

# Portrait of 19th Century Women in Oswego County

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## Carrie Dietz

**A conversation between**

**Dr. Judith Wellman and Carrie Dietz 1975-76**



*Above: This is not Carrie Dietz, but rather a photo from The Rise and Fall of the Victorian Servant, Pamela Horn, St. Martin's Press, New York, 1975.*

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W: Okay, what did your mother do?

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were young we were always in a convent. See, we went there when we were about eight years old and I stayed until I was about 18. St. Vincent DePaul was in Syracuse.

W: Did you have any brothers or sisters?

D: Oh, yes. I had three sisters and one brother, but I suppose they're all dead now.

W: Do you know if you are Irish or English?

D: Irish. I was Irish and his father and mother was born right in Ireland.

WOMEN  
AT WORK

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<h1>Certificate of Baptism</h1> 	
<b>St. Mary Church</b> 103 WEST 7th OSWEGO, NEW YORK 13126	
— This is to Certify —	
That <u>Catherine Scott</u>	
Child of <u>William Scott</u>	
and <u>Flora Green</u>	
born in <u>Oswego</u> , <u>New York</u>	
(CITY) (STATE)	
on the <u>25<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u> <u>1876</u>	
was <u>Baptized</u>	
on the <u>7<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>May</u> <u>1876</u>	
According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church	
by the Rev. <u>Louis Griffo</u>	
the Sponsors being { <u>John Scott</u>	
{ <u>Margaret Muldoon</u>	
as appears from the Baptismal Register of this Church.	
Dated <u>May 16, 1994</u>	
<u>David J. Bach</u> Pastor	

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### ***Carrie Dietz Questions***

1. Who was Carrie Dietz' father?
2. Where were her parents born?
3. What did her father do for a living?
4. How did the people down the river benefit when lumber washed overboard?
5. What was Carrie Dietz' mother's name?
6. What did Carrie's grandparents do?

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**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church**  
<http://www.oswego-history.com/historic-oswego-pictures/>



ST. MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## **An Oral History: Carrie Dietz**

“My father was Captain William Scott. His father and mother were born right in Ireland. He used to run the tugs, the Niagara first, and then he sold that and got a bigger one. A tug goes out and brings in vessels, you know. Don't you remember years ago? My father ran this big tug and the vessels come in all loaded with lumber, and he'd go out after it and bring it in. Whatever lumber was washed overboard, the people that lived down on the flats could have it. They had enough to build nice barns and garages. They would get a rowboat, and they'd go out and bring it in. Years ago that was, down on the flats you know.

“My mother was Flora Green. Her father was Steve Green. He used to work around the city, gardens. He was a gardener. My mother's mother was born in Ireland. She had a little brogue, you know. I remember because she died when I was young, but they never spoke the Irish words.”

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### **Questions for further research and discussion:**

1. How many tug boats operated in the Oswego Harbor during the mid 1800's?
2. What types of cargo would be transported to the Oswego Harbor via boat?
3. Where would the cargo eventually go after it left the harbor? How did people transport the newly arrived cargo from the harbor?
4. What types of goods were shipped FROM Oswego Harbor? Where would they be transported to?
5. What does a “brogue” sound like?

## Carrie Dietz' Father...

**SAVED FROM DROWNING.**

The Sullboat 'Alice' Carried Too Much Ballast.

Captain William Scott, of the tug Navagh, rescued two more men to-day from drowning. Captain Fred Blanchard and a friend took the sailboat Alice and started out to shoot gulls. The boat carried a large amount of sand ballast to keep her steady. When about a mile off the beacon light a squall struck the Alice and she went over, her cockpit filling with water. Captain Scott, who had just towed a schooner from the harbor, went to the assistance of the craft and managed to get a line to her as she was settling down by the stern. Captain Blanchard and his friend climbed up over the bow and got aboard the tug and the Alice was towed to dock.

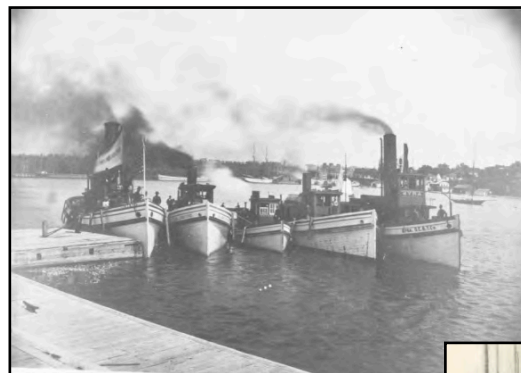
The Daily Palladium, October 22, 1903, page 5

# An Oral History: Carrie Dietz

W: What was your name?

D: Scott, Carrie Scott. My father was Captain William Scott. He used to run the tugs, the Niagara first, and then he sold that and got a bigger one. A tug goes out and brings in vessels, you know. Don't you remember years ago? Now they ship it all by freight and train, but years ago my father run this big tug and the vessels come in all loaded with lumber, and he'd go out after it and bring it in. Whatever lumber was washed overboard, the people that lived down on the flats could have it.

W: No kidding!



