lounsbury) Grady in July 1980 shows four children only of Robert: Robert, Mary, Sarah, and Townsend. There is a discrepancy between Robert's will and her chart that needs evaluation.) The provisions of this will were notable. Townsend was to inherit the home farm in the township of Gainsborough, County of Lincoln, and was to pay his brothers 100 pounds. Isaac was to receive two large farms of several hundred acres in nearby townships. John was named for a 600-acre farm, and Rodolphus two farms of 200 and 100 acres, respectively. Each daughter was to get 100 pounds. The will was witnessed by J. Kennedy and Townsend Lounsbury, and the executors were to be Elizabeth and Townsend Lounsbury.

Whatever happened to Robert⁵ that made him leave all this to settle on 240 acres of uncleared land, it seems likely that Townsend⁶ stayed in Canada and became the ancestor of some of the Lounsburys in that area today. There are no records of Townsend's presence in western New York. Nothing more is heard either of Nancy or Deborah.

The next record of Robert⁵ is a deed from him and Elizabeth to Isaac⁶ on 27 July 1819 conveying 38 and three-quarters acres and 32 rods (38.95 A) in Alexander. (Genesee County Deeds Liber 14, page 409). This conveyance must have been considered Isaac's patrimony. Nothing further is mentioned about Isaac⁶ in any documents relating to the property of Robert⁵, Elizabeth, or their other children, even in cases of intestacy where all heirs-at-law are presumably named. Nor, for that matter, is there any record of the sale of the lot that Isaac⁶ bought. Perhaps he lost it for back taxes or by foreclosure. Indeed, since he never appears again as a property owner, he may have gone bankrupt and been ineligible to hold assets. More research into court records and mortgages seems indicated.

Also on 27 July 1819 Robert⁵ bought 50 acres across the town boundary line in Bethany that abutted his farm. The seller was Samuel Brown, (Genesee County Deeds Liber 19, page 292.) As a result of these transactions, Robert

now held 251.05 acres, more or less.

Although the bulk of the property was in Alexander, Robert and his family always appear in the census records as inhabitants of Bethany. In the 1820 US Census, Robert⁵'s household contained one male over 44 (Robert), one male 18-25 (none 16-17) (John⁶), one male 10-15 (Rodolphus⁶), one male under 10 (Winder Hamilton⁶, who was born after the 1811 will was drawn), one female over 44 (Elizabeth), and three females 10-15 (Sebe, Caroline and Julia). Isaac⁶ does not appear in modern indexes of the 1820 census. He is listed, however, in Attica, Genesee County in the age group 16-25, but not in the 16-17 age group. See the next section.

On 27 Oct 1820, letters of administration were issued to Robert⁵ for the estate of Daniel LOUNSBURY of Bethany. Daniel's widow, Polly (Mary) had requested the surrogate to appoint Robert, as a friend, rather than herself as administrator. The 1820 census shows that Polly was in the 16-25 age group, with a son and three daughters under 10. She was not listed near Robert in the census. The identity of Daniel is unknown, but he may perhaps have been Robert's nephew, son of his brother John⁵, who was married by the Reverend Silas Constant in 1815 to Polly HYATT. (Genesee County Letters of Administration Book 2, page 298, and file box 8.)

Robert⁵ died during the summer of 1821. The exact date has not been found. His widow, Elizabeth, petitioned the surrogate to have the 1811 will produced, and on 21 Sept 1821 citations were issued for that purpose to Townsend Lounsbury and J. Kennedy. The will was obviously produced. On 24 Oct 1821 Townsend filed a renunciation of executorship and any interest in Robert's estate. Elizabeth was then appointed sole executor. (Genesee County Surrogate's file box 9). There is nothing in the files that explains how Elizabeth was able to apply the will, which obviously bore little or no relationship to Robert's holdings when he died. Perhaps there was also a Canadian probate. All the children younger than Isaac⁶ were minors when Robert died. Elizabeth left the property in the name of the estate, and let the matter ride. In 1825, John⁶ wanted to run the farm for himself. He began a proceeding in the Court of Common Pleas against his younger siblings to obtain a partition of the property. Guardians were appointed for each of the children, and on "the second Tuesday of October" 1825 the court appointed three commissioners to lay out equivalent shares considering both quantity and quality of the land. The commission defined thirteen parcels. Two were assigned to each heir, not necessarily contiguous. The thirteenth parcel is marked just "Lounsbury" on the map, and may have been left as a common holding. Elizabeth retained her dower rights in all the parcels. John was assigned 51.67 acres and two-thirds of the barn, Sebe the 50 acres in Bethany, Caroline 21.27 acres, Rodolphus 34.99 acres, Julia 37.99 acres, and Winder 39.99 acres. The odd parcel was 7.71 acres, making a total of 243.62 acres, somewhat shy of the nominal 251.05 acres supposedly owned by Robert. The court entered judgment approving the partition on 31 March 1826, and ordered the defendants to pay John costs of \$52.50. (The proceedings were recorded on 8 Nov 1882 in Genesee County Deeds Liber 159, page 171, but they surely appear in the records of the Court of Common Pleas as of the dates of the various actions taken.) Between 1827 and 1834, Sebe, Caroline, Julia and Winder sold their allocations either to John alone or to John and Rodolphus jointly. John and Rodolphus farmed in partnership for the rest of their lives. (Genesee County Deeds Liber 69, page 136, and Liber 85, pages 109, 111, and 112.)

