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Preface

Welcome to Penfield Library at SUNY Oswego. As the following list of resources makes evident, our library holds a significant amount of material of interest to genealogists as well as to other persons with an interest in local history, biography, or social history. New materials and indexes will arrive occasionally so be sure to check the last update at the bottom of this introduction. If the guide has not been updated recently, ask about any new materials of interest which might have arrived in the meantime.

Any of the staff at the Penfield Library Information desk will be happy to help you in searching for your information needs. Keep in mind, however that you can rely largely on this guide for an introduction to and description of Penfield's library's resources which you are free to examine on your own (items kept in Special Collections require supervised use). The general handbooks and overviews listed in this guide will be your most valuable source of information regarding the "how to" of genealogy.

Not every item of possible interest to genealogists regarding genealogy, local history, oral history, or our manuscript collection has been included in this guide. Indeed many standard genealogical tools are not owned by Penfield Library, but you will find them listed in the various 'how to' handbooks for genealogy and you can seek them elsewhere. You can always browse the rest of our holdings by searching our online catalog which includes records for manuscript and archival collections. This access is also available through the library's WWW homepage at: <http://www.oswego.edu/library>. If you have difficulty, please have someone at the Information Desk help find a list of items relevant to your needs, which you can then retrieve and examine on your own.

If you have precise citation, we can copy and mail (or E-mail) information to patrons who make requests at a distance. However, no special provision has been made to provide full genealogical research services or mass photocopying for a fee. Penfield library requires that patrons come to the library to complete their own research. Please understand that although we do make historical and genealogical resources available to the public, we are primarily an academic library and our students remain our primary focus and concern. The purpose of this extensive guide is in fact to allow you, the researcher, to work independently of staff help. If you require more assistance than simple access to our records, please consider contacting the local Oswego County Historical Society which serves and refers genealogists for a fee or some other person or organization which is qualified to advise you in this regard (see the last page of this guide).

Good hunting!

I. GENERAL HANDBOOKS

**** Penfield Library also owns numerous works on doing local history which can be found using the online catalog**

- “An aid to genealogists: glossary of legal terms”, in the American Association for State and Local History, Technical Leaflet No. 55. 1970 **Periodical, 2nd Floor**
- Clear Pond: the reconstruction of a life. 1991. **F127 A2 M64**
This is a beautiful narrative of a genealogical quest which focuses on an Adirondack family.
- The dictionary of genealogy: a guide to British ancestral research. 1985. **Ref. CS 6 F58**
Descriptions and locations of British historical records. Includes explanation of obsolete terms, translations of some common Latin documents, and details of some family history societies. Begins with a general guide for beginning genealogical researchers.
- Genealogical research and resources: a guide for library use. **Z688. G3G54 1988**
Basic information on research methodology and organization. Provides guidelines that are helpful in conducting a logically ordered search. Recommended for librarians, extensive bibliographies.
- Genealogist's companion and sourcebook. **CS 47. C75 1994**
An easy to use guide which provides addresses, sources, and hints.
- How to climb your family tree: genealogy for beginners. 1983. **CS 15 S858**
A very basic "How-to" guide for new genealogists.
- How to find your family roots. 1977. **CS 16 B35**
A beginner's guide. Includes chapters on Jewish and African-American genealogy. Extensive bibliography.
- Material culture: a research guide. **E161.M35 1985**
A beginner's guide to researching, documenting, and preserving historical artifacts.
- On doing local history: reflections on what local historians do, why, and what it means. **E180.K28 1986**
- Researching family traditions with Beulah Schroeder: how to look into family tradition. (sound cassette) 1981. **Spec. Coll. Media PN 4177.P399**
- The researcher's guide to American genealogy. 1990. **Ref. CS 47 .G73**
This guide is an excellent source book for all levels of genealogists. Included are general principles of genealogical research, identification of classes of records used, and an evaluation of each class. It also gives the location of records state by state. Does not circulate
- Searching for your ancestors: the how and why of genealogy. 1992. **CS 16 D6**
The classic beginner's guide with a state by state listing of vital records offices. Slanted towards New England.
- The source: a guidebook of American genealogy. 1984. Ref. CS 49 S65
An award winning reference book for advanced genealogists. Includes information on how to interpret primary source material. The sources are divided by type, and examples of each are given, along with information on how to send for copies of records.
- Sources and methods for family and community historians: a handbook. **CS 415.S63 1994**
Aimed at seasoned researchers, this guide introduces a variety of useful resources relating to the British Isles.
- Unpuzzling your past: a basic guide to genealogy. 1989. CS 47 C76
This book will help beginners know where to start looking and what questions to ask they are starting out. There is an excellent chapter on family records as well as how to organize your own record keeping and genealogical charts.

II. ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEWS

- Doing oral history. **D16 .14 .R57 1995**
Methods for conducting interviews, videotaping, preserving, and presenting oral history.

- Recording your family history: a guide to preserving oral history with video tape and audio tape. 1986. **CT 22 .F56**
Includes suggested questions and format, as well as recommended methods of recording.
- Your family history: how to use oral history, personal family archives and public documents to discover your heritage. 1978. **CS 16 L53**
A general guide to the use of different types of primary and secondary sources to trace not only your personal family tree, but also your cultural and ethnic heritage.

III. VITAL RECORDS [Birth, Death, Marriage]

****Complete records for New York State start in 1880.**

- 10,000 vital records of Central New York, 1813-1850. 1986. **F 118 B68**
Notices of marriages and deaths, with citations, drawn from local newspapers of the period. Covers the segment of the state between Geneva and Utica.
- 10,000 vital record of Western New York, 1809-1950. 1985. **F125 B68**
Notices of marriages and deaths, with citations drawn from local newspapers of the period. Covers the segment of the states west of Geneva.
- New York marriages previous to 1784. 1968. Reprint. **Ref. F 118 .N485**
Compilation of New York Marriages from various source materials. Marriages are listed by bride and groom, and source for information is given.
- New York State Archives. Vital Records Indexes.
<http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/genea~fa.thm#vital>
The state Archives maintains a vital records index which identifies birth certificates from 1880-1921 and death and marriage certificates from 1880-1946 for all of New York State except New York City (which are in the NYC Archives).
- The vital records handbook. 1988. **Ref. CS 42.7 K46**
This state by state directory shows how to obtain copies of vital records in the U.S., United States Trust territories, and selected foreign countries. Request forms are provided for copy. Information includes record availability, and dates of each.
- Where to write for vital records. **Online Item Barcode B105708**
State and local vital statistics offices are given, along with a brief list of resources available, and the office policies and charges for records.

IV. DIRECTORIES

- The center: a guide to genealogical research in the national capital area. **CS44.S33 1996**
- Directory of American libraries with genealogy or local history collections. 1988.
Ref. Z 675 G44 F56
- Directory of archives and manuscript repositories in the United States. 1988.
Ref CD 3020 .D49
A state by state guide to repositories holding manuscript and source material. Gives addresses, hours, and policies of each facility as well as a description of their collection. A state by state guide to repositories holding manuscript and source material. Gives address, hours, and policies of each facility as well as a description of their collection.
- Encyclopedia of Associations. **Ready Ref. AS 22.ES 32 ed. 1997 Vol. 1 Pt. 2**
See section: "Genealogy" entries 18968-19036 for numerous genealogical organizations.
- The librarian's guide to public records. 1995. **Ref. HA 38 A214 L53**
A comprehensive guide to county court and real estate offices, state agencies, and federal courts where public records are located. County, state, and federal listings.
- The genealogist's address book. 1995. **Ref. CS 44 B46**
National and State addresses for archives, libraries, genealogical and historical societies, vital records offices, and research centers. Includes information on special resources, such as genealogical computer software, adoption registries, and surname registries. Phone numbers and office hours are provided.

