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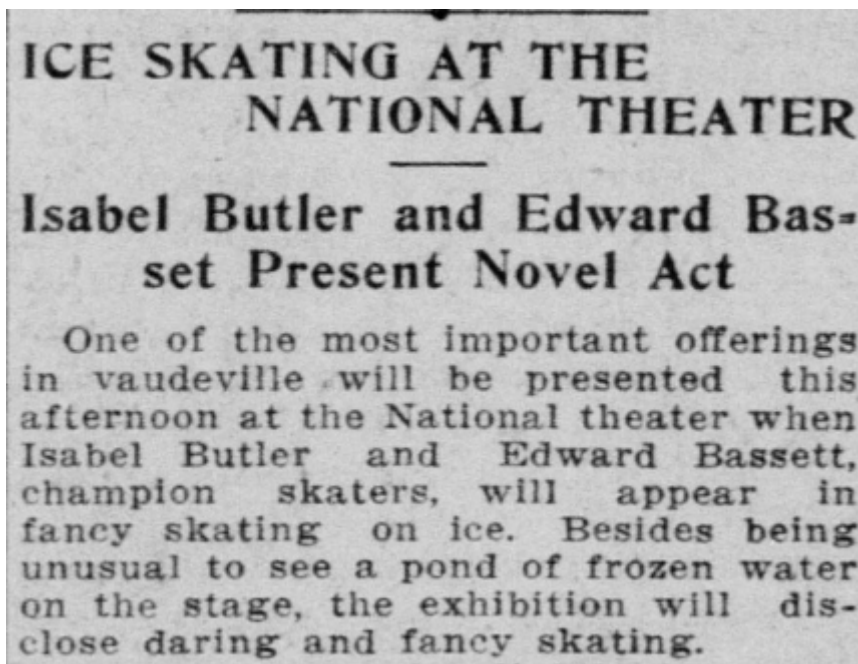
Section 1 - Welcome

I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season!

Section 2 - Featured Bassett: Edward W. Bassett, National Figure Skating Champion

Edward W. Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth  
Joseph Bassett (b. 1635) and wife Martha Hobart  
Jeremiah Bassett (b. 1678) and wife Mary Felch  
John Bassett (b. 1725) and wife Sarah Shepard  
John Bassett (b. 1762) and wife Phebe Noyes  
William Bassett (b. 1802) and wife Dora Lucinda Hunt  
William Judson Bassett (b. 1844) and wife Margaret A. Cary  
Edward W. Bassett (b. 1879)



The San Francisco Call, October 10, 1909



The International Skatorial Sensation.

**Isabel Butler and Edward Bassett.**

CHAMPIONSHIP SKATING ON REAL ICE ON CHASE'S STAGE.

Introducing Miss Butler, champion woman ice skater, and Barnum & Bailey's famous "Dip of Death" girl and Mr. Edward Bassett, winner of the International figure skating Championship at St. Nicholas Rink, New York City, march, 1907, in an exhibition of artistic grapevines, waltzing, spins, etc. singly and together., including a marvelous human top spin by Mr. Bassett in which he spins at the rate of five hundred revolutions a minute -- faster than the eye can follow.

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### [Section 3 - Featured Bassett: Accidental Death of Josiah Bassett of Claybrooke, England](#)

Josiah Bassett descends from #130B Richard Bassett of Claybrooke, England as follows:

Richard Bassett (b. 1593) and wife Mary

Richard Bassett (b. 1621) and wife Ann

Richard Bassett (b. 1660) and wife Elizabeth Moore

Richard Bassett (b. 1690) and wife Mary Osborne

Richard Bassett (b. 1739) and wife Ann Freer

Richard Bassett (b. 1772) and wife Elizabeth Lawrence

James Bassett (b. 1809) and wife Elizabeth

Josiah Bassett (b. 1845) – died 1869

Leicester Chronicle, February 6, 1869

Claybrook

Accidental Death - On Monday, the 1st inst., an inquest was held before J. Gregory, Esq., coroner, at Great Claybrook, on the body of Josiah Bassett, deceased, in the employ of Mr. Clarke, of Claybrook. From the evidence of Walter Stannage, a boy aged 12 years, who reside at Frowlesworth, it appeared that on Friday afternoon, the 29<sup>th</sup> ult., he and his brother were going to a field occupied by their father, and adjoining the road leading from Frowlesworth to Claybrook, to fetch two cows up, when the deceased overtook them as they were going up the hill with an empty wagon and three horses. He was walking by the side of the horses. He appeared half "fresh", as he staggered rather. He (witness) and his brother asked if they might ride, and deceased said, "Yes, if you can get in." They both got in the cart, and after that the deceased got on the shaft on the same side as deceased was driving, and stood upright on it. Almost as soon as he got on, the horses began to trot down hill. The deceased dropped his whip, and then fell across the shafts. Deceased shouted out to the horses, and they stopped, and he then called to some boys who were behind in the lane to bring him his whip, and they did so. Deceased then started the horses off again, and they got into a trot and went down the hill, and

