

To-Do Report

Individual: **Abel Jesse Simmons**

AKA: Able, Jesse

Birth: 24 May 1832, Rotterdam, Schenectady, New York, USA

Marriage: Alvira Courser (Abt 1826-1898) m.24 Oct 1858 in Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Death: 8 Jul 1914, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: 10 Jul 1914, Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: William Simmons and Betsey Ives

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27 Aug 2008	Locate 1880 and 1900 US Census records	
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Category:	Census	Locality:
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Priority: Low
Status: Closed
Type: Research

Description:	Find the US Census records for Abel Simmons for the census year 1900.
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Results:	Census records for 1880 and 1900 have been located.
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Closed:	22 Jun 2009
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Individual: Vernon Leroy Simmons

Birth: 25 Mar 1875, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Nettie Anna Fleming (1871-1958) m.23 Oct 1895 in Orange, Ionia, Michigan

Death: 26 Jun 1937, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: Nelson Coy Simmons and Emeretta R. Gibson

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
4 Aug 2008	Second marriage to Nettie	
Category:	Marriage Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Closed		
Type: Research		
Description:	Need to find the marriage register entry or certificate for his second marriage in 1895, if it existed.	
Results:	After receiving a message from LaVonne Bennett stating that Nettie Wolverton and Nettie Fleming are the same person, I investigated further and could only locate the marriage record dated 23 Oct 1895. This date was exactly 5 years different from the marriage date that was documented. The conclusion is that the original marriage date was inputted in error and when the marriage record of Ionia County was found with the 1895 date caused the confusion. The records and family links have been corrected.	
Closed:	16 Jun 2009	
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Individual: **Anna Elizabeth Kelley**

Birth: 19 Mar 1825, , Livingston, New York

Marriage: Lyman Simmons (1821-1900) m.3 Apr 1842 in Wheatfield, Niagara, New York

Death: 5 Dec 1858

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: Hugh Kelly and Ann

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
1 Aug 2008	Clear up death date of Ann Kelley Simmons	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	See the US Census of 1860 and determine that the census is incorrect and why?	
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Individual: **Orvilla M. Whitmore**
Birth: 4 Dec 1869, , , Michigan
Marriage: William Daniel Bennett (Abt 1869-) m. Abt 1891 in , , Michigan
Parents: Elias Whitmore and Mary Jane Chilson

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24 Nov 2008	Confirm given names of Orvilla.	
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Category:	Family Members	Locality:
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Priority: Low
Status: Open
Type: Research

Description: Prior to the 1910 US Census given name has been documented consistently as Orvilla E. In the 1910 US Census William D. Bennett's wife is stated as Emma O. So the question is: what are the given names of his wife? Orvilla Emma or Emma Orvilla or something else?

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Individual: **Alford H. Simmons**

Birth: Abt 1854, Niagara Co., NY. Or Tonawanda, Erie, NY

Marriage: Emma J. White (Abt 1865-) m.20 Dec 1881 in Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Roene E. Again (-)

Parents: William W. Simmons and Ascenath Siscom

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
3 Nov 2008	Confirm the actual birth date of Alford.	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	Alfred's birthdate is in question. Using the "Simmons Kinfolk" newsletter of April 1975 which states the William W. Simmons family information from the 1850 Census. This shows Alfred as being 6 years old, which would make his birth year as 1844. Which given name spelling is correct: Alford or Alfred?	
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Individual: **Nathan M. Moon**

Birth: 6 May 1814, Dryden, Tompkins, New York, USA

Marriage: Eunice Lewis (1817-1905) m.18 Mar 1838 in Springfield, Erie, Pennsylvania

Death: 3 Feb 1896

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

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10 Dec 2009	Determine if Rillie and Marilla are the same person.	
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Category:	Family Members	Locality:
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Priority: Low
Status: Open
Type: Research

Description: Believe that Rillie Moon and Marilla Moon are one in the same person. Need more research to confirm.

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Individual: **Frank B. Hall**

Birth: 28 Mar 1869, , , Minnesota

Marriage: Ellen Cornelia (Ella) Simmons (1855-1920) m.20 Dec 1913 in Greenville, Montcalm, Michigan

Death: 30 Dec 1939, Eureka Twp, Montcalm, Michigan

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
30 Dec 2008	Determine location of birth.	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	Currently, I have Frank Hall as being born in Minnesota but the 1920 US Census indicates that he was born in Kansas.	
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Individual: **Irvin Brown Moon**

Birth: 21 Jun 1891, , , Michigan

Death: 25 Dec 1891, , Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: Chancey Moon and Anna E. Simmons

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
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29 Oct 2008	Determine the actual birth date.	
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Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
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Priority: Low

Status: Open

Type: Research

Description: Using the US Census records is not useful to determine his actual birth and death approximate dates. By viewing the time span between births of all of Chansey and Anna's children it appears that the most likely time for Irvin to have been born is in the first half of 1890. Or between 1882 and 1884 between Charles and John.

