Turpin, Morley
Records of E. Allen, Indian. Compiled by Morley Turpin and Howard L. Osgood. 1940's.
3-4 fitted boxes;
Aa. Newspaper clipping, Sept. 1937 - giving date of E. Allen’s birth, which was 9/17/1752.
Bb. Letter asking for information about Christopher Dugan's wife (sister of E. Allen).
Cc. Letter from Masonic Lodge of N.Y. State. Benjamin Allen was Senior Warden 1868-1879.
Dd. Letter from Grand Lodge - Ohio to Seneca Allen about his membership.
Ff. Postcard from W.S. Allen - no def. info. of E. Allen.
Hh. Letter from Genealogical Society asking for copies of letters from E. Allen to John Askin on p. 547 of the Annual Report for 1900.
Jj. 5 letters from City Historian Ed. Foreman to M. Turpin @ E. Allen.
Kk. Letter from Fonda, N.Y. - saying no record of transaction of property by E. Allen.
Ll. Letter from Pub. of City Directory @ M. F. Pierce - supposedly great, great, great, and great son of E. Allen.
Mm. Page of notes @ E. Allen
No. 2 letters from Syr., N.Y. + N.Y. City @ genealogies of Allen families.

Os. 1 letter - no info. @ E.A. in N.Y.

Pp. 1 " " " " N. Jersey.


Rr. Copies of documents from Dept. of Indian Affairs 1912

1. Canadian Archives C 688 A P. 151
2. " " " C 688 A P. 145
3. Extract from orig. Journal of Chas. Akin - in Canadian Archives

Ss. - 2 letters from Dept. of Indian Affairs Canada

ra. 2. Allen

Tt. Newspaper clip from D & C 11/23/31 @ E. Allen's mortgaged 100 acres to John Butler of Br's Rangers in Aug. 1790 in Rasson (Niagara on the Lake) - 1st mortgage to be recorded from the Seneca Country.

Uu. - Copy of Chain of Title to Lot # 52 in Township # 1 - which mentions 100 acres to E. Allen.

Xx 2. Letters to E. Allen re. George Allen of Newbury, Conn. asking if any relation to his ancestor Allen

Y. Letter from Lockwood DoTo @ Counsin

Z. 2 letters from James Allen, blackamore, re. locating E. Allen's family.

I. Orig. letter re: "Vereins" from ?


III. Date @ E. Allen @ Rock, i.e., Democrat from 1884-1899, also Union Advocate, 1878

IV. Another 1825-1830
A. Quit-claim deed from Lucy Allen (wife of Enos Allen) to A. Reynolds 1832
   Also correspondence betw. Jesse Allen, son of Lucy, & A. Reynolds

B. Canadian Archives - Haldimand Collection 1816, p. 144
   Re: losing prop. in imprisonment of E. Allen
   1785-1784

C. Canadian Archives - Series B-C. 175, p. 28, Aug.
   Haldimand Call
   Letter from E. Allen to Haldimond Call
   Re: imprisonment

D. Haldimond Call, p. 173 July 1784 @
   Letter to J. Johnson from A. Matthews @ releasing
   more letters - 5 pts. altogether


F. Letter to Sir John Johnson from E. Allen 8/20/1794
   " " " " " " from Deedes Allen 8/20/1794
   " " " " " " from Sec'y of War to Gen. Israel Chapin 4/23/1792
   " " " " " " & payment
   to defray expenses of Capt. Grant & Mr. Deedes Allen.

G. Letter to O. Phelps from Sam'l E. @ purchasing
   E. Allen's 100 acres.

H. Letter (part of) from J. Chapin to Sec'y of W
   @ Dr. Allen

I. Information @ Seneca Allen from his grandson
   George Allen 1937

J. 3 pages on Seneca Allen & family by ?

K. Map of 100 acres of E. Allen. Copy

L. Letter from E. Allen to Judge Phelps 1/20/1791

M. Speech (excerpt) by Complainant: refer to E. Allen
N  LETTER TO M. TOURPIN FROM M. QUAIL
DETROIT PUB. LIB. @ 2 E. ALLENS -1 OUR E.A.
ALSO LETTER FROM E.A. TO MR. ASKINS @
PURCHASING LAND FOR 50 FAMILIES.

O. 7 PAGES FROM TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY
 WITH REFERENCES TO SENICA ALLLEN

P. LETTER FROM MASON SAYS SENICA A. NEVER A MASON
 IN MICHIGAN
Q. " Leslie White, U. of Mich. detailing facts she
 got from Geo. Allen grandson of Seneca Allen
R. LETTERS @ SENICA & DESCENDANTS FROM EPIA, OH.
 MONROE, MICH
S. 6 OTHER LETTERS FROM MICHIGAN @ SENICA A.

T. 7 LETTERS TO M. TOURPIN & E. ALLEN FROM TORONTO
U. LETTER FROM CANADIAN ARCHIVES Q 46-2 P. 656
 @ SENICA CHIEFS GIVING LAND TO ALLEN BROS. HE
 HAD A " WIFE " DISPLEASED AS HIS DISPOSING OF IT
 V. CANADIAN ARCHIVES 13/103 P. 398 (HARDMAN)
 @ HIS AUNT'S + DECEASED 1783

W. 14 OTHER LETTERS FROM CANADA TO M.T. LITTLE INFORM.
X 14 LETTERS FROM J. E. HIRES, PA. @ E. ALLEN TO SEND
 Y CONFUSE H I M WITH ANOTHER E. ALLEN
 2 OTHER LETTERS FROM PA.
Z. LETTER, WRIT NOTES FROM PETERSBURG, OHIO @
 SENICA ALLEN
 4 OTHER LETTERS TO M. TOURPIN @ SENICA A
 & LUCY CHAPMAN ALLEN. (PETERSBURG, OHIO)
List of Notes of hand given by sundry persons in the Genesee Country in favor of Gorham & Phelps and received to collect by Nathl Gorham

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Original, Ontario County Historical Society at Canandaigua.

Ebenezer Allen first captured Friday Oct. 10th, 1783
Del'd, Niagara, Oct. 21st, 1783
Escaped Sunday Nov. 2nd, 1783
Retaken Tuesday Dec. 2nd, 1783
Died Montreal, May 26th, 1784.
Senea Allen served in the Northern Light Lodge #40 at Waynesfield, Logan Co., Ohio.

Junior Deacon 1818.
Master 1819.
Sen. Deacon 1822.
Master 1823.

Died 1824.


March 22-1793, the regiment of Ontario County, N.Y. Militia was appointed by the Governor to companies. October 3-1793 a new company was added to Major Elias Jackson's battalion. Captain Joseph Annin.

Deseret Allen was appointed Surgeon. Military Minutes of the Council of Appointment Vol. 1, p. 760 (Page 1 of 2)
A discourse embodying facts connected with the Early Settlement and Growth of Mount Morris, delivered at the Dedication of the Presbyterian Church Edifice, February 1 1855.

By Rev. Darwin Chichester.

"Turn your steps to the north, following an Indian path; you cross a ravine, and draw near the edge of a bluff, where now, on the plane above, is the residence of Hon. George Hastings—and here, almost on the very site of his residence, probably between his house and barn, you will find a long, log house, the residence of Ebenezer Allen."
The Allen mill was erected in 1789 for the sake of gaining title to the adjoining land. A person now living in the City returning from the mill, has been followed to his own door by wolves, and so late as 1800 the mill was not supporting itself, was left vacant; and any of the settlers, as they had occasion, went to it, ground their own grain, closed the mill and returned at their leisure. And this is a place which is now the largest flour manufactory in the world."

From a sermon preached by the Rev. Iryon Edwards, December 15th 1836, in the first Presbyterian Church, Rochester, N.Y.
Ball, Fuscilla 4th, Oxford St.
London, Ontario.

John Butler convicted of treason
and banished from N.Y. State.
Oct. 22nd 1779 - March 18 - 1780
Lands forfeited - Real and personal
property confiscated.

Jolly Maria Peebe marries
David Watson in 1829 by Rev.
Gideon Lanning, 1st M. & S. Church.

Clark Peebe, East Haddam
Middlesex County, Conn. - (1790 bmn)

James Clark Peebe born in Conn.
1791 - (possibly son of Clark Peebe)

Miss Maria A. Peebe, 46 Adams St. died at her
home, Oct. 23rd 1887 - She had been a resident
of Rochester since 1825 - (Times - Union
Oct. 24, 1937)
"Happily I made soon after my arrival at Williamsburg acquaintance with a Gentleman of some property in the neighbourhoud, which is Mr. Ebenezer Allen and who knew perfectly well the situation in which our affairs were then at Williamsburg. Of that Gentleman I borrowed on my account and risk 450 Dollars but I was sure that this sum would be sufficient to reestablish our credit and carry me through till Captain Williamson could assist me.

Journal of William Berczy.
Conveys "One hundred and fifty acres of land being and lying in Township Number One West of the Geneese River South East Corner of said town beginning two miles North of Canawaguus and bounding on the said river to be dated
Signed
Sept. 13th, 1790. Oliver Shephs.
"Hannah Chapman of the district of Geneese, County of Ontario State of N.Y."

Israel Chapin to Ebenezer Allen.
Deed dated Nov. 9, 1793.
Monroe County, Ontario Co. Deeds 1-46.
Conveys, a parcel of land in N. E. Cor.
by Township No. 1, west of the Geneese River
in Co. of Ontario, Beg. on the Geneese river at the mouth of a creek, called
Allens Creek to run westerly 3/4 of a
Mile on said line, from thence northerly
on a straight line till it strikes the
northerly line of said Townships, Containing
472 acres
Ebenezer Allen to Peter Shepper
Our Co, in Mon. Co. 1-53, (March 27, 1794.)
A muster of Captain Richard Reed's Company of New Yorkers

Christopher Dugan, Drummer,
December 7th 1763.

Commissioned provision Jan. 8th 1764.

Mustered at Albany Jan 7th 1764.

See Report, State Historian,
Vol. 2 - Page 743. (Reynolds Library)

Census, Federal, 1790

Christopher Dugan (1790 census)
1. Free white male of 16 years and upwards, including heads of family
1. Free white female, including heads of family and 1. other. (At Reynolds)
Christopher Dugan

1763 Christopher Dugan, drummer in Captain Lee's Co. of New Yorkers

1764 Mustered at Albany, NY Jan 7-1764
Rev. J. Tolson Newark, N.J.
#230 Broadway, N.J. Historical Society
Gilbert, Chas. #199. Le Roy St. Rochester
F. F. D. #4. In re Ephriam Gilbert.

John McNair                      

To Deed

Jeremiah Gregory                     Dec. 16, 1796
Conveys 80 acres in
Township #7 - 7th Range

To

Benjamin Lowther Johnson

To Deed

Jeremiah Gregory                     July 6 - 1810
Conveys 29.9 mus. 102 acres
as per plan

J. Gregory conveys to

 Jas. Gregory in 1818
Moses do. in 1819
Stephen do. in 1819
Hayes, Velma - 317 W. 45 1/2 St.
New York, City -
1st Address - #104 Waterloo St.
London, Ontario -

Hawkey, Geo. M. 17,
#615 6th. Main St. Geneva, N. Y.

Hemenway, Chas. C.,
Editor Hartford Times
Hartford, Conn.
Knows much of local history
mention Sanford, Dem -

"Old Fort Niagara Association"
Old Fort Niagara, Youngstown, N. Y.
Claude H. Hultgren, Executive
Vice President -
Will

Nathanaw, Jacob of Kinderhook, Columbia, Co. Wife Thankful, sons Guilford, Abner, Elisha, Daniel, grandson, Cornish, son of Guilford, daughter, Hulda, wife of Elijah Kent, Ruth, wife of Eleb Shaxon and Lydia - only money derived.

Executors: Son-in-law Elijah Kent and son Daniel

Witnesses

Samuel Clark, Yeoman
Joseph Austin
John Nicholas Berry

See
Calendar of Wills (Reynolds Library)
Page 202 # 878 (H. 123)
Joseph Smith to James Latta
Deed - Sep. 16, 1790.
Consideration $175.00

Being in the County of Ontario, State of
New York, namely of one fourth part
of a tract of land granted to me,
the said Joseph Smith and Horatio
Jones by Oliver Sheeps Esquire, it
being the one eighth part of
Township No. 2 in the Short Range,
bounded on the east by the Genesee
river and on the north by
Lake Ontario, in common and
undivided.

Ontario County deeds 5:1-7:115.
Monroe County deeds 5:1-7:1.
Seph 23/14

Dear Sir,

I have some slight data with regard to Ebeye Allen and will get it together for you shortly. The references on Canadian history to him are scanty and chiefly indicate that he was a "bad actor."

Yours very truly,

Fred {handwritten}

This is a handwritten letter on the back of a document from The University of Western Ontario, London, Canada. The text is a letter discussing a person named Ebeye Allen and some data related to him. The writer mentions that they will get the material together for the recipient shortly. The letter ends with a formal closing and a handwritten signature.
My dear Sir,

Upon our return starting with asking you to help me solve a literary ambiguity already, I speak to my remembering regarding the identity of an author who signed himself "Veritas." He was evidently high in the British authorities, during the year of 1802 - this record published under this name did, though in 1816 more the basis of much authority, which in the trial recent martial of P raised after the war, recalled in the dismissal of Prescot: the first page 142 can meaning in my copy also attach the last six pages, the rest being intact.

While Chapter 6 is autographed W. Clarke - "Essay of East Officers: Niagara." He lived in the Wilderness Inn - the war can many capable officer, verdict & lie, whether David Clarke was before him empty. Lie, aff. under Sir M. Johnson, Indian Sir John Johnson, during the War. David Clarke was also by special app' the much agent for King George III. and lie, a reporter regularly to John Blackburn, Scotland yard London - "This was positively written third item of the original documents in my grand fixation from Nassau.

Now while it is by no means certain that 16 Clarke was the 'Veritas' referred to, it is possible that he carried his justice various officers with him, into office of the judicial death 4 by 1802, possibly was the officer who prepared the formalized report on the war, 1812-18, with the record above mentioned.
I am most desirous of clearing up this point. I learned my copy to an unknown gentleman in Toronto to send, to give me some data upon it, if possible. The result is as follows in brief:

"A complete copy of Ventris's would be very valuable to him." It is by no means certain that W. Claes was "Ventris" - the friend to buy my copy, I suspect. I may ask an exorbitant price for it, but as it is useless me $50.00 is more than its worth.

He goes on to say if I wish sell it him, he will have photostat plates made of the missing pages of how the book is sound, for a souvenir." Naturally, I have advised him the book is not for sale - especially if he cannot impart to me the needs he has regard it - which seems true. He wants to buy it for a copy of it to the appendix of binding & reattaching the missing pages. I know by the rest of my grandfathers it is a valuable relic. He writes in it "A fragment of the famous letters of Ventris" 1815. He knows the Ventris was been did not bring down this to posterity, probably for obvious reasons. It being against the same relying on making reproducing other face data in my possession.

The reason seems obvious. Does it not? Can you obtain this information for me thru Mr. McMurphy?

Very sincerely, with kindest regards,

[Signature]
Mr. M.B. Turpin,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your enquiry of the 11th inst.,

I am not aware of any time when Ebenezer Allen was in the custody of the law, except at the beginning of the war of 1812, when Allen and Andrew Westbrook were arrested by a party of Canadian militia because they had joined a scouting party from General Hull’s army at Detroit. I have not got the particulars of their trial by me, but I have no doubt there are records extant in the Canadian Archives at Ottawa that would throw light upon their trial for treason, wherever it may have taken place in 1812-13.

Yours faithfully,

A. F. Hunter
Secretary.
8th October, 1929.

Dear Sir:

I beg to enclose notes of search in the matter of Ebenezer Allen referred to in your letter of the 19th ultimo addressed to the Crown Lands Office, Toronto, and transferred to this Department.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

ALEXANDER FRASER
DEPUTY MINISTER.

ENCLOSURE (1)

M. E. Turpin, Esq.,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.
Mr. M.B. Turpin,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir: Referring to Ebenezer Allen about whom you had formerly enquired, there was a petition presented by Hannah Johnson of Yonge Street, near Toronto, for lands in 1797, in which she says her eldest daughter (Levy), Lavinia (I suppose), was married to one Ebenezer Allen. This might indicate that there were two men by the name of Ebenezer Allen, which I think you had formerly suggested. The wife of the man by that name who held lands in Delaware Township on the Thames River was married to a Seneca woman.

Yours faithfully,

A. F. Hunter
Sec'y, Ont. Hist. Soc'y.
TORONTO, April 11th, 1931.

Sir;

Your inquiry has been received respecting Ebenezer Allen, a U. E. Loyalist, whose name you state appears in the U. E. Loyalist list on record in this Department.

I do not find Mr. Allen's name in this list and am at a loss to know where you obtained the information, it may possibly have been from the Provincial Archivist, from whom inquiries are being made, and you will be further written in the course of a few days.

SD/HH. Your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Deputy Minister.

Mr. M. B. Turpin,
Department of Public Works,
Rochester, N. Y.
28th May, 1931.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

Your enquiry to the Department of Lands and Forests of Ontario regarding Mr. Ebenezer Allen has been referred to us, and we beg to enclose memorandum of the search made in the matter which we hope will be of interest to you.

Yours very truly,

ALEXANDER FRASER, LL.D.
DEPUTY MINISTER
ONTARIO
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RECORDS
AND ARCHIVES
TORONTO

Mr. M. B. Turpin,
Department of Public Works,
Rochester, N.Y., U.S.A.
EBENEZER ALLEN

Ebenezer Allen's name undoubtedly appears on the U.E.List with the remarks added, "Sergeant, Butler's Rangers." Perhaps Mr. Cain overlooked looking in the Supplementary Lists. He would have been born prior to the outbreak of the American Rebellion in 1775. We have no records of such.

In a history of the County of Middlesex, published at Toronto and London, 1889, mention is made of him as having been first among the Mohawk Indians and built the first mill at Rochester, N.Y., at the Falls. In 1783 he came to Canada and was granted lands in Delaware Township in 1793. In 1807 he was arrested for counterfeiting, found guilty and sentenced. His death took place in 1816.

20th May, 1931. L.H.Irving.
Mr. M.B. Turpin,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir: In reply to yours of the 12th inst. regarding Eben-
azer Allen's mother-in-law, Hannah Johnson, Asa Johnson was the
name of her second husband. Numerous particulars of herself and
family appeared in Vol. 26 of our society's Papers and Records
series, which was published about the time I wrote you last Sept.
Her petition to Gov't, which was not a claim but an appeal for
lands according to the practice of the Gov't of that day, is given
at page 220 of that volume, and as it is quite lengthy with the
attached note and endorsements, I am mailing today a copy of the
book to your address. I am not permitted by the Council to
distribute these books gratis, so if you feel the printed docum't
with its contexts has value for you, perhaps you would be willing
to contribute its price as printed on its title page, the society
being much in need of what it can receive.

In Vol. V of the Simcoe Papers, at page 121, which will appear
in the course of a few months, as it is now up in type, there are
some further particulars of the family. Referring to Yonge Street,
"Johnson on 29 to remain. No. 23 West to be Nathan Chapmans
(a boy) provided a house built on Yonge Street.

Nicholas Miller on 34 East. (M. was a millwright from the Genesee)

Two lots to be secured in the neighborhood for two boys John & Martin Chapman. (Sons of a deceased loyalist)

Thompson a Mason claims No. 25, to enquire by what title?

At any event it is if possible to be secured for Nathan Chapman."

These memoranda were written by Governor Simcoe to the surveyor Mr. Aitken.

I have also met with other references to the family, and I may be able to relocate them.

The copies of letters by Seneca Allens are interesting.

Hoping the above may be of some use to you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

A. F. Hunter

Sec'y
March 8, 1940.

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
Rush Rhees Library,
University of Rochester,
Rochester, N.Y., U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Harvey has sent your letter of the 23rd ult., on to this Department, as she was in Florida.

I regret to say that we have no records from which we could establish the maiden name of Rebecca Grooms. However, in "The Centennial of the Settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists, 1784 - 1884", we note that Elijah Grooms is listed as a Soldier in the New Jersey Volunteers. Would it be possible for you to trace him through the New Jersey Archives and in this way come across his marriage? We just offer this as a suggestion.

Yours very truly,

N. McClellan
Taking longer than was expected. Allan wasn't in the establishment in 1804.

Send your more liberal plans when I get it.

Rencent regards. Best wishes to you.

Yours ever,

[Signature]

Ottawa, 16th July 91

Dear Sir,

Your note received. Would have answered yesterday but hoped to have the information for you today. The search seems to be
To Mr. Turpin Esq.
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of 11th inst. The only publication much helpfully bearing on the early settlers here is the "Parish Register of Kingston," of which only one or two are still left. However, I am forwarding a copy to you, for which please remit me $1.00. It is a book that will be very valuable in a few years when the interest in the early settlers begins to awaken.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

[Note: Kingston Historical Soc.]
Mr. M. B. Turpin,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, New York:

Dear Mr. Turpin:

I wish I could tell you a great deal about the father of your city for he was certainly one of the most interesting wretches whoever troubled a more or less peaceful world. It was quite correct for Mr. Hunter to tell you that I am interested in the strange career of Ebenezer Allan. His Rochester background you are undoubtedly familiar with. The little I have been able to find out about him after his removal to upper Canada, discloses that he cut up in his new home the same capers of picturesque rascality as he had followed earlier in New York. Practically all that I have discovered about him or about his later period of his career, is summarized in the History of Middlesex County Ontario, which was published at Toronto in 1889. You probably have a copy of the volume accessible in some one of your local libraries. If you have not, I will be glad to summarize for you the information contained in it about Allan. Other than this source, there are, I believe, further random facts of no great consequence to be found in the Writings of John Graves Simcoe, published by the Ontario Historical Society, a copy of which is undoubtedly to be found either in your public or your university library. I think I may have in my notes one or two other scattering items of no particular significance. One which I recall at the moment, is to this effect, that in the early summer of 1813, when the Canadian authorities were straining every nerve to meet the impending invasion by General Hull, one of the soldiers who came west with General Brock from Niagara to Amherstburg notes in his journal that he met an officer conveying Allan and one or two other Canadians to prison on a charge of treason to their country. I think this is the latest item in point of
time I have found about Allan. Characteristically, it discloses him in the role of a rascal, for in 1812 he had been for upwards of twenty years a resident of Canada and subject of the Canadian government.

I would like, if it were possible, to accumulate enough information to make possible the publication of some sort of sketch of Allan's career. That which I have accumulated so far is too scanty and fragmentary to permit doing so. If you can give me any information about him other than that contained in your local histories, I would be very glad to have it and I shall be very glad to reciprocate by supplying you the little I have been able to bring together. This in the main I have done in the present letter.

Sincerely yours,

M. M. QUAIIE

Detroit Public Library.
Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin, Archivist
University of Rochester,
River Campus,
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Turpin:

Your inquiry concerning any reference to Seneca Allen
in local histories of Toledo has been referred to this department.
I am taking it for granted that you saw Wing’s History of Monroe
County, and any other county histories that they may have in the
Dorsch Memorial Library at Monroe, Michigan.

Any references to Seneca Allen in any of our histories
have been copied but I very much doubt whether they will be of
any help. Only casually is he mentioned as having any part in
the survey of Toledo. Do you think it the same Allen mentioned
in Wing’s History? Facts do not tally any too well. Sorry not
to be able to send you anything more satisfactory.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Sassaway,
Reference Librarian.
Seneca Allen, the first resident justice of the peace in now Wood County, came in 1816 with his family from Detroit. On the same vessel arrived the families of Jacob Wilkinson, Elijah, Charles and Christopher Gunn. The Gunns and Allen located on the north or west side of the river. Allen opened a trading place with the Indians at Roche de Boeuf, where another noted character, Isaac Richardson, had a mill. The Gunns settled permanently between that place and now Maumee City. Charles Gunn as justice of the peace under the jurisdiction of Champaign County performed the first marriage ceremony in that section, February 20, 1817; the contracting parties being Aurora Spafford, son of Maj. Amos Spafford and a Mrs. Mary Jones. The county seat was at Urbana, and the route traveled was the old, or not so old then, Hull's Trail. Two years later Allen moved to Fort Meigs and held the office of justice for several years.

