

## **Individual Narrative of Jane<sup>8</sup> E. Bonnett [237] Daughter of Patience<sup>7</sup> Leverich [124] and Peter Bonnett First Wife of Thomas Hampden Field**

Jane E. Bonnett was born on 11 June 1821 at Manhattan, New York Co, New York, the daughter of Patience Leverich and Peter Bonnett. Jane was baptized at the Brick Presbyterian Church in Manhattan.<sup>1,2</sup>

Peter Bonnett is listed in the 1840 Census of Manhattan, Ward 4, New York Co, New York. The census tallies include: 1 free white male age 10 to 14 (son William); 1 free white male age 70 to 79 (Peter); 1 free white female age 10 to 14 (daughter Caroline); 2 free white females age 15 to 19 (daughters **Jane** and Mary); 1 free white female age 50 to 59 (wife Patience); also 2 free white females age 30 to 39 (unidentified, perhaps household servants).<sup>3</sup>

Peter Bonnett is listed in the 1840 New York City Directory living at 22 Frankfort Street.<sup>4</sup>

Patience Bonnett, age 60 born New York, is recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Manhattan, Ward 3, New York County, New York. The household includes her daughter Jane Bonnett, age 28, born New York.<sup>5</sup>

Peter Bonnett Sr. made a will dated 20 November 1849 which was proved 12 September 1850 in Manhattan, New York County, New York. Among his heirs his daughter Jane Bonnett is named.<sup>6</sup>

Jane E. Bonnett married Thomas Hampden Field on 17 November 1852 at the Brick Church in Manhattan, New York Co, New York. Thomas H. Field was born circa 1811 in New York State. His parents have not been identified.<sup>7,8,9,10,11</sup>

Thomas H. Field is listed in the New York City Directory: 1853 home 56 East 21st St; 1854 home 57 East 21st St; 1855 no listing; 1856 248 12th; 1857 79 East 12th St; 1858-1859 no listing.<sup>12,13,14,15,16,17,18</sup>

Jane Field age 39 born New York is recorded in the 1860 U.S. Census of New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York. Her household includes her husband Thomas H. Field, gentleman, and her daughter Elizabeth G. Field. The value of household real estate is given as \$10,000, personal estate at \$3,000.<sup>19</sup>

Jane E. Bonnett Field died on 16 Oct 1865 at New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York, at age 44. The funeral was held at St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church in New Rochelle. Jane was buried at Green-wood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York.<sup>20,21,22,23,24,25</sup>

Letters of Administration on the estate of Jane E. Bonnett Field were granted 20 November 1865 to her widower Thomas H. Field at the Westchester Co New York Surrogate.<sup>26</sup>

Thomas H. Field purchased at auction from Gerald M. Stevens, referee, in consideration of \$14,875, 7.5 acres in New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York: bounded easterly James Haskel & Isaac Underhill; westerly late Richard King now Jarris Dusenbery; northerly late Deborah Rhinelanders now Isaac Underhill; southerly Old Boston Road, sometimes called the Pelham Road. The indenture mentions minor children of Thomas H. Field, i.e. Elizabeth Gettings Field and William H. Field, guardian Nelson Smith. The indenture mentions Special Term Supreme Court Kings Co, New York 18 July 1866: action pending Thomas H. Field Plaintiff vs Patience Bonnett, Peter R. Bonnett, David Bonnett, and W. W. Bonnett, executors estate of Peter Bonnett deceased.<sup>27</sup>

Thomas H. Field married for the second time Louisa E. Sanford, widow of Nicoll Sanford, on 13 June 1867 at Mamaroneck, Westchester Co, New York. Louisa was the daughter of Philip L. Reeves.<sup>28,29,30,31</sup>

Thomas H. Field died in an accident 27 September 1869 at New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York, and was buried at Green-wood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York. The New York Times reported the unusual circumstances associated with Thomas' death. "On Monday last Mr. Thomas H. Field, a retired merchant and resident of New Rochelle, was killed instantly and in a most singular manner. It appears that Mr. Field had been greatly annoyed of late by trespassers, who entered his grounds almost nightly, and robbed his grapery of its choicest fruit. Finding it impossible by ordinary means to stop the evil, he purchased two shot-guns, which he loaded heavily, and then placed them in the hennery, with the muzzles protruding from loopholes, and pointing directly toward the graperies. He then attached wires to the raised triggers, leading to the vines, and so arranged that the trespassers must shoot themselves. On Monday morning Mr. Field found his grapevines and the trellis which had supported them prostrated by the storm of Sunday night, and he proceeded to get them into their proper positions, and in so doing, it is supposed, came in contact with one of the wires attached to the guns. An explosion followed, and Mr. Field was instantly killed. About fifteen or twenty of the large shot passed into the head, neck and shoulders of the unfortunate man. Coroner Bathgate held an inquest upon the body, and a verdict was rendered in accordance with the foregoing facts."<sup>32,33</sup>

