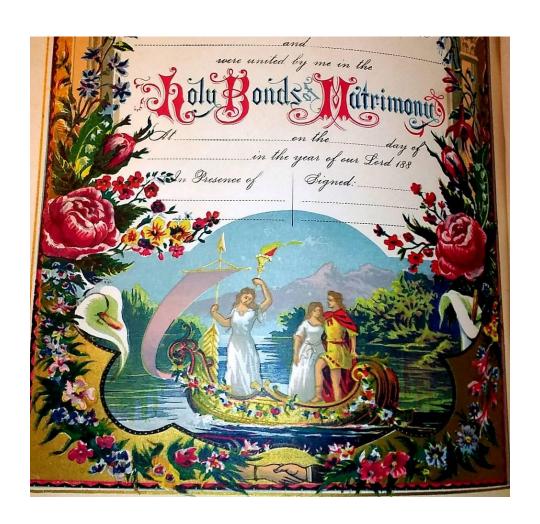
LIVERMORE HERITAGE GUILD MONOGRAPH

OLD FAMILY BIBLES



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Purpose

This documentary monograph gives partial public access to historical and/or two-century old editions of Bibles belonging to early Livermore ranchers. This reduces undue physical wear and tear of the historical objects within the Livermore Heritage Guild (LHG) collection in Livermore, California.

Limited Flash Photography

The LHG limits exposure to the air and flash photography of these Biblical pages (especially the gold gilt images). The enclosed photographs, unless specified, were taken on 10/13/2017. If an image lacks sufficient clarity, a researcher may seek access to the source object to obtain a professional photograph of specific pages.

The Livermore Heritage Guild claims rights to each professional image to update this monograph with that superior image. The photographer will be credited.

Arrangement of this Monograph

These Bibles (or "libraries-between-two-covers") were part of the LHG collection in 2017and represent the Clark, Crane, Fish/Millington, Maclean, Peck, and Black/Wagoner families. They are arranged in publication date order.

PART 1 describes the varied content available for these custom bound Family Bibles in 1880's America and how rural families obtained them from traveling salesmen.

PART 2 describes each Bible (date, unique characteristics, historical significance). Sample pages display the face sheets of content found in these heirlooms. The archival museum number appears in the format of "LHG year.donor.item"

In **PART 3**, the Family Records found nestled between the Old and New Testaments are shown, followed by a transcription of each based upon the cursive hand-written entries.

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Some source material came from:

- Michigan Historical Monograph: "Allan & Sarah Briley 1876 Family Bible", ©2012, Harry Briley Living Trust
- **creationism.org** (Gustave Doré engravings)
- Windmill Ministries (Dealer in Antique Bibles in English and in Dutch)

PART 1 - Family Bibles in Rural America

A 'fully loaded' Bible was an encyclopedic collection of books. That was the reason they were so heavy. Each 'library-in-a-book' or 'combination Bible' contained, at minimum:

- Protestant **Old Testament** using books from Hebrew Bible (the Tenach)
- Protestant New Testament
- covers in stamped leather, carved deep leather, gold gilt, and/or metal clasps
- From 1881 onward, changes to the King James Version (1611) by the Revised Version (newly released in 1881) appeared as footnotes or in parallel columns

The unique content for each of our combination Bibles appears later in this document but here is a list of but a few examples of optional books available to the Bible purchaser.

- Illustrations and Descriptions of **Ancient Money**
- Apocrypha (Fifteen Septuagint books omitted from Hebrew Tenach)
- Bible Teachers Textbook
- Captivating Bible stories for the Young
- Cities and Towns, et al by John Wilson
- **History of Religious Denominations** (in the late 1800's)
- Complete Concordance Cruden's or by John Brown 1868
- **Dictionary of Bible** by William Smith, 1860-65
 - With 500 Illustrations compared to abridged with 'only' 200 illustrations
- Glossary
- **History of the Books of the Bible** by William Smith, 1860-65
- History of Jewish worship
 - o See also "Sketches of Jewish Social Life", 1876 by Alfred Edersheim
- History of the World 98AD -1882 by William Brown
 The Holy Land by William Reyburn
- **Jerusalem**, et al by Thomas Davis
- Jewish and Egyptian antiquities
- Manners and Customs, et al by John Willamson
 - o See also "Manners and Customs of the Bible", 1874 by James Freeman
- Natural History (animals/plants) by A.F.Thompson
- Life of Saint Paul by Charles Farrar
- Lives of Apostles and Evangelists
- Measures, Weights, and Coins by Richard, Bishop of Peterborough
- Parables of ... Jesus
 Proverbs of Solomon
 by Joseph Haines
 by Edward Lewis
- **Psalter in Metre** (The Psalms adjusted for singing)
- Scenes and Incidents of ... Jesus by Arthur Hayes
- Bible Aids... Social and private prayer
- Temples of Solomon and Herod
 Translators, Reformers, Martyrs
 by Philip Lee
 by Joseph Jenkins

Optional Vital Statistic pages for the Family were selected from among:

- A gold-gilt **Presentation page** in the front
- A gold-gilt **Face Sheet** quoting Deuteronomy 6 and Leviticus (in Matthew 22)
- An ornate multi-color Holy Matrimony Certificate
- Several gold-gilt frill pages for Family Vital Statistics
- A gold-gilt sheet quoting **The Beatitudes** from Matthew 5 KJV
- A gold-gilt sheet quoting The Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6 KJV
- pages in back for **Family Photos**, four to a page

Illustrations as a stand-alone set or sometimes found throughout included:

- numerous **engravings** by Frenchman **Gustave Dore** (black and white images)
- **chromolithographs** (multi-color engravings and plates, some with gold gilt ink)
 - o Example: **Tabernacle in the Wilderness**
- Biblical scenery
- Historical Illustrations of Bible Text
- **Hofmann Gallery** of New Testament Illustrations
- Multi-color **Maps** (in late 1800's) and **Charts**, sometimes as large fold-outs

Purchase Method

Rural families ordered their heirloom Family Bible from a traveling Bible salesman in the late 1800's. Due to the highly customized nature of each individual order, these Bibles were not available from volume discount mail-order catalogs of the era.

Windmill Ministries explains (edited):

The large family Bible of the 1880s was sold by salesmen who literally went 'door-to-door'. They carried a 'Bible Sampler': a book with examples of the covers, spines and some contents of the various styles and options for Bibles offered by a publisher. These Bibles varied from \$5 for the 'cheapest' to about \$15 or even \$18 for the most extensively 'loaded' Bibles. The quality and decorations of the covers would be more extensive as the price increased.

The Salesman Bible Sampler contained small notes with instructions and information to share with the customer and of course one or more pricelists. In the back cover, there would be the so-called subscription list, to write down the names and addresses of each customer plus their various chosen options.

Even though one finds names of different publishers, the vast majority of these Family Bibles were printed by A.J. Holman in Philadelphia.

The name of the publisher on the title page was often the local representative (or franchise) that sold the Bible. [Even so,] a Holman Family Bible can always be recognized by the 'Light of the World' trademark on a title page.

http://www.windmillministries.org/Antique-Salesman-Bible-Store.htm

Illustrations

Lithographic full-page artwork often occurred throughout the Bible. A blank full-page thin tissue "tipped-in" (glued near binding edge) protected the artwork. The 1881 Peck Bible has the fine etching work of Gustave Doré and other artists.

Windmill Ministries describe the proliferation of this artwork (edited):

Traditional (Antique) Family Bibles of the second half of the 19th century are illustrated by many (hundreds to even thousands) of eye-catching and attractive engravings (on wood or steel). French artist Gustave Doré (1832-1883) was by far the best-known and most successful Bible illustrator of that period and his work appears in many of Family Bibles of those days.

Doré was born in Strasbourg and his commissions include works by Rabelais, Balzac, Milton, and Dante. In the mid 1880's Doré illustrated **English Bible** (1866) was a great success. In 1867, Doré held a major exhibition of his work in London, which led to the foundation of the Doré Gallery in New Bond Street.

He produced hundreds of quality Bible illustrations from a wide variety of biblical stories from both the Old Testament (including the Apocrypha) and the New Testament, used in Bibles of many languages in 19th Century Europe and later in the Americas. Most illustrations are identical in the various editions.

Many skillful artists produced such artwork for Biblical themes but without a doubt, Doré was the most renowned. His realistic style breathed new life into these real stories. Centuries of mosaics, frescos, and stone reliefs, with their precise iconography, along with wood block impressions (readers may recall the common halos) had caricaturized many Bible stories in the minds of believers.

However, Doré persons and places looked real. His work (and artistic license) was criticized in his own day, but these illustrations stood the test of time as good physical representations of important Biblical events.

- http://www.windmillministries.org/Gustave-Dore-Antique-Bibles.htm

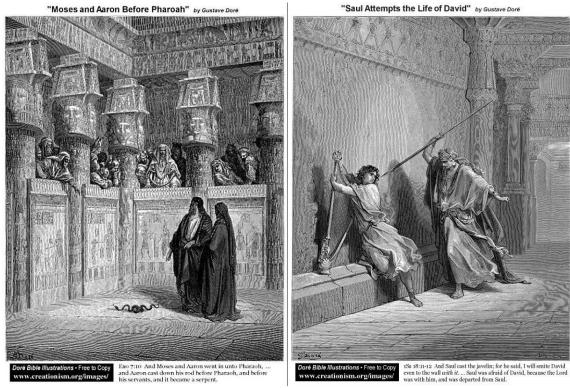


Figure 1 – Moses/Aaron with Pharaoh – Saul attacks David (Gustave Doré)



Figure 2 – Healing the Sick - Peter Denies Christ (Gustave Doré)

PART 2 - Description of each Bible

Peter Kitchingham noted from the family vital statistic pages alone that three sets of families were closely linked to three of the Bibles - namely the Black / Wagoner family, the Maclean family, and the Fish / Millington family. That was indeed the case.

One Source - Four Livermore Families

Earnest Maclean married Henrietta Wagoner and both became the family historians for their respective local Maclean, Millington, Black, and Wagoner families. When their son Nathan Black Maclean, was killed during World War II, Henrietta boxed up sixty artifacts of his young life. Maclean is pronounced as "Mac-klain" (rhymes with rain).

Upon Earnest's death, Henrietta moved into her son Robert's home in Davis California bringing the boxes of the extended family history, including three of the Bibles described in this monograph. This was Beryl Maclean's home. Beryl herself later became the matriarch of these detailed Maclean and Wagoner family histories. This monograph takes snatches of her documentation and my recent interview notes to flesh out the lists of names found within each Bible's family statistic pages (shown in PART 3).

With her mother Jeanne's enthusiastic blessing, Beryl donated the three Bibles in 2013 along with family personal papers. This collection of 166 items (photos, books, objects) is enumerated in the LHG museum database at the Carnegie Library on Third Street.

1831 Black/Wagoner (LHG 2013.02.08)

This 1831 Quaker-translated (Bible Association of Friends) Bible was inscribed with the name of Annie B. Black (b.10/4/1830). The worn cover had a secondary fabric homemade covering likewise worn out.

Beryl did not know if the Black family had a Quaker background or had merely purchased locally as available. The Blacks hailed from the Pennsylvania and New Jersey areas, where Quaker communities were historically located.



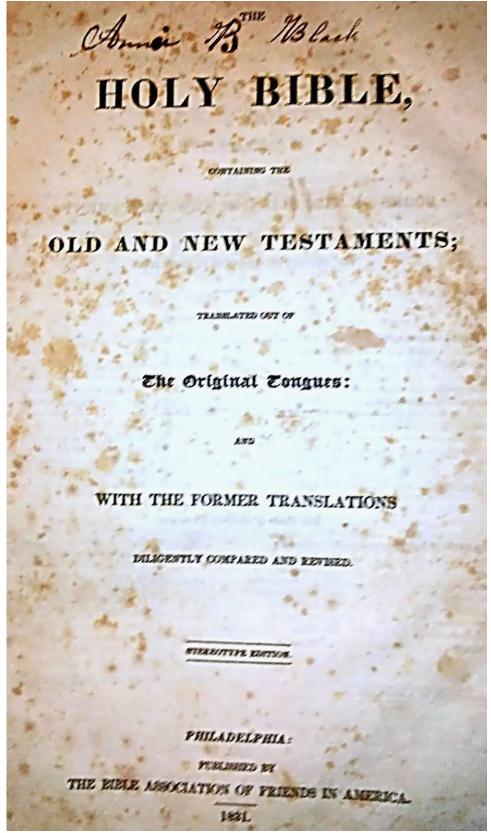


Figure 3 - LHG 2013.02.08 Title Page (BAF, 1831)

THE . NEW TESTAMENT OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST: TRANSLATED OUT OF The Original Greek: WITH THE FORMER TRANSLATIONS DILIGENTLY COMPARED AND REVISED. STEREOTYPE EDITION. PHILADELPHIA: PUBLISHED BY THE BIBLE ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS IN AMERICA. 1831.

Figure 4 - LHG 2013.02.08 Title Page NT (BAF, 1831)

This Bible has center-column cross-references (instead of being shown as footnotes at the bottom of each page). A reader could find a similar cross-reference at the noted passage, thus creating a chain of references to related passages. This feature let the reader benefit from the lifetime studies done by the translation team.

These "chain-reference" Bibles helped the modern reader to find quotes and metaphors taken from older texts. This highly useful aid was relatively new since chapter and verse numbers only started in the Middle Ages. Thus, the actual Biblical text quoted enough of an older text under the assumption that the ancient reader was familiar with those older scriptures. Jesus would quote a line from a Psalm to signal to his local audience to read that referenced Psalm to more fully understand his intent. While humorous to us now, the original text in all seriousness sometimes casually stated "In some place it says …"

The Tenach presented margin symbols, known from at least the Dead Sea Scrolls era, which divided the text into 54 unnumbered weekly readings (called parashot) that originally allowed those known scriptures to be read aloud every year. Thus, something akin to chapter divisions was happening in ancient practice, although unnumbered.

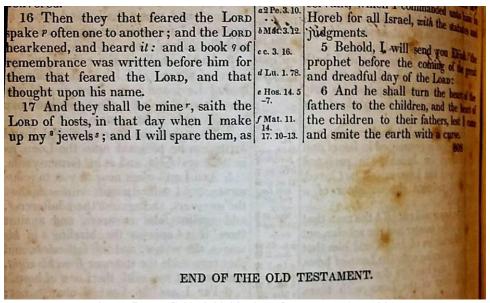


Figure 5 - LHG 2013.02.08 Final OT Page (BAF, 1831)

Since the New Testament version in this Bible advertised as freshly translated out of the Greek, it probably still relied upon Textus Receptus ("Received text") as used for the 1611 King James Version. In the early 1800's, there was increased interest in older Greek papyrus portions located by fledgling archeologists (mostly 'treasure hunters'). The famous Westcott and Hort examination of all known Greek sources (1853 through publication on 1881) was not fully available to these Quaker translators back in 1831.

1846 Fish/Millington (LHG 2013.02.11)

The 1846 Fish/Millington Bible published by the American Bible Society had much referential material but it was not as thick as a Holman Bible.

Mrs. Lydia Fish carried this Bible from New York. Both the Fish family and James Millington sailed on the same six-month voyage of the ship Arkansas around South America in 1849. By land or by sea, the Bible was the most valued family treasure packed by many families going west.

Mrs. Lydia Fish, widowed in 1850 soon after her arrival during the 1849 Gold Rush, remarried to James Millington in 1852. This Bible followed her to the town of Alameda in the East Bay.

The American Bible Society (edited):

The American Bible Society founded in 1816 was committed to the word of God and end of slavery.

Its first President was Elias Boudinot, former President of the Continental Congress 1782-83. John Jay, first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, led in 1821. Francis Scott Key, writer of the National Anthem, was a Vice President from 1817 until his death in 1843.

The American Bible Society provided the first Bibles in hotels and the first pocket Bibles for soldiers during the Civil War.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Bible_Society

The worn leather still shows gilt print on the spine. Beryl Maclean donated this Bible.



THE

HOLY BIBLE,

AND NEW TESTAMENTS

Translated out of the Original Tongues;

AND WITH THE

FORMER TRANSLATIONS DILIGENTLY COMPARED AND REVISED.

CANNE'S MARGINAL REFERENCES.

TOGETHER WITH THE

POCRYPHA AND CONCORDANCE

TO WHICH ARE ADDED

AN INDEX, AND REFERENCES,

AND

A KEY SHEET OF QUESTIONS,

GEOGRAPHICAL, HISTORICAL, PRACTICAL, AND EXPERIMENTAL;

ACCOMPANIED WITH VALUABLE

OLOGICAL HARMONIES OF BOTH TESTAMENTS, AND HIGHLY USEFUL TABLES OF SCRIPTURE NA SCRIPTURE GEOGRAPHY, SCRIPTURE CHRONOLOGY, SCRIPTURE REFERENCES, &c.

THE TEXT CORRECTED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD

OF THE

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.:

PUBLISHED BY G. & C. MERRIAM.

1846.

Figure 6 - LHG 2013.02.11 Title Page (ABS, 1846)

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OF OUR

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1846

Figure 7 - LHG 2013.02.11 Title Page NT (ABS, 1846)

1850 Black/Wagoner (Private Collection)

As part of the larger community picture, this Bible also comes down through the Black/Wagoner family. It is in Beryl's private collection. This version was mass produced even though books had much hands-on manufacturing effort in the 1800s. The published notes belong to Ingram Cobbin, an English Congregationalist pastor/author.

This Bible represents a standardized product boasting of engravings (using both wood blocks and high resolution steel for color maps). The passage through the family is attested by dual inscriptions and a letter tucked inside giving the rationale dated 1909.

