From: The DESCENDENTS of MORITZ CREETER (1703-1772)

THE OHIO BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

Sourth Generation

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- P-6 DAVID CRATER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. Jan. 17, 1790; d. May 10, 1848; m. about 1808 Maria Schenkel (dau. of Adam and Elizabeth Euler Schenkel) b. Sept. 12, 1789; d. Aug. 29, 1861; both buried in East State Street Cemetery at Newcomerstown; David was a tavern keeper in German Valley; he may have subsequently been a blacksmith at Andover, Sussex County and on the council of the Newton Baptist Church when it was organized in 1835 before emigrating to Ohio in 1840.
 - O-1 Sarah b. 1810 in New Jersey; d. after 1880; she may have married Oct. 14, 1838 Nathaniel Walton.
- O-2 David b. March 17, 1814; d. June 17, 1883.
- O-3 Isaiah G. b. Sept. 29, 1815; d. Nov. 29, 1882.
 - O-4 Elizabeth b. 1824 in New Jersey; d. July 22, 1898; m. Feb. 20, 1845 at Newcomerstown Jesse Dickinson (son of Seth) b. 1824 in Connecticut; children: Henrietta b. Feb. 20, 1845, Sheldon b. July 20, 1848, Isaiah G. b. Sept. 1, 1850, and Clinton C. b. Nov. 11, 1853.
- Temperance Museum
- ANDREW CREATER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. Nov. 15, 1791; d. Nov. 26, 1861; he migrated to Newcomerstown, Ohio in the fall of 1817 and married May 18, 1818 Elizabeth Neighbor (dau. of Nicholas and Catherine Sharp Neighbor) b. Dec. 28, 1787 at German Valley; d. Nov. 22, 1829, a week after the birth of her fifth child; both buried in East State Street Cemetery; Andrew was an innkeeper and served as postmaster of Newcomerstown in 1833; he built a stage stop/inn in 1841 that still stands as the Temperance House Museum and headquarters of the Newcomerstown Historical Society.
- O-5 Clark b. April 16, 1819; d. Aug. 21, 1873 and buried in East State Street Cemetery; Clark was a Justice of the Peace and served as Clerk of the Court at New Philadelphia; remained single.

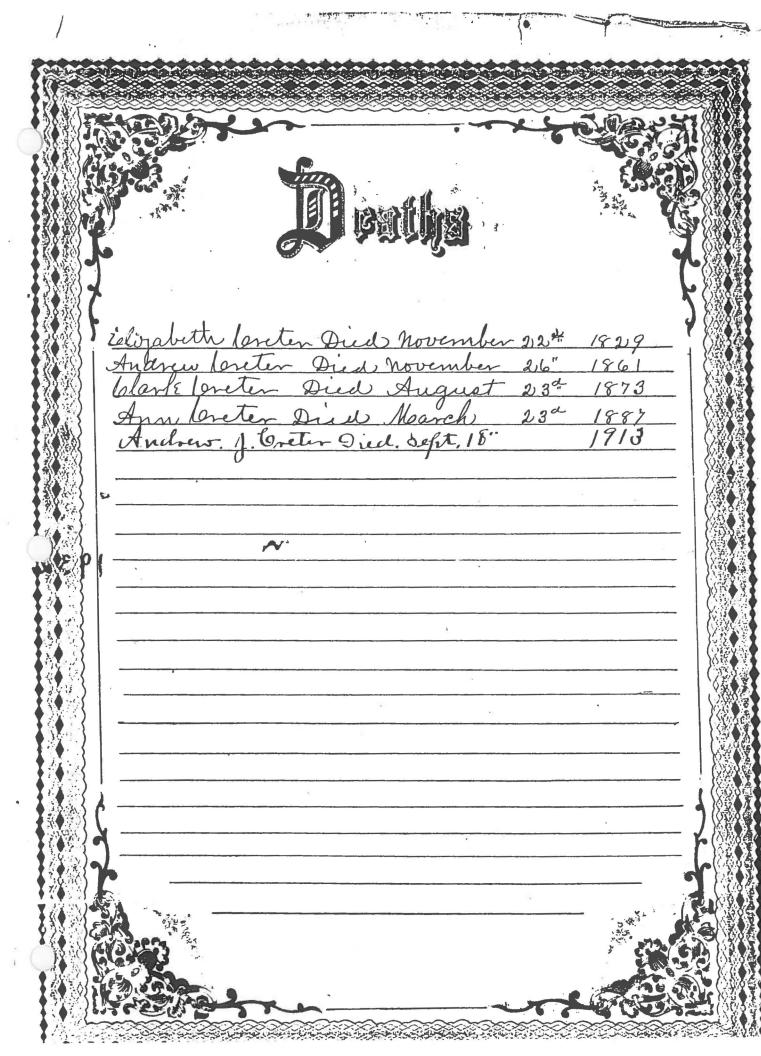
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 - O-6 Catherine b. April 24, 1821; d. March 28, 1890 at Van Wert, Ohio; m. Jan. 9, 1842 in her parents' house Daniel W. Burt (son of Daniel and Sarah Foght Burt of Warwick, NY) b. Dec. 11, 1816; d. Feb. 3, 1892; both buried in Woodlawn Cemetery at Van Wert; Daniel was a farmer, real estate dealer and operated a ferry over the Tuscarawas River; children: Andrew Shannon b. Oct. 11, 1842, Allen b. July 26, 1844, Emeline b. Aug. 27, 1846, Augusta b. Jan. 4, 1849, Edgar

