



# The Lounsbury Tree

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Jim Jurista - Editor

## Welcome!

Hello to everyone! Many of you are long-time subscribers, some of you are seeing the Tree for the first time. I wish all of you a happy new year. I'm glad – as I'm sure you all are – that Y2K computer issues were mostly vanquished before they became problems. My wife Aimee was sick on New Year's Eve – and I was at Christmastime – so we spent the holidays out of commission. I hope some of you had a good time and saw the new year in with style.

Our daughter Lydia is growing by leaps and bounds, and she's learning new skills every day. She enjoyed the snow we had and she loves watching and playing with our dog Biko and our cats Quinn and Paloma. She had fun during the holidays and she loved seeing many of her extended family members. She's now crawling, standing with help from furniture and people, clapping her hands, and babbling constantly.

Thanks to everyone for the kind letters and for your renewals. It's good to know that so many people read and enjoy the Tree. Thanks also for your holiday wishes and letters.

It's been said that he who lives by the sword dies by the sword. Well, he who lives by the computer may be burned by it, too – my laptop computer that I had been using to compose this issue of the Tree “crashed” and I did not have a backup copy, which means that I lost the whole thing and had to start over from scratch. As a result, this issue is considerably shorter (about half the size) than what you're used to seeing; the Fall issue will be back up to “normal”. I hope none of the Tree's faithful readership is too upset about the lack of quantity this time around.

I hope you enjoy this issue; I've included more items that were sent by readers, and I included a breakdown of the subscriber database so you can get a picture of who reads the Tree. See you in the fall!



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## Subscribing to The “L” Tree

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Subscriptions to the Tree are \$4 for United States residents and \$5 (in U.S. funds) for Canadians. For that price, which covers materials and postage costs, you will receive two issues (one full year) of the Tree. Also, the full text of all issues since #30 (Fall 1998) is available on the Internet free of charge. See below for more information.

If you received this copy of the Tree in the mail, you will notice a date on the address label. This is the expiration date of your current subscription. Thank you to those of you that renewed through 1999; if your expiration date is 31-Dec-1999 please remember to send a check to cover your year 2000 issues.

Canadian Readers: I have difficulty cashing Canada Post money orders here in the U.S.A.; if you can send a check instead please do. If not, write to me and we can work something out, I'm sure.

To subscribe, please send a check made out to me (Jim Jurista) at the following address:

**The Lounsbury Tree**  
**3905 East Rd**  
**Cazenovia, NY 13035-9476**

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## “L” Tree On-Line

Many of the readers of the Tree have access to home computers or to shared computers at libraries or schools. If you're in this group, you'll be happy to know that you can explore more family information on the Internet. Just point your web software to:

<http://www.dreamscape.com/jurista/Lounsbury>

Here you'll find information about reunions, genealogy resources, research assistance, and discussion groups. It's easy to use and fun; give it a try today!

If you'd like to reach the Tree by email, please write to [1tree@dreamscape.com](mailto:1tree@dreamscape.com); you can reach the editor personally at [jurista@dreamscape.com](mailto:jurista@dreamscape.com). We receive frequent family history queries via e-mail, and most researchers willingly share their findings with others, so it's likely you'll get quick help by contacting us this way.

Many queries that get submitted via e-mail or on the Web site end up in the Queries feature in each issue of the Tree. So your e-mail makes it to the “real” world as well. If you have any questions about the technology or about how to use the Net for L family research, please don't hesitate to contact the editor at your convenience via e-mail or traditional postal mail.

# Subscriber Profiles

I thought some of you would be interested to know about the people who subscribe to the Tree. We have subscribers from the U.S. and Canada; the state/province breakdown is as follows:

<b>US Military</b>	1	<b>Alberta</b>	2	<b>Arizona</b>	3	<b>British Columbia</b>	2
<b>California</b>	7	<b>Colorado</b>	4	<b>Connecticut</b>	2	<b>Delaware</b>	2
<b>Florida</b>	6	<b>Georgia</b>	1	<b>Iowa</b>	2	<b>Illinois</b>	3
<b>Indiana</b>	3	<b>Louisiana</b>	1	<b>Massachusetts</b>	4	<b>Manitoba</b>	1
<b>Maryland</b>	3	<b>Michigan</b>	7	<b>Minnesota</b>	2	<b>North Carolina</b>	2
<b>Nebraska</b>	1	<b>New Brunswick</b>	3	<b>New Hampshire</b>	1	<b>New Jersey</b>	5
<b>Nevada</b>	1	<b>New York</b>	51	<b>Ohio</b>	3	<b>Ontario</b>	13
<b>Oregon</b>	5	<b>Pennsylvania</b>	4	<b>South Dakota</b>	1	<b>Tennessee</b>	2
<b>Texas</b>	2	<b>Utah</b>	2	<b>Virginia</b>	3	<b>Washington</b>	4
<b>Wisconsin</b>	3	<b>Wyoming</b>	1				

