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Botsford Family. Papers.
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1) Botsford family.
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Frank Botsford, the son of Samuel Botsford (1809-1888), was born in Jerusalem, New York and spent his life farming in the community. He was known for his involvement in community affairs and for his collection of Indian artifacts. He and his wife, Alice Ansley Botsford (1867-1950), had seven children: Anna E. (Mrs. L. Bridge), Elizabeth (Mrs. C. Insvolstad), Franklin A., Margaret S., Mary (Mrs. H.T. Wilder), Myrtle (Mrs. W.F. Russiero), and Samuel.

Earlier members of the Botsford family moved to New York State from Milford, Connecticut because of their belief in "The Universal Friend," Jemima Wilkinson.

Summary: Correspondence, diaries, deeds, account books, poems and photographs of the Frank Botsford family of the town of Jerusalem, Yates Co., New York. Includes information concerning the growth, education, and careers of Frank and Alice Ansley Botsford's seven children and their respective families; correspondence with several other families, including the Ansleys and the Vails; books read by the Botsford children; Frank Botsford's poetry and articles on Indians of Yates County and local history; records concerning Botsford's investments and inventions, and his service as a school trustee, 1895, 1908-11; material on the New York State Fruit Growers' Association and other agricultural groups; Alice Ansley Botsford's poetry, short stories, and scrapbooks; original deeds to the Botsford family farm; Frank's daily records (1884-1909); and a map/survey (1851) of the Gould Farm, near Italy Hill Road. Also, mortgages, promissory notes, insurance policies, diaries (1850-1926), and undated notebooks; genealogies of the Ansley, Botsford, and Spensler families; newspaper clippings and other printed material concerning family members and local history; broadsides and memorabilia.

Indexes: Unpublished guide. Glossary of names in the Botsford Papers.

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Folder List

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Folder Index:

<u>Box</u>	<u>ff</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	1920, 1938	2 items. Aborigines - Regional evidence
	1A	n.d.	Advertisements (old)
	1B	1893-1936	American Indian - Regional history
	2		Ansley, Beulah and Clifford)
	3		Ansley, Byron) Removed
	4		Ansley, Catherine (Aunt Kate Gamble)) to
) other
) locations
	5	1901-1911	Ansley, Joel
	6	1913-1920	Ansley, Mary (Aunt Mary Leigh)
	7	1918-1943	Ansley, Ray
	8	1898-1903	Ansley, William A.
	8A	1886-1926	Ansley, Mrs. William A. (Rachel Ann)
	9		Automobile registration - removed
	10	1898-1900	Bank - Deposit slips and canceled checks (old)
	10A	1890-1927	Bills, non-receipted
	11	1905-1946	Botsford children - Letters, etc.
	12	1903-1929	Botsford Farm - Apples
	13	1882-1909	Botsford Farm - Grapes and other produce
	14	1888-1934	Botsford Farm - Other
	14A	1868-1937	Botsford Farmhouse
	15	1904-1948	Botsford, Alice Ansley - Correspondence
	16	<u>c.</u> 1915-1940	" " " - Poetry and prose
	17		" " " - removed to bottom shelf, green file
	18		" " " - removed to bottom shelf, green file
	19	1934 & n.d.	Botsford, Ann

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1 (cont'd)	19A	1829	Botsford, Elijah (will)
	20	1918-1932	Botsford, Elizabeth - Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research
	21	1890-1894	Botsford, Esther C. (Mrs. Samuel)
	22	1899 & n.d.	Botsford, Frank - Accounts and figuring
	23	1938-1949	Botsford, Frank - City Hill Cemetery Assn.
	24	1892-1927, 1894-1942	" " - Correspondence
	25	<u>c.</u> 1928	" " - Mary B. Vail's Estate, settlement of
	26		" " - Farm Bureau and Grange
	26A	1928	" " - Farm relief plan
	27	1907-1912	" " - Inventions
	28	1903-1970	" " - Investments
	28A	1915-1939	" " - Licenses
	29	1876-1929	" " - Masonic Order
	29A	1900 & n.d.	" " - Miscellaneous
	30	1902-1904	" " - New York State Fruit Grow- ers Assn.
	31	1903	" " - Overseer of Highways
	31A	1900-1901	" " - Pan-American Exposition, 1901
	32	n.d.	" " - Plan for Jerusalem Histori- cal Society; Plan for organizing farmers
	33	1898-1944	" " - Indian Relics
	34	n.d.	" " - Reminiscences