C.S. VAN TASSEL

MAUMEE VALLEY TOLEDO AND THE SANDUSKY REGION.

VOL.1

In 1816 Captain Jacob Wilkinson returned to remain and he built a house at Orleans; also Seneca Allen, Charles, Christopher, and Elijah Gunn, who settled on the north side of the river. Allen opened a store for trade with the Aborigines at Roche de Bout where Isaac Richardson was building a mill.

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HISTORY OF THE MAUMEE RIVER BASIN.
The First Masonic Lodges, and Churches.

Army Lodge No. 24 Free and Accepted Masons held meetings in Fort Meigs from 1813 until the abandonment of the Fort by the soldiers in May, 1815. March 5, 1817 Henry Brush Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio Free and Accepted Masons granted from Chillicothe a dispensation for Northern Light Lodge No. 40 at Waynesfield, the present village of Maumee and vicinity. There were along the Maumee at this time about forty families scattered from Waterville above to Delaware Creek below, of which families five men were Free Masons. The dispensation named Almon Gibbs W. W. William Griffith S. W. and Charles Gunn J. W. D. J. Thurston and James Adams were the other members. Seneca Allen was the first applicant for the degrees. A charter was granted to this Lodge 21st December, 1818. Its meetings were held in the second story of a building erected by the Cincinnati Land Company which owned the village site.

Wood County, Ohio,

Was names in honor of Colonel Eleazer D. Wood, Engineer of Fort Meigs. The first Commissioners, appointed April 1, 1820, were Samuel H. Ewing, John Fray, and Daniel Hubbell, the latter acting as clerk or secretary at their first meeting held in the Village of Maumee 12th April, 1820. William Pratt was then appointed County Treasurer. The next meeting was held May 3rd when Seneca Allen, County Auditor, was appointed clerk for the Commissioners. The bond of David Hull as Sheriff was then accepted, with Samuel Vance and Peter C. Oliver as sureties; also the bond of William Pratt, Treasurer, with Samuel Vance and Aurora Spafford sureties; and the bond of Seneca Allen, Auditor, with Almon Gibbs and Thomas R. McKnight as sureties. The Auditor was chosen by joint ballot of the Ohio General Assembly.
Dr. Conant and Seneca Allen, two Justices of the Peace of Waynesfield Township, in now Lucas county, but then Wood county, in 1819, when they came in conflict, one holding his commission from the Governor of Michigan, and the other from the Governor of Ohio. The conflict and settlement of it, occurred in the following manner: Dr. Horatio Conant settled at Maumee in 1816. Gen. Cass, then Governor of Michigan, being intimately acquainted with him, either as a joke or in earnest, sent him a commission as Justice of the Peace in the county of Erie in the Territory of Michigan. This portion of the North-west Territory previous to and for some time after the organization of Michigan Territory, was called Erie County and District. The Dr. regarded the commission as a joke, and never contemplated acting under it. In 1819, Seneca Allen was an acting Justice of the Peace in Waynesfield Township under the laws of Ohio, residing on the south side of the river, near old Fort Meigs. Waynesfield was the only organized township at that time in Maumee Valley.

His territorial jurisdiction was quite as large as the present Congressional District. He heard about Dr. Conant having a commission from the Governor of Michigan, and notified him that he must not attempt to do any business under it. Sometime in the month of December, 1819, Allen had an engagement to marry a couple on the north of Maumee side of the river. The river was high and full of running ice, and very unsafe to cross. Conant lived near the banks of the river, on the Maumee side. Allen lived near the bank on the Perrysburg side, and nearly opposite. Allen finding it impracticable to get over the river to fulfill his engagement, called to Dr. Conant across the river and requested him to marry the couple. The Dr. reminded him of the objections he had heretofore made to his right to act under his commission, and declined; but Allen insisted on his doing it, and stated that this was a case of necessity and that necessity knew no law; that his commission from the Governor of Michigan would do well enough for the occasion.

Conant married the couple and received a jack-knife for pay. Some time afterwards, the two Justices met and Allen made this proposition: He proposed for himself to exercise exclusive jurisdiction over the Territory on the Perrysburg or south side of the river, and that the two should have jurisdiction in common on the Maumee or north side of the river. Allen was very liberal, for he conceded more Territory about which there was no dispute, than there was of the disputed Territory.

W. V. WAY.

Seneca Allen, who a little later became the first resident justice of the peace, in what is now Wood county, came with his family, in 1815, from Detroit. On the same vessel came the families of Jacob Wilkinson, Elijah, Charles and Christopher Gunn. The Gunns and Allen located on the north side of the river. The latter opened a trading place with the Indians at Roche de Boeuf, where a man named Isaac Richardson had located a mill site.

Two years later Allen moved down to Fort Meigs, and held the office of justice for several years.

"Very early (probably in 1817) a Presbyterian Church Society was organized by Rev. Burgess and another minister from Columbus, and after the mission was established, nine miles up the river, the clergy often came to Orleans and Perrysburg to administer the ordinance of baptism. About the year 1820, the Genessee Conference sent Rev. John P. Kent to look over the ground, and to form Societies where the people desired. From that time Orleans was embraced in a circuit, and there were regular appointments. My father's house was the most pretentious in the village—built square, with two stories, two rooms above and two below. Connecting the two lower rooms was a wide folding door, and between them the staircase was located. When there was an unusual gathering, religious services were always held at our house, as the accommodations were ample. The audience would occupy both rooms, and the minister used the staircase for the pulpit. Religious meetings were also held at other private houses, in the school house, and sometimes in a room over the store of John Hollister, until the society was transferred to Perrysburg. Orleans was never able to boast of a church building. A union Sabbath-school was organized by Seneca Allen, which was kept for many years. The pupils were required to commit the Sermon on the Mount as the first lesson, and after that were allowed to select any portion of the Scriptures they chose.

"Orleans was surveyed soon after the war of 1812, by Seneca Allen; and for a period of fifteen years it was the resting place for those who were seeking new homes either in Wood county or farther west. Among those who made there homes here were the following: Jacob Wilkinson, Seneca Allen, Major Amos Spafford, Samuel Spafford, Aurora Spafford, T.W. Powell, J. Chappel, Robert and Richard Howard, James Patterson, M. Abbott, Elisha Martindale, Thomas R. Mc Knight, Judge William Pratt, John and B.F. Hollister, John Jay Lovett, David Hull and Francis Charter.

WOOD COUNTY OHIO.
The town of Orleans on Tracts 65 and 66, in the United States Reserve of twelve miles square, was founded in 1817, shortly after the return of the refugees to the Maumee, and surveyed by J.J. Lovett. It was re-surveyed in December, 1825, by Seneca Allen, for Frederick A. Stuart, and Lots 138 and 139 set apart for public buildings, on condition that the seat of justice should be fixed there.

WOOD COUNTY OHIO.
TOLEDO'S START AND PROGRESS.

On September 20, 1817 a sale of lots was held and among the purchasers were Samuel H. Ewing, Aurora Spafford, Seneca Allen, John E. Hunt, Robert A. Forsyth, Almon Reed and Truman Reed, of "Maumee Rapids"; B.F. Stickney of Fort Wayne Ind.; Henry I. Hunt and Mary L. Hunt, of Detroit; Moses Wilson, of Huron County, Ohio; and Austin E. Wing of Monroe Mich.

COMMERCE AND TRADERS.

In a letter, published March 4, 1852, Charles G. Keeler stated that the first shipment of Wheat from this county, and from the Maumee Valley, was made in 1827, and consisted of 300 bushels, grown on the farm of his father, (Coleman I. Keeler, Sen.), now on Collingwood Avenue. It was cradled by Seneca Allen, who stuck the first stake for the embryo City of Toledo at the mouth of Swan Creek, and was raked and bound by the writer of the letter.

WAGGONER.

TOLEDO AND LUCAS COUNTY
Mr. M. B. Turpin,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 2nd instant inquiring in regard to Seneca Allen and I have looked over the records in this office, of which we have a complete index system of every one who has ever been a Mason in the State of Michigan and I cannot find any such name listed; neither can I find the name of Ebenezer Allen or Allan.

I am sorry I cannot help you out.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Grand Secretary.
March 27, 1938.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

I called upon Mr. George Hiram Allen at his home at 6114 Stanton Ave., Detroit, and had a very pleasant visit. He is 74 years old, he has lost his left leg (almost to the hip) and his right leg is virtually useless, I believe. But he seems to be in good health otherwise. He is a very pleasant man and his mind is clear -- it suffers from no effects of disease or old age; on the contrary it is firm and fully possessed of its faculties. He expressed a desire to meet you two or three times. He is very sympathetically disposed towards you and the work that you are doing and is willing to help you in any way that he can. But the difficulty is that he does not know everything that you want to know. The following are bits that I jotted down while there. You have most of them already, no doubt, but a repetition won’t hurt.

Mr. Allen & his daughter who lives with him are under the impression that they have answered all of your letters.

Ebenezer Allen was born Sept 17, 1752. He had two brothers, Seneca and Ethan. The Seneca Allen who was born Feb. 18, 1788, the son of Ebenezer, was named for Ebenezer's brother.


Mr. Allen does not know where Ebenezer was born; he thinks he may have been born in England. He does not know where Ebenezer lived in America prior to his residence in Rochester.

*Ebenezer died April 12, 1813. Seneca Allen died Sept. 22, 1834 and was buried in Detroit. You might get some information about Seneca Allen in the "History of Monroe County [Michigan]."

Mr. Allen does not know of anyone who might possess the information that you are seeking except perhaps Mrs. Nellie Leonard, 112 E. Philadelphia [St. or Ave., I do not know which], DETROIT, MICH. Mrs. Leonard's mother was Geo. Hiram Allen's half sister.

* I believe he said Ebenezer was buried in Syracuse, but I am not sure.
Mr. Allen & his daughter said that they would try to get in touch with her and see what they could learn. Mrs. Leonard broke her right wrist last fall & has not been able to do much this winter.

George Allen (1818) had a brother Hiram Allen, b. Jan. 21, 1822. He went to California to live. Mr. Allen has several letters from Hiram to George & to Hiram's sisters. One is dated "Milan, Ohio, Feb. 12, 1846." Another letter from Hiram to "Dear Sisters & all," is dated "Gold Spring Valley, Calif., Oct. 14, 1849." It was addressed to Miss Lucy M. Allen, Milan, Erie Co., Ohio." (That is, it was addressed on the outside to Lucy; on the inside to "Sisters & all.") Hiram died at Lower Lake, Calif. Nov. 15, 1889. No descendants of Hiram are known.

Arthur E. Pierce was the son of the sister of George Allen (1818). Mr. Allen has some letters from him. Arthur lived in Los Angeles, 573 So. Boyle Ave., on Oct. 10, 1917, according to a letter of that date. But he died long ago, & Mr. Allen knows of no descendant of his.

One of the sisters of George Allen (1818) had some daughters who worked in the county clerk's office in Norwalk, Ohio for many years. But they are dead and he knows nothing of any of their descendants.

Mr. Allen's papers consist of 1) a very old bible; 2) some pages that apparently once belonged to this bible, giving the dates of births & deaths of a number of Allens, but nowhere is the place of birth or death indicated; 3) a very old album containing pictures of some of the Allens (Mr. Allen said that he had sent you one or two of them); 4) about 10 letters, some of them going back to the 1840s, most of them to his father, George Allen. They appear to contain just ordinary news and gossip of the day.

Mr. Allen was very kind to me. He promised to help you as much as he could, but thought that he could do no more than he has done already. Incidentally, while there I met his granddaughter & his little great-grandson:

If there is anything else that I can do I shall be very glad to do it.

With best of wishes to you, Mrs. Turpin & Bill, from my wife & myself,

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Turpin
Rush Rhees Library
Rochester, N.Y.

I am hoping to be able to spend a month or so in Rochester this summer.
Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
Rochester, New York,

My dear Mr. Turpin:

Please accept my sincere apologies for this delay in answering your letter of inquiry regarding Seneca Allen. The sole reason for my tardiness was the hope that I might be able to procure more detailed information for you.

So far as our records show, Seneca Allen was elected one of the first wardens of Trinity Church at its organization in the spring of 1831, and was a lay delegate to the first Convention of the Diocese of Michigan which was held in Monroe on May 3, 1834. The records state further that both he and his wife Fanny Lucinda were baptised into the Church of England (place not stated), that he was confirmed by the Rt. Rev. C.P. McIlvaine, Bishop of Ohio, on May 3, 1834. He died in Monroe on September 29, 1834, at the age of 45 years.

The following entries may be of interest to you:

Malinda Sophia Allen, daughter of Seneca and Fanny Allen, born September 2, 1812, baptised, January 24, 1832.

Francis Allen, son of Seneca and Fanny Allen, born, February 21, 1834, baptised, April 15, 1838.

Almira Allen, daughter of Seneca and Fanny Allen, born, January 25, 1831, baptised, April 15, 1838.
Trinity Episcopal Church

REV. RALPH B. PUTNEY, RECTOR
REV. CHARLES O'MEARA, RECTOR EMERITUS

MONROE, MICHIGAN

On September 17, 1833, Malinda Sophia Allen was married to Hamilton Colton. To them were born three children (according to these records):

Sheldon Pierce Colton, son,
born, August 12, 1836.
baptized, October 13, 1836.

Carlos Colton, son,
born, May 8, 1837
baptized, August 26, 1840

Charlotte Colton, daughter,
born, June 21, 1839
baptized, August 26, 1840.

Other entries which may or may not be of help are:

Marriage of George Allen, aged 23 yrs., to Harriett Palmer, aged 21 yrs., in presence of Carlos Colton and Sophia Colton, January 21, 1841.

Fanny Lucinda Allen marked "left" in list of Communicants for 1833-34

Malinda Allen "gone to Ohio"
1835
Malinda Colton "gone"
Sophia Colton "gone"

November 4, 1833
Clarinda Allen married to Joseph Pierce

Hoping that some of this information may be of use to you and that you may be able to supply us with something of the life of Seneca before his coming to Monroe, I am

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Turpin:

I have delayed answering your favor of April 29th regarding Ebenezer Allen, one of the founders of Rochester, in the hope that I might have some information for you. However, I am sorry to say that I have none.

It is possible that Mrs. Irene T. Hibbard, 1056 Wendell Avenue, Schenectady, N.Y. might help you out.

Very truly yours,

Elliot S. Nichols
June 5/31

Mr. M. D. Simpson
No 57 City Hall, Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir: In reply to your letter of June 3, can you give me any idea as to what church Mr. Bennett Allen belonged to?

That would help quite a little.

I had the old tombstones of our old cemetery looked over, but nothing could be found. I am trying every way to get the information for you and will get it if it can be had. Continuing to hear from you soon. I am yours truly,

John H. Eber
May 18, 1937

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin, Archivist
The University of Rochester
Rush Rhees Library
Rochester, New York

Dear Mr. Turpin:

With reference to your request of a week or more ago, for information about Seneca Allen, I have been able to find but little.

There is no local historical society other than the D.A.R., whose historian would resort to the library for research material.

Other than the short sketch, inclosed, found in THE HISTORY OF MONROE COUNTY BY Talcott E. Wing and published in 1890, there has as yet no other material come to light, except the mere mention of Seneca Allen in connection with the founding of the local Trinity Episcopal Church and as an active member of a small group. Less than two full lines appear in this connection in THE MICHIGAN PIONEER AND HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS.

A search of the Monroe County Vital Statistics (compiled cemetery records) did not reveal Seneca Allen's burial place in a local or adjacent town cemetery.

Since the inclosed article mentions that he platted and laid out Toledo, Ohio, it seems possible there may be some information about him in Toledo. Russell Schunk, Librarian of the Public Library may be of some assistance to you.

It is also quite possible that the Burton Historical Collection at the Detroit Public Library may have useful information.

This morning I have secured the following names of descendants, grandchildren, I believe, of Seneca Allen: Mr. George Allen and Mrs. Ada Barnes, 6114 Stanton Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. These persons no doubt will have some records pertaining to their grandfather.

I regret that the available information about this man is so limited and I hope that you may be successful in securing considerably more, elsewhere.

Very truly yours,

Mary J. Crowther
Librarian

P.S. The Monroe Trinity Church records show that Seneca Allen died at the age of 45 on September 29, 1934. The burial place is not indicated.

MJC
SENeca Allen

Son of Ebenezer Allen, was born February 18, 1788, in the State of Vermont. His wife, Fannie Lucinda, the daughter of Moses Brigham, was born in New Hampshire, February 24, 1794. Mr. Allen moved to Monroe (Michigan) in September, 1827; taught school fall and winter; was surveyor from 1827 until the time of his death. He platted and laid out the city of Toledo, about 1831, also the villages of Trenton and Flat Rock. He was for several years clerk of the council of the Territory of Michigan. In the fall of 1829, as the clerk of Dan B. Miller, he opened a dry goods store on the site where Manhattan now (1890) now stands, the stock designed principally for trade with the Indians. The United States Government at that time paid annuities to the Indians, and about 3,000 were there assembled. He returned with his family to Monroe and resided on the corner of First Street and Macomb, the site now occupied by the residence of the late Dan B. Miller.

The son of Mr. Allen—George Allen, is a machinist by trade; now (1890) resides at Azalia, formerly East Milan. When a boy with his father at Manhattan, then twelve years of age, in an Indian camp, his pocket-book was stolen from his vest pocket which washing. He accused the son of the chief, who denied it. He threw the chief's son down, and at this juncture the chief came in and saw him take the pocket-book from his son's blanket. The chief caught him up in his arms, took him to his father and related the circumstances. He thought himself quite a hero for whipping an Indian larger than he was and two years his senior. A few days after this occurrence the tribe of Indians left the place and camped at the present site of Alexis, to hold a feast and dance. The Indian chief, with the permission of his father, took George with him to attend the dance and feast. The chief asked him how he liked his dinner, he replied he enjoyed it, as he was hungry, but to his astonishment found he has been feasting on the meat of a dog. He was incredulous until the skin of the white dog was shown him.

Mr. Allen, as a machinist, was employed on the Michigan Southern Railroad during the administration of N. Morris and Thomas G. Cole as superintendents, subsequently was employed by Isaac Lewis in his machine shops. In 1849 he purchased eighty acres of land on section twenty-five, which is still (1890) his home. January 21, 1842, he married Miss Harried Palmer, of Monroe, Michigan.

Taken from—History of Monroe County by Talcott E. Wing, Published by Munsell & Co. N.Y. 1890 Page 486 —
Mr. W. E. Turpin  
Department of Public Works  
52 City Hall  
Rochester, N.Y.  

My dear Mr. Turpin:  

Your letter to Dr. Fuller of Lansing asking for information about Dr. Deodat Allen has come to my desk. His career, so far as I have been able to trace it, is very vague, but I shall be glad to send you the little that I know.

O. Turner, History of the Pioneer Settlement of Phelps & Gorham's Purchase and Morris's Reserve... (Rochester, 1785), 519:  

In the village of Geneva, and the town of Seneca, the earliest roads in Genesee County were surveyed. Some of the earliest ones were:  

From Timothy Allen's House, on bank of Seneca Lake to west line of town. From Elisha Talmadge's, to west line of James Latte's Lot.  

From square in Geneva, to north bounds of Jerusalem, via. a frame erected by Deodat Allen.

I cannot prove that this was our Deodat, but I so surmise. A letter to Miss R. L. Crittenden of our staff from Mrs. Julia Newton (now dead), a granddaughter of Allen, relates that he married Elizabeth, daughter of Elisha Talmadge of Seneca Falls. I quote from the Talmadge, Tallmadge and Talmage Genealogy... by A. W. Talmadge (New York, 1909), 33-34: ELISHA TALLMADGE. He was born in Stanford, Dutchess County, N.Y., October 18, 1750, and died at Erie, Pa., January 2, 1814. He is probably Elisha Talmadge of the Third Regiment, also of the Eighth Militia Regiment of Albany County.

"May 20, 1775, Guy Young, Captain of 1st Regiment, transfers for £50 to Elisha Tallmage of Claverack his claim to 900 acres, etc." This is probably the same, his brothers we know lived at Claverack. Aibo  

Elisha Tallmadge was among those who signed a petition for a reprieve for a young man sentenced to death, at Albany, N.Y., June 24, 1777. He was a farmer and a blacksmith, and at the time of his death was working for the Government. He helped construct the iron work on Perry's fleet. He married Maria Breazea, who was born in Oneida Co., N.Y., July 10, 1744, and died March 25, 1825. They had:  

Polly, born July 25, 1771; died young.  
James, born Dec. 22, 1773.  
Elizabeth, born Nov. 22, 1777; married --- Clemens, and died 1824 near Detroit.
The letter from Mrs. Newton further states that their first son, James C. Allen, was born in Seneca Falls. A daughter, Mary, came in Geneva in 1795. When they came to Detroit, I have not been able to learn.

The correspondence of Lieut. Governor John Graves Simcoe, ed. by E.A. Cruikshank (Toronto, 1931), V, 7: letter of Samuel Kirkland to Joseph Brant re Indian council, Jan. 25, 1792, "...To discharge my duty in the trust committed to me, as well as from motives of personal friendship, I am induced to hire Dr. Allen to go as an Express with this to Niagara and on condition that you should not be at the Garrison to convey it to you by a trusty hand to the Grand River, that I may receive your answer." Ibid., Niagara, Feb. 4, 1792, Brant to Kirkland, "Your long epistle of the 3d ult. I six days ago received & the one of the 25th ult. by Doctor Allen, I yesterday was favored with." Brant and Kirkland (see Dict. Am. Eng.) had become friends while attending Dr. Wheelock's school in Lebanon, Conn. Then when Kirkland became active in his missionary efforts among the Indians around the Seneca region, he may have become acquainted with Allen. The Kirkland papers are in the library of Hamilton College and might offer more material.

William L. Stone, Life of Joseph Brant... (New York, 1858), II, Chap. XI, has half a dozen references to Allen as messenger, etc.

Michigan Pioneer Collections, XX, 504, Detroit River, Feb. 2, 1797, Capt. William Mayne to Capt. James Green, "I ordered to (Dr.) Deodat Allen who I sent to Niagara as per advice 18 lb of Flour and 12 lb of Pork & one Gallon Rum." 544, Mayne to Green from Quebec, Sept. 17, 1797, "To Deodat Allen on going express to Niagara which was approved of."

The only manuscript reference I have found is Solomon Sibley Papers, XI, 47, where Allen (signing his name Allen) complains of the charge made by Peter Audrain on May 2, 1798, when Allen sued one William Kelly for unpaid fees. This manuscript is dated, Jan. 7, 1799. Since the election of 1799 was also held in January, there is nothing to indicate whether or not he was here after that month.

Briefly, Allen, perhaps on account of loyalist sympathies or connection with Brant and Kirkland seems to have been used as a trusted messenger in 1792, and again by the British in 1797. He came to Detroit with a wife and, I presume, two small children soon after 1795, since his daughter was born in Geneva. The story goes that he disappeared, and all sorts of explanations were forthcoming as to whether he had met death by violence, been murdered, etc. If he was still serving as a messenger, there were many opportunities for his death. Christian Clemens, the founder of Mt. Clemens, Mich., married
his widow. We do not know when for no record has ever been found. On Sept. 17, 1804, Clemens' accounts show the purchase of a lady's saddle, and I suppose it was for his wife. James C. and Mary Allen were members of his household and from the letters exchanged, I am sure that the relationship was a happy one. Soon after the family moved to the site of Mt. Clemens. Mary became the wife of Col. John Stockton and returned to Detroit. James settled in Mt. Clemens and had extensive apple orchards. Four daughters were born to Christian Clemens and his wife, Mary Allen.

If you learn anything more about Deodat Allen, I should be very glad to have it to add to our scant material.

Very truly yours,

Assistant Editor
Burton Historical Collection
Mr. M. B. Turpin  
Department of Public Works  
52 City Hall  
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Turpin:

Since writing to you the other day, I had a talk with Miss Crittenden (the descendant of Allen's wife) and she tells me that family tradition connected Allen with Pultney, Vt. On the strength of that I have been going through what little material we have on Pultney and Rutland County, and emerge with a few surmises, but no real proofs.