There are 75 subscribers (more than half the total) with the surname Lounsbury; the variant spellings included among subscribers are: **Lansberry** (2), **Lonsberry** (1), **Lonsbury** (2), **Lounsberry** (12), **Lounsbury** (3), and **Lounsbury** (56).

## From The Mailbag

Much "L" correspondence comes to me via the Internet. If you have Internet access, please respond to these letters via electronic mail. If you do not have such access, and no postal address is provided, please respond to me directly:

**Jim Jurista – The Lounsbury Tree**  
**3905 East Rd**  
**Cazenovia, NY 13035-9476**

I will ensure that your response is forwarded appropriately.

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November 16, 1999 from Susan Thorderson

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Looking for information on lineage of Caroline Jane **LOUNSBURY** (born 1835 in New York) daughter of Daniel Lounsbury and Phoebe(Phebe) **NIFFIN**.

**Susan Thorderson**  
**224 S. 550 W.**  
**Layton, UT 84041**  
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November 22, 1999 from Stephen Carlile

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Looking for a connection between Sarah Elizabeth **LOUNSBURY**, married to David Carey **COOLEY**, and Caroline or Catherine Lounsbury married to Isaac Cooley. Sarah Lounsbury was purported to be born 9 Aug 1838 in Franklin County, Indiana. Caroline/Catharine born about 1835 but may be in New York. Only known child of Sarah and David Cooley was Walte D. Cooley, who married Meda. Walter born 15 Aug 1874, Arcola, Illinois. Col. E. Remick Cooley, is the son of Walter and Meda.

**Email: sdcind@teleport.com**

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November 28, 1999 from Jackie Barnaby

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I am looking for information **ABOUT** the parents and birthplace of Amelia LOUNSBURY born 1800 (census info) who married Elisha William **BARNABY** c 1825 in Nova Scotia and had 5 children, including Jesse Frances BARNABY (from whom our family is descended. Amelia died and is buried in Upper Canard, Kings Co., NS - where did she come from ?

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**E Sandwich MA 02537 USA**  
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December 5, 1999 from Catherine Lounsbury

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Does anyone have any information on Carleton **LOUNSBURY**, born circa 1890 , in Chicago or emigrated to Chicago from England . He later moved to British Columbia, in Canada and had 9 children.

**E-Mail: lounsbury@usa.net**

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December 13, 1999 from Homer Beers

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Phebe J. **LOUNSBURY** is my g-g-grandmother. Sarah M. Lounsbury was her sister. They were born in Steuben Co., IN., 1832 & 1834 respectively. I have no other information about the family and would like to arrive at a complete ancestral history.

**Email: mababeers@prodigy.net**

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December 20, 1999 from Chuck Davis

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My paternal grandmother was named May **LOUNSBERRY**. I know nothing more about her, except that she gave birth to my late father, George **DAVIS**, on August 12, 1905. I'm not even sure of the year, but I am of the day! My dad had an older brother, Raymond. They were born in Saint John, New Brunswick. I'd be very grateful to find out more. Thank you.

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December 23, 1999 from Michael R. Monteith

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My dad is 1)Richard Lounsbury **MONTEITH**. His mother was 2)Bessie **LOUNSBURY**. Her father and

mother were 3)Frank Lounsbury, (born March 1846 in New York) and Mina **HICKS**, (born May 1858 New York). [Siblings of Frank's were John W. Lounsbury, (born 1845 in New York), married to Hannah J., (born in 1847 New York), & Charles B. Lounsbury, (born May 1849 New York), married to Mary H., (born September 1856 in Ohio), & Eliza A. Lounsbury, (born 1851 New York)]. They were married in March 19, 1879. His father and mother were 4)John Lounsbury, (born 1821 New York), and Sarah A., (born March 1824 New York). John came to Michigan in the 1850's. John's parents 5) were born in Connecticut .Looking for any information regarding these Lounsburys.