V. BIBLIOGRAPHIES

- American & British genealogy & heraldry: a selected list of books. 1983 **CS 47 .A1 F48**
9800 entries are listed geographically. Includes articles from selected journals, and annotations regarding each book. A purchasing guide and extensive index are included.
- American family history: a historical bibliography. 1984. **Ref. HQ 535 A587**
Over 11 articles and books relating to family history and family history research indexed by author and subject.
- Fighters for independence: a guide to sources of biographical information on soldiers and sailors of the American Revolution. 1977. **E 206 .W58.**
Examines a variety of sources for information on revolutionary war soldiers beyond military records.
- Genealogical research and resources: a guide for library use. **Z 688 .G3G54 1988**
Basic information on research methodology and organization. Provides guidelines that are helpful in conducting a logically ordered search.
- Genealogies cataloged by the Library of Congress since 1986: with established forms of family names and a list of genealogies converted to microform since 1983. 1991. **Ref. CS .L697**
- Library service for genealogists. 1981. **CS 9 .P241**
A bibliography designed to help determine what genealogical research and resource materials have been published and how to locate and obtain them. Chapters are by subject. Indexed.
- Passenger and immigration lists bibliography, 1538-1900, and supplement. 1981 and 1984. **Ref. CS 47 A1 P285**
A bibliography of published lists of arrivals to the US and Canada. Indexed.

VI. PERIODICALS & NEWSPAPERS

- A survey of American Genealogical Periodicals and periodical indexes. 1978. **Ref. CS 42 S75**
A complete guide to understanding and accessing common genealogical periodicals.
- Everton's Genealogical Helper Web site: [http:// www.everton.com](http://www.everton.com)
World's largest family history magazine. Back issues are available.
- Journal of Online Genealogy. <http://www.onlinegenealogy.com/>
- Palladium-Times. 1819-to present. **Periodical, 2nd Floor {microfilm}**
During the 19th century, there were numerous small local newspapers in and around Oswego. Most of these were short lived or eventually became part of the two major competitors which were the Palladium and the Times family of newspapers. These two surviving newspapers merged into one in 1925. These publications have been partially indexed by the staff of Penfield Library. The index is currently in both card (1819-1839), and electronic (1839-1856+, discontinuous) form and can be searched from the Oswego Library Web page or Gopher. <http://www.oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html/>
- Publication of the Oswego County Historical Society. 1899, 1904, 1937-1977. **F127.091 09 [+ date]**
This publication has been indexed by the staff of Penfield Library. The electronic index can be searched from the Oswego Library Web page or Gopher, <http://www.Oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html/>
- Tree Talks. Central New York Genealogical Society. **Special Collections, Filing Cabinets**
We have Vol. 3-28 (1963-1988) inclusive. This publication comes with its own index(es). In it you will find informative articles on local history, instructional articles on genealogical methods, and reprints of vital records, cemetery records, book reviews, and questions from other researchers, as well as the family names of people being sought. A list of articles relating to Oswego genealogy is in the management file "Genealogy Resources in Oswego County and New York State" in the Special collections filing cabinets.

VII. NATIONAL RESOURCES

**** In many cases, published family histories already exist so it is wise to begin your research with a literature search to see what, if any work has already been done. The largest catalogs and bibliographies of family histories in the United States are the Family History Library Catalog. Surname Catalog maintained by the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, as well as Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A bibliography. The world's largest worldwide index for individuals is the International Genealogical Index and the Ancestral File maintained by the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. These sources should be available at branch libraries of the Family History Library which is funded by the Church of Latter Day Saints. Other sources will be listed in the various general guides to genealogical research listed in Section I of this guide.**

- The archives: a guide to the National Archives field branches. 1988 **CD 3023 S97**
A complete guide to holdings at each branch of the National Archives. Lists microfilm held by all branches. Descriptions are given of each facility and the inventory of each is given, with cross references to microfilm holdings.
- Federal population censuses 1790-1890: a catalog of microfilm copies of the schedules. **Ref. HA 37 .U55 .U548 1985** *A complete listing of census records available on microfilm from the National Archives. Includes role numbers for every county, every year.*
- Genealogical and biographical research: a select catalog of National Archives microfilm publications. 1983. **Ref. CS 47 U58**
Contains detailed descriptions of miscellaneous genealogical records available on microfilm held by the National Archives, and how to access them.
- Heads of families at the first census of the United States taken in the year 1790. 1907-1908. **Spec. Coll. HA 201 1790 .C**
This census designates one member (generally male) as the "head of household" and does not delve into individual family members. Still, this census can be useful in placing a family in a specific area.
- Immigrant and passenger arrivals: a select catalog of National Archives microfilm publications. 1983. **Ref. CS 47 A1 U58**
Contains detailed descriptions of immigration records available on microfilm held by the National Archives, and how to access them.
- The library: a guide to the LDS [Latter-Day Saints] Family History Library. 1988. **Ref. Z 733 .C55 .L53** *A guide to using the records of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, the largest genealogical collection in the world.*
- Map Guide to the U.S. Federal censuses, 1790-1920. 1987. **Ref. G 1201 F7 T48** (Shelved on top of census microfilm cabinet). *A geographical guide to every federal census, showing county and state borders as they existed for each census.*
- National Genealogical Society Webpage. www.ngsgenealogy.org
The national Genealogical Society is very active in education, publishing, conferences, and standards. Their Webpage also contains numerous links to other organizations and resources.
- United States Census for Oswego County 1855-1925. **Docs./Law Room (Microfilm Cabinet) Spec Coll. Lower Level Spec Coll. MS 84**
In the earliest editions of the census, the area now known as Oswego County was part of first Oneida, and then Onondaga Counties. The federal census takes place every ten years. The 1790-1840 editions of the census provide the names of the "head of family" only. Other household members were tallied by age, sex and race. The 1850 census was the first to record the name of each household member along with their age, place of birth, and (if over 15 years of age) their occupation. In the 1850 and 1860 census, slave owners had the number and sex of their slaves recorded. The 870 schedules indicate whether a parent of the person enumerated was foreign born. The 1880 census includes the relationship of each individual to the head of the household. Most of the 1890 census was destroyed by fire; however other schedules enumerating Civil War Veteran and the widows of Union veterans do exist for Oswego and Cayuga Counties with the other Federal Census microfilm.

VIII. GENEALOGY BY NATIONALITY OR ETHNIC GROUP

**** See also: information regarding Naturalization Records for NY State listed in Section IX.**

General

- Encyclopedia of Associations. Ready Ref. AS 22.ES 32ed. 1997 Vol. 1 Pt. 2
See section: "Genealogy" entries 18968-19036 for ethnic and regional genealogical organizations.
- Ethnic genealogy: a research guide. 1983. [Asian, Hispanic, Native American, and Afro-American genealogy]. **Ref. CS 49 E83**
General information on sources, research, and repositories which are specific to ethnic genealogy.
- Family names: how our surnames came to America. 1982. **CS 2487 .H66**
Explores the meaning and origins of many "America" surnames.
- In search of your British & Irish roots: a complete guide to tracing your English, Welsh, Scottish, & Irish ancestors. 1982. **CS 414 .B38**
- In search of your European roots: a complete guide to tracing your ancestors in every country in Europe. 1985. **CS 403 B39**

United States

- Generations: your family in American Modern History. 1978. **HN 57 .W354**
This book does not provide specific genealogical information, but rather sketches the historical development of the "American family".
- The researcher's guide to American genealogy. 1990. **Ref CS 47 .G73**
An excellent book for all levels of genealogists. Included are general principles of genealogical research, identification and evaluation of classes of records used. Also gives the location of records by state.
- The source: a guidebook of American genealogy. 1984. **Ref. CS 49 S65**
An extensive guide to major record sources, and how to best use them. The sources are divided by type, and examples of each are given, along with information on how to send for copies of records.