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Individual: **Irvin Henry Moon**

Birth: 21 Jun 1891, , , Michigan

Marriage: Ada Blanch Wilson (1893-1961) m.6 Mar 1926 in , Ionia, Michigan, USA

Death: 9 Jul 1948, Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens Grand Rapids, Kent, Michigan, USA

Parents: Chancey Moon and Anna E. Simmons

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
29 Oct 2008	Determine the intended spelling of his given name.	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	The 1900 US Census is difficult to read but I believe that Irwin is the correct spelling. The 1910 US Census is easier to read but his name seems to be spelled as Ervin. Which spelling is correct?	
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Individual: **Henry Nathaniel Simmons**

Birth: 9 Jan 1860, Lowell, Kent, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Melissia Carolina Conklin (Abt 1867-) m.24 Dec 1882 in , Montcalm, Michigan

Death: Abt 1951

Burial: , Dewitt, Clinton, Michigan, USA

Parents: Edward Simmons and Betsey Weed

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
23 Jan 2009	Determine when Betsey Weed died.	
Category:	Death Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	<p>This census indicates that Henry (40) was living in DeWitt with his wife Malissa (32) and children Nina (13), Nancy A. (11), Nora (9), Solar (5) and his mother Betsey (78). Also, this census indicates that Edward Baldwin (76) is living at this residence. A note: there is a Baldwin family living next door, is there a link to Edward with this family? What is the relationship of Edward Baldwin to Henry Simmons?</p> <p>Although, this census indicates that Betsey is living her tombstone in DeWitt Cemetery indicates her life span is 1820-1899. So, the question is when did Betsey actuall pass away?</p>	
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Individual: **Hester Lydia Simmons**

Birth: 1 Sep 1837, Wheatfield, Niagara, New York

Marriage: John W. Young (1827-1883) m.Ab 1859 in , Ionia, Michigan, USA

Death: 2 Nov 1901, Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: 5 Nov 1901, Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: William Simmons and Betsey Ives

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
26 Jun 2009	Determine year of birth.	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	Hester's death certificate indicates her birthdate as 1 Sep 1836 not 1837. So, which date is correct?	
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Individual: **Oscar Simmons**

Birth: 26 Sep 1881, Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Elnora Beeman (1892-1937) m.28 Oct 1909 in Boon, Wexford, Michigan, USA

Death: 1 Apr 1943, Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: Scott Simmons and Frances C. Benedict

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
27 Aug 2008	Find the 1910 US Census	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	Oscar was living in Wexford county, Michigan in 1910. Need to find the 1910 US Census for Oscar.	
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Individual: **Franklin L. Beeman**

Birth: 16 Feb 1855, Chittenango Falls, Madison, New York, USA

Marriage: Lydia Elnora Clymer (Abt 1863-1891) m.27 Oct 1881 in Raisin Center, Lenawee, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Mary Elvira Root (1872-1921) m.27 Oct 1891 in Tecumseh, Lenawee, Michigan, USA

Death: 12 Apr 1935, Otsego, Allegan, Michigan, USA

Burial: 15 Apr 1935, Otsego, Allegan, Michigan, USA

Parents: James Beeman and Caroline Case

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
14 May 2009	Need another positive identification of birth date.	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Med.		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	Throughout the US Census records Franklin's age is quite consistant and indicates that he was born in the year of 1851. However, the source of his actual birthdate is set to the year of 1855. Need more research to validate his birthdate.	
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Individual: **Walter Simmons**

Birth: 4 Aug 1884, Orleans, Ionia County, Michigan

Marriage: Melita Spragg (1870-1948) m.5 Jul 1919 in Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Parents: Scott Simmons and Frances C. Benedict

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
12 Aug 2008	Need to decipher Walter's WWI Draft card.	
Category:	Military Record	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	There is a Delia Simmons written on this card as his nearest living relative residing at 603 Root, Belding, Michigan. Obviously, a neighbor but who is Delia Simmons?	
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Individual: **Warren W. Simmons**

Birth: 9 Aug 1857, Murry Lake, Kent, Michigan

Marriage: Hester Adel Simmons (1867-1958) m.Ab 1883 in , , Michigan

Death: 3 Dec 1936, Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens Grand Rapids, Kent, Michigan, USA

Parents: Edward Simmons and Betsey Weed

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
15 Aug 2008	Research actual birthdate of Emily Jane.	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority:	Low	
Status:	Open	
Type:	Research	
Description:	Emily Jane's birthdate is in question as the 1910 census indicates that she was born in the year of 1908.	
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Individual: **Bert C. Vanorman**

Birth: Abt Jul 1856

Marriage: Orilla Jackson (Abt 1857-) m.Abt 1899 in Lake Odessa, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Unknown Vanorman (-)