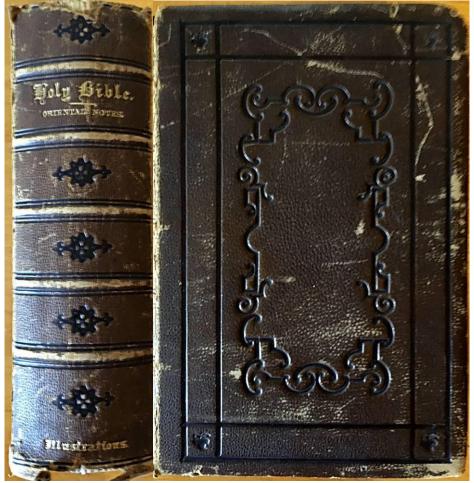


Figure 8 – 1850 Oriental Notes Bible Cover (B.Maclean)

Congregational Yearbook, 1851, p. 212 (edited):

INGRAM COBBIN (1777–1851), born in London and educated at Hoxton Academy, became an independent minister in 1802. He was secretary to the British and Foreign School Society, and in 1819 first secretary of the Home Missionary Society. Ill-health forced retirement in 1828, but he then compiled scholastic and biblical works, such as his 'Condensed,' 'Portable,' 'Domestic,' 'Analytical,' and ' Oriental ' Commentaries; and 'The Book of Popery,' 1840

All lands east of Italy were considered "The Orient". Eventually the phrase came to mean "The Far East". For these Bibles, it meant the general Levant from Turkey to Egypt. The notes explained Middle Eastern cultural aspects of the Biblical text.

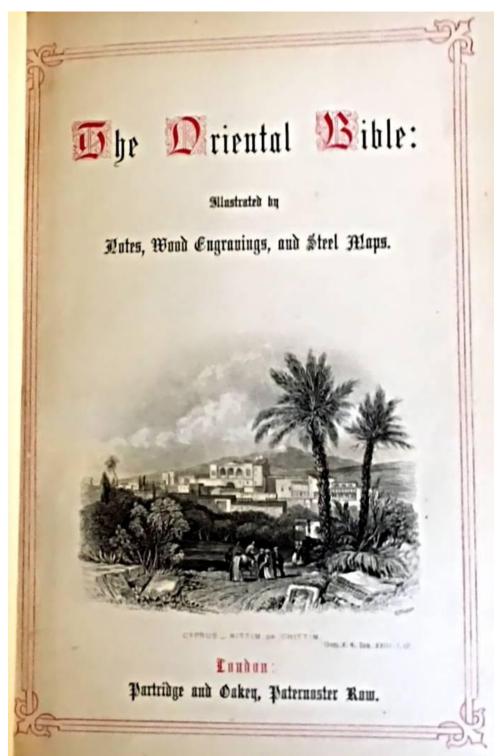


Figure 9 - Cyprus Scene on Face Sheet (B.Maclean)

THE ORIENTAL BIBLE: CONTAINING THE SACRED SCRIPTURES ACCORDING TO THE AUTHORIZED VERSION : WITH MARGINAL REFERENCES FROM THE BEST AUTHORITIES, AND THE USUAL VARIOUS READINGS. ALSO Copious Notes, Aumerous Wood Engravings, AND COLOURED MAPS, ILLUSTRATING THE SCENES, CUSTOMS, HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY, AND ORIENTALISMS OF THE BIBLE. BY THE REV. INGRAM COBBIN, M.A. Nondon: PARTRIDGE AND OAKEY, PATERNOSTER ROW. 1850.

Figure 10 – 1850 Title Page (B.Maclean)

There is irony that the publishing house address was Paternoster (Our Father) Row with strong Roman Catholic and Anglican sensibilities. Ingram Cobbins was staunchly antipapal with Congregational worship environments quite unadorned and non-liturgical.

1873 Clark (LHG 1974.03.04)

The Clark Bible has a deeply embossed leather cover with ornate gold gilt lettering in the central panel and a brass side-clasp.

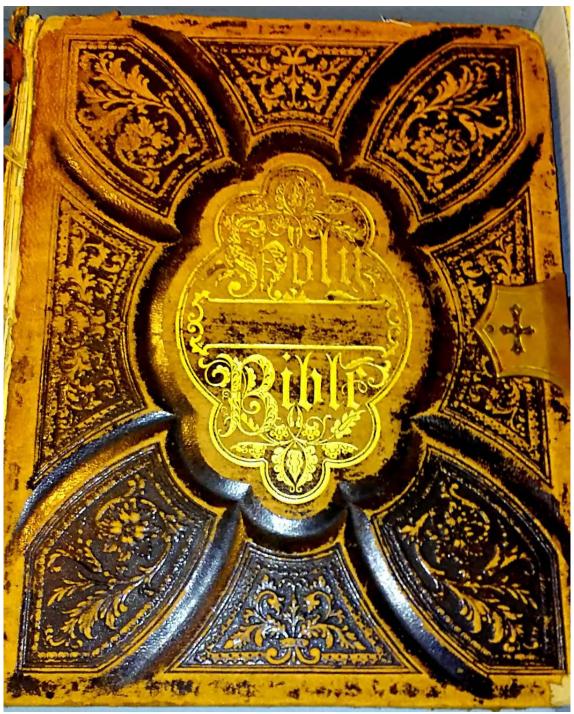


Figure 11 - LHG 1974.03.04 Embossed Leather Cover

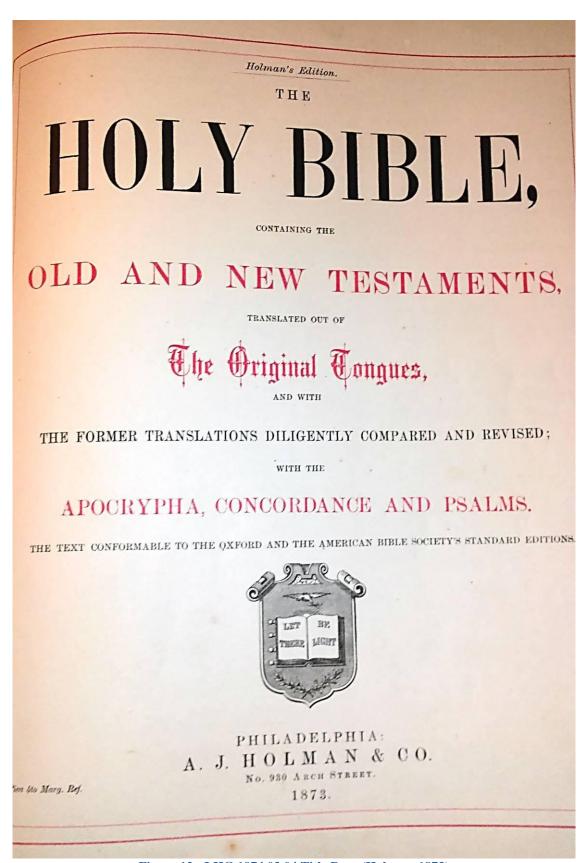


Figure 12 - LHG 1974.03.04 Title Page (Holman, 1873)

Mrs. Graham Nissen donated this Clark Bible with a paper note (now lost) about its link to the "wife of Judge [Manley] Clark".

R.Finn:

Frank Horton Clark never stepped in the Livermore Valley but his wife, Mary E. VanOstrand, and sons did.

First son Manley 1882-1960 was a well known Livermore attorney and later a Livermore judge. He lived on South Livermore Avenue and had his office near the current Post Office. Manley's second wife Eva S. Price 1885-1973 had been married to Vincent Russell Boynton. Her son Russell Boynton 1910-1972 lived in Livermore in his later years.

Second son Leon Alvin Clark became a well known attorney in Oakland.

In 1921, Manley married Reba Lucile Dabson (d.1944, the last date recorded in this Bible). Both Manley and Leon are listed under birth and marriage lists in this Bible. Neither is listed in the death list. Eva Price is likewise not mentioned but died the year before the 1974 donation and would have naturally held Manley's heritage items.

Some components of the 1873 Clark Bible appear in the 1881 Peck Bible. Both of these "combination" Family Bibles were published by Holman Publishing. With exceptions, a specific Holman component was identical for both the 1873 and 1881 versions.

The following two pages list the contents of the optional Holman components included in this specific 1873 copy. See the 1881 Peck section for face sheet images for some of these components. I did not photograph the face sheet of every component.

Table of Contents within 1873 Bible

The 1873 Holman "New Pictorial Reference Family Bible" listed 51 entries in sequential order but without page numbers. The bolding below is my own to show the placement of these chosen extra components in relation to the primary Bible components. An entry with an **orange color** means that a photo of a face sheet appears for that component. Braces show descriptive differences between 1873 and 1881 and/or author names.

- 1. Names and order of the books of Old Testament
- 2. Names and order of the books of New Testament
- 3. Names and order of the books called Apocrypha
- 4. Order of time in which books of Bible are supposed to have been written
- 5. Contents of the books of Old and New Testaments
- 6. Introductory history of the Holy Bible
- 7. Facsimile specimens of ancient Bible manuscripts
- 8. Miracles recorded in the Old Testament
- 9. Remarkable mountains and hills [of Scripture]
- 10. Physical features of Palestine
- 11. Parables of Jesus

[by Joseph Haines]

- 12. [Index to the] Miracles of Jesus
- 13. Discourses of Jesus
- 14. [Index to the] Parables recorded in Old Testament
- 15. History of books of the Old Testament [by William Smith, 1860-65]
- 16. Old and New dispensations united
- 17. Science and Revelation, or the triumph of the Bible
- 18. Literature of the Bible
- 19. Testimony for the Bible
- 20. Scripture difficulties explained
- 21. Special prayers
- 22. Table of gospel parallels
- 23. Remarkable rivers and lakes
- 24. Origin of nations
- 25. [Bible] Aids [and Expressions] for social and private prayer
- 26. Table of [Principal] Events in the life of St Paul
- 27. Table [showing which Jewish] Patriarchs [were] contemporary [with each other]
- 28. The temple of Solomon
- 29. History of Jewish worship
- 30. Illustrated Pronouncing Bible Dictionary
- 31. Idols and idolatry of the Egyptians

32. OLD TESTAMENT

- 33. Passages in Old Testament quoted in New Testament
- 34. Chronological index of the years and times from Adam to Christ
- 35. A table of time
- 36. A table of the offices and conditions of men
- 37. Analysis of Old and New Testaments [in Chapters, Verses, Words and Letters]

38. APOCRYPHA

39. Fine Lithographic Family Record

[all pages in gold-gilt ink]

- 40. Date [or Time] of writing the Books of New Testament
- 41. History of books of the New Testament [by William Smith, 1860-65]
- 42. Opening of the Sixth Seal [an engraving]
- 43. Maps of Jerusalem and the Ancient World
- 44. NEW TESTAMENT
- 45. Index to the Holy Bible
- 46. The Holy Land, geographically et al [by William Reyburn]
- 47. Table of kindred and affinity, showing who are forbidden to marry [together]
- 48. Measures, Weights, and Coins [by Richard, Bishop]
- 49. Alphabetical table of proper names in the Bible with their meaning
- **50. CONCORDANCE**
- 51. Psalms of David in metre

[for singing, called the Psalter]

The Apocrypha

Three of our Bibles (1846 American Bible Society, 1873 Holman, and 1881 Holman) contain the Apocrypha. This ancient body of works includes First Maccabees which describes the revolt against Greek dictator Antiochus Epiphanes in 165 BCE that led to the creation the next year of the Jewish festival of Hanukkah (meaning "dedication").

Roman Catholics and Eastern Orthodox expected the fifteen Apocryphal books in their Bibles. They considered a Bible without them as Protestant. These were not all the ancient books, but the early Church kept these fifteen due to their presence within the Septuagint (Greek translation of Hebrew canon and latter texts about 150 BCE).

The Oxford Annotated Apocrypha, 1977 (edited):

None of these [15] books is included in the Hebrew canon [which closed prior to 400 BCE]. All of them, except for 2 Esdras, are present in the Greek [pre-150 BCE translation] of the Old Testament known as the Septuagint. ...

None of the books of the New Testament quotes the Apocrypha, although it frequently quotes from the Hebrew canon. ... During the early Christian centuries most Greek and Latin Church Fathers, none of whom knew any Hebrew quoted passages from the Apocrypha as "Scripture"," inspired", and the like. ...

At the close of the fourth century, Jerome [translator of the Latin Vulgate in Bethlehem] spoke out decidedly for the Hebrew canon, declaring unreservedly that books outside that [Hebrew] canon should be classed as apocryphal. ...

[However,] the earliest English Bibles which excluded the Apocrypha were Geneva Bibles in 1599 ... [Only after 1700,] did it become difficult to find a King James Version with the Apocrypha [which, in the early 1600's, contained it].

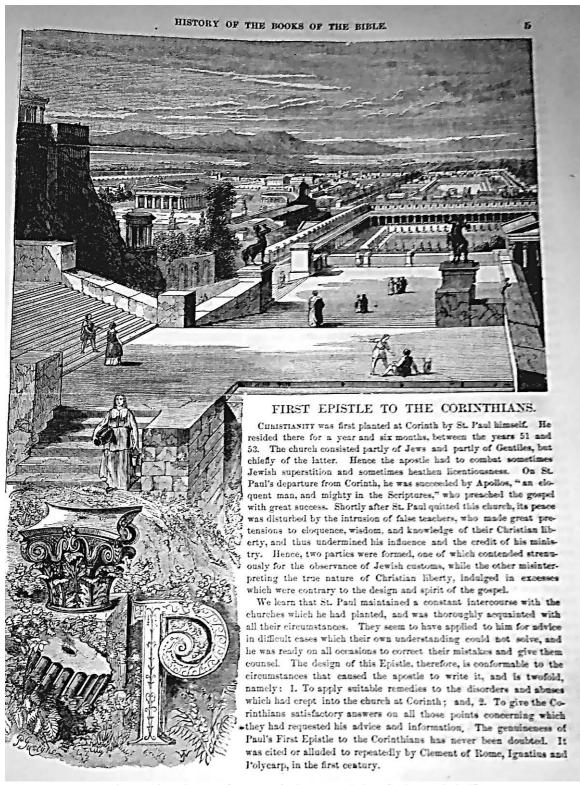


Figure 13 - History of Books of Bible by William Smith – 1860-65

1881 Peck (LHG 2009.03.01)

This Russell (Holman) Bible has a local Christensen link. It is a remarkable historical artifact merely due to its extensive contents in mint condition. Elegance was in demand when cost was no issue. Full color plates and gold gilt ink appeared in this high-end Family Bible (or more appropriately, a library bound together).

This object impressed visitors in the formal parlor and was rarely opened. As a "loaded" art object, the Bible salesman probably kicked up his heels in joy. Anton purchased the highest end product for his daughter. Far more than a mere Bible, it contained reference books by many authors of the 1800's to become a significant Biblical reference library.

While print photography was yet future, multiple pages were full-color art plates and at least four pages used a reflective gold-gilt background (making the photographic session difficult). Over 2500 illustrations were finely detailed line art engravings. All of the vital statistic family records were boxed in by elegant gold-gilt ink borders.



Figure 14 -LHG 2009.03.01 Two Metal Side-Clasps

The leather-carved cover to mimic wood, has scenes embossed/impressed in gold gilt:

- David killing Goliath with text "Search the Scriptures" (upper left)
- A landscape image with text "Watch and Pray" (upper right)
- Woman at the Well with text "I am the Resurrection and the Life" (lower left)
- Jesus sees Nathaniel with text "He that believeth in Me shall Live" (lower right)
- Last Supper Passover using a Roman-era Triclinium (more accurate than the famous DaVinci "Last Supper" fresco) with text "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace, Goodwill toward Men" (center panel)

Robert Gates donated this 1881 Bible. Workers found it in the Livermore Presbyterian Church during remodeling in 2004. The last family statistic entry was in 1971.

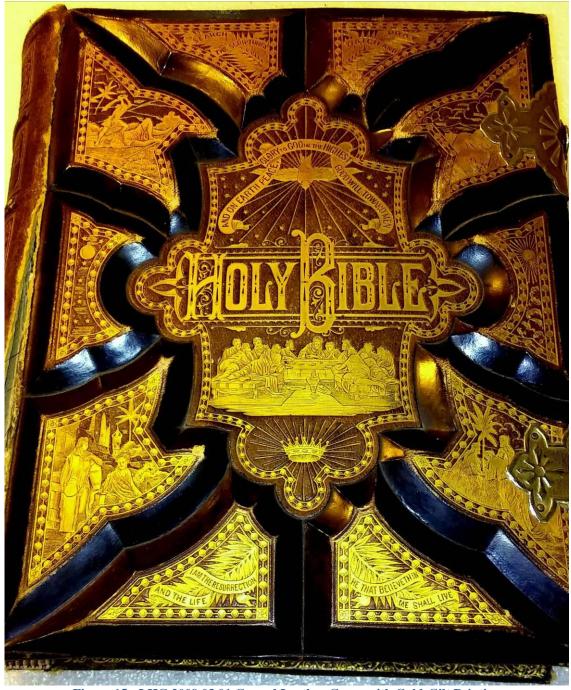
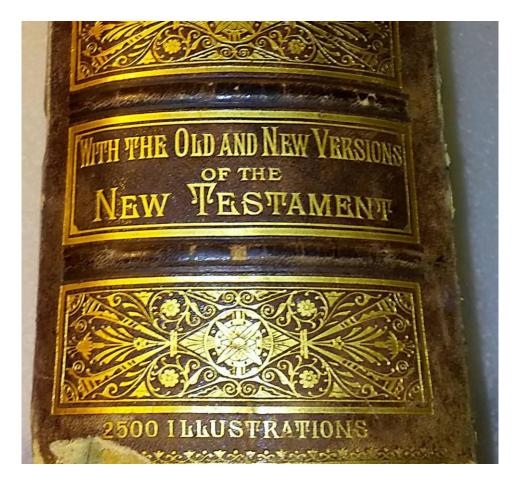


Figure 15 - LHG 2009.03.01 Carved Leather Cover with Gold-Gilt Printing



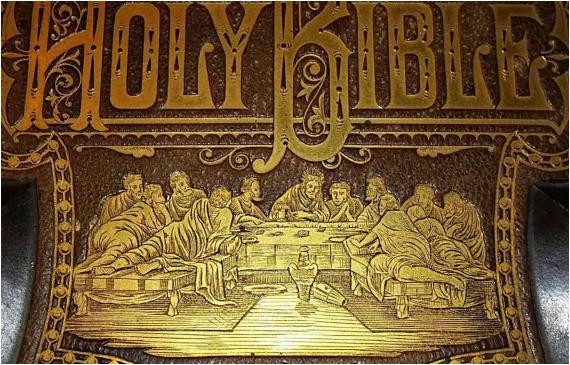


Figure 16 - LHG 2009.03.01 Spine and Cover Close-Ups





Figure 17 - LHG 2009.03.01 Cover Corner Close-ups

This elegant Bible to Anna S Peck was given by her father Anton on 10/20/1884 for her 20th birthday, long after her marriage. The colorful marriage certificate thus remained unused. Anna's maiden name appears as Scherer in its list of deaths by a modern hand in 1954, but the 1884 Presentation signature differs (next page) for Anton Sherer/Sharer.