Robert⁵ is buried in the West Bethany Cemetery, where his stone is inscribed 1765-1821. At the time of the 1840 Census, Elizabeth was living with John⁶. She died at the age of 76 on 4 Jan 1844 according to her tombstone in the same cemetery. "Tombstone Inscriptions from the Abandoned Cemeteries and Farm Burials of Genesee County", under West Bethany Cemetery.)

111. ISAAC⁶ LOUNSBURY AND DESCENDANTS

Aside from the deed from his parents in 1819, Isaac⁶ LOUNSBURY is known only from census data. The sale of his land in Alexander is not on record, nor are any deeds or probate proceedings in any county of Western New York. His occupation in the census is always given as farmer, so he was probably a tenant farmer rather than a landowner. The census data from 1820 through 1865 are shown on Table 1. The first thing one notes is that Isaac moved first south from Alexander to the town of China and then to Java which were in Genesee County until the southern part was set off as Wyoming County in 1841. Isaac then moved a few miles west into Sardinia, Erie County, where he appears to have died. Both the birth dates and birthplaces of Isaac and his wife Susan are ambiguous, to say the least. The progression of Susan's age is almost rational, although it makes her birth year regress from 1797 to 1794. One would think, however, that whoever turned in the census information would have known whether Susan was older or younger than Isaac. There are two votes for Susan being two years older and one for four years younger! Some tombstone data might help, but so far no data have been found. Neither Isaac nor Susan is buried in the Java or Sardinia cemeteries for which Gertrude Barber collected tombstone inscriptions. As to the place of birth, it clearly depends on when Robert⁵ went to Canada in Isaac's case. There is no basis on which to choose between Dutchess County and Canada. Likewise for Susan there is no basis for choosing between Massachusetts and Vermont. The 1865 census shows that Susan had ten children, only six of whom are named in the censuses, and the seventh appears in the 1840 count. The other three children were evidently born and died between successive censuses. Isaac must have died between the 1860 census and July 1864, as his death does not appear in the mortality schedule of the 1865 census. Susan must have died between 1865 and 1869.

The name of the eldest son, Benjamin Wright⁷ LOUNSBURY, suggests the possibility that Susan's father was named Benjamin WRIGHT. The parenthetical ages for Benjamin reflect the difficulty in distinguishing between 3's, 5's, and 8's in the 1850 and 1855 censuses. The age of 35 in 1850 is patently wrong. Isaac and Susan would have been too young to have had a son in 1811 or 1812. The age of 35 in 1855 is the same as his brother John's, so it must also be

incorrect. The sequence 33-38-42-48 looks reasonable. On the other hand, a letter from Donald A Lounsbury to Andrew MacEwen in 1983 states that the death certificate of Benjamin Wright⁷ LOUNSBURY records his death at Swede Grove, MN, on 27 March 1897 at the age of 82 years, 9 months and 20 days. This calculates to a birth date of 7 June 1814. Here again there is a question of accuracy, for the ages of very old people tend to become exaggerated on tombstones and death certificates. The writer suspects that the actual year of birth was 1817 or 1818. Table 2 shows the census data collected in New York for Benjamin Wright⁷ and his children. Benjamin Wright⁷'s first wife Sally appears to have died not too long after the 1850 Census. He may have married Emeretta PHILLIPS as early as 1851. Her maiden name was given in Donald Lounsbury's letter cited above.

