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Rating	SURNAME	FIRST NAME	STATUS	SIGNIFICANCE	TOWN-SHIP	LOCATION	SOURCE	COMMENTS	Gen.
1	VanWickle	Evert	Slave owner	1800 Census - 3 slaves in household. Registered birth of child to slave Chloe in 1802. From New Jersey, surveyor.	Lyons		Census, Sodus Town Records.(MP) Phelps & Gorham Purchase, p. 379.	Surveyor of Wayne County lands for Mr. Williamson	
2	Vincent	Hiram	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846	Galen	Clyde	NASS 10 Dec 1846		X
2	Wade	C. B. (D)	AS	Attended the Marion AS Mtg Aug 1852.(MP)	Williamson		AA, Item #34183, FDP, 27 Aug 1852,	Attended/member Free Democracy Party - Wmson -Aug - Sept 1852. (MP)	
2	Walworth Baptist Meeting House		AS	Site of AS Meeting mobbed by protesters. March 1838	Walworth		FOM 22 Mar 1838	Site of opening session	
2	Walworth Methodist Meeting House		AS	Site of AS Meeting mobbed by protesters. March 1838	Walworth		FOM 22 Mar 1838	Site of subsequent session	X
5	Waples	Hanson/Hansel/Eli za/Alice	FS	Appears in William Stills' book	Arcadia/Lyons		http://www.quinnipiac.edu/other/abl/etext/ugrr/ugrr.html . P. 207	HANSELWAPLES. This traveler arrived from Millsboro, Indian River, Delaware, where he was owned by Wm. E. Burton. While Hansel did not really own himself, he had the reputation of having a wife and six children. In June, some six months prior to her husband's arrival, Hansel's wife had been allowed by her mistress to go out on a begging expedition, to raise money to buy herself; but contrary to the expectation of her mistress she never returned. Doubtless the mistress looked upon this course as a piece of the most highhanded stealing. Hansel did not speak of his owner as being a hard man, but on the contrary he thought that he was about as "good" as the best that he was acquainted with. While this was true, however, Hansel had quite good ground for believing that his master was about to sell him. Dreading this fate he made up his mind to go in pursuit of his wife to a Free state. Exactly where to look or how to find her he could not tell. The Committee advised him to "search in Canada." And in order to enable him to get on quickly and safely, the Committee aided him with money, &c., in 1853. At time of death, living in Perine Woods, west of the village of Lyons. Most of this family	X

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5	Ward	Rev. Samuel R.	Af-Am / Abol./ FS	Political activist	Butler		THE COLORED AMERICAN, September 11, 1841. Ibid, 9 Sept 184. Oswego Palladium, 20 Nov. 1945, p. 16.		
2	Warner	Alonzo F.	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Ontario		Genitt Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
2	Washington	William	FS	Barber	Sodus	Sodus Point	1880 Census. (MP) Newark Union, 22 Dec 1906. Wolcott Lake Shore News, 12 Apr 1906.(obit)(TLW)	He and his son Charles were left a portion of the wealthy estate of Miss Anne Elizabeth McKensie of Sodus Point. They were both listed as her servants in the 1906 article. "William Washington, commonly known as "Billy Wash," died Tuesday at his Sodus Point home, after being ill for some time. He was born in Alabama about sixty-five years ago and was a slave. He went to Sodus Point to reside after he was released from bondage. Mr. Washington was a practical joker, but the boys of the village often made life miserable for him in their efforts to get even. He is survived by three daughters and two sons."(TLW)	
2	Watrous		AS	Attended the Anti-Fug. Slave Law Mtg Dec 1850, Lyons(MP)					
2	Watson	Joseph C.	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846	Galen	Marengo	NASS, Aug 1846		
2	Webster	M.	AS	Attended the Auburn A. S. Soc. Convention in July of 1839.	Macedon		FOM: 3 July, 1839		
2	Weed	Selick	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846	Galen	Marengo	NASS, Aug 1846		
2	Welch	Ezra	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846	Butler	South Butler	NASS, 12 Nov 1846		
3	Wells	Edward A.	Af-Am	Barber	Newark		1870 Census. (MP)	See Philip Stout Genealogy	
2	Wells	Milton	AS	Member of the Christian Anti-slavery Convention held at Auburn on June 23, 1841 and signed the published call for attendees in FOM.	Wolcott		FOM: 27 Apr 1841		