Tugs in Oswego Harbor <http://www.oswego-history.com/historic-oswego-pictures/>



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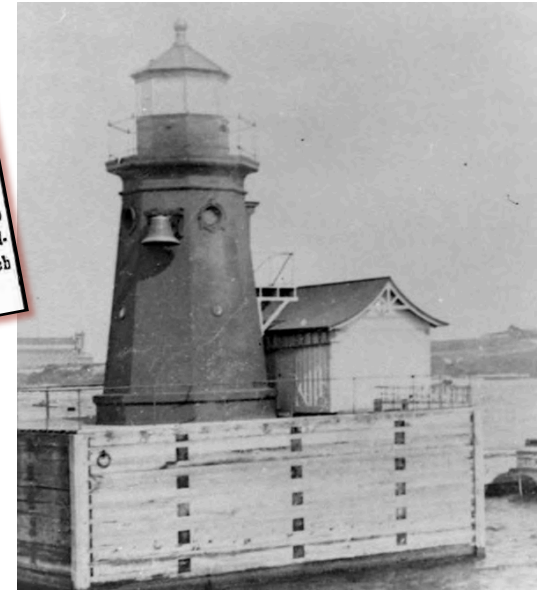
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“Many a ride I had out to the old lighthouse and went up there to sit. My father would make us sit down on the tug, because if we didn’t he said that the fish will grab you, and they won’t even chew you. They’ll just swallow you whole. Well, we’d sit down, just like a kitten would, not even stir, and we’d go in the lighthouse. You got to climb up four big flights of stairs. And they’re straight, like that. “The steps are free”, one of them would holler. Up we’d go. Then coming down we didn’t walk. We’d sit on the steps and slide down. We’d get a bump on the backside every time. We’d come home with our drawers and skirts black as tar. My mother would say “Where were you, to that lighthouse again?” She’d take the stick and give us a couple of wallops to the backside. We paid no attention to that, you know. We were gone again the next week! Oh, you don’t know what fun we had in our younger days. That was fun for us. The lighthouse had a great big bell, and it used to ring right on time. If we wanted to set our clock, we’d wait until noon. It would strike twelve times.”

A small tug boat, called the Major Dana has been placed on the Oswego Canal to tow boats between Phoenix and Mud Lock, where the tow path is overflowed.

The tug boat Page run into and sunk a canal boat in the river Wednesday night. The canal boat was loaded with railroad iron and also had on board 48 hogheads of sugar, which will probably prove a total loss.

Above: The Oswego Daily  
Palladium, May 22, 1857,  
page 3



Oswego Harbor inner break wall and light house



<http://www.oswego-history.com/historic-oswego-pictures/>



## U.S. Census, Oswego, 1880

1. How old was Carrie in 1880? What year was she born?
2. How many people were in Carrie's family?
3. What was Carrie's father's name?
4. What did he do for a living?
5. What do you think was the relationship between William Scott and Joseph Scott?
6. Who was the youngest member of the Scott family?  
How old was that person at the time of the census?
7. Who were Carrie's siblings in 1880?

U.S. Census, Oswego, 1880

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NAMES.	SEX.	AGE.	Color.	NAMES.	SEX.	AGE.	Color.
Scott William	M	24		Shannon Margaret	F	62	
Plora	F	22		Cornelius	M	24	
Carrie	F	4		Bridget	F	23	
Jessie	F	2		Rosella	F	2	
Kate	F	7		William J.	M	12	
Joseph	M	41		Leonia	F	31	
Ruth	F	40		Veruton John	M	28	
Vinnie	F	12		Mary	F	26	
Edna	F	9		George	M	7	
				Ellie	F	4	
				Ester	F	2	
				Lizzie	F	12	
				Dora Margaret	F	52	
Stevens Caroline	F	67		Smith James	M	24	
Sharon Mary	F	38		Smith Patrick	M	54	
William Kathleen	F	62		Smith William	M	24	
Kenneth	M	31		Jacob	M	25	
Milton	M	28		Robert	M	6	
Sydney	M	26		William J.	M	2	
Tulliver John	M	17		Peter	M	44	
Katie	F	23		Matthew	M	45	
				Honora	F	48	
				Philip	M	24	
Straight H. H.	M	34		John	M	21	
Emma	F	20		Ellie	F	18	
William	M	72		Edward	M	12	
Snyder Henry R.	M	48		Peter	M	10	
Jane	F	45		Mathew	M	5	
Charles	M	16		Andrew	M	5	
John	M	9		Thomas	M	4	
Mary	F	7		Joseph	M	58	
Jenny	F	7		Bridget	F	56	

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1. What were some of Carrie Dietz's jobs?
2. How much money was she paid per hour?
3. What cleaning equipment was hard to get and expensive at that time?
4. How is the way Carrie Dietz washed her windows different from the way windows are washed today?
5. Is Carrie Dietz describing how she cleaned her own house or someone else's?
6. Who do you think cleaned Carrie Dietz's house?

## Carrie Dietz

### An Oral History Interview

Oral history is a record of things that happened in the past told by someone who remembered them. In 1975 Carrie Dietz, who was almost 100 years old, talked about cleaning houses in Oswego in the 1800's. How was house cleaning different years ago?

*Carrie Dietz: "Years ago the people that could afford it didn't have carpets or rugs on their floors. Was hardwood floors. They were scrubbed once a week. Take a big bar of soap and rub it on your brush. Scrub a square path and wipe that. Move over and do the other..."*

*"I went to work by the day, cleaning house. A dollar for ten hours work. Wash and scrub the floors. Wash and iron, wash windows...Put a little alcohol in the water. Oh, they shine beautiful. And a sponge if you can get a hold of one. Sponges are awfully dear. If you can't, get a nice soft piece of towel...you ain't got to have no soap or soap suds and oh your windows will shine."*

Interviewed by Dr. Judy Wellman with Carrie Dietz, 1975.



## Women at Work in the 1800's

In her oral history, Carrie Dietz talks about washing clothes. She had no washing machine and got up at 4 o'clock in the morning to start the laundry. To get clothes clean, she rubbed them on a washboard in a tub of suds, then rinsed them twice. NOTE: These images are not of Carrie Dietz.