TABLE I
CENSUS DATA
ISAAC⁶ LOUNSBURY FAMILY

1830 US Census at China, Genesee County, NY (later Wyoming County)

1 male	30-40	(Isaac ⁶)
1 male	10-15	(Benjamin Wright ⁷)
2 males	5-10	(John Townsend ⁷ and George H. ⁷)
1 female	30-40	(Susan)
1 female	5-10	
1 female	0-5	(One of these is Sally ⁷)

1840 US Census at Java, Genesee County, NY (later Wyoming County)

1 male	40-50	(Isaac ⁶)
2 males	20-30	(Benjamin Wright ⁷ and John Townsend ⁷)
1 male	10-15	(George H. ⁷)
1 male	5-10	(Leonard ⁷)
1 male	0-5	(Lyman ⁷)
1 female	40-50	(Susan)
1 female	15-20	
1 female	10-15	(one of these is Sally ⁷)

	1850 US Java <u>Wyoming Co.</u>	1855 NY Sardinia <u>Erie Co.</u>	1860 US Sardinia <u>Erie Co.</u>	1865 NY Sardinia <u>Erie Co.</u>
Isaac	57 b. Canada	56 b. Dutchess Co.	63 b. NY	
Susan	53 b. MA	58 b. VT	65 b. VT	71 b. MA
Benjamin Wright ⁷	38(33) b. NY	35(38) b. Genesee Co.	42 b. NY	48 b. Genesee Co.
John Townsend ⁷	29 b. NY	35 b. blank	39 b. NY	45 b. Wyoming Co.
George H. ⁷	25 b. NY	28 b. Erie Co.	35 b. NY	38 b. Wyoming Co.
Sally ⁷		30 b. blank		
Leonard ⁷	17 b. NY	21 b. blank		
Lyman ⁷	16 b. NY			

Notes: In 1855, Isaac, Benjamin Wright and George had separate houses.

In 1860 Isaac and Benjamin Wright same house, separate households.

In 1865 Susan and George H. same house, separate households.

1820 Census at Attica, Genesee County under Isaac LOUNSBURY

2 males 16-25 (none 16-17), 1 male under 10, 2 females 16-25

The first land record found for this branch of the family covers the purchase on 22 Nov. 1858 by George H.⁷ LOUNSBURY from John and Mary Sibley of Buffalo of 40 acres in the northwest part of the town of Sardinia, Erie County, NY. (Erie County Deeds Liber 384, page 549.) On 1 Jan 1861, George⁷ bought another 60 acres from the same parties. (Erie County Deeds Liber 267, page 312.) Thirteen months later, on 31 Jan 1862, George and his wife Alzira sold the 40-acre parcel to Emeretta LOUNSBURY. (Erie County Deeds Liber 392, page 540.) On 24 Aug 1865, B. W. and Emeretta LOUNSBURY sold their 40 acres to Wila[r]d Brink of Colden. (Erie County Deeds Liber 328, page 534.) This suggests that the move of Benjamin Wright's family from Sardinia to Swede Grove, MN, took place in late August 1865. The oldest son, Adison, stayed in New York. He bought a 55-acre farm in Concord, the next town to the west of Sardinia, on 20 Feb 1868 for \$2000. (Erie County Deeds Liber 303, page 167.) Whether the two eldest daughters of Benjamin Wright⁷ went to Minnesota is not known, but they are not shown as Lounsburys in the 1870 census index at Swede Grove. This index includes B.W., Emeretta, Mary Jane, Morris, Susan, Dwight, Wright, Ettis May and Lucy LOUNSBURY at Swede Grove, Meeker County, MN.

Addison⁸ LOUNSBURY married Ella I. COLE of Concord. They are listed there in the 1875 and 1892 State censuses. In the latter year they had a 17-year-old daughter Lora. Ella I. LOUNSBURY, Susan L. Upham and John V. Cole were parties to three deeds on 16 Nov 1878 in which two of them quitclaimed to the third a part of a farm in Concord. This looks like the partitioning of land among heirs, and it is from this that Ella's maiden name COLE is deduced. Donald Lounsbury wrote that Addison was called a resident of Erie County, NY, in the probate records of Benjamin Wright's estate.

The census data for the second son of Isaac⁶ and Susan, John Townsend⁷, are remarkably consistent. They place his birth in 1820 or 1821. The birthplaces in the 1875 and 1880 censuses seem strange. Table 3 has the census data. The 1850 data were taken from the microfilm, the data for 1855 through 1875 from a letter from the Cattaraugus County Historian to Bea Clark in 1983 that was reproduced in "Lounsbury TREE", No. 5, Spring 1984, and the 1880 data from a hand-written transcript by Marie Lounsbury of the 1880 Soundex. No deeds or surrogate's records were found in Cattaraugus County at least into the 1860's. The later records were not searched. From the census data it appears that John Townsend⁷ lived in Wyoming County in the mid 1840's, moved briefly into Erie County, was back in Java, Wyoming County, in 1850, and then moved to Cattaraugus County late in 1854. Table 4 lists data for the families of several of John Townsend⁷'s sons taken from the 1870 and 1875 censuses covered in the letter cited above and from the 1880 and 1900 Soundex materia1. It is apparent that many of John Townsend⁷'s descendants stayed in or returned to a part of Cattaraugus County within a ten-mile radius.