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2	Wells	Rufus	AS	Member of the Christian Anti-slavery Convention held at Auburn on June 23, 1841 and signed the published call for attendees in FOM.	Wolcott		FOM: 27 Apr 1841		
2	West	Thomas	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846	Butler	South Butler	NASS, 12 Nov 1846		
2	West	Peletiah	AS	Listed in call for the NYS AS Soc. Convention in 1835. (MP)	Palmyra		Wayne Sentinel, 2 Oct 1835, 2:3. Western Argus, 7 Oct 1835, p. 2		
2	Westfall	V.D.	As	Is said to have invited F. Douglass to speak in Lyons - 1858	Lyons		MP		
2	White	Dennis	u-	Former slave of Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Records.(MP)	never sold by Dorsey; came to Canandaigua a free man; died	
2	White	Rufus	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1847	Williamson		NASS, 28 Jan 1847		
2	Wicks	Anna	AS	Contributed to the collection for the American A.S. Society, by S. S. And A. K. Foster in 1852.	Palmyra		NASS April 15, 1852 (CL)	Cannot locate in the 1850-1860 census(TW)	X
2	Wilber	Joseph	Af-Am	Recipient of land grant from Gerritt Smith	Sodus		Gerritt Smith Collection, Syracuse University		
2	Wilbur	Albert E.	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerritt Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137. 1850-Macedon's Inhab. against Slavery in D. C. (HR31A-g4.1 Tray #960)	Also signed D. C. petition in 1850 for Macedon	
3	Wilbur	Esek	Abol.	Chosen as Exec.Cmte. member of the first formative meeting of the Wayne Co. AS Society at the Palmyra Presbyterian Church, 1 Dec.1837	Macedon		Friend of Man, 20 Dec. 1837 v. 2, #27. Gerritt Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137. 1850-Macedon's Inhab. against Slavery in D. C. (HR31A-g4.1 Tray #960)FOM: 3 July, 1839; 11 Mar 1840;	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.Also signed D. C. petition in 1850 for Macedon. Attended the Auburn A. S. Soc. Convention of July 1839. Chosen as V. Pres. at the NYS A. S. Soc. Convention in Waterloo in Feb. 1840.	
3	Wilbur	Maria	Abol.	Exec. Cmte.of Annual Meeting, 12 Dec 1848, of the Western New York Anti-Slavery Society.	Macedon		THE NORTH STAR January 7, 1848	Signer of Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments, 1848.	
3	Wilbur	Georgiana	FS	Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada	Sodus		1850 Census	b. in MD.	
3	Wilbur	Joseph	FS	Property owner (see Joseph Wilbur)	Sodus		1850 Census	67 year old farmer b. in MD. RE value @ \$300.00	

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2	Wilbur	Thomas	Abol.	Contributed to the collection for the American A.S. Society, by S. S. And A. K. Foster in 1852.			NASS April 15, 1852 (CL)		
2	Wilcox	Hiram	AS	Attended NYS A. S. Soc. Convention of 1835 (MP)	Palmyra		Wayne Sentinel, 2 Oct 1835, 2:3. Western Argus, 7 Oct 1835, p. 2		
2	Wilkinson	Daniel	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
2	Wilkinson	Hiram	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
3	Wilkinson	Fred	FS	Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada					
3	Wilder/Willis/Wilbur	Joseph	AF-Am	Recipient of land grant from Gerritt Smith (See Wilber/Wilbur)	Sodus		Gerrit Smith Collection, Syracuse University.(TLW) Probate File of Abraham Braddington, census.(MP)	40 acres on Lot 316, S. E. Born about 1783, MD, husband of Nancy Braddington" (MP)	
2	Willets	Hiram	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
2	Willets	John	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
2	Willets	Purdy	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
2	Willets	William E.	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		

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3	Williams	Charles	Af-Am	Barber	Clyde		1865 census. (MP)		
3	Williams	Robert	Af-Am	Property owner	Macedon		1850 census	RE value @ \$250.00	
2	Williams	Joseph	Af-Am	Barber. Property owner.	Red Creek		1870, 1875 & 1880 Census (MP) 1870 census (property)	Re value @ \$500.00 with personal estate worth \$250.00	
2	Williams	John R.	AS	Signer of a call to a General Reform Convention in Walworth to discuss the evils of slavery on 27 Feb 1849.	Walworth		The North Star, February 23, 1849 (MP)		
3	Williamson Congregational Church		AS	Anti-slavery Church.	Williamson		NATIONAL ANTI-SLAVERY STANDARD Thursday, July 27, 1843 Edition (CL)	"...Sunday last was an important day for the Congregational church in Williamson, also to anti-slavery, so far as church action is concerned in this particular church. It appears that Samuel C. Cuyler, an uncompromising enemy of oppression, had lately removed to Williamson, and being known to be a Congregationalist, was elected an officer in the church. Mr. C. Did not feel at liberty to serve as an officer, or become connected with the church, unless he should be first convinced that it was anti-slavery; and for the purpose of testing this point, he brought forward certain anti-slavery resolutions, to be acted upon by the church..." by I. W. CAPRON. Walworth, N.Y. July 18, 1843 (Transcribed by Charles G. Lenhart 12/02/2007)	
3	Williamson Wesleyan Chapel		AS	Liberty Party vote	Williamson	Williamson Corners	Frederick Douglass paper 23 Oct 1851	"The Liberty party voters of this County, are requested to meet at the Wesleyan Chapel, Williamson Corners, on Tuesday, the 28th inst., at 11 o'clock for the purpose of nominating candidates, to be supported at the ensuing election."	
2	Willis	Grant			Butler		Cowles, p. 279F, in the Wayne County Historian Files	MP database	
2	Wilson	Alfred	Af-Am	Barber	Palmyra		1875 Census. (MP)		