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<u>Box</u>	<u>ff</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	35	1907-1912, 1913-1916	Rhymes and other writings (three folders)
	36	1895, 1908-1911	School trustee
	36A	n.d.	Sketches and drawings
	37	1903-1924	Surveys (land)
	37A	1938	Texas trip
	38	1917	Water system
3	38A	1942	Will (thoughts on)
	39	1918-1915	Botsford, Franklin
	39A	1941-1970	Botsford, James Wade
	40		Botsford, Margaret - removed to other folder
	41	1922-1926	Botsford, Mary
4	42	1898-1926	Botsford, Mollie I - Letters to her brother, Frank
	43	1894-1927	" " II - Letters from her mother, Aunt Sue, Aunt Anna, George Spangler, Louise Waddell, "Lillian"
	44	1893-1896	" " III - Letters of sympathy; letters from Murray Sherman and from "Bet-tie"
	45	1895-1927	" " IV - Letters, general
5	45A	1862-1927	Botsford, Mollie I - Miscellaneous
	45B	1890-1910	" " II - Misc. (Financial)
	45C	1927-1933	" " Settlement of estate
	46	1919-1941	Botsford, Myrtie Kathleen
	47	1883-1890	Botsford, Myrtie Wightman
	48	1919-1946	Botsford, Samuel (b. 1909) - I
6	48A	1926-1944	Botsford, Samuel (b. 1909) - II

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<u>Box</u>	<u>ff</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
6 (cont'd)	49	1857-1861	Botsford, Samuel (b. 1809) - Accounts (Esther's husband; Frank's father)
	50	1860-1875	Botsford, Samuel (b. 1809) - Correspondence
	50A	1864, 1910	" " " - County Clerk
	51	n.d.	" " " - Farming notes
	52	1853-1856	" " " - Investments
	53	1883	" " " - Sold to Frank Botsford
	54	1887-1889	" " " - Will and settle- ment of estate
	55	1885-1899	Botsford, Wade - Correspondence
	56	1876-1941	Botsford, Wade - Miscellaneous
7	57	1889-1898	Botsford, Wade - Settlement of estate
	58		Buckley, Samuel Botsford - removed to another folder
	59	1865-1921	Cemetery
	59A	1864	Civil War
	60	1887, 1923	Davis, Miles
	61	1792-1888	Deeds, mortgages, leases, notes, etc. I
	61A	1825-1898	" " " " " II
	62	1842-1913	" " " " " III
	62A	1856-1963	District School
	63	1815-1920	Elections and "politicking"
	63A	1891	Farmers Alliance and Industrial Union - Constitutional By-laws
	63B	1910, 1925	Farmer's Picnic
	64	1909-1910	Guyanoga monument

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<u>Box</u>	<u>ff</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
7 (cont'd.)	65	1850-1947	Insurance, fire
		1846-1894	Bundle deeds & surveys
8	66	1898-1924	Insurance, life
	67	1879-1892	Invitations, miscellaneous
	68	1878-1949	Invitations, wedding
	69	1887-1943	Articles on local history, + folder
	70	1889-1914	Macomb
	70A	1852	Miller, Samuel V.C.
	71	1889-1970	Miscellaneous
	71A	1929-1939	Dog Licenses
			Charles D. Bean. Reminiscences.
9	72		Newspaper clippings
	73		Obituaries
	74	1883-1929	Pageants and programs
	75	n.d.	Poems someone liked
	75A	n.d.	Postcards
	75B	1876-1936	Posters, pamphlets, guide books, etc.
	76	1903-1937	Receipts, Frank Botsford I
	76A	1876-1900	" " " II
	77	1852-1875	Receipts, Samuel Botsford, classified
	78	1831-1875	" " " "
	79	1850-1887	" " " various
	80	1828-1888	" " " "
	80A	n.d.	Recipes

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<u>Box</u>	<u>ff</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
9 (cont'd.)	81	n.d.	Rhymes, anonymous
10	82	1829-1838	Rose, John N., papers (deeds & agreements) of. Came from Va. with servants.
	82A	1969	Ruggiero, Dr. Wilfred F. (obituaries)
	83	1892-1926	Spangler, Catherine
	84	1930-1936	Spangler, George
	85	1830, 1855	Spangler, Levi - prom. note, bankruptcy & daguerrotype
	85A	1881	Spangler, Maria - funeral service
	86	1937	Squier, Nat
	87		Stamps (not there)
	88	1898-1949	St. Luke's
	88A	1851	Surveys (land)
	89	1884-1947	Tax bills and receipts
	90	1902-1927	Telephone Co.
	91	1843-1884	Unidentifiable items
	92	1887	Vail, Charles (not corr., bills)
11	93	1885-1886, 1883-1894	Vail, George
	93A		Vail, Mary B. - removed to Mollie Botsford
	93B	1918, 1943	War Rations and War Chest
	93C	1921-1927	Whitman, Marcus
	93D	1890, 1900	Wightman, James C. (doctor's bills?)
	93E	1960, 1970	Wilder, Hugo T. - memorial clippings
	94	1890, 1905, 1933-1941	Wilkinson, Jemima
	95	1936	Wright, Berlin

and notes of M.B. Vail to G.D. Vail 1891-1894; Vail's accounts & receipts, promis. notes