You will remember that Turner mentions the house of one Timothy Allen on the bank of Seneca Lake. In H. P. Smith and W. S. Rann, History of Rutland County, Vermont (Syracuse, 1886), 381 ff., you will find a lengthy sketch of Col. Alonson Allen, grandson of Deacon Timothy Allen, who removed from Woodbury, Conn., to Pawlet, Rutland, Co., in 1788, and son of Deacon Timothy Allen who removed from Bristol, Vt. (where Alonson was born in 1800). The family went to Hartford, Washington Co., N.Y. in 1814. He was a first cousin of the famous Ethan Allen. On pp. 369-70, ibid., is a sketch of Ira G. Allen, son of Richard, and descendant of Timothy of Woodbury, and I think cousin of both Ethan and Alonson.

It seems as if the world could not have produced very many Deodat Allens, but not a single Allen genealogy which we have lists such a person. The Vermont Revolutionary Rolls, 464, lists a Doty Allen, who entered, Oct. 21, 1781, served 13 days at /4, total 1.0.8, in Capt. Samuel Hillard's Company of Militia in Col. Ira Allen's Regiment. No D.A.R. has used him as an ancestor, so that avenue is closed. Whether there is any possibility that he was Deodat, I can't say. No Allen or Doty genealogy lists him.

I realize that these are mere suggestions and hardly more than shots in the dark, however, in research, a feeble straw often turns the current.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Assistant Editor  
Burton Historical Collection
Mr. M. B. Turpin,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of February 10th, I have to inform you that we do not find any record of Seneca Allen being appointed a Justice of the Peace of Monroe County in 1830. The only thing we find is his appointment as Inspector of Provisions on May 15, 1833 and again February 11, 1834. No record of his age or residence other than Monroe County is given.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]
Secretary of State

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1 Rochester Dec. 27 - 1822
2 Perrysburgh Dec. 13 - 1823
3 Mamoce April 5 - 1826
4 Perrysburgh June 6 - 1826
5 Port Lawrence July 18 - 1826
6 Perrysburgh Dec. 8 - 1826
7 Rochester March 8 - 1827. Note 100<sup>0</sup><sup>0</sup>
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10 " April 2nd 1827
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14 " July 26 1827 (Egner)
15 " Monroe April 3 - 1828
16 Monroe April 23 - 1828
17 " Jan. 20 1829
18 " March 26 - 1829
19 " May 1 - 1830
20 "
October 31, 1928.

Mr. M. B. Turpin,
52 City Hall,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

I have been somewhat busy with various matters so have delayed replying to your letter of October 11. There were, as you surmise, two Ebenezer Allens in this region shortly prior to the close of the eighteenth century; the one in whom you are particularly interested, was quite a different character than the other one, although both were engaged in land promotion enterprises. In connection with the editing of the John Askin Papers, a task which I have had in hand for some time, I have found it desirable to prepare brief biographical sketches of both these men. Probably the most convenient way of informing you (in so far as I can inform you) concerning them, will be to send you copies of the two sketches alluded to. Much of the information contained in the one dealing with the Rochester man will, of course, be already known to you; I am sending you also a copy of a letter which he wrote to Mr. Askin which we have here at the Library, since it sheds interesting light on the state of his education, and may possibly be of interest to you otherwise. I can not explain the question you raise about Josiah Fish; nor can I say where Allen was born, or what his career was prior to his appearing in New York. I can offer in this connection, however, a clue which strikes me as interesting and which you may be in a position to run down. You will note in the Middlesex County History that one of Allen's sons was named Ethan and another Ira. You are familiar, of course, with Ethan Allen of Vermont fame, and you may perhaps be aware that his brother, Ira, was a more notable (although less advertised) character than Ethan was. It strikes me as probable that our Ebenezer named two of his boys Ethan and Ira because
of some family connection with the Vermont line. If one had access to the family history of the Vermont Allens, he might probably test this suggestion, and if it proved to be correct, could locate the earlier background and identity of the man we are interested in.

I wish you would give me the name and address of the owner of the account book kept by Daniel Servoss; here at Detroit we have a very intimate connection with Canadian history, and it may be possible for me sometime to visit the owner and see what of interest the account book may contain for us.

Sincerely yours,

M. M. Quaife,
Detroit Public Library.
Ebenezer Allan was the first white resident on the site of Rochester, New York, and all real estate titles in the "One Hundred Acre Tract" in the central part of the city derive from him. He was a Tory during the Revolution, and although a man of much energy and force of character, was a hardened villain, whose life story would supply material for more than one dime novel. As a Tory he joined the Indians in various operations against the colonists, in which he gained the reputation of being more bloodthirsty than were the savages themselves. Mary Jamison knew him, and in her life narrative relates horrible deeds which are attributed to him. About the close of the war Allan engaged in trade, being located for a time at Mount Morris, New York. In July, 1783, he contracted with Oliver Phelps, one of the proprietors of the Phelps-Gorham land purchase, to build saw and grist mills at the Genesee Falls. He carried out this agreement, becoming thereby the first settler on the site of Rochester. A few years later he sold his interests here and located once more at Mount Morris. About this same time he procured from Governor Simcoe of Upper Canada a grant of 2200 acres of land in what is now Delaware Township, Middlesex County, Ontario. Here he located toward the close of the century (year uncertain). He sold a portion of his grant prior to March, 1799, for 3000 pounds. A condition of the grant required him to build a mill, church, etc.

While carrying out these enterprises in the early years of the nineteenth century he became cramped for funds and resorted to counterfeiting to supply the deficiency. For this offense he was subjected to a long term of imprisonment at Long Point. Apparently he was released prior to 1812, for in July of that year he was seized by the military on a charge of treasonable behavior. He died in 1816, and was buried in Delaware Township.

The details of Allan's private life are sufficiently lurid. Apparently there was no crime in the calendar he was incapable of committing, and of many of the graver crimes he stands accused. He had a choice assortment of wives, white, red, and black; his affection for them is indicated, to some extent, by the story that on removing to Canada he abandoned his squaw wife and hired two men to drown his white wife. They placed her in a canoe which they purposely ran over the upper Genesee Fall, but by some chance she escaped,
followed her lord to Canada, and in the end lived to see him buried. The careers of several of Allan's descendants were almost as lurid as his own. A convenient summary of his New York career is in William F. Peck, Semi-Centennial History of the City of Rochester (Syracuse, 1884), 76 ff.; for his Canadian career see History of the County of Middlesex, Canada (Toronto, 1889), 476-78.
Dear Sir

To inform you that yesterday there was a gentleman whom I have had a long acquaintance with who is an agent to look out a good tract of land for about fifty Famlies many of them my former labours and they having the opinion of my being a little acquainted in Chusing Good Hands [lands] as well as Settling new country depend on our exploring and Chusing And agreeing with some gentleman for a suitable place for that purpose. Should you wish to give us a reasonable encouragement we will trade with you to listen your taxes and make the rest of your lands of more value. You may depend on our fidelity of defending your rites if we can Oney agree on the price when we come to see the lands which we Expect to be in detroit as soon as the winter closes up.

I am Sir your Most Humble Servt

E Allen

The River Thames November 29th 1798

John Askins Esq

Addressed: John Askins Esq at Detroit

Endorsed: River Thames, Novr 29th 1798 Mr Ebenezier Allan to Jn'o Askins Novr ye 10th Decr ye 15th
Colonel Ebenezer Allen, who was born in Northampton, Mass., Oct. 17, 1743, and passed his earlier life in Vermont. He grew up at New Marlboro, Mass., where, in 1762 he married a Miss Richards. In 1763 he removed to Bennington, Vt., and in 1771 to Poultney. He served with considerable distinction in the Revolution, in which he won his title of Colonel. In 1779 he and a group of associates were granted a township of land in Rutland County, and soon after he began the settlement of what later became the town of Grand Isle. In 1792 Colonel Allen made an extended journey into the Northwest, returning enthusiastic over the idea of locating in that region. In the autumn of 1795 he was one of the associates with Askin and others who undertook to engineer a deal whereby they should obtain title to the entire lower peninsula of Michigan, together with large portions of northern Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio. At a subsequent date he endeavored to purchase from Askin and his associates in the Cayahoga speculation, their interest in that enterprise. A biography of Allen is in VERMONT HISTORICAL GAZETTER, Abby Hemenway, ed. (Burlington, 1871), II, 573-83. Allen's connection with western land speculation is disclosed by various manuscripts in the Burton Hist. Coll. On the attempted grab of the lower peninsula of Michigan and adjacent territory, see BURTON HIST. COLL. LEAFLET, III, 58; C. W. Burton, "A Frustrated Land Grab," THE INLANDER (Ann Arbor), III, 203-14; and partnership agreement printed POST, 568-72.
Mr. F. Upham Esq.
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir: -

I am obliged for your T.O.O. for £1 0s. 0d. covering cost of "Kingston Parish Register", will endeavour to obtain for you, if possible, some further information regarding Anglican services in the numerous data in hand in "Register", although I question if it will be possible, as our Society has only been in existence for about thirty years.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Kingston Historical Society

F. B. Application forms for membership in our Society are unnecessary.

The fee is £1 0s. per annum which you can remit to me at any time.

To obtain your membership receipt for 1928 which will give you firm relief to pay admission to our museum at the Museum, this should be returned in the box containing June 1st.
May 17th, 1930.

Mr. W. B. Turpin,
52 City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 8th instant came duly to hand. I am glad to learn that you have a copy of the Simcoe Papers. These are very valuable for the knowledge they contain.

In reference to the book, published by General Cruickshank of Butlers Rangars, would say that I have a copy, but unfortunately when I moved to my present residence, two years ago, it was lost somewhere among my many papers. I too have been wanting it very badly, for a reference to a historic work which I am getting out. I saw General Cruickshank about a year ago, and he did not know that he would ever get out a further issue of the book, I only wish he would.

I would certainly appreciate a visit from you, when you are over at Niagara-on-the-Lake during the coming summer. As a rule, I am fairly free on a Saturday afternoon.

I have not yet secured the name of the President of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, but think I can get it for you, within the next few days, and if so will forward it to you.

Yours truly,

FRP/LH.

[Signature]

50 Church St.
M.B. Turpin, Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:— Your letter of June 30th, asking for information re historical matters lies before me. Sorry you have not had a more prompt reply. Enclosed find list of our publications, to which we can add other material not as yet printed, but perhaps of interest to you. I have a few copies of Judge Ermatinger's book "The Talbot Regime" on hand, which I am closing out at $3.50, were $5.00, but it was felt to get them in the hands of more people was better than slow sales at the higher figure. It deals very comprehensively with the first 50 years of the Talbot Settlement, and the second vol. "The Second 50 years" was ready for the press when the late Judge died, and has not been published, but we hope to bring it out in the near future. Enclosed find table of contents regarding it, and I found it quite as interesting as the first book. If you will give me the name of your "first settler" perhaps I can help you to locate, as I am pretty well up in our pioneer history.

Very Truly Yours,

E. N. Lewis, Sec'y.
M.B. Turpin Esq,

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter asking for any information concerning one Ebenezwe Allen. We have searched our book of wills, and cannot find any record of the above named party. We think perhaps as a "first settler" the date of his birth is too remote to have been recorded here, regretting our inability to assist you in this matter,

Yours truly

R. Dunlop per K.B.
Mr. Morley B. Turpin,
No. 52,
City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

Your letter of June 10th received. After having made due enquiry, I regret to have to inform you that I have been unable to obtain any information in regard to Seneca Allen.

Regretting my inability to assist you,
Believe me, yours faithfully,

DH/HTP.

[Signature]
Mr. W.B. Smith,  
Rochester, N.Y.  

Dear Sir,

Regarding your inquiry of a History of Middlesex County published in 1859, I have none in stock at present. But I shall keep your letter on file in the register for Books wanted and will let you know. Any information on Skene and Allen of Delaware Town will also be sent you.

Yours,

Jas. Hamilton.
September 15th, 1928.

Mr. M.B. Turpin,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor in replying to your letter of the 13th instant, with reference to Ebenezer Allan, and I am advising that I have handed your letter over to Mr. Fred Landon, c/o University of Western Ontario, London Ontario. Mr. Landon is a member of the Historical Society and he advised me this morning that he will be able to supply you with the information you ask.

Trusting that this will be satisfactory, I am.

Yours very truly,

Mayor.
P. O. BOX 15399

Quebec, 4 Oct: 1928

For M. P. Luciani

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is a list of four publications, but I don't think it will help you in your inquiry.

I would suggest that you write to the Court Authorities of both Montreal and Quebec where there ought to be records of cases before the Courts. That is the only way I can think of where you might get some information.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Lib.
Mr. M.B. Turpin,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir-

Your letter of inquiry came before the regular monthly meeting yesterday, and I am directed to ask you for something more explicit in the way of dates &c., in order that we might possibly be of service to you in the matter.

yours truly,

[Signature]
Council Secretary
M.B. Thorin
No. 52, City Hall
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have a little information for you regarding your man-
benezer Allan. He came to Delaware early in 1800, or a little earlier,
from there removed to Lobo, where he built a grist mill, long since
burned to the ground. He had two sons, who helped him to carry on his
business. Later in life the whole family removed to Michigan, so all
trace has been lost as to when he died, or when. A little booklet on
the history of Middlesex County mentions him, and if you write to
Prof. Frey, London, University of Western Ontario, London, Ont., you might
be able to get more, as he has one of the books referred to. Am sorry
I cannot do more, but at least have given you a trail, which may lead
to the desired goal. Very Truly Yours

[Signature]

Do you want any of our publications listed? (Miss E. N. Lewis)
Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 30th. It may take some time to examine our archives thoroughly as I would wish to do, but I beg to assure you that any information we can obtain about Ebenezer Allan will be forwarded without evitable delay.

Yours very truly,

M. B. Turpin, Esq.,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.,
U.S.A.
Dear Sir:

What you state in your letter of the 15th is very interesting to me and I will be glad to receive copies of the documents you mention. They apparently relate to Butler's connection with the land deal between Phelps and his partners and the Indians which he had difficulty in explaining to Lord Dorchester's satisfaction. My authority for saying that Samuel Allen was a brother of Ebenezer Allen is a land petition of the former. I cannot say where Ebenezer Allen was born, but I have some reason to think that before he joined Butler's Rangers as a volunteer about 1780, he had been domiciled in New Jersey and was probably a native of that province. Having to go away for a few days, I am in haste just now but will write more fully when I hear from you again.

Yours truly,

Morley Bebee Turpin, Esq.
Rochester, N.Y.
October 20, 1937

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin
University of Rochester
River Campus
Rochester, New York.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

Your inquiry in regard to Lucinda Cornelia Allen has just been received. I fear my files contain little that will be of help to you in your search but I am very happy to send what data I have.

My grandfather's cousin, Col. Abraham Caleb Truax married at Delaware London, Upper Canada 2-18-1817 Lucy Melinda Brigham, b. 6-25-1797 at Hanover, New Hampshire, the daughter of Moses and Lucinda (Tiffany) Brigham. Their eldest son was George Brigham Truax who was born near Detroit, Michigan.

This George Brigham Truax married for his second wife 9-24-1849, his first cousin, Lucinda Cornelia (Allen) Woodworth, born 1-11-1819 at Monroe, Michigan the daughter of Seneca Allen and Fannie Brigham. This Lucinda Allen was a descendant of one of the three brothers of Gen. Ethan Allen.

The ancestry of Ethan Allen traces back to one of my ancestral lines, the Wrights and Burts of Springfield and Northampton, Massachusetts but I have made no search of this branch of the Allen family, although I have thought it might connect with an Allen family of Connecticut which enters one of my lines through the marriage of Elizabeth Allen with John Norton, of Branford.

My very distant cousin, John Leonard Truax, who was living at 14628 Stansbury, Detroit, Michigan in 1935, and who is a grandson of George Brigham Truax and Lucinda Cornelia Allen, may be able to give you the direct line back to this brother of Gen. Ethan Allen. Mr. Truax is one of the very nicest of the "Truax clan" and is always willing to be of assistance. Though I know him only through correspondence he has been giving me very valuable assistance in my effort to compile the Truax family history.

When you see Mr. J. P. Truax won't you tell him, please, that I am waiting with all the patience of Job's wife (was she patient, I wonder or did he have one??) for the record of his own immediate family and for some data regarding another Truax family he asked if I would care to have.

If John Leonard Truax cannot give you the direct line why not write to the Secretary of State's office at Montpelier, Vermont and see whether Ebenezer Allen was born in that state. As both Ethan and Ira Allen removed from Connecticut and lived in Vermont it is possible others of the family settled there. The Vital Records for Vermont are at the State House and the staff are most kindly in giving assistance.

Wishing you all success,

Most sincerely yours,

Ann Truax Hires
Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
No. 52 City Hall,
Rochester,
New York.

Dear Sir and Brother:-

In reply to yours of 30th instant, received here to-day, I will state, that I fail to find one Ebenezer Allan, or Allen, as a member of a Lodge in this Jurisdiction (Pennsylvania), as far back as 1788. I have looked through the old By-Laws of Lodge No. 2, Philadelphia and fail to find such person back as far as 1758.

Yours Fraternally,

[Signature]

Grand Secretary
Mr. M. B. Turpin,
No. 52 City Hall,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We are so sorry not to have found anything for you but we have diligently searched through our books and manuscripts but cannot find any reference to one Ebenezer Allen.

Mitchell's Bridgewater, Conn. gives much about the Allen family but we could not find any Ebenezer.

Very truly yours,

Librarian.
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Mr. Morley Bebee Turpie,
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing excerpts taken from the history of Wood County. I hope you may be able to make them out; as I do not have time to copy them.

The town of Orleans was a short distance up the Maumee River from Perrytown near the fort.

I have heard that some of the old records are on file at the County seat, Bowling Green, Ohio, in the Treasurer's office. Should I find anything further, I will send it to you.

Very truly,

Bertha G. Cranker
The Town of Orleans on the streets 62 & 66 in the U.S. Reserve 9 1/2 miles square, was founded in 1817, and surveyed by J.F. Lovett. It was re-surveyed in Dec., 1825 by Eunice Allen.

Orleans was surveyed soon after the Orleans was settled. 

After Eunice Allen, it was organized by Eunice Allen, which was kept for many years. The school house where we received our education stood about half way up the hill, and the Fort (St. Miie) was our old play ground.

The best male teachers available were always employed by those having charge of the schools. Among those who taught...
here, who were then appreciately and now affectionately remembered, are the following: Rev. H.P. Barlow, Susea Allen, (etc.) One by one the Orleansites pulled up stakes and located at the rival town of Perryburg, or elsewhere. From Mrs. Amelia W. Perret's story - Pioneer Reminiscences.

"Northern Light Lodge was organized under this petition March 5, 1817, and worked without a charter until Dec. 14, 1818 when one was issued to Almon Gibbe, W. M.; Susea Allen was first initiated in this lodge, while Almon Gibbe was the Master from 1817 to 1819. When Allen succeeded him, John Holliker was elected in 1824."
Senecca Allen, who a little later became the first resident Justice of the Peace, in what is now Wood Co., came with his family, in 1816, from Detroit.

The Henrys and Allens located on the north side of the river. The latter opened a trading place with the Indians at Roche de Boire, where a man named Jesse Richardson had located a mill site. Two years later, Allen moved down to Ft. Meigs and held the office of Justice for several years.

References to Senecca Allen taken from History of Wood Co.
Lucas Co. History states that John J. Baldwin, father of Marquis Baldwin, of Toledo, returned to Orleans with his family and lived in a part of Seneca Allen's home.

From Wood County's Pioneer Record Book: Commissioners paid to Seneca Allen $2.50
Seneca Allen (auditor fees) $10.50
Seneca Allen (auditor) $3.00
March 4, 1937

Morley BeBee Turpin,  
University of Rochester,  
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sirs:-

In regard to yours of the 3rd inst. I will be glad to receive a copy of the letter you mention and will publish it in The Messenger which might give you the data which you seek.

I print on Wednesday and would appreciate receiving the letter not later than Tuesday morning if at all convenient for you to get it to me by then. Copy of paper will be mailed to you.

Thanking you for the inquiry and trust that I may be of some service to you, I remain

Very truly yours

L.E. Hart, Editor  
The Messenger  
The Walbridge News
Thursday Feb. 5th
1931.

Post Master
Perrysburgh,
Ohio.

My Dear Sir:-

I am interested in obtaining certain data concerning the early history of Perrysburgh to be used in connection with the Centennial anniversary of the City of Rochester, N.Y.

Will you be so good as to hand this letter to someone you may know to whom I can write regarding the matter.

I am sorry to trouble you but I do not know anyone in your Town and am taking this way of getting in touch with the proper person. If you will kindly do this for me I will be greatful.

Very Truly Yours,

No. 53. City Hall.

Morley Bebee Turpin
Rochester, N.Y.

over over
Perrysburg, Ohio, Feb 6, 1931

Dear Sir: The Post Master handed me this letter. If you will indicate what in the history of our town you would like to learn of I shall be glad to either write you or tell you where you may procure it.

Very Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Perrysburg, O.
Perrysburg, Ohio,
April 16, 1932.

Mr. M.H. Turpin, No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.

My Dear Sir: I owe you an apology. This day I was looking in a Perrysburg history and found a letter from you asking about Seneca Allen who it seems was the son of a Mr. Allen the founder of Rochester, N.Y.

How the letter got lost I am not sure but I will answer it as it may give you some information tho.

Our Wood county historian says that Seneca Allen came here in 1816 (from Detroit) possibly went there direct from Rochester. He was quite a character it seems as he was the principal citizen of a now extinct town called "Orleans of the North," which he surveyed and for twenty years lay on the flats of the Maumee down beneath Old Fort Meigs. The town of "Orleans" was abandoned and became extinct along in the thirties. Seneca Allen was a justice of that peace here and did many leading things.

If his mother, Lucy Chapman Allen, is buried here (which may be possible), there is no record of it. Even the old private burying ground of the Spaffords who were prominent citizens here at that time is under the road bed of one of our principal highways near Fort Meigs. This seems too bad.

People dying those days were buried at random and no records kept till the year 1840. History speaks occasionally of Seneca Allen and his doings but even it doesn't say what became of him.— only that he was a Justice of the Peace," and the chief promotor of the old extinct village of "Orleans of the North" whose exact location we know but of which a house there is none standing. Many must be the unmarked graves of early settlers here who were prominent men of affairs, whose last resting place we will never know. I am sorry this happened and very kindly ask your pardon.

Very resp.

[Signature]

Perrysburg, Ohio, 4

mile below the old village of "Orleans of the North" where Seneca Allen resided.
March 25 1937

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin, Archivist,
University of Rochester,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir: "AT long last" a reply is forthcoming to your inquiry sent to Miss Robison last October, 1936, for information about Lucy Chapman Allen, wife of Seneca Allen, whom you say died about 1823.

The request was turned over to me as one of the "older" inhabitants but I am sorry to say nothing about the lady was discoverable. The Secretary of the Cemetery Board searched his records diligently and I consulted all the local histories. Quite a bit is found about Seneca Allen himself but nothing to show that he even had a wife.

There is nothing about him after he left Perrysburg and if you know of anything about him in print, should be glad to have the reference to it.

If Mrs Allen was buried here it was probably in the old cemetery which is now gone. Some stones and monuments were moved to the present cemetery but hers is not found. All this occurred more than fifty years ago.

Yours very truly,

(F.C. Averill)

FCA/C

Secy. Board of Managers Way Library.
These dates may have something of interest:

From the Democrat

1834, September 18--"Banks of Allen Water"
1835, August  5--News of Long Ago
1836, February 18--From the Bachelors Club
1836, March  10--From the Bachelors Club
1837, February  9--A Tale of Rochester
1840, March  16--Semi-centennial of Western New York
1845, April  11--Leaves from the Past
1845, April  19--Leaves from the Past
1845, April  30--Leaves from the Past
1845, July  12--Times Gone By (1800)
1847, September 3--Early Genesee Country
1869, January  1--An Old Citizen
1879, March  7--Early Days in Rochester
1881, February  20--History of Rochester
1883, March 12--Early Rochester
1891, March 14--History of Rochester
1899, June  8--Rochester As a Village

From Union and Advertiser

1878, April 15--Early Mills

Some time during the '60s or '70s there was a long series of articles, numbering 40 or more, I think by Mr. Scranton, on early days here, written from his diary I imagine. If you could run across one you could follow back to their start. Each one was at least a column long.
Copy from
Miscellaneous Records Vol 1 page 59 x 67
by H.S. Judson Aug 1924.
W.F. Turner.
Chain of Title to Lot No. 52 in Township No. 1 short range
being the lot on which M. Chapin homestead is situated.