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- b. March 28, 1851, Daniel b. Jan. 18, 1854, infant daughter b/d July 28, 18546, Catharine b. June 24, 1858, infant son b/d Sept. 8, 1861, and Harry B. Aug. 5, 1864. Note: Sarah Foght Burt was the daughter of a Revolutionary War Soldier.
- O-7 Ann C. b. Dec. 31, 1822; d. March 20, 1887; in 1878 she and her sister, Elizabeth, donated land on West Canal Street for building the First Presbyterian Church; they also held title to "Crater's Hill" which is now owned by the Village of Newcomerstown and called "Park Hill"; remained single.
- O-8 Elizabeth b. Jan. 26, 1824; d. Feb. 22, 1893; Lizzie and her sister, Ann, are both buried in East State Street Cemetery; in 1880 the sisters lived with their brother, Jack; County death records show that Clark, Ann, and Elizabeth all died of "brain fever;" remained single.
- O-9 Andrew Jackson "Jack" b. Nov. 15, 1829; d. Sept. 18, 1913 at his home in Sarah Weirick Patterson) b. Sept. 18, 1844 in Guernsey County, Ohio; d. July 3, 1919; both buried in East State Street Cemetery; the couple was noted for their generosity and hospitality, particularly to young people, and were respectfully called "Uncle Lock" and "A called "Uncle Jack" and "Aunt El"; no children.

- SARAH PLUM CRETER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. June 25, 1800 near Chester; d. June 6, 1883 and buried in East State Street Cemetery; Sarah moved to Ohio in September, 1830 to care for the motherless children of her brother, Andrew; on his deathbed Andrew arranged for her to be financially secure; Sarah made her home with her nephew, Andrew J., and was active in preserving the local history of Newcomerstown.
- MORRIS CRETER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. Dec. 16, 1808; d. March 19, P-15 1891 and buried in East State Street Cemetery; m. 1st Sept. 8, 1829 Helena Voorhees (dau. of John Peter and Catherine Tyne Voorhees) b. Feb. 14, 1808 in Middlesex County, NJ; d. June 7, 1838 at Newcomerstown; m. 2nd May 19, 1839 Mrs. Jane Clark (widow of Dr. H.G. Clark and dau. of James Abraham) b. 1812 in England; the 1850 census included Jane's father and two step-children, Andrew C. age 16 and Emma A. Clark, age 14, in the household; m. 3rd Jan. 17, 1860 Eliza A. (Preston) Wolfe (widow of Perry C.) b. March 2, 1823 in Coshocton County; d. May 31, 1901; Aunt Liza, as she was called, was buried with her first husband in the Fairfield Cemetery at West Lafayette, OH; Morris migrated to Ohio in November, 1830 where he became a grain merchant and grocer and operated a freight business; he served as justice of the peace for 12 years and one term as an associate judge; 5 children by first marriage and 6 by second.





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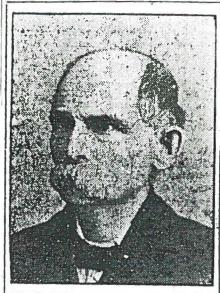
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FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Of Ex-Postmaster Garret Bassett and Wife of this City is Celebrated In Excellent Taste Saturday Evenlag, May 11.





The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Garret L. Bassett was fittingly celebrated at their home on Cross st., this city, last Satur-They were married at the home of the bride's parents, day evening. John M. and Ann Wallace Lacey, (who then resided on Neighbor et.) on the 11th day of May, 1857, by Rev. Marquis, a Presbyterian minister of Plainfield, Coshocton county. Mr. Bassett was a wagon-maker by trade and had his shop in the rear end of the building at the corner of River and Canal sts, now occupied by J. S. Barnett & Co. In 1864 he enlisted in Co. H, 178th Ohio Reg't and was promoted to sergeant. In 1884 he was appointed postmaster at Newcomerstown by President Cleveland, serving four years, and was again given the same position during Cleveland's second term and served five years. Bassett have long been residents of the town and have always enjoyed the confidence and esteem of a host of friends. Their family consists of four daughters and three sons, one son, Arthur, having died in California some years ago. Following is the "family tree:'

Mr. and Mrs. Bassett, their son H. L., and their daughter Blanche Bassett,

all residents of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Smalley (and 4 children) of Napoleon, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Duff (2 children) Cambridge, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Wallace (1 child) Greensburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Will R. Bassett (2 children) Canal Dover, Ohio.