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11A			Alice Ansley Botsford's correspondence: Letters from Clifford & Beulah Ansley Letters from Mary Ansley Letters from non-relatives 1927-1939 Letters from Ray Ansley I 1918-1919 " " " " II 1919 " " " " III Letters from Kate Gamble, Alice Ansley Gamble, Jean Gamble and Lois, Alice's sister (?) Letters from other relatives
12		1859-1876	Samuel Botsford
		1826-1832	Elijah B. Botsford <i>letter to Samuel Botsford</i> Obituaries
		1848-1858	William & Eleanor Owens White
13			Alice's poetry and writings (very poor, L.S.)
14		1871-1926	Frank Botsford's diaries (three)
		1850-1864	R. Finley Miller's diaries (ten)
		1876	Wade Botsford's diary
		<u>c.</u> 1870	Samuel Botsford's daybook
		1860	unidentified diary
15			Frank Botsford miscellany - six wallets, presumably belonging to him
		1932-1937	13 memo books containing accounts, notes on local history and family

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15 (cont'd.)		1926-1942	Notebooks (eleven) <u>re</u> genealogy, local history & trips
			Notebooks (two) containing writings, mostly poetry
			Photos
		1904-1930	Notebooks <u>re</u> farm (eight)
		1887-1889	Records of St. Luke's
			Notebook containing surveys
			Receipt book
		1882-1897	Notebooks <u>re</u> farm (ten)
			Inventory of Antiques
		1926	Inventory of books
16		1865-1888	Samuel Botsford's account book
		1865-1870	Samuel Botsford's account book
		1883-1884	Samuel Botsford's diary
		1891	George Vail's account book
		1880	George Vail's law notebook
		1883-1885	George Vail's ledger
		1881	W.T. Vail's "milkbook"
		1892-1893	Frank Botsford's address book
		1883	Frank Botsford's account book
		1884, 1892	Account books (two, unsigned)
17		1874-1877, 1897-1898	William Ansley's account books
		1817-1830	Elijah Botsford's account book
		1850-1867	County Clerk's records (one book)

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17 (cont'd.)		1865-1875, 1881-1882	Samuel Botsford's accounts
		1882-1884	Levi Spangler's estate
		1879	George Vail's accounts I
		1884-1885	" " " II
		1889-1890	" " " III
		1932-1943	Relic Room guest book - Frank Botsford's collection & Indian relics
18		1829-1844	Elijah Botsford (prob. Jr.) - account books
		1845-1865	Samuel Botsford - account books
		1854-1879	Levi Spangler - account books
		1888-1915	Frank Botsford - account books
19			Botsford & Ansley Genealogy
			Botsford & Spangler "
			Botsford "
			Ansley (including Civil War experiences of a daughter of William Ansley)
			Published genealogy, vol. I (1959)
			Band of Botsford publications
20		1851-1935	Deeds, mortgages
			Miscellany - clippings of Whitman massacre, Lincoln's assassination; mat. <u>re</u> J. Wilkinson, M. Whitman
		<u>c.</u> 1927	Inventory of Mary Vail's books
			Fragments of writing
			Fold out scene - The Little Showman's Series No. 2

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<u>Box</u>	<u>ff</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Description</u>
21		1930's-	Alice Ansley Botsford - scrapbook
22		1945 (?)	Alice Ansley Botsford - scrapbooks (two) kept after death of husband
23		1813-1823	Children's books & almanacs Includes very old almanacs Plays & lesson books
24			Magazines & pamphlets (includes a few pictures)
25			Textbooks & misc. small books
26			Photographs
27			Postcards & Greeting Cards
28			Checkbook stubs & cancelled checks, including one bundle of Ray Ansley's checkbooks & checks in <u>re</u> estate settlement
29		1887-1965	Newspapers Broadsides (3) ^{&} copies of 1 print
30		1823-1913	Newspapers Family record (one, hand-written)

Botsford Family. Papers, 1883-1979.

Mostly family correspondence including Frank and Alice Botsford, Elizabeth Botsford (Involstad), Margaret Botsford, Myrtie Botsford, Samuel Botsford, (James) Wade Botsford, Jo Ansley Bridge, Leopold Bridge (Takahashi was original name; Bridge is a partial translation, adapted at the beginning of WW II), Carl Involstad, Mary Ansley Leigh, Erna Takahashi (Leopold's mother), Mary B. Vail, Mary and Hugo Wilder; also, (Francis) Peyton Rous. Other material includes poetry, articles, photographs, news clippings, a research study by Rous and Elizabeth, scrapbook, and genealogical and miscellaneous material related to the Botsford Family Historical Association.