Ontario Co. Records.

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Nathaniel Gorham & Oliver Phelps & wives,

To

Ebenezer Hunt, Robert Breck, Quartus Pomeroy,

Samuel Henshaw, Samuel Hinkley, Moses Kingsley Justin Ely.

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Warranty Deed dated November 8th, 1790. Recorded in Liber 1 of deeds at folio 167 the 15th July, 1791, Cons L 300. Conveying a certain tract of land and water in the western territory so called it being a part of the Western territory so called, lately ceded by the State of New York to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in Township No. 1 in the short range so called situate on the west side of the Genesee River in the County of Ontario and State of New York containing twenty thousand and one hundred acres; excepting one hundred acres which is conveyed by deed to Ebenezer Allen conveying to the said Ebenezer Hunt one undivided sixth part of the said twenty thousand acres to the said Robert Breck, one other sixth part thereof to the said Samuel Henshaw, one other sixth part thereof to the said Samuel Hinkley, one other sixth part thereof to the said Justin Ely one other sixth part thereof to the said Quartus Pomeroy. One twelfth part thereof and to the said Moses Kingsley one other twelfth part thereof.

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Ebenezer Hunt, Samuel Henshaw and Quartus Pomeroy
to

Oliver Phelps.
Warranty deed dated 6th March, 1798, recorded in Liber 6 of Deeds at folio 8 the 8th of June, 1799, con. L 2500. The said Ebenezer Hunt conveying one sixth undivided part of the above Twenty thousand acres. The said Samuel Henshaw one sixth undivided part of the same and the said Quartus Pomeroy One twelfth undivided part of the same.

Warranty deed dated 15th January, 1797, recorded in Liber 6 of Deeds at folio 9 the 9th of March, 1801, con. L 1100, conveying three thousand acres being a common and undivided part of the twenty thousand acres above mentioned situate in the north part of Township number one west of the Genesee River.

Robert Breck
To
Oliver Phelps.

Warranty deed dated November 24th, 1796, recorded in Liber 7 of Deeds at folio 366 the 25th June, 1801, con. L 1900. Conveying one sixth undivided part of the twenty thousand acres above mentioned.

Oliver Phelps
To
Gideon King.

Warranty deed dated 13th January, 1791, recorded in Liber 5 of Deeds at folio 66 the 13th March, 1797, con. L 10,000. Conveying three thousand acres being a common and undivided part of the twenty thousand acres above mentioned situate in the north part of Township number one short range.

Warranty deed dated 27th February, 1797, recorded in Liber 5 of Deeds at folio 376 the 28th April, 1800, con. L 30, conveying among other lands the one equal undivided third part of Twenty thousand six hundred and sixty-six acres, being an undivided part of the Twenty thousand acres above mentioned.
Oliver Phelps
To
Zadoc Granger.

Warranty deed dated 13th January, 1797. Recorded in Libr 4 of Deeds at folio 452 the 18th March 1797 Cond. $10,000, conveying three thousand acres, being a common and undivided part of the twenty thousand acres above mentioned situate in the north part of Township number one in the short range west of the Genesee River.

Oliver Phelps
To
Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter.

Warranty deed dated August 16th, 1797. Recorded in Libr 7 of deeds at folio 125 the 13th December 1800, cond. $6000, conveying 1111 1/6 acres in common and undivided with the whole of the twenty thousand acres above mentioned, situate in the north part of township number one short range west of the Genesee River.

Oliver Phelps,
To
Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter.

Warranty deed dated 27th February, 1797. Recorded in Libr 6 of deeds at folio 378 the 26th April, 1300. Cond. $20. Conveying among other lands the one equal undivided third part of Twenty thousand six hundred and sixty-six acres, being an undivided part of the Twenty thousand acres above mentioned.
Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter,
To
William W. Williams.

Warranty deed dated 2nd May, 1797. Recorded in liber 5 of deeds at folio 57 the 2nd May, 1797, Cond. §2916. Conveying 333 1/3 acres being one undivided Twenty fourth part of the Twenty thousand acres above mentioned.

Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter,
To
Waterman Eddy.

Warranty deed dated 2nd May, 1797. Recorded in liber 5 of deeds at folio 55 the 2nd May, 1797. Cond. §2916. Conveying 333 1/3 acres of land being one undivided part of Twenty thousand acres above mentioned.


Partition deed dated 7th January, 1798. Recorded in Liber 21 of deeds at folio 213 the 23rd June, 1816, in which among of other lots. Lot No. 32 in Township number one short range was set off to Oliver Phelps, Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter, and the lots so set off to Phelps and Porter are described in the deed as containing four thousand acres be the same more or less.

(Where is Moses Kingley's 1/12? See Ante No. 1. It
seems to be represented by Silas Graves, John Stone & Chas. Harford, but how they got it does not appear)

Oliver Phelps,

To

Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter.

18th Warranty deed dated January, 1799. Recorded in liber 5 pages 527 the 6th May, 1799. Cond. $4400, conveying one thousand one hundred and eleven acres and twenty perches of land being a common and undivided part of all the lands which the party of the first part owns in Township number one in the short range west of the Genesee River. The aforesaid 1111 acres and twenty perches is hereby conveyed to the said party of the second part in lieu of two undivided third parts of sixteen hundred acres and two thirds of an acre which was sold to Waterman Eddy and William A. Williams by the said party of the first part and second part.

Oliver Phelps

To

Nathaniel Gorham.

Warranty deed dated 6th January, 1799. Recorded in Liber 5 of deeds at folio 437 the 5th January, 1799. Cond. $13,000 conveying 1333 1/3 acres of land in Township number one in the short range west of the Genesee River in the County of Ontario, to be equal in quality to the average quality of four thousand acres of land in said town lately sold by the said Oliver Phelps to Charles Williamson, and to be estimated and set off by Amos Hall and Augustus Porter, Esq.s., or the survivors of them. A certificate whereof under the hands and seals
of the said Amos Hall and Augustus Porter particularly describing the
tract or tracts so estimated and set off and duly acknowledged and re-
corded in the clerk's office of the county aforesaid to be evidence
of the particular tract meant to be granted as aforesaid.

Augustus Porter & Peter B. Porter,
To
Ebenezer Barnard and Enoch Perkins.

Warranty deed dated December 16th, 1799. Recorded in Liber 71 of deed
deeds at folio 13 the 6th October 1800. Cont. $3250. Conveying 1333 1/3
acres in Township number one in the short range west of the Genesee
River, being part of the Twenty thousand acres above mentioned.

Enoch Perkins & Wife
To
Ebenezer Barnard.

Quit Claim deed dated 26th March, 1800 & recorded in Liber 9
of deeds at page 219 July 10th, 1816.

This deed conveys all the right, title and interest of said Per-
kims and wife to thirteen hundred three and one third acres of land in
Township number one in the short range of townships west of the
Genesee River, being the same land which was conveyed to said Ebene-
zer Barnard and Enoch Perkins by Augustus Porter and Peter B. Porter
by deed dated 16th December, 1799 besides other lands.
River formerly in the County of Ontario, now in the said County of Genesee, being the same land as other lands which was conveyed to
one Ebenezer Barnard and Enoch Perkins by Augustus Porter and Peter
Frederick Hanford & Elisha Ely.

Warrantee deed dated 13th June, 1815 and recorded 5th October, 1814
in Liber 7 of Deeds at page 1. This deed conveys thirteen hundred
and three and one third acres of land in Township number one so called
in the short range of townships west of the Genesee River formerly
in the County of Ontario, now in the County of Genesee in said State
of New York, being the same land which was conveyed to me the said
Ebenezer Barnard & to Enoch Perkins by Augustus Porter and Peter P.
Porter by deed dated the sixteenth day of December one thousand seven
hundred and ninety nine, reference being had to said deed as recorded
in the seventh Book of Records of Deeds for said County of Ontario,
page twelfth, &c., and said Enoch Perkins and Anna, his wife, have
released all their right and title in and to said land to me the said
Ebenezer Barnard by deed dated 20th day of March A. D. 1801. Book
page 477 &c., the 5th January, 1799

Frederick Hanford & Elisha Ely & Wife to Nathanial Gorman (together
with other Tounds) thirteen hundred and thirty thousand and one third of
John Mastick's land, situate in township number one in the short range
Warrantee deed dated 20th July, 1814 and recorded 5th October, 1814
in Liber 6 of Deeds at page 441 of "All that certain tract or parcel
of land situate, lying and being in the town of Gates in the County
of Genesee and State of New York, and being one equal undivided third
part of Lot number fifty-two being an eighty acre lot in township
dnumber one so called, short range of townships west of the Genesee..."
River formerly in the County of Ontario now in the said County of
Genesee being the same land among other lands which was conveyed to
one Ebenezer Barnard and Enoch Perkins by Augustus Porter and Peter
B. Porter, by deed dated the sixteenth day of December one thousand
seven hundred and ninety nine reference being had to said deed as re-
corded in the seventh Book of records of deeds for said County of On-
tario page twelfth etc.

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Nathaniel Gorham & Wife
To
Thomas Mumford.

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Warantee deed dated 11th May, 1815 and recorded 8th January 1816
in Liber 7 of deeds at page 416 , this deed recites that "Whereas
by indenture bearing date the fourth day of January in the year of
our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine duly recorded in
the office of the clerk of the County of Ontario in the fifth Book
of Records of deeds for said County page 457 &c, the 5th January 1799
Oliver Phelps sold and conveyed to the said Nathaniel Gorham (together
acres
with other lands) thirteen hundred and thirty three and one third of
an acre of land situate in township number one in the short range
of townships west of the Genesee River to be equal in quality to the
average quality of four thousand acres of land in said town then late-
ly sold by the said Oliver Phelps to Charles Williamson and to be esti-
mated and set off by Amos Hall and Augustus Porter, &c. and conveyed
to the said Mumford "the said thirteen hundred and thirty three acres
and one third of an acre of land particularly described in the said
deed of conveyance from Oliver Phelps to Nathaniel Gorham hereinbefore
mentioned."
Augustus Porter & Wife

To

Thomas Mumford.

Warantee deed dated 10th May, 1815 and recorded 9th January, 1816, in Liber 7 of Deeds at page 425, of all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the town of Gates in the County of Genesee and State of New York known and distinguished as one thousand one hundred and forty one acres of land situate and lying in township number one (1) in the short range of townships west of the Genesee River being all the lands which remains to the parties of the first part in said townships out of their several quantities conveyed to them by Oliver Phelps &c.

Thomas Mumford & Wife

To

John C. Rochester.

Warrantee deed dated 10th May, 1817 and recorded 9th September, 1817 in Liber 11 of Deeds at page 77. Of all that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the town of Gates in the County of Genesee and State aforesaid, known and distinguished as fifty one and eighty three hundredths of an acre of land common and undivided in lot fifty two (52) in township number one short range of Phelps and Gorham's purchase west of the Genesee River estimated at two thirds of said lot reserving out of the same one acre and thirteen seventeen hundredths of an acre of land at the north east corner of said lot bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at the northeast corner of said lot thence...
north 83°, west to the north line of said lot 4 chains and 40 links to the east line of Mill Street, thence south 7° west in the east line of Mill Street two chains and 66 links being one fourth of the width of said lot, thence south 83° East four chains and forty links to the bank of Genesee River, thence northerly along said river to the place of beginning.

John C. Rochester

To

John Mastick.

Warrantee deed dated 10th May,1817, & Recorded 16th October,1817 in Liber II of deeds at page 154 of "all that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the town of Gates in the County of Genesee and State aforesaid known and distinguished as thirteen acres and fifty three rods and one third of a rod of land common and undivided in Lot number fifty two (52) in township number one short range of Phelps and Gorham purchase west of Genesee River, estimated at one sixth of said lot, reserving out of the same forty rods of land to be set off in the northeast corner of said lot and running from the river to the said commonly called Mill Street.

John C. Rochester

To

John Mastick.

Partition deed dated 10th May,1817 and recorded October 16th, 1817 in Liber II of deeds at page 157. Rochester in this deed released
11.12

to Mastick subdivision number five in lot number fifty two together
with several other parcels of land.

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John C. Rochester,

To

John Mastick.

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Warantee deed 23th August 1817 & Recorded in Liber 11 of
deeds 108th page 22nd September 1817. Of all that certain tract or
parcel of land situate lying and being in the town of Gates in the
County of Genesee and State of New York being part No. fifty two, tow-
ship No. one short range of Phelps and Gorhams purchase west of the
Genesee River being a part of Section or Lot No. eleven as surveyed a
and plotted by Elisha Johnson in subdivision of the said lot No. 52
bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at the post on the south line
of lot No. 10 in the said subdivision of lot No. 52 two chains thirty
five links easterly from the southeast corner of said lot No. 10. Thence
south 2° west three rods. Thence easterly parallel with the south
line of said No. 10 seven chains fifty five links to river street.
Thence northerly on river street to the south east corner of No. 10
aforesaid. Thence westerly in the south line of said No. 10 to the
place of beginning containing one half acre and ten rods of land be t
the same more or less. Also one other piece or parcel of land situate
as aforesaid to wit, being one equal half part of section or part of
section or lot No. six in the said subdivision of the said lot No. 52
as aforesaid to be taken from off the west side of the said section
or lot No. six containing two acres and one half of land, be the same
more or less.
John C. Rochester,

To

John Mastick.

Warantee deed 7th October 1817 and Recorded 17th April 1818 in Liber 11 of deeds at page 186 of all that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the town of Gates in the County of Genesee and State of New York, being part of lot No. fifty two townsh.

Warantee deed dated June 11, 1826, recorded in clerk's office of Monroe County.

John Mastick & wife.

To

Moses Chapin.

Warantee deed dated 22nd October, 1817 and recorded November 12th, 1817 in Liber 10 of deeds at page 361 of "All that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the south side of Troup Street in the Village of Rochesterville in the town of Gates being parts of lots numbers five and six subdivision of town lot number"
fifty two. Beginning at a stake and stone on the south line of Troup Street and running thence south eighty eight degrees east on said line six chains and ten links, then south two degrees west at right angles to Troup street till it strikes the south line of town lot number fifty two, then north eighty eight degrees west on said line six chains and ten links, then north two degrees east to the place of beginning. The said tract thereby conveyed is warranted to contain at least six and one half acres except a deficiency of forty eight 8/10 square rods caused by lately taking a strip two rods wide from the north end for the south half of Troup street.

Monroe County Records.

James Smedley, Survivor of James Smedley & Zachariah Seymour, Executors of Oliver L. Phelps, dec'd, Francis Granger and Mindwell P. Granger, Executors of Gideon Granger, deceased,

To

William W. Mumford.

Deed dated June 8th, 1826. Recorded in clerks office of Monroe County Liber 7 fol. 247. Conveys among other lands 211 acres of land in common, and undivided in the several lots or parcels of land which were allotted and parted to Oliver Phelps, Augustus Porter and Peter B. Porter in the partition of the 20,000 acres tract among the several proprietors thereof by deed bearing date the 7th day of January 1798 and confirmed and established by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed March 20, 1801 being all the land in the said lots or parcels of land so allotted and parted as aforesaid which was not conveyed by the said Oliver Phelps in his life time to
the said Augustus Porter and Peter Porter and to Nathaniel Gorham be
the same more or less, always excepting lots 8 and 80.

The Preceding is a correct copy of Clerks
Certificates.

M. Chapin
Mr. M. B. Turpin,
52 City Hall,
Rochester, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Turpin:

I am glad to learn from your letter of January 21st that the Morris letter added something to your knowledge of Ebenezer Allen.

We have been hunting hither and yon for some trace of your Ebenezer, although feeling that you had undoubtedly covered all the ground long since. There are some 25 Allen genealogies on our shelves. We have looked up every Ebenezer indexed; in those that have no index, we glanced through the text, but without finding one to connect with Rochester.

I presume you have been in communication with Dr. A. C. Flick about possible references to Allen in the Sir William Johnson papers (for the index of which we feel a great need).

Very truly yours,

Librarian

Feb. 7, 1933
Nov. 20, 1928

Mr. M. B. Turpin
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your inquiry of Nov. 16th, we have 18 genealogies of Allen families of which 10 are pamphlets. The Allen Memorial, descendants of Samuel Allen of Windsor, Conn. by Orrin Peer Allen, (2 vols.) has the line of Ethan Allen and his descendants.

The genealogies are in the American History Room which is open every week day from 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. and on Mondays is open in the evening until 9:00 P.M. Out-of-town visitors are always welcome to come here and use this collection.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

American History Room.
Mr. Morley B. Turpin,  
Rochester, N. Y.  

My dear Sir:  

In reply to yours of the 3rd inst., would advise that I find no trace in the files of this office of the action entitled "James Jackson ex dem Lucy Allen and others vs. Harmanus VanAntwerp."

Very truly yours,

Wm. J. Armstrong  
Clerk.
January 27th, 1930.

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Sir and Brother:—

In reply to yours of the 21st inst.

We have looked through our old records, but do not seem to find any mention of one Ebenezer Allan or Allen. I am sorry that it is not possible for us to give you some interesting information for use in connection with your Anniversary.

With best regards, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

\[Signature\]

Grand Secretary.
Seven Oaks, Runaway Bay P.O., Jamaica, 25 March, 1930.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter dated the 17th inst., has been forwarded to me here from Ottawa and received this day. It will give me pleasure to give any information in my power respecting Ebenezer Allen, or to corroborate any information you already possess when I return to Ottawa, which I expect will be about May 4. You will understand that while here I am unable to refer to any authorities on the subject. Speaking from memory, he seems to have a "volunteer" or candidate for a commission as an officer either in Butler's Rangers or the Indian Department, in the latter years of the war of the revolution, and while acting as a volunteer was several times mentioned with approval in official letters to General Haldimand, copies of which are in the Dominion Archives. On one occasion he is stated that he conducted a reconnoitering or raiding party from Fort Niagara into New Jersey. When disbandment took place he was retired on half-pay with the rank of lieutenant in the Indian Department but settled somewhere near the Genesee river among the Senecas. He married the sister of a Seneca chief by whom he had three daughters. While there he built a mill and engaged in land speculations in conjunction, it is said, with Hon. Robert Morris. A slump in speculations occurred in 1792-3 and Allen found it expedient to remove to Upper Canada, and obtained a grant of 2,000 acres as a half-pay officer which he located in the present township of Delaware, near London, Ont., where he undertook to build a church, but failed to fulfill his engagement. He entered a big land speculation to obtain an extensive grant of lands on a deed from the Indians in Michigan and Ohio with John Askin, Alexander Henry and others, who attempted to bribe members of Congress and an investigation took place. He made several applications for land to the Executive Council of Upper Canada and in conjunction with a brother, Samuel Allen, proposed to promote a considerable emigration movement from the United States. He built a mill at Delaware which is shown on some of the early maps and seems to have been committed to the jail of the London District for debt. He was still living at Delaware in 1812 and after the war began, was arrested on suspicion of having given information to General Hull in his invasion of the province, by Capt. W. H. Merritt. It is possible that the record compiled of officers on disbandment may state when and where he was born. On my return I will try to look this up. Meanwhile it is suggested that you send me a summary of the information you possess and I will check and amplify it as far as I can from the documents. My address will be 53 Wilton Crescent, Ottawa.

M.B. Turpin, Esq., Rochester, N.Y.

Yours truly.

[Signature]
County Clerk, Ontario County  
Canandaigua,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

I am particularly desirous of learning the first name of the wife of one Christopher Dugan. Dugan's wife was the sister of Ebenezer (Indian) Allan, the first settler in the Genesee Valley at Rochester, N.Y.

Sometime after the year 1800 Dugan sold some land to Samuel Street and it has occurred to me that his wife's name might appear in the deed from Dugan to Street or maybe from Dugan to some other grantee.

Will you be so good as to advise me whether or not Dugan's name appears in the index of early deeds in Ontario County, and if so does his wife's name appear. Thanking you for any aid that you may be able to give me in this matter I am

Very Truly Yours.

No. 52 City Hall.  
(M.B. Turpin.)
In answer to your letter, beg to advise you that I find one deed on record from Christopher Dugan, but it does not say anything about a wife, and no wife signs or acknowledges.

Yours "respectfully"
May 1, 1941

W. Morley Bebe Turpin,
University of Rochester,
River Campus, Rochester, New York.

Dear Brother Turpin:-

Answering your letter of April 23, in the return of Hudson Lodge, No. 13, in 1808 to 1809, Benjamin Allen was Senior Warden.

In the return of Hudson Lodge No. 13, for 1816 - 1817, he is noted as Past Master, and place of birth Providence, Rhode Island.

That is all the information we can find concerning him.

Hudson Lodge, No. 13, became Hudson Lodge, No. 7.

Fraternally yours,

Grand Secretary
Jan. 19, 1931

Mr. M. B. Turpin,
52 City Hall
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Sir & Brother:—

Replying to your letter of January 16th, our Card Index, so far as completed, does not cover the early years of the existence of our Grand Lodge.

We found, however, by reference to our early Proceedings, that Seneca Allen (sometimes spelled Allan) was a member of Northern Light Lodge No. 40, then located at Waynesfield, Logan County, Ohio. He is listed as Junior Deacon in the 1818 Return, the first one on file, as Worshipful Master in 1819, Senior Deacon in 1822, Worshipful Master in 1823 and 1824 and dimitted in 1826. There is nothing to show where he held membership before becoming a member of Northern Light Lodge or whether he affiliated with any other Ohio Lodge after dimitting from No. 40.

We do not find the name of Ebenezer Allen.

Regretting our inability to give you more information, I am

Yours fraternally

HSJ:EB
M. B. Y.,

Feb 13, 1929

Dear Sir:—

Your letter of today about Eben is thought of. We have a great many Eben's mentioned in that book, so if you will please tell me everything you find concerning this Eben, it may give me some clue. I have a book and a lot of manuscript which I would like to go on with work on the Allen's of America. I know there are some recorded as being in Tennessee and Arizona and Rochester and numerous other places.

Respectfully Yours,

W. S. Allen.
M. B. Turpin,
Rochester, N.Y.

No 52
City Hall.
Mr. Morley Beebe Turpin,
No. 39 Braddock Street,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

This will acknowledge your letter of August 11th., 1934, respecting, (a) Ebenezer (Indian) Allen; (b) Deodat Allen; (c) the origin of the name Geneva given to this community.

(a) This is the first time in more than 35 years of research, study and writings on historical matters relating to Western New York, that I have ever seen Ebenezer's last name spelled "Allen"; all records showing "Allan".

I have in my possession, as one of my most prized historical relics, the private letter of Robert Morris to his son Thomas Morris, giving him instructions when he attended the Big Tree Treaty pow-wow as to what he wished to do for Ebenezer ALLAN.

Now, if his name was ALLAN, and Deodat's name was ALLEN, I can see no possible family connection between them.

(b) Dr. Deodat Allen. As the historian of Geneva I have dug into every existing historical document, official document or writing that I have been able to discover, and frankly, I have taken the time to examine all of my notes of the earliest settlers, before and after the execution of the Hartford Treaty of December 16, 1786, between New York & Massachusetts, and I cannot find the name of Deodat Allen even mentioned as a resident of this vicinity.

Further, I find many references to Dr. Adams as the first, and for a long time the ONLY physician resident in this vicinity; and who administered as far west as Canandaigua.

Your statements, therefore, brings me news that I would like to follow up; and request that you send me such information as you have regarding a Dr. Deodat Allen who resided here in those early days.

(c) The origin of the name of Geneva given to this community. It would be a pleasure indeed to have you write me giving me your idea as to who gave the name, and, if possible, WHY it was so named; and in return I will give you what information I have on the subject, and what my research based upon unquestionable documents, seems to show, and which I have published.

John Jacob Astor was in the fur trading business and he had trading stations throughout western New York.
all of which were named; that such a fur trading station existed in this locality, and within the present boundaries of Geneva, shortly after, and in fact almost immediately following the treaty of peace with England; that this station was established by one John H. Jones, brother of Horatio Jones, the Indian captive and later United States interpreter with Jasper Parrish; that John H. Jones and his associates, or one of them, or, it may be by special designation of John Jacob Astor, selected and denominated this fur trading station as GENEVA.