Robert S. Bassett, Dallas, Oregon; now at home on a visit.

All present at the wedding anniversary except Mr. Wallace.

GUESTS AT THE ANNIVERSARY:

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Barnett
Mr. and Mrs. J. Peck
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Oreter
Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Gibb
Mr. aud Mrs. M. C. Julien

Mrs. Margaret McFadden Mrs. Elizabeth Fessenden, Pt. Washington Misses Effie and Zola Lacey

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gardner Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson Mr. and Mrs. Theo. F, Crater Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Lacey Mrs. J. L. Wilgus Mrs. Belle Shondel

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Sheldon Diokinson Those present who attended the marriage 50 years ago were Mrs. A. M. Beers, A. J. Creter and J. Peck.

Tovited guests who sent their regrets were Alfred Peck and wife and Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Timmons of Coshocton, Wm. Thompson and wife of Uhrichsville, Hon. G. B. Smith and wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. Yingling and Mrs. Ellzabeth Baxter.

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BY LOIS ZIMMER CRAIG Special to the News

What is the connection between a vacant lot in Newcomerstown, two arge monuments in the East State Street Cemetery, Union Hospital at Dover and Newcomerstown Ordinance 11-92, passed recently into law by the Newcomerstown village council?

The involved answer recently uncovered by former cemetery superintenlent, Terry Jurin, should interest many local history lovers. His curiosity was troused when he began wondering about the source of approximately \$10,000 which has become the nest-egg for the newly established expendible trust fund for the "perpetual care and enlargement of the cemeteries of he village of Newcomerstown."

What he sought in a trip to the Tuscarawas County Courthouse was the will of Mary Ellen Creter, written shortly before her death in 1919. His conclusion was that Mrs. Creter was a very public-spirited woman for her time.

Quite amazing now is the fact that in 1919 the village of Newcomerstown 1919 the relinquished, the opportunity to establish its own hospital.

Most local residents will easily recall the large white house, torn down only a few years ago, which stood on the southwest corner of S. Bridge and Church streets. Originally this was the spacious residence of a childless couble — Andrew Jackson Creter and his wife, Mary Ellen.

Their attractive front porch was a popular stopping place to rest and visit when walking was the usual means of travel. In the pre-1913 flood days, I irequently was a visitor there when I accompanied a neighbor on shopping rips downtown, none of which would have seemed complete without a stop at "El-Jack's." Unfortunately, I never inquired why Mrs. Creter bore that nickname. But I remember the luxury of sitting on that porch on a hot summer day watching the C&M trains go by.

Andrew Jackson Creter (1829-1913) was a son of Andrew Creter, who came here from New Jersey in 1817 and in 1841 established what is now known as the Old Temperance Tavern Museum. The whole Creter family background can be found in the 1884 History of Tuscarawas County at our local library. It contains the biographies of Morris Creter and Sarah P. Creter, the elder Andrew's brother and sister who came to Newcomerstown from New Jersey in 1830.

Mary Ellen Creter, born in 1844, was a daughter of Elias and Sarah Patterson. When she died in 1919 the area surrounding her home was still bustling with plenty of rail traffic on both the C&M and the Pennsylvania, only a block to the south. Across Bridge Street was the Fountain Hotel, also a busy place.

Mrs. Creter's will covered many pages, meticulously prepared by her attorney, John Hance of New Philadelphia. She left cash bequests to known heirs of both the Creter and Patterson families and \$300 each to both St. Paul's Lutheran and First Presbyterian churches. One thousand dollars was given to the trustees of the Newcomerstown Cemetery to be held in trust and used for the perpetual care of plots in the East State Street Cemetery where she and her husband and both sets of parents were, or would be, buried. Apparently, the monument marking her and Andrew's graves, the large stone topped by a female figure which is easily seeen from West Street, had already

been erected. But Mrs. Creter directed that an imposing monument of Barre granite was to be placed at the other burial sites where grime from the rail-road adjoining the northeast and oldest section of the cemetery already had eroded the earlier marble stones until they were illegible.

After all these instructions had been carried out, she directed that her "house and lot with all appurtenances thereto belonging" be given to Newcomerstown to convert into a hospital. With the gift was a bequest of \$1,000 to be used in helping provide equipment. But all this depended upon the town's ability to provide at least \$3,000 annually to maintain and operate the hospital. Should the village at any time fail to fulfill its annual obligation, the entire bequest was to go to Union Hospital.

Obviously the prospect of finding \$3,000 every year in a small struggling village like Newcomerstown proved insurmountable to local officials and the offer was rejected. In that case Union Hospital was instructed to sell the property, with the proceeds "for the purpose of equipping and maintaining

one or more free beds for the benefit of indigent patients."