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Box	File Folder	Description
31	1	Correspondence 1883, 1889, 1907-1912
	2	" 1913
	3	" 1914-1917
	4	" 1918
	5	" 1918 (n.d.), 1919
	6	" 1920
	7	" 1921 (Jan.-April)
	8	" 1921 (May-Dec.)
	9	" 1922 (Jan.-Feb.)
	10	" 1922 (March-May)
	11	" 1922 (June-Dec.)
	12	" 1923
	13	" 1924
32	1	" 1925 (Jan.-June)
	2	" 1925 (July-Dec.)
	3	" 1926 (Jan.-June)
	4	" 1926 (July-Dec.)
	5	" 1927 (Jan.-Aug.)
	6	" 1927 (Sept.-Nov.)
	7	" 1928
	8	" 1929-1931
	9	" 1932
	10	" 1933-1934
	11	" 1935
	12	" 1936 (Jan.-Aug.)
	13	" 1936 (Sept.-Dec.)
	14	" 1937 (Jan.-July)
	15	" 1937 (Aug.-Dec.)
33	1	" 1938
	2	" 1939
	3	" 1940
	4	" 1941 (Jan.-May)
	5	" 1941 (Sept.-Nov.)
	6	" 1941 (Dec.)
	7	" 1942 (Jan.-April)
	8	" 1942 (May-July)
	9	" 1942 (Aug.-Sept.)
	10	" 1942 (Oct.-Dec.)
	11	" 1943 (Jan.-May)
	12	" 1943 (June-Dec.)

Box	File	Folder	Description
34		1	Correspondence 1944
		2	" 1945
		3	" 1946-1947
		4	" 1948-1950
		5	" 1955-1979
		6	" 1926, 1932, 1948, 1970: letters to Elizabeth from Dr. Peyton Rous (1879-1970).
		7	" Undated
		8	Genesee State Normal School, 1917-1918, articles by Ann
		9	Writings by Ann, c 1924-1934
	10 (env)		Ann Botsford Scrapbook, Genesee State Normal School, Keuka Institute, Keuka College, University of Michigan, 1910-1925
		11	Ann's poetry
	12 (env)		Elizabeth's Writings, University of Michigan and Columbia University, 1926, 1951
	13		Material related to the Botsford Family Historical Association, genealogy and miscellaneous, 1883-1979
	14		Pamphlet

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Box 35 (2" leg.)

Diaries

No. [1]	1972	To Norway
2	1972	Norway
3	1972	Norway, Sweden, Spain
4	1972-1973	Spain
5	1973	Spain
6	1973	France
7	1973	Norway to Spain
8	1973-1974	Spain
9	1974	Spain-Norway
10	1974	Norway
11	1974	Norway
[12]	1972	Eurailpass

Excerpts from Chronicle Express, (summer 1974), concerning Botsford family.

Letters: 1972, 1973, 1974 (3 folders)

Family photograph, August 1980.

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Glossary of Names

Who's Who in the Botsford Family Papers

Compiled by Mrs. Carl Ingvolstad

A

- "Abe" - the Botsford's third Airedale, son of Dina (who came from Medina); Abe had a war record, was honorably discharged after end of World War II
- Andrews, John and Lyda - owned farm on Guyanoga-Branchport road, first house on the right after leaving the corner store in Guyanoga
- Ansley, Alonzo Stoddard (Uncle Lant) - brother of Alice Ansley Botsford; wife's name was Kitty
- Ansley, Anna - wife of Clarence Ansley; sister-in-law of Alice Ansley Botsford
- Ansley, Beulah - wife of Clifford Ansley; sister-in-law of Alice Ansley Botsford
- Ansley, Byron - brother of Alice Ansley Botsford; wife's name was Minnie
- Ansley, Catherine Lois (Mrs. Joseph Gamble) - sister of Alice Ansley Botsford
- Ansley, Charles - brother of Alice Ansley Botsford; wife's name was Anna
- Ansley, Clarence - brother of Alice Ansley Botsford; wife's name was Anna
- Ansley, Clifford (Uncle Cliff) - brother of Alice Ansley
- Botsford; wife's name was Beulah
- Ansley, Joel - brother of Alice Ansley Botsford; never married
- Ansley, Kittie - wife of Lant Ansley; sister-in-law of Alice Ansley Botsford
- Ansley, Mary (Mrs. Richard Henry Leigh) - Alice Ansley Botsford's sister
- Ansley, Minnie - wife of Byron Ansley; sister-in-law of Alice Ansley Botsford
- Ansley, Rachel Ann - mother of Alice Ansley Botsford
- Ansley, Ray (James Ray) - brother of Alice Ansley Botsford; never married
- Ansley, William A. - father of Alice Ansley Botsford

B

- Ball, Lizzie - California friend of Mary B. Vail
- Beard, Lydia - nee Lydia Leckonby; married George Spangler (son of Levi and Maria Spangler) Feb. 3, 1863, who died Oct. 10, 1864. There was one child of this marriage, a son, George (q.v.). After Spangler's death, Lydia married a man by the name of Beard, and had two more children,

a son (Charles) and a daughter.