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
28 Jul 2008	Research children of Bert Vanorman	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	The mother of Forest is not verified to be Orilla. Forest could be a child from a previous marriage of Bert. Forest was discovered in the 1900 US Census. Also, in the 1900 US Census is listed Frank Simmons age 10 as his Stepson. Who is the mother of Frank Simmons?	
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Individual: **John Jay Young**

Birth: Abt Nov 1860, , , Michigan

Marriage: Sarah (Abt 1865-) m.Abt 1883 in , , Michigan

Death: 2 Jan 1930, Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: 4 Jan 1930, Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: John W. Young and Hester Lydia Simmons

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
1 Sep 2009	Research for residence of 1900.	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	The 1900 US Census shows that John J. and family were living in Oakland, Alameda, California then the 1910 US Census shows Jay (John) and family living back in Ionia, Ionia, Michigan. So, why did they move to California and exactly when? Then why did they move back to Michigan and exactly when?	
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Individual: **Lyman J. Simmons**

Birth: 3 Jan 1878, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Nellie G. Bover (1877-1939) m.11 Jun 1902 in Orange, Ionia, Michigan

Marriage: Katherine Hosberg Hummel (1876-1958) m.After 1939 in , , Michigan

Death: 7 Feb 1958, Memorial Hospital, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: Nelson Coy Simmons and Emeretta R. Gibson

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
31 Jul 2008	Research individuals listed	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority:	Low	
Status:	Open	
Type:	Research	
Description:	Who is Aunt Harriet on the 1910 US Census?? Can't read the last name of Harriet.	
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Individual: **John W. Young**

Birth: Abt 1870, , , Michigan

Marriage: Sarah Adelaide Whitmore (Abt 1873-) m.Abt 1889

Death: Abt 1946

Parents: Anson W. Young and Polly Ann Simmons

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
4 Aug 2008	Research non family child living with Vernon.	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	Who is Margie Girard (9) and why is she living with Vernon and Sarah as of the 1910 US Census?	
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Individual: **Edwin W. Simmons**

Birth: 23 Aug 1849, Wheatfield, Niagara, New York

Marriage: Mary Janett (Nettie) Simmons (Abt 1849-) m.14 Oct 1868 in , Ionia, Michigan, USA

Parents: Edward Simmons and Betsey Weed

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
27 Jul 2008	Research stated wife's info	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	The 1910 Census indicates that Edwin has a wife by the name of Charlotte A., until now there has been no indication of an additional wife. Research is needed to discover the married life of Edwin with Charlotte.	
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Individual: **Samuel H. Coe**

Birth: Abt 1819

Marriage: Polly Ann Simmons (1834-1911) m.25 Jul 1853 in Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
11 Nov 2008	Research the 1850 US Census	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	There is now some doubt about the details on file for Samuel H. Coe as the 1850 US Census located that appears to be correct indicates that Samuel was born in 1846. Where the marriage information indicates that he should have been born much earlier than that.	
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Individual: Niles Bennett

Birth: 6 Oct 1839, Le Roy, Genesee, New York

Marriage: Mary Ann Coates (Abt 1850-) m.Abt 1869

Marriage: Anna Myers (1859-1926) m.9 Mar 1882

Death: 20 Dec 1920, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: 22 Dec 1920, Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: William C. Bennett and Emeline V. Pettibone

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
23 Nov 2008	Research the birth date of Edward T.	
Category:	Family Members	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	<p>The document of "Descendants of Johnnton Bennett" indicates that Edward T. is about 4 years old at time of 1900 US Census. However, upon inspection of the 1900 US Census the entry of Edward T. seems to indicate that he was born in about 1870 and is 29 years of age. This would make Edward the son of Niles Bennett and Mary Ann Coates. Since the 1900 US Census is of poor quality we must locate Edward's birth certificate or other qualified sources to validate his birth date. I believe that Edward is actually 4 years of age at time of the 1900 US Census as there were no entries of Edward in previous US Census'.</p> <p>The 1910 US Census show Niles's son Frank as being 39 years of age and his mother's birthplace is England. Could the 1900 US Census be in error and the actual son listed was Frank rather than Edward? Did the census enumerator error in documenting the sons of Niles and enter one name with the birth information of the other?</p>	
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Individual: **Polly Ann Simmons**

Birth: 9 Oct 1834, Wheatfield, Niagara, New York

Marriage: Samuel H. Coe (Abt 1819-) m.25 Jul 1853 in Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Marriage: Anson W. Young (1819-1890) m.19 Oct 1862 in Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Death: 10 Aug 1911, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Burial: 12 Aug 1911, Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: William Simmons and Betsey Ives