Meanwhile, the \$1,000 bequest provided for perpetual cemetery care was put in a bank and drew modest interest which now has accrued to approximately \$10,000, with very few expenditures from the fund having been made to the present time.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 1919.

The death of Mrs. Mary Ellen Creter which occurred at her home, corner of Church and Bridge sts., Thursday, July 3, following a brief illness of pneumonia, marks the passing of a woman beloved, especially by the younger folks, and re-

spected by all.

In years past the home of "Uncle Jack" and "Aunt El" Creter was the mecca of the young folks of this city, where royal good times were enjoyed. Any time, day or night, this hospitable pair were ready to give over their commodious home to the young folks for parties or any wholesome amusement. In the latter years of their lives they took much delight in reminiscendes of the many happy occasions which were held in their home. Since the death of her husband several years ago, Mrs. Creter has lived alone practically all the time, with the exception of occasional visits with relatives and friends.

Mary Ellen Patterson was born in Guernsey county Sept. 18, 1844, and died July 3, 1919, aged 74 years, 9 mo. and 15 days. She was the daughter of Elias and Sarah Weirick Patterson, and was the last of a family of eleven children. Nearly all of her life was spent in Newcomerstown. She was married in 1869 to Andrew Jackson Creter from which union there were no children.

Mrs. Creter was of a deeply religious nature and had been a member of the Presbyterian church for many years, manifesting unusual interest in the work of her local church during the last years of her While never of rugged health, she lived to a ripe old age. Her last illness was brief and her passing peaceful.

Euneral services were held at the home Sunday at 4 p. m., conducted by her pastor, Dr. Glenroie McQueen, assisted by Rev. L. Bowman, former pastor of the local M. P. church and close friend of the deceased. A mixed quartet from the Presbyterian church furnished music for the Interment was made in occasion. the local cemetery.

AGED DEPARTS THIS

After an illness of several months duration, Andrew Jackson Creter. one of the oldest pioneer residents of Newcomerstown, died at his home on Bridge st. early last Thursday morning, Sept. 18, in his 85th year. For several weeks past, his condition was considered hopeless. and each passing day left him a little weaker. The end came peacefully, in the nature of a deep sleep, without a perceptible sign of pain

or suffering.

"Uncle Jack," as he was familiarly called, delighted in the society of young yolks, and in years past when both enjoyed better health. "Uncle Jack" and "Aunt Ell" Creter threw open their doors to the young people for parties of every description. In those days each succeeding generation of young folks was received into the home and hearts of this hospitable conple, who chaparoned them safely through the party and picnic stage of life. Most of those young folks are middle-aged now, with children of their own to demand their attention, but they all still retain a place in their hearts for "Uncle Jack" and "Aunt Ell."

The deceased's parents, Andrew and Elizabeth Creter, came to this locality from New Jersey in 1818, and to them were born five children-Clark, Catharine, Ann, Elizabeth and Andrew Jackson. The mother died when A. J. was but 7 days old. His aunt, Sarah Creter, then came here from New Jersey and took charge of the 5 children, remaining in the household sixty. years. They were then living in a log house near the intersection of State and Carlisle ets. Aunt Sarah

died at the age of 90.

A. J. Creter, the subject of this sketch, was united in marriage to Mary Ellen Patterson, daughter of Elias and Sarah Patterson, early settlers, June 4, 1868, establishing their first home in the old Carhart property, central Canal st., and later built on their present location, where they have resided ever since. Mr. Creter is survived only by his