TABLE 2
CENSUS DATA
BENJAMIN WRIGHT⁷ LOUNSBURY FAMILY

	1850 US Holland Erie Co.	1855 NY Sardinia Erie Co.	1860 US Sardinia Erie Co.	1865 NY Sardinia Erie Co.
Benjamin Wright ⁷	Benjamin* 38 (33) b. NY	B.W. 35 (38) b. Genesee Co.	Wright 42 b. NY mar. twice	B.W. 48 b. Genesee Co.
Sally, wife	25 b. NY			
Emeretta, wife		24 b. AlleganyCo.	31	34 b. blank mar. once #11 children
Addison ⁸ , son	4 b. NY	10 b. WyomingCo.	15	19 b. Wyoming Co.
Permelia ⁸ , dau.	3 b. NY	8 b. Wyoming Co.	13	18 b. Wyoming Co.
Caroline ⁸ , dau.	2 b. NY	7 b. Wyoming Co.	12	16 b. Erie Co.

(Table 2 continued)

Mary Jane ⁸ , dau.	M.J. 3 b. Erie Co.	Mary J. 9	Mary Jane 14 b. Erie Co.
F. Morris ⁸ , son	F.M. 2 b. Erie Co.	Morris 7	Morris 12 b. Erie Co.
J. Malvina ⁸ , dau	J.M. 1 b. Erie Co.	Malvina 6	Malvina 10 b. Erie Co.
Susan ⁸ , dau.		4	8 b. Erie Co.
Benjamin Dewitt ⁸ , son or Dwight		Benjamin D. 4/12	Dewitt 4
B.W. ⁸ , son			2 6/12 b. Erie Co.
Other information: Farmer	One year in town		No service Civil War

* Listed as Benjamin Lansburgh;

The 11 children must include the three by Sarah, the six listed by Emeretta and two presumably born and died between 1855 and 1860

Isaac⁶'s third son, George H.⁷, lived in Sardinia, Erie County, on the 60 acres bought in 1861. (See above.) He appears to have died between 1865 and 1870, but the farm continued to be operated by his widow Alzira. The 1865 census has Abigail LITTLE, 71, born New Hampshire, had two children, married once, as a member of George and Alzira's household. She is called mother. (The next line has Susan LOUNSBURY, mother, as a separate household in the same house.) This suggests that Alzira's maiden name was LITTLE. On 27 Jan 1885, Alzira, Charles, Gilbert, Wesley, Flora and Eliza quitclaimed the 60 acres to Henry for \$75 each. (Erie County Deeds Liber 459, page 586.) Alzira remained in Henry's household, for she is listed there in the 1892 census, aged 64, a nurse. On 30 July 1895, Henry quitclaimed the property for \$1 to his sister Eliza and her husband Fred LUMLEY. (Erie County Deeds Liber 786, pgs 245.) Gilbert F.⁸ died intestate in 1900. A petition for administration was filed by Eliza LUMLEY on 24 May 1900. It names as next of kin Alzira LOUNSBURY, mother; Flora B. POTTER of Armor, sister; Charles H. LOUNSBURY of Little Valley, Cattaraugus County, brother; Eliza LUMLEY of East Concord, sister; and Henry L. LOUNSBURY of Fowler, Clinton County, Michigan, brother. (Erie County Surrogate's File 37716) This is the only LOUNSBURY record from 1808 to 1929 in Erie County.

The fourth known son of Isaac⁶ and Susan, Leonard H.⁷, was living with his parents in 1650. The writer did not look for him in Erie County, but he was not in Sardinia from 1855 through 1870. The Cattaraugus County Historian did not list him in that county in those years. He reappears in Cattaraugus County in the 1875 census. The data in Table 6 give all the information found. Nothing has been found after the 1850 census on the youngest son of Isaac⁶ and Susan, Lyman⁷.

IV JOHN⁶ LOUNSBURY AND DESCENDANTS

The census records of Genesee County have not been searched as completely as those of Erie County. The 1885 and 1865 censuses are not available in Batavia. Table 7 gives the information found.

In 1870, Edwin⁷ is found in Alexander, Genesee County, 43, a laborer, with wife Nora, 27, and children Thomas, 8, and Belle, 4.