Photographer: Frank Meadow Sutcliffe, Two women washing clothes, c. 1905



**English:** Woman handwashing clothes on the veranda of a house, 1902-1904 Young woman washing clothes by hand in a wooden basin on a washstand with a washboard and wringer. This image is of [Australian](#) origin and is now in the [public domain](#) because its term of copyright has expired. [https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:StateLibQld\\_1\\_70375\\_Woman\\_handwashing\\_clothes\\_on\\_the\\_veranda\\_of\\_a\\_house,\\_1902-1904.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:StateLibQld_1_70375_Woman_handwashing_clothes_on_the_veranda_of_a_house,_1902-1904.jpg)

1. What equipment are the women using to wash clothes? How do the women use this equipment?
2. If you were one of these women, what do you think you might be talking about as you wash clothes?
3. Compare this method to today's method of washing clothes. How has it changed?



# Directory

*Carroll Dietz house: 244*  
EAST SIXTH STREET

*E. 6th: Between Hamilton + Banner St*

334

Left Right

- 25 Anderson Charles H
- 26 Ulton Catherine Mrs
- 27 Brown Mary G Mrs
- 29 Ball Hiram J
- 30 Lloyd Harry
- O'Connor Catherine
- 31 Donovan Patrick
- 33 Lothridge Charles E
- 34 Galloway J Albert
- 35 Heagerty Daniel
- 37 Stanley William H—1
- McCune Merle—2
- 38 Clark Eliza Mrs—1
- Cooper Harriet P Mrs—2
- Murray Thomas D
- 39 Donoghue Charles H
- 41 Gillen Edward P
- 42 Harman Albert M
- 44 Rowe Louis J—1
- Bennett Charlotte E Mrs—2
- 45 McGinn Alice
- 46 Gaffney Charles E

E CAYUGA ST CROSSES

- 49 Areal Lillian Mrs
- 50 Buck Guy E
- 51 Ensworth Horace B veterinarian
- 52 Rose Lee E
- 53 McCloskey Catherine Mrs
- 54 Bough James J
- 55 Dore James E—1
- Lang Albert H—2
- 56 Walpole Robert B
- McLaughlin Frank A
- 57 Dietz Richard H
- Kane William H
- 59 Rogers Josephine E Mrs
- Brunswick Frederick L
- 61 Sherman Clayton L
- 62 Farrell Frank P
- 63 Brown William H
- 64 Carey Timothy J
- 65 Kelly Paul F
- 66 Munroe George L undertaker
- Munroe C Elizabeth Mrs
- 68 Oswego Motor Co

E BRIDGE ST CROSSES

- 79 Gray George N vulcanizing
- 80 Cadman Agnes Mrs
- 81 Todd Jesse S
- 82 Tully John R
- 83 Carlton Martin W—1
- Cullivan John H—2
- 84 Halladay Arthur H whol confec-  
tionery
- 85 Dunn Edward F
- 86 Knauss Joseph W osteopath
- 87 Flowers Arthur W
- 88 Cordingley John E
- 89 O'Connor Lillian F Mrs
- 90 Mitchell Jennie D Mrs—1
- Stone Jennie B Mrs—2
- 91 Benson Frank S
- 92 Passmore Frank E
- 94 Gokey Arthur

E ONEIDA ST CROSSES

- 101 Turner Benjamin C
- 103 Flanigan John E

Left Right

- 105 Carey James M
- 106 Hart Arthur D
- 108 O'Gorman Mary S
- 110 Mongin Walter J
- 114 Dalrymple Ward H
- E MOHAWK ST CROSSES
- 130 Kennedy Charles E
- Heilig Henry P
- 132 Seanlon Patrick J
- 133 Terrott Vincent L
- 136 Hoyt Anna A Mrs
- 138 Turney Lester G
- 146 Lemm Gordon A—1
- Hall Emerette M
- Diment James S—2
- Brady George F

E UTICA ST CROSSES

- 150 Irwin Theodore
- 157 Cleaver George H
- 159 Hitchcock Helen L Mrs
- 163 Barry Kathleen
- 165 Stowell Emerson H
- 168 Gaylord Martha A Mrs
- Schaffer John W
- 171 Danio George E

E ALBANY ST CROSSES

- 172 Kelsey Robert Seeley
- 173 Marsden Mary Mrs
- 175 Benzing Herbert L
- 176 Merriam Forest J
- 177 Saisselin Numa J
- 178 Schulz Emily
- 179 Vacant
- 180 Nash Roger G—1
- Walsh Lloyd J—2
- 181 Brown Nellie
- 182 Doyle Harvey
- 183 Erick Sidney A
- Shelden Edmund P
- 184 Chestnut Robert
- 185 Bough Charles E
- 187 Hubbard Helen M
- 188 Schermerhorn E May
- 189 Walsh Thomas J roofer
- 190 Wegner Albert C
- 191 McCaffrey William A

LAWRENCE ST CROSSES

- 199 StPaul's Lutheran Church
- 200 Hall James B
- 202 Roland Joseph W
- 203 Reumann Gustave J Rev
- 204 Bough Clara F
- 205 Trudeau Joseph L F
- 206 O'Connor Daniel
- 207 Robertson George C
- 208 Longhway Joseph
- 209 Kane Michael
- 210 Geisel Frank H
- 211 Breitbeck Charles A
- 212 Donovan Daniel J
- 213 Sanders Carroll R
- 215 Covell Hubert
- 216 Carroll Elizabeth Mrs
- 217 Bough Catherine Mrs
- Moshier Frank H

CHURCH ST CROSSES

- 218 Reis Anna Mrs

EAST SIXTH ST

Left Right

- 219 O'Brien Julia C Mrs
- 220 Vickery Vernon E
- 221 Bowers Arthur
- 224 Wright Patrick C
- 225 Feeney Eleanor S Mrs
- 226 Speed Alfred
- 227 Saloga Gustave C
- 228 Larkin Samuel C
- 230 Robarge Frank W
- 231 McLaughlin Parnell
- 233 Ruttan Charles
- 234 Quirk Mary Mrs