Thomas H. Field made a will dated 24 June 1869, which was proved 9 August 1871 in Westchester County, New York. Mrs. Elizabeth T. Fenwick, Thomas' niece and the wife of John E. Fenwick of Saugerties, Ulster Co, New York was named Thomas' sole heir and Legatee. The will mentions in passing his daughter Elizabeth J. Field, age 10, with Mr. John Hopkins named her guardian, and Mrs. Elizabeth Fenwick recommended as her custodian. Also mentioned in passing was Thomas' second wife Louisa E. Field. Property mentioned included a stone house on eight acres in New Rochelle.<sup>34</sup>

Jane E. Bonnett and Thomas H. Field had five children, one of whom survived to adulthood but died young.<sup>35,36</sup>

- i. Mary Caroline Field was born in May 1856 at Manhattan, New York Co, New York. Mary Caroline died as a child of scarlet fever 13 February 1860 age 3 years and 9 months in New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York. She was buried at Green-wood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.<sup>37,38,39</sup>
- ii. George Edward Field was born 1 December 1857 at Manhattan, New York Co, New York. George died as an infant 21 September 1858 at New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York, age 10 months and 21 days. He was buried at Green-wood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York.<sup>40,41</sup>
- iii. Elizabeth Gettings Field was born circa 1859 in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York. At the age of 12 in 1870, Elizabeth was living with the family of her aunt Caroline Bonnett Wilmarth in New Rochelle. Elizabeth died unmarried at the age of 21 on 10 March 1879 at Palatka, Putnam Co, Florida. She was buried at Green-wood Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York.<sup>42,43,44,45,46</sup>
- iv. Oliver C. Field was born 9 January 1861 at New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York. Oliver died as an infant age 3 months and 2 days on 11 April 1861 in New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York. He was buried at Green-wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York.<sup>47,48</sup>
- v. Alice Eugenia Field was born 10 July 1862 at New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York. Alice died as a child age 2 years, 7 months, and 15 days on 25 February 1865 in New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York. She was buried at Green-wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York.<sup>49,50</sup>

Louisa E. Sanford Field, the second wife of Thomas H. Field, died 9 March 1879. A funeral was held from her residence at 13 Lefferts Place, Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. Louisa was buried at Green-wood Cemetery in Brooklyn.<sup>51,52</sup>

The 1865 administration of the estate of Jane E. Bonnett Field by her widower Thomas H. Field was not completed by Thomas prior to his death in 1869. Certain property and assets of Jane were left unadministered. Thomas' daughter Elizabeth G. Field by his first wife Jane and his second wife Louisa E. Sanford Field both died in 1879. As a result, Jane's sister Mary E. Bonnett Vanderburgh petitioned the Westchester Co Surrogate on 19 March 1880 to complete the administration. The surviving heirs at that time included the petitioner Mary E. Vanderburgh, sister of Jane and wife of George E. Vanderburgh of New Rochelle, Westchester Co, New York; Caroline E. Bonnett Wilmarth, sister of Jane and wife of John Wilmarth of New Rochelle; and William H. Bonnett, brother of Jane of New Rochelle. Heirs also included nieces and nephews of Jane, the children of her deceased half-brother Daniel Bonnett: William Whitlock Bonnett of

Waterbury, Connecticut; Jane Blake Bonnett of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Sarah Whitlock Fennell wife of Rev. George C. Fennell of Newark, New Jersey; Eliza Whitlock Collingwood wife of Francis Collingwood of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Peter Bonnett of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Margaret Augusta Bonnett, wife of Daniel Blake Bonnett of Elizabeth, New Jersey. Heirs also included nieces and nephews children of Jane's deceased half-brother Peter R. Bonnett: Charlotte Augusta Banks, widow of Francis S. Banks of Manhattan, New York County, New York; Louisa Bonnett of Manhattan; Daniel Blake Bonnett of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Mary Jane Bonnett of Manhattan; Lucretia Sattonstall Dana, wife of Robert H. Dana of Elizabeth, New Jersey; Charles Pierre Bonnett of Manhattan.<sup>53</sup>

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