Colonial American

- Bonded passengers to America (9 volumes covering up to 1775). 1983. **CS 61 .C62**
9 volumes of lists of English immigrants who came to the US as bonded servants or prisoners. Bound in three books, the volumes are independent of each other, and listed by the region in England from which the passengers came.
- A genealogical and heraldic history of the colonial gentry. 1970. **Ref. CS 425 .B72**
Families included are early colonials who are descended from British gentry.
- Lists of inhabitants of colonial New York: excerpted from the 'Documentary history of the State of New York' (1849-51). 1979. **Ref. F 118 D62**
Early census lists, together with tax rolls, slave censuses, lists of Quakers and various other groups dating from 1657. Indexed.
- The Loyalists of America and their times: from 1620 to 1816. 1880. [2vol.] E277 .R99
A history of the Loyalist element in Colonial American with reference to many families by name.
- Biographical sketches of Loyalists of the American revolution [2 vol.]. 1966 E 277 S12
1966 An indexed work exploring loyalist sentiment and detailing many of the known Loyalists.
- The New York Loyalists. 1986. E 277 R 25 1986
Includes a good deal of information helpful to the genealogist.
- The original lists of persons of quality, emigrants, religious exiles, political rebels, servicing men sold for a term of years, apprentices, children stolen, maidens pressed, and others who went from Great Britain to the American plantations, 1600-1700 1983. **E187.5 .H7945** *A compendium of immigration lists covering the years 1600-1700.*

- Records of the colony of New Plymouth in New England. 1968. [12 vol., 1620-91] F68 .N55

The classic collection of records from the earliest settlement at Plymouth, MA.

African American

- African-American genealogy website. <http://msstate.edu/archives/history/afrigen/>
An excellent place to begin for African American research. You will find links to others researching the same surnames, as well as informative links to many aspects of African American history.
- Afro-American genealogy sourcebook. 1987 **E 185.96 Y67**
Basic reference sources plus a directory of small public and private holdings. Also lists major collections and sources for vital statistics.
- “Black genealogy: basic steps to research”. American Association for State and Local History Technical Leaflet no. 135 1981. **Periodical, 2nd Floor**
- The Black Loyalist directory: African Americans in exile after the American Revolution. 1996 **E277.B57 1996** *An excellent directory of known, active Black Loyalists.*
- Generations past: a select list of sources for Afro-American genealogical research. 1988. **Ref. E 185.96 A1 L425** *An index of genealogical guidebooks aimed at African-American research. Lists sources and histories by state and includes an index of printed African-American genealogies.*
- How and where to research your ethnic American cultural heritage: Black Americans. 1979. **CS 21 .R4** *A booklet of libraries and sources.*
- “Pretends to be free”: runaway slave advertisements from colonial and revolutionary New York and New Jersey. 1994 **E445 N56 P74 1994** an indexed volume of advertisements, some from the Oswego area.
- Records relating to African Americans in the New York State Archives. <http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/leaf8.htm> **(only footnoted here).**
- Spanish-American war Volunteer. **E725.4 9th.C6 1971**
This work contains the roster and muster rolls and some biographies of the largely Afro-American Ninth United States Volunteer Infantry.
- Stealing a little freedom: advertisements for slave runaways in North Carolina. 1791-1840. 1994. **E445.N8 S74 1994**

Canadian

- Colonial Americans in exile: founders of British Canada. 1932. **E277 .B79**
An excellent resource to examine for Loyalists and others who were exiled from the British colonies.
- In search of your Canadian roots. 1989. **Ref. CS 82 B388**
History of Canadian immigration and settlement. A provincial breakdown of available sources is given.
- National Archives of Canada, genealogist’s information page on the World Wide Web. <http://www.archives.ca/www.genealogy.html>
Includes information on Canadian genealogical societies, with addresses.

English

- Burke’s genealogical and heraldic history of the peerage baronetage and knight age. 1970. **Ref. CS 420 B85 1970**
A history of royal lineages of the British monarchy. Arranged alphabetically.
- The dictionary of genealogy: a guide to British ancestral research. 1985 **CS 6 F58**
Descriptions and locations of British historical records. Includes explanation of obsolete terms. Translations of some common Latin documents, and details of some family history societies. Begins with a general guide for beginning genealogical researchers.
- English surnames: their sources and significations. 1968 **CS 2505 B33**
- Everyone has roots: an introduction to English genealogy. 1978. **CS 9 .C35 1978**

Instructs the beginning English researcher in the use of English genealogical records, describes their origins, and discusses methods.

- The genealogist's guide. 1903. **Ref. CS 414 .M3** *The original index to British genealogies in print.*
- The genealogist's guide: and index to printed British pedigrees and family histories, 1950-1975. 1977. **Ref. CS 414 B278**
- Sources and methods for family and community historians: a handbook. **CS 415.S63** 1994

Describes a variety of strategies, resources, and repositories, while also giving examples of documents and addresses of libraries and public offices. Also guides the user in methodology and presentation.

Hispanic

- Hispanic Genealogical Society of New York. <http://www.webcome.com/hgsny/>
- Spanish name book CS 2741 .S6
United states Department of Justice lists to aid immigration officers in how to spell given and surnames cities and towns of Mexico.

Irish & Scottish

- The clans and tartans of Scotland. 1981. **Ref. DA 880 H76 B3**
Color photos of the tartans and brief histories of the families in general.
- Irish families: their names, arms, and origins. 1972. **CS 498 M3**
General information about each clan's history and place of origin.
- Tracing your Irish ancestor: the complete guide. 1993. **CS 484 .G74**
A county by county guide to researching Irish ancestors with examples of records, and their availability.

Italian

- Finding Italian roots. 1993. **E 184 .I8 C62**
A helpful guide for the beginning genealogist researching Italian-Americans and Italian records.
- Our Italian surnames. 1949. **CS 2715 .F8**
A general guide to the origins of Italian surnames.

Jewish

- A dictionary of Jewish names and their history. 1977 **Ref CS 3010 K28**
The history, derivations, and meaning of Jewish names, along with background information on naming practices and traditions.
- Finding our fathers: a guide book to Jewish genealogy. 1986. **CS 21 .R58**
Techniques and library sources unavailable for reconstruction Jewish names and relationships. Provides general information on the origins of over 8000 family names.
- Genealogical resources in the New York metropolitan area. 1989. **REF. F 128 .25 G326**
Descriptions of facilities, records available, and methods for obtaining and using records. Repositories are listed by county and divisions within the city. Directions to each facility are included. Indexed.
- "Jewish genealogy: an annotated bibliography", in The American Association for State and Local History Technical Leaflet no. 138. 1981. **Periodical, 2nd Floor**

Native American

- American Indian studies: a bibliographic guide. 1995. **E 77 .A1 W587 1995**
A complete guide to works concerning Native American studies and history.
- New York State Archives. Records relating to Native Americans
<http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/genea-fa.htm#indian>
- Researching and writing tribal histories. 1999. **E77 .H17**
Lists over 700 Native American periodicals and 60 bibliographies. Includes information on using the Canadian National Archives, and lists current tribes, their populations and their locations.

Polish

- How to research your Polish family history. 1976. **CCS 49 A43**
Information specific to researching Polish family lines. Provides some addresses in Poland and samples of records in Polish.
- Polish genealogy and heraldry: an introduction to research. 1987. **CS 872 .H67**
- Polish roots = Korzenic Polskie. 1993. **E 184. P7C5**
An excellent guide to Polish research. Includes sources of U.S. and Polish records and gives examples of commonly used forms.