HAMILTON ST CROSSES

- 236 Bingham Eleanor Mrs
- 237 Carroll Jane
- 238 Latour Bros truckmen
- Latour John H
- 239 Rodkevich Steven
- 244 Dietz Harry J
- 246 Godden Henry T
- 247 Moore Mary A
- 248 Buckley Michael J
- 249 Collins John
- 252 Croley James D cartman
- 253 Sumner Edwin C

BUNNER ST CROSSES

- 255 Maloney Katharine Mrs
- 258 Thompson George O
- Vacant
- 259 Godden Albert J
- 263 Peglow Karl R
- 267 Beale Joseph H
- 269

BURKLE ST BEGINS

SYRACUSE AV ENDS

EAST TENTH from Lake Ontario south  
to East Albany

Left Right

MERCER ST CROSSES

- 25 Goewey David J
- 26 Walker Joseph H
- 30 Killenbee Fred O
- 31 Goewey Alfred
- 33 Martin Harry H
- 35 Jessmore Fred
- 37 Vacant
- 38 Fairchild Duwain H
- Cusafulli John
- 41 Miano Giuseppe

MITCHELL ST CROSSES

- 56 Sheridan James T
- 57 Meiers Peter J
- 59 Kohr Clarence S
- 60 Barbera Giuseppe
- 61 Harrig Henry H
- 65 Colloca Sebastiano
- 67 Lupien George V
- 69 Pizzolo Vincenzo
- 71 Tremite Onofrio grocer

E VAN BUREN ST CROSSES

- 75 Barlow Arthur E
- 77 Cliff Carrie Mrs
- 81 Cortese Joseph
- 85 Biancavillo Bartholomew
- 87 Cortese Salvatore
- 88 Zuno Joseph
- State Road

EAST TENTH ST 335

Left Right

- 91 Galletta John
- 93 Vacant
- 94 Cortese Antonio
- N Y O & W R R CROSSES
- E SCHUYLER ST CROSSF
- 100 Famularo Bartolo
- 101 Zaia Joseph & Co masons' sup-  
plies
- 102 D'Alia Giuseppe
- 104 Famularo George
- 106 Biancavillo Domenico
- 107 Warren Elizabeth A Mrs
- 108 Donovan Daniel
- 109 Stancampiano Peter
- 110 Shaughnessy James F
- 111 Zaia Joseph

MARY ST BEGINS

- 112 Donovan James E
- 114 Askew William T
- 116 Hinman Frederick H
- 118 Donovan Catherine Mrs
- 119 Galletta Antonio—1
- Natalo Angelo—2
- 120 Collins John

E SENECA ST CROSSES

- 130 Vacant
- 132 Ferris Eliza A Mrs
- 133 Taldeboni George
- 134 DeCaire George A
- 137 Martini Salvatore
- 138 Wise Clayton D—1
- Cruze Frederick H—2
- 139 See Frank A
- 140 Economy Mfg Works tool mfrs
- 142 Rano Giuseppe
- 144 Rodriguez Frank

E CAYUGA ST CROSSES

FITZHUGH PARK

- 148 Millis Charles L
- 150 Galbraith Frank S
- 152 Vickery Jesse T
- 154 Steinberg Jason E
- 156 Lilly Ruth Mrs
- 158 Pero Raymond W
- 160 Lester Jay B
- 162 Best Ice Cream Co

E BRIDGE ST CROSSES

- 173 Lester Kenneth E
- 174 Walker Giles F
- 175 O'Malley James A G
- 177 Cuyler John J
- 179 Victory William H
- 181 Doyle John T
- 184 Blunt Ernest
- 185 Masuicca Nazarene
- 186 DuBois Herbert S
- 187 Doyle John T blacksmith

E ONEIDA ST CROSSES

- 200 O'Hara George T
- 201 Stone Laura

CATHARINE ST CROSSES

- 212 McDonald Bertha Mrs
- 214 Feeley Daniel E
- 218 King Frank F
- 220 Thompson George L