**Email: mrmonty@triton.com**

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January 3, 2000 from William Murphy

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Looking for anything on Charles **LOUNSBURY**, married Loretta **GILLETTE** in 1916, one child, Lillian, born two months before Charles died in 1921.

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**Forestville, N.Y. 14062**  
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January 7, 2000 from Elaine Decker

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Grandmother Carrie Marie **HAYES** married Wilbur **LOUNSBERRY**. Children-John Clarence, Ernest, Frederick, Carrie Marie. Children were put in an orphanage in Binghamton, NY in 1917. Carrie Marie was adopted and her name was changed to Grace Carrie **OLIVER**. She was my mother and was born in 1912. Ernest was adopted by the **BAILEY**'s. Wilbur Lounsbury, my grandfather, disappeared after the children were put in the orphanage. Last lived in Binghamton, NY. Am searching my family tree. Please e-mail me with any info.

**Thanks,**  
**Elaine Decker**  
**Email: elainedecker@cs.com**

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January 29, 2000 from Peggy Tooley Taylor

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Elizabeth **LOUNSBURY** m. Jesse **PHILLIPS** 19 July 1808 New Brunswick, Canada. Their son, John M., m. Rebecca Maxwell 15 Oct 1827 N.B. Seeking any background info on my husbands ancestry Phillips line. Will share info I have. Thanks.

**Peggy Tooley Taylor**  
**Email: rontaylor@mvtel.net**

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February 11, 2000 from Barbara Becker

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My grandmother, Ella **LONSBERY** (spelling?) was very proud that she was related to Samuel **HUNTINGTON**, who was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. She can not claim to be a direct descendant because he died childless. However, he did adopt 2 of his brother Joseph's children. I am not very Internet savvy so I have not been able to find any link from myself to Huntington. Does anyone have a clue? Ella's married name was **QUICK** Her husband's first name was George. They had three children: Archie Williston, Walter Crandal, and James Spaulding.

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February 12, 2000 from Susan Godlewski

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Seeking information on the descendants of Zabud **LOUNSBERRY**(1786- 1859), son of Margaret ? and Gideon<sup>4</sup> **LOUNSBURY** (Gideon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup> **LOUNSBERRY**). He had issue. I am seeking the names of his spouse and child/children.

**Email: sg245@hotmail.com**

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February 22, 2000 from Susan Godlewski

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Until now only circumstantial evidence indicated the family of Charlotte's dad. Cousin Mary has located documentary evidence, an 1866 deed, that proves the link of our Charlotte's dad, Abraham Lockwood, as the son of John Lockwood and Bethsheba Maibee, daughter of Abraham Maibee of Yorktown, NY. This deed lists the names of Abraham Lockwood's children including Charlotte Hays and a son named Zabud Lockwood.

Cousin Mary also discovered an 1835 deed that links Abraham Lockwood with Zabud Lounsbury. Zabud and Abraham jointly purchased the land next to Zabud's house on Highland Road in Peekskill.

Zabud Lockwood may have been named after the Zabud Lounsbury. It is reasonable that Abraham and Maria would name a son after a maternal grandfather who helped them buy property. It is possible that Zabud Lounsbury may be the father of Abraham Lockwood's wife, Maria Lounsbury, and grandfather of my Charlotte. These two deeds provide the only clues found to Maria's possible parentage.

Zabud Lounsbury's ancestry is [available on the web] at <http://home.att.net/~jg245lounsbry.htm#zabud>. This information, which had become lost to us, is now re-discovered. I don't want it to be lost again, so I want

to provide each of you with an opportunity to get copies of every document for yourself, your children, and your grandchildren. Rather than Xerox & snail mail or clog your e-mail boxes with huge downloads, I have temporarily placed images of all the documents and transcriptions of documents on-line at <http://home.att.net/~susgod/charlotte/>. You can view every document and save or print out the items you want to keep. I hope you will find this as interesting as I do!

**Susan Godlewski**

**Email: sg245@hotmail.com**

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February 28, 2000 from Lucia Mae Years Monroe

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MaryLou Vincent **LOUNSBERY** (d. about 1927) was married to a Frank Lounsbury, had sons Carl (b. 1902), Dwight (b. 1915), and daughter June (b. 1910). What was her date of death and health history prior to death?