John⁶ and Abigail's second son, Gilbert, died on 14 June 1841 aged 11 years, 8 months and 18 days, which makes his birth date 26 Sept 1829. His tombstone is in the West Bethany cemetery near his grandparents. The name of John⁶'s wife is always spelled Abigail in official documents, not Abigail. John⁶ and his brother Rodolphus⁶ farmed in southern Genesee and northern Wyoming Counties as partners for most of their lives. They held considerable property as joint tenants, as well as individual holdings. In addition to the land acquired from Robert⁵'s estate and their siblings, which was described previously, they bought and sold numerous parcels of land through the years. (Genesee County

Deeds Liber 25, page 60; Liber 50, page 2; Liber 61, page 72; and Wyoming County Deeds Liber 26, page 294, are typical transactions.)

John⁶ died intestate at Bethany on 25 March 1879. The petition for administration was filed by Edwin⁷. The heirs-at-law were widow Abigail, sons John H.⁷ of Ionia, MI, and Edwin⁷ of Bethany, and daughters Cordelia⁷ HOYLES of Warsaw, Wyoming County, and Emily GARDNER of Attica, Wyoming County. (Genesee County Administration Book 4, page 198.) Abigail died in 1886. Her will, dated 16 Jan 1886, says she was 88 years old, which puts her birth in the latter part of 1797. Her will named her daughters Cordelia and Emily heirs to all her personal property, and Cordelia as executor. Edwin⁷ filed notice of contest to the probate petition, but he failed to appear at the probate hearing and the will was admitted to probate. (Genesee County Will Book 19, page 245.) The partition of John⁶'s property in an action brought by Edwin⁷ against Cordelia⁷, Emily⁷, and for some unclear reason his own wife Nora, is recorded in Genesee County Deeds Liber 167, page 229. A deed from John H.⁷ and Adelaide LOUNSBURY of Orleans, Ionia County, Michigan to Emily GARDNER of Attica on 14 Aug 1886 had conveyed all of John H.⁷'s interest in John⁶'s real estate. (Genesee County Deeds Liber 167, page 119.)

Edwin⁷ died at Bethany on 21 Dec 1894, aged 67 and intestate. His widow Nora filed a petition for administration that names herself, son Thomas E.⁸ of Bethany and daughter M. Isabel⁸ PINE of Alexander as heirs. (Genesee County Administration Book 8, page 282.) The 1900 SOUNDINDEX shows at Bethany Thomas³ born May 1862, his wife Minnie E. born June 1870, and his mother Nora born March 1844. Nora died in Alexander in 1919. She left a will dated 21 Oct 1912 in which she named her daughter M. Isabel PINE, her sister Kate NEBB of Hornell, her brother George WALSH of Attica, and her daughter-in-law Minnie E. LOUNSBURY of Alexander. She made her son-in-law John F. WHITESIDE of Rochester executor. Nora's maiden name was presumably WALSH. It is unclear who the wife of John WHITESIDE was. (Genesee County Wills Book 40, page 489.)

V. RODOLPHUS⁶ LOUNSBURY AND DESCENDANTS

The record of Rodolphus⁶'s career is largely parallel to John⁶'s. Table 8 gives some census data, but little has been found out about Rodolphus's children.

It appears that Rodolphus's first wife Almira died in the early 1860's. Rodolphus⁶ married as his second wife Mary GUPTILL, a widow, who died in August 1868. In 1876 Rodolphus got around to filing a petition for administration of her estate. This document says she had children by Mr. GUPTILL, but doesn't say how many or give their names. (Genesee County Administration Book 4, page 23.) Without this document the second marriage would have been overlooked. The 1870 census shows that his third marriage, to Lorinda _____ had taken place, and the 1880 census shows that he had started a second family more than thirty years after the first.

Rodolphus died in 1861 leaving a will dated 18 June 1877, which was probated on 21 Nov 1881. In it he says he was 69 the previous September (i.e., in Sept 1876), so he was born in Sept 1807. The will names his wife Lorinda, minor children Lula and Willie, and sons Earl, James, and Carlton. (The Wills citation was not noted, but the will was entered into Genesee County Deeds Liber 155, page 225, on 25 Nov 1881.) A subsequent deed on 20 Nov 1882 says that Lorinda was insane. Her committee conveyed all of Lorinda's real property to Edwin⁷ LOUNSBURY for \$4300. (Genesee County Deeds Liber 159, page 180. Note that it was at this time that the court records of the partition of Robert⁵'s property were entered into the Deeds record.)