AUNT ELLEN CRETER DIES OF PNEUMONIA

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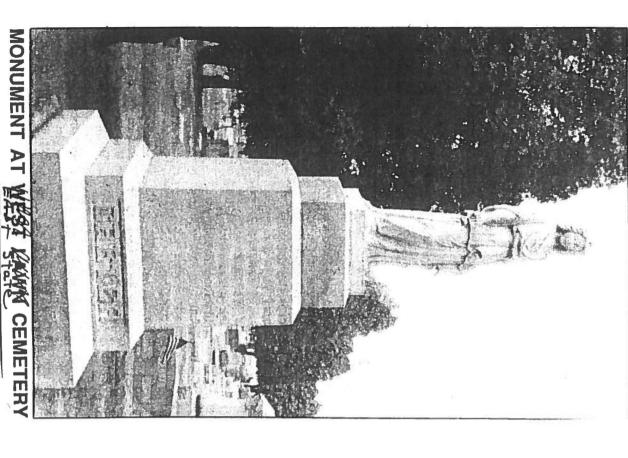
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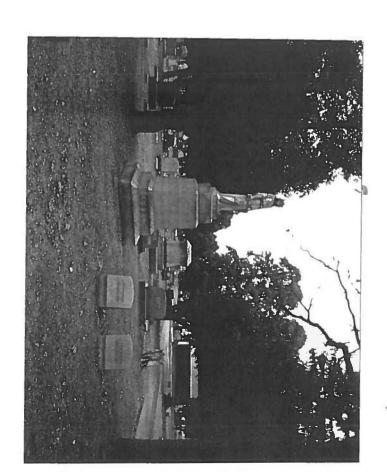
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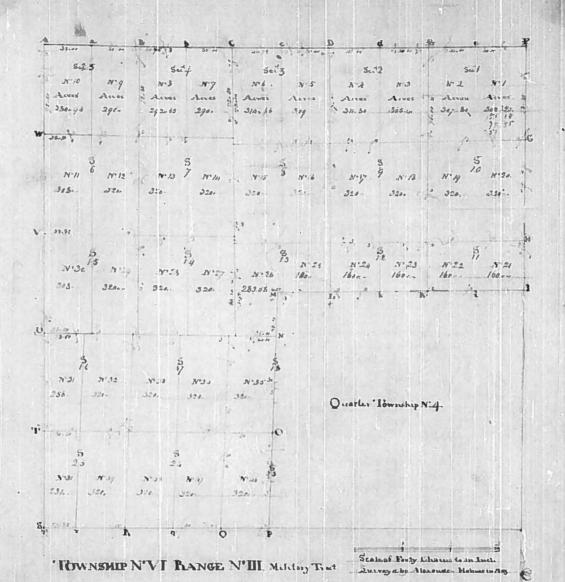
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Vivian, of Coshocton, Ohio, a daughter of Thomas Vivian, of Cadlz, Ohio She was the mother of three children—May, William C. and Maggie. Our subject, as a merchant, sold goods in Cadiz, Ohio, for ten years, and for eighteen years in Newcomerstown. He was an Elder of the Presbyterian Church, of which his wife was a member, and died August 16, 1879, in the sixty-eighth year of his age.

THEODORE F. CRATER, merchant, Newcomerstown, was born January 8. 1846, in Newcomerstown, and is a son of Isaiah G. and Jane (Rogers) Crater, the former a native of New Jersey, and of German descent; the latter a native of Ohio, and of English descent. Our subject's father came to this county in 1840, and was a merchant by occupation. He died November 29, 1882, aged sixtyseven years. Mr. Theodore F. Crater was married, December 18, 1872, to Emma C. McFadden, who was born August 18, 1850, in Newcomerstown, and is a daughter of William and Margaret J. (Herring) McFadden, who came to this county in 1850, where Mr. McFadden died. His widow is a resident of Newcomerstown. Mr. and Mrs. Crater are the parents of two children—Cecil A., born December 2. 1873, and Roy C., born January 15, 1876. Mrs. Crater is a member of the Lutheran Church, and her husband is a member of the I. O. O. F., Newcomerstown Lodge, No. 445. He was a member of Company H. One Hundred and Seventy-eighth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, having enlisted September 19, 1864. He participated in the battle of Kingston, in the spring of 1865, besides numerous skirmishes, and received his discharge July 11, 1865. He has acted as Township Trustee three terms, and was for three years a member of the City Council. He owns considerable real estate. Clifford Crater, a brother of our subject, was killed at Newcomerstown about the year 1868, by jumping from a freight car while the latter was in motion.

THOMAS CRAWFORD, proprietor of brick yard and manufacturer of bricks, Newcomerstown, was born in Jefferson County, Ohio, in 1848, and is a son of lillory and Esah (Hale) Crawford. He was married, in 1876, to Martha Jacobs, born in 1852, and a daughter of David Jacobs. By this union three children were born, two boys and one girl—Emma, William and Edward. Our subject's father died in the army. He was a member of the Fifty-first Regiment, and died in Texas at the close of the war in 1865. He was a native of Ohio, of Irish descent, his wife being of German lineage. They were early settlers of Jefferson County. Our subject's maternal grandfather, Henry Hale, was a shoe-maker by trade. Mr. Thomas Crawford has been in the brick-making business for himself for six years, and four years for W. H. Mabery in the city of Newcomerstown.

SARAH P. ORETER, Newcomerstown, was born June 25, 1800, in Morris County, N. J., three miles from Chester and Schooley's Mountain, and six miles from Mineral Springs. She is a daughter of Morris and Anna (Stephens) Creter, both of New Jersey, the former of German extraction. Our subject is the sixth child and third daughter of a family of twelve children, viz., (David.) Andrew, Elizabeth, George, Margaret, Sarah P., Barbara, Ann Delano, Sophia Bowman, Morris, Anna Maria and John Gilbert (twins). All are deceased except Sarah P. and Morris. Andrew, brother of our subject, was born November 17, 1791, died November 26, 1861. He came to Ohio in the fall of 1817; was married soon after to Elizabeth Neighbor, and was the parent of five children, viz., Clark (deceased), Catharine, Ann. Elizabeth and Andrew Jackson, living. His family are cosidents of Newcomerstown, and their aunt, Sarah P., makes her home with them, but has ample means of her own for her support as long as she lives. She was presented by her brother Andrew, on his deathbed, with some part compensation

Andrew Creter and descendants.