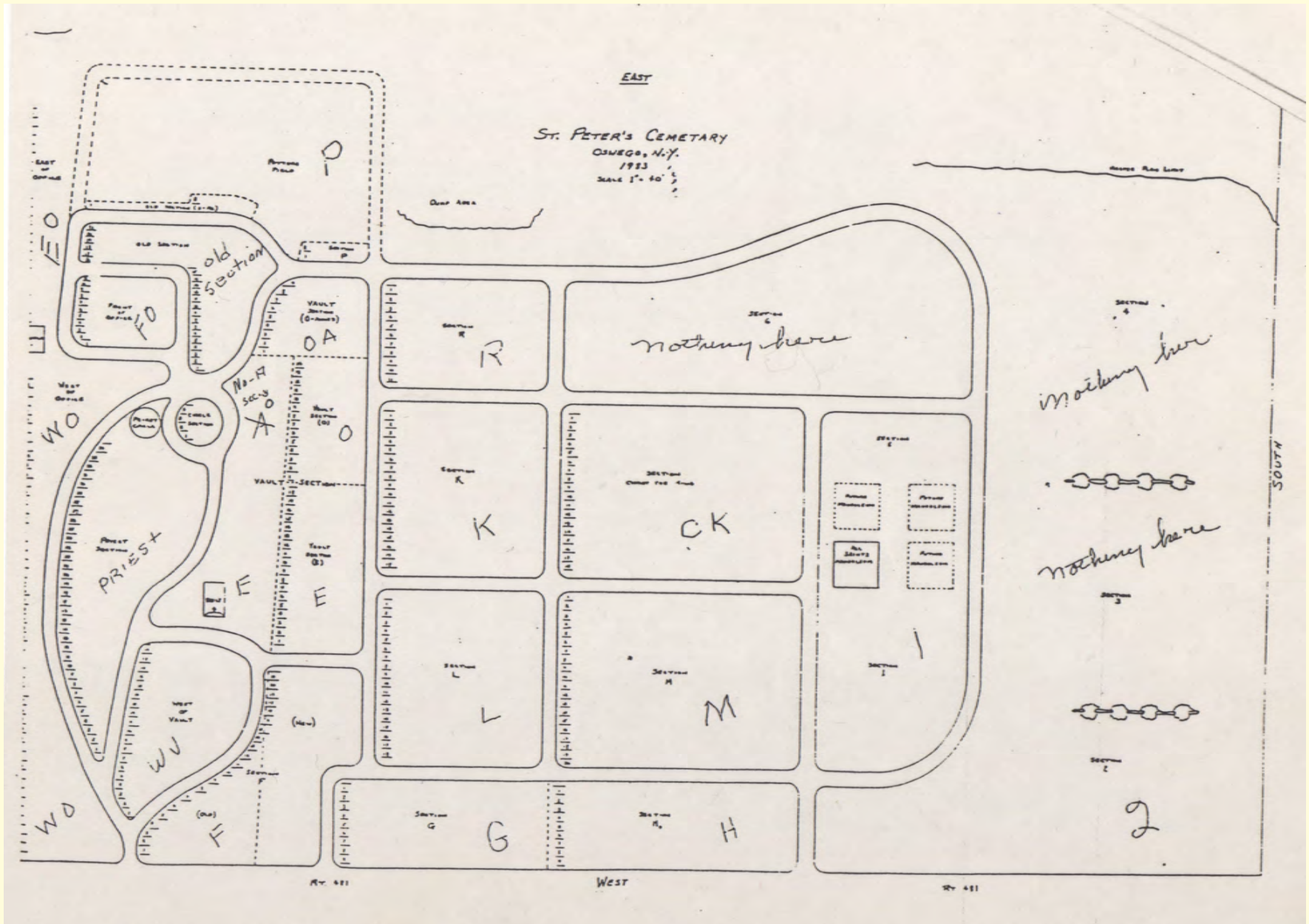
# Cemetery Listing

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Shirley	b 1925 - blank	
DEL BROCCO		Sec CK
*Lawrence J.	NY, Tec 5, Quarter Master Corps WW II	b Mar 22 1915 - d Jan 12 1968
Antoinette L.		b 1919 - blank
DELISLE		Sec CK
*Joseph L.	RI, Sgt, US Marine Corps WW II	b Jun 6 1920 - d Mar 25 1969 (no flag)
*Teresa B.	S1, US navy	b 1923 -d 1992 (no flag)
DE STEVENS		Sec CK
Jack		b 1894 - d 1967
Angelina		b 1902 - d 1975
DE STEVENS		Sec CK
James C.		b 1920 - blank
Eileen L.		b 1921 - d 1968
DIETZ		Sec CK
Carrie C.		<sup>1876</sup> b <del>1874</del> - d 1978
DIFFLEY		Sec CK
Michael J.		b 1907 - blank
Dorothy A.		b 1906 - blank
DI GAETANO		Sec CK
*Sebastian Benny	Pfc, US Army WW II	b 1914 - d 1989
Mary M.		b 1921 - blank
DILLABOUGH		Sec CK
Clayton O.		b 1908 - d 1972
Virginia MICHALSKI, his wife		b 1916 - blank
DIMENT		Sec CK
*Louis F.	NY, Cpl, Quartmaster Corps WW I	b Apr 1 1892 - d May 31 1967
Bernice M.		b 1915 - d 1981
DIMENTO		Sec CK
Domenica 'Maggie'		b 1901 - blank
DI MIERO		Sec CK
*Angelo P.	NY, 1st Sgt, US Army WW II	b Jun 29 1913 - d Oct 6 1973
Mary		b 1919 - blank
DOBROWSKY		Sec CK
*Walter		b 1911 - d 1974



# Cemetary Plan





## May 15, 1978 Obituary

May 15, 1978  
Mrs. Carrie Dietz  
Mrs. Carrie Dietz, formerly of 244 E. Sixth St., died Sunday at an area nursing home.  
Born in Oswego, she was the daughter of William and Flora Green Scott, and was a communicant of St. Peter's Church.  
Surviving are a son, George Dietz of Oswego; two grandsons, Richard Dietz of Oswego and Harry Dietz of Fulton, and four great-grandchildren.  
Services will be private with burial in St. Peter's Cemetery. There will be no calling hours.  
Arrangements are by the Dowdle Funeral Home.



# City Directories

## 1880

### Cooling Fountains and Pleasant Lawns, at Doolittle House.

OSWEGO CITY DIRECTORY.

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Schumann Frederick, cooper, Duer bet Church and Bunner  
 Scott Ellen, wid William, Water bet Schuyler and Van Buren  
 Scott Harriet, wid, bds cor E Third and Utica  
 Scott James, laborer, Front bet Van Buren and Schuyler  
 Scott James, laborer, W Schuyler nr Fifth ave  
 Scott James, jr., bds W Schuyler cor Fifth ave  
 Scott James, lake captain, 160 W Seneca  
 Scott John, laborer, Front bet Van Buren and Schuyler  
 Scott Joseph, laborer, Front bet Van Buren and Schuyler  
 Scott James, laborer, 5 Bronson  
 Scott Mary A., wid Walter, (Scott & Nesbitt), dry dock, Oswego canal, foot Cochrane, h 131 E Second  
 Scott Robert, mate, 18 W Seventh  
 Scott Robert, physician and surgeon, cor W Third and Cayuga, h do  
 Scott Robert, sailor, cor W Seneca and Liberty [Cayuga  
 Scott Robert C., accountant and stenographer, bds W Third and  
 Scott R. J., agent for Mary A. Scott, dry dock, Oswego canal, foot Cochrane, bds 131 E Second  
 Scott Samuel, blacksmith, 226 W Third  
Scott William, engineer, 81 W Fifth  
 Scott & Nesbitt, (Mary A. Scott, W. Nesbitt), dry dock, Oswego canal, foot Cachrane