IX. NEW YORK STATE GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES

- 10,000 vital records of Central New York, 1813-1850. 1986. **F118 B68**
Notices of marriages and deaths, with citations, drawn from local newspapers of the period. Covers the segment of the state between Geneva and Utica.
- 10,000 vital records of Western New York, 1809-1950. 1985 **F125 B68**
Notices of marriages and deaths, with citations drawn from local newspapers of the period. Covers the segment of the state west of Geneva.
- Calendar of NY colonial manuscripts: indorsed land papers in the office of the Secretary of State of NY, 1648 – 1803. 1987. **F 122 N 7**
A collection of papers filed in land grant applications. Does not include the actual grants, but does provide names, dates, and locations for inhabitants, some of them British soldiers. Indexed.
- Cultural resources in New York's North Country. 1980. **F 116 A235**
An annotated list of museums, historic sites, historical societies, public and private libraries. Arts centers, and galleries, covering 18 counties.
- Descriptive inventory of the New York Collection [Latter-Day Saints] 1980. **Spec. Coll. F 118 .E3**
A guide to the microfilm manuscripts and record collection relating to New York of the Genealogical Society of Utah.
- Families with surnames: Thomas, Metcalf, Massena, Hoage, Moore, Bennett, Hodge, Burlingame, And Giles: and related families of New York, Michigan, and Illinois. 1979. **Spec. Coll. CS 2485 .A5F3**
- Farnham genealogy 1603-1926. 1926. **Spec. Coll. F118 F235**
- Gateway to America: genealogical research in the New York State Library. 1982. **Ref. CS 14 A1 N48**
Descriptions of the holding of the NY State library. Includes subject index.
- Genealogical and family history of Western New York; a record of the achievements of her people in the making of a commonwealth and the building of a nation. 1912. [3 vol.] **Spec. Coll. F 118.C992**
Notes on early New York families that settled New York. Indexed.
- Genealogical notes of New York and New England families. 1994. **Spec. Coll. F118 .T143 Indexed.**
- Genealogical resources in the New York State Archives. General List
<http://www.sara.nyed.gov/holding/fact/genea-fa.htm>
A good place to sort out the various types of records found in the NY State Archives including: vital records; records of military service; census records; property and tax records; naturalization records; marriage records; and prison, poorhouse and reformatory records. Also has information on access and a good bibliography. Some of SARA's printed guides are located in the management file "Genealogy Resources in Oswego County and New York State" in Special Collections filing cabinets.
- Guide to the records in the New York State Archives. 1993. **Ref F 116 .N55 1993**

Lists miscellaneous local records (arranged by county) on microfilm held at the State Archives. Includes a description of records available from each division and department of New York State government. More up to date information can be obtained from the SARA Website at <http://www.sara.nysed.gov/>

- Index to the 1800 census of New York. 1984 **Ref F 118 A 76**
- Landholders of Northeastern New York, 1739-1802. 1981 **F 118 B6 L3**
- Lists of inhabitants of colonial New York: excerpted from the "Documentary history of the State of New York"(1849-51). 1979. **F 118 D62**
Early census lists, together with tax rolls, slave censuses, lists of Quakers and various other groups dating from 1657. Indexed.
- Managing local government records: a manual for local government officials in New York State. 1985 CD 950.N4
- The men of New York [2 vol.] 1898.
A collection of biographies with photos of prominent men in 1898.
- New York: a guide to information and reference sources. 1980. **F 119.L66**
- New York Marriages previous to 1784. 1984 **F118 .N48S**
Compilation of New York marriages from various source materials. Marriages are listed by bride and groom, and source for information is given.
- New York State Library. Genealogy. <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/gengen.htm>
- New York State men [2 vol.]. 1910. Spec. Coll. F 118 M28a
Biographical sketches and photos of leading men. Each volume is individually indexed.
- New York State newspaper Project homepages. <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/nysnp>
- The New York Times obituaries index, 1858-1968. Ref. CT 213.N47 v.1
- Historical Materials Relating to Northern New York: A Union Catalog 1976. Spec Coll. F 119.1 H65
Catalog of historical materials pertaining to Northern New York held by more than 100 libraries in Northern new Yo9rk, including the counties of Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Jefferson, Lewis, and St. Lawrence.
- Notable men of Central New York: Syracuse and vicinity, Utica, Auburn, Oswego, Watertown, Fulton, Rome, Oneida, Little Falls. 1903. Spec. Coll. F118 N89
Over 400 photos of prominent and noteworthy men with brief information for each
- Research & Publications in New York State history, 1980. Ref. F116.1 .R43 1980
Contains a section on family history and genealogy in addition to many other subjects.
- Who's who in New York City and state. 1905. Spec. Coll. F118 W62
Alphabetically arranged biographies of leaders and influential men.

New York State Maps & Gazetteers

**** Gazetteers are dictionaries of places. They give location, population, area and zip codes (when applicable) for towns, villages, and cities within the state. Early gazetteers give names of early settlers as well.**

- 120 towns of the State of New York, 1788. Spec. Coll. Map 2-2-1 Facsimile, 1957.
- DeWitt's State map of New York. [After 1802?]. Spec. Coll. Map 2-3-8
Shows townships, military tracts, Indian reservations.
- Map of the northern part of the State of new York, 1812 ["Lay's"] Spec. Coll. 2-3-16
- Spafford's gazetteer. 1813. Spec. Coll. F 117 S 73
A facsimile of the map only is in the map cabinet, Spec. Coll. Map 2-2-5
- Spafford's gazetteer. 1824 Spec. Coll. Map 2-2-6
This is a facsimile of the map used in the original.
- Map of the State of New York, 1833. ["Mitchell's"] Spec. Coll. Map 2-2-3
- New York, 1836 ["Gordon"]. 1990 Reprint. Spec. Coll. F 117 G7
- Historical collections of the State of New York ["Barber & Howe"]. 1841 F 119 .B262
A general description of every township, geographical history of each county. Selected biographical sketches. Not indexed.

- New York, 1842 ["Disturnell"]. Spec. Coll. F 117 D59
- Map of the State of New York showing its canals and railroads, 1859. Spec. Coll. Map 2-3-18
- County map of the State of New York, 1860 ["Mitchell's"] Spec. Coll. Map 2-2-4
- New York, 1860. ["French's"] Spec. Coll. F 117 F75 1860g (four copies)
- French's New York gazetteer. 1860. Index. Spec. Coll. F117 F75 1860f
- Map of New York State, 1866. Spec. Coll. Map 2-2-4
Showing towns, counties, rivers, railroads, and canals.
- Asher & Adams new topographical atlas & gazetteer of New York. 1870. Spec. Coll. Oversize G 1252.A825 1870
- Aboriginal place names of New York. 1907. Ref. F117.B37 1971
- New York gazetteer. 1983. Ref. 117 .N7

X. NEW YORK STATE MILITARY RECORDS

Colonial & Revolutionary Wars

**** Those who served in the country's earliest wars, beginning with the Revolutionary War, were offered public lands for their services. Land-grant records' are therefore similar to pension files, both of which usually show the veteran's name, rank, military unit, and period of service. The National Archives also houses other land records, such as homestead applications and private land claim files. The original records relating to the Colonial Wars, the Revolutionary War, the NY State Militia, etc. were destroyed by fire in 1811, however indexes of the documents were published in official histories [see below] prior to this.**

- Military service records: a select catalog of National Archives microfilm publication. 1985. Ref. CD 3033 1985 *Contains detailed descriptions of military records available on microfilm held by the National Archives, and how to access them.*
- Muster rolls of New York provincial troops, 1755-1764. 1892 Spec. Coll. F115 N63 vol.24
- Muster and pay rolls of the war of the Revolution, 1775-1783. 1915. Spec. Coll. F 116 N63 vol. 48
- The Nation's heroes [sic] are fittingly remembered ... 1921. Spec. Coll. F 127 O91N3
A list of Revolutionary War soldiers who are buried in Oswego county cemeteries.
- New York in the revolution as colony and State. [2 vol.] 1895-1904. Spec. Coll. E 263 N6 N442
Contains summary lists of officers and enlisted men in the numerous county regiments of the New York militia, as well as New York units of the Continental Forces. The work also lists men who served in levies (drafted from the militia) and in state naval forces. It lists officers, soldiers, and sailors entitled to land bounty right certificates issued by the state. Volume 2 lists civil officers of the state government, persons who supplied goods and services to the state, a small number of pensioners, and person whose property was confiscated by the state. Each volume is indexed.
- New York State Archives. Records of Military Service.
<http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/genea-htm#mil>
- Report of the State Historian. 1897. Spec. Coll. F 116 N26 Transcription of NY colonial archives 1673-1675, colonial muster rolls, indexed.

War of 1812

- Military service records: a select catalog of National Archives microfilm publications. 1985. Ref. CD 3033 1985 *Contains detailed descriptions of military records available on microfilms held by the National Archives, and how to access them.*
- The nation's heroes are fittingly remembered ... 1921. Spec. Coll. F 127 O91N3

A list of war of 1812 soldiers who are buried in Oswego county cemeteries.