Andrew was highly respected. He was a one of the "electors" governing the town and also served as a justice of the peace. In 1841, having constructed a pleasant home for sister Sarah and his children, he saw the need for a bed and breakfast place for the increasing number of passersby. He purchased a tract of land bordering on the Erie Canal and built the Temperance House Tavern. It exists today as the Old Temperance House Museum. The woodwork in the home is made of walnut and the bricks were all handmade on the property. Not only were the canal boats going by the property, but it was also near the stagecoach route to Scioto County. This tavern was also a part of an underground railroad where runaway slaves were hidden. A door inside the large fireplace led to a secret room where the slaves stayed until they could continue their way northward to Pittsburgh.

Andrew's two sons, Clark and Andrew Jackson (called AJ) left no heirs. Clark, never married, and although AJ did marry Mary Ellen Patterson, she was unable to bear children. They were much beloved by the community. AJ's obituary in 1913 reads, "Uncle Jack and Aunt Eli Creter threw open their doors to the young people for parties of every description. In those days each succeeding generation of young folks was received into the home and hearts of this hospitable couple, who chaperoned them safely through the party and picnic stage of life." When Mary Ellen, (Eli) died she left a sizable estate for that time. She left money to all the Creter and Patterson heirs known to her, generous donations to the Lutheran and Presbyterian churches and money to establish a the State Street Cemetery and a hospital. There is a large monument for her in the cemetery.

Morris Creter and descendants.

After traveling with Sarah Plum to Newcomerstown, Morris and wife Lena (Voorhees) decided to stay awhile in Newcomerstown. Lena was pregnant and their young daughter, Sarah (named for her aunt) had suffered during the long trip. Their stay, like Sarah Plum's became permanent. Their children, except for the unfortunate child Sarah, were all born in the log cabin built by President Garfield's father. They were Catherine Ann, Emeline, Joseph Hance, and Voorhees. The last child died at age 14 when he fell through the ice. Joseph Hance Creter became a prominent citizen. He studied medicine in the Eclectic Medical College of Philadelphia, attended Oberlin College. He practiced medicine for many years, then became interested in manufacturing and began making grain separators. He married Sallie Brison, a musically accomplished woman, which perhaps explains why they named one of their sons Schubert. The other son was named Philip, to honor of Joseph's grandfather.

Schubert was a veteran of the Spanish-American War. He operated a brass foundry in Coshocton. His two sons, Morris and Douglas live in Virginia. Philip's children were Fred Eugene (killed in an auto accident) Francis, Joseph, Elmer, Lena May, Ettabelle, and Mabel.

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: It is noted that Ohio had more underground railroads than any other state. It is believed that Newcomerstown had four of them.

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influx of over 12,000 soldiers must have made quite an impact on the little community. It was the children of Morritz II who began the exodus to Ohio.

Around 1817, several young men from the German Valley struck out for the Ohio Territory. Ohio had attained statehood in 1802 and in an effort to encourage settlement, offered "40 acres and a mule" to homesteaders. Andrew Creter (as his father spelled the name) along with Nicholas and David Neighbor made the trip on horseback. He married Elisabeth Neighbor, had 5 children. In 1830, with the birth of Andrew Jackson Creter, Elisabeth died. Not knowing how to care for his young children while carving out a home in the wilderness, Andrew wrote home, asking if any of his sisters would come to live with him and help raise his children. Sarah Plum agreed to help. She was 30 years old and probably considered a spinster at the time. Nonetheless, leaving a comfortable home and her family showed a courageous spirit. Her brother Morris, his wife Lena and child, were to accompany her, no doubt as chaperons as any proper lady required. There was a train service of sorts available at the time which may have made the trip feasible for them.

Sarah Phrm Creter was never to return to the German Valley. She lived the rest of her 93 years in Newcomerstown and is buried with Andrew, his wife Elizabeth and 3 of their children, Clark, Ann and Elizabeth in the State Street Cemetery. Her brother Morris and his wife Lena had 5 children. After Lena died in childbirth, he married a widow named Jane Clark who bore him 6 more children. His third wife was Eliza Wolf also a widow. He was a justice of the peace from 1842-1845, and an associate judge from 1845-1852. In 1870 he was elected justice of the peace again and served 12 years in that post. He had grown wealthy, perhaps from the property brought to the marriage by two widows of prominent local citizens.

Sarah and Morris's brother David, the eldest in the family also homesteaded in Newcomerstown. His move to that town is under research. However, records show that his son Isaiah arrived there around 1840. Isaiah would have been 25 years old at that time. So it is unclear if he traveled alone or if the entire family came then. David married Mary Shangle in Morristown and had 4 children, Sarah, David II, Isaiah, and Elizabeth. At this point, there are 3 distinct Crater/Creter branches starting to form in Newcomerstown.

