

Family Records of Hannah (Eddy) Wheelock, 1851

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Hannah (Eddy) Wheelock was born probably 11 March 1796, in Montgomery County, New York, and married Otis Wheelock around 1819. She and Otis had multiple children in Vienna, Oneida County, New York. Hannah is buried in the McConnellsville Cemetery, in Oneida County. A gravestone has not been found for Otis, but he is likely buried there too.

In 1851 Hannah created a family record¹ containing vital dates for her husband's family - the children of John Wheelock and Dorothy Wilder of Heath, Williamstown, and Hancock, Massachusetts - as well as her own family, the children of Otis Wheelock and Hannah Eddy of Vienna.

Wayne French found this record in an old shed on Lake Dilldear outside Dillsboro, Indiana, circa 1994. In 2003 Wayne found the WheelockGenealogy.com website, and sent the images to Roderick B. Sullivan, Jr., who runs the website (as of May 2025). Here is the email Wayne French sent in Sep 2003:

I found the record and photos in an old shed being bulldozed down outside of Dillsboro Indiana about 9 years ago. I hate to throw any family history away. I searched a few times in the past for connections to them, but didn't have any luck. Then I found your connection. The same site helped me find the family that goes with a 198 yr. old letter we found 25 yrs. ago. Let me know if you know who wants these items.

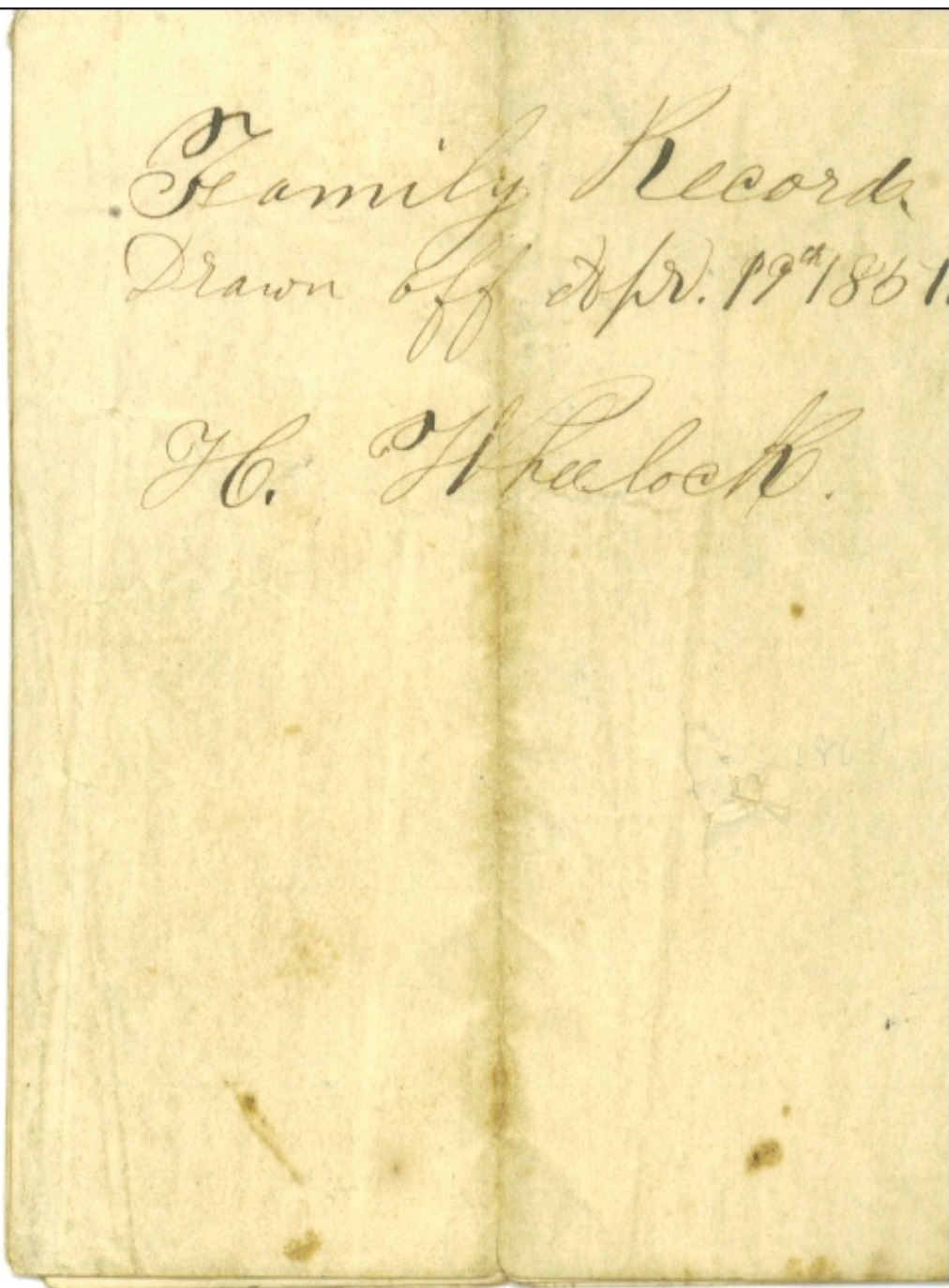
The record likely passed from Hannah Wheelock to her son, Jay Wheelock, then to his daughter, Florence Eddy (Wheelock) Hendricks (1864 - 1943), and finally to her daughter, Dorothy Jean (Hendricks) Niemeyer (1905 - 1989), who was a resident of Dillsboro when she died - living there on Lake Dilldear.² As someone interested in antiques and historical items, Wayne French, who lived on Lake Dilldear near the Niemeyer property, was asked circa 1994 to clean out a shed on the property.³ Dorothy would have been the great-granddaughter of Hannah Eddy Wheelock.