- New York State Archives. Records of Military Service.
<http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/genea-fa.htm#mil>
** Most records relating to service in the War of 1812 (muster & pay rolls, compiled service records) can be found at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. (Record Group 94). The New York State Archives hold transcriptions of pay rolls of the New York State Militia Companies that were mustered into Federal service during the war of 1812(record Series B0810). These transcriptions contain name, rank, amount of pay, and Captain's name. Certificates of claims for war service (expenses_ can be found in record Series A0020, A3342).

Civil War

- A record of the commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates, of the regiments which were organized in the State of New York and called into service of the United States to assist in suppressing the Rebellion ... 1864-1868. **Civil War muster rolls, Spec. Coll. E 523.3 N56**
- Annual report of the Adjutant General's Office. 1847-1905. **Spec. Coll. UA43.N7**
Volumes for 1893-1905 have supplements which contain registers of New York regiments in the War of Rebellion.
- Dedication of the monument erected by the State of New York at Andersonville, GA. 1914. **Spec Coll. E 612 A5N5**
Lists soldiers from New York who are buries at Andersonville prison with company, date, and cause of death.
- E-mail for Civil War pension files request forms. inquire@nara.gov
You can obtain the NAFT Form 80 (6 per order_ by providing your name and mailing address to inquire@nara.gov. Be sure to specify "Form 80" and the number of forms you need. You can also obtain the NAFT Form 80 by writing to: National Archives and Records Administration, Attn: NWDTI, 700 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Wash. DC, 20408-0001. There is no charge for the forms.
- Guide to the Federal Archives relating to the Civil War. 1962. **Ref. CD 3047 M8**
A complete guide to what records are available in the National Archives and how to access them.
- The honors of the Empire State in the War of the Rebellion. 1889. **Spec. Coll. E523.T75**
Does not list soldiers but is useful in discovering unit histories.
- Index of Civil War Information available on the Internet.
<http://www.cwc.lsu.edu/civlink.htm>
Civil war site with links to unit histories and genealogical information.
- Military service records: a select catalog of national Archives microfilm publications. 1985. **CD 3033 1985** *Contains detailed descriptions of military records available on microfilm held by the National Archives, and how to access them.*
- Muster rolls of Oswego County regiments during the Civil War. **Spec. Coll. Vertical file**
- New York at Gettysburg [3 vol.]. 1900. **Spec. Coll. E475.53 N58**
History of New York Regiments involved in the Battle of Gettysburg.
- New York in the war of Rebellion, 1861-1865. [5 vol.] Indexed. 1912. **Spec. Coll. E 523 P58**
A general history, but on which identifies most regiments from the State as well as their commanders.
- Report of the State Historian. 1897. **Spec. Coll. F 116 N26 N3**
Accounts of several NY regiments of the Civil War. Indexed.

** You may also be interested in the many published regimental histories, diaries, and personal narratives which exist for various New York State Regiments [some on microfiche]. Penfield Library also has published and unpublished correspondence and diaries from personnel who served in the Civil war. Ask at the Information Desk or in Special Collections for help in locating records of books or manuscript collections relating to particular Civil War regiments. The manuscripts collection of Penfield's Library has been indexed by the staff of Pens fields Library. The electronic index can be searched from the Oswego Library Web page or Gopher, [http:// www.oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html](http://www.oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html)

Spanish American War

- Military Service Records: a Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications. 1985. Ref. CD 3033 1985 *Contains detailed descriptions of military records available on microfilm held by the National Archives, and how to access them.*
- New York and the war with Spain. 1903. **Spec. Coll. E726 N5 N6**
A general history.
- New York State Archives. Records of Military Service.
[Http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/genea-fa.htm#mil](http://www.sara.nysed.gov/holding/fact/genea-fa.htm#mil)
Service records can be found in record series B0809
- Spanish-American War Volunteer. **E 725.4 9th.C6 1971**
This work contains the roster and muster rolls and some biographies of the largely African-American Ninth United States Volunteer Infantry.

XI. OSWEGO COUNTY RESOURCES

Oswego City and County Histories

- Around Oswego. **F 129.O7 P75 1996**
- Early Sandy Creek history. 1993 **Spec. Coll. F 129.S21 P267**
- Centennial souvenir history of the town of Sandy Creek, Oswego County, New York. 1925 **Spec. Coll. F129.S21 D3**
- “Grip’s” historical souvenir of Mexico, N.Y. 1904. **Spec. Coll. F129.M63 W4**
- History of Oswego County. 1877. **F 127 O91 J6**
- Landmarks of Oswego County, New York 1895. **Ref F127 O91 C56 1994 c.3**
- Landmarks of Oswego County. 1988. **F127.091 L36 1988**
- Mexico: the 20th town in the 20th century. 1996 **Spec. Coll. F129.M63 S52 1996**
- Mexico: Mother of Towns. 1949. Indexed. Spec. Coll. F 129 M61 S55
- The North Country; a history, embracing Jefferson, St Lawrence, Oswego, Lewis and Franklin Counties, New York. 1932 [3 vol.] **F 119 .L28**
- Old shipping days in Oswego. **Spec. Coll. HE 767.O7 F5 S**
- Oswego: Hamlet Days, 1796 – 1828. 1990 **Spec. Coll. F 129 O91 S63**
- Orwell (NY) remembered. [2 vol.]. 1976, 1993. **Spec. Coll. F127 O67 M2**
- A Scriba Anthology. Vol. 1: the Nineteenth Century. 1997. **Check catalog for location**
- Sesquicentennial history of the town of Sandy Creek, Oswego County, 1825-1975. **Spec. Coll. F 129.S21 P6**
- The Story of Schroepel (Oswego, N.N.). **Spec. Coll. F 127 O91 S3**

**** There are numerous local histories of Oswego County towns in Penfield Library. Some of these will be located in Special Collections. Ask at the Information Desk or in Special Collections about finding other sources of local history. The manuscript collection of Penfield Library has been indexed by the staff of Penfield Library. The electronic index can be searched from the Oswego Library Web page or Gopher, <http://www.oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html/>**

Oswego City and County Directories

- Boyd’s business directory of New York and Oswego Midland Railroad and its branches. 1873. [Microfilm] **Spec. Coll. F 129 O7 A18** [ask at second floor Periodical/Media Desk].
- Brigham’s Oswego and Fulton directory. 1862. **Spec. Coll. F129 O7 A18**
- [Manning’s} Fulton (New York) directory. 1935. **Spec. Coll. F 129 F9 A18**

- Gazetteer and business directory of Oswego County, N.Y. [Child}. 1866/1867. **Spec. Coll. F129 O7 A18**
- Fulton city directory [Hanford]. 1903. **Spec. Coll. F 129.F9 A 18**
- Oswego City directories. 1852 to the present. **Spec. Coll. F 129 O7 A18**
- Oswego City phone books. 1967 to present. **Spec. Coll. F129 O7 D61**
- Oswego City residence and advertising directory. **Spec. Coll. F129 O7 A18 1859**
- Parson's Fulton, Oswego Falls, and Phoenix directory: containing also a directory of the towns of Volney, Hannibal, Granby, and Schroepfel, 1894-1895. **Spec. Coll. F 129 F9 A18**

Government Records

**** State census information on families for the State of New York prior to the 1855 census was destroyed by fire and exists only in fragmentary form.**