You state "I have a very decided feeling that the name of your City Geneva, came because of a connection between the Deodat family and Deodat Allen. I will be glad to tell you more of this if you are interested."

I certainly am interested as your statement controverts the documentary evidence which I possess on the subject and the unvarnished truth should be the guiding light of the historian.

I regret that I cannot help you to obtain even a few facts about DR. Deodat Allen, for, as I have stated despite my efforts to locate him, or even find his name, my records and notes fail to disclose, even his existence as a resident of this community.

If you will send me all the information you have it will be a pleasure to follow up the trails and secure any evidence that exists which I will gladly send to you.

There was a Timothy Allen, frequently in official papers and deeds, known as Timothy Allyn who was prominent in the early days of Geneva; but never that I can find one Deodat Allen who resided here and has been worthy of an historical record.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Turpin

Replying to your very kind note of the 11th, I suggest that you consult O.P. Allen's "The Allen Memorial" published at Palmer Mass., 1907. The Rochester Library should contain a copy. If not any book store which deals in out of print books can obtain a copy at a low price. It contains a complete genealogy of the Allen family down to the date of publication. Several Ebenezers are mentioned but you will undoubtedly be able to identify the Rochester one. I should certainly infer from the names of the children that Ebenezer belonged to the Vermont branch of the family.

If you do not find what you want I hope you will call on me again in the hope that I may run across or remember some other clue.

Very Sincerely,

JOHN PELL
175 EAST 79th STREET
REGEN 7583
Dec. 20, 1929
April 17, 1941

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
University of Rochester,
River Campus,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Turpin;

We are unable to locate any information about the Allens which you mentioned in your letter of March 24th.

However we wish to refer you to the Allen Memorial, by Orrin Peer Allen, published by the C. B. Fiske, Co., of Palmer, Mass., in 1907, in which there appear the names of several Benjamin and Ebenezer Allens.

Very truly yours,

William G. Roelker,
Librarian.

WGR:A
May 13, 1930.

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, New York.

My dear Mr. Turpin:

Your three letters, including the last one addressed to Professor Merriman, have been received here. Under the pressure of a great deal of hurried work during the last several weeks I have been unable to take the matter up of Ebenezer Allen in the Pickering Papers. I am enclosing negative photostats of the material in these papers which will give you some of the matter of which you are in search. These seem to cover all that I can find about Allen. Some of the pages are parts of long reports, but only those pages relating to Allen have been taken. I regret much the delay in replying to your wish.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Mr M B Turpin
Dept of Public Works
Rochester, N Y

Dear Sir;

In reply to yours of the 15th, regarding the transaction from Phelps and Gorham to Ebenezer Allen, would say, that I have examined the indices of deeds and do not find any transaction of this kind even down to the present time.

You might be able to get some information regarding this by writing to the Secretary of State's office at Albany N Y

Respectfully yours

[Signature]
OFFICE OF THE CITY HISTORIAN
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

January 31, 1933.

Mr. Morley B. Turpin,
39 Braddock Street,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Morley:

I am sending you a duplicate set of galley proofs of your Indian Allan material, and I am also enclosing a typewritten copy of material which has been transcribed from your story in the Democrat & Chronicle, and I would suggest that this part of your newspaper article be incorporated into your story.

Kindly give me your opinion as to this.

Cordially yours,

Edward R. Foreman.
Dear Sir:

Your letter of September 13 has received the attention of Dr. Martin, the Acting Chief of our Division of Manuscripts.

According to his report, the only letter of Ebenezer Allen which he finds in our manuscript collection is that of August 12, 1783 in the Continental Congress Papers, No. 78, Volume 1, folios 433-435 inclusive.

A photostat copy will require three pages on the small camera, - the charges for which, as explained in the enclosed estimate, will be $1.50 for the positive prints including the negatives or 75 cents for the negatives alone.

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Very truly yours,

(Signature)

Secretary
(For the Librarian)

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Mr. M. B. Turpin
No. 52 City Hall
Department of Public Works
Bureau of Design and Construction
Rochester New York
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Payment in advance is required. Cheques and money orders should be drawn in favor of the Librarian of Congress, but should be mailed to the Executive Assistant. Do not send postage stamps.
September 15, 1932.

Dear Sir:

We have your letter of Sept. 13 asking how you can obtain copies of the letters of Ebenezer Allen to John Askim which are mentioned on page 597 of the Annual Report for 1900. The letters mentioned in that list are in the collection of Mr. C. M. Burton, 121 Boston Boulevard, West, Detroit, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Morley B. Turpin
No. 52, City Hall
Rochester, N. Y.
October 15, 1928

Dear Sir:

The enclosed memorandum has been prepared by the Chief Bibliographer in response to your request of September 14, for information about one Ebenezer Allan (also Allen), likewise known as Indian Allan.

According to a report from the Chief of the Division of Manuscripts, who has also given attention to your inquiry, the petition of Ebenezer Allan or Allen is not among the papers of the House of Representatives which are deposited in that Division. He has also learned that it is not among the papers of the earlier Congresses preserved in the files of the House of Representatives at the Capitol.

Regretting the delay in our response, due to press of current work,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Acting Secretary
[For the Librarian]

(Enclosure)

Mr. M. B. Turpin
No. 52, City Hall
Bureau of Design and Construction
Department of Public Works
Rochester, New York
MEMORANDUM

To the
LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS

From the
DIVISION OF BIBLIOGRAPHY

October 2, 1928

Referring to letter of Mr. M. B. Turpin, Department of Public Works, Rochester, N.Y., requesting certain information about one Ebenezer Allen (also Allen), likewise known as Indian Allan.

We have examined the Annals of Congress for 1792 and American State Papers-Indian Affairs, and find no record of the petition of Ebenezer Allan to the United States Government for reimbursement for monies expended by him in helping Americans who had been captured by the Six Nations.

We find the following accounts of Ebenezer Allan:

References to Allan: p. 47-56.


References to Allan: v. 1:20-22.

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Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Chief Bibliographer.
June 22, 1931.

Mr. Morley B. Turpin,
39 Braddock Street,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Morley:

In the fall of 1929, we exchanged letters in regard to the proposed Centennial History of the City of Rochester. At that time the plan was to issue a single volume in the year 1934. Since that time, the plan has been changed to include four volumes, to be issued annually, beginning in 1931 and ending in 1934.

In your letter of November 5, 1929, you graciously consented to contribute material for a chapter. My original assignment for your theme covered the Railroads, for the reason that you contributed such a chapter to Peck's History of 1884; but in my letter of December 2, 1929, I changed this assignment to cover your favorite subject of Ebenezer Allan, whom you have now discovered to be a gentleman of high degree, much to the surprise of the assembled multitude. Your article would naturally be included in one of the early volumes and I would appreciate your letter of advice as to when you would be able to submit your manuscript for the printer.

I am making this request at this time because it becomes immediately necessary for me to plan this work in its entirety, and I must know what monographs I can depend upon.

Cordially yours,

Edward R. Foreman
City Historian.
Mr. Morley B. Turpin,
39 Braddock Street,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Morley:

Now that the first volume of the Centennial History has been published, it becomes immediately necessary for me to plan this work in its entirety, and I must know what monographs I can depend upon, therefore, will you please advise me as to when your contribution on "Indian Allan," will be ready for publication?

It is too bad that we cannot publish every scrap of documentary material which you have assembled on this very interesting theme. A whole book ought to be devoted to your subject, which would make an intensely interesting local document. I regret that our space is so limited that it will be necessary to limit the length of the contributing chapters so that a general balance can be maintained in the material.

In treating the subject of "Indian Allan," you could write an interesting general statement which would be about six to eight thousand words in length, and in connection with this, we would publish an Editor's Note which would completely describe all the documentary material that you have accumulated upon the subject. If this material were deposited in the archives of The Rochester Historical Society it would be carefully preserved and listed for public reference until such time as we could give it more extensive publication.

Hoping to hear from you by return mail, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

Edward R. Foreman,
City Historian.
Mr. Morley B. Turpin,
39 Braddock Street,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Morley:

I have read with interest your story of Indian Allan published in last Sunday's Democrat and Chronicle. By measurement there are apparently about four thousand (4000) words published on one page. This amount of material would fill about ten (10) pages of our Publication Fund Series, which average about four hundred (400) words to the page.

Will you please answer my last letter of April 20, 1932, stating when you can deliver your manuscript? Will it be possible to do what I suggested in my letter; to cover your story in about six to eight thousand words, and to include the complete reference to all of your manuscript material in an Editor's note?

I will very greatly appreciate your prompt reply to this letter, so that I may know what I can depend upon.

Cordially yours,

Edward R. Foreman,
Editor of Publications.

ERF/AHC
Mr. Morley B. Turpin,
39 Braddock Street,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Morley:

I have read your paper on "Ebenezer Allan and the Mount Morris Tract," and find it very interesting. However, this paper only discusses a single phase of Allan’s career, and one not connected with the One-Hundred-Acre Tract, and our immediate neighborhood.

The significance of your extensive examination of documents relating to Indian Allan lies, chiefly, in a revision of opinion concerning his importance in the history of Western New York; previously his bad habits have caused him to be so generally abused that his standing has been overlooked, as Government agent; pioneer settler and early miller. This was the significant fact that you accentuated in your talk before The Rochester Historical Society.

This paper on the Mount Morris deed is merely an aside, and does not in any respect discuss the main point of your investigation. Please send me your main paper, covering your general observations on the life and character of Ebenezer Allan.

It was my intention to write an Editorial Note, leading up to your article, and I am enclosing a sketch of such a note to show you what I mean by that. Of course this note is subject to revision, it has been hastily prepared for submission to you.

It is imperatively necessary that this matter be in the hands of the printer at the earliest possible moment, because we are ready to go to press on part of our Volume II, and circumstances compel us to complete the job as soon as possible.

Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience,

I remain,

Cordially yours,

Edward R. Foreman,
City Historian.

ERF/AHC
Publishers Denver City Directory.
Denver, Col.

Gentlemen-

With considerable hesitation I am sending this letter to you regarding one A.E.Pierce who lived in Denver in 1906. I am particularly desirous to know what became of him or his descendents, if he left any.

Access to Denver directories, here in Rochester, is quite out of the question and I am writing to you in the hope that you may be able to aid me in the matter. Mr. Pierce was the great-great grand son of the first settler here in Rochester and for this reason I wish to know something about him and his family.

If you can help me in this matter I will certainly appreciate it. If you cannot aid me possibly you can suggest someone who may be willing to do so.

Very Truly Yours,

M. J.C. Turpin
(Morley Bebee Turpin, Archivist
Rush Rhees Library.)

University of Rochester.
Rush Rhees Library,
River Campus,
Rochester, N.Y.

Pierce Arthur E N 1910 directory
1934 directory lists a John S Pierce as salesman for Public Service Co residing at 268 N Nevada, Littleton, Col. This might be the one listed above and possibly a son.
Extracts from Allens Memorial 2nd. Series.

Data of the various Ebenezers in the Allen line. and via Manuscript.

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2
Samuel Allen of Northampton, had a son Eben, b July 31, 1678,
also a dau Chloe, b 1674. Samuel had II ch. He d ae 85, in 1715.

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3
Joseph Allen of Northampton, b Sept. II? 1672, d 1703. Had a son
Eben, b 1698.

Page 18 and 20.

3
Samuel Allen, b 1665. Had a son Eben, b 1711, at Deerfield, Mass.
Spent most of his time in Woodbury, Ct. married Eleanor Hurlburt.
He had 7 ch. Eben had a dau. Chloe b 1750. He d 1760.

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3
John Allen of Wales, Eng. b 1670. Settled in Enfield, Ct. 1680.
d 1739. Had 7 ch and a son Eben, b 1714 m 1750 Rebecca Bartlett. He d 1795
at Enfield, Ct. This Eben had a son Eben among II ch, b 1751.

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4
Samuel Allen, b 1700, m 1750 Hannah Miller. He d 1755 at Marlboro,
and was with Ethan Allen at the capture of Fort Ticonderoga, 1775.
Long detail about him in our book. Col. Eben had a son Eben. This Col. Eben
also had a son (unnamed) b in Vt. who moved to N.Y. and lived to an old
age. So that if all the facts were known it might make interesting history.

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4
Nehemiah Allen, b 1797. Lived in Guilford, Ct. d 1752. Had 5 ch and
a son Eben, b 1731, m 1756. Was a sea Capt. and d 1795. Eben had 10 ch
and a son Eben b 1778.

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5
Nehemiah Allen b 1729, m 1752, d 1810. Had 7 ch and a son Eben,
b Dec 6, 1755, d 1830.

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Eben Allen, b 1751, m 1773 Chloe Osborne. m 2- 1789 Elizabeth Pease.
Had 10 ch. By m(1) he had a dau Huldah, b 1778. Eben had a son Eben b July
30, 1775. Eben served on the man of war Cromwell in the Revolution.
See Connecticut Rolls on the Revolutionary War.
October 24, 1927

Mr. W. S. Allen
14 Church Street
Pomper, Mass.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Your letter of the 1st inst. received and thank you for your additional order. Same is going forward at once with the several cuts which you requisitioned last week.

Very glad indeed to note that you have disposed of a portion of the bundle of remnants recently sent you and it will be satisfactory for you to remit for those which you have sold within the next few days. What are the prospects of your selling the balance of this lot of goods? While we do not want you to lose any business by not having them on hand to show, still we do not want them to be out too long as we have a number of new items waiting to send you on consignment.

We would appreciate hearing from you with your views on the matter.

Very truly yours,

DELMAR CO., INC.
Eben Allen, b 1775, m 1802 Sarah Loomis. He d 1850 He had 8 ch
and a son Eben and dau Chloe.

Page 163. via Manuscript
Ethan Allen b Granville, N.Y. 1780 d 1846

Eben, son of Daniel Allen, b Dec 26, 1674, m Oct 5, 1704, Anna Palmer

Page 179 via Manuscript
Eben, son of Daniel Allen, b Dec. 26, 1674, m Oct 5, 1704, Anna Palmer

Page 222. via manuscript
Ebenezer Allen, b Apr 19, 1728, son of John Allen and Rebecca Hill, R.I.

Page 232. appendices of Memorial.
Obadiah Allen, M(1) 1727. m (?) 1763 Had 5 ch and 2 Ebens, b 1730

d 1756. 2nd Eben b Feb 5, 1738, m 1766 Elizabeth Painter and settled in
Constable, N.Y. Obad had 8 ch. (Note, The Ebens have only been
mentioned consistently and not with relationship particularly.

Page 241. appendices of Memorial.
Eben b 1811, m 1833, Lovina Goodale. He d 1862 Went West Had 5 ch.

Page 172. 1800. From manuscript page.
Samuel Allen of Duchess Co. N.Y. He came from Eng. and settled in
Dutchess Co. N.Y. after 1750 He had a son Ethan who was of Nelson, N.Y.
and m Sophia Montgomery. He probably had other children.

Mr. M.B. Turpin,
Dear sir:-

I have culled out some of the Ebenezers from the Allen Memorial and the manuscript to see if it will give you any clew to the Ebenezer that you have in mind. so that you will have to make your own deduction. For your present convenience it would have been remarkable if the whole or a certain part of the career of the Indian Ebenezer could have been followed out a little more closely so there would be no doubt as to his origin. After looking over my extracts, let me know if there are any other suggestions you may have to offer. Between us both we may be able to locate the aforesaid Eben after awhile. Perhaps a Mr. Butler of Vt. who recently published a 2 vol history of Ira Allen, Founder of Vermont might give you some information if you could hear from him. He may be away from home just now on a trip to Europe as he said he was going when I wrote him several months ago. You may find a brief sketch of him in the book, Who's Who in America. James Edward Butler, I believe is his full name in the last edition. From your letter I draw this inference that Eben must have been a pretty good pal among the Indians for them to have presented him with 16 miles of territory to show their good will. Later on when he went to Canada for some reason or other he still seems to have had his usual good luck at being presented with a lot of the good old broad acres, this time from the Gov. himself. I hope when you have your celebration I will be able to learn more about the facts in the case if you manage to get at something more tangible and conclusive.

Joseph Allen, b 1704, was said to have m. an Indian, but it was refuted.

No doubt it may have happened among the early settlers.
Mr. W. S. Allen (cont.)

Think the matter over seriously. Then sign the contract and return to me. Give the work a fair trial, Mr. Allen, for this is your big opportunity and it will not cost you one cent. If you will co-operate with me and follow my instructions, I can guarantee you to make a dandy amount of commission.

Looking forward to receiving your signed contract, by return mail, I remain

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
GENERAL MANAGER

PTM:S
MS:PS
assure them that the Six Nations had not signified any intention of going upon their Lands, and he was persuaded that no such settlement, or any other would be undertaken without their knowledge, and Consent, adding that he should lay what they had said, together with the whole of his Transactions before the Commander in Chief on his return to Montreal.
Indian allen came down and staid several days, when he moved to Canada, awaiting the arrival of a boat from Niagara which he had chartered. He had a boat load of effects, one squaw and two white wives.

See Turner P & G. P. 413. Told by Wm. Hencher 2d.

Hencher 2d, then eleven years of age, went with his father to the mouth of the Genesee in August 1791. His father built his house in March 1792. This was the first hut of a white man to be built on the shores of Lake Ontario between the Genesee river and Fort Niagara.

Allan was then located on the Genesee river at what is now Mt. Morris, and was in the habit of making yearly visits to Philadelphia for the purchase of goods. Turner P & G. P. 243.

From him (Allen.) Mr. Morris obtained information which induced him to accede to the proposition made by P. & G.

Mr. Morris, after he had made the purchase wrote to his agent in London that "Mr. Ebenezer Allan, the oldest settler in that country" had assured him that hemp grows like young willows, it is so rampant and strong, and that he has raised forty bushels of the finest wheat he ever saw, and so of other articles in like abundance. He asserts that the forest trees about Philadelphia are not larger than the branches of trees in his neighborhood. P. & G. Turner. P. 243. Note.

Ebenezer Allan is well remembered in Canandaigua, as he is in all pioneer settlements, Mrs. Sanborn speaks of his being her guest on his way to Philadelphia, after the Morris treaty, to place his two half-blood daughters in school. He had his waiter along and was at that period what the Senecas would have called a "Shin-ne-wa-na," (a gentleman.) but stories of his barbarity in the Border Wars were then so rife, that he was treated with but little respect. Sally, the Seneca mother, with all a mother's fondness, came as far as Canandaigua to bid her daughters good bye.


Ebenezer Allen Data
From Mrs. George Stevenson, # 200 Troop St.

Ebenezer Allen Jr. born in Fair N.J.
The family have a tradition that his mother's name was Cora. He had an Indian wife, who was mother of Mary and Chloe,
His white wife, Lucy Chapman was living with him when Mary Jameson visited him.
There was but one child of this union, Seneca

Seneca Allen brought up among the Indians, and married an Indian girl.

"Rest", Horatio Allen married Martha Mason.
Children: Samuel, Ira, Mary, Cinda, Martha, Martin, Comfort, Warren (no dates.)

Ira Allen married Carrie Rockafellow, (a niece of John D.) at or near Avon, and lived in Dansville, N.Y.

Eva Allen married George Stevenson. To her, Ira Allen stated 2 weeks before his death, that Ebenezer Allen was his g.grandfather. He always claimed that he had Indian blood.
The diary of Ira Allen is in possession of George Slater of Dansville. George and his mother lived with Ira Allen at time of his death.

Lydia Walker at Honeoye Falls has Allen lineage and knowledge.

Ebenezer Allen was 45 years old when sent into the Genesee Country as an Indian spy.

From Mrs. Haynes

Mrs. Jameson says there were two white concerts of Ebenezer, one named McGregor.
Ottawa, 15th March 1930.

Memorandum:

Re Ebenezer Allen.

With reference to Dr. Scott's recent letter to you on this subject, I am sending herewith some further material which you may find of interest.

G. M. Matheson.

G. M. Matheson.

Registrar.

M. B. Turpin, Esq.,

Rochester, N. Y.
LIEUT.-COLONEL BOSTWICK TO MAJOR CHAMBERS,
Canadian Archives, C.688A, P.151).

Oxford, 27th July 1812.

Sir:

In consequence of information communicated to me by Dan' Springer Esq' of Delaware, I have thought proper to detain Andrew Westbrook at this place until the pleasure of Gen'l Brock can be known respecting him. Mr. Springer informed me that Westbrook had been very officious in causing a Petition to be circulated, addressed to Gen'l Hull, requesting him to save them & their property, stating that they would not take up Arms against him - Also that Westbrook had declared that he (Westbrook) had too much property to risk it, by opposing the Americans, and further that Westbrook's nightly attendance was very frequent at the House of Ebenezer Allen, during the time Watson was there - and that he had advised the people of Delaware to commit the management of the Petition to Gen'l Hull, to a more proper person than the one who had it.-

P.S.
Mr. Springer informed me that the Petition had been transmitted to Gen'l Hull by One Westcoat -

H.B.
CAPTAIN DANIEL SPRINGER TO MAJOR-GENERAL BROCK.

(Canadian Archives, C. 683A, P. 145).

Delaware 23th (rd) July 1812.

Please Your Honor,

In Obedience to your letter of the 19th Instant, not having a Sufficient number of Men about me, that I could trust to assist in apprehending the persons mentioned in your Letter, I immediately Sent to Lt.Col. Bostwick who was then in Oxford, on the twenty Second He and Lieut. Merrit(t) Came down to Delaware, and on the twenty third made an attempt to take Ebenezer (Allan) and Some others about him who had been about his house for Several days, but did not Succeed, they apprehended two persons, John Micks (Meeks) and one McClemings by name, on Suspicion of given Ebenezer and his party notice, I Certify that the Suspicion is on good grounds, they are hired men to one andrew Wes(t)brook of this place who has been with Some others of his men very intimit with Ebenezer allen, Since his arrival from Sandwich the said Ebenezer Allan brought with him General Hulls Proclamation whom he did read to the people, on the nineteenth this westbrook and his men was At Ebenezer allans, and remained until Some time in the evening, and I believe Conversit with Simon Z.Watson who was then there as appears by every Circumstance, this Wes(t)brook Publicly declare(d) that he would not take up arms against General Hulls force, that he had to(o) much at Stake, there, likewise was a petition in the Hands of one of his hired men address(ed) to General Hull representing myself to be a troublesome Person, that I was Continually urging the Inhabitants to take up arms and defend themselves, that if Consistant to have me removed from amung them, this was given under oath this day by Mary Allan, this man who had the petition was one thomas Wescoat who is gone to the americans - and this andrew Wes(t)brook was heard to Say addressing himself to another person that, Wescoat was not a fit Person to Conduct that business that he would Hang himself, the proclamation of General Hull has Such an effect
on the minds of the People that I dare not trust them on any occasion whatever and Conceive myself in danger, the enemy is about two or three times a week within thirty miles of me, and Spyes Continually among the People, when the gard Stopt to refresh themselves Ebenezer Allan Came boldly up to them, and they made him a prisoner, Lieut. Merrit(t) took him and the two other persons into Custody, and promised to Deliver them Safe at niagara, I believe that It Can be proved that Ebenezer Allan and that Syrous Hullbird came in Company with Simon Z. Watson and one norton from the american troops.
Left Warner Nelles's Friday afternoon the 24th (July 1812) met on my way up to the Mohawk Castle two or three Indians who appeared alarmed one of them told me than an Indian had just come from Amherstburgh that he said there were a great body of American troops on their way up the River Thames, horse & foot. - this Indian appeared from his dress & ca as if he had left home to go and meet the Enemy with the party under Major Chambers; but had got alarmed and was going back again. - after going a little further I came to a Village where I saw two or three hundred Indians, I found from some of them who rode up with me to Mohawk Castle that they had, had a Council and it was there determination not to fight the Americans. I afterwards learnt that General Hull had wrote them a letter which was brought to them by the Indian who had as I before mentioned come from Amherstburgh which was the cause of their holding the Council. - I got in the Evening to the Bridge, there got a fresh horse and rode to Yiegh's where I got about 9 O Clock, I found Major Chambers' with the party under his Command, also Mr. Wm Crooks, and Hamilton Merritt(t) with some Light horse who had Ebenezer Allan and two other men prisoners, that were taken at Delaware for some treasonable behavior.
Mr. M. B. Turpin,
No. 52, City Hall,
Rochester, N.Y.
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Turpin:

In making a search for other material in the Archives recently I came across a reference to our old friend Ebenezer Allen. Although it is too late to be of any use to you yet you may find it of interest.

