McGEE

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McGee, an Ulster name, originally MacGee and often written Magee of Scottish extraction, having come to Ireland in early 17th century. The name is also associated with County Antrim, because of the large isthmus on the east of Lough Larne, territory at one time in possession of Magee.

Bartholomew McGee born c. 1805 Ireland may be the Bartholomew McGee who appears on a Tithe Applotment Book, Tyrone, Donaghmore, Annabellisagart, Ireland in 1826. Bartholomew married Alice McDonald who had first m. a Clark, widow, b. perhaps c. 1811 Ireland and the mother of Catherine Clark b. Jan 1838 Ireland. They removed from Ireland to Northumberland County, England and settled at Morpeth and Bedlington. This area saw a large influx of Irish immigrants who removed there to labor in the coal mines. In the 1851 census enumeration, Bartholomew, age 28, coal miner; Alice, wife, age 49; Mary, daughter, age 3, born Morpeth; Charles, son, age 2, born Bedlington; and Maria Ormsby, niece, single, age 19, born Ireland, were enumerated at Bedlington, Morpeth, Northumberland, England. Mary's birth is unrecorded in Morpeth birth indexes at Morpeth registrar's office. Charles's birth is recorded as 31 Oct 1850 Bedlington.

They were enumerated at Bell’s Place, Bedlington in 1861. Bartholomew (enumerated as Barnard) was age 50 and Alice was age 53, both born Ireland, Bartholomew a laborer. No children in the household, but there was a Walker and a Conner family boarding with them.

Bartholomew and Alice emigrated from England in July 1869 and arrived at New York in the same month (Naturalization record of Bartly McGee filed Bradford County Courthouse). With them was their daughter Mary Harvey and her husband and children. Alice's daughter, Catherine Pearson and family had arrived a few years earlier. Bartholomew (signed as Bartly) applied for naturalization, 17 Mar 1873, native of Ireland, aged 68 years, stated that he emigrated from England in July 1869 and arrived in New York in July. He signed his name. Witness was William Pearson who had married Alice's daughter Catherine. Son in law, Roger Harvey applied for naturalization at the same time.

The family appears in the 1870 (13 Aug) census of Barclay township, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, Bartholomew, age 55, miner, and Alice, age 50, in household #30. Their daughter, Mary, was residing in household #29 with her family. A mountainous region in the southern portion of Bradford County of few inhabitants it was the last township created in the county, but had become the second most populous township by the 1870 census enumeration, due to the coal mines. Mining did not become an important industry until after the completion of the Barclay railroad in 1856, when the Barclay Coal Company took men and equipment to the mountain and began working the mines. In 1864 the Fall Creek Coal Company was organized and the first shipment made from the Fall Creek mines in 1865. The Carbon Run mines, operated by the Shredder Coal Company, were opened in 1874 and the Long Valley mines, operated by the Towanda Coal Company, in 1880. Barclay was at its best in 1875 when three mines, Barclay, Fall Creek and Carbon Run, were in operation, producing 380,000 tons of coal annually. There were five mining villages, Barclay, Fall Creek, Graydon, Dublin and Foot-of-Plane, besides Carbon Run on the line between Barclay and LeRoy. Barclay and Carbon Run, numbering several hundred inhabitants each, were the most important, with stores, shops, churches and schools. It was at Carbon Run that the McGee family resided. Bartholomew d. there 9 Oct 1876 and was buried in the Barclay Cemetery.

Alice, widowed, age 70, was residing with her daughter, Mary, and family in the 1880 census enumeration at Carbon Run, Barclay township, Bradford County, Pennsylvania. The mines at Carbon Run were closed in 1885 and the village deserted and dismantled. Alice perhaps removed to the village of Barclay with her daughter and family and d. 18 Sept 1888 perhaps at Barclay and was buried with Bartholomew.
Bartholomew and Alice are buried in the Catholic section of the Barclay Cemetery and the four-sided pillared monument reads:

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Pray for the soul of Bartholomew McGee who departed this life Oct. 9, 1876 aged 71 years
May his soul rest in peace. Amen

Alice McGee died Sep. 18, 1888 AE. 75 Ys. R.I.P.
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Known child of Alice and her first husband:

Children of Bartholomew and Alice McGee:

SECOND GENERATION

1. Catherine Clark b. Jan 1838 m. William Johnson b. 4 October 1832 baptised 17 Oct 1832 Bedlington, Northumberland County, England son of Ann Johnson, evidently a single or widowed woman as no husband appears on the parish baptism record. Family tradition states she was a widow who went out one morning to bring in a calf and fell into a hole or mine shaft and died and that William was adopted by a Pearson family. He was also said to have had a sister who retained the Johnson name. A search of the 1841 Bedlington census records reveals an Isaac Pearson, tinsmith, age 40, born Scotland and wife, Dorothy, age 40, not born this county, and William Pearson, age 8, born this county all in the same household. Isaac and Dorothy Pearson were a childless couple who took the young orphaned William Johnson into their household. The family was enumerated at Bedlington in 1851, Isaac age 59, tinsmith; born Whitehorn, Scotland; Dorothy, age 60, born Cresswell, Scotland; and William, age 18, born Bedlington. In Bedlington parish records Dorothy Pearson was buried 15 Nov 1861 age 73.