- American County Government. 1969. **JS 411.B64**
Useful in helping the researcher to determine which county office can be expected to hold which records.
- Bills of sale of vessels 16 Apr 1910-30 Aug 1916 (Port of Oswego). **Spec. Coll. MS 63**
Indexed. Some geographical and personal information is contained in most of the records.
- Census indexes for Oswego County towns in the state & Federal censuses. **Spec. Coll. MS 84** Granby: 1850 – 1925 inclusive. Palermo: 1860, 1865, 1875, 1892, 1905, 1925. Scriba: 1865, 1875. Volney: 1865, 1870, 1875, 1892, 1905, 1915, 1925.
- Local government records: an introduction to their management, preservation, and use. 1980. **CD 3024.J66** *Identifies the various types of records and explains their applications to research.*
- New York State census for Oswego County 1855-1925. **Docs./Law Room** [microfilm].
Complete county census for Oswego taken every ten years beginning in 1855. There is an index to the 1855 manuscript census of Oswego County shelved on the census microfilm cabinet.
- Oswego City Board of Public Charity Cases ledger [6 vol.] 1895-1928. **Spec. Coll. MS 108**
Ledgers of all support given to charity cases by the board between 1895 and 1928. Volumes are alphabetical by surname. Each case has a record of all amounts of food, medicine and money provided when, and for what reason. Information about recipients includes full name and address, name of spouse, number and ages of all children, occupation, nationality, and reason for being on charity.
- Oswego City Police court docket (also called recorders' docket) [19 vol.] **Spec. Coll. MS 108**
Record of arrests in the City of Oswego. Information given includes the date of arrest, name of arresting officer, full name of suspect, reason for arrest, witnesses. Some records contain information on who posted bail, where the suspect lived, and /or information about victims. Not indexed.
- Oswego City Police law record [2 vol.] May 1870-Dec 1895. **Spec Coll. MS 108**
Vol. 1 begins with a listing of all the members of the Board of Commissioners, and the members of the police force as of May 1870. Descriptions, with ages, are given of each officer. The rest of these volumes are the minutes from each meeting of the Board of Commissioners. The minutes include regular listings of all officers and rates of pay, hires, dismissals, and pay raises. Not indexed.
- Oswego City record of licenses, 1848-1891. **Spec. Coll. MS 108**
Beginning in May 1848, a record of the granting of commerce licenses for such professions as butchers, cart men, drivers of wagons for hire, liquor purveyors, restaurant & hotel owners ("victualizers"), grocers, and porters, and temporary licenses for theater troops, circus acts, menageries, and side shows. Not indexed.
- Oswego City tax rolls. 1925-1952, 1962, 1964, 1973, 1975 **Spec. Coll. MS 115. 1**
Ledgers are alphabetical by surname. Information given includes name, block, street, amount paid.

- Oswego County Clerk's records survey: records in Oswego County Clerk's office. **Ref. F127.O91.A1 1987** *Contains a listing of every record series, with dates, that are held by the county clerk. Also includes comments and descriptions.*
- Oswego County mortality schedules. 1850 – 1880. **Spec. Coll. MS 84 Box 2** *Shows the names of individuals who dies within the year and the cause of death. Taken every ten years.*
- Oswego County tax rolls. 1929-1952, 1959 **Spec Coll. MS 115.1** *Ledgers are alphabetical by surname. Information given includes name, block, street, amount paid.*
- Port of Oswego. Customs Office records 1856-1932. **Spec. Coll. MS 63.** *The U.S. customs collection in the Special Collections of Penfield Library contains a mixture of discontinuous records books which include ship enrollments, licenses, and records of shipping vessels entering and departing Oswego (NY) harbor. This collection also includes a statistical blotter, and letter books from the office of Customs in Oswego. While many of the volumes do contain information useful to genealogists, i.e. ship master's names, ship owners' names and homes, etc., it should be noted that many of the volumes are not indexed and the indexes that do exist are listed by the name of the vessel and not the owner or captain. See also: MS 071, the Richard Palmer Collection for information on ship enrollments and shipwrecks.*
- Primary enrollment book: towns, Oswego County, New York. **Spec. Coll. F127.O91 A2 1959** *A registers of voters.*
- The taming of the wilderness in Northern New York: records of the land purchases of early settlers for 1826 for lands in Jefferson, Lewis and Oswego Counties. **F 127.J2 P54 1993**

Other Institutional Records

- ** Check "A descriptive guide to the manuscripts of Penfield's Library's Manuscript Collection" (available at the Information Desk) or the Online catalog for diaries, letters, or other documents relating to individuals.**
- Ledger of the Board of education [2 vol.] 1853-1863 and 1873-1886 (Oswego City Schools) **Spec. Coll. MS 97** *An indexed record of payments to all teachers during the period noted.*
 - Guide to historical resources in Oswego County, New York repositories. Ref. F127.O91 A1 1984 *See also management file "Genealogy resources in Oswego County and New York State in the Special Collections filing cabinets.*
 - Historical sketches relating to the first quarter century of the State Normal and Training School at Oswego N.Y. 1888 LB 1921 O72 A5 1861-1888 *This book contains a list of graduates during the first twenty-five years of the existence of the Normal School at Oswego with information about their origins and where they subsequently taught.*
 - History of the first half-century of the Oswego State Normal and Training School, Oswego, new York 1991. LB 1921 .O72 A5 1861-1911 *This book contains a list of graduates during the first fifty years of the existence of the Normal School at Oswego with information about their origins and where they subsequently taught. This information appears to have been compiled from annual class ledgers, 17/1/21. Occasionally these ledgers hold additional information which does not appear in "First Half Century".*
 - Oswego genealogy. <http://www.oswego.com/roots.html>
 - Palladium-Times. 1819 – to present. Periodical, 2nd Floor [microfilm] *During the 19th century, there were numerous small local newspapers in and around Oswego. Most of these were short lived or eventually became part of the two major competitors which were the Palladium and the Times family of newspapers. These two surviving newspapers merged into one in 1925. This publication has been partially indexed by the staff of Penfield Library. The index is currently in both card (1819-1839), and electronic (1839-1856+, discontinuous) form and can be searched from the Oswego Library Web page or Gopher. <http://www.oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html/>*
 - Publication of the Oswego County Historical Society 1939-77. F127.O9109 [+date]

This publication has been indexed by the staff of Penfield Library. The electronic index can be searched from the Oswego Library Web page or Gopher, [http://www. Oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html/](http://www.Oswego.edu/library/speccoll.html/)

- Scrapbooks: obituary and miscellaneous clippings relating largely to Oswego County, NY ca. 1889-1927, with index. Spec. Coll. Microfilm F 118 O12 1975
- St. Peter's Cemetery; Rte 481, Oswego N.Y. 1994 Spec Coll. F 129.O7 S149 1949
Other cemetery records are available at the Oswego County Historical Society, the County historian's office or from the churches themselves.

Atlases & Maps

- Map of the county of Oswego, 1829 ["Burr's"] Spec. Coll. Map 1-3-1
- Map of east and west Oswego. C. 1830s Spec. Coll. Map 1-2-6
This map shows Oswego's streets with names drawn from the zodiac. The names were changed to those we use today in 1837.
- Map of Oswego City, 1851 ["Bevan's"] Spec Coll. Map 101021
- Map of Oswego County, 1854 ["Geil's"] Spec Coll. (framed wall map)
Each town is shown with lot ownership, location of homes, railroads, rivers, and canals. Pieces of the wall map are available in pieces for copying. Spec. Coll. Map 1-3-4.
- City atlas of Oswego, New York. 1880 Microfilm G 1254.07 H72 1990
Hard copy of atlas also held in Special Collections.
- Sanborn fire insurance maps. 1886. Microfilm G 3801.G475 S26 1983 One reel, No. 70 Includes: Oneonta, Ontario, Orchard Park, Oriskany, Oriskany Falls, Ossining, and Oswego (ref. No. 6150)
Paper copies for Fulton (1924), Mexico, NY (1927) and Pulaski (1925) are housed in Special Collections.
- Map of the County of Oswego, ca 1889. ["Blankman's"] Spec. Coll. (framed wall map)
Lot ownership, location of residences and maps of surrounding towns. The individual towns which are inset in the wall map are available in pieces for copying. Spec. Coll. Map A-1
- Map of the City of Oswego, 1900. Spec. Coll. Map 1-2-6
Showing election districts, which correspond to the 1900 census.
- New topographical atlas of Oswego County, new York . 1867. Spec. Coll. Ref. G1253.07 S8 1974 *Reprint. Lot ownership, location of residences and maps of surrounding towns. Original 1867 edition is held in Special Collections.*

XII. NEIGHBORING COUNTY GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION

See especially New York county and regional histories and atlases on microfilm. Ask at second floor periodical/media desk. Most county histories from late 19th century include geographical descriptions of each town, a brief history of their settlements, and mention early immigrants and settlers. Most also include a section of biographical sketches.