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1. The assumption is that H. Wheelock was Hannah. It is possible that it was her son, Harrison, but that seems less likely.
 2. "Indiana, U.S., Death Certificates, 1899-2017," database, *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/60716/records/1889649> : accessed 18 May 2025), Dorothy Niemeyer (1989); research kindly supplied by Peggy Ward Engh in an email to Roderick B. Sullivan, Jr., May 2025.
 3. Email from Wayne French to Roderick B. Sullivan, Jr., dated 19 May 2025, confirming his residence on Lake Dilldear, and how he came to clean out the old shed.
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As a side note, Hannah's birth date on the family record disagrees with that found in the bible of her son, Thaddeus Wheelock. Hannah wrote 11 March 1797 on her family record, but Thaddeus wrote 11 March 1796 in his bible. The latter agrees with the age on her gravestone, and with her ages in the 1850, 1855, 1860, 1865 census records, and is assumed to be the correct date. She died in 1867.

The four images of Hannah's family record are shown in the pages below.

Record Images



In Family Record
Drawn off Apr. 19th 1851.
J. C. Whalock.

John Phielocks Family
 Susan Born March 29th 1780
 Mary .. August 7th 1781
 Betsey .. Apr. 9th 1783
 Sally .. Dec. 15th 1785
 Dorothy .. June 13th 1786
 Emily .. Apr. 1st 1788
 Lucinday .. June 17th 1790.
 Cephas .. Apr. 3rd 1792
 John .. Oct. 17th 1793
 Otis .. January 9th 1796
 Curtis .. March 17th 1798
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Dexter Born Aug, 26th 1799
Eliza . . Apr. 22nd 1801
Horace . . Oct, 28th 1802
Alonzo . . Feb 7th 1804
Philina Apr, 23rd 1806

Otis Wheelocks Family Hannah Wheelock
Born March 11th 1797
Sylvester Born Aug 29th 1820
Lodiska .. March 24th 1824
Lay & Gasper .. Oct. 20th 1825
Harrison .. Aug 21st 1827
Thaddius June 21st 1829
Addison .. Oct 9th 1831
Hellen Victoria Dec 9th 1837
Hellen Died July 16th 1844