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2	Winegar	W. S.	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846, 1847	Butler	South Butler	NASS, 12 Nov 1846; NASS Sept. 2, 1847		
3	Wolcott Presbyterian Church		AS	Site of meeting "of the friends of independent anti-slavery nominations."	Wolcott		FOM, 21 Oct 1840; http://www.rootsweb.com/~nywayne/wolcott/wolcottgrips2.html	This church was continued in use until the erection of the second edifice on the south side of East Main street, in 1852, where the structure still stands, now in use by Newberry, & Barton, merchants.	
3	Wooby	John & Clarissa	FS	Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada. Property owner.	Galen/ Lyons		Wayne Democratic Press, 9 Dec 1914, obit of John Wooby (Jr.). Wooby Surname File, Wayne Co. Historian, Clipping, Lyons Republican, 1874 (no date). Wayne Co. Census, 1875, Town of Lyons, Death Schedule, p. 63B..(MP) 1870 census (property)	Said to have been brought to Canandaigua by Granger; purchased freedom and then bought freedom for his brothers & sisters still in slavery. Married Clarissa Jacobs, slave of Dorsey family.(MP) 70 year old day laborer b. in VA. RE value @ \$450.00	
3	Wood	Margaret	FS	Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada	Galen		1860 census	45 year old cook, born in Canada West. In household of Morris Wilson	
2	Wood	Anson S.	AS	Is said to have invited F. Douglass to speak in Lyons - 1858	Lyons		(MP)		
2	Wood	Stephen	AS	Subscriber to NASS, 1846	Macedon	Macedon Center	NASS 10 Dec 1846		
3	Woodlin	Moses	FS	Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada	Macedon		1860 census	23 year old laborer born Louisiana, In household of John S. Gould	
3	Woody	Charles	FS	Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada	Walworth		1850 census	13 year old in the house of Wm. C. Howland. B. in Louisiana.	
2	Woodward	Mary Ann	AS	Subscriber to the North Star.(MP)	Palmyra		AA, Item #19629, NS, 14 Sep 1849;	Reference to her anti-slavery stand in Cook's History of Palmyra; at her funeral, 4 African American men served bearers. (MP)	
2	Woolsey	Granville	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Macedon		Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University. NARA LC Box 137		
3	Wooster/Wor cester	Samuel W.	Abo l.	Chosen as Business Cmte.& Exec. Cmte. member of the first formative meeting of the Wayne Co. AS Society at the Palmyra Presbyterian Church, 1 Dec.1837			Friend of Man, 20 Dec. 1837 v. 2, #27. FOM: 9 May 1838; 9 May 1838	Chosen cmte member of the Utica Methodist AS meeting. Chosen 8th V. P. of the Christian AS Convention in ? 1838	

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3	Wright	Rev. Thomas	AS	Signed petition 1845 in Macedon to US Senate to reject annexation of Texas as slave-holding state.	Wolcott	Red Creek	Gerrit Smith Papers, Syracuse University, NARA LC Box 137. Wayne Co. Hist. Office files, V.D. Westfall, Anson S. Wood, (MP) Extracted from: "Priest Wright at 93-Former Wolcott Pastor is Fenton's (MP) 'Grand Old Man'" in the Wolcott Lake Shore News, btw. 1904-1908 (date not given).(TLW)	Mentioned in source from MP. Pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Wolcott.(TLW) Assisted Thaddeus Hyatt in hiding John Brown's co-conspirators on his farm in Red Creek.(see Hyatt, Thaddeus) "...After Williams came attendance at Princeton Theological seminary and later Andover, where he was graduated in 1837. It was while in Bennington that young Wright knew William Lloyd Garrison. The Wrights were Jeffersonian democrats, personal friends of Jefferson and the other leaders, but the young man became imbued with anti-slavery Ideas, while all the rest of the family were pro-slavery men. The influence of Garrison was never forgotten. Anti-slavery was a doctrine for the young student and to this day he preaches it...After graduation Mr. Wright, duly ordained as a minister, became the pastor of the Presbyterian church at Wolcott, N. Y. He remained there sixteen years..."(TLW)	
2	Yeomans	Eliel	AS	Contributed to the collection for the American A.S. Society, by S. S. And A. K. Foster in 1852.	Walworth		NASS April 15, 1852 (CL)		
2	Yeomans	Vaniah	AS	AS Mtg Walworth 1838	Walworth		3; Lyons Argus, 4 April 1838, p. 2; Wayne Sentinel, 7 March 1838, 2:6, 3:1	Society held at 2nd Baptist Mghouse, but others usurped the meeting. Luther Fillmore, chair; Vaniah Yeomans, Sec. Business Com. - Wm. R. Smith, John L. Thomas, N.J. Lusk. A group of	
3	Young	Nelson D.	AS	Attended the Western NYS AS Convention Jan 10-12 in Rochester	Marion		FOM, 31 Jan 1838		
3	Young	Thomas	AS	Quaker? (MP)	Marion		Hist. Marker, Family Tradition(MP)		