P.Kitchingham and R.Finn (combined):

George C Peck married Anna V Sharer (Scherer/Sherer) on 22 May 1883 [Anna at age 18] in the Presbyterian Church, Hunter, Greene County, New York. Her parents were Anton Scherer [Sharer/Sherer] 1834-1899 and Caroline 1833-1885.

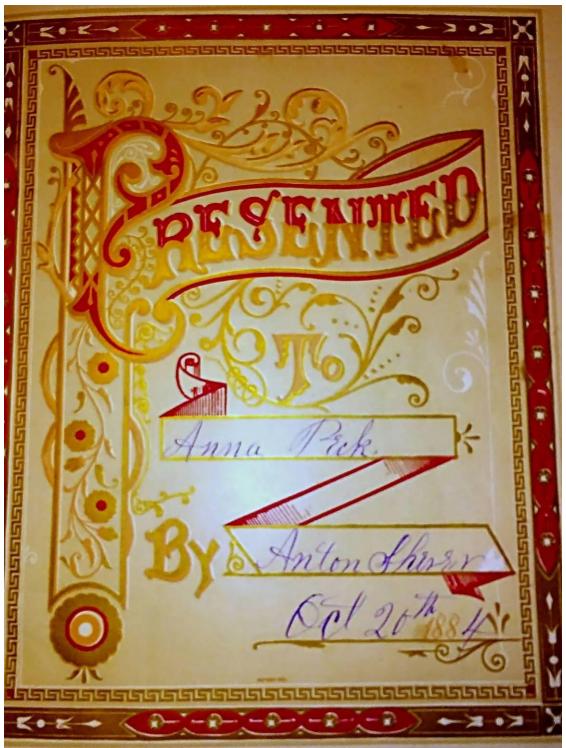


Figure 18 - LHG 2009.03.01 Presentation to Anna S Peck – 10/20/1884

THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS, Translated out of the Priginal Jongues. A COMPLETE CONCORDANCE, EMBRACING EVERY PASSAGE OF SCRIPTURE IN THE LARGEST EDITIONS, 100,000 MARGINAL REFERENCES AND AND William Smith's Standard Bible Dictionary IN WHICH EVERY IMPORTANT SCRIPTURAL WORD IS FULLY EXPLAINED. A COMPLETE HISTORY OF ALL THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE, BEAUTIFULLY ILLUSTRATED. CITIES AND TOWNS OF THE BIBLE, WITH DESCRIPTIVE SCENES AND EVENTS. BIBLICAL SCENERY; MANNERS AND CUSTOMS OF THE ANCIENTS; BIBLE ALDS
FOR SOCIAL AND PRIVATE PRAYER; THE HISTORY OF THE TRANSLATION OF THE BIBLE; THE TABERNACLE AND SOLOMON'S TEMPLE; SCENES IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST, AND THE LIFE OF
ST. PAUL; BIBLE TEXT EVENTS ILLUSTRATED, FROM GENESIS TO REVELATION. A HISTORY OF ALL RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS. Apocrypha and Psalms in Metre. A Comprehensive and Critical Description of the Tabernacle, its Sacred Furniture; with an Account of the Priesthood, the Worship and Sacrifices of the Israelites. COMPILED EXPRESSLY FOR THIS EDITION OF THE HOLY BIBLE, CHIEFLY FROM THE WRITINGS OF DR. WILLIAM SMITH DEAN MILMAN, REV. JOHN KITTO, D. D., DRS. VON EWALD AND MICHELSON, AND OTHER EMINENT AUTHORITIES. New Testament, THE OLD (KING JAMES') VERSION AND THE REVISED VERSION ARRANGED IN PARALLEL COLUMNS FOR CONVENIENCE IN REFERENCE AND COMPARISON. AND MANY OTHER IMPORTANT AND USEFUL AIDS TO THE STUDY OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES. ALL WRITTEN TX INCREASE THE INTEREST IN AND SIMPLIFY THE STUDY OF THE WORD OF GOD. Over 2500 Scripture Illustrations on Steel, Wood, and in Colors.

> THE RUSSELL PUBLISHING CO., No. 53 N. PEARL ST.

Figure 19 - LHG 2009.03.01 Title Page (Holman, 1881)

INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

JUDGES' REPORT.

"A HANDSOME VOLUME, PROFUSELY AND APPROPRIATELY ILLUSTRATED, IN SECURE AND DURABLE BINDING, THE DESIGNS AND WORKMANSHIP BEING OF THE VERY BEST."

THE HIGHEST PRIZE. DIPLOMA OF MERIT.

AWARDED AT THE

"INTERNATIONAL COTTON EXPOSITION," ATLANTA, GA.

FOR OUR BEAUTIFULLY ILLUSTRATED AND ELEGANTLY BOUND FAMILY BIBLES.

DECEMBER, 1881

Figure 20 - LHG 2009.03.01 Promotional Flyleaf (Holman, 1881)

Table of Contents within 1881 Bible

The 1881 Holman "New Pictorial Bible" listed 207 entries in its table of contents by referencing the many engravings individually. Without page numbers, the list is categorized like an advertising sheet rather than in their true sequential order.

The bolding matches the bolding as found in the listing of features. Subcategories in the transcription are numbered here by category rather than as numbered in the actual page. Entries with an orange color mean that a face sheet photo appears for that component.

"EMBRACING IN ALL 207 FEATURES. AND 2500 ILLUSTRATIONS"

Ornamental Presentation Plate

A Red Line Descriptive Title Page

Names and Order of the Books of the Old Testament Names and Order of the Books of the New Testament Names and Order of the Books of the Apocrypha History of the Translation of the English Bible [Table of] Contents of the Old and New Testament Books

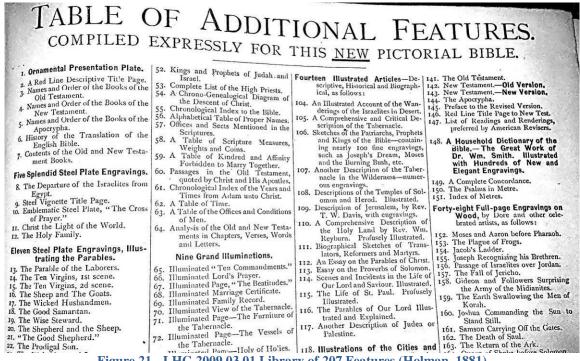


Figure 21 - LHG 2009.03.01 Library of 207 Features (Holman, 1881)

Five Splendid Steel Plate Engravings [in black and white]

- 1. Departure of the Israelites from Egypt
- 2. Steel Vignette Title Page
- 3. Emblematic Steel Plate, "The Cross of Prayer"
- 4. Christ the Light of the World
- 5. The Holy Family

Eleven Steel Plate Engravings, illustrating the Parables

- 1. The Parable of the Laborers
- 2. The Ten Virgins, 1st scene
- 3. The Ten Virgins, 2nd scene
- 4. The Sheep and The Goats
- 5. The Wicked Husbandmen
- 6. The Good Samaritan
- 7. The Wise Steward
- 8. The Shepherd and the Sheep
- 9. "The Good Shepherd"
- 10. The Prodigal Son
- 11. The Rich Man and Lazarus

Forty-one Valuable Tables, as follows

- 1. Harmony of the Four Gospels
- 2. Table showing which Jewish Patriarchs were contemporary with each other
- 3. The Jewish Calendar
- 4. Chronology of the Books of the New Testament
- 5. Index to the Parables, of Jesus
- 6. Index to the Miracles of Jesus
- 7. Index to the Miracles of the Apostles
- 8. Index to the Words of Jesus, or His Discourses, in their proper order
- 9. Index to the Parables [recorded in] the Old Testament
- 10. Index to the Principal Miraculous Events mentioned in the Old Testament
- 11. Plan for reading the Bible through in one year,
- 12. Names and Titles given to Christ
- 13. Names and Titles of the Holy Spirit
- 14. Instances of Prophecy Compared with History
- 15. Words of Scripture Requiring Explanation
- 16. Table Showing How the Earth was Re-peopled by the Descendants of Noah
- 17. [Remarkable] Hills and Mountains of Scripture
- 18. Remarkable Rivers and Lakes
- 19. Table of Prayers Mentioned in Scripture
- 20. Glossary of Symbolical Language used by Poets and Prophets,
- 21. Brief Summary of Characteristics of Books of the Old and New Testaments
- 22. Chronological Table of Events from Beginning of World to A D 1790
- 23. Lewin's Scheme of the Chronology of our Lord's Life
- 24. Table of the Principal Events in the Life of St Paul
- 25. Tabular Arrangement of Old Testament History
- 26. Authorship and Dates of Poetical Books
- 27. Chronological Order of Prophetical Books
- 28. Prophecies and Allusions to Christ in the Old Testament
- 29. Kings and Prophets of Judah and Israel
- 30. Complete List of the High Priests
- 31. Chrono-Genealogical Diagram of the Descent of Christ
- 32. Chronological Index to the Bible

- 33. Alphabetical Table of Proper Names [in the Bible with their meaning]
- 34. Offices and Sects Mentioned in the Scriptures
- 35. Measures, Weights, and Coins

[by Richard, Bishop]

- 36. Table of Kindred and Affinity[showing who are] Forbidden to Marry Together
- 37. Passages in Old Testament quoted [in New Testament]
- 38. Chronological Index of the Years and Times from Adam unto Christ
- 39. A Table of Time
- 40. A Table of the Offices and Conditions of Men
- 41. Analysis of Old and New Testaments in Chapters, Verses, Words and Letters

Nine Grand Illuminations

[gold-gilt ink, multi-color printing]

Illuminated Ten Commandments
 ... Lord's Prayer

[from Matthew 6 KJV] [from Matthew 5 KJV]

[and from Matthew 22]

4. ... Marriage Certificate

[gorgeous colors, unused]

5. ... Family Record

3. ...The Beatitudes

6. ... View of the Tabernacle

7. ... The Furniture of Tabernacle

8. ... The Vessels of Tabernacle

9. ... Holy of Holies

A History of all Religious Denominations

[History as of 1881]

Bible Aids and Expressions for Social and Private Prayer

A History of the Books of the Bible, by William Smith

Series of 36 splendid large engravings illustrating the above

A Complete Bible Atlas,

[Fisk Publishing]

embracing twenty-four Maps and Plans, as follows:

- 1. Colored Map of Modern Egypt
- [Modern as of 1881]
- 2. ... Chief Places mentioned in History of Patriarchs
- 3. ... Gentile Countries of the Old Testament
- 4. ... St Paul's Journeys, etc
- 5. ... Path of Jesus, as he went about doing good
- 6. ... Babylonian Empire
- 7. ... Persian Empire
- 8. ... Grecian Empire
- 9. ... Roman Empire
- 10. ... Palestine
- 11. ... Ancient Jerusalem
- 12. ... Modern Jerusalem

[Modern as of 1881]

- 13. Map of the Wanderings of the Israelites in the Desert
- 14. Map of Arabia
- 15. Map of the Travels of St Paul
- 16. Map of the Environs of Jerusalem
- 17. Bird's-eye View of Egypt

- 18. Chart of Country Around Babylon
- 19. Plan of Athens
- 20. Plan of Alexandria
- 21. Panoramic View of Palestine
- 22. Plan of Solomon's Palace
- 23. Topographical Plan of Jerusalem
- 24. Plan of the Tombs of the Prophets

Gallery of Scripture Illustrations

- (a) 35 Large and Beautiful Wood Engravings, with descriptions, etc
- (b) 36 pages exclusively filled with smaller engravings of various scenes, objects, etc

Fourteen Illustrated Articles

Descriptive, Historical and Biographical, as follows:

- 1. Wanderings of the Israelites in Desert [by Edward Harper]
- 2. Comprehensive and Critical Description of the Tabernacle
- 3. Sketches of the Patriarchs, Prophets and Kings of the Bible—containing 100 fine engravings, such as Joseph's Dream, etc [by Phillip Smith]
- 4. Another Description of the Tabernacle in the Wilderness
- 5. Temples of Solomon and Herod [by Philip Lee]
- 6. Jerusalem, [et al.]
 7. The Holy Land
 8. Translators, Reformers, Martyrs
 by [Thomas] W. Davis by [William] Reyburn [by Joseph Jenkins]
- 9. Essay on the Parables of Christ
- 10. Essay on the Proverbs of Solomon [by Edward Lewis]
 11. Scenes and Incidents of ... Jesus [by Arthur Hayes]
 12. Life of Saint Paul [by Charles Farrar]
 13. Parables of Our Lord Illustrated [by Joseph Haines]
- 14. Another Description of Judea or Palestine

Illustrations of the Cities and Towns of the Bible

Showing all important places mentioned in Scripture with Descriptions by John Wilson

Archaeological Illustrations and Essays

- 1. Illustrations and Descriptions of Ancient Money
- 2. Representations of Ancient Musical Instruments
- 3. The Appian Way, Rome
- 4. The Ruins of Samaria
- 5. Scriptural Subjects on Ancient Sculptures
- 6. Ancient Eastern Ornaments
- 7. Ancient Roman Monuments
- 8. View of Royal Palace at Nineveh
- 9. Specimens of Ancient Egyptian Art

Five Artistic Portraits

- 1. Portrait of John Wycliffe
- 2. Portrait of Martin Luther
- 3. Portrait of John Calvin
- 4. Ideal Portrait of Our Saviour
- 5. Saviour Wearing Crown of Thorns

The Natural History of the Bible - Illustrated

1. Animals, Birds, Insects and Reptiles [by A. F. Thompson]

2. Trees, Plants, Flowers and Fruits

The Writing of the Bible

- 1. Specimens of Ancient Alphabets
- 2. Specimens of Ancient Manuscripts
- 3. Specimens of Ancient Writing on Sticks
- 4. Facsimile of part of Tyndale's Testament
- 5. Dates or Time of Writing of the Books of New Testament

A Bible Teacher's Text-Book— This feature is of greatest utility, affording a complete guide to all facts relating to principal places, persons and subjects mentioned....

Old Testament

New Testament - Old Version
New Testament - New Version

[King James Version] [Revised 1881 Version]

The Apocrypha

Preface to the Revised Version

Red Line Title Page to New Testament

List of Readings and Renderings, preferred by American Revisers

Dictionary of the Bible – [William] Smith, illustrated with Hundreds of ...

Complete Concordance

[by John Brown of Haddington]

Psalms in Metre

[for singing, called the Psalter]

Index of Metres

Forty-eight Full-page Engravings on Wood,

by [Gustav] Dore and other celebrated artists, as follows:

- 1. Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh
- 2. The Plague of Frogs
- 3. Jacob's Ladder
- 4. Joseph Recognizing his Brethren
- 5. Passage of Israelites over Jordan
- 6. The Fall of Jericho
- 7. Gideon and Followers Surprising the Army of the Midianites
- 8. The Earth Swallowing the Men of Korah
- 9. Joshua Commanding the Sun to Stand Still
- 10. Samson Carrying Off the Gates [of Gaza]
- 11. The Death of Saul

Old Family Bibles

- 12. The Return of the Ark
- 13. Queen of Sheba before Solomon
- 14. The Angel Ministering to Elijah
- 15. Solomon's Temple
- 16. Bird's eye View of the Holy Land
- 17. David's Charge to Solomon
- 18. The Destruction of the Temple
- 19. Cyrus Restoring the Holy Vessel
- 20. The Departure from Babylon
- 21. Vashti's Refusal
- 22. Esther Before Ahasuerus
- 23. Job Visited by his Three Friends
- 24. The Reading of the Law,
- 25. "Give unto the Lord Glory and Strength"
- 26. Learning the Commandments
- 27. "We have Heard with our Ears," etc
- 28. The Vision of the Seraphim
- 29. The Vision of the Chariots
- 30. The Abominations of Idolatry
- 31. The Handwriting on the Wall
- 32. The Vision ol Heliodorus
- 33. The Nativity of Christ
- 34. The Wise Men Following the Star
- 35. The Sermon on the Mount
- 36. The Raising of Jairus' Daughter
- 37. The Ten Virgins
- 38. Lazarus at the Rich Man's Gate
- 39. Christ Healing the Sick
- 40. The Agony in Gethsemane
- 41. The Last Supper
- 42. The Crucifixion
- 43. Christ Crucified Between Two Thieves
- 44. The Descent from the Cross
- 45. The Stoning of Stephen
- 46. The Angel of the Gospel
- 47. The Opening of the Sixth Seal
- 48. The New Jerusalem

100,000 Marginal References and Readings

Front of the Rock Temple of Ibsambul, Egypt

Court of Sargon's Palace (Engraving)

Views of Rome (Engraving)

The Pyramids of Egypt

Roman and Egyptian Standards

Ancient Crowns

Photograph Album for Portraits of Parents and Children

[from 2nd Maccabees]

PAL EVENTS OF THE HISTORY OF THE WORLI

FROM A. D. 98 TO 1882. By Rev. WILLIAM BROWN, D.D.