Earl B.⁷ LOUNSBURY graduated from Buffalo Medical College. He began his practice in East Pembroke, Genesee County, but in 1864 he moved to Byron Center, Genesee County, where he stayed ten years. He then went to "the West" where he died eleven years later. ("Our County and Its People", by Safford E. North, 1899) Nothing has been found about James⁷ or Carlton⁷.

VI. WINDER HAMILTON⁶ LOUNSBURY

Winder⁶ was born after Robert⁵ drew his 1811 will. He bought 60.5 acres in Bennington, Genesee County, on 26 July 1834, about six weeks after he sold his part of his father's farm. (Genesee County Deeds Liber 34, page 304.) He made a will and died on 5 April 1836, leaving everything to his wife Mariah. On 10 May 1836, citations were served on Elizabeth, Rodolphus, John, and Townsend LOUNSBURY and on Sybel LOOMIS, wife of Roswell, Caroline LOOMIS, wife of Erastus, and Julia BROWN, wife of Daniel. This suggests that this widow may have died between 5 April and 10 May. It is strange that Isaac⁶ was not cited also. Perhaps he had cut off all communication with his family. (Genesee County Wills Book 3, page 249, and file box 20.)

VII; SYBIL⁶ AND CAROLINE⁶ (LOUNSBURY) LOOMIS

The genealogy "Loomis Family in America" says that Nathaniel LOOMIS brought his family to Alexander, Genesee County in 1806. His son Erastus (#1891) was born 21 March 1799, and married Caroline⁶ LOUNSBURY on 22 Aug 1827. They moved to North Newberg, MI. There were three children. The next son Roswell (#1892) was born 11 June 1801. He married Sybil LOUNSBURY who died in 1831 (sic!). Roswell died 26 Feb 1841 without issue. In fact, Sybil⁶ died on 27 May 1837 and was buried in the West Bethany Cemetery near her father's grave. In the NYGB Record, Volume 90, page 104, it is stated that Sybil LOUNSBURY, born 1804, died 27 May 1837, and daughter of Robert and

Elizabeth LOUNSBURY, was the first wife of Ira DENSLOW. This statement is incorrect. Sybil was the first wife of Roswell LOOMIS, who died in 1841. In his will he mentions his wife Laura. Ira DENSLOW died in 1869 leaving a wife Laura, who was evidently the widow of Roswell LOOMIS.

VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE

Robert⁵ LOUNSBURY had a first cousin Isaac⁵ (John⁴, Isaac³, John², Richard¹) supposedly born in Dutchess County on 21 Dec 1756. On 24 Jan 1790 this Isaac⁵ married Susannah WRIGHT. With John⁴ and others of the family they moved to Schoharie, Schoharie County, NY, in 1793 or 1794. In 1817 or 1818, Isaac⁵ and Susannah migrated to Richmond Township, Tioga County, PA. Susannah died there on 17 Feb 1845 and Isaac⁵ on 4 April 1851. They had at least seven children, probably more: John⁶, Lydia⁶, Wright⁶, Letson⁶, Ira⁶, Isaac⁶ and Franklin⁶. Some of these children are listed as heads of families in various censuses at Richmond Township. In particular, Wright⁶ is shown in the 30-40 age group in the 1830 census. The potential for confusing Wright⁶ and his parents Isaac⁵ and Susannah with Robert⁵'s son Isaac⁶, his wife Susan (WRIGHT⁷) and son Benjamin Wright⁷ (who went by his middle name) is obvious. Although some of the descendants of Isaac⁵ began to migrate back into the Southern Tier counties of New York in the mid nineteenth century, no evidence has been seen, at least to 1880, that any of them lived in Cattaraugus, Erie, Genesee or Wyoming Counties where the descendants of Robert⁵ lived. It would be interesting to learn whether the wives of Isaac⁵ and Isaac⁶ were related.