### Ladies' Cloakings at Cordon's, cor. W. First & Bridge.

Scriba Hotel, (Charles Daus, prop.), 63 E Bridge  
 Scribner William W., confidential clerk, Ellen nr W Third  
 Scruton John, drayman, 96 W Schuyler  
 Scruton Robert, saloon, 158 Water, h 47 W Eighth  
 Sculley Christopher J., bds 197 W Eighth  
 Sculley Edward, plumbing, etc., 109 E First, bds 197 W Eighth  
 Sculley House, (Patrick Sculley, prop.), 28 W Utica  
 Sculley James, W Eighth bet Niagara and Erie  
 Sculley James, jr., boot and shoe shop, cor W Fourth and Utica, bds 197 W Eighth  
 Sculley Johanna, dressmaker, bds 197 W Eighth  
 Sculley Michael, bds 197 W Eighth  
 Sculley Patrick, prop. Sculley House, 28 W Utica, bds 197 W Eighth  
 Sculley see Scully  
 Scullion Mary A., dressmaker, bds 112 E Bridge  
 Scullion Michael F., helper, bds 112 E Bridge  
 Scullion Peter, laborer, 112 E Bridge  
 Scully Annie, employe Conde's knitting factory, bds cor E Fifth and Hamilton  
 Scully John, laborer, cor E Fifth and Hamilton  
 Scully Thomas, laborer, nr cor E Sixth and Church  
 Scully William, laborer, bds cor E Fifth and Hamilton  
 Scully see Sculley

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1884

### The Doolittle House is Unsurpassed for its Airy and Slightly Rooms.

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Scott Samuel W., blacksmith, h 332 W Third  
 Scott William M., capt., h cor Lake and W Fourth  
 Scott William T., laborer, bds 253 W Schuyler  
 Scott & Nesbitt, dry dock, (Mary A. Scott, William Nesbitt,) office and dock nr Lower dam  
 Scoughton Harvey, bds 166 E Second  
 Scribner Esther, wid Wm. W., h 58 Ellen  
 Scruton John, laborer, h 227 W Seneca  
 Scruton Robert, prop. Star restaurant, 150 Water, h 75 W Eighth  
 Sculley Bridget, h 237 E Fifth  
 Sculley Christopher J., (Sculley & Sweeney,) h 261 W Eighth  
 Sculley Edward, (Sculley & Cusick,) h 59 Murray  
 Sculley Hellen, bds 237 E Fifth  
 Sculley Henry, miller, bds 220 E Sixth  
 Sculley John, h 237 E Fifth  
 Sculley Thomas, clerk, bds 237 E Fifth  
 Sculley Thomas, laborer, h 220 E Sixth  
 Sculley William, grocer, bds 237 E Fifth [109 E First  
 Sculley & Cusick, (Edward Sculley, Frank Cusick,) sanitary engineers,  
 Sculley & Sweeney, (Christopher J. Sculley, William Sweeney,) [liquors, 206 W First  
 Sculley see Scully  
 Scullion Delia C., bds 176 E Bridge

### Oil Cloths and Window Shades, at Massey & DeForest's.

Scullion James, laborer, bds 176 E Bridge  
 Scullion John, laborer, bds 176 E Bridge  
 Scullion Mary A., bds 176 E Bridge  
 Scullion Michael, stone cutter, bds 147 E Bridge  
 Scullion Peter, laborer, h 176 E Bridge  
 Scully James, boot and shoemaker, 51 W Utica, h 262 W Seventh  
 Scully James, laborer, h 261 W Eighth  
 Scully Patrick, bds 261 W Eighth  
 Scully see Sculley  
 Seafeld August, carpenter, h 35 Catharine  
 Seamens Jefferson M., tel. operator, h 132 W Fifth  
 Seamans Nancy A., wid James, h 42 E Bridge, (up stairs)  
 Seaman's Union, Oswego Branch, 99 Water, (up stairs)  
 Seamans Wolfgang, machinist, h 31 Catharine  
 Seares Charles, laborer, bds 268 Syracuse ave  
 Searor John, carpenter, h 232 Canal  
 Searor John, laborer, h 185 E First  
 Searor Theophilus, boatman, h 247 E Eighth  
 Sears David, blacksmith, h 43 E Eighth [Shore Hotel  
 Sears Will C., clerk R W & O R R, general auditing dept., bds Lake  
 Second National Bank, (Leonard Ames, President, George B. Sloan,  
 Vice-President, Henry R. Carrier, Cashier,) 88 E First

### Tapestries, Felts and Plushes, at Kingsford's.



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**H. D. FISHER,** SILVERWARE, STERLING SILVER AND NOVELTIES 7 W. BRIDGE ST.

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Ryan Andrew laborer house 362 Walnut  
 " Andrew mason house 15 West Ninth  
 " Anna E millhand boards 244 East Ninth  
 " A Helen millhand boards 312 West Fifth  
 " Barbara millhand boards 244 East Ninth  
 " Bridget housekeeper boards 30 East Albany  
 " Daniel house 195 West Seventh  
 " Daniel D teamster 221 East Eleventh house do  
 " Eva M bookkeeper 155 West Fifth boards 15 West Ninth  
 " Frances millhand boards 126 West Cayuga  
 " Hannah widow Patrick house 239 West Eighth  
 " Hugh J car inspector house 69 Liberty  
 " James watchman Diamond Match Co house 16 West Fourth  
 " James Est boots and shoes 160 West First  
 " James W polisher boards 16 West Fourth  
 " Johanna widow Patrick house 244 East Ninth  
 " John house 30 East Albany  
 " John H machinist N Y C R R shops house 37 West Ninth  
 " John L boilermaker house 156 East Eighth  
 " Josie domestic 67 West Schuyler  
 " Julia widow Daniel house 219 West Eighth  
 " Mary E bookkeeper boards 15 West Ninth  
 " Susan widow John boards 416 West Fifth  
 " Susanna widow John house 416 West Fifth  
 " Thomas J clerk N Y C & H R R shops boards 156 E Eighth  
 " William J helper boards 15 West Ninth  
 " William P clerk 88 East First boards 244 East Ninth  
 Rybarczyk Anna housekeeper 104 East First