Entered according to Act of Congress, in the year 1882, by J. R. JONES, in the Office of the Librarian of Congress, at Washington.

2. Tajan emperor. 103-107, Dacia subdued. 108, Ignatius martyred. 117, Hadrian emperor. The Enphrates the eastern boundary of the Roman empire. 132-135, Second Jewish war. Bar-Cochebas leader of the Jews. 136, Jews ban-ished from Palestine. 138, Antoninus Pius emperor. 163, Persecution of the Christians. 166, Martyrdom of Polycarp. 180, Commodus emperor. 185, Birth of Oricen. 196, Capture of Brantium by Severus. 168, Caracalla named

A. D.

to kissed (the first). 713, Arabs conquer all Spain. 725, Image-worship forbidden. 752, Pope Stephen II, founded the temporal power of the church by aid. of Pepin of France. 768, Charlemagne king of France. He conquers Italy and ends the Lombard kingdom. 779, Charlemagne imposes tithes for the support of the clergy, schools and the poor. 787, Seventh church council at Nice. Haroon ar-Rashid callph.

800, Charlemagne emperor of Rome, Italy, Germany and France. 808, First bank for exchange in Prance. 808, First bank for exchange in Italy. Thomas à Kempis. 1410. John Hussellian Romann and France. 808, First bank for exchange in Italy.

Figure 22 - History of the World by William Brown -1881

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS OF THE WORLD.

BOTH ANCIENT AND MODERN.

ABYSSINIAN CHURCH .- The established religion of the Empire of Abyssinia. The doctrines of this church present a strange mixture of Judaism and Christianity, mingled with a vast amount of superstition. There is much of Christian truth in this creed; but it is so obscured by error, that it is difficult to discover it. The Abyssinians claim to be descended from Solomon, and to imitate the service of the Jewish Temple in their worship. They circumcize females as well as males, have two Sabbaths in each week-the first and seventh days-abstain from all meats prohibited by the Mosaic law, remove their sandals before entering their churches, and sit on

AGUŒTÆ.-This sect appeared about the year 370. They denie the omniscience of God, asserting that past events were known him only by memory, and that he had only a vague prescience of t future. Another sect existed in the sixth century, by the same nar and held that Christ was totally ignorant of certain things, parti larly of the time of the final judgment.

ALBIGENSES.—Several sects were known by this name, part larly the Cathari and Waldenses. They were very numerous in south of France, particularly around Toulouse, about the last of

Figure 23 - History of Religious Denominations (Holman)

The main audience of these Family Bibles was large mainstream Protestant sects in the United States. The Abyssinian Church (that is, Ethiopia) might take issue with being written up as "so obscured by error" rather than just factually listing distinctive traits ... and leaving the decisions as to the level of error to the reader. The Concise Catholic Dictionary (1944) had similar warnings of error-prone sects (namely, the Protestants).

Regardless, there was a large American audience from among all sects wanting to know what various other groups (historic and current) believed, even if through a biased lens. The library inside the Family Bible was a rare source of such theological demographics.

THE WANDERINGS IN THE WILDERNESS,

THE FORTY YEARS' SOJOURN OF THE ISRAELITES IN THE DESERT.

BY REV. EDWARD H. HARPER, D.D.

THE march of the Israelites from Egypt into the Promised Land may be divided into three distinct portions:

1. The march of Egypt to Mount Sinai.

2. The march from Sinai to the head.

- 2. The march from Sinai to the borders of Canaan.
- The wandering in the wilderness and entrance into Canaan.

Let us glance at the three grand divisions we have enumerated:

1. The march out of Egypt to Mount Sinai.—We are told that the object of going first to Mount Sinai was there to worship Jehovah. This occupied six weeks, making, with the fourteen days before the Passover, two months; and the encampment before Sinai, which

Figure 24 - Wanderings in Wilderness - Edward Harper

The text from Matthew 5 is overprinted upon a gold-gilt background which appears to be two pages of ancient text. Closer inspection may define the content of that text.

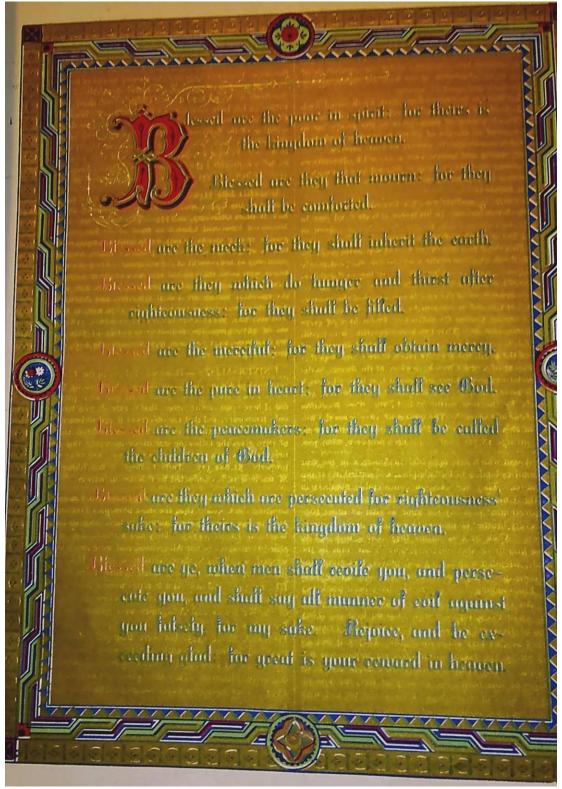


Figure 25- The Beatitudes from Matthew (Holman, 1881)

This map page shows the Suez Canal which had just recently opened in November 1869

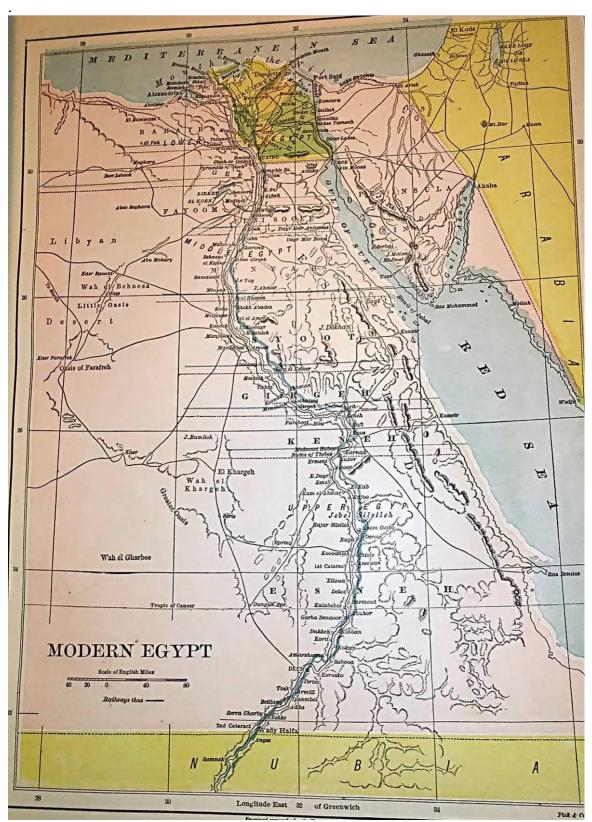


Figure 26 - Multi-Color Maps (Fisk, 1881)

COMPREHENSIVE AND CRITICAL HISTORY

OF THE

BOOKS OF THE HOLY BIBLE

COMPILED EXPRESSLY FOR THIS EDITION,

FROM THE WRITINGS OF

WILLIAM SMITH, LL.D.,

AUTHOR OF "SMITH'S DICTIONARY OF THE BIBLE," "THE HISTORY OF THE BIBLE," ETC.. ETC.

INTRODUCTORY.

verses dates from a not very remote period. In the time Saviour the great division of the Old Testament into bo familiar to the people (see Mark xii. 26; Luke xx. 37; Acts The application of the word Bible to the collected books of the and it would seem from the passages referred to, and from

Figure 27- History of Books of Bible by William Smith - 1860-65

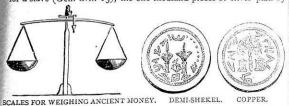
Essential Biblical knowledge entailed knowing something about each canonical book. Dr. Smith provided that background by summarizing the content, the dating, probable authors, status of Israel and various surrounding empires for that time, and in his opening remarks, primary understanding of the Hebrew canon during the New Testament era.

Theological books from the 1800's and even through the 1940's used Roman numerals for chapter numbers. For instance, he uses Mark xii. 26 compared to our modern format of Mark 12:26 (Protestant) and Mark 12,26 (Catholic).

ILLUSTRATIONS AND DESCRIPTIONS OF ANCIENT MONEY.

GREEK, ROMAN AND HEBREW COINS MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE. WITH TABLES OF THEIR VALUE IN AMERICAN MONEY.

WE have no evidence of the use of coined money before the return of the weights, as already stated, of 220 and 110 grains. With this



Abimelech to Abraham (Gen. xx. 16), and the twenty pieces of silver Greek character, and of copper only, seems to have been a continuous for which Iosenh was sold to the Ishmaelites (Gen. xxxvii. 28), were

We have no evidence of the use of coined money before the return from the Babylonian Captivity; but silver was used for money in quantities determinate by weight, at least as early as the time of Abraham; and its earliest mention is in the generic sense of the price paid by none are really older than John Hyrcanus (B. C. 135), from whom for a slave (Gen. xvii. 13), the one thousand pieces of silver paid by Asmonwan house. Most of them are marked as the half or quarter (doubtless of the shekel), their average weights being 235½ and 13-grains; and there is a third piece of about 82 grains, which seems to be the sixth of a skekel.





The abundant money of Herod the Great, which is of a thoroug

Figure 28 - Ancient Money (Holman)

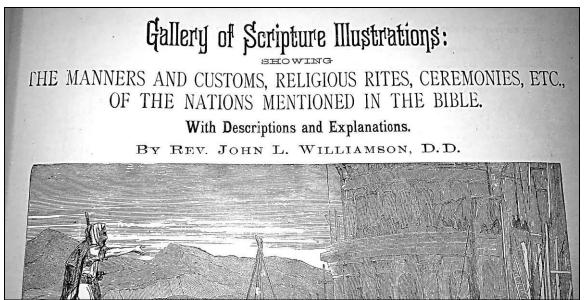


Figure 29 - Manners and Customs by John Williamson

The Orient (both Mideast and Far East) fascinated most American readers. They avidly followed the rich in their travels (e.g. Mark Twain in "The Innocents Abroad", 1869). It was in such illustrated books that a picture (an engraving) was really worth a thousand words. It easily presented an ancient object where text alone would be fully inadequate.

NATURAL HISTORY OF THE BIBLE.

CONTAINING DESCRIPTIONS OF THE

ANIMALS, BIRDS, INSECTS AND REPTILES

THAT ARE MENTIONED IN THE HOLY SCRIPTURES. BY THE REV. A. F. THOMPSON, A. M.

THE eleventh chapter of Leviticus contains directions to regulate | horned owl (Bubo maximus) well known in Egypt. The "pelici the animal food of the Israelites, and to keep them from defilement by contact with any sort of dead flesh which they were not permitted cellent swimmer. The Hebrew term for it signifies "vomiter," to eat. Of quadrupeds, those only might be eaten which completely divide the hoof and chew the cud (verses 3-8). Of fish, all those might be eaten which have both scales and fins, but no others (verses might be eaten which have both scales and fins, but no others (verses 9-12). Of birds, nineteen are prohibited by name, which appear to comprise types of all sorts of birds of prey, along with the bat, which was classed as a bird (verses 13-19). Of flying insects, those only which are furnished with two long legs for leaping, like the grasshopper, were permitted to be eaten (verses 20-23). Of creeping things, or vermin, including small quadrupeds, such as rats and mice, with reptiles, worms, mollusks and crawling insects, none might be eaten (verses 20-28. 41-44). eaten (verses 29-38, 41-44).

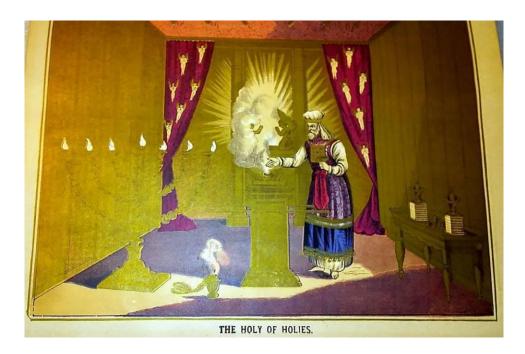
probably from its disgorging what it has swallowed. Mr. Tris is inclined to identify "the swan" with the purple water-hen, phyrio antiquarum, which frequents marshes and the sedge beanks of rivers in the regions bordering on the Mediterranean.

name "stork" most likely designates both the white stork and black stork, which are found in the Holy Land and the East.

Various opinions have been formed as to what consideration rected the line by which clean animals were separated from un. It has been held (1) that the food forbidden was a test of obed like the prohibition to Adam of "the tree of knowledge;" (2) it is impossible to refer the line of demarcation to anything b

Figure 30 - Natural History by A.F. Thompson

A Natural History of the Bible was a museum or zoo in a book. The text was profusely illustrated with engravings. For animals long extinct in the decimated arid landscape after millenniums of warfare, sample images of animals from Africa were substituted.



Gold printing upon gilt rendered the image of the Menorah nearly invisible in this image. While stolen by General Titus in 70AD (and since lost), his triumphal arch in Rome was the primary archeological image of the Menorah, which these two plates faithfully copy.



Figure 31 - Tabernacle in Exodus (Holman, 1881)

As methodically explained in Exodus, the Holy of Holies was not at all visible from the encampment tents or the accouterments so carelessly draped. The high priest could only enter once a year to view the Ark of the Covenant on Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement). Yet, this was a literal "pull back the curtains" way to communicate the content of the Jewish Tabernacle in the Sinai desert and as later hosted for decades in Shiloh (Israel).

JERUSALEM:

The City of David and David's Greater Sor

WITH DESCRIPTIONS OF

ZION. MOUNT MORIAH, THE

OTHER SACRED LOCALITIES.

BY REV. THOMAS W. DAVIS, D.D.

JERUSALEM stands in latitude 31° 46′ 35″ north, and longitude 35° 18′ 30″ east of Greenwich. It is 32 miles distant from the sea, and 18 from the Jordan; 20 from Hebron, and 36 from Samaria. In several respects its situation is singular among the cities of Palestine. Its elevation is remarkable, not from its being on the summit of one

Figure 32 - Jerusalem et al by Thomas Davis

With the limited travel options to most Americans, some books provided a sort of tourist guide to both the current regions in the middle 1800's and literary time-travel back to the Roman era of Israel. The undeveloped land of subsistence herders in the 19th century was for all intents easily imagined to match ancient times. Tumbled rocks, dirt paths, crude rock structures for homes, more rocks, ubiquitous sheep, and 'modern' intrusions of Crusader castles amongst arid desert made such an imaginary leap hardly difficult.

A COMPREHENSIVE DESCRIPTION

THE HOLY LAND.

BY REV. WILLIAM REYBURN, D. D.

The name Palestina, or Palestine, occurs but four times in the Enghalia. The first instance is in the Song of Moses, after the passage the Red Sea (Ex. xv. 14). It is found twice in the 14th chapter Isaiah (29, 31); and once in the fourth verse of the 3d chapter of it. In the first three instances the translated word is Pulestina, in last Palestine. The Hebrew word is the same in each case—lesheth. The same word occurs in the Hebrew, in Psalms ix. 8; iii. 7; lxxxvii. 4; and cviii. 9; and is rendered by our transfirs, "Philistia" and "Philistines." Though commonly employed to the Lordon generally used by Europeans to des of the Jews on both sides of the Jordan. Since the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land by seven In the history of the Patriarchal period, and as lat Judges, it is called "Canaan," or more frequences the translated word is the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land by seven In the history of the Patriarchal period, and as lat Judges, it is called "Canaan." It is styled "the land of the Hebres, "Philistia" and "Philistines." Though commonly employed the Lordon in the Enghalia to the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land have been synonymous terms. The Bible designates the Holy Land have been synonymous terms.

Figure 33 - The Holy Land by William Reyburn

CITIES AND TOWNS OF THE BIBLE,

WITH DESCRIPTIONS AND EXPLANATIONS. BY REV. JOHN WILSON.

Figure 34 - Cities and Towns by John Wilson

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

Translators, Reformers and Martyrs WHO HAVE PRESERVED FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS THE GREAT TRUTHS OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.

BY REV. JOSEPH JENKINS.

faith of Christ than was held by any man in England at that day.

He was unwilling to keep this knowledge to himself, and resolved to

JOHN WYCLIFFE.

John Wycliffe, who has been called "the morning star of the Reformation," was born, it is believed, in a village which bears his name, near Richmond, in Yorkshire, about 1324. Being destined for the priesthood, he was educated at Queen's and Merton Colleges, Oxford. A terrible plague, known as the "Black Death," swept over Europe, and scourged England in 1348. This awoke Wycliffe was dismissed with a warning to preach no more heresy over Europe, and scourged England in 1348. This awoke Wycliffe was dismissed with a warning to preach no more heresy to a sense of his spiritual condition, and he began the diligent and systematic study of the Bible. He derived great spiritual comfort these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from these studies, and came to have a clearer conception of the true from the covenant.