ran up against Mr. Wright's gate, at Claybrook mill, and ran along close by the dyke side. Deceased then got on the shaft horse's back to try to reach the bridle rein to stop it, when he rolled off on the far side, and both the wheels of the wagon went over him. The horses went on, and witness and his brother got out of the wagon and ran and told Mr. Wright, and he and one of his men went to the deceased. It appeared the wheels ran over deceased's head and along his left arm, and death must have been instantaneous. Deceased was only 23 years of age. Verdict, "Accidental death".

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Section 4 - Featured Bassett: Photo of Mrs. Charles (Mary Agnes) Bassett

Charles Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth

William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Mary Raynesford

Nathan Bassett (b. 1667) and wife Mary Huckins

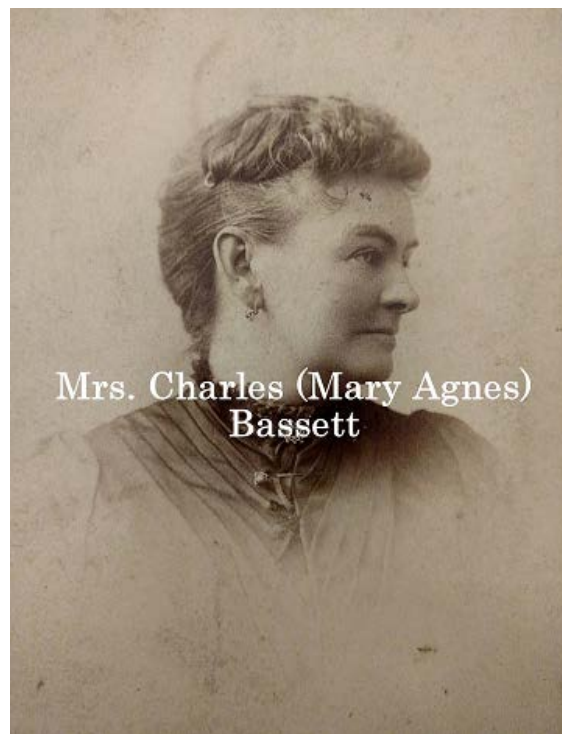
William Bassett (b. 1702) and wife Anna Mayhew

Nathan Bassett (b. 1751) and wife Martha Bassett

Nathan Bassett (b. 1785) and wife Rhoda Merry

Isaac Chauncey Bassett (b. 1815) and wife Lucinda Boutwell

Charles Wallace Bassett (b. 1844) and wife Mary Amelia Ayers



This picture was provided by Kathy London Barnes who has a facebook site called "Rescued Family Treasures". You can see other family treasures looking for a home at her site below.

Mary Amelia Ayers was the daughter of Dr. J.S. Ayers.

<https://www.facebook.com/RescuedFamilyTreasures?fref=photo>

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Section 5 - Featured Bassett: David Bassett Auger Maker of Connecticut

David Bassett descends from #1B John Bassett of Connecticut as follows:

John Bassett and wife Margery

Robert Bassett and wife Mary

Robert Bassett (b. 1640) and wife Elizabeth Riggs

Samuel Bassett (b. 1692) and wife Deborah Bennett

Samuel Bassett (b. 1719) and wife Sarah Botsford

David Bassett (b. 1749) and wife Mable Tomlinson

Deacon David Bassett (b.1789) and wife Maria Fairchild

David was first featured with his son Robert N. in the December 2010 newsletter.

The history of the old town of Derby, Connecticut, 1642-1800  
By Samuel Orcutt, Ambrose Beardsley  
Further Sketches

David Bassett was born in Derby, 1789, was a blacksmith by trade, and one of the pioneer manufacturers of the town. He leased the privilege of building a dam on Beaver Brook in 1831, and afterwards built his auger factory at this place, now Ansonia. Prior to this, Walter French, at Humphreysville, a local Methodist preacher, made augers, and is believed to have been the first auger make in Connecticut. In 1836 Mr. Bassett at Birmingham manufactured augers in connection with Eleazor Peck, which he carried on very successfully for many years, when he retired, leaving the business in the hands of his son, Robert N. Bassett. Mr. Bassett also established the coal trade in Derby, and many of our citizens will remember how faithfully he served the public with honest coal at \$3 a ton. He was one of the substantial, influential, upright men of the town; was its Representative in the Legislature in 1844, deacon in his church (Congregational) for many years, and died full of honors, deeply lamented, at the advanced age of 83 years.