The original letter is in the Colonial Records Office of London, England and the Archives here have copies of their manuscripts. In this case the copiest has apparently been unable to decipher the christian name but there is no doubt as to the identity of the man.

May this not have been the first Rochester land deal?

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Niagara 26 August 1790

Substance of a private complaint made yesterday by the Chiefs of the Seneca Nation and intended to be repeated by them in public Council this day.

That some short time ago that they (the Seneca Chiefs) gave a small tract of land to --- Allen in trust for his children by a woman of their Nation who lives with him but on condition that he should not alienate the same nor appropriate any part of it to any other purpose than for the maintenance of the said children. That previous to their making this grant they consulted with Col. Butler on the propriety of it and asked his advice and that his opinion was that he saw nothing improper in their giving him this mark of their favour as he had been a zealous and deserving subject of the King's and suffered greatly in his property by the Indians.

That lately they made a visit to --- Allen on hearing that he was disposing of a great part of the land and that on their arrival they found that the report was not only true but that he was making further encroachments on their Land and disposing of the same in lots.

That on their expostulating with him on this conduct his only answer was that he cared very little for their complaints as Col. Butler was equally interested with him in this Tract.

The Chiefs further say that they asked advice from Mr. Wm. Johnston and Timothy Murphy (both employed in the Indian Department) on this subject and that their opinion coincided with Col. Butlers so far as to say that
they (the Indians) had better give this land to their own flesh and blood than to the Americans.

Mr. Wm. Johnston, the Informant further added that Allen came to Niagara some time after this conversation happened but previous to the Deed being signed and that he then agreed to give the Informant and Timothy Murphy one hundred pounds each for their good offices with the Indians in his behalf and for the performance of which the said Allen gave the Informant & Murphy each a note of hand for one hundred pounds which notes are now in their possession.
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This Indenture, made this thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and Twenty-three, between Ebenezer Allen of Williamsburgh in the County of Ontario in the State of New York, the first part; and Samuel Mills of Fredrickstown in the County of Dutchess and State of New York, the second part; Witnesseth, That the said part of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred pounds, lawful money of the State of New York, to him in hand paid by the said part of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby presumed and acknowledged; hath granted, bargained, sold, released, remised, aliened and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, release, alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part, in his actual possession, now being and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that certain tract or parcel of land lying in the County of Ontario and State of New York in the
Township 6, Williamsburg Common
Called Number Eight in the second
range, beginning at a Bass on the bank
of the Canisitasaga Creek on the
line of an out lot distinguished by
Number Ten in the Town of Williamsburg,
New Gregory Stockyard, Thence West
to the Indian Line, Thence South along
said Indian Line till at Struts said
creek, Thence Northerly along said
creek to the place of beginning, containing
four acres and three fourths of an acre
Also another piece of ground
Beginning on an Elm tree on the East side
of said creek, opposite the old house
of the said party of the second part
Thence East Forty rods, Thence South
Forty rods, Thence West till at struts
said creek containing ten acres
and one fourth of an acre as surveyed
by Melvin Twigg. Together with all other
furniture, the heretofore mentioned
and appurtenances
where with therein to belonging or in
any way appertaining and the reservation
and reservations remaining and remainder
rents, issues and profits thereof and all
the estate, right, title, interest, claim
or demand whatsoever of the same.
party of the first Part within in law
or equity of in one to the above bargain
premises with the same hereditaments
and appurtenances - is stone and to Stole
the said bargain premises, with
buildings of all kinds to the said
Party of the second part his heirs
and assigns to the sole and only
proper use herein and be offj the
said part and the second part his heirs
and assigns forever. And the said
Party of the first part for himself
his heirs executors and administrators
both common and special bargain, promise
and agree to and with the said part
of the second part his heirs and assigns
that the above bargain premises
in quiet and peaceable possession
of the said part of the second part
his heirs and assigns against all and
every person or persons lawfully claiming
or to claim, the whole or any part of the
said above mentioned and described
premises shall forever warrant
and defend
In witness whereof the parties to these presents hereunto inter-changeably set their hands and seals the day and year above written (Dec. 21, 1793)

Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of

Rich. Cruyder
Jos. Hinchman

Do I remember ye Hon'ble this (same date) personally appeared before me

Chas. Williamson, one of the Judges of the County of Ontario, to whose name Allan acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the within deed for the purposes here in mentioned-there being no material interlusions or omissions follow the same to be recorded

Chas. Williamson

Further certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Original examined and compared therewith 24th March 1794

Samuel Coen DeKk
December 2 - P 163

Riben
70
miles
(Copied)
FORTY-THREE STEVENS STREET
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT

Dear Mr. Beebe,

I have just returned from a late letter regarding the Allen family. I read your
would be thrilled to hear
that the Allen of Boston
Plymouth
Dinage located in
central Bay after the Rev.
where Ezekiel Allen was
granted Bounty land.

Before I may have any
Corporation interest I am telling
the liberty to write you.
Elmahan - Allen, son of Ebenezer and his wife Henri Hilliard - the latter of Woodbury Conn. lived at Washington DC - where his son Isaac Chapman Allen was born. J. C. Allen married Harriett Pierce and lived at Cereus, KY - where his son Nathan Allen. My husband's father was born - Elmahan & wife was Anna Hathaway. An old record says Susan Little. So be my love born twins married. I am much interested in gene Ebenezer and wonder if he can be one
Charles—alsoEbenezer
Allen was a cousin of
Ethan and Isa Allen
both descendants of Samuel
Allen of Bridgewater Conn.
A false title of Ethan—Allen
by John Pitt, refers often
of Cousin Ebenezer. In
fact—Ethan—died on his
way home after visiting
Ebenezer—but his name
Ebenezer does not occur
in the book—I have more
data on the Samuel Allen
line and would be
interested to learn more
of Ebenezer called "Indian Allen"
Your friend,

[Signature]

Mrs. George L. Allen
FORTY-THREE STEVENS STREET
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT

Dear Miss Turner,

I have been unable to find any record of the name Chapman in the early records of Ridgefield. I was surprised to find that the name Chapman was not found in the early records of Ridgefield. The historian himself seemed surprised when I inquired about the fact. But I did find a Thomas Chapman who lived in Ridgefield in the 17th century. He was likely the uncle of Thomas Chapman.
Loomisburg (formerly Governor's Corn) was named for the Phineas Chapman - an early settler. The early settlers of Loomisburg were mostly from Fairfield Co. and in the history of Fairfield is a most interesting account of early Chapman. If it would interest you would be glad to copy it also - I have been ill and it is not easy to write at present.

Aside from the fact that

Marie Mayette Pearce was born at Brattleboro 27 Nov 1811

and Phineas Chapman Allen at Cummington, died at Loomisburg 8 Feb 1890,

I have no further knowledge about names and marriages of the children.

Will you please tell me from you are related to the Allen-
family - in Allen Records lately published by R. Allen but if Eliza and Isaac and Abigail Allen of Simmons are these your ancestors? If so my husband's paternal father if Allen James Allen born 1801 in the county of Elizabethtown was a cousin of Elizabethtown father was Ebenezer born in 1711 md. Charity Mullins of Goodwin County. These are among named Ebenezer but among mentioned 4 year late 1744 - what--you have written of Ebenezer Loyalist is most interesting and I am wishing some fuller success in your further research. Will you kindly read the Rockwell's notes and also old manuscript clipping of Samuel Allen whom I believe was a twin brother of Elizabath.

Very truly yours,
John George Allen

Mrs. George A. -- Magdalene Allen Alliance
Dec. 30, 1928

Morley Beebe Turpin, Esq,
Rochester, N. Y.

My dear sir:

I suggest that in connection with your inquiry contained in your letter of December 18th to the County Clerk here, you communicate with the County Clerk's Office of Genesee County, Wyoming County and Ontario County, located at Batavia, Warsaw and Canandaigua respectively. This - Livingston - county was not organized until 1821 and the possible deeds mentioned would have been recorded in one of these other counties. I will have the matter in mind and if I can aid you further it will be a pleasure to do so.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Genesee County was created March 30th, 1803.
Ontario " " " Jan. 27th, 1789.
Wyoming " " " May. 14th, 1841.
Mrs. Matheson as Postmaster afterwards Allan and one crew who died in 1899. She was buried in Campbell's Cemetery at Komoka. She was Mrs. Magdalen McGregor. Her Magdalene Crow was one of the bell bearers. Mr. Allan and his family have gone from this district before I came here in 1877. But my wife's brother Mr. A. R. Smith was brought to Komoka when 3 years old and in 1875 came. I went down to see him and he told me he remembered the people named Allan and remembered during the time his father's father's sleigh was old Mr. Allan's General highlighted he could make about 10 years old. They took the canoe and sleigh his father was one of the Beavers. They put shoes on the side of the sleigh and took all of the beavers and the coffin Mr. Smith live on the farm adjoining. The same Mr. Allan lived on and that adjoins the Crow family lived on and is owned by sons. Got left at the present time 181 Komoka.
Courteous Treatment
Reasonable Rates

Komoka, Ont. March 26, 1910

Mr. B. Surpin
Rockford, N.Y.

IN ACCOUNT WITH

JAMES SPENCE
General Blacksmith, etc.

Mr. Surpin,

Franklin,

I went up to the Cemetery North of Komoka and Delaware Bridge and examined the Map of the Cemetery and there was no record of the Allen's there.

I went to the family and they understood we were good friends and they had no record of anyone of that name buried there.

The Allen's and Tiffany's understand we were good friends and they had no record of anyone of that name buried there.

The Tiffany's were buried in Delaware and the Tiffany's are not listed in the Delaware Cemetery. I think if you wrote to Delaware in Randall Hammond might find out if any of the Allen's were buried in Delaware.

I visited Cemeteries in Delaware Village and I can not find anyone who has any recollection of the Tiffany's. The Cemetery is about two miles North of the Komoka and Delaware Bridge.

Known as Campbell Cemetery, given to the Campbels in 1840. Care of all the present farm and all the old residents that lived around a long time ago have played except the Tiffany's and the Allen's are old residents. A gentleman told me he remembered the Allen's and others that farmed and lived there. A gentleman said a man by the name of Allan and

Address: Mr. E. S. Little

R.D. 2, Komoka

R.C. 21, Komoka
Buffalo Creek July 9th. 1788.

Speech of CornPlanter and others.

"Father, We apprehend that our evidence might be called for as Phelps was here and knew what we have said concerning him; and as Ebenezer Allen knew something of the matter we desired him to continue here. Nicholson, the Interpreter, is very sick and we request that Allan may remain for a few longer as he speaks our language."

Corn Planter.
Half Town.
Great Tree.

October 27/24

Dear Mr. Turpin,

Here is one contribution having to do with

Cheyne Allen and I may find more for you. This

is from a history of the county of Middlesex

published in this city in 1887.

Yours very truly,

Fred London
6114 Stanwood Ave.
Detroit, Michigan.
June 9, 1931.

Mr. Morley Bebee Turpin,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Mr. Turpin—

In reply to your letter of May 24th.

I am sending the date of Seena Allen's birth, who was my grandfather. I have two sons, Albert A. Allen, 2058 Morse Ave., Lakewood, Ohio, and Albert H. Allen, 18 Elizabeth Street, Battle Creek, Michigan. If you care to have names and dates of birth of Seena Allen's children, I can send them, but they have all passed on.

I and my two sons are the only male descendants I have been an invalid for over three years, having to depend largely on others. Therefore the cause of delay in replying to your letter.

Very truly yours,

George N. Allen.
Ebenezer Allen born Sept. 17, 1752
Lucy Chapman born July 12, 1768
Seneca Allen born Feb. 18, 1788

George Allen, son of Seneca, born Mar. 12, 1818.

Harriet Palmer, wife of George Allen,
died Nov. 6, 1862.

George Allen was married to his second wife Sarah M. Aiston May 18, 1863.

George Harman Allen, son of George Allen and
Sarah M. Aiston, born June 29, 1864.
6114 Stanton Ave.
Detroit, Mich.
Aug. 3, 1937.

Mrs. Morley Beaz Turpin,
University of Rochester,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Turpin:

I write to thank you for the certificate and other material which you sent me. It was very interesting to me. I am sorry for the delay in answering, but have been waiting to hear from you. Thinking that I could get the information you asked for as I do not know the place of birth of either Ebenezer or Seneca Allen. Ebenezer was born Sept. 17, 1753; died April 12, 1813.

Seneca was born Feb. 18, 1785, and
after. If I receive the other information you have asked for I will immediately send it to you and will be pleased to hear from you at any time.

Most sincerely yours,

George H. Allen.

(29) 2. You have asked for the portrait of my father, which is the only one I have; please return it also a photograph of myself taken on my 73rd birthday June 29, 1937.

I never knew before my great-grandfather Ebenezer Allen was Indian

Ebenezer Allen was a surveyor and operated in Ohio and Michigan. My father, George Allen, was with him often and an Indian chief gave him a bow and arrows about the year 1830. I still have the bow the arrows were lost. My father was a machinist and put out the first railroad engine and made the firebox from Adirondack to Monroe. Monroe now the St. Clair Road the first electric streetcar in Michigan, in 1860 or more
6114 Stanton Ave.
Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs. Morley Bevis Turpin,
Rochester, New York.

Dear Mrs. Turpin,

I was glad to receive your letter of August 9th. will answer your questions the best I can.

I never saw a portrait of Seneca Allen.

Seneca Allen died at Monroe, Michigan, September 22nd, 1834.

Lucy Chapman, Seneca Allen’s mother, died Nov. 13th, 1823.

George Allen was born at Perryburg, Ohio, Wood County, March 12th, 1818.

Died at Agalia, Michigan, Monroe County, September 19th, 1900.
George H. Allen was born at Adrian, Michigan, June 29th, 1864.
The last I heard of A. E. Pierce of Denver, Col. was in Oct. 1917, at which time he had retired from business. He and his wife had gone to Los Angeles, Cal. to live. He had two sons, but I do not know their names, at that time they were living at Denver.
I am well as usual and will be glad to answer any questions I can and glad to receive any information from you.

Very Truly yours,
George Virgil Allen.

P.S. A. E. Pierce died at Los Angeles, but I do not know what date.
6114 Stanton Ave.
Detroit, Mich.
June 26, 1939.

Mrs. Morley Bebee Turpin,
Rochester N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Turpin:

I am writing to tell you our dear father, George Horace Allen, passed away May 29, after a short illness of one week. A cerebral hemorrhage was the cause of his death. Of course you know he was a semi-invalid for more than five years, but he was always interested in everything worth while. He enjoyed your letter.
and was very much interested in
the story concerning Ebenezer Allis.
The last letter I have found
from you, was written January
5, 1938. In that letter you were
still puzzled as to the birthplace
of Ebenezer Allis. We had the
date of his death, but not the
place of birth. Have you been
successful in finding it.
A niece I have tried to get a
book on Monroe Co., Mich. but
but did not find the information
she wanted. We are all interested
in the lineage of the Allis family.
I have two brothers and two nephews
to carry on the family name.
If we can be any assistance to
you, we will be glad to do so at
any time. Very Truly yours
Mrs. Vidah Barlow
M. Allis daughter
Duncan Allen was the son and only child of Ebenezer and Lucy Chapman. He was born in the Gannee Country in 1789, possibly on the Hundred Acre Tract, where his father was building mills at the falls of the Gannee River.

In 1794, he went with his parents to Delaware town, on the River Sa French, Upper Canada—married Fanny Lucinda Brigham.

Both he and his wife were baptized into the Church of England at a place and date now unknown—probably on or in the vicinity of Delaware Town—some time previous to 1818 he removed to Waynesfield, Logan County, Ohio, in 1819–1823–1824 where he became at the Northern Sight Lodge No 40, Free and Accepted Masons, as Worshipful Master. In 1826 he deserted from this source and apparently removed to Perrysburg, Ohio.
Rochester Dec. 27 - 1822
Perryburgh Dec. 13 - 1823
Mannua April 5th - 1826

Perryburgh June 6th - 1826

Port Lawrence July 18 - 1826
Perryburgh Dec. 8 - 1826

Rochester March 8 - 1827 (Note 1830)
do April 2 - 1827

Fanny Warden Grimy Ch. 1831

First delegate from Convention
Pres C & Mtch. May 3 - 1834

Married Fanny Lucinda Brigham

Both he and his wife baptized into
Ch & Eng. Place unknown
in Missouri.

Confirmed by R. & C. P. Mc. Hurley

Born C Ohio May 3, 1834

Died Sept. 29 - 1834 age 45
4; 1867
4; 1974

Son and.

Duncan believes the only
child of Lucy Chapman and E.G.
was born in the Greene County
either 100 one track or section 16
— 1789 — Dec. 1793 — 4 db.

Northern Light Lodge # 40
Waynesfield, Logan Co., Ohio

Jan. Deacon 1818
W.M. — 1819
Gen. Dea. — 1822
W.M. — 1823-1824
Dimited — 1826

In Aug. 1927 moved from Pt. Lawrence
to Monroe and the 13th of Aug
began teaching school
Rochester N.Y.
Nov 23/91

Mr Howard Le Aegood
Rochester

My dear Sir,

The enclosed note will confirm my statement to you regarding the map in question. I have an

esire to have my name mentioned in connection with Mrs Parker's work in any way, and whatever

credit or thanks you may intend for matter found in her book, please send to her. She deserves all the
good things you can say about her efforts in literature.

Respectfully,

Geo H Harris
Trenton, January 28th

Dear Sir,

I arrived here 3 days ago. Complanter was there in Philadelphia. I am sorry sorry sorry to find him. The man that has bin so frequently represented, but as he has to meet all the Cheifs at the 5 Nations at Slipwillow Creek next spring to acquaint them a let he has done don I am op't think that his own speech will make him ashamed. I think it will be able to inform you the particulars of his conduct as Colo Ogdon will be able to inform you.

but in consequence of the agreement a acquaintance which there will with you and the kind favors from time to time I am with more respect than I can express your most humble servant.

Judge Phelps

E Allan

This morning I exerted for home.
In witness whereof, we, the sachems, chiefs of the Seneca Nation, according to the ancient custom of our nation, have hereunto set our hands and seals this fifteenth day of July, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, and of the independence of the United States the sixteenth.

How-de-ye-was, the mark of X Farmers Brother.
Shek-wi-un-unk, the mark of X Little Beard.
Kaen-do-wan-ya, the mark of X Big Tree.
Honey-san-Sprish, the mark of X Young King.
Co-nu-got-ek-hon, the mark of X Fire in the Mountain.
So-ne-aah-to-wan, the mark of X Big Throat.
Koye-a-gay-anh, the mark of X Heap of Sayo.
Tio-ka-a-ya, the mark of X Little Billey.
Tain-dau-dash, the mark of X Black Chief.
Ken-nu-yoo-ni-gut, the mark of X Captain Samp.
Ken-no-ghau-kol-york, the mark of X Old House.
Ne-en-daw-ku-wan, the mark of X Great Tree.
Hah-jun-gunsh, the mark of X China Breast Plate.
Soo-nooh-shoo-wan, the mark of X Great House.
So-way-is the mark of X Stump Foot.

Sachems in the right columns of seals, sealed and delivered in the presence of Ebenezer Bowman, Joseph Smith, Jasper Parish, Horatio Jones, Oliver Phelps, and by the chiefs underwritten in the presence of us.

Timothy Pickering.
Commissioner on the part of the United States for Holding a Treaty with the Six Nations of Indians.
This Indenture made this tenth day of December eighteen hundred and twenty
two between Lucy Allen of Wood County in the State of Ohio widow of the late
Ebenezer Allen, deceased and Seneca Allen of the same place son and heir at
law of the said Ebenezer Allen and Abelard Reynolds of Monroe County State
of New York WITNESSETH that whereas the said Lucy Allen, widow as aforesaid,
claims dower to the one hundred tract (so called) on the west side of the
Genesee River bounded east by the Genesee River so as to take in the mills
formerly built by the said Ebenezer Allen Thence northerly from said
mills stood sixty three rods; also southerly from where said mills stood
sixty three rods along the margin of said river; thence westwardly so as to
make one hundred acres in a square form; which said tract of land lies in
township number one in the short range of Phelps and Corham's purchase and
WHEREAS the said Seneca Allen son so as aforesaid of the said Ebenezer Allen
claims the right in fee simple as son and heir at law of the said Ebenezer
Allen, deceased, of the above described premises NOW KNOW YE that the said
Lucy Allen by Seneca Allen, her Attorney for and in consideration of the sum
of fifty dollars to her in hand paid by the said Abelard Reynolds, the receipt
whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargain, remised, and forever
quit claimed unto the said Abelard Reynolds and by these presents doth grant,
bargain, remise, release, and forever quit claim all her right, title, claim, and
demand as well in dower as otherwise unto the said Abelard Reynolds his heirs
and assigns forever of all and singular those two lots and portions of ground
in the Village of Rochester, County of Monroe and State of New York known and
distinguished on the plan or plat of said Village by lots number one hundred
and fifty one and one hundred and fifty two bounded on Buffalo Street four
rods for each lot and on Sophia Street twelve rods and also all those two
lots or portions of ground situated in Rochester aforesaid known and distin-
guished on the plan or plat of said Village by lots numbered twenty three
and twenty four as follows to wit, beginning on the north bounds of Buffalo Street ten rods easterly from the south west corner of lot number twenty two or intersection of Buffalo and Carroll streets, running thence at right angles with Buffalo Street northerly to a publick alley, thence west on the south bounds of said alley and with the south bounds of lot number twenty to the east bounds of lot number twenty one, thence southerly along the east bounds of lot number twenty one and twenty two to Buffalo street, thence easterly along the north bounds of Buffalo Street to the place of beginning. All of which said lots or portions of ground are on the said one hundred acre tract (so called) and are a part thereof. And the said Seneca Allen heir at law and son of the said Ebenezer Allen hath for himself and in consideration of the sum of five dollars to him in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, and forever quit-claimed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, remise, release and forever quit claim to the said Abelard Reynolds, his heirs and assigns forever all his right, title, interest, claim and demand both in law and equity of and to all and singular the aforesaid lots or portions of ground numbered one-hundred and fifty one and one hundred and fifty two and lots numbered twenty-three and twenty four on the plat of said Village and every of them.

In testimony whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

V.P. The "words fee simple" interlined before signature.

Lucy Allan (Seal.)

By Seneca Allen her Attorney.

Seneca Allen. (Seal.)
State of New York

Monroe County, S.S.  Be it remembered that on the tenth day of December 1882, personally appeared before me Seneca Allen, the within Grantor, to me known, who acknowledged that he Executed the within deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned. Let it be recorded.

J.Mastick  Commissioner.
Perrysburgh Dec. 13th 1833.

Dear Friend,

Your Friendly communication was rec'd with pleasure last mail but the state of my mind was such that I was in no danger of being overcome with "Good news" having so lately experienced one of the greatest reverses of fortune I have ever before received.

My kind and indulgent Mother has gone to experience the realities of the coming world, but I am happy to state we do not mourn as those without hope we have every reason to believe that she has made a happy exchange as she expressed a firm belief that her sins were forgiven and that she was going to the arms of a Bleeding Saviour.

I wish you to have the goodness to inquire of Mr. Lee and inform me as soon as convenient what effect my mother's death will have on the Dugan Farm suit and likewise if it will be in your power to attend to that business for me and take your pay for your trouble out of the avails of the suit if so I will send you on a full power of Attorney to transact the business for me, if not speak to my friend E. Platt and see if he can attend to it. Enclosed I send two dollars which I wish you to have the goodness to hand to Comp. T. C. West and if you will pay him fifty cents more it will square the lottery business. I should send the whole amount but cannot send specie by mail, the balance agreeable to my calculation on the ½ of the ¼ of $7.00 will be $0.24 which I wish you to take for your trouble. Please give my best respects to Mrs. Reynolds & Sons to Mr. _____ Platt Ira P. Mr. Lee, Edwin S. and the Mr. Sibleys & Co. & Co. & Co.

I am -as usual your friend.

S. Allen.

A. Reynolds Esq.

(The code appears on the next page.)
Maumee April 5th 1838.