TABLE 3

CENSUS DATA

JOHN TOWNSEND LOUNSBURY FAMILY

	1850 US Java Wyoming Co.	1855 NY ----- Ellicottville Cattaraugus Co.	1860 US Ellicottville Cattaraugus Co.	1865 NY -----	1870 US Great Valley Cattaraugus Co.	1875 NY Great Valley Cattaraugus Co.
John Townsend ⁷	J. Townsend 29 b. NY	John T. 35 One year in town	John P. 39 b. NY	John T. 45 b. Wyoming Co.	John T. 49 b. NY	John T. 54 b. Niagara Co.
Margaret E.	29 b. Ireland	36	39 b. Ireland	45 b. Ireland 11 Children	50 foreign b.	55 b. Ireland
Mary C. ⁸	8 b. NY	13	18 b. NY			
William H. ⁸	7 b. NY	12	16 b. NY	21 b. Wyoming Co.	Table 4	Table 4
John ⁸	John A. 5 b. NY	John 9	John 14 b. NY	John H. 17 b. Erie Co.	Table 4	Table 4
Margaret ⁸	Margaret C. 3 b. NY	Margaret 8	Margaret L. 12 b. NY	Margaret E. 16 b. Erie Co.		
Bridget E. ⁸	1 b. NY	6	11 b. NY	15 b. Wyoming Co.		
Julia O. ⁸		5	9 b. NY	14 b. Wyoming Co.		
James E. ⁸		3	8 b. NY	12 b. Wyoming Co.	18 b. NY	23 b. Wyoming Co.
Rodolphus ⁸		1	6 b. NY	10 b. Wyoming Co.	16 b. NY	21 b. Wyoming Co.
Thomas ⁸			5 b. NY	9 b. Cattaraugus	14 b. NY	Table 4
Charles ⁸			1 b. NY	7 b. Cattaraugus	10 b. NY	16 b. Cattaraugus

TABLE 4
CENSUS DATA
JOHN TOWNSEND⁷ LOUNSBURY FAMILY

1870 Census at Great Valley, Cattaraugus County, NY

William	25	b. NY		
Winford	17	b. NY	Wife	
John	23	b. NY		Both same house
Mary	20	b. NY	Wife	

1875 Census at Great Valley, Cattaraugus County, NY

John L.	27	b. Wyoming Co.
Polly	25	b. Cattaraugus Co.
Niles	4	b. Cattaraugus Co.
Isaac	2	b. Cattaraugus Co.
Thomas	20	b. Cattaraugus Co.
Lillie	17	b. Iowa

at Salamanca, Cattaraugus County, NY

William	28	b. Broome Co.	III
Winifred	23	b. Erie Co.	
Josephine	10/12	b. Cattaraugus Co.	(daughter)

1880 from SOUNDEx at Franklinville, Cattaraugus County, NY

John	59	b. Virginia	III
Thomas	24	b. NY	
Lillie	22	b. Iowa	
Rosa	4	b. NY	
Charles	21	b. NY	

at Great Valley, Cattaraugus County, NY

John	33	
Polly	30	
Charles	9	(Doubtless error for Niles)
John I.	6	
Della	4	

at Salamanca, Cattaraugus County, NY

William	34	
Winifred	26	
Joseph	5	(son)

1900 Census from SOUNDEx at Ellicottville, Cattaraugus County, NY

William	b. March 1846	III
Winford	b. Sept 1851	
Joseph	b. July 1875	
Earl F.	b. Sept 1886	

TABLE 4. Continued

1900 Census from SOUNDEx at Great Valley, Cattaraugus County, NY

John I.	b. Aug 1846	
Dollie	b. Dec 1870	(Apparently second wife)
Henry H.	b. Jan 1882	
O	b. Oct 1886	(son)
Stella	b. Sept 1895	
Elbert	b. Apr 1898	
John I., Jr.	b. Oct 1873	(Was Isaac in 1880, his middle name)
Josephine M.	b. Jan 1874	
Nicholas FEEDICK,	brother-in-law	
Thomas	b. Aug 1855	
Lillie B.	b. June 1859	
Charles	b. March 1859	
Martha B.	b. Feb 1867	
Glen A.	b. Feb 1887	
Donald H.	b. Feb 1889	

at Mansfield, Cattaraugus County, NY

Niles	b. Feb 1871
Nellie	b. May 1872
Allan L.	b. Sept 1896

TABLE B
CENSUS DATA
GEORGE H. 7 LOUGHBURY FAMILY

George H. 7	1850 US Java Wyoming Co. Georges 25 b. NY	1855 NY Sardinia Erie Co. G.H. 28 b. Erie Co. One year in town A.A. 25 b. Erie Co.	1860 US Sardinia Erie Co. George 35 b. NY	1865 NY Sardinia Erie Co. George 38 b. Wyoming Co. mar. once	1870 US Sardinia Erie Co.	1875 NY Sardinia Erie Co.
Alzira	Alzira 7 18 b. NY		Alzira 28 b. NY	Alzira 34 b. Erie Co. mar. once 7 children	Alzira 40	Pauline 45 Widow
A.D. 8	A.D. 3 b. NY	A.D. 9 b. Erie Co.	Altha 12 b. NY	Elsie 17 b. Erie Co.		
Charlotte 8	6/12 b. NY					
C. H. 8		C.H. 5 b. Wyoming Co. H. 3 b. Erie Co.	Charles 11 b. NY Henry 8 b. NY b. NY 1 b. NY	Charles 15 b. Erie Co. Henry L. 13 b. Erie Co. 9 b. Erie Co.		
Henry L. 8					14	
Eliza A. 8						
Sebastian 8						
Gilbert F. 8					10	
George Wesley 8					8	12
Flore S. 8					6	11

TABLE 5. Continued

In 1880, Alzira was living in Sardinia, 49, with granddaughter Ruth E., 5.