Bedford, Miss C. E. - member of church group in Philadelphia in which Mary B. Vail was interested

"Belinda" - pet name for Ida Wanoschek, Austrian violin teacher in Penn Yan who after her mother's death came to live with the Botsfords; later married German-born pianist and taught music with him in Corning; after his death taught in Elmira and became conductor of Elmira's symphony orchestra.

Boyd, Hattie (H.S.) - Branchport friend of Mary B. Vail

Briggs, Anna B. - Christian Science friend in Rochester of Mary B. Vail in her last illness

Brooks, Adelaide (married name Sanford)

Brooks, Mary - sisters, each a nurse, close friends of Mary B. Vail

Brown, Catherine - nurse; close friend of Mary B. Vail

Buckley, Samuel Botsford - geologist; second (?) cousin of Frank Botsford; his grandfather Abel Botsford was brother of Frank Botsford's great grandfather Jonathan, Jr.

Burtch, Emma - Branchport resident; mother of Verdi Burtch (ornithologist); friend of Mary B. Vail

Burtch, Verdi - local ornithologist who became known nationally; with his brother Orbi he owned and worked in the corner store at Branchport, known for years as Burtch Bros.

Bush, William T. (?)

Wendell (?) - wealthy New Yorker of Bush Terminal, Brooklyn who bought Esperanza, q.v., around 1910 and used it as a summer residence for some ten years before selling it. His colored footman sat at entrance gate down by Branchport-Penn Yan road. He drove an elegant carriage - high seat in front for driver, lower seats behind for passengers. Branchport Library scrapbook has write-up of family, I think.

C

Campbell, Tom - Branchport resident; diasppointed suitor of Mary B. Vail

Cole, J. A. - Guyanoga resident; contemporary of Samuel Botsford

Cole, Simeon - Frank Botsford's neighbor "across the bridge"; at one time he owned a sawmill there.

Cole, Susanah Spangler
Edwin (husband)
May (daughter)
- Susanah Cole was sister of Esther Spangler Botsford; see Spangler, Susanah

Cowan, J. W. - Geneseo dentist; friend of Wade Botsford when he was in practice in Geneseo

Crouch, J. S. - resident of locality

Curtis, Eva H. - Christian Science friend of Mary B. Vail in her last illness

D

Davis, Miles A. - Guyanoga sage; authority on local history; poet

Decker family (sons Charles and George) - lived on Guyanoga-Branchport road; their house marked half-way point between the two villages, being one mile from each; George left home for the city and became prosperous lawyer, while Charles remained on the farm until his death

Diana - nurse associate of Mary B. Vail; apparently married doctor and lived in California

E

Esperanza - large, concrete, pillared residence about one-quarter mile out of Branchport on left side of Branchport-Penn Yan road, high on slope overlooking West Branch of Lake Keuka; built by one of Rose family, q.v., and probably some years older than Botsford stone house; it has passed through various hands, eventually becoming the "County house" until population was reduced to one pensioner; it recently was bought by someone who planned to "restore" it, but this person recently died.

Evans, Fannie - daughter of Dr. James Wightman and husband of E. E. Evans; sister of Myrtie Wightman Botsford

Evans, Marjorie (Mrs. Harry Sisson) - granddaughter of Dr. James Wightman; daughter of E. E. and Fannie Wightman Evans; niece of Myrtie Wightman Botsford

F

Fobes, Gates - cousin (?) of Frank Botsford; believe he was grandson of Orpha Scott Gates, sister of Frank Botsford's grandmother, Margaret Scott Botsford; his mother was probably Sabra S. Fobes (q.v.).

Fobes, Sabra S. - wife of Enoch Fobes; probably daughter of Orpha Scott Gates (Frank Botsford's great aunt, sister of his grandmother Margaret Scott Botsford); Sabra S. Fobes was undoubtedly named after the other sister, Sabra Scott Guernsey.

G

Gamble, Alice (Mrs. Oscar Robin) - niece of Alice Ansley Botsford, daughter of her sister Catherine Lois

Gamble, Catherine Lois Ansley (Mrs. Joseph) - Alice Ansley Botsford's sister

Gamble, Jean (Mrs. Peter Robin) - niece of Alice Ansley Botsford, daughter of her sister Catherine Lois

Gamble, Joseph - nephew of Alice Ansley Botsford, son of her sister Catherine Lois

Gates, Pearly - husband of Orpha Scott, great uncle by marriage of Frank Botsford

Gates, Mrs. Pearly (Aunt Gates) - Orpha Scott Botsford; great aunt of Frank Botsford

Genung, Mrs. Albert (Flora) - Branchport resident, Christian Science associate of Mary B. Vail in her last illness

"Old George" - George Rugg, prototype of Frost's "Death of The Hired Man"

Green, N. H. - apparently a Rushville friend of the Samuel Botsfords; perhaps related to the Wightmans' Dr. Wightman came to Branchport from Rushville, and he had a sister who married a Green.