St Lawrence

- History of St Lawrence Co., New York: with illustrations and biographical sketches of some of its prominent men and pioneers. 1878. Microfilm F 119.N7 86:353
- History of St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties, New York. 1853 F 127 S2 H8 1970
- New Topographical atlas of St. Lawrence Co., New York [Beers] 1865. Microfilm F119.N7 85:350
- The North Country, a history, embracing Jefferson, St. Lawrence, Oswego, Lewis and Franklin Counties, New York. 1932. [3 vol.] F119 .L28
- Our county and its people; a memorial record of St. Lawrence. 1894. Microfilm F119.N7 85:352

Jefferson & Lewis

- 150 years of Watertown. 1950. F129.W34 L3
- A history of Jefferson County in the State of New York from the earliest period to the present time. 1854. F127.J4H8 1976
- Gazetteer of Jefferson County, New York, 1684-1890 [Child]. 1890. Spec. Coll. F 127 J4C5
- Genealogical and family history of the County of Jefferson, New York...1905. [2vol] Microfilm F 119.N745:195
- History of Jefferson County, New York. 1878. Spec. Coll. F127 J4 H6
- New topographical atlas of Jefferson Co., New York . [Beers} 1864 Microfilm F 119.N7 43:187
- Robinson's atlas of Jefferson County, New York. 1888. Microfilm F 119.N7 45:196
- The sixteen settlers. 1988. Spec. Coll. F 127 J4 G97
A history of southern Jefferson County, N.Y. Includes over 500 names on NY militia rolls in 1814.
- The North Country; a history, embracing Jefferson, St. Lawrence, Oswego, Lewis and Franklin Counties, New York . 1932. [3 vol.] F 119 .L28
- The taming of the wilderness in Northern New York: records of the land purchases of early settlers for 1826 for lands in Jefferson, Lewis and Oswego counties. F 127.J2 P54 1993
- Through eleven decades of history: Watertown, a history from 1800 to 1912. Microfilm F 119.N7 45:194
- Atlas of Lewis Co., New York [Beers] 1875. Microfilm F 199.N7 48:207
- A history of Lewis County. 1860. Microfilm F 119.N7 48:209
- Gazetteer and business directory for Lewis County, NY: for 1872-73 [Child]. Microfilm F 119.N7.48:208

Herkimer

- A history of Herkimer County. 1856. Microfilm F 119.N7 42:180
- Atlas of Herkimer County, New York [Beach] 1868. Microfilm F 119.N7 42:186
- History of Herkimer County, New York. 1893. Microfilm F 119.N7 42:182

Oneida

- Our county and its people; a descriptive work on Oneida County. 1896. Microfilm F 119.N7 67:270 & Spec. Coll. F127 O5 W2
- Peopling the Adirondacks: a report of the Adirondack Museum's survey describing documentary collections concerning the history of the diverse peoples in the Adirondack region. Spec. Coll. F 127.A2 F625 1995
- Atlas of Oneida County, New York. [Beers] 1874 Microfilm F 119.N7 64:262
- Annals and recollections of Oneida County. 1851. Microfilm F 119.N7 66:267 & Spec. Coll. F 127.0517 J78
- Early Histories and descriptions of Oneida County, New York. Spec. Coll. F 127.O5 E27 1990
- History of Oneida County, New York. 1878. Microfilm F 119.N7 65:265 & Spec. Coll. F127 O5 D9
- History of Oneida County, New York: from 1700 to the present time. 1912. Microfilm F119.N7 65:264

Madison

- Atlas of Madison County, New York [Beers]. 1875. Microfilm F 119.N7 51:218
- History of Madison County, new York. 1872. Spec. Coll. F 127 M2 W6
- History of Madison County: state of New York 1872. Microfilm F 119.N7 51:223
- Immigrants in Madison County, New York, 1815-1860. F 127 .M2 B72 1990
- Madison County New York State Federal Census, 1810. In "Tree Talks", vol. 18, no 4 Dec. 1978. Spec. Coll. Filing Cabinet

Onondaga

- History of Onondaga County, New York. 1878. Microfilm F119.N7 70:275
- Onondaga; or reminiscences of earlier and later times; being a series of historical sketches relative to Onondaga. 1849. Microfilm F 119.N7 70:274 & Spec. Coll. 127 O6 C5
- Onondaga's Centennial: gleanings of a century. 1896. Microfilm F 199.N7 69:273
- Our county and its people; a descriptive and biographical record of Madison County, new York. 1899 Microfilm F119.N7 51:222
- A history of old Syracuse, 1654-1899. 1941. F 129.S8 B3
- Memorial history of Syracuse, NY : from its settlement to the present time. 1891. LAC 14061 Microform coll. 2nd Floor
- Past and Present of Syracuse and Onondaga County, New York, from prehistory times to the beginning of 1908. 1908 [2 vol.] Spec. Coll. F 127 O6 B37
- Pioneer times in Onondaga Country. 1904. Microfilm F 119.N7 71: 281 & Spec. Coll. F 127 O6 S6
- Skaneateles; history of its earliest settlement and reminiscences of later times. 1902. Microfilm F 119.N7 71:278
- Sweet's new atlas of Onondaga County, New York. 1874. Microfilm F119.N7 17:283 & Spec. Coll. G 1253.05 S85 1973 1.
Cayuga
- A chronicle of early Auburn (N.Y.), 1793 to 1860. 1953. Spec. Coll. F 129.A7 A43
- Biographical review: this volume contains biographical sketches of the leading citizens of Cayuga County, New York. 1894. Microfilm F 119.N7 19:72

- Cayuga County: a bibliography of local history. 1941. Microfilm F 119.N7 19:75 County atlas of Cayuga, New York [Beers]. 1875. Microfilm F119.N7 19:71
- Gazetteer and business directory of Cayuga county, NY for 1867/8 [Child] Microfilm F 119.N7 19:74
- Historical records of a hundred and twenty years, Auburn, NY 1913 Spec. Coll. F 129.A7 M7
- The history of Auburn. 1869. LA 10874 Microform collection
- History of Cayuga County, New York. 1879 Indexed. Spec. Coll. F127 C5 S8
- The Indian and pioneer, a historical study. 1893. [2 vol.] Spec. Coll. E 99 I7 Y3
Contains genealogies of the Shoemaker, Van Sicle, and Yawger families of Cayuga County.
- The new century atlas of Cayuga County, New York. 1904. Microfilm F 119.N7 19:73 Wayne
- Atlas of Wayne Co., NY [Beers]. 1874 Microfilm F 119.N7 107:434
- History of Wayne County, New York, 1789-1877. Microfilm F119.N7 108:439 & Spec. Coll. F127.W4 M2 1975
- History of Wayne County, New York. F127.W4 M2 1975
- Landmarks Of Wayne County, new York. 1895 Microfilm F 119.N7 107:437
- Morrison's history of Clyde, Wayne Co., New York. 1969. Spec. Coll. F 129 C6M6
Includes Galen.
- New century atlas, Wayne County, New York. 1904. Microfilm F 119.N7 107:435 & Spec. Coll.
- Red Creek: once upon a time. 1978. Spec. Coll. F 129.R4 F7
- Rose neighborhood sketches, Wayne county, New York: with glimpses of the adjacent towns: Butler, Wolcott, Huron, Sodus, Lyons and Savannah 1893 Microfilm F 119.N7 108:440 Seneca
- 100th anniversary of the town of Junius. 1903. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:384
- A history of Seneca County, New York, 1876-1982. F119.N7 92:380 & Spec. Coll. F127.S4 H67
- Atlas of Seneca County, New York [Beers]. 1874. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:381
- Centennial and historical sketch of the town of Fayette, Seneca County, New York. 1900. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:385
- Centennial celebration of the official organization of the town of Romulus, Seneca County, New York. 1894. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:383
- The country between the lakes: a public history of Seneca County, New York, 1876-1982. F 127.S4 W37 1982
- The country between the lakes: life and people to be remembered; Seneca County, New York 1895. F 127 .S4 W372 1988
- Gazetteer and business directory of Seneca County, NY for 1867/8 [Child]. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:378
- "Grip's" historical souvenir of Seneca Falls, NY 1904? Microfilm F 119.N7 92:386
- Reference and business directory of Seneca County, NY 1894/095 [Child]. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:379
- Portrait and biographical record of Seneca and Schuyler counties, New York. 1895. Microfilm F 119.N7 92:382