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Sabin Albert A house 152 East Fifth  
 " Frederick A painter boards 181 East Second  
 " Jessie M moved to Fulton  
 " Nancy widow Albert B house 181 East Second  
 " Nellie E milliner 109 East First boards 181 East Second  
 Sadler Anthony I brakeman D L & W R R boards 5 Ontario  
 " Elizabeth teacher (Fulton) boards 5 Ontario  
 " Elizabeth widow Edward house 5 Ontario  
 " Frank sailor boards 5 Ontario  
 " James laborer boards 5 Ontario  
 " Thomas H fireman boards 5 Ontario  
 Sager William foreman house 298 West Second  
 ST FRANCIS HOME (Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum) Syracuse  
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Sabin Albert A house 152 East Fifth  
 " Fidelia house 103 East Fourth  
 " Frederick A painter boards 181 East Second  
 " Leon foreman boards 85 East Bridge  
 " Nancy widow Albert B house 181 East Second  
 " Nellie E boards 181 East Second  
 Sadler Anthony I blacksmith N Y C R R boards 5 Ontario  
 " Carrie house 101 East First  
 " Elizabeth teacher (Fulton) boards 5 Ontario  
 " Elizabeth widow Edward house 5 Ontario  
 " Frank sailor boards 5 Ontario  
 " James laborer boards 5 Ontario  
 " Thomas H fireman boards 5 Ontario  
 Sager William foreman house 341 West Third  
 StAmand Alfred carpenter boards 7 East Seventh  
 " Fred carpenter house 54 East Schuyler  
 " Maxime carpenter house 7 East Seventh  
 ST FRANCIS HOME (Roman Catholic Orphan Asyl. m) Syracuse  
 av cor Burrelle  
 St John August laborer house 8 Mitchell  
 " Charles driver boards 218 East Tenth  
 " Corinne milliner boards 218 East Tenth  
 " Florence boards 74 East Tenth-and-a-half  
 " Mary Mrs boards 105 East Fourth  
 " John laborer house 74 East Tenth-and-a-half  
 " Joseph A carpenter 142 West Second house 218 East Tenth  
 " Moses died Sept 1 1908  
 " Olive boards 218 East Tenth  
 St Marie Blanche milliner boards 117 East Eighth  
 St Mary's Convent 70 West Sixth  
 St Onge Mary milliner boards 171 West Cayuga  
 St Paul's Convent 115 East Fifth  
 St Thomas Louis carpenter house 184 East Fifth  
 Sairs Russell M car inspector N Y C R R shops house 85 Ontario  
 Salei Joseph blacksmith house 11 Herrick  
 Salisbury Allie boards 66 West Mohawk  
 " Bert trainman N Y O & W R R boards 50 East Fifth  
 Salladin Alfred (A Salladin & Sons) 52 W Bridge bds 116 W Eighth  
 " Anthony died May 8 1909  
 " Anthony jr house 94 West Cayuga  
 SALLADIN A & SONS (Alfred and Dewitt C) marble and granite  
 works 52 West Bridge  
 " Charles A marble cutter 52 West Bridge house 188 do  
 " Dewitt C (A Salladin & Sons) boards 116 West Eighth  
 " Pauline E widow Anthony house 116 West Eighth



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## 1918

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Desmore Albert J fireman house 203 West Bridge  
 " Clarence D laborer house 230 East Tenth  
 " Isaac M foreman Standard Oil Co house 224 W Bridge  
 Devendorf Emma E teacher (Golverville) boards 7 Moore  
 " Mary S widow John M house 7 Moore  
 Devine Lawrence laborer boards New Ontario Hotel  
 " Nicholas H blacksmith house 41 East Ninth  
 Devitt Andrew car inspector N Y C house 144 East Seneca  
 " Michael J clerk Ames Iron Works boards 144 East Seneca  
 " William L boards 144 East Seneca  
 Dewey Alice boards 270 W Seneca  
 " Edward S brakeman N Y C boards 81 Niagara  
 " Ellen widow Charles house Ash near West Fifth  
 " Henry H boilermaker boards Ash near West Fifth  
 " James L car repairer boards 270 West Seneca  
 " Thomas M carpenter house 278 West Fifth  
 Dewine Thomas N insurance house 217 East Seventh  
 Dewitt Frank removed to Cleveland Ohio  
 Dexter C Emory gardener house 81 Liberty  
 " Earl J carpenter boards 152 West Seneca  
 " Edwin N motorman E S R R house 134 West Bridge  
 " George D produce 152 West Seneca house do  
 Dinuto Domenico laborer house 154 1/2 East Seneca  
 Diamond Match Co The, Clair K Light manager match mfrs Lib-  
 erty foot Bronson  
 Dibelsi Giuseppe matchmaker house 141 W VanBuren  
 Dibiany Jonah E driver house 213 West Seneca  
 DiCastro Tomasso laborer house 189 Liberty  
 Dick Robert bookkeeper foot W Schuyler house 111 East Oneida  
 Dickerman Elizabeth M music teacher 114 East Fifth boards do  
 " Lydia widow Samuel D house 114 East Fifth  
 Dickson Frank H supt 121 West First house 34 West Third  
 " Frederick J craneman boards 187 East Eleventh  
 " Minnie Mrs house 187 East Eleventh  
 Dietz Anna E widow James H house 137 West Schuyler  
 " Charles D sawyer house 55 West Eighth  
 " Florence M stenographer 12 E Bridge room 6 bds 58 East Sixth  
 " George M laborer house 246 East Sixth  
 " Harold J machinist boards 137 West Schuyler  
 " Harry J car repairer house 244 East Sixth  
 " Joseph L blacksmith N Y C car shops house 26 West Fourth  
 " Marie S widow Julius house 48 West Eighth  
 " Richard H bartender 119 West Second house 58 East Sixth  
 " Thomas H blacksmith N Y C shops house 254 West Fifth  
 Diggins Thomas H Mrs boards 102 West First  
 Dilisi Francesco laborer boards 229 West Fifth  
 Dillabough James T electrician house 147 West Mohawk  
 " William H house 147 West Mohawk  
 Dillon Peter cooper house 115 West Fourth  
**DIME BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION**, Chauncey C Place  
 pres, Webb G Cooper sec 153 West Second—See line front  
 cover  
 Dimeiro Fred died Jan 1916 age 20  
 " Julius matchmaker boards 117 West Mohawk  
 " Nicholas laborer house 117 West Mohawk  
 Diment Charlotte L widow Horace D house 79 East Mohawk  
 " Grace E teacher (N Y city) res 79 East Mohawk  
 " James S (Priscilla) asst mgr (Minetto) house 146 East Sixth  
 " Samuel (Concetta) grocer 71 East Ninth house do  
 Dimento Giuseppe (Maggie) laborer house 81 East Tenth-and-a-  
 half  
 " Modeste (Frances) laborer house 130 West VanBuren  
 Dimiere Jennie Mrs house 13 Liberty  
 DiMoria Angelo (Mary) laborer house 150 West Utica  
 Dingman Andrew (Florida) laborer house 100 East First  
 " Ella house 278 Duer