Guernsey, Sabra - daughter of Rebecca Scott sister of Margaret, Orpha, and Barnabas Scott great aunt of Frank Botsford

H

Hunt, Edna (Mrs. Floyd Hunt) - own cousin of Alice Ansley Botsford; their mothers were sisters (Stoddard)

Hunt, Eva I. - friend of Flora Vail (q.v.); possibly related to Floyd Hunt (q.v.)

Hunt, Floyd - husband of Edna Stoddard Hunt (q.v.)

Hurd, Gracia (Mrs. Schuyler Hurd) - own cousin of Alice Ansley Botsford; their mothers were sisters (Stoddard)

Hurd, Schuyler - husband of Gracia Stoddard Hurd

J

Jeffords, Alice - friend of Mary B. Vail

Jensen, Mrs. Albert - married name of Jessie Miller (q.v.)

K

Kaubisch, Mrs. Walter - see Ida Wanoschek

King, Wm. B. - Wealthy Virginian. Mary B. Vail was his private nurse through a severe illness (said to be myasthenia gravis) from which he recovered. She traveled with him in Europe and with him and his family in the U.S.

L

Larzelere, Henry - from Cleveland's History and Directory of Yates County: Henry Larzelere was born in 1798, at Hopeton Mills, to which his parents had moved (from New Jersey) in 1796. Upon his mother's death in 1799, he was adopted into the family of Elijah Botsford. In 1826, he commenced keeping a public house at the Corners in the Valley (Guyanoga). The town meetings were held there several years and were finally voted to Branchport after a very hard struggle, for Mr. Larzelere "seemed to have a strong hold on the people".

The great grandson of Henry Larzelere has provided the information that the latter owned the Stage Coach Inn, Larzelere's Hollow (Guyanoga). The Inn was built in 1822, on the direct stage coach route from the East to Buffalo.

Leigh, Mrs. Richard Henry - Alice Ansley Botsford's sister, Mary

Lena - see Paris

Lord, W. H. - at one time rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Branchport

Lynn, Albert and Teresa -
Guyanoga residents, lived next
to schoolhouse

M

Macomb family - relatives of the
Roses (q.v.) and friends of
Botsford family

Miller, Chas. A. - related to Frank
Botsford through the Spangler line;
F. B.'s maternal grandmother was
Maria Miller (married Levi Spangler)

Miller, David - brother of Jessie Miller
(q.v.) and cousin of Frank
Botsford; F.B.'s maternal grand-
mother was Maria Miller (see
Samuel V.C. Miller)

Miller, Jessie (Mrs. Albert Jensen) -
sister of David Miller and cousin
of Frank Botsford through
Spangler line; F.B.'s maternal
grandmother was Maria Miller (see
Samuel V. C. Miller); one of Jessie
Miller's letters speaks of many
family papers and letters she
had never got around to sorting,
which presumably are now in hands
of her only child, David

Miller, Maria - maternal grandmother
of Frank Botsford; she was born
May 3, 1808, died Dec. 4, 1881.
On Oct. 27, 1825, she married
Levi Spangler. They had 10
children (see Spangler genealogy).

Miller, R. Finley - author of several
diaries; possibly brother of
Samuel V.C. Miller (1781-1852);
in one of his diaries he speaks
of drawing wood for "mother
Scott", presumably Rebecca
Scott (1745-1823), Frank Botsford's
great grandmother

Miller, Samuel V. C. - maternal great
grandfather of Frank Botsford.
Born 1781, in Warren, Somerset
Co., N.J. In 1806, he married
Esther Cutter (born 1786) of
Rahway, N.J. In 1822, they moved
to Yates Co., their deed (to Lot
51, Lake Road, 50 acres) was the
first deed to be recorded in
Yates Co. Clerk's Office. Samuel
Miller died in 1852, his wife
Esther in 1858. Their daughter
Maria married Levi Spangler,
father of Mrs. Samuel Botsford.

Mollie - Frank Botsford's sister Mary,
who married George Vail

Moore, Ella (Mrs.) - Branchport resident

N

"Nannie" - the Botsford's first Airedale

O

Older, Margaret
Older, Aunt Mary (Margaret's mother) -
Members of Band of Botsfords.
Margaret Older was Botsford
family genealogist. She and her
mother visited the Botsford home
on several occasions.

P

Paris, Lena (Mrs Bert Stever) -
daughter of Branchport coal merchant;
at one time engaged to Wade
Botsford

Parker, Mary - Rochester friend of
Mary B. Vail

Pulteney-Branchport Telephone Co. - an independent line which, as we recall, started out with only three telephone owners, one of whom was Frank Botsford; it resisted inclusion in the Bell system until about 1965 (?).