1892 State Census at Sardinia, Erie County, NY

Henry	40	
Sarah	33	
Alice	14	
Wesley	11	
Alzira	64	
Charles H.	40	
Arcara	28	(Looks like second wife)
Ellen R.	17	(Same as Ruth E.?)
Harry	5	
Mabel A.	3	
Clarence	1	

1900 SCUNOEX at Great Valley, Cattaraugus County, NY

Charles H.	b. Feb 1851	
Arcara	b. April 1867	
Harvey	b. June 1887	(Harvey or Harry?)
Mabel	b. April 1889	
Clarence	b. Jan 1892	
Myrtle	b. March 1894	
Lizzie	b. Aug 1895	
Ida	b. Sept 1897	
Durward	b. Aug 1899	

TABLE 6

LEONARD H.⁷ LOUNSBURY FAMILY

	1875 NY Mansfield CattaraugusCo.	1880 US Mechias CattaraugusCo.	1900 US Great Valley Cattaraugus Co.
Leonard ⁷	Leonard H. 42 b. Wyoming Co.	L.W. 47 b. Wy NYing Co.	Leonard H. 66 b. Aug 1833
Sarah C.	42 b. Herkimer Co.	47 b. NY	66 b. Dec 1833
Lyman Eugene ⁸	Lyman E. 17 b. Erie Co.	Eugene 21 b. NY	Eugene * 42 b. June 1858
Lucy E. ⁸ Lucy E. ⁸	14 b. Cattaraugus Co.		
Nettie L. ⁸	12 b. Erie Co.		
George F. ⁸	10 1/2 b. Erie Co.		
William D. ⁸	7 b. Erie Co.	11	
Nellie N. ⁸	3 10/12 b. Cattaraugus Co.	8	

* In 1900, Eugene's family included:

Minnie	b. Feb 1864	Wisconsin
William W.	b. April 1883	
Lilly M.	b. April 1884	
Blanche E.	b. July 1889	
Lyman E.	b. Jan 1894	
Loren A.	b. May 1896	

TABLE 7
CENSUS DATA
JOHN⁶ LOUNSBURY FAMILY

1830 US Census Data not found.

1840 US Census at Bethany, Genesee County, NY

1 male 30-40 (John⁶)
 2 males 10-15 (Edwin⁷ and Gilbert⁷)
 1 male 0-55 (John H.⁷)
 1 female 70-80 (Elizabeth)
 1 female 40-50 (Abigail)
 1 female 10-15 (Tamor I.⁷)
 1 female 5-10 (Cordelia⁷)
 1 female 0- 5 (Emily⁷)

	1850 US Bethany Genesee Co.	1860 US Bethany Genesee Co.	1870 US Bethany Genesee Co.
John ⁶	48 b. Canada	58 b. Canada	68 b. Canada
Abigail	52 b. VT	62 b. VT	72 b. VT
Edwin ⁷	22 b. NY		
Tamor I. ⁷	16 b. NY		
John H. ⁷	14 b. NY	24 b. NY	34 * b. NY
Cordelia ⁷	12 b. NY		
Emily ⁷	10 b. NY	20 b. NY	

* Also John H.'s wife Adelaide, 26, b. France, and daughter Jennie, 3, b. NY

TABLE 8
CENSUS DATA
RODOLPHUS⁶ LOUNSBURY FAMILY

1830 and 1840 US Census Data not found.

	1850 US Bethany Genesee Co.	1860 US Bethany Genesee Co.	1870 US Bethany Genesee Co.	1880 US Bethany Genesee Co.
Rodolphus ⁶	42 b. Canada	52 b. Canada	63 b. Canada	72 b. Canada
Almira	36 b. NNY	46 b. NY		
Lorinda			34 b. NY	41 b. NY
Earl B. ⁷	12 b. NY	22 b. NY	*	
James ⁷	7 b. NY	17 b. NY		
Carlton ⁷	4 b. NY	14 b. NY		
Lula ⁷				8 b. NY
Willie ⁷				5 b. NY

* Earl B.⁷ LOUNSBURY is listed as a physician and surgeon at Byron, Genesee County, in 1870, age 32 with wife Florilla, 36, both born in NY.