XIII. WORLD WIDE WEB RESOURCES [Ask at main floor Information Desk]

- A barrel of links. <http://cpcug.org/user/jlacombe/mark.html>
Over 300 links to worldwide genealogy sites. Includes a good list of about 50 U.S. Civil War links as well.
- Adoption reunion registry. <http://reunion.base.org>
- African-American genealogy website. <http://msstate.edu/Archives/History/afri/gen/>
An excellent place to begin for African American research. You will find links to others researching the same surnames, as well as informative links to many aspects of African American history.
- Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the internet. <http://www.oz.net/~cyndihow/sites.htm>
This is a truly huge and award winning list of sites relating to every aspect of genealogy.
- Directory of LDS family history centers in New York
http://www.genhomepage.com/FHC/New_York.html
- Genealogical research the New York Public Library.
<http://nypl.org/research/chss/lhg/research.html>
- Everton's genealogical helper. <http://www.everton.com>
The world's largest genealogical periodical.
- Genealogical resources in the New York State Archives.
<http://www.sara.nyed.gov/holding/fact/genea-fa.htm>
- Genealogy & local history (Libraryland). <http://ny.rcls.org/libland/llochis.htm>
Links to discussion groups, organizations, genealogy and archival pages, electronic newsletters and journals.
- Genealogy homepage. <http://www.genhomepage.com/>
In addition to an organized list of links, this page has a "what's new" section which is updated daily
- Helm's genealogy toolbox. <http://genalogy.tbox.com/info.htm>
Links broken down by geographical area, surname, and subject category.
- George Archer's Netguide. <http://genealogy.org/NGS/netguide/welcome.html>
A very comprehensive guide to Internet based information, particularly to newsgroups, mailing lists, search engines, ftp sites, telnet sites, gopher, archive, and veronica sites, e-mail only services and resources, as well as links to Web pages of interest.
- Roots Surname List or RSL. <http://www.rootseweb.com/roots-l/family.readme.html>
Lists over 1000,000 surnames and the E-mail addresses of the people researching them.

XIV. HOUSE AND BUILDING HISTORIES

- The American family home, 1800-1960. NA 7205.C58 1986
An overview of building styles and trends in residential homes.
- Church history: an introduction to research, reference works, and methods. BR 138.B69 1995
- Historic house museums: a practical handbook for their care, preservation and management. E172.B88 1993
Aimed primarily at museum professionals, but very informative on the care of old homes.
- Houses and homes: exploring their history. E 180.H68 1987
- House histories: a guide to tracing the genealogy of your home. NA7205.L43 1989
An excellent beginner's guide for the first time architectural researcher.
- The impecunious house restorer: personal vision and historic accuracy. NA 7205.K57. 1984
A guide to the physical restoration which follows research.
- Local businesses: exploring their history. HD 2785.K43 1990

- Victorian houses: a treasury of lesser-known examples. 1973. NA 720.G56 Examples only, not much information.
- XV. GENEALOGY FOR PUBLICATION & PROFIT
- Genealogy as pastime and profession. CS 16 .J3 1968
Written by a renowned genealogist, this guide helps beginners and professionals alike to set goals and develop their hobby or business.
 - Turning Memories into memoirs. PN 145. L4 1993
A guide to writing historical narratives, memoirs, biographies, and family histories.
 - The genealogy and local history researcher's self publishing guide: how to organize, write, print, and sell your family or local history book. Z 286 .G46 C37 1992
 - Teaching about ethnic heritage. CMC GN 307.8 .S64 1988
Designed specifically for educators.

XVI. OTHER REOSURCES IN THE OSWEGO AREA

**** A list of local city, town, county, and church historians is available from Special Collections at Penfield Library.**

- Church records.
Including admissions, dismissals, baptisms, marriages, and burials. Check the yellow pages in local telephone books for the phone numbers of churches. Some of the local churches also have published histories in the Penfield's Library Collections. Check the Online Catalog for holdings.
- Fulton Historical Society. (315)598-4616
A research library is available for public use. Holdings include cemetery records and city directories, as well as a collection of obituaries and collected information on Fulton families. Call for hours.
- Heritage Foundation of Oswego, Inc.. (315) 342-3354
An architectural preservation society with a large collection of photographs of local historical homes with some information pertaining to the families who built them and lived in them. Call for an appointment to view the collection.
- Onondaga County Public Library, Local History & Special Collections Dept. (315) 448-INFO
Resources focus mainly on Onondaga County. Holdings include a large obituary collection, surname fields, complete NY censuses for every year taken as well as censuses and indexes for many other northeastern states up to 1870. The library also holds maps and atlases of Syracuse and Onondaga County, some County vital records and wills on microfilm, and a wide variety of many other sources. Librarians are available during all open hours for assistance. Call for hours.
- Oswego County Clerk's Office, 46 E. Bridge St. (315)349-8385
Deeds and mortgages, probate records, wills, census manuscripts, marriage, and miscellaneous records. City directories for Fulton and Oswego. Cemetery records, local histories, and some family histories. 8:30-5:00 Monday through Friday.
- Oswego County Genealogical Society. Jackie Cregg (President) (315) 342-3284
The society meets regularly throughout the year in the legislative chambers on the 4th floor of the Oswego County Building, 46 East Bridge St. In Oswego. Call Jackies Cregg (or Charlene Cole at (315) 695-2820) for meeting information.
- Oswego County Historian. Barb Dix (315) 349-8460/61 The office of the Oswego County Historian is located at East River Rd. in Oswego. Call for an appointment. You may also contact Barb Dix by FAX: (315) 349-8458, and e-mail: bd@co.oswego.ny.us
- Oswego County Historical Society at the Richardson-Bates House Museum. (315) 343-1342. The society has an extensive research library and welcomes genealogist. Resources include Oswego County Civil War Muster Rolls, obituary collection, city

directories, cemetery indexes, and back issues of the Historical Society Journal. The Society also has a large photograph collection that includes portraits and is indexed by subject. There is a \$5 research fee, which includes 5 photocopies. Staff members will research for a fee, or can refer guests to local professional genealogists. An appointment is preferred. Contact the museum curator.

XVII. LOCATING PROFESSIONAL GENEALOGICAL HELP

Many professional genealogists can be located through genealogy Web pages or genealogical societies. Professional genealogists are certified by the Board of Certification of Genealogists which maintains standards and codes of ethics for trained professionals. The Board publishes an annual list of certified genealogists. This list may be obtained for an \$8.00 fee from the:

Board for Certification of Genealogists
Box 14291, Washington, D.C. 20044

The Associate of Professional Genealogists in Washington and Salt Lake City, Utah, also publishes its membership directory available for \$15.00. They also publish a pamphlet entitled: "So you're going to hire a professional genealogist."

Association of Professional Genealogists
3421 M. St. N.Y., Ste. 236
Washington, D.C. 20007-3552
(703) 920-2385 or (504) 766-3018

Many amateur genealogists will prove to be reliable sources of information as well, but keep in mind that not everyone offering their services or advice is fully competent and you may not be able to trust their work. You may want to ask for a referral from the Oswego County Historical Society [see information above], the Oswego County Genealogical Society [see information above]. If you desire access to genealogical organizations in another region, you may be able to get a referral from the umbrella group the New York State Council of Genealogical Organizations [NYSCOGO] at:

NYSCOGO
P O Box 2593,
Syracuse, NY 13220-2593

Or the new York Genealogical and Biographical Society at:

New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
122 E. 58th St.
New York, NY 10022-1939
Phone: (212) 755-8532