R

Riggs, Sarah - for years was the only colored person in Branchport; she and her sister Frankie are said to have come North from Virginia with the Rose family; she was an excellent cook; was with the Botsford family for several years; a highly respected member of St. Luke's parish, to which she left her home in Branchport, which for some years was a well-patronized boarding house

Robin, Alice Gamble - see Gamble, Alice

Robin, Jean Gamble - see Gamble, Jean

Rose, Miss Kittie
E. N. (Ed)
Robert
Dr. John (Jack)
Gavin
Charles
- prominent local family; came to area with colored servants from Virginia; lived at "The Chestnuts" on Keuka Lake; very active in St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Branchport; long-time friends of the Botsford family

S

Sanford, Adelaide Brooks - nurse; close friend of Mary B. Vail

Scism, Edmund - Edmund and his sister Irene were foster children (County charges) in the Botsford home; Mrs. Botsford would accept no remuneration from the County for their support. Edmund died in France during Second World War (see Obituaries).

Scott, Barnabas - son of Rebecca Scott; brother of Margaret, Orpha, and Sabra Scott; great uncle of Frank Botsford

Scott, Margaret (1774-1871) - Frank Botsford's paternal grandmother; daughter of Rebecca Scott (q.v.) and sister of Orpha, Sabra, and Barnabas Scott

see genealogy

Scott, Orpha (Mrs. Pearly Gates) (Aunt Gates) - sister of Margaret Scott Botsford, Frank Botsford's grandmother; daughter of Rebecca Scott (q.v.)

Scott, Rebecca (1745-1823) - Frank Botsford's paternal great grandmother; with her two daughters Margaret and Orpha, she came to the Friend settlement in 1790; behind in Connecticut she left her husband, a physician, and two older children, a daughter Sabra and a son Barnabas; she is buried in the Yatesville cemetery

Scott, Sabra - daughter of Rebecca Scott and sister of Margaret Scott Botsford, Orpha Scott Gates, and Barnabas Scott; Sabra Scott married a Guernsey.

Sill, Ida - wife of Henry Sill, Sr.; prominent old family; residence on Penn Yan-Branchport road known as "the Sill place"

Sisson, Mrs. Harry (nee Marjorie Evans) - Granddaughter of Dr. James Wightman; daughter of E.E. and Fannie Wightman Evans; niece of Myrtie Wightman Botsford

(It was she who spoke to one of the Botsfords years ago about the Collection of Regional History at Cornell.)

Smith, Anna Spangler
Morgan (husband)
Fred (son)
Lena (daughter)

-Anna Smith was sister of Esther Spangler Botsford; see Spangler, Anna

Smith, Fred - son of Morgan and Anna Spangler Smith; Frank Botsford's own cousin

Smith, Lena - daughter of Morgan and Anna Spangler Smith; Frank Botsford's own cousin

Smith, Dr. Morgan - dentist husband of Anna Spangler; Frank Botsford's uncle by marriage

Spangler, Anna (1847-1921) - sister of Esther Spangler Botsford; married dentist, Dr. Morgan Smith, and lived first in Colorado and finally in California. Anna and Morgan had two children, a son Fred and a daughter Lena; Fred never married but Lena did and had three sons

Spangler, Augusta (1832-1905) - sister of Esther Spangler Botsford; married William Waddell and lived in Georgia. Augusta and William had a daughter, Louise, who became a teacher

married a musician (singer?), no children

Spangler, Catherine Van Court (1840-1926) - maiden sister of Esther Spangler Botsford; completely deaf from attack of scarlet fever in childhood, self-taught lip reader; lived for some time in Georgia with her sister Augusta Spangler Waddell, later with the Botsford family

Spangler, George - own cousin of Frank Botsford and Mary Botsford Vail. His father was brother of their mother.

See Spangler genealogy

Spangler, Levi - maternal grandfather of Frank Botsford; he was born Feb. 8, 1802, died June 28, 1882. On Oct. 27, 1825, he married Maria Miller. They had 10 children (see Spangler genealogy).

Spangler, Maria - wife of Levi Spangler; mother of Esther Spangler Botsford (Mrs. Samuel Botsford); Levi and Maria Spangler had ten children (see genealogy).

Spangler, Susanah (1838-1922) - sister of Esther Spangler Botsford; married Edwin Cole and lived on Branchport-Penn Yan road near Kinney's Corners; Esther and Edwin had one child, a daughter, May, who never married

Squier, Nat - neighbor and friend of the family; with his wife Maggie and several children lived for years in The Tavern (now Grange Hall); Helen Squier, close friend of Margaret and Mary Botsford, was his only daughter

Stebbins, Mrs. - Branchport resident; member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church; mother of Mrs. Henry Sill, Sr.