The town of Newcomerstown in 1840 had a population of 270. It lies in the southwestern section of Tuscarawas County. The Ohio Canal passes through its midst and two railroads, the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis, and the Wheeling & Lake Erie intersect within the limits of the town. The early pioneers called the area Neighbortown, in honor of the family that first settled. If more family had accompanied Andrew, it might well have been known as Cratertown, thereby forever confusing strangers who would assume a volcano existed somewhere nearby.

The Delaware chieftain. Netawatwes, who ruled the nation at Gekelemukpechunk, was also called King Newcomer, and in this name he sometimes signed State papers. From him, the town has doubtless received its name, probably to pacify him somewhat for the land loss his tribe suffered. Most towns in Tuscarawas County owed their origin to the construction of the Canal, a commercial highway in the early 1800s.

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THE OHIO BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

Newcomerstown, Ohio, located about 25 miles upstream from where the Tuscarawas River enters the Muskingum, has long been an attractive site for human habitation. Before the encroachment of white Europeans into the Northwest Territories it was the location of the capital of the Delaware Indian Nation. The Delawares were noteworthy for their peaceful ways and effective diplomatic skills which allowed them to stay neutral during both the French and Indian War and the War for Independence. As early as 1750, white settlers, squatters, and adventurers such as Simon Girty and Simon Kenton began making incursions into the lands west of the Ohio River. In 1770, George Washington surveyed and staked out large tracts of land there and after the Revolutionary War he encouraged Congress to provide land for Continental officers and soldiers as partial payment for their services. The United States Military District (USMD) was established in eastern Ohio for this purpose by a Congressional act on June 1, 1796. Although a number of veterans took advantage of the free land in USMD, many others sold their deeds to land jobbers and speculators.

At first, Congress viewed the selling of land in the Northwest Territory as a source of revenue. The arrangement, however, was subject to abuse. Subsequent land acts allowed small farmers and other land developers to purchase more manageable sized tracts, such as an 1820 law that permitted the purchase of 80 acres at \$1.25 per acre. These acts led to a steady influx of industrious citizens and recent immigrants seeking their fortunes in Ohio. In 1803, Ohio was the first state of the Northwest Territory to enter the Union, and, by 1840, it had become our third most populous state.

In 1813, Nicholas Neighbor from Morris County, NJ went to Tuscarawas County to purchase 1900 acres of land in Oxford Township. He returned to New Jersey in 1814 and recruited some sixty settlers to begin laying out the village of Newcomerstown. Among them was Andrew Creter who migrated to Ohio in 1817 and married Elizabeth Neighbor the next year. The couple prospered, and in 1841 Andrew built one of the earliest houses still standing in Newcomerstown. The structure served as a hostel and tavern and was a way station for the Underground Railroad before and during the Civil War. It came to be known as the *Temperance House* and is now a museum and the headquarters of the Newcomerstown Historical Society.

In 1830, Andrew's brother, Morris, accompanied by his family, followed him to the area. A third brother, David, joined them in 1840. The individuals listed in this chapter with "O" numbers are descendents of these three brothers. In 1827 a canal was built from Newcomerstown to Coshocton as part of an extensive network of waterways in Ohio. The Creters, who were merchants, benefited from the canal and, later, from the coming of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