My Dear Friend,

I last evening rec'd yours of the 15th ult and am really surprised to hear that you have not any letters from me since I wrote you requesting you to take the agency of my business at that place. I have written you three letters, two by mail and one by private conveyance last fall by a Gentleman going down by Steam boat. The reason of my sending by private was you had written me that you had rec'd no letters in my last before this and the first after receiving your forst I requested you to get Mr. Lee or whom else you might think proper to write a general power of Attorney with instructions how th get it acknowledged that it may be legal. My Dear Sir I am neither afraid to trust you nor my Friend Platt. If you will get a power written I will return it executed as soon as I can get it properly acknowledged. I shall write you again next week and then after waiting a reasonable time for an answer shall write again and keep writing until I hear from you again. I have gone on a farm to work to try to get something to pay my debts and support my family. I can advance nothing at present to carry on the suit but am perfectly willing to make you perfect satisfaction out of the avails of the farm if you can consistent with your interest carry on the suit. I am determined if industry and economy will enable me to pay my debts to do it as soon as I can and should the Dugan Farm be obtained I will not take a cent of it until my creditors are satisfied. I have had many sleepless nights in consequence of one debt of $100.00 & interest which I borrowed of a friend in Monroe County and another debt of honor for board to friend Platt. I saw an account of the burning of Comp.P's livery stable Graves & Work's establishment & Comp. Wirt's shop in a New York paper but no mention of the amount of loss to their stable or paint shop. Please inform me and how my friend P.is doing. I cannot express my surprise and sorrow at hearing of
Ira's death. There was no person not belonging to the Fraternity I thought as much of at Rochester as I did of him please to condole with Ezra for me accept my best wishes for yourself and Family also present them to Comp. Platt & his Family I shall ever recall with gratitude the Friendship I have rec'd from you and them.

I hope my dear Sir you will continue to write as often as you can find leisure and believe me to remain

Your Friend

S. Allen.

A. Reynolds Esq.

(Note, This letter was not answered until July 3d 1826)
Perrysburg, June 6th 1826.

Dear Sir,

I have written you twice since I have had the pleasure to receive a line from you. In your last which I have rec'd you stated had not rec'd any of mine. I fear some person is indeavoursing to intercept or wholly stop all communication between us. I embrace the opportunity of writing by Mr. Loomis and shall hope that you may receive it. I wish you to direct your next letter enclosed in one to John Baldwin, Esquire, Fort Lawrence, Monroe County, Michigan Territory. You wrote that if I "was afraid to trust" you I certainly would not be to trust Platt. I certainly never have doubted either of your honesty or friendship to me if afraid either of you after your conduct towards me would be to betray a suspicious, ungrateful disposition. I sincerely hope and trust I shall I shall never possess.

If you will get a general and full power of attorney drawn and forward me together with instructions how and before whom to acknowledge it I will return it to you executed as soon as in my power. If you will undertake the agency and deduct enough out of the avails to satisfy you for all expense trouble so present past and future but my present situation is such that I cannot assist you to any funds at present.

Please give my best respects to Mrs. Reynolds & Family. My friend "P" & family Ed Scranton and other friends, also accept my best wishes for your health, happiness & prosperity.

And believe me to remain

Your sincere friend

S. Allen.

A. Reynolds, Esq.

Please write as often & as lengthy as you can spare time.
Dear Sir,

Yours of the 3d. inst was handed me last evening. I have written two or three besides the one you acknowledge the receipt of which I forwarded by a Mr. Loomis of Pittsfield, Mass. who informed me he was a brother in law of yours who promised me he would hand it to you himself.

It is not in my power to come this fall to Rochester I am unable to raise the necessary funds but if you or Friend Platt will attend to the business I am willing you or either of you should retain the avails to first to pay yourselves for what trouble and expense you may be in secondly to pay what debts I contracted at Rochester before I receive one cent. What I owe friend Platt I want to pay before any other debt except one note a friend of mine holds for $1.00. You and Mr. Platt both know I borrowed that amount of a friend but no person knows from me who that friend was until he gives me permission to make it known but I wish the money to go in your hands for safe keeping until I get the note which I gave for it. If I ever get able I shall pay it and also my other debts.

I have had a turn of the remitting fever this summer, have done only three days' work since May but have nearly recovered my strength again. Mrs. Allen was taken sick last July and confined to her bed the most of the time until January and continued quite feeble until last month, she is now in tolerable health.

If you or Mr. Platt undertake the business I wish you to forward me a power of Attorney drawn in due form with instructions how to get it acknowledged that it may be in due form to be rec'd in the courts of that State. The heirs of my Grand Mother are residing in U. Canada near York except two who are in the State of Ohio. I presume I can get the power of these two Viz. Hanah Martin & Martin Chapman by writing them by mail. My Grandmother was married to a second husband before leaving the Genesee
Country to a man named Johnson his Christian name I do not remember perhaps some of the Hosmers or Widow Berry may inform. Mr. Platt has just brought to my mind that she may have deeded to my father after she changed her name to Johnson. I did not examine the index in Clark’s office at Canandaigua for the name of Johnson to E. Allen. It would be well to make that examination before proceeding any further it may save much trouble. I am confident there must have been a deed given to my father. If my letters are directed to Fort Lawrence Monroe County Mich., Terry I shall probably receive them some time sooner. I suggested having them directed to John Baldwin Esq. a brother and friend of mine & Bro of ours who will hand them over to me to be franked by you without opening the seals. I mentioned that course in some of my former letters. I think it the most advisable method to prevent interception.

Please give my best respects to Friend P. and family also other friends and accept my greatful acknowledgements to yourself and best wishes to your family.

Most Cordially Yours

S. Allen

A. Reynolds Esq.
State of New York,
Supreme Court.

James Jackson
ex dem

Lucy Allen & others
vs.
Hearmanus VanAntwerp.

I hereby constitute and appoint Abelard Reynolds of Rochester my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to do all acts in relation to this suit which I could do if present duly ratifying all of his acts.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Port Lawrence in the Territory of Michigan, this eighth day of December 1826.

Seneca Allen.

In the presence of

Hiram Bartlett
Sophia Melinda Allen.

The State of Ohio. SS.
Wood County.

Be it remembered that on this Eighth day of December One thousand eight hundred and twenty six before me Walter Colton, one of the Associate Judges of the Court of Common pleas in and for said County personally appeared Seneca Allen the signer and sealer of the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his voluntary act & deed for the purpose therein mentioned. Given under my hand and seal at Perrysburg in said County the day and day above written.

Walter Colton.
Rochester March 21st 1887.

Dear Sir,

I have delayed writing you particulars respecting my business expecting the fate of Wadsworth motion would have been decided at the last term of the Sup. Court at Albany and I learn that it was not called up being too low on the docket and will not be decided before the first Monday in June next.

I consider it of importance to get the releases of the rest of the heirs as soon as possible but I have not the funds to attend to it. I can I can get the releases probably much easier before the suit is decided.

I have succeeded in getting releases of David Lick and Sally his wife, John Smith and Anna his wife and Nathan Chapman and Martin Chapman making with my own share five ninths the others live part in Ohio and part in Canada near 500 miles apart.

Can you help me to $150.00 if not can you help me to one hundred if not how much can you if any. I am willing to leave with Platt or whoever you may direct a quit claim to the five ninths. I now have releases for. In order to give you all the security in my power I intend also to give you quit claims of the rest as soon as I can obtain them in order that you may be secured and secure as many of my creditors as possible. I am willing you should retain enough in the first place to secure yourself for all the trouble, expense and such use as you may expect for what money you may advance to me. Lee is confident Wadsworth can not get a new trial the papers forwarded you by Weed contained affidavits from Sheffer & Wicks stating they had "no knowledge of the affair only as hearsay" it was by them (as stated in Wadsworth's notices to us) he expected to prove "Mighty things Lee said that the affidavits I obtained did not leave W____ room to stick the point of a knife in" I hope you have seen the papers.

I expect by advancing a few dollars to the heirs I shall do better with them so that the more you can help me to if any the better.
(Rochester March 31st 1837. No.3.)

I am willing to allow you whatever you may think a liberal compensation
Please write as soon as possible.

Your friend

S. Allen

A. Reynolds Esq.
Rochester March 31st 1837.

Dear Sir,

I wrote you last evening and forwarded by mail informing you that I was anxious to go and see the rest of the heirs of my Grand mother. I have seen Lee today he appears perfectly sanguine that I shall succeed. Wadsworth made a case that the location of the land was not proved; but two or three days ago the Judge certified that the location was proved by Joseph Morgan and Lee says "Wadsworth is now completely shut out." I am very anxious to get the transfer of the other heirs and come down again before next Court. I do not intend to offer the land myself for sale but wish you to attend to the sale of the whole for reasons that I do not wish to write you but when I see you again I will communicate my wishes in full. I hope it will be in your power to furnish me some funds as I wrote you in my last.

It is expected that there will be another Light House erected in Michigan the present season, if so the Governor has promised to recommend me as keeper salary and perquisites said to be worth $400.00 per annum. I wish you to do me the favor to write as soon as you conveniently can.

I do not expect a loan at common interest but am willing to satisfy you for the use what you help me to as I shall make a transfer to you it will be in your own hands to satisfy yourself and Plattin the first place,—if I recover of which there can be no reasonable doubt. I would prefer your authorising Platt to take the delivery of the transfer to you if it will suit you as well for this reason I do not want it known that I make the transfer for fear I may be troubled by others before I can secure my other creditors. I think you will be willing to give the order to Platt in my name and give him instructions how to proceed. I have a form drawn by Lee for to get the quit claim of the other heirs which will be a good form and can be written without letting any person know except Platt and acknowledged in due form.

From Sir Truly Your Friend
A. Reynolds Esq.

S. Allen.
Rochester April 2d 1827.

My Dear friend,

Your welcome favor of the 38th ult. was this morning rec’d. Far is from my intention, in my former communication, to wound your feelings or express a doubt of your friendship and disinterestedness in favors formerly rendered. If I thought was a reasonable doubt that I should eventua lly fail to recover enough to remunerate you for favors bestowed, I should certainly have tried elsewhere before I asked further favors of a friend who had rendered me so much service and Sir as there is always some uncertainty in Law suits however just the cause was the reason that I said I did not expect it at common interest. Should I cease to remember with common gratitude your kindness shown me I should have a blacker heart than I believe I possess. I showed your letter to friend Platt and informed him of what I had previously written you, he went to Lee’s office and made such enquiries as I believe satisfied him that my claim stood on good grounds and that there would not be much danger in rendering me further assistance, he has written you and I suppose expressed his opinion.

Your Clerk

Mr. Stoddard your clerk is concerned in a Grocery store which I have the charge of and can write but a few lines at a time without being interrupted therefore I hope you will excuse inaccuracies many of which I presume you will discover. Please write me again soon as I am anxious to see the rest of the heirs and return before the setting of the next Court. I hear my friend Dr. Colton is very sick and in imminent danger—he agreed to see that my family should want for nothing before I return. Depending on him makes me more anxious to get home hearing of his dangerous situation. I am however more anxious for his recovery than that my family will want as I have other friends that will see that they have things to make them comfortable.

In haste but in truth

Your Sincere and Obliged Cary’t

A. Reynolds, Esq.

S. Allen.
Know all men by these presents, that whereas Oliver Phelps in his lifetime, now deceased, did on the thirteenth day of September seventeen hundred and ninety convey by deed of warranty to Hannah Chapman since deceased and her heirs and assigns one hundred and fifty acres of land being and lying in Township number One west of the Genesee River (South East corner of said town being two miles north of Canawargus and bounding on the said river) to be in common and undivided; and whereas the said Hannah Chapman has since died leaving Nathan Chapman, John Chapman, Martin Chapman, Hannah Martin, Lucy Allen, Sally who has intermarried with David Lick; Polly who has intermarried with Isaac Devins; Anna who has intermarried with Levi Devins and Rebekah who has intermarried with John Smith, her children and heirs at law; whereas also the said Lucy Allen, one of the children and heirs at law of the said Hannah Chapman has since died, leaving Seneca Allen her only child and sole heir at law and whereas the aforesaid David Lick and Sally his wife, Nathan Chapman, Martin Chapman and John Smith and Anna his wife being four of the heirs of the said Hannah Chapman did on the thirteenth day of February, last past convey by deed of quit claim to the aforesaid Seneca Allen his heirs and assigns forever all of their interest claim and demand whatsoever in and to the aforesaid described piece or parcel of land. Now this indenture made this twenty-eighth day of April eighteen hundred and twenty seven between the aforesaid Seneca Allen of the first part and Abelard Reynolds of the second part Witnesseth that the party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted, bargained, sold, remised and quit claimed and by these presents doth demesne, grant and quit claim to the said Abelard his heirs and assigns forever all his interest claim and demand whatsoever in and to the aforesaid describe
piec of parcel of land being five equal and undivided ninth parts of the
same. In Testimony whereof the said Seneca has hereunto set his hand and
seal the day and year above written.
N.B. the word John in the 14th line first page erased and the words "and
assignes" between the 23d & 23d lined first page interlined before signature.

Signed sealed and delivered

In the presence of

Ezra Platt
Prentice S. Stoddard.

Seneca Allen. (Seal.)
Dear Sir,

I have delayed writing in expectation of receiving a letter from you in which I have as yet been disappointed. Fearing a miscarriage of letters by mail I send the enclosed papers by Mr. Hullister and must beg of you to write me the situation of my suit with Wadsworth as soon as convenient.

You probably know before this that one or more of the heirs have released to Wadsworth. I understood one had and another agreed to - please to consult with Lee and inform me what will be the consequence as regards the suit.

I send the papers under two enclosures that if Mr. H does not go to Rochester postage may be saved from Buffalo.

I entreat of you my dear friend to write me soon as I am very anxious to know what is or will be done in the business.

Your sincere friend
And much obliged Serv't
Seneca Allen.

A. Reynolds, Esq.
Port Lawrence July 5th 1827.

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you about a week since by Mr. Hollister enclosing the release from such of the heirs as had relinquished th me also an exemplification of the record of the deed to my Grandmother, the latter I wish you to have the goodness to hand to Mr. Lee, the former I wish you to take of. I expect Henry Miller, one of the subscribing witnesses will be in Rochester some time next month when I request of you the favor to have the execution proved by him. Should you not be at leisure to attend to it please request friend Platt to see it done. Mr. Miller will call at your office for the purpose. I fear your letters have miscarried as I have rec'd none. I have delayed writing in hopes to hear from you that when I wrote I might answer yours. I am very anxious to know the fate of Wadsworth's motion for a new trial and also what will be the consequence of John Chapman (one of the heirs) relinquishing to Wadsworth as I understand he has. It is now doubtful what I shall be able to do with the other heirs. I know not what effect that will have or can have on the result of the present suit. I hope you will write me soon on the subject or request Mr. Lee so to do. I shall write you again as soon as I hear from you which I shall continue to look for daily.

Capt. Benj. Davis has moved up the River Raisin. I did not see him when I came along but expect to meet him at Monroe next Thursday (13th Inst.) If I can learn anything about your business with Lawrence I shall write you immediately. Dr. Colton is now with me is yet unable to set up, has been confined to his bed since the 8th of March he was satisfied with my taking up his account said his only reason for not directing me to do it was he thought to have paid it sooner himself. His health is gradually improving and we hope he will soon be able to be up again, he wishes me to present his respects to you. Please shew this to my friend Platt and request him if he sees Capt. Trowbridge to inform him of Dr. Colton's situation also I wish him to inform Charles E. Bristol & family of Dr. Colton's situation.
My health is not yet perfectly restored, I have been troubled with a pain in my breast since my sickness last winter.

Our Grand Lodge has resolved that no visitor shall be rec'd in any Lodge under its jurisdiction unless they produce a certificate of their standing from the lodge to which they belong or last belonged, accompanied with a G Lodge certificate certifying that the Lodge is a Regularly constituted lodge & have the G Lodge seal attached to certificate.

Accept my best wishes for your health and prosperity.

S. Allen

A. Reynolds Esq.

(On side of letter)

Please to give my best respects to friends.
Port Lawrence July 30th 1827.

Dear Sir,

There is another clause in the affidavit that no contract has been entered into by me that any person whatever except the heirs should in any manner be interested in the recovery of the suit the only way that I can think of is for you to give up the conveyance to Friend Platt let him not read it but see him destroy it and write me that he has done so.

I pledge myself to you that your security shall not be lessened by so doing, if you have confidence in me you need not ask in what manner but the security shall be sealed, directed to you and put into the hands of Wallister or such other person as you may name to be given to your order on demand - it shall be as good as what you have.

Your Sincere Friend.

S. Allen.

Confidential unless you find me undeserving the "Signet of Truth"

Seneca Allen.

A. Reynolds Esq.

Value Rec'd I promise to pay A. Reynolds or his order One hundred seventy five 73/100 Dollars with the interest. Rochester April 28th 1827.

$175.73

Seneca Allen.

Rochester March 8th 1827.
For value received I promise to pay Abelard Reynolds or bearer one hundred and fifty dollars, two years from date, with use.

Seneca Allen.

Rochester April 25th 1827.
One year from date I promise to pay A. Reynolds or his order one hundred dollars with interest it being for value rec'd.

Seneca Allen.
Fort Lawrence July 30th 1837.

Dear Friend,

Yours of the 18th instant was duly rec'd also Mr. Lee's of the 30th ult.

The affidavit that Mr. Lee wishes me to make I cannot, that all the heirs are knowing and assenting to it I cannot say, that the greater part are is true but one or two having sold to Wadsworth, as I am informed, puts that out of my power and one of the heirs to wit Hanna Martin, I have not seen because I thought it useless that she knowing nothing about the merits of the case and I was confident she would do nothing about it without the advise of her son who is under the influence of one of the heirs who stands you know out - four of the heirs have assented one other has agreed to go on with me and be at equal share of the expense; but as yet has advanced nothing, that is Isaac Devins and Polly his wife, Levi had agreed with Wadsworth as I understood to sell his and his wives share to him and agreed with me to aid and assist if on advise he thought he got clear of his promise to Wadsworth, John Chapman I suppose has released to Wadsworth, what Levi has done I know not. Isaac will do all he can to prevent his transferring to Wadsworth. John Chapman having told me that he released to Wadsworth consequently I cannot swear that Wadsworth has never purchased any other claim to said land (meaning except the two life lease).

I hope you will explain the business to Mr. Lee and say I am ready to make any necessary affidavit consistent with truth.

When you write again please to direct to me at Monroe, Monroe County Michigan. I am going there to live. I have engaged a school in the Village. I commence 13th of August - I shall move this week.

Please give my best respects to all friends who may inquire for me. I am much obliged to Mr. Stoddard "Uncle Jed" and William for their
respects received on Mr. Lee's letter it will at all times afford me much pleasure to hear from them.

I have not seen Capt. Davis since I wrote you last. He is building a mill up the River Raisin about 20 miles from Monroe. I shall probably see him soon and will write you again as soon as I learn anything about your business with Mr. Lawrence.

Please write as often as you can make it convenient. I know your business must require the most of your time, yet I must entreat you to write as frequently as possible.

From
Sir your much obliged friend
S. Allen

A. Reynolds Esq.

If the affidavit can be made before a Notary public it will save me some trouble, please inform me.
Monroe April 8th 1828.

Dear Sir,

Your kind favor of the 8th ult was rec'd by last evening's mail by which I learn that good fortune has not wholly forsaken me. I think it will not be necessary for me to go there to attend to the business if you will be at a little trouble to endeavor to sell to the best advantage, perhaps it will be as well for you not to show your papers from me at present unless it is necessary you will however act your judgement about the business. Should you think best you can sell and have me make out new deeds and forward to you, direct to the person to whom you sell you still holding on to your said papers untill the business is done and you receive the pay for them for fear of an action in Champaign. I do not wish to take the business out of your hands if you find an opportunity to sell I want you to, after taking your pay for trouble &c. to pay friend Platt and hold the rest in your hands untill you hear from me again. I am willing to make out a new deed and forward you as soon as we get possession and can do it with safety. Will it not be best to commence a suit for back rents against Wadsworth. I wish you to advise me. I had almost dispaired hearing from you again it is so long since I have had the pleasure of receiving a line from you.

If you recollect when you came from Albany on your seal being examined you stated you did not mean to sail under false colors and from the excitement prevailing in your section of the country I did not know but the worthy who dared to espouse the cause of the persecuted innocence were to be crucified, hung or put to some ignominious death. Thank God the excitement has not reached us to do any injury. Please give my best respects to your family not forgetting William, Uncle Sid & Mr Stoddard also to friend Platt and his family and other friends. I shall watch the mail pretty closely until I receive the next promised letter from you and shall write you again as soon as I receive it.

Untill then I remain your much obliged friend

G. Allen

A. Reynolds Esq.
I believe you have a power of Attorney from me sufficient to transact any business you may wish to in my name if not or if you want anything further please write and I will forward all that I can that may be necessary for you to transact any business for me that I might do were there,

Your Sincere friend

S. Allen.
Monroe April 23d 1838.

Dear Sir,

When I wrote you last I wrote for the purpose of Lee seeing the letter intending at the same time to have accompanied it with another confidential but was too late for the mail, it closed earlier than I anticipated. I then thought I would write by the next mail but was attacked with a turn of fever which prevented. My health is now pretty good again. I wish you to hold on to your papers for your security and if you can make a sale at a fair price perhaps after you receive new deeds it will be best to destroy them—those you now have. I will either deed anew to you or direct to the person to whom you may sell as suits you best. I have not put hand to a paper to any other person than yourself neither shall I only as the papers pass through your hands, but for fear they may make it Champarty I think it will be the most secure to make out new papers. I will do as you may think best. Your friendship for and kind assistance to, me I shall always remember with gratitude. I have since Nov. last been at work in a saw mill, have barely attained a living by hard work, indeed harder than my strength and health would justify. What business I shall get into next to support my family I know not, for I find I cannot labor as hard as I have done, I shall probably know soon what other business I can get into and shall write you again. I fear for the great scarcity of cash complained of in the east that you will have difficulty in finding a market for that property at anything near a fair price if so on receiving new deeds and getting them on record will not your circumstances allow you to hold on a while in hopes of better times, but if you are in much want of cash, which I hope is not the case you must do the best you can with it.

I am Sir your much obliged Friend.

S. Allen.

A. Reynolds, Esq.
Monroe Jan. 30 1828.

Dear Sir:

I rec'd yours of the 16th ult. was at Detroit when it came, on arriving I found my wife very sick and in three days gave birth to another daughter her health is now fast recovering.

I am anxious to have you manage the business in any way you think best, if you can safely proceed in your name on the papers you have it will probably be the best otherwise if it would lay you liable to Champarte send me any papers you may wish me to execute and I will do so and return them as you may direct if you can secure any more than enough to amply compensate yourself for what I owe you including delays trouble &c. I wish to have it applied on my other debts as I have written before first Platt next Lee and Campbell but if nothing more secure yourself firstly. I would prefer if it can be safely done that it may be collected in your name then if anything is left I will write you more particularly.

I have a large family have nothing but my daily labor to support them and find hard rubbing to get even the necessaries of life- Had I not been elected Clk. of the Leg. Council last summer by which I made near $ 100 I do not know how I could have kept my family together until this time having had considerable sickness among them. I have had many sleepless nights and been almost discouraged on a/c of my debts but Sir I will not trouble you any more with my situation as it will be of no service to either of us. I have hoped you could at least secure yourself as I said before I will execute any instrument &c you may forward me that will in any wise assist in securing you, I expect now to be at home most of the time for a month or two to come at least and will answer your next as soon as I receive it. I think you had better not let Lee see this and take the advise of some other Attorney on the writings you have and may require also how they must be acknowledged.
We have a Notara—publick here but there is no Judge of the Supreme Court nearer than Detroit, the Sec'y of the Territory is also there if necessary to get their signatures it will occasion some delay but I have frequent opportunities of sending in to get it done without the expense of going of going purposely.