Steen, John F. - at one time
rector of St. Luke's
Episcopal Church, Branchport

Vail; nephew by marriage of Mary
Botsford Vail

Stevens, Edwin W. - monied
divorcee (origins unknown);
wooed by Branchport widows
and won by one of them,
Mrs. Lou (Frances) Stever

Vail, Carlyle - son of Tim and Flora
Vail; nephew by marriage of Mary
Botsford Vail

Stever, Frances - Mrs. Lou Stever,
Branchport, close friend of
Mary B. Vail (Frank Botsford's
only sister)

Vail, Charles - progenitor of the Vail
family in Yates Co., father of
George (Mollie Botsford's husband),
Mason, and Tim; lived on Guyanoga-
Branchport road

Stever, Jane A. - relative of
Branchport residents; friend
of early settlers (Beddoe) and
of Kitty and Mercer Lamb of
Branchport

Vail, Elizabeth - daughter of Mason
Vail; niece by marriage of Mary
Botsford Vail

Stoddard - family name in Ansley
genealogy; Alice Ansley
Botsford's mother was a
Stoddard before her marriage

Vail, Flora - wife of Tim Vail; sister-
in law and close friend of
Mary Botsford Vail
-mother of Arthur, Julia, Carlyle,
and Virginia Vail

Vail, George - married Frank Botsford's
only sister, Mary

Vail, Julia - daughter of Tim and Flora
Vail; niece by marriage of Mary
Botsford Vail

T

Tallman, Endora - wrote to Mary B.
Vail at suggestion of mutual
acquaintance in California

Vail, Mary B. - Frank Botsford's sister,
Mary, who married George Vail
- Aunt Mollie to her nieces and
nephews
- After her husband's death in 1894,
when she was 32, she "took up
training" and became a nurse; she
never remarried

Timmerman, Grace
Marvin - lived "somewhere"
above Branchport"; Grace
Timmerman wrote good poetry,
occasionally published in local
papers

Vail, Mason - Mary B. Vail's brother-
in-law; brother of George Vail

Trexler, H. B. - nurse associate of
Mary B. Vail when she was at Bryn
Mawr Hospital, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Vail, Tim (William T.) - Mary B. Vail's
brother-in-law; brother of George
Vail
- Husband of Flora Vail, close
friend of Mary B. Vail

Tuthill, George M. - Branchport
resident

Vail, Virginia - daughter of Tim and Flora
Vail; niece by marriage of Mary
Botsford Vail

V

Vail, Arthur - son of Tim and Flora

W

Waddell, Augusta Spangler
 Louise (daughter)
 William (husband)
 - Augusta Waddell was sister
 of Esther Spangler Botsford;
 see Spangler, Augusta

Waddell, Louise - daughter of
 William and Augusta Spangler
 Waddell; Frank Botsford's
 own cousin; see Spangler,
 Augusta

Wanoschek, Ida "Belinda")
 - Austrian violin teacher in
 Penn Yan who came to live with the
 Botsfords after her mother's
 death; later married German-born
 pianist and taught music with
 him in Corning; after his death
 taught in Elmira and became
 conductor of Elmira's symphony
 orchestra.

Miss Wanoschek (Mrs. Walter
 Kaubisch) had studied under the
 composer and violinist Ysaye. At
 the age of 5, she gave a command
 performance before the then
 German Emperor (Kaiser Wilhelm).

Wharton - friend of Mary B. Vail

White, Eleanor Owens - in her letters
 she addresses Samuel Botsford as
 "Dear Brother" and Margaret Scott
 Botsford as "Dear Mother", but they
 would appear to have been "adopted"
 by her; my father must sometime
 have said who she was, but no one
 in the family now seems to know

she apparently later married a man
 by the name of Willcox

Wightman, Fannie - daughter of Dr. James
 Wightman; sister of Myrtie Wightman
 Botsford; mother of Marjorie Evans
 Sisson

Wightman, Dr. James - Branchport physi-
 cian and scholar; father of Frank
 Botsford's first wife and of
 Fannie Wightman Evans; both Wade
 and Frank Botsford studied medicine
 under him, each for a year or so

Wightman, Myrtie - daughter of Dr. James
 Wightman; Frank Botsford's first
 wife

Willcox, Eleanor Owens - apparently
 the same as Eleanor Owens White
 (q.v.) by second marriage

Williams, Cora - Christian Science
 friend in Rochester of Mary B.
 Vail in her last illness

Wolcott, Walter - rural mail carrier and
 a scholar; the local newspaper
 (see manila envelopes) carried
 several articles written by him

Wright, Berlin Hart - local naturalist
 who became known nationally

Y

Youngs, Mrs. A. L. - Branchport
 postmistress for years; mother
 of Frances Youngs Stever (Mrs.
 Lou Stever)