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Dewey  
 " Ellen Mrs res 81 Niagara  
 " Ellen widow Charles house 2 Clark  
 " Henry H boilermaker house Ash nr West Fifth  
 " James L (Alice) car repairer house 12 Lathrop  
 " Thomas M (Alice) brakeman N Y C house 278 West Fifth  
 Dewine Gerald L carrier P O res 217 E Seventh  
 " Helen M student res 217 East Seventh  
 " John B student res 217 East Seventh  
 " Lawrence lieutenant U S M C res 217 East Seventh  
 " Paul F (Florence A) machinist house 5 Church  
 " Rosemary M student res 217 East Seventh  
 " T Joseph machinist res 217 East Seventh  
 " Thomas N (Mary C) insurance house 217 East Seventh  
 DeWitta Harriet shoemaker res 56 West Third  
 Dexter C Emory caretaker 188 West Second house 190 West  
 Fourth  
 " Earl J (Olive) chauffeur house 145 East Ninth  
 " George D (Ella) produce 113 West Cayuga house do  
 " Gladys teacher res 190 West Fourth  
 " Glenn D (Velma O) truckman house 258 West Bridge  
 " John B (Ellen) meat market (Fulton) res 90 Varick  
**DIAMOND MATCH CO** The Claire K Light vice pres and mgr  
 match mfrs Liberty and Lake Tel 100  
 DiBelles Ralph (Angeline) millhand (Minetto) res 83 East Ninth  
 DiCecio Vincent (Margaret) police 218 West First house 191 West  
 Sixth  
 Dick Agnes M Mrs matron Oswego Orphan Asylum 132 Ellen h  
 at Scriba  
 " Robert (Mary J) bookkeeper 1 Front ft West Schuyler h 67  
 East Fifth  
 Dickerman Elizabeth M teacher music 114 East Fifth house do  
 " Lydia K widow Samuel died Oct 21 1925 age 86  
 Dickson Frederick J craneman res 187 East Eleventh  
 " Mildred M removed to Rochester  
 " Minnie widow Frederick house 187 East Eleventh  
 Diefendorf Nellie M sec Oswego Abstract Co 3 Second National  
 Bank bldg  
 Diets Anna E widow James H house 137 West Schuyler  
 " Charles D (Lottie L) sawyer house 55 West Eighth  
 " Florence M recorder County clerk's office res 58 East Sixth  
 " Harold (Catherine) machinist house 127 West Schuyler  
 " Harry J (Caroline L) caretaker house 244 East Sixth  
 " Joseph L (Arletta M) inspector house 24 West Fourth  
 " Lois M stenographer res 137 West Schuyler  
 " Richard H (Elizabeth) attendance officer dept of education  
 City Hall house 58 East Sixth  
 " Thomas H blacksmith house 245 West Fifth  
 " Thomas J student res 24 West Fourth  
 DiFasi Antonio (Jennie) laborer house 111 East Seneca  
 Diggins Veronica Mrs cook res 102 West First  
 Digraci Frank (Mary) matchmaker house 145 West Schuyler  
 Dillabough Carrie S widow James T house 147 West Mohawk  
 " William H (Ella) machine opr house 147 West Mohawk  
 Dillon Peter (Nora) cooper house 93 West Seneca  
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Notes from interviews:

(m. 1894) Carrie and Harry Dietz

|  
George Dietz (deceased)

|                      |  
Richard              Harry

|  
Carol

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(5/18/98) Jaclyn Scaccia (4<sup>th</sup> grade student, Mrs. Burgess' class, '97-98

3/12/99: Richard Dietz works at Fitz Hugh Elementary as a second shift custodian

Notes from interviews:

Carrie and Mr. Sadler married 1894 or 1895

|  
Mary Sadler Ensworth (4 children)

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1 2 3              4= Francis Ensworth

|  
Virginia Ensworth Perrone

|  
Michael Perrone (Student of Beck's '92-93)

\*In her oral history, Carrie said she was 18 when she first got married. (1894?)

\*Carrie was great, great, great grandmother of Michael Perrone