Figure 35 - Biographical Sketches by Joseph Jenkins

A collection of Reformation heroes acted for Protestants somewhat as "Lives of the Saints" (c.1470) did for Catholics. It showed how the Bible entered the languages of Europe and especially English. Wycliffe Bible Translators honors John Wycliffe today by making the Bible available to many in their mother tongue. One Guatemalan Mayan told me in 1996, "When I read the Bible in Spanish, it is like viewing the surface of Lake Atitlan, but when I read it in my own language, it is like diving into the (clear) waters."

ILLUSTRATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS PROVERBS SOLOMON.

BY REV. EDWARD D. LEWIS, D.D., LL.D.

That Solomon was the author of the Book of Proverbs has never been questioned. Some indeed have thought that he composed a part only of the proverbs included in that book, and collected the others from various sources. It is probable indeed that he availed himself of any sayings already current which he regarded as useful and important. Whether he ever made any collection of his proverbs to the majority heads of the proverbs that the minute of the majority heads of the proverbs that the majority heads of the proverbs that the proverbs that the learned. Modern travellers in the East assure us that this reverence for proverbs still exists there; and that nothing gives a man so much advantage in an argument as the ability to quote one of them on his side. We may therefore conclude that the wise king could have found no better mode of impressing the truth on the minds of his countryment than the one he has here the greater part of the Book. others from various sources. It is probable indeed that he availed himself of any sayings already current which he regarded as useful and important. Whether he ever made any collection of his proverbs in writing is, however, doubtful. From the twenty-fifth chapter to

the end, we are expressly informed, was written out and added to the previous portions by order of King Hezekiah. The divine authority of the book is suffi-ciently proved by the quotations made from it in the New Testament. The book has in all ages been regarded

tention to the maxims which compose the greater part of the

of Proverbs, we shall find n enough to excite our won der and admiration. are not only the results o the profoundest huma sagacity, the counsels an admonitions of the ma who excelled in wisdom a who went before and who came after him, but



Figure 36 - Proverbs of Solomon by Edward Lewis

The following gold-gilt title page is typically recited weekly in Messianic congregations using Hebrew. Matthew 22:36-40 records that a leader challenged Jesus to state the greatest law in the Torah. Jesus quoted two: Deuteronomy 6:4-6 (called the Sh'ma) and Leviticus 19:18, closing with, "On these two mitzvot hang all the Torah and the Nevi'im" just as this multi-color page states in English. This page is a museum piece and sparkles in vibrant color. The photo captures only hints at the shimmer that the plate effects.

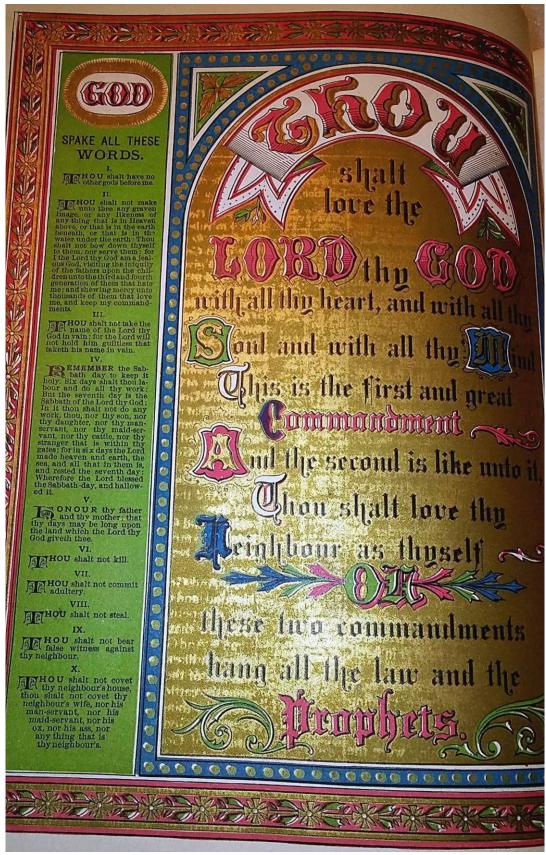


Figure 37 - Ten Commandments and Matthew 22 (Holman, 1881)

"MY FATHER'S HOUSE."

DESCRIPTIONS OF THE

EMPLES OF AND HEROD

BY REV. PHILIP LEE, D.D.

most imposing and interesting of all the buildings of ancient em was the Jewish Temple, the permanent sanctuary for the of the God of Israel. David, towards the close of his reign, red the idea of erecting in the city which he had made the of his kingdom an edifice in honor of Jehovah, which should a place of worship for the whole nation, and become the sucoif the ancient Tabernacle. The prophet Nathan encouraged gn of the king, but the Almighty commanded David to leave the project to his son and successor Solomon, whose the project to his son and successor Solomon, whose petitioned. David, now alive to the enormity of his offerness.

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Figure 38 - Temples of Solomon and Herod by Philip Lee

The Patriarchs, Prophets, and Kings of the Bible.

SCENES AND INCIDENTS IN THE LIVES OF THE PRINCIPAL CHARACTERS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT.

COMPILED FROM AUTHENTIC SOURCES EXPRESSLY FOR THIS EDITION OF THE DEVOTIONAL AND EXPLANATORY PICTORIAL FAMILY BIBLE.

BY REV. PHILIP SMITH, D.D.

Figure 39 - Patriarchs, Prophets, Kings - Philip Smith

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Figure 40 - Dictionary of the Bible by William Smith - 1860-65

This Dictionary author had significant fame (edited):

Sir William Smith (5/20/1813 – 10/7/1893) was an English lexicographer.

Early life

Born at Enfield in 1813 of Non-conformist parents [not of the Church of England], he started for a theological career, but instead was articled to a solicitor. In his spare time, he taught himself the classics, and when he entered University College London, he carried off both the Greek and Latin prizes. He entered [into Law] at Gray's Inn in 1830, but gave up his legal studies for a post at University College School and wrote on classical subjects.



Career

Smith turned to lexicography. His first attempt was A Dictionary of Greek and Roman Antiquities, which appeared in 1842, the greater part written alone. He next wrote the Dictionary of Greek and Roman Biography and Mythology in 1849. A parallel Dictionary of Greek and Roman Geography appeared in 1857, with some leading scholars associated.

Meanwhile he published several school dictionaries in 1850, and in 1853, he began the Principia series, which marked an advance in the school teaching of Greek and Latin. John Murray was the publisher of his 1214-page Latin—English Dictionary based upon the works of Forcellini and Freund that Smith completed in 1855. This was periodically reissued the next thirty-five years.

The most important books Smith edited dealt with ecclesiastical subjects. These were the **Dictionary of the Bible (1860–1865)**; the Dictionary of Christian Antiquities (1875–1880) with Archdeacon Samuel Cheetham; and the Dictionary of Christian Biography (1877–1887) with Dr. Henry Wace.

From 1853 to 1869, Smith was classical examiner to the University of London, and on his retirement, he became a member of the Senate. He sat on the Committee to inquire into questions of copyright.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William Smith (lexicographer)

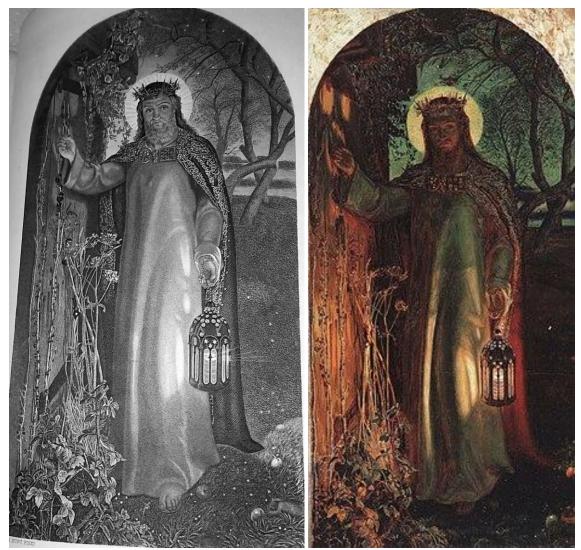


Figure 41 - Light of the World, Oil and Pastel Study by Holman Hunt - 1853

A reproduction of the Holman Hunt painting "Light of the World" appears as a full page engraving just prior to the New Testament. There may be a nod to the artist by Holman Publishing with their business name and their "Light of the World" trademark.

Three versions of this painting exist. A vibrant life-size full-color painting fits on a side aisle niche in St. Paul's Cathedral in London. That 1906 version was unknown during this 1881 Bible. Thus, the black and white reproduction (shown on the left) comes from the oil painting hanging at an Oxford side-chapel. Manchester City owns the smaller 1856 study done in pastels (shown on the right). The pastel hints at the color palate had this particular Bible sought reproduction rights for a multi-color plate of the oil version.

Hunt and this painting (edited):

The Light of the World (1851–1853) is an allegorical painting by the English Pre-Raphaelite artist William Holman Hunt (b.1827–d.1910). [There are three versions.] A small [pastel study] painted by Hunt [about 1851], is on display at Manchester City Art Gallery, England.

The [original] oil painting completed by 1853 is in a side chapel at Keble College, Oxford. Donated by his patron in an understanding that it would hang in the large chapel (constructed 1873–76), the architect was opposed. When the college library opened in 1878, it was placed there. It moved again only after the construction of the side chapel in 1892–95 by another architect.

[Fifty years after 1853,] Hunt felt he had to explain the symbolism [to the young secular generation of 1904]: "I painted the picture with what I thought, unworthy though I was, to be by Divine command, and not simply as a good Subject." The painting represents Jesus knocking on an overgrown and long-unopened door, illustrating Revelation 3:20: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me". The door in the painting has no handle, and can therefore be opened only from the inside, representing "the obstinately shut mind".

That [sense of an irreligious 1900's and that Oxford] charged to view it, persuaded Hunt to paint a large life-size version completed in 1904, which was purchased by ship owner and social reformer Charles Booth and hung in St Paul's Cathedral, London, where it was dedicated in 1908. Due to Hunt's increasing infirmity and glaucoma, he was assisted in the completion of this version by English painter Edward Robert Hughes. Hunt was buried in St Paul's.

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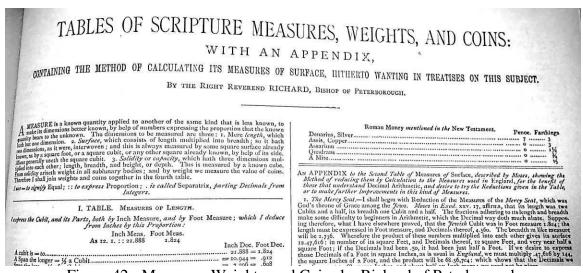


Figure 42 - Measures, Weights, and Coins by Richard of Peterborough

This elegant certificate could only accommodate marriages between 1881 and 1889.



Figure 43 - LHG 2009.03.01 Marriage Certificate (Holman, 1881)

While marketed by Russell Publications, this Bible was indeed printed by Holman Publishing by virtue of its trademark on the Title page for the New Testament.

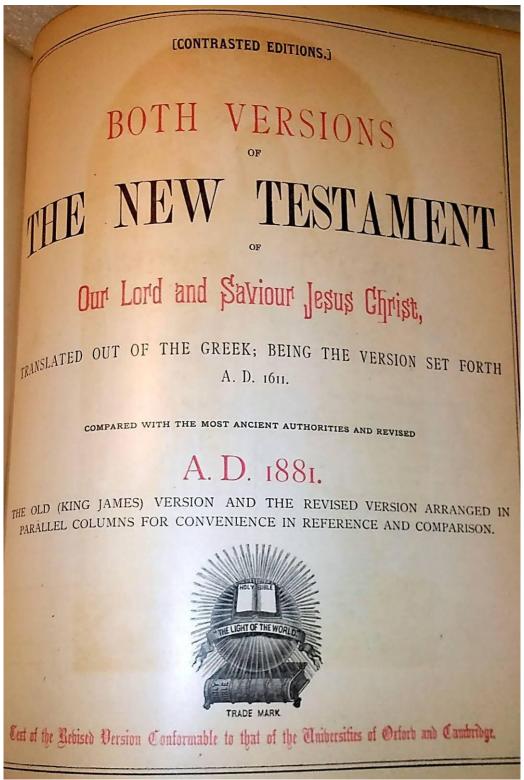


Figure 44 - LHG 2009.02.01 Title Page NT (Holman, 1881)

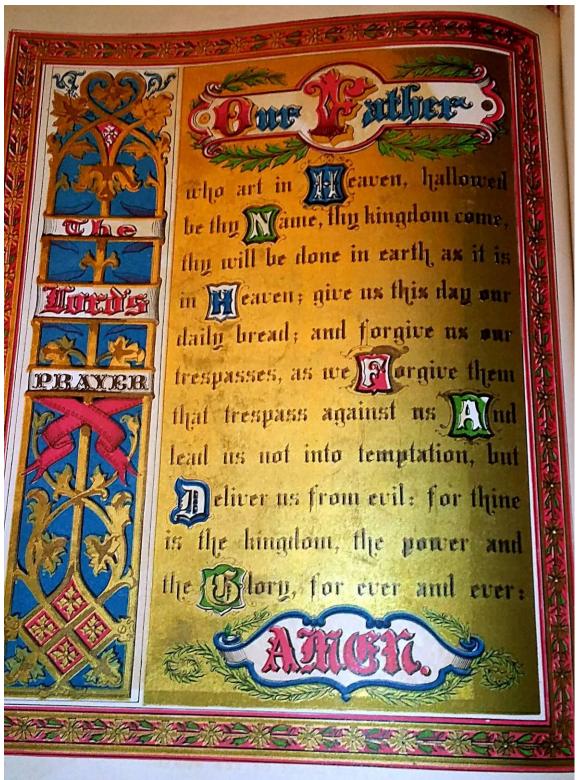


Figure 45 - Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6 KJV (Holman, 1881)

word, equivalent to our

THE PARABLES OF OUR LORD SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

WITH ILLUSTRATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS.

BY REV. JOSEPH HAINES, D.D.

All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them.—Matt. xiii. 34.

The word Parable does not of itself imply a narrative. The juxtaposition of two things, differing in most points, but agreeing in some, is sufficient to bring the comparison thus produced within the etymology of the word. In Hellenistic Greek the word

acquired a meaning coex-tensive with that of the Hebrew Mâshâl, for which the LXX. writers, with hardly an exception, make That it the equivalent.



Figure 46 - Parables of ... Jesus by Joseph Haines

as He had before taught in Jerusalem, and as yet with-out a parable. But then there comes a change. The direct teaching was met with scorn, unbelief, hard-ness, and He seems for a time to abandon it for tha which took the form of par

SCENES AND INCIDENTS

OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

BY THE REV. ARTHUR P. HAYES,

AUTHOR OF "THE LIGHT IN THE EAST," ETC.

have no record that one was ever taken during his lifetime. The various heads or portraits of the Saviour that are familiar to us are various heads or portraits of the Saviour that are familiar to us are ideal portraits—the conception of some artist of more modern times. The art of gem engraving, since it flourished during antiquity, has frequently been claimed to give to the modern world an authentic portrait of Christ. One of the most notorious of these attempts was that of the famous "Emerald of the Vatican," which was claimed to

THERE is no genuine portrait of the Saviour in existence, and we are no record that one was ever taken during his lifetime. The are no record that one was ever taken during his lifetime. The the older faith, gave place altogether to gloom, to dreary depression. Among one class of painters, the monks of St. Basil, there was a reaction to absolute blackness and ugliness. The Saviour became a dismal, macerated, self-tortured monk. Light vanished from his brow, the art of gem engraving, since it flourished during antiquity, has gentleness from his features, calm, serene majesty from his attitude. Another change, about the tenth century, came over the image of the Lord. It was no longer the mild Redeemer, but the terrible Judge,

Figure 47 - Scenes and Incidents of ... Jesus by Arthur Hayes

THE LIFE OF SAINT PAUL, THE GREAT APOSTLE TO THE GENTILES.

BY THE REV. CHARLES FARRAR, D. D.

ONE of the most important portions of the New Testament consists of the narration of the labors of St. Paul, the Apostle of our Lord and the Septuagint, which, as an Hellenist, he had been taught from his saviour Jesus Christ, to the Gentile nations. As a man, St. Paul is childhood, a complete knowledge of Hebrew and of the Hebrew of the most remarkable and powerful characters in all history, Scriptures, as well as the whole mass of the traditional lore of the

Figure 48 - Life of Saint Paul by Charles Farrar

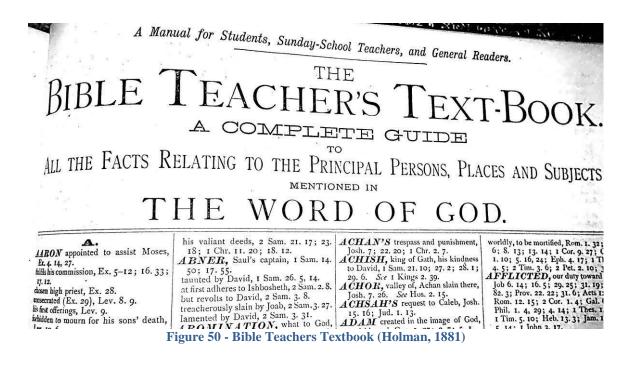
Most followers of Jesus died in obscurity, but much of Paul's adult life is known through a travelogue ("Acts of the Apostles" or simply "Acts") and his preserved letters to cities where he had ministered. By the mid-1800's, scholars had visited the sites mentioned. Their research fleshed out Paul's travels with archeological and historical background for the many towns, regions, and people groups. Dr. Farrar collected that data of the time into a supportive narrative of the New Testament by focusing upon Paul.