Please write me again soon

Your Sincere Friend

S. Allen.

P.S. Some of the wise ones here are trying to get up the Anti-M. excitement in this Territory they will doubtless fail and make their political intention manifest to their own disgrace

A. Reynolds Esq.
Monroe March 26th 1829.

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 24th ult was rec'd. I was about 130 miles from home to the west when it arrived, came home last Monday and have taken the first opportunity of getting the power of Atty. ack'd. I first went to a Notary Public who had not given bond. I then went before a Judge of the Supreme Court who informed me that it required no other certificate except his own. You wished me to inform you what I thought the property worth. When I was at Rochester I thought each share worth & 500.00, whether it has increased or become less valuable I have no means of judging; as for the value, or what to ask, I leave wholly with you, anything you may think proper to do will meet my approbation, knowing that whatever you may do will be according to your best judgement. If Lee has a mind to commence for back rents, if you think best, perhaps it will be as well for you to give him authority to receive what he may recover. I wish you to do what you think right in the case. I am owing about £300.00 in this country for cash borrowed and necessaries furnished my family while attending to that business, which I have not the means of paying, if any thing can be saved for that purpose it would take a great burden from my mind—the Emerson debt I consider the least sacred of any of my debts in that place and I have some others in this country I had rather pay than that, I enclose two notes to you one of £100. and one of £150. and if you can save anything I wish you to make use of them for that purpose.

I shall probably start again in about six weeks for the St. Joseph country. I think of putting in a spring crop there and shall return until June and shall be very anxious to hear again before I go.

Had I not been employed as Clerk of the Council last summer I believe my family would have suffered for bread before this grain is very scarce and dear in this country, I am now in no business and do not
know how I am to get my bread until next harvest but still hope for the best.

The Anti-Masonic excitement begins to increase in this Territory but not yet in this county. I hope it may not.

From your Sincere friend

S. Allen.

A. Reynolds Esq.

P.S. Should any other writing from me be wanting I will sign any other paper you may want on that business or when you get possession if you request it I will make you a new deed in your own name.
Dear friend,

Yours per mail was duly rec'd. & I have no doubt but that you have made the best arrangement with Wadsworth that you could have done. I think you must be under a mistake with regard to Smith not having signed his right to Wadsworth. I think it must have been David Lick and Sally his wife for he and she, my aunt Sally, offered voluntarily to transfer to me she knowing that my grandmother had sold to my father and they knew that I had the best right to the whole property; both they and Smith live on Yonge Street about 14 miles north of York. It is not in my power to go there at present. The deed from them to me is in your possession, the witnesses are Henry Miller & John Chapman, the son of Nathan Chapman, Miller is the eldest son of my aunt Sally. They all live together. The execution of the deed might be proven by either of them if it could be made Champaign. I hope you will be able to attend to the business and obtain enough to pay you what I owe you and pay for what trouble and expense you may be and may have been at.

I have delayed writing in order to send by Captain Benjamin Davis who has been expecting to leave his place for Pittsford for some time past in a few days. He now informs me that he will set out tomorrow. I do not know what answer to make to Mr. Lee's letter for I do not know that there will be enough to remunerate you and as you will have the pay in your own hands I expect you will first do justice to yourself, if you obtain enough, if any should be left, which I very much doubt, I wish you to inform me. I was in hopes Mr. Lee would have been able to recover back rents if so I was willing and anxious for him to have all that could be obtained. I wish you to write me again as often as anything transpires that you may think I want to hear.

I am grinding in the Grist Mill. Have not slept for the last twentyfour hours and come to write I can hardly keep my eyes open, have fallen asleep two or three times while writing. If Capt. D. does not call for
Monroe May 1st 1830.

It before I can get a little sleep I will review what I have written and perhaps write more.

Your Sincere and Much obliged Friend
S. Allen.

A. Reynolds Req.
Please write again by Capt. Davis if not before.
Canadian Archives,
Haldimand Collection,
B. 162 page 144.

Estimation of damages sustained
1783 in being taken from my farm and
lucrative trade, with an expensive
detainance for ten months,

Three houses and fences
burnt;
Currency,

L. S. D.

£ 300:0:0

£ 100:0:0

£ 400:0:0

Every person who might have been acquainted
with my situation must certainly judge their worth,
under valued in their acct. whereas I humbly conceive
it will be taken into consideration, for the many very
beneficial, and to me hard services I have rendered
Government, as can easily be authenticated from verbal
proofs and honorable certificates.

Ebenezer Allan.
Dear Sir,

Montreal the 31st May 1784.

I make bold to trouble you with these, to implore your interest with the Commander in chief to release, or, bring me to a speedy trial, as my situation at present is extremely irksome, and therefore from the many promises you made me whilst at Quebec in 1779 when I was appointed Lieutenant in Colonel Butler's Corps, that you would never see me want, but that Commis'n withheld from me and a post given me in the Indian Department, but on the first Rumour of a peace I was immediately struck of both pay and provisions and treated since in a most cruel and inhuman manner, Robb'd, Strip'd, Plundered, and now immurd in a detestable prison like a common Criminal without even knowing my crime, or my persecutors confronting of me. I should be ever obliged to Major Matthews if he would use his interest with his Excellency to procure my inlargement.

I am Dr Sir your most obliged
Humble Servant
Ebenezer Allan
Major Robert Mathews.

N. B.. Please to send me back the Certificates and other writings as soon as his Excellency has perus'd them.
Sir,

I am not a little unhappy and surprised, that after seeing express upon express arrive, not one of my letters are answered, not a word of Trial or Release but still detained. I must fancy your Excellency has never rec'd any of them, otherwise could not admit of such injustice and ungrateful treatment that I, who have risk'd all that was near and dear unto me, performed such services (that none would undertake) for the sake of my King and Country, should now have my property destroyed and myself detained so long and unjustly, purely to gratify the malevolence and envy of those very men by whose sides I have stood in the midst of danger and whose certificates evidence the greatest commendation of my zeal dexterity and integrity. I never would have thought that any Commander within the British Realm would allowed a faithful servant of his Majesty to be treated with such ingratitude and injustice without giving him full satisfaction.

I beg leave to remind your Excellency of the kind promises made me (for favour Major Mathews) in time of the War that I never should, want, but no sooner was the War drawing to a close, strake of the pay list denied even a Ration of Salt provisions, and the Rewards of my own industry destroyed, myself imprisoned, money spent, in a lingering, bad state of health and no better Refreshment than salt provisions, debarred even the undoubted privilege of the basest criminals, an impartial hearing, I humbly beg your Excellency to take my unhappy situation in consideration and I think the impartial justice with which your Excellency is possess'd will not allow me to be detained one hour longer.

Pity the unhappy man so long and so unjustly imprisoned.

I am your Excellency's
most obt. & mt/ Hbl. Servt. waiting
with patience your answer and pleasure
Ebenr. Allan.

His Excellency
General Haldimand.

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St. Johns 28 June 1784

Sir,

Our neighbours in the State of New York are actually procating persons for damage done in taking provisions and store at different times while under the command of General Burgoyne and by his order as I will mention one particular instance. One Varramler recovered a judgment for £ 375-- 13/- with cost against one Ebenezer Allen for taking his stores wheat flour rum wine &c. at St. Caick near Bennington at the time of Colo. Baum' expedition to Bennington. Another particular instance I cannot omit; the Person is now at St. Johns and will no doubt trouble his Excellency with the particulars he having been ordered of his farm by atherity and to depart in six days; this happened a few weeks ago, if his Excellency should wish to be informed more particularly I shall do myself the honor of waiting on him in person otherwise with his Excellencys permission I shall return to my family for a short time.

I have the honor to be with all due Defference and Respect
Sir, your most obedient and very Humble servant

Major Mathews.

William Marsh
May it please your Excellency;

I am sorry that by neglect and ill treatment I am under the disagreeable necessity to trouble your Excellency as often as I do, and,

I daresay, your Excellency can justly conceive, how weary I must be when reflecting on my losses and most disagreeable situation, while flattering myself of your impartial justice, that when it comes to your knowledge, I would be immediately released from an imprisonment calculated purely from malice and envy.

I humbly beg leave to remind your Excellency of your kind promise to me pr. favor Major Matthews, when I was in Quebec in time of the war, that I should be provided for and never want, in consequence of which I was freer in spending the little cash I had with me than otherwise I should have been. No sooner was the war inclining to a close, but the object of your Excellency's benevolence was stroke off the pay list and denied ever a ration of salt provision.

And when turning my mind to gain a livelihood by prudence and industry (as before mentioned to your Excellency) was taken prisoner, my property destroyed and myself detained now for upwards ten mos., nothing to live on but salt provisions otherwise than I bought and do buy. Surely can this be the reward of loyalty, friendship and servitude from my friends and the government I have so faithfully served. Surely the basest of enemies could not be treated more inhuman. Finally I desire no greater favor from your Excellency (which I expected when sent back here) than to be sent back to my former place of residence and have my losses made up; your Excellency will please to recollect that if detained a few days longer, the season will be so far spent, I shall(not)be able to cultivate the earth for bread another year and my expenses consequently protracted a twelve month to come. If I am ever supposed guilty of any crime, I would desire no greater favor, than a fair trail either by your excellency or sent to England, where I can have it either in the Military or Civil Line, for nothing could excite my joy so much as to appear even before His Majesty or an impartial Court, to answer my conduct during the war to this present day.

Your Excellency's suffering suppliant,

Ebenezer Allan.

His Excellency General Haldimand
Captain General & Governor of the Province of Quebec., &c. &c. &c.

Endorsed His Excellency General Haldimand
Gov. & Capt. General of the Province of Quebec.
&c. &c. &c.

Received and forwarded by
Your most obedt.
bbe. servants
Todd & McGill

Montreal Augt. 1784.
Niagara, Nov. 2nd, 1783.

Sir:----------------------------------

One Allen who had been apprehended by order of Brigadier General Maclean was brought to me on the 21st ultimo by Mr. Wilkinson, a storekeeper in the Indian department. At the request of Allen that he might be permitted to go to the lower town for some of his effects, which he said were left there, I gave my consent, committing him to the care of this storekeeper, who took charge of him, but this gentleman, having left him to go by himself, as I suppose, he made his escape.

I am sorry to inform your Excellency that tho' parties of Indians and rangers were sent on in pursuit of him without delay, he is not yet retaken.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

With great regard,

Your Excellency's most obedient

& most humble servant,

Ral. Hayes.

General Haldimand.

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Endorsed,

From L.Colo. Hayes 1783
2 Nov. Rec'd 12th..

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Niagara, Dec., 2nd, 1783

Sir:----------------------------------

I am to request you will inform his Excellency that Ebenezer Allen, who had been apprehended by order of Brigadier Gen'l. Maclean and afterwards made his escape, is now re-taken by the Indians and secured in the guard at this place.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

& most humble servant

Ral Hayes.

Major Matthews.

Endorsed from

Lieut. Colo. Hayes,

2nd Dec. 1783.
Niagara, Jany. 5th, 1784.

Sir:--

A few days ago information was sent to Colonel Butler from an Indian chief at Ginoussi that two American traders were come to that village to acquaint the Indians that they had brought goods to Anienticook to the amount of £1,000 with a view to trade with them, on the invitation, as they say, of Ebenezer Allen, who is now in the guard of this place and Capt. Brant and the Indian chiefs now here, have advised their brethren Ginoussi to have no intercourse with these traders and to prevent them from bringing their goods within the limits of the Indian lands, until peace shall be concluded between them and the Americans.

I have the honor to be

Your most obedient
& most humble servant,
Robt. Hayes.

Major Mathews.

Endorsed, A. 1784.

Major Hayes commanding at Niagara of the 5th. January received the 2nd. March inclosing Provincial Contingent Accot..

Brigadier General Maclean having ordered the prisoner Ebenezer Allen to be sent to Canada, I send him down by this opportunity.

Be pleased to inform the General that there is very little rum in the Commissary's store.

I have the honor to be

Your most obedient
& most humble servant,
Robert Hayes.

Major Mathews.

Endorsed
1784

From
Lieut. Colo. Hayes,
Recd. 26th May.

"May it please your Excellency your humble subject Ebenezer Allan takes this method to inform your Excellency that after my long servitude in defense of the Crown of Great Britian; how I am rewarded by my own friends; I have been robbed of my property to the amount of five hundred pounds; for only going into the colonies to strive to recover some part of my property; on my return I was taken and confined, and has been continued in confinement six months in a deplorable condition; I therefore most fervently implore your Excellency's aid on this occasion, and hopes through your infinite goodness that your Excellency will take my distressed case into your wise consideration. As I was always a faithful friend to Government and pleasi me to exteracate me out of confinement; or
otherwise plea to allow Sir John Johnson to enquire into the State of my case or bring me to a trial as soon as possible and by doing this justice, I will be forever bound to pray.

Ebenezer Allan.

Montreal Coll. 24th May 1784.

Endorsed 24—1784 Petition E.E.Allan.

24 May

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In pencil—-(Arrested Nov.24 which agrees with Mary Jemison)

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Haldimand Coll.p.371.

Headquarters Quebec,

3rd June, 1784.

Sir John Johnson;

Sir:

By order of His Excellency the Commander in chief, I have the honor to transmit you the enclosed memorial. The subject of this well known to Joseph, who expressed a strong desire that Allen should be kept in Confinement, until the meeting with the Americans Commissioners should be over, satisfied that, from resentment, he would renew his intrigues with them to the prejudice of the Government:— you are acquainted with Allen's character as a brave and zealous Royalist throughout the war, but upon his being dismissed the service he went into the colonies, and from Joseph's and from other's accounts, did great mischief by debauching some of the Indians to the influence of the Americans. Lieut. Col. Hayes unluckily sent him down to Montreal, and to gain time to effect Joseph's purpose, the General ordered, a few days ago, that he should be sent to Cataracquie and detained by Major Ross until the meeting shall be over. The Major is made acquainted with his story. His Excellency is unwilling to keep him in confinement unless it is absolutely necessary and so he requests you will examine into the affair (it is probable Joseph has mentioned it to you) and if you think he may with safety be released, His Excellency desires you will signify his authority to Major Ross for so doing. His certificates are forwarded to the Major.

I have the honor to be

with great respect,

R. Mathews.

Written in Pencil—"Joseph Brant"

Haldimand Coll.p.173.

Cataroque 3rd July 1784.

To His Excellency General Haldimand,

The Humble Address of Ebenezer Allen,

Sheweth,

That the aforesaid Ebenezer Allan after having lost his property amongst the colonists by his strict attachment to his Majesty's cause, refusing rather to serve Great Britain in the lowest capacity than the colonists at the expense of his loyalty (as by several applications and memorials to his Excellency from Montreal sheweth) has by an inadvertant misapprehension incur'd the displeasure of some gentlemen high in the estimation of government, has therefore been taken prisoner from his settlement at the Senecas and long confined, and by that means not having it in his power to settle his affairs and the consequence of being amongst some people who (when distress siezes upon any one are not slow to make advantage) is now become a debtor in the esteem of some of his creditors and ready to be
delivered to the gaol as soon as freed from the Military Law for a debt of two hundred pounds which considering his losses amounting to £561, 8-3 Halifax Currency, is by no means incapacitated to pay as soon as his affairs can be lawfully adjusted.

Your Excellency's humble addressee the aforesaid Ebenezer Allen therefore begs your Excellency's permission to return to his former possessions on the Genesee that he may have an early opportunity of proving himself a dutiful and loyal subject to His King and an honest and true man to his creditors; it shall be his particular care, with the greatest circumspection not to meddle with any matters which may be any ways detrimental to his Majesty or his Government, but shall always make it his chief study to do all in his power to promote His Majesty's interest in these parts by which he hopes he shall have it in his power to show how much he has been injured by his bonds and imprisonment and likewise prove himself worthy of being Sir,

Your Excellencies
Most Humble
& Most obliged servant, Ebenezer Allen.
Sir:—

I once more take the liberty of troubling you, hoping if you have any regard left for a distressed man, you will use all your influence with His Excellency for my release and restitution of my property. I often have very pressingly laid my case before His Excellency, but, as I have received no answer, I fancy he must have forgot me (by throng of business).

I fancy you will easily conceive my distresses, first robbed of my property, now detained so long on expenses and debared from even a trial, the undoubted right of the greatest criminal.

Could I but even now be released, I might do something for a livelihood another year; if not, I must live a beggar and in poverty the ensuing one, for every day I am detained, I am certain is three pounds out of my pocket considering the loss of a lucrative trade and the profits of agriculture.

Consider, sir, how hard it is to be dealt so unjustly with, purely through malevolence and envy. Do, if you please, ask His Excellency whether this is the reward of my loyalty and hazardous services. I fancy he has forgot his kind promises made me in the time of the war, pr. favor of yourself, which was, I never should want and now have nothing (both in sickness and in health) to live on but a can ration; very true, sir, I don't want for distress and poverty when His Excellency might only speak and I should be released and restored to my property, provided His Excellency thought fit to bring delinquents to justice.

Sir, you will oblige me very much, if you will please lay this together with your arguments, before His Excellency.

I am, Sir
Your most obedt. & Very hble servt.,

Major Matthews.

Ebenezer Allan.

Endorsed Major Matthews Aid de Camp to His Excellency, Quebec.
Sir;—

Substance of a private complaint made yesterday by the chiefs of the Seneca Nation and intended to be repeated by them in public Council this day.

That some short time ago they (the Seneca Chiefs) gave a small tract of land (six miles square) to Allen, in trust for his children by a woman of their nation, who lives with him, but on condition that he should not alienate the same, nor appropriate any part of it to any other purpose than for the maintenance of the said children. That previous to their making this grant they consulted with Colo. Butler on the propriety of it, and asked his advice and that his opinion was, that he saw nothing improper in their giving him this mark of their favor as he had been a zealous and deserving subject of the King's, and suffered greatly in his property by the Indians.

That lately they made a visit to Allen on hearing that he was disposing of a part of the land, and that on their arrival they found that the report was not only true but that he was making farther encroachments on their land and disposing of the same in lots.

That on their expostulations with him on this conduct, his only answer was that he cared very little for their complaints, as Colo. Butler was greatly interested with him in this tract.

The chiefs further say that they asked advice from Mr. William Johnston and Timothy Murphy (both employed in the Indian department) on this subject, and that their opinion coincided with Colo. Butler's so far as to say that they (the Indians) had better give this land to their own flesh and blood than to the Americans.

Mr. William Johnston, the informant, further adds, that Allen came to Niagara some time after this conversation happened, but previous to the deed being signed, and that he then agreed to give the informant and Timothy Murphy one hundred pounds each for their good offices with the Indians in his behalf, and for the performance of which the said Allen gave the informant and Murphy each a note of hand for one hundred pounds, which notes are now in their possession.

Endorsed.—16 f.,
In Lord Dorchester's to Mr.
Grenville, No. 56.
At My Mills September 23 1790

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your generous friendship and kindness while you were in this Country and wish to know if in my power to make you sensible how much I am your humble servant and shall wait on you next a few days after your left this place my brother arrive here in order to settle in this Country so I beg that you would do good as to return the notes to me again and not give them out of your hands by no means — and in so doing you will much oblige Sir your Sincere

friend

C. Allan

J. M. Phelps
To
Oliver Sheeps
Oregno or
Commander
Regarding Ebenezer Allen, we have (1) that he was a son of Western Allen, U.E.L., who came into the Province after the War. The father's name does not appear to have had a land grant but his son, Ebenezer, received Lot 27, Concession, Wolford Township in 1799.

(2) Ebenezer Allen - said to have been a Sergeant in Butler's Rangers, and also an Officer in Indian Department, was granted Lot 4, 1st Concession, and other lands in Delaware Township, 13th July, 1798.

Whether Ebenezer of Wolford Township and Ebenezer of Delaware are one and the same, I cannot say.

Butler's Rangers came to Canada at close of the War 1776-83.

L.H. Irving,

4th October, 1929.

Allan, Western, E. District - Came in after the war, about 1786 - M. S. Therewood -
Catarragui, 20 August 1784.

£ 54 15s N.Y. Currency. At sight please pay Mr. Robert Hamilton or order the sum of Fifty-four pounds fifteen shillings, New York Currency, being the amount of my half pay up to the 24 of last March which pass to account as per advice from

Sir, Your Very humble Servant,

Ebenezer Allen.

To Sir John Johnson Knt. & Baron Knight (sic) Montreal.

Mr. Dobie will please pay the above draft.

J. Johnson.

Orderly Book
of
Sir John Johnson.
by
J. Watts De Peyster, L.L.D. M.A.

Mr. Johnson — I will contract to get five Hundred Stickes of Palesades 13. feet Long and one feet Square and Deliver them on the Hill at Geneva for Six pence per foot. As Witness my hand Geneva July 11th 1794."

Deodat Allen.

"Gentlemen — We will engage to git one Thousand Stickes of Palleasades Thirteen feet Long and one feet Square and Deliver them on the Hill at Geneva for Six pence per feet and Will ask no pay till one half of the timber is delivered on the spot. As Witness our hands: Geneva July 12th 1794."

Deodat Allen.

Peter Burtle Jrs.

Charles F. Milliken.
N.Y. 1911.
The Secretary of War to Capt. Joseph Brant 23 April 1792. per Doctor Deodat Allen.

Letter in relation to Brant's visit to Philadelphia.

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The Secretary of War to General Israel Chapin, 23 April 1792. per Doctor Deodat Allen.

Appointment of Chapin as deputy temporary agent of the Five Nations of Indians. &c.-----------------------

I hereby transmit to you by the hands of Doctor Deodat Allen, the sum of four hundred dollars. The main object in placing this sum in your hands at present is to enable you to make a suitable provision for Capt. Joseph Brant who it is expected will shortly make a visit to this City, and to request that you would either accompany to this city or that you would otherwise provide for his Journey in a manner perfectly agreeable to him and that you would give me due notice of his approach by at least five day previously to his arrival here.  

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The Secretary of War to General Israel Chapin, deputy temporary agent to the Five Nations of Indians June 27th 1793.—per his son.

Sir: I have received your letter of the second instant, by your son, who, with Doctor Allen and Capt. Joseph Brant, arrived in this City on the 20th instant. ———— Doctor Allen's account will be settled and paid here.

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The Secretary of War to Israel Chapin Jr. 27th June 1793.

Sir: The sum of six hundred dollars has been delivered to you, on the account of your father Israel Chapin, deputy temporary agent to the Six Nations.

Out of this sum you are to defray the expenses of Capt. Brant, his servant and two horses, from this city to Niagara; and also of yourself and Doctor Deodat Allen, with this exception, that Doctor Allen has received an allowance for horse hire, or the transportation of himself from this city to the Genesee Country.———

American State Papers, Indian Affairs Vol. 1, Page 237.
Genesee 22nd Aug. 1789.

Dr. Sir

I have not Cross'd the River to Mr. Allen's Mills, but have made enquiry and do not find any Intervals or extraordinary Land near where it stands, and as it will in some measure draw the attention of settlers in that Quarter and open the way for extending the settlement as soon as a further purchase is made from the natives. I do not apprehend that the Compl'y will lose any thing by allowing him a Hundred acres adjoining the Mills. -Mr. Allen has been at a great expense in digging and plowing his Race-way and his demand for his former expectations at the Place he lives were by no means extravagant, all these matters considered, hope you will acquiesce in opinion with me.

I should have Cross'd to the Mills but the Millwrights were gone up to the harvest, and no Canoe to be found at the Landing.

I am with respect,
Your Most Obedt
Humbl' Servant

Sam'l Street.

Oliver Phelps Esq'ir.
Part of a letter from Israel Chapin to the Secretary of War.

Canandaigua August 14th 1792.

Sir; Since I had the honor to write to you on the 17th instant Captain Brant together with Doctor Allen and my son have arrived at this place. Brant made but a short stay at this place being very unwell. He was anxious to proceed on his journey with as much speed as possible and was desirous to have Doctor Allen accompany him as far as Niagara. They arrived at Niagara on the 20th ultimo. Doctor Allen proceeded on to Fort Erie, at which place he was taken with a violent bilious fever and at present remains there very sick.

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Israel Chapin.

The Secretary of War to Doctor Decodat Allen 25th April 1792.

Sir:
I request that you will please proceed with the letter herewith delivered to Capt. Brant, who is again invited to repair to this city. I have written to General Israel Chapin, at Genesee, who is appointed deputy agent, to make a suitable provision for Capt. Brant's journey, and accompany him to this City. If General Chapin should not be able to perform the journey, I should hope you will do it; for which I shall compensate, as well as for the performance of the business herein requested. I have also delivered herewith, a letter to General Chapin, with a warrant for four hundred dollars, on which you will receive the money and deliver the same to General Chapin.

American State Papers Vol.V. (Indian Affairs Vol. 1. Page 231.)