**Email: rlmonroe@zlink.net**

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February 29, 2000 from Gayle Stanichuk

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My G Grandmother was Emma Lounsbury **ADAIR**, b. 06 Dec 1873, her parents were George **LOUNSBERRY** and Ellen **PARROT**. Emma was said to have been born in Canada, she married Jacob Adair in Harbor Beach Michigan. I would like information on the Lounsbury line.

**Gayle E. Stanichuk**

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March 6, 2000 from Shirley Winstead

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I am trying to trace the **LongBERRY** line. One lady told me that she found our Longberry name in some early records spelled **LOUNSBERRY**. My Longberry's said to be from England. They ended up in Pickaway Co. Ohio. Have no idea where they were before Ohio. If anyone has heard of Longberry spelled this way; would you please tell me where.

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March 20, 2000 from Patricia LeBeau

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Seeking information on **LONSBERRY** family who emigrated from Ontario to Genesee County Michigan

region and married local women. Father could be Jacob, William or Isaac, may be a Loyalist, b PA. He m Sarah (de) **COVERLY** and they had the following children that I know of: Sarah Lorena b Jul 1837 m Cyrus **MEREDITH**; Jonathan b 7 Mar 1843 m Jane Amelia **BENNETT**; George E. b abt 1846 m Marian Lavina **WILLIMAN**; Joseph b Sep 1847 m Rebecca A. **RUMSEY**; William Thomas b 27 Feb 1854 m Mary Moanne **SAXTON**, Anna B. **BRODERICK**; Walter b Jan 1855 m Elizabeth **SCHOFIELD**; Anna m **BAKER**

**Email: kola@nut-n-but.net**

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March 20, 2000 from Pat Wilcox

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Looking for any information on William H. **LOUNSBURY**, born abt. 1806 in Tarrytown, NY, died 11/28/1869, buried in Van Cortlandt Cemetary. Married Isabella William, born abt. 1806 in Tarrytown, NY, died 8/31/1882, buried in Van Cortland Cemetary. Had son Isaac Drake Lounsbury, born 7/30/1834, died 4/26/1923 in Peekskill. Married Mary **COLLINS**, daughter of Jeremiah Collins and Margaret Unknown, born in Ireland.

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March 28, 2000 from Jean Carter

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Searching for Jeanette **LANSBURY**, 1st md Dr. Castilian **DRAKE**, 2nd md Aaron Jacob **ODOM**, Jr.

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April 4, 2000 from Glenn Lazarus

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Dorrance Dean **LOUNSBURY** (1883-1949) originally from Canada, married Julia **HESSIAN** (1881-1957) in Canandaigua, New York. His parents were Albert Lounsbury and Elizabeth A. **OLMSTEAD**. Julia's parents were William Hessian and Winifred **NAUGHTON**. Looking for any information on any of the above. I am the grandson of Dorrance and Julia.

**Email: lazfam55@hotmail.com**

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April 6, 2000 from Kathie

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Would like information on MARY (A.) **LOUNSBURY**, b. circa 1835, m. 1855 CHARLES "WESLEY" **WILCOX**, b. 2/13/1835. Family lived in Dutchess, Putnam and Westchester Co, NY areas.

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April 17, 2000 from Suzanne Muchmore

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My ancestor is Elizabeth **LOUNSBERRY** who married Cornelius **HOFFMAN** 4Sep1797 in Marletown, Ulster, NY. Their son Edward was christened 1813 in the Ref. Prot. Dutch Church of Caughnawaga, Fonda, Montgomery Co. NY and mar. 1834 Magdalena **PHILLIPS**. Appreciate any info.

**Email: smuch1115@aol.com**

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## In Memoriam

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Virginia S. **LOUNSBURY**, 84, of 24 Nelson St., Cazenovia, formerly of Sherrill, died Sunday [April 16, 2000] at Crouse Community Center, Morrisville. Born in West Springfield, Mass., she attended the Oneida schools and the Utica School of Commerce. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Christ United Methodist Church, Oneida Community Golf and Oneida Healthcare Center Auxiliary, and worked with the women's golf district. Her husband, Frederick S., died in 1986.