Figure 49 - Concordance by John Brown of Haddington - 1868

A Concordance is an alphabetic listing of all (mostly) words found in the Bible with a partial line bearing the word. Each entry for that word is listed in the same book order as found in the Bible (Genesis first through The Revelation last).

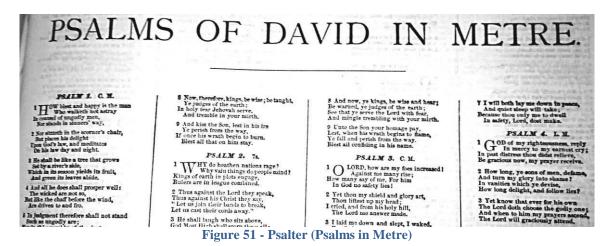
Alexander Cruden (published in 1737 London), John Brown of Haddington (published in 1868 Scotland), and James Strong (published in 1890, Drew University, New Jersey ... a decade after our 1881 Bible) each used cards or slips of paper to record these massive volumes of partial lines. This matched how the Oxford English Dictionary began in 1857 with its many quotes of a word as used in books. Sorting these cards was an immense problem that took decades to complete. None had the privilege of computer sorting, a word processor, or even a typewriter. Everything was hand-written and woe to the person who tripped and dumped a wooden drawer of sorted cards to the floor!



The Psalter

The "Psalter in Metre" or "Psalms of David in Metre" were the 150 Psalms set out for congregational singing, either accompanied by musicians or sung a capella (voices only, no instrumental music). Many of their hymnals used the same meters, meaning that any tune that matched the defined meter could be repurposed for singing that given psalm.

The Psalters within our Family Bibles predates the "Psalter of the United Presbyterian Church of North America", 1887 version. A closer inspection may reveal the source but a date was not found on the title page.



The web-site "Music for the Church of God" (www.cgmusic.org/library/index.htm) defined eleven versions of the Psalter including

- the 1562 "Old Version",
- the 1564 Church of Scotland version
- the "Scottish Psalter of 1635"

The New England Puritans used a version dated in 1640. The web site gives historical notes and full text renditions of three versions (1562, 1650, and 1696) along with details about metre notations. They compare some Psalms using all eleven English versions.

The Hetherton Presbyterian Church in Michigan sings the Psalter "a capella". Their modern copy differs only slightly from our century-old Bibles.

The tags of C.M., S.M., and L.M. for each Psalm reflects the meter cadence of the Psalm,

- C.M. = Common Meter of four lines: eight syllables, six syllables, eight syllables, and six syllables per stanza (annotated as 8.6.8.6 in hymnals).
- S.M. = Short Meter, noted in hymnals as 6.6.8.6
- L.M. = Long Meter, noted in hymnals as 8.8.8.8

1910 Crane (LHG Crane)

This 1910 American Bible Society (ABS) version is an unremarkable copy with no explanatory footnotes or a central column for cross-references. They mass-produced this non-sectarian version for low-cost distribution among all denominations and colleges.

In the middle 1800's, there was higher interest in Greek papyri located by fledgling archeologists. These were older than the sources used by the King James Version. The famous Westcott and Hort examination of all known Greek sources (1853 through its publication on 1881) was widely referenced in the 1900s. The ABS still used the King James Version as its base, but used these older Greek documents to cross-check the text.

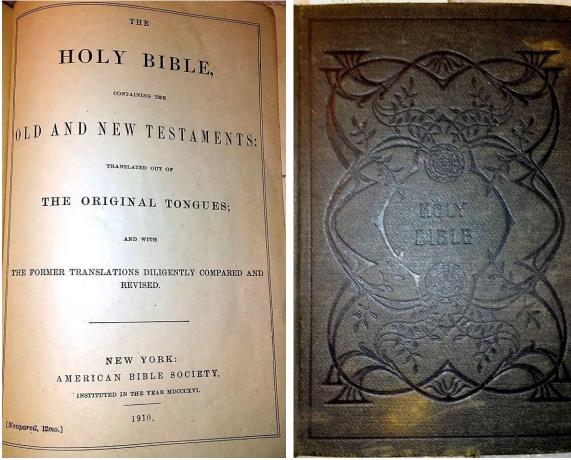


Figure 52 – LHG Crane Title Page and Fabric Cover (ABS, 1910)

The back fabric cover is embossed with "ABS". In many ways, the familiar Gideon Bibles in hotel rooms through the mid 20th century followed the same non-sectarian principle using the New King James Version without footnotes or cross-references.

1930 Nathan Maclean (LHG 2013.18.06)

The undated (pre-1931), ordinary, and unused 'routine use' Bible was pressed by Cambridge University using a low-cost paper faux-leather cover. It was common for youth in every church-attending Livermore family to have their own Bible. Beryl Maclean donated this particular Bible.



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Figure 53 - LHG 2013.18.06 Title Page (Cambridge)



PART 3 - Family Records

This part of the monograph presents vital statistics of each family (marriages, births, deaths). While many entries are outside of the region, some names tie to Livermore families such as Black, Wagoner, and Christensen. The photographs from these family pages in the center of some Bibles allow inspection without handling the fragile originals.

Some photos are magnified to show penmanship and formatting differences from family to family and within the family over generations.

Look for the mannerisms for listing dates. Example formats include:

- 1st Mo 1st Dy 1850 (To avoid writing pagan month/day names in a Bible)
- First day of January Anno Domino 1850
- January 1 Anno Domino 1850
- 1st Day of January 1850
- January 1st, 1850
- Jan. 1, 1850

Look for the frequent use of middle names of children to honor prior generations. While hyphenated married names for women became common after 1970, it appears all children from these pioneer valley families used the last names on their maternal side of either grandparent as their middle name. This local commonality personally surprised me and perhaps would be worthy of a research paper to determine its scope nationwide.

The data from these statistic pages are transcribed as searchable text below or near the source pages. The transcribed text uses a common format for dates and place names. Bracketed [text] is not on the specific transcribed page but discovered elsewhere.

1831 Black/Wagoner (LHG 2013.02.08)

Marriages

Nathan W [Wright] Black and Sarah Ellis married 1/31/1828 [b 1790] [in New Jersey] William G [Gatzmer] Wagoner and Mary E Black married 11/17/1858 [b 1831] [in New Jersey] Joseph French Black and Mary Elliott Simpson married 4/18/1865 [b 1834] [in Alameda County]

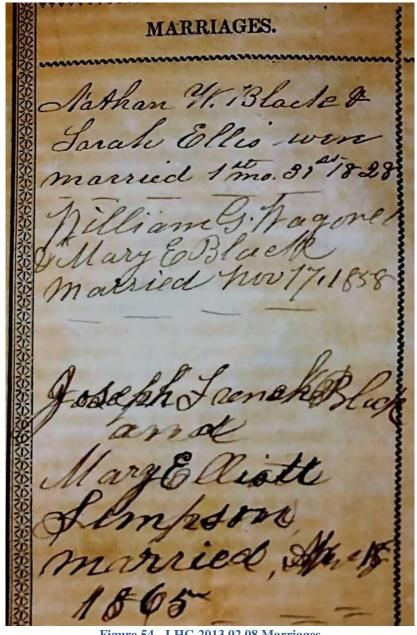


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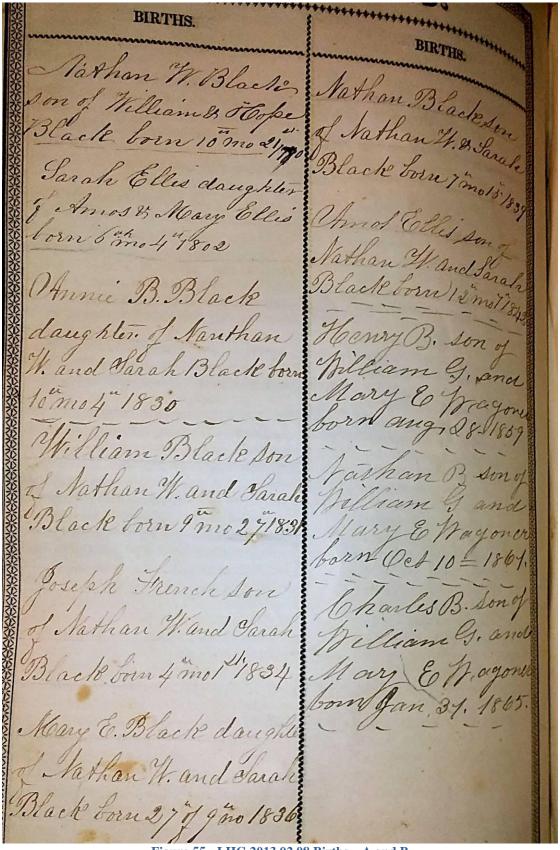


Figure 55 - LHG 2013.02.08 Births - A and B

Old Family Bibles

Births (No Cities Named)

Nathan W Black born 10/21/1790 [d.3/9/1880]

Son of William and Hope Black

[The recorded dates are inaccurate for his age of 90 years and six months.]

Sarah Ellis born 6/4/1802

Daughter of Amos and Mary Ellis [Sarah had an invalid sister named Anne]

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Children of Nathan W [Black] and Sarah Ellis Black

(Column A and B)

Annie B Black born 10/4/1830 William Black born 9/27/1831 Joseph French [Black] born 10/4/1834

Mary E [Ellis] Black born 7/9/1836 [d.1916]

Nathan Black born 7/13/1839

[Nathan was elected Justice of the Peace in Burlington Co, NJ on 5/1/1899]

Amos Ellis born 12/11/1842

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Children of William G [Gatzmer] **Wagoner** and Mary E. B. [Black] Wagoner (Column B)

Henry B born 8/28/1859 [in New Jersey] [Henry moved to Livermore in 1879 to work for his uncle Joseph French Black.]

Nathan B born 10/10/1861 Charles B born 1/31/1865

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Children of Joseph French [Black] and Mary Elliot [Simpson] Black (Column C)

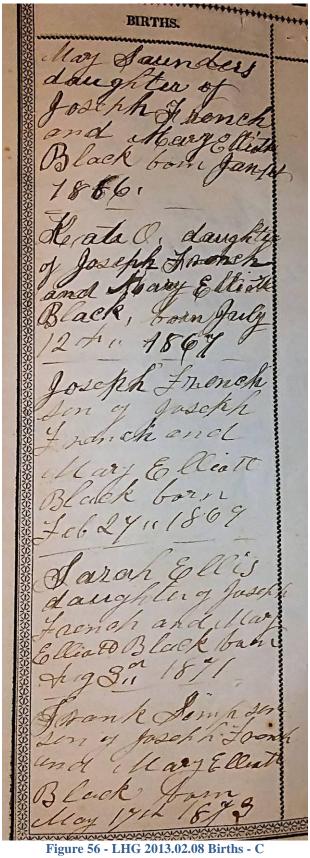
 May Saunders
 born 1/10/1866

 Kate O.
 born 7/12/1867

 Joseph French [II]
 born 2/24/1869

 Sarah Ellis
 born 8/3/1871

 Frank Simpson
 born 5/17/1873



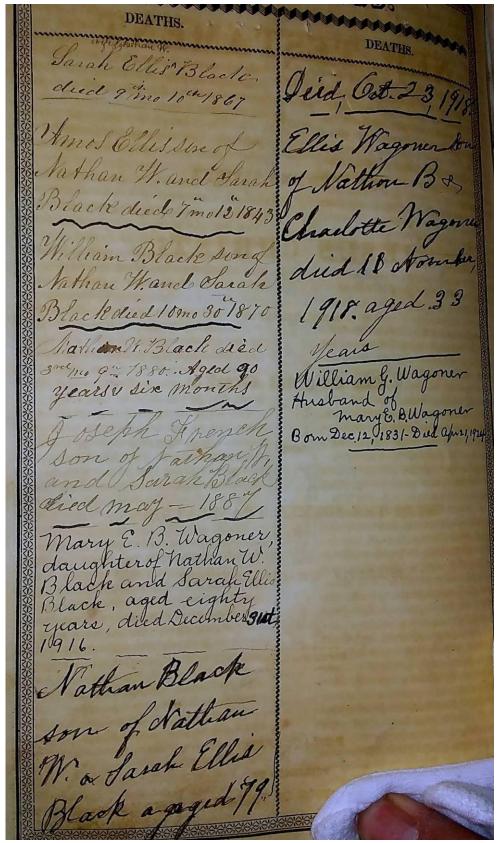


Figure 57 - LHG 2013.02.08 Deaths

Old Family Bibles

Deaths (No Cities Named):

Sarah Ellis Black died 9/10/1867

Amos Ellis [Black]

Son of Nathan W and Sarah Black died 7/12/1843

William Black

Son of Nathan W and Sarah Black died 10/30/1870

Nathan W Black died 3/9/1880 Aged 90 years 6 months

Joseph French [Black] died 5/ 1887

Son of Nathan W and Sarah Black

Mary E [Ellis] B [Black] Wagoner died 12/31/1916 Aged 80 years

Daughter of Nathan W and Sarah Ellis Black

Nathan Black died 10/23/1918 Aged 79

Son of Nathan W and Sarah Ellis Black

Ellis [S] Wagoner [b.9/1885 in NJ] died 11/11/1918 Aged 33 years

Son of Nathan B and Charlotte [B] Wagoner

[Worked in construction for Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, Montana]

William G **Wagoner** b. 12/12/1831 died 4/21/1924

Husband of Mary E. B. Wagoner

[His 1924 death is the most recent entry in this Bible.]

R. Finn (edited):

The Black Family was one of the most important farming families in the valley. Mary E. Black married [in New Jersey] William Gatzmer Wagoner, son of another important valley family.

Sarah Ellis Black (aka Ellis B Hayes) married John Carey Hayes, superintendent of the million acre [William Randolph] Hearst Barbicora Ranch in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico. [Phoebe Apperson Hearst of Pleasanton improved upon the Barbicora Ranch and was a major supportive citizen in the Livermore valley.]

P.Kitchingham (edited):

This Bible published in 1831 was likely given to Nathan W BLACK and Sarah Black (nee ELLIS) near the 9/1831 birth of first son, William, in New Jersey.

Nathan Wright BLACK's parents were William BLACK and Hope FRENCH which is where the French middle name originates [for Joseph in the lists].

The Bible [assigned to Annie B Black, eldest daughter], appears to have found its way into the hands of their younger daughter, Mary Ellis BLACK, who married William Gatzmer WAGONER in 1858 in New Jersey. They had 3 sons - including Henry Black WAGONER (the Livermore [bulk] wine shipper).

Henry Black WAGONER married Mary [L] Madeline FRANK in 1889 and had five children - including Henrietta Gatzmer WAGONER [b.10/9/1890]

Henrietta married Ernest Kilburn MACLEAN in Livermore in 1916. They had two sons - including Nathan Black MACLEAN [(see Maclean Bible below)].

After Ernest died in 1956, Henrietta [moved into son Robert's home in Davis. She much later] married Leo Albert JACKER (1885-1972) in 1971 in Yolo. Leo died a year later and soon after, Henrietta returned to Yolo until her death in 1984.

Money in the Family

B.Maclean

The Black and Wagoner families in New Jersey were financially well off. Both families were prodigious savers and generous with both their time and money. Volunteerism appeared to be a multi-generational trait within the families.

Henry's wife, Mary Frank, at age 9 sailed around the Horn with her family from Boston to the Bay Area. She was the maid for his uncle Joseph [French] Black.

Viticulture (grapes) and viniculture (wine) were well known in New Jersey:

Wealthy New Jersey landowners produced wines during the colonial period (with awards in 1767). Those early developments did not become a long-term success. But in 1859, an agricultural society in Egg Harbor City tested over forty different grape varietals for local cultivation. Those grapes and fruit trees supported a flourishing wine industry in the late nineteenth until the Prohibition Era. - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Jersey_wine (edited)

When Joseph French Black came to California, he was much involved in local viticulture and by late 1850's planted wheat. Henry arrived in 1879 at age 20 to work for his uncle Joseph. Henry married Mary ten years later. He had or soon earned sufficient funds in wholesale bulk wine shipments using the nearby railroad tracks to purchase significant acreage throughout the Livermore Valley.

Henry came from New Jersey in 1876 to visit. He met and fell in love with his Uncle's maid, Mary Frank, a widow with two children. She and Henry married in 1879 [but more likely1889 given Henrietta's 10/1890 birth]. There were five Wagoner children – William and Anne from Mary's first marriage, and Henrietta, Marian, and W. [William] Gatzmer from the second [with Henry].

Henry bought grapes from local vineyards and workers carted it on wagons in 160-gallon wooden containers called puncheons. Between March and September 1889, he shipped two to three railroad cars weekly, each holding 1800 gallons of wine to a company in San Francisco. In 1893, he was listed with cooperage of 45,000 gallons; 9,000 in oak and 36,000 in redwood barrels.

Every July, the whole Wagoner family travelled to Capitola [a beach four miles east of Santa Cruz] for six weeks of vacation away from the Livermore Valley heat. They journeyed by [horse drawn] surrey and bicycle with an overnight in Los Gatos. Aside from the winery, the family bought local ranch lands and raised sheep, grapes, and cattle. Henry died in 1927 and Mary in 1935.
- Historic Livermore, California: A-Z, by Anne Marshall Homan (edited)

Starting a mission Episcopal Church

Henry's first daughter Henrietta received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism via the Grace Episcopal Church of Livermore at almost nine years old on 6/24/1900. Beryl found the replacement copy of the Baptismal Certificate (freshly typed on 10/22/1966).

The Wagoner family helped start this fledgling Episcopal congregation, which predated the 1953 St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church. Indeed, the new mission congregation was not formally organized until two months after Henrietta's childhood baptism!