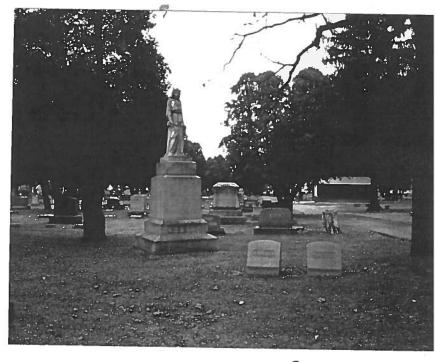


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Sourth Generation

- P-6 **DAVID CRATER** (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. Jan. 17, 1790; d. May 10, 1848; m. about 1808 Maria Schenkel (dau. of Adam and Elizabeth Euler Schenkel) b. Sept. 12, 1789; d. Aug. 29, 1861; both buried in East State Street Cemetery at Newcomerstown; David was a tavern keeper in German Valley; he may have subsequently been a blacksmith at Andover, Sussex County and on the council of the Newton Baptist Church when it was organized in 1835 before emigrating to Ohio in 1840.
 - O-1 **Sarah** b. 1810 in New Jersey; d. after 1880; she may have married Oct. 14, 1838 Nathaniel Walton.
- O-2 David b. March 17, 1814; d. June 17, 1883.
- O-3 Isaiah G. b. Sept. 29, 1815; d. Nov. 29, 1882.
 - O-4 Elizabeth b. 1824 in New Jersey; d. July 22, 1898; m. Feb. 20, 1845 at Newcomerstown Jesse Dickinson (son of Seth) b. 1824 in Connecticut; children: Henrietta b. Feb. 20, 1845, Sheldon b. July 20, 1848, Isaiah G. b. Sept. 1, 1850, and Clinton C. b. Nov. 11, 1853.
- P-7 ANDREW CREATER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. Nov. 15, 1791; d. Nov. 26, 1861; he migrated to Newcomerstown, Ohio in the fall of 1817 and married May 18, 1818 Elizabeth Neighbor (dau. of Nicholas and Catherine Sharp Neighbor) b. Dec. 28, 1787 at German Valley; d. Nov. 22, 1829, a week after the birth of her fifth child; both buried in East State Street Cemetery; Andrew was an innkeeper and served as postmaster of Newcomerstown in 1833; he built a stage stop/inn in 1841 that still stands as the Temperance House Museum and headquarters of the Newcomerstown Historical Society.
 - O-5 Clark b. April 16, 1819; d. Aug. 21, 1873 and buried in East State Street Cemetery; Clark was a Justice of the Peace and served as Clerk of the Court at New Philadelphia; remained single.
 - O-6 Catherine b. April 24, 1821; d. March 28, 1890 at Van Wert, Ohio; m. Jan. 9, 1842 in her parents' house Daniel W. Burt (son of Daniel and Sarah Foght Burt of Warwick, NY) b. Dec. 11, 1816; d. Feb. 3, 1892; both buried in Woodlawn Cemetery at Van Wert; Daniel was a farmer, real estate dealer and operated a ferry over the Tuscarawas River; children: Andrew Shannon b. Oct. 11, 1842, Allen b. July 26, 1844, Emeline b. Aug. 27, 1846, Augusta b. Jan. 4, 1849, Edgar

- b. March 28, 1851, Daniel b. Jan. 18, 1854, infant daughter b/d July 28, 18546, Catharine b. June 24, 1858, infant son b/d Sept. 8, 1861, and Harry B. Aug. 5, 1864. Note: Sarah Foght Burt was the daughter of a Revolutionary War Soldier.
- O-7 Ann C. b. Dec. 31, 1822; d. March 20, 1887; in 1878 she and her sister, Elizabeth, donated land on West Canal Street for building the First Presbyterian Church; they also held title to "Crater's Hill" which is now owned by the Village of Newcomerstown and called "Park Hill"; remained single.
- O-8 Elizabeth b. Jan. 26, 1824; d. Feb. 22, 1893; Lizzie and her sister, Ann, are both buried in East State Street Cemetery; in 1880 the sisters lived with their brother, Jack; County death records show that Clark, Ann, and Elizabeth all died of "brain fever;" remained single.
- O-9 Andrew Jackson "Jack" b. Nov. 15, 1829; d. Sept. 18, 1913 at his home in Newcomerstown; m. June 4, 1868 Mary Ellen "Ella" Patterson (dau. of Elias and Sarah Weirick Patterson) b. Sept. 18, 1844 in Guernsey County, Ohio; d. July 3, 1919; both buried in East State Street Cemetery; the couple was noted for their generosity and hospitality, particularly to young people, and were respectfully called "Uncle Jack" and "Aunt El"; no children.
- P-11 SARAH PLUM CRETER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. June 25, 1800 near Chester; d. June 6, 1883 and buried in East State Street Cemetery; Sarah moved to Ohio in September, 1830 to care for the motherless children of her brother, Andrew; on his deathbed Andrew arranged for her to be financially secure; Sarah made her home with her nephew, Andrew J., and was active in preserving the local history of Newcomerstown.
- P-15 MORRIS CRETER (Moritz, Philip, Moritz) b. Dec. 16, 1808; d. March 19, 1891 and buried in East State Street Cemetery; m. 1st Sept. 8, 1829 Helena Voorhees (dau. of John Peter and Catherine Tyne Voorhees) b. Feb. 14, 1808 in Middlesex County, NJ; d. June 7, 1838 at Newcomerstown; m. 2nd May 19, 1839 Mrs. Jane Clark (widow of Dr. H.G. Clark and dau. of James Abraham) b. 1812 in England; the 1850 census included Jane's father and two step-children, Andrew C. age 16 and Emma A. Clark, age 14, in the household; m. 3rd Jan. 17, 1860 Eliza A. (Preston) Wolfe (widow of Perry C.) b. March 2, 1823 in Coshocton County; d. May 31, 1901; Aunt Liza, as she was called, was buried with her first husband in the Fairfield Cemetery at West Lafayette, OH; Morris migrated to Ohio in November, 1830 where he became a grain merchant and grocer and operated a freight business; he served as justice of the peace for 12 years and one term as an associate judge; 5 children by first marriage and 6 by second.



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