Survivors: A daughter, Shirley Stickels of Oneida; two sons, William E. of Northwood, N.H., and Frederick S. Jr. of Cazenovia; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren. Services: Private. No calling hours.

Campbell-Dean Funeral Home has arrangements. Contributions: Crouse Community Center, 101 South St., Morrisville [NY] 13408.

*From the Syracuse Newspapers' Web Site (<http://www.syracuse.com>).  
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[Editor's note: Virginia lived in my town, as did her son, Rick.]

Correction: In Tree #32, Fall 1999, page 9, Elizabeth (Betsy) Lounsbury **DOWNTON** is listed in three separate listings as having lived in Indiana, when her home was in fact La Grange, Illinois. Thanks to subscriber Elva L. Lounsbury for bringing this to my attention.

# Notable Lounsburys

Bill Mac Donald writes, "I was browsing through a December 1965 issue of the Canadian Forces Sentinel when I happened to admire a picture and then I looked at the text below it. I wonder who they are?"

**In the most recent performances in the busy 1965-66 schedule of the Canadian Forces Showcase, MC Gordie Tapp and his troupe of radio and TV stars gladdened the eyes and charmed the ears of sailors at HMCS Naden and airmen at RCAF Station Comox, B.C. High on the list of favourites in the show were the pulchritudinous Lounsbury sisters, Joan and Barbara.**



*Joan*

*Gordie  
Tapp dancers*

*Barbara*

If anyone knows more about Joan and Barbara Lounsbury, I would love to hear from you, and I will be happy to print any submissions in subsequent issues of this newsletter.

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# Family Lines

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Over the time that I have been publishing the Tree, I have received a few requests for information about an Allen Lounsbery, who was born in New York state on 27 October 1800 and moved to, and was married in, Michigan. I recently received a fairly urgent request from Martha Matthews of Yakima, WA requesting quick turnaround of her request for Allen's ancestors. Her husband is descended from Allen, and while trying to find information about his line she came across several other people searching for the same information.

One of those people is Vola Lounsbury Hutson, from whom I received I received a wonderful letter. Following is an excerpt describing some of Alan's history.

## Genealogy is not fatal – but it is a grave disease!

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Ferndale, Mich 48220  
April 21, 2000

Dear Jim,

I cannot begin to tell you how pleased and excited I was to receive your letter and all of the material you sent me this week.

My father Fred Charles Lounsbury and I have been trying to find the family of Allen Lounsbery since I was about eighteen years old. (He had tried for years before that) He was ten years old when his grandfather (Allen) died so he did not get much information from him. He did tell him stories about his family back in New York. Ever since then, my father and I have tried to trace his family, but never could put the exact finger on it. Your material that you sent me this week does sound like we're on the right track. It is so interesting – I have read it and reread it with such pleasure. Thank you!

Allen came to Michigan in the 1830's. He was a driver of a circus wagon (loved horses). It was his job to use a sling shot to spur a slow horse on. He also drove a stage coach route from Detroit to Lansing about 1839. He was not a religious man, but he married Laura Mathers (who came from Mendon, New York). She was a minister's daughter. They had eight children – the eldest, Charles Henry Lounsbery born Sept. 25 1839, died Feb. 9, 1919, was my grandfather.

I have the entire line of the Lounsberys (of Allen). There were 8 children. Grandpa Charles was the eldest, Clark (killed in Battle of Shiloh), Maryette, John, Emily (Emma), Allen DeWitt, Ira Eugene, and Albert. My grandfather Charles and his sister Maryette had a double wedding Feb. 22, 1866 with another brother and sister (Loraine Latson (my grandmother) and Edward Eugene Latson. So you see, my family was a bit mixed up (but a wonderful family).

[...]

I have my grandfather Charles' war records. He was also in the battle of Shiloh and when the war was over, he and another man walked all the way from Shiloh back to Michigan (no transportation in those days).

[...]

My mother used to write to Lillian Wright who lived in Rochester (I think) who was apparently a relative of Allen Sr. This could be a clue. I know nothing more about them. Allen Sr. could not read nor write, so Mather wrote for him but somehow we slipped up and didn't know the exact relationship.

I was so surprised and pleased to hear from Martha Matthews about 2 months ago. I knew of her mother-in-law's family but had lost track of that branch of the family.

I will be happy to help you in any other information you might like.

Regards,  
Vola Hutson