Grace Episcopal Mission was organized on 26 August 1900 by Archdeacon John A. Emery. Sunday services were first held in the Masonic Hall. On 12 January 1901, the congregation purchased a lot on Fifth Street. The little church was built and consecrated in September 1902. The Wagoner family was in the original congregation, but [this church] never had enough members for a full-time rector.

The last marriage entry in the church register was that of Henrietta Wagoner to Earnest Maclean in 1916. By 1926 members were meeting only rarely, and they rented out the building in 1932 (and sold it in 1936).

- Historic Livermore, California: A-Z, by Anne Marshall Homan (edited)

The baptismal records showed the three Wagoner children from Henry were baptized on the same June day, followed by their mother in September 1900, two full years before the church had their own building. Clarence Crane as an infant in 1903 was the fifth baptism and the first in the new building (see Crane Bible below). [Records transcribed by Richard Finn as project leader for The Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society.]



Figure 58 -Henrietta Wagoner, c.1910 (B. Maclean)

B.Maclean:

Henry B Wagoner gifted Earnest and Henrietta [for their 1916 wedding] about 120 acres sited between the Wente and Concannon vineyards. The property once hosted a stagecoach stop. While Earnest [continued to be] a licensed Pharmacist, he mostly attended to growing grapes (sold to the wineries), alfalfa, and sheep on that ranch. It was always called "The Ranch". It was rural living where every child had many chores beyond schoolbooks.



Figure 59 - Maclean Ranch Home, c.1916 (B. Maclean)



Figure 60 - Henrietta c.1916 -Four Generations 1921 (B. Maclean)

B.Maclean:

The baby in the four-generation Wagoner photograph is 3-week old Robert Millington Maclean born in 1921. Henrietta and Ernie married in June 1916. Born in 1890, Henrietta was 26 when married and 31 when she had Robert. Henry Black Wagoner (Henrietta's father, standing) was 61. His father, seated, William Gatzmer Wagoner born in 1831 was 90.

1846 Fish/Millington (LHG 2013.02.11)

The flyleaf inscription states "The family Bible of Mr. John [Coffing] Fish and his wife Lydia E [Emeline] Fish, containing records ______". Many 1800's entries in this Bible list the years as Anno Domino (A.D. or "In the Year of Our Lord").



Figure 61 - LHG 2013.02.11 Flyleaf

John Fish moved his family from New York on the ship Arkansas to San Francisco during the 1849 Gold Rush, arriving December 19. John died in late1850 at almost 29 years old. Almost two years later, Lydia married James Millington in 1852, whom she had met on the Arkansas during their nearly six month ocean voyage around the horn.

P.Kitchingham:

This Bible must have been given to Lydia Emeline KILBURN in 1846/1847, possibly on the death of one (or both) of her children in 1847 in New York.

The entries show that this family moved around a bit. Lydia had been born in New York in 1826. She married John Coffing FISH (born in Connecticut in 1822) in Ohio in 1843 and they moved back to New York where they had 2 children - sadly both children died in 1847 in New York.

Happily they had another son, Sherman Joseph FISH in 1848 in New York. They moved to California. Husband John appeared to have been shot in Nov 1850.

Lydia remarried in 1852 to James MILLINGTON and had 5 children - the youngest child, Eva Elizabeth married Marcus Alexander MACLEAN in 1884 in Oakland, and had 6 children, including Ernest Kilburn MACLEAN (1891-1956).

Ernest married Henrietta Gatzmer WAGONER in Livermore in 1916. They had two sons - including Nathan Black MACLEAN.

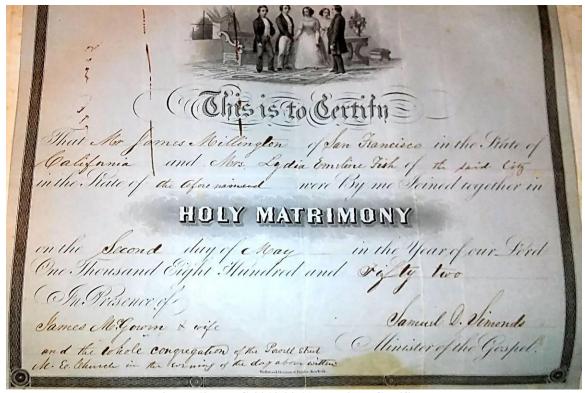


Figure 62 - LHG 2013.02.11 Marriage Certificate

Mr. James Millington of San Francisco, California Mrs. Lydia Emeline Fish of the said city aforementioned

On 5/2/1852 In the Presence of James McGown and wife and the whole congregation of the Powell Street [San Francisco] M.E. [Methodist-Episcopal] Church in the evening of the day above written. Minister of the Gospel: Samuel D Simonds

B.Maclean:

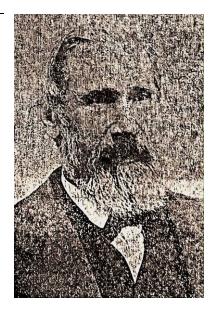
James Millington was active in Alameda city affairs [since 1853]. Both East Coast families had sailed around the Horn of South America [on a six-month voyage]. In the Bay Area triangle, my related families traveled by horse and wagon between the Livermore Valley, San Francisco, San Jose [and on vacation to Capitola beach north of Santa Cruz]. The 232-acre Mountainview Cemetery at 5000 Piedmont Avenue in Oakland hosts the Millington family in Plot 15.

"The Bay of San Francisco, Vol. 2: The Metropolis of the Pacific Coast and Its Suburban Cities; A History", wrote about James Millington in 1892 (pages 578-580). This multiple volume set was equivalent to a modern "Who's Who in the Bay Area". The Oakland Herald (4/16/1906, Fourth year Vol.VII No.14) in a front page article copied the 1892 biography nearly word for word as "Honorable Career of Alameda Pioneer Ended".

The combined biographical data follow (edited):

James Millington, a pioneer in 1849 and member of the first Board of Supervisors of Alameda County, passed away on 4/15/1906 at the home of his daughter in Stockton, where he went a month ago for his health. He resided in Alameda since 1853 and was well known to local pioneer settlers. He had kind and charitable impulses and was esteemed by all who enjoyed his acquaintance.

Born near New York City on 6/19/1825, he was in Galveston Texas at the outbreak of the Mexican War. He enlisted and suffered hardships. Taking sick he was placed on a two-mast schooner for 24 days to New Orleans. He was in critical condition for the next two months. In spring 1845, he went to Illinois and soon returned to New York.



In June 1849, as Vice-President of the California Mutual Benevolent Association, he organized a [six-month] expedition sailing from New York for San Francisco in their ship, the Arkansas, arriving 12/19/1849. While rounding Cape Horn they encountered a heavy gale for seven days running with no sails spread. Their first landing was at Talcahuano, [a port city on the central coast of] Chile, when all their [remaining] fresh water was contained in a single cask.

On the first night in San Francisco, the Arkansas drifted upon Alcatraz Island and stove a hole in her hull. She was towed to the mud flats (now Pacific and Battery streets), where she was fitted up as a store ship, with one apartment as a saloon.

With three others, Mr. Millington went up the Sacramento River in 1850 in a [small] boat built during the voyage from New York. It was loaded with tenting, provisions, and tools for mining. Leaving the boat tied to a tree at Sacramento they went on foot to the mines in the American River above Mormon Island.

After four months, some of the party with Mr. Millington then prospected where Nevada City now is. They next started for the Trinity mines but at Redding one was attacked with brain fever and Mr. Millington stopped to care for him. When his partner recovered, Mr. Millington went up the Feather River above Marysville to work a claim until winter set in. The following spring, he worked two months at Horseshoe Bend on the Merced River. Returning to San Francisco he took charge of the India Warehouse, a large three-story building at the water's edge.

Early in 1852, he embarked with a partner in the wood and coal business at Front and Oregon streets, bringing wood from San Mateo County by ship. He married Mrs. Lydia Emeline Fish, a widow, in [May] 1852. She was a passenger on the Arkansas when he came to California. He built a house where his eldest child

was born. In late 1853, he sold out to his partner and moved to Alameda for the contracting and building trade. In 1854, he built his home in Alameda.

In the fall of 1854, Mr. Millington was elected to the first Board of Supervisors of Alameda County, as the first Justice of the Peace of Alameda Township, and to the Board of three School Commissioners. He [helped purchase] the first public school for Alameda, a one-story building of 16 by 20 feet. [See related article below.] He managed school interests for ten years.

He constructed the First Methodist-Episcopal Church in Alameda in 1854. This structure stands on Webb Avenue, known as Blanding Hall. He was in these early days a member of the truck company of the volunteer fire department.

Locally, Mr. Millington was independent, but in general elections he voted Republican. He was a life member and Past Master of Oak Grove Lodge 215 of Free and Accepted Masons. He belonged to Yerba Buena Lodge 15 IOOF and was the last survivor of its charter members. When Alameda incorporated in December 1884, he was elected City Clerk, a position he filled for ten more years.

He leaves his wife, four daughters, and a son: Mrs. May Hardy of Seattle, Mrs. **Eva Maclean** of Stockton, Mrs. George Hildreth and Mrs. D.W. Martin, of this city and Frank K Millington, of this city. The later is the assistant chief of the fire department and was the second male child born in [the city of] Alameda.

In 1961, Kathleen Madison wrote a history article about the first school (edited):

Alameda's public school system dates back 107 years to July 12, 1854, when they appointed as "Commissioners of Alameda School District": James Millington, E. M. Taft, and James T. Stratton. There were not a dozen families on the Encinal of Alameda but between them they had 19 children. They needed a schoolhouse.

Alameda's first schoolhouse was purchased for [either] \$150 [or] \$450. It was a small unoccupied house on a corner lot of Mound and Van Buren Streets owned by a bachelor, John Schermerhorn of San Francisco. Millington went to San Francisco, found Schermerhorn willing to sell, and "closed the bargain on the spot" according to an early Argus [newspaper] account. Millington donated \$50 toward the purchase. The remainder was raised by public subscription.

A lady teacher, Miss Sleight, was hired for \$75 a month and room with board. To pay her salary, rates of tuition were: Children under 10 years of age, \$1 per month [per week?]; under 14, \$1.50; and over 14, \$2. Alameda's first [19] school children [included first grader] Sherman [Joseph Fish] Millington.

By 1867, 110 children attended several one-room schools throughout the town. Tuition charges were abolished because expenses were met out of public funds.

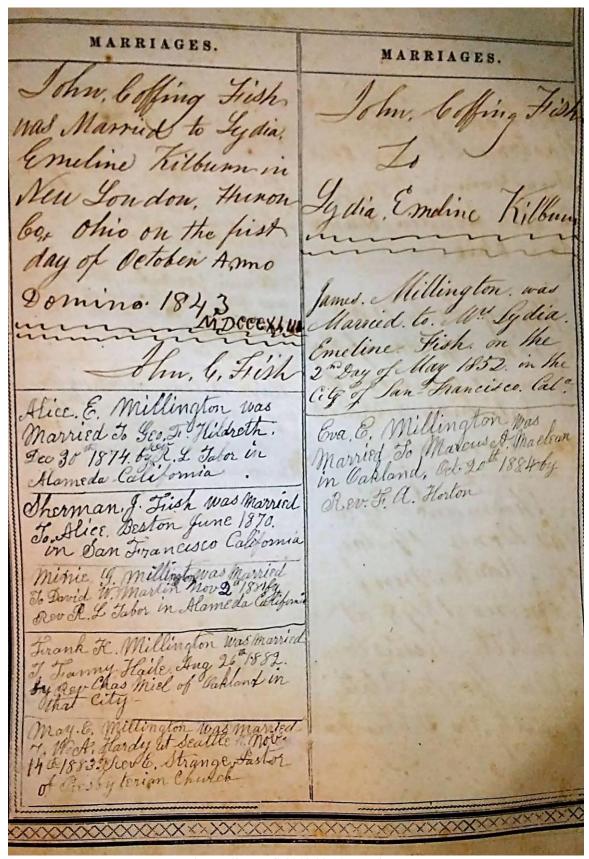


Figure 63 - LHG 2013.02.11 Marriages

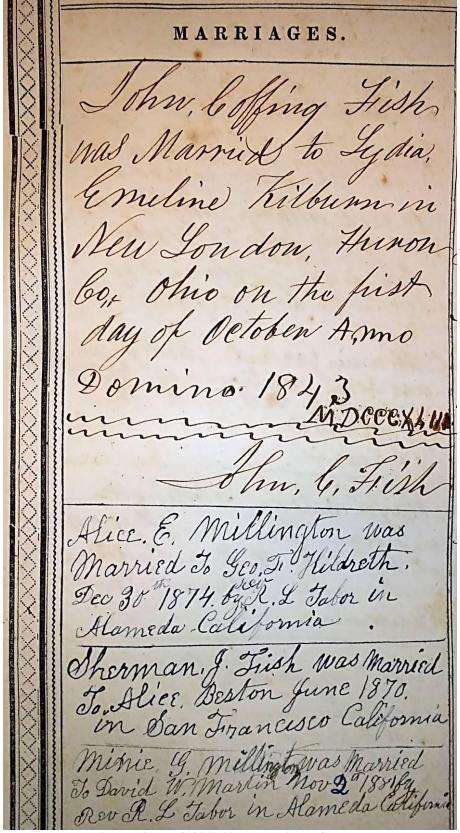


Figure 64 - LHG 2013.02.11 Marriages Close-up

Marriages re-arranged in Date Order:

John Coffing Fish was married to Lydia Emeline Kilburn in New London, Huron County, Ohio 10/1/1843 James Millington was married to Mrs. Lydia Emeline Fish 5/2/1852 In the city of San Francisco, California Sherman J [Joseph] Fish was married to Alice Berton 6/1870 in San Francisco, California was married to George F Hildreth Alice E Millington 12/30/1874 By Rev. R. L. Tabor in Alameda, California

Minnie G [Gertrude] Millington was married to David W Martin 11/2/1881 By Rev. R. L. Tabor in Alameda, California

Eva E [Emeline] Millington was married to

Marcus A [Alexander] Maclean 10/20/1884 [with occupation as a train conductor – B.Maclean] In Oakland by Rev. F. A. Horton [Paternal grandparents of Nathan Black MacLean]

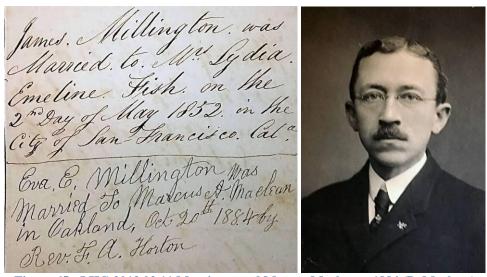


Figure 65 - LHG 2013.02.11 Marriages and Marcus Maclean c.1884 (B. Maclean)

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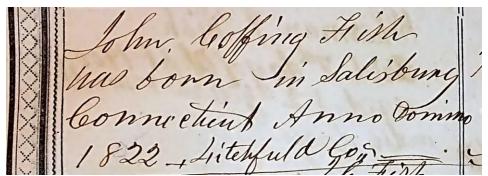


Figure 67 - LHG 2013.02.11 Births Continued

Births re-arranged in Date Order:

John Coffing Fish was born 1822 [died 1850] In Salisbury, Litchfield County, Connecticut

James Millington was born 6/1825 In New York City, New York State

Lydia Emeline Millington was born 11/16/1826 In Johnstown, Herkimer County, New York State

Rebecca Fish was born 10/2/1844 [died 1847] In New London, Huron County, Ohio

Henry Fish was born 5/24/1846 [died 1847] In Salisbury, Litchfield County, Connecticut

Sherman J [Joseph] Fish was born 3/19/1848 In Lowhille, Lewis County, New York State Named by Mrs. Hitchcock

Alice E Millington was born 2/12/1853 20 minutes before 12 o'clock p.m. In San Francisco, California

[All the rest born] in the town of Alameda, Alameda County, California:

Frank Kilburn Millington was born 7/28/1855 at 9 p.m. Minnie Gertrude Millington was born 9/10/1857 at 6 p.m. May Emeline Millington was born 11/5/1859 at 6 a.m. Eva Elizabeth Millington was born 6/29/1865 at 8 a.m.

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Figure 68 - LHG 2013.02.11 Deaths

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Rebecca Fish died 8/4/1847 Aged 2 years 10 months

At Lowehille, Lewis County, New York State Of dropsy of the brain or hyper-cephalous intermus

John C [Coffing] Fish died 11/23/1850 Aged 28 years 10 months [Presumed weakened by travel during the 1849 Gold Rush] [Possible shot according to Graves.com – P.Kitchingham] In San Francisco, California

Sherman [Joseph] Fish died 9/7/1900 Aged 52 years 5 months and 16 days In Alameda, California died 4/18/1906 Aged 80 years 9 months and 26 days In Stockton, California

Lydia Emeline Millington died 1/10/1919 Aged 92 years 1 month and 25 days In Alameda, California



Figure 69 – Mountainview Cemetery in Oakland (B. Maclean, 2013)

Alice E Hildreth In Alameda, California	died	5/19/1926	Aged 73 years 3 months and 7 days
May E [Emeline] Hardy In Chicago [Illinois]	died	12/24/1930	Aged 71 years 1 month and 19 days

1850 Black/Wagoner (Private Collection)

The 1850 flyleaf has two presentation inscriptions:

- 11/17/1858 Aunt Anne Ellis to Mary E Black [(1836-1916) at age 22]
- 9/5/1909 Mary [age 73] to Henrietta G Wagoner [(1890-1984) at age 19]

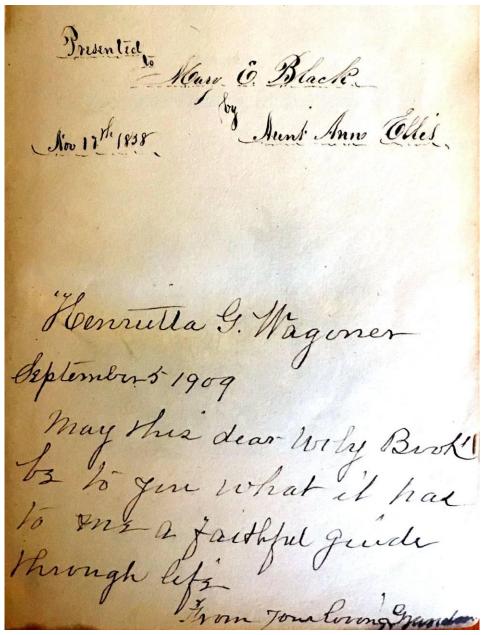


Figure 70 - Presentation Inscriptions - 1858 and 1909 (B.Maclean)

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Figure 71 - Presentation Letter by Mary E Black, 1909 (B.Maclean)

Newark, New Jersey, 9/5/1909

"My dear Henrietta,

I wish to thank you so much for the beautiful waist [a tailored blouse] you sent. The work on it is exquisite. I shall prize it dearly.