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3	Young	John	FS	Recipient of 1850 land grant from Gerritt Smith. Property owner. Birthplace listed as unknown, southern state or Canada	Ontario		Gerrit Smith Collection, Syracuse University. 1850-1860 census (property)	Donated 50 cents to the fund and clothing raiser of Feb 1840 for Hiram Wilson and the fugitive slaves relocating in Canada.(TW) Daughter Margaret Is said to have spoken out against slavery at meetings - from affidavit in Civil War pension file for George W. Cortright. A John Young donated "one pig, worth \$2.50" at Western NYASS Convention at Palmyra, Mar 1841.	X
3	Young	Robertson	Af-Am	Property owner	Ontario		1860 census	RE value @ \$500.00 with personal estate worth \$400.00	
2		Anna	Manu-mitted	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Sodus Town Clerk(MP)	Sodus Town Records - birth of child Eliza.(MP)	
2		Bet	Manu-mitted	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Sodus Town Records(MP)	Sodus Town Records - birth of child William, 1 May 1810. Could she be same "Bet" as once owned by Nelson?(MP)	
2		John	Manu-mitted	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Lyons Town Records(MP)	Manumission 15 Nov. 1823, age about 24.(MP)	
2		Jonathan	Manu-mitted	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Lyons Town Clerk Records. Richard Valentine material.(MP)	Manumission, 16 Jan 1818, age 24. Could be Jonathan Colbert, b. abt 1794, MD.(MP)	
2		Nack	Manu-mitted	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Sodus Town Records, Richard Valentine	Sodus Town records for births of children - Nathan (b. 10 Dec 1807) and Adam (b. 8 June 1810) and Moses (b. 6 Feb 1803). This could be Nackie/Nancy Colbert, daughter of Phoebe.(MP)	
2		Phoebe	Manu-mitted	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Richard Valentine Material; Ontario Co. Hist., 1876, p. 54; Sodus Town Clerk Records.(MP)	Believe this is Phoebe (nee Holland ?) Colbert White Valentine. Record of Richard Valentine provides births of Colbert, White and Valentine children. Dorsey records births of children for a Phoebe - Richard Whatcoat (20 Dec 1801); Edward (15 July 1805); Rachel (2 Nov 1803); and Prudence (28 June 1808). Married to a James Colbert in MD, did not come north with family. Children brought as slaves - Lloyd, Neckie/Nackie, Billy, Isaac, Matilda.(MP)	

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2		Rebecca/ Beck	Man u- mitt ed	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Sodus Town Records(MP)	Births of children - Joseph, 24 April 1805; Enoch, 15 Mar 1807, and Jane, 16 Jul 1809. Could Rebecca be connected to Joseph Hardy?(MP)	
2		Ruth	Man u- mitt ed	Formerly enslaved by Daniel Dorsey	Lyons		Sodus Town Records(MP)	Births of children recorded - Kitty, b. 20 Feb 1804; Titus, b. 17 May 1802.(MP)	
2		"Old Bill"	Af- Am	Said to have been enslaved by Henry Tower, prior to 1810	Lyons		Wayne Democratic Press, 27 May 1925.(MP)		
2		Tom & Anna	Man u- mitt ed	Manumitted by heirs of Peregrine Fitzhugh	Sodus		Probate and Inventory of Peregrine Fitzhugh (MP)	"Anna her time of four years and a half after the month of Mar 1815; another entry states "four & 1/2 years to ___ from 21st October 1813".Tom (no relation to Anna) 1813 - "Hired out to Wood, Geneva"(Peregrine Fitzhugh). (MP)	