Robert N. Bassett, his son, has been one of our stirring, public spirited and liberal men, and was very active in pushing forward the Ousatonic dam, besides being largely interested in many popular movements and enterprises of the day. During the Rebellion no man in Derby was more active and patriotic in the right direction than Robert N. Bassett. In the glow of his financial prosperity, the poor will long remember his liberal donation to them in their necessities, He represented Derby in the Legislature in 1863, besides filling many office of trust.

Two items recently for sale on ebay.



D. Bassett Auger



D. Bassett Plane



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[Section 6 - Featured Bassett: Paternity of Walter Bassett of Steeple Barton, Oxford, England](#)

Lucy Bassett descends from #50B Richard Bassett of Steeple Barton, Oxfordshire, England.as follows:

- Richard Bassett and wife Mary Boddington
- Richard Bassett (b. 1735) and wife Hester Watts
- Henry Bassett (b. 1775) and wife Ann Soden
- John Bassett (b. 1802) and wife Hannah Rymell
- Lucy Bassett (b. 1832)
- Walter Bassett (b. 1851)

Many times when a child is born out of wedlock, it is hard to prove who the father was. Here is a case where I found a newspaper article after Lucy Bassett went to court to pursue child support for her son Walter Bassett.

Lucy later married William Buswell and Walter shows as Walter Buswell in the 1861 census of Steeple Barton, Oxfordshire, England.

Oxford Journal , December 13, 1851

Wootton North Division - Deddington, Dec. 6

Robert Jones of Fritwell, was charged by Lucy Bassett, of Steeple Barton, single woman, with being the father of her child; defendant admitted the charge. Order for 1s 6d weekly, and costs.

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Section 7 - Featured Bassett: Alexander Bassett and Pierre's Premium Ice Cream of Cleveland, Ohio

Alexander Bassett belongs to the #366B Alexander Bassett of Ohio family line.

Pierre's Premium Ice Cream was started by Alexander Bassett and his son Richard L. Bassett. Alexander was born in 1885 in Cleveland, Ohio. The 1910 census lists his parents as being born in Russia.



Cleveland Plain Dealer, Friday, August 16, 1974  
Richard Bassett dies; started ice cream firm

Richard L. Bassett, 64, of 2620 Warrensville Center Rd., University Heights, founder of Pierre's Ice Cream Co. here, died yesterday at his home.

Services will be private.

Mr. Bassett began the ice cream company in 1932 and was associated with the firm until 1966. He had patents on ice cream flavors, Holiday Pudding and Rum Bisque.

For the past eight years, he was a sales representative in the institutional division of Seaway Foods.

Mr. Bassett came here from Troy, N.Y. He was a member of the Men's Committee of the Play House and a trustee of the Play House Club. He was a Mason and past master of Golden Squire Lodge 679.

Survivors include his wife Ann, a vice president of the Cuyahoga Savings Association.

Cleveland Plain Dealer, Sunday, November 3, 1968  
Mrs. Bassett, 80, of Shaker, Dies

Mrs. Alexander Bassett, 80, died Friday in Mount Sinai Hospital.

She was the former Lilly Jacobs. Her family owned and operated Pierre's French Ice Cream Inc. for 32 years. Mrs. Bassett was active in the company, which is at 6519 Carnegie Avenue S.E.

She was a member of Fairmount Temple, and its sisterhood Menorah Park Women's Association and was Red Cross volunteer.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Maxine Schaefer; a son, Richard Bassett; a sister, Four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Her husband died in 1961.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today in Berkowitz-Kumin memorial chapel, 1985 South Taylor Road, East Cleveland.

Mrs. Bassett lived at 2540 N. Moreland Boulevard, Shaker Heights.



To read more about the company, click on the link below.

<http://pierres.com/about/>

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Section 8 - New family lines combined or added since the last newsletter

No new families added and no families combined since the last newsletter.

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Section 9 - DNA project update.

No new results to report on the Bassett DNA project.

Donations of any amount can be made to the Bassett DNA project by clicking on the link below. Any funds donated will be used to fund select Bassett DNA tests that will further our project as a whole and benefit all Bassetts worldwide.

<http://www.familyreedna.com/group-general-fund-contribution.aspx?g=Bassett>

This is just a reminder that the DNA portion of the Bassett Family Association can be found at:

A current spreadsheet of results can be found at:

<http://www.bassettbranches.org/dna/BassettDNA.xls>

If you don't have Excel and can't open the spreadsheet above, you can now see the DNA test results at the following website.

<http://www.familyreedna.com/public/Bassett/>

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