I send you a little remembrance that had been very dear to me- a Bible given to me when I was married [in 1858] by an invalid Aunt. Your papa [Henry B Wagoner] will remember her. My life might not be much longer and I wanted some things I valued for the associative to go to ones I loved and thought would prize them for my sake.

If my dear you live by the teachings of the Holy Word of God, when you reach my years, you will thank God for so keeping you.

No doubt you are all hard at work in school as your schools open earlier than they do here. Jessie [?] commences the thirteenth. Write when you can. I am always so pleased to hear from you.

Lovingly, Grandma."

1873 Clark (LHG 1974.03.04)

Holman publishing printed the family vital statistic pages all in gold-gilt ink.

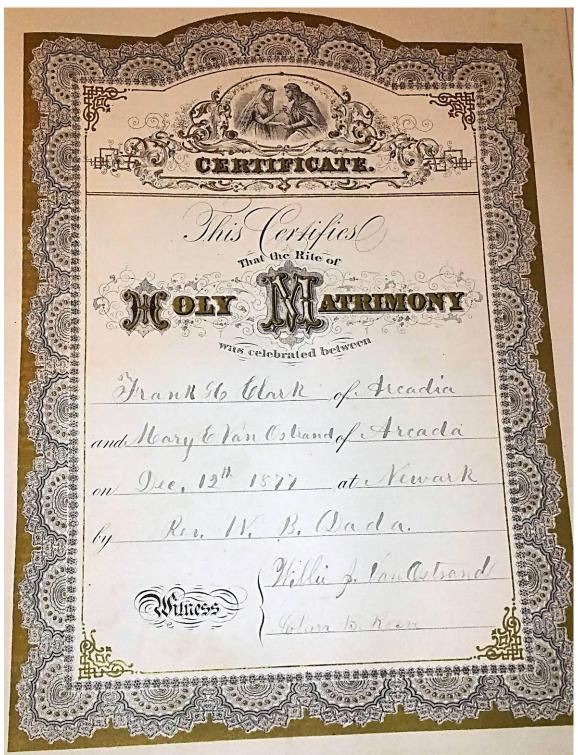


Figure 72 - LHG 1974.03.04 Marriage Certificate

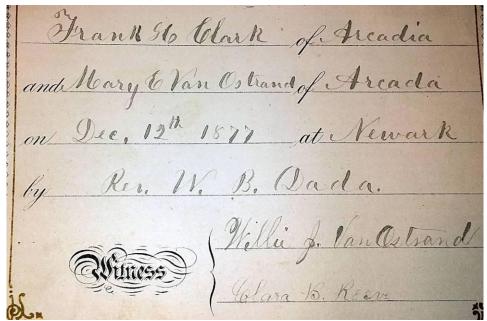


Figure 73 - LHG 1974.03.04 Marriage Close-up

Marriages

Frank H Clark and Mary E Van Ostrand on 12/12/1877 of Arcadia [New York] of Arcadia [New York]

at Newark [New York] by Rev W. B. Dada Witness: William J Van Ostrand - Clara B Reeve [Newark is in the south part of the Town of Arcadia.]

Leon Alvin Clark (b. 8/10/1883) Manley James Clark (b. 2/7/1881) to Viva Nicholson to Reba Lucile Dabson 9/1912 10/5/1921

Leon Alvin Clark Viva Nicholson September 1912 Heaveley James Clark Reba Lucille Dabson October 5, 1921

Figure 74 - LHG 1974.03.04 Marriages by Children

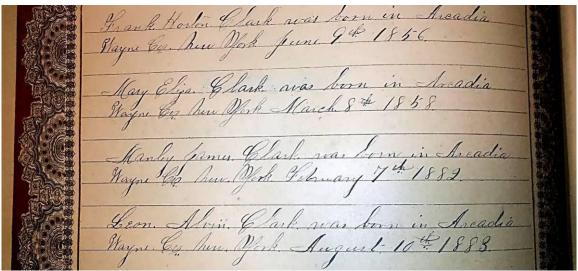


Figure 75 - LHG 1974.03.04 Births of Children

Births

[The four siblings were] born in Arcadia, Wayne County, New York

Frank Horton Clark was born 6/9/1856 Mary Eliza[beth] Clark was born 3/8/1858 Manley James Clark was born 2/7/1881 Leon Alvin Clark was born 8/10/1883

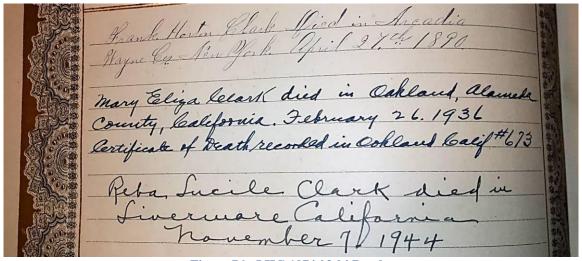


Figure 76 - LHG 1974.03.04 Deaths

Deaths

Frank Horton Clark	died in Arcadia, Wayne County, New York	4/27/1890
Mary Eliza[beth] Clark	died in Oakland, Alameda Co, California	2/26/1936
	Death Certificate #673 recorded in Oakland	
Reba Lucile Clark	died in Livermore , [Alameda Co.]	11/7/1944
	[first wife of Judge Manley Clark]	

1881 Peck (LHG 2009.03.01)

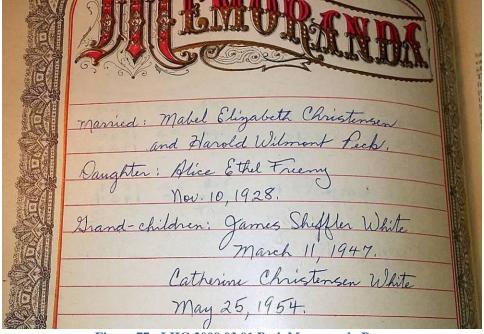


Figure 77 - LHG 2009.03.01 Peck Memoranda Page

Memoranda:

Married [c. 1927 Livermore Presbyterian Church]

Mabel Elizabeth **Christensen** [b. 1903 d. 1971] Harold Wilmont Peck [b. 2/9/1897 d. 1/6/1971]

R.Finn:

Mabel was baptized in the Livermore Presbyterian Church. Her parents were Hans Mortensen **Christensen** 1857-1937 and Catherine Rachel Herbert 1864-1957. All of Livermore.

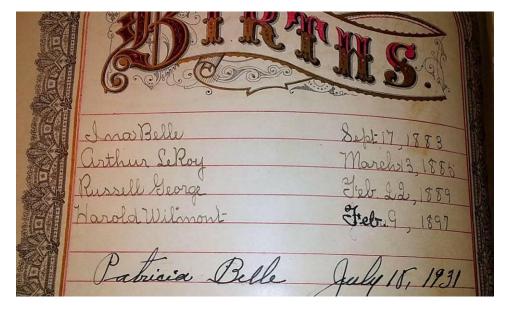
Daughter

Alice Ethel Freeny born 11/10/1928

Grandchildren

James Shiffler White born 3/11/1947 Catherine Christensen White born 5/25/1954

The first building of the Presbyterians, now the Memorial Chapel, was built with Carnegie bricks and dedicated in 1874. In 1902, it was wired for electricity. In 2004, the church undertook a large remodeling project [which gifted this Bible]. - Historic Livermore, California: A-Z, by Anne Marshall Homan (edited)



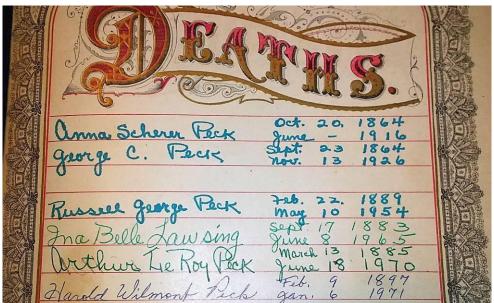


Figure 78 - LHG 2009.03.01Peck Births and Deaths

Births (List was first entered by a 1897 (or later) hand without city names.): **Deaths** (List was first entered by a 1954 (or later) hand without city names.):

Anna Scherer Peck	b. 10/20/1864	d. 6/1916	[Maiden name debated]
George C Peck	b. 9/23/1864	d. 11/13/1926	
Russell George Peck	b. 2/22/1889	d. 5/10/1954	
Ina Belle Lawsing	b. 9/17/1883	d. 6/8/1965	
Arthur LeRoy Peck	b. 3/13/1885	d. 6/18/1970	
Harold Wilmont Peck	b. 2/9/1897	d.1/6/1971	
Patricia Belle Peck	b. 7/18/1931		

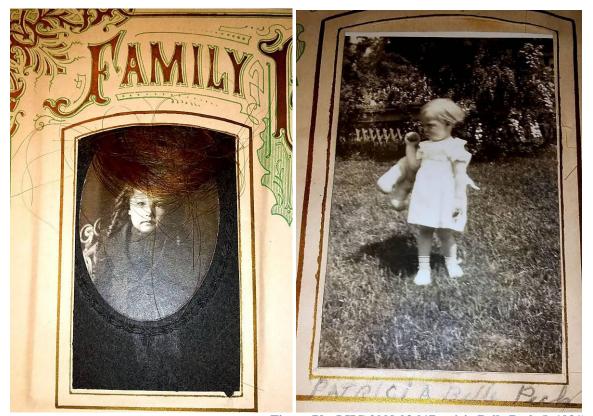


Figure 79 - LHG 2009.03.01Patricia Belle Peck (b.1931)





1910 Crane (LHG Crane)

The flyleaf has the pleasant formal signature of Clarence Crane. The inside cover has a larger scrawled dedication "Frome [sic] Clarence Crane to Russell Crane".



Figure 80 - LHG Crane - inside cover

R.Finn:

Clarence Barks Crane 1902-1964 and Russell Robert Crane 1907-1981 were sons of George William Crane 1864-1924 and Martha E. Barks 1873-1940.

In 1903, George Crane and his older brother Henry Randolph Crane sold the first automobile and the first motorcycle in the valley. After 1910, they ran Crane Brothers Garage with Henry as the machinist. In 1913, they built Valley Garage on First Street (where the plaza for the Bankhead Theater is now).

In 1920, Clarence [at age 18] was a garage mechanic.

Grandparents of Clarence and Russell were Andrew Edward Crane 1836-1909 and Margaret C. Braddock 1836-1896, both from New Jersey. By 1880, Andrew became a local farmer and stock raiser on 160 acres.

The grandfather, Andrew Crane, was known for the Crane Ridge property south of Livermore that later hosted a Forest Fire look-out at its peak.

Clarence Crane, as an infant in 1903 was the fifth baptism, following the four baptisms in the Wagoner family in 1900, under Grace Episcopal Church. [Records transcribed by Richard Finn as project leader for The Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society.]

1930 Nathan Maclean (LHG 2013.18.06)

The Bible was purchased for Nathan Black Maclean on 10/25/1931 as a youth. It has only a dedication signature on the flyleaf and contains no other markings. It was common for early Livermore youth of church attending families to have their own Bible; even as young as when they could read.

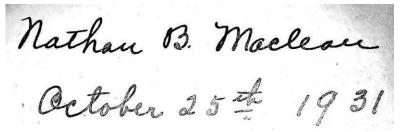


Figure 81 - LHG 2013.18.06 Flyleaf

R. Finn (edited):

Nathan was the son of:

Ernest Kilburn Maclean, a Livermore rancher, and Henrietta Gatzmer Wagoner

He was the grandson of:

(paternal) Marcus Alexander Maclean and Eva Elizabeth Millington

(maternal) Henry Black Wagoner and Mary Madeline Frank.

Eva Millington was the daughter of Alameda businessman James Millington. Henry Wagoner was the well known Livermore [wholesale bulk] wine shipper.

P.Kitchingham (edited):

Nathan Black MACLEAN died [10/12/1942] during WW2 on Guadalcanal, a Pacific island, under fierce fighting with the Japanese

Nathan was the first of twelve Livermore citizens who died in World War II. This sixmonth Guadalcanal battle was the first offensive attack against Japan, from 8/1942 through 2/1943. Buried first on this island in the midst of war, an urn with his remains was later reinterred in Livermore. A plaque near the flagpole in Carnegie Park lists and commemorates the twelve local servicemen.

Beryl said his death prompted Ernest and Henrietta to sell their ranch (originally intended for Nathan) and move into town on College Avenue. Sixty items of Nathan's were donated to the LHG.

B.Maclean

Nathan's story appears on this Future Farmers of America blog by Jason Bezis: https://nationalffa.wordpress.com/2013/05/24/honoring-ffa-member-and-fallen-soldier-nathan-maclean/

For Further Reading

- "Antique Family Bibles" Extensive web site shows photos and descriptions of 1800's Family Bibles and French engraver Gustave Dore'. (www.windmillministries.org)
- "Bay of San Francisco: The Metropolis of the Pacific Coast and Its Suburban Cities; A History" 1892, Lewis Publishing, Chicago, multiple volumes PDF copy from Forgotten Books "Classic Reprint Series", 2016, London, (www.forgottenbooks.com)
- "Bible Illustrations by Gustave Dore" Web site hosts 220 of his Bible illustrations as seen in post-1866 Family Bibles (www.creationism.org/images/DoreBibleIllus/) Click to view each. Select the free zip-file of 243 medium-sized images (30mb size).
- "Crane Ridge Lookout, 1931" Herbert L Hagemann, 1976, Amador-Livermore Valley Historical Society Herbert recounts living at the Crane Ridge Forest Fire Lookout one summer as a young boy. A copy in PDF format is available at the LHG.
- **"Early Livermore" -** Livermore Heritage Guild, 2006, 128 pages, Arcadia Publishing, Photo essays of Livermore up through 1941. Sold at LHG Carnegie Library.
- "Early Records of the Grace Episcopal Church of Livermore, California" Transcribed by Richard Finn, project leader, Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society Web Site: www.l-ags.org/episc/episc_bap_out.html
- "Gustave Dore" Web Site lists the artist's complete folio chronology and a representative gallery. (en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gustave_Dor%C3%A9)
- "Historic Livermore, California: A-Z" Anne Marshall Homan, 2007, 584 pages, Hardscratch Press. Sold at LHG Carnegie Library.
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- "International Bible Dictionary" W.W. Rand, 1859 (Originally as "A Dictionary of the Holy Bible"), American Tract Society, New York Reprinted 1977 by Logos International. Like the William Smith Dictionary, this contains 1800's lithographs. It has chronological tables by Rev. Joseph Angus. (1816-1902, University of London) and credits for tables of weights and measures to Dr. John Arbuthnot (1667-1735).
- "Manners and Customs of the Bible" James M Freeman, 1874 Reprinted in 1972 by Logos International

- "The Morning Side of Mount Diablo" Anne Marshall Homan. Sold at LHG Carnegie Library.
- "Music for the Church of God" Web site (<u>www.cgmusic.org/library/index.htm</u>) about Psalters (The 150 Psalms set to common hymnal metres for singing).
- "The Oxford Annotated Apocrypha" Editor Bruce Metzger, 1977, Oxford University Press
- "Sketches of Jewish Social Life" Alfred Edersheim, Vicar, 1876, Reprinted in 1994 by Hendrickson Publishers
- "Vasco's Livermore, 1910: Portraits from the Hub Saloon" Anne Marshall Homan and Richard Finn, 2010, 180 pages, Hardscratch Press. The authors provide a one (or two) page biography with a caricature sketch by Vasco Loureiro of 43 Livermore men who frequented the downtown saloon a century ago. Sold at LHG Carnegie Library.

Livermore Heritage Guild

The goal of the Livermore Heritage Guild (LHG) is expressed by the motto: "Saving Yesterday for Tomorrow." To that end, the LHG collects and preserves historical artifacts, is an information resource for those who are interested in the history of Livermore, and assists those searching for family background.

This volunteer civic-minded organization manages three facilities on behalf of the city, namely: Duarte Garage on the old Lincoln highway with its three antique fire engines (all running), the Carnegie Library building and archives, and the Hagemann Horse Ranch.

The 584-page "go to" book for local historians: *Historic Livermore, California: A-Z*, by Anne Marshall Homan, 2007, is available for sale at the Carnegie Library.

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Not until his senior year, did a professor, Dr. Chester McKee with polio, have the skill to bring alive a course called "The History of Art and Music". When the professor arrived in class walking with crutches, dragging his feet behind, it seemed to become the dullest class of all. It was the worse judgment of the cover of that man. He awakened a deep lifelong love for history from the opening day of class. That textbook remains one of the few retained from college over the decades.