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
10 Nov 2008	Research the details behind this divorce.	
Category:	Divorce Records	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	In 1862, Samuel H. Coe, complainant, divorced Polly. It is of note that Anson Young was a witness for the complainant. Does anyone know the story behind this?	
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Individual: **Gardner Case**

Birth: Abt 1801, Chatham, Columbia, New York, USA

Marriage: Louisa Hopkins (Abt 1805-1880) m.Abt 1821 in Chittenango Falls, Madison, New York, USA

Death: 24 Sep 1873, Chittenango Falls, Madison, New York, USA

Burial: , Oakwood Cemetery Chittenango, Madison, New York, USA

Parents: George Case and Ann Beckwith

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
20 Oct 2008	Research US Census records	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low		
Status: Open		
Type: Research		
Description:	<p>Census records from 1830-1860 are not consistent! Spelling of children names (ex. Hellen or Helen) and their ages conflict between some census records. Also, the ages of Gardner and wife Louisa from 1850 as compared to 1860 does not make sense. In 1850 Gardner is 50 years old and Louisa is 45 years old. The 1860 US Census indicates that Gardner is 53 and Louisa is 51 years of age. Could the Gardner Case families from 1850 be a different family from the 1860 US Census?</p>	
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Individual: Harly Simmons Birth: Abt Apr 1870, Berlin Twp, Ionia, Michigan, USA Parents: Edwin W. Simmons and Mary Janett (Nettie) Simmons		
Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
23 Jan 2009	Verify the name of this individual.	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	The Simmons Kinfolk Newsletter Vol 1, No. 4 page 21 indicates that this individual is named Holly S. and is a female. However, the 1880 US Census indicates that this is a male named Harly. Need some additional forms of identification.	
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Individual: **Emily Emma Tanner**

Birth: Abt 1835, , , New York

Marriage: Amos Simmons (1830-1896) m.4 Jul 1854 in Ionia, Ionia, Michigan, USA

Death: 19 Dec 1877, Day Twp., Montcalm, Michigan

Burial: , Day Twp., Montcalm, Michigan

Parents: Solomon Tanner and Dianna Eddy

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
5 Sep 2008	Was Emily a teacher in Berlin Twp around 1854?	
Category:	Occupation	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	Review page 186 of the Ionia and Montcalm county histories.	
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Individual: **Edward Simmons**

Birth: 4 Oct 1823, Rotterdam, Schenectady, New York, USA

Marriage: Betsey Weed (Abt 1820-Abt 1900) m.9 Aug 1848 in , Niagara, New York

Marriage: Julia A. (Mount) Biggs (Abt 1843-Abt 1919) m.30 Apr 1867 in Lowell, Kent, Michigan, USA

Death: 6 Jan 1901, Alton, Kent, Michigan, USA

Burial: 9 Jan 1901, Alton Cemetery, Kent, Michigan, USA

Parents: William Simmons and Betsey Ives

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
30 Oct 2008	What is Edward's real birth date?	
Category:	Birth Certificate	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	In the Simmons Kinfolk Newsletter Vol 1, No 4. it is stated that Edward was born on 24 Oct 1824, probably in Schenectady County, NY. Why is this information so different than the information retrieved from the 'Births' journal page of the Simmons Family Bible?? There is almost a year's difference in the dates. Could it be that the date in the Simmons Kinfolk Newsletter is a Christening date rather than a birth date??	
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Individual: **Charles Leonard Simmons**

AKA: Len

Birth: 21 Nov 1850, Wheatfield, Niagara, New York

Marriage: Millison Hall (1856-1926) m.Ab. 1873 in Dewitt, Clinton, Michigan, USA

Death: 3 Sep 1929

Burial: , Dewitt, Clinton, Michigan, USA

Parents: Edward Simmons and Betsey Weed

Date	Research Task/Repository/Description	File ID
16 Jan 2009	Where is Charles L in the 1900 US Census?	
Category:	Census	Locality:
Priority: Low Status: Open Type: Research		
Description:	The 1900 US Census shows Millie (53) living with son Harley (19), son Eli E. (12), daughter Clara L (10) and son Frankie E. (7). A note here is that Charles L. is not with them in this census. It is noted in this census that Millie has been married for 28 years, is mother of 10 children with 7 children living. The residence is located on River Street.	
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Individual: **Sarah J. Simmons**

Birth: 5 Sep 1858, , Clinton, Michigan

Death: 11 May 1933

Burial: , Balcom Cemetery, Ionia, Michigan

Parents: Edward Simmons and Betsey Weed

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16 Jan 2009	Who did Sarah marry and could both of these marriages be the same person?	
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Category:	Marriage Certificate	Locality:
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Priority: Low

Status: Open

Type: Research

Description: Sarah Jane could have been married in Montcalm County Michigan. There are two entries in the Early Montcalm County Marriages with Sarah J to Charles A. Faskett(1888) and Osman Royce (1880).
Need more varification of these marriages.

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