William Pearson, bachelor, miner, son of Isaac Pearson, miner, and Catharine McGee, spinster, daughter of Bartholomew McGee, miner, were married 20 December 1854 in the parish church, parish of St Nicholas, Newcastle on Tyne, England. William signed and Catharine signed by mark. Catherine McGee was born Catherine Clark Jan 1838 in Ireland. Her father died and her mother, Alice, married for her second husband, Bartholomew McGee, by whom she had children Mary and Charles. The McGee family resided at Bedlington, Morpeth, Northumberland, England. Catherine appears in most records as Catherine Clark, except for the marriage record where she is known by her stepfather's surname McGee.

The Pearson family resided at Fallbrook, Tioga County, Pennsylvania and are enumerated there in the 1870 federal census enumeration, his occupation being a coal miner. They removed to Barclay Township, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, a large coal mining area, where Catherine’s parents and sister were residing. William first appears on the 1874 assessment list of Barclay, miner, which was compiled in the fall of 1873. Both Bartholomew McGee and Roger Harvey applied for naturalization in Mar 1873 and William Pearson witnessed, filed Bradford County Courthouse, Towanda. William last appears on the 1877 assessment list of Barclay, compiled fall of 1876. Enumerated in Fallbrook, Tioga County in 1880. In the 1899 Tioga County Directory, William, miner, was residing at 14 Canton Street, Fallbrook borough. At this time the coal company closed and much of the population of the town removed from Fallbrook to neighboring Morris Run or other areas of the state. William, Catherine, and their daughter, Ella, removed to Anita, McCalmont Township, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania. Their children, John and William who were married and had children also removed to Anita. Enumerated at Anita in the 1900 federal census, William a mine laborer.

Catherine Clark Pearson died 5 Nov 1900 (Jefferson County death record) at Anita and was buried there. William Pearson removed to Ernest, Indiana County, Pennsylvania where he died.
William Pearson, aged 82 years, died on Tuesday evening of last week at the home of his son, William Pearson, Jr., of Ernest. The deceased, who was born in England, came to this country 51 years ago and for some time was employed as a miner in Tioga County, locating at Ernest when the coal plant was established. In addition to the son named above the following children survive him: Mrs. James Jones of Morris Run; Mrs. Clark Henry of Cumberland, Md.; Mrs. William Lewis and John Pearson of Windber; and Frank Pearson of Chicago. The remains were taken to Anita for interment (The Indiana Progress, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Wednesday, January 20, 1915).


William Pearson died 12 Jan 1915 (Pennsylvania death record). The cemetery record states 10 Jan. His obituary dated 20 January, Wednesday, would place his death at 12 Jan (died on Tuesday evening of last week). The name of his parents are not given on his death record. Further information from his death record gives his birth as 4 Oct 1832, died age 82 yrs 3ms 10ds of cerebral apoplexy, buried 15 Jan in Greenwood. Informant who supplied the information for the death record was William Pearson Jr.

On the 1900 census, Catherine Pearson was born Jan 1838 and her grave marker is inscribed 1837. Her age from other census records would place her birth at 1838 by calculation. On the 1900 census she was the mother of twelve children, seven living. Below are the nine known children of William and Catherine Pearson. Three other children died young.

child b. 1855 d. young.
Mary Ann Pearson b. 11 Sept 1858 bpt 10 Oct 1858 Bedlington.
Alice Pearson b. 5 Dec 1862 Bedlington d. at sea enroute to America.
Catherine Elizabeth Pearson b. 27 Oct 1864 Fallbrook, Tioga County, Pennsylvania.
William Clark Pearson b. 21 July 1866 Fallbrook bpt 14 May 1871 St Thomas Protestant Episcopal Church, Fallbrook.
child b. 1868 d. young.
Francis Johnson Pearson b. 5 May 1870 Fallbrook.
Alice Jane Pearson b. 3 May 1872 Fallbrook.
Ellen May Pearson b. 19 June 1875 Barclay.
child d. young.

For continuation of the Pearson family and photographs see separate file.

2. Mary McGee b. 5 Sept 1847 m. c. 1866 Roger Harvey b. May 1845 Ireland son of Patrick and Mary Harvey. They removed from England in July 1869 and arrived at New York the same month in company with her parents. In 1870 they were enumerated in Barclay township, Bradford County, Pennsylvania, Roger a coal miner. Roger applied for naturalization on 17 Mar 1873, native of Ireland, age 30, signed by mark (Bradford County). William Pearson who had married Mary's sister Catherine, witnessed. Residing Carbon Run, Barclay township in the 1880 census enumeration and perhaps removed to the village of Barclay in 1885 when the Carbon Run mines closed. Roger last appears on the 1887 (compiled fall of 1886) assessment list of Barclay, miner, with one cow. Roger appears in the 1899 directory of Tioga County, Pennsylvania, miner, residing at 11 Market Street, Arnot. Enumerated in Paint, Somerset County, Pennsylvania in 1900. In the 1900 census enumeration, Mary was the mother of thirteen children, ten living. Enumerated in Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania in 1910 with their five youngest living children in the household, Roger a watchman for a coal company, owning a house at 57 Osborne Street. In
the 1910 census enumeration, Mary was the mother of thirteen children, ten living. The 1910 census enumeration relates they emigrated in 1868. Enumerated in Bolivar, Fairfield Township, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in 1920, daughter Alice residing with them, Roger a caretaker for an office building and renting a house on Washington Street. The 1920 census enumeration relates they arrived in 1869. Resided Bolivar, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in Sept 1928. Roger d. 3 July 1929 85y 1m 21d (death certificate) Cleveland, Ohio and Mary d. 1 Nov 1929 (death certificate) Cleveland buried St. John Gualbert Cemetery, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Rodger Harvey, a former resident of Windber, died Wednesday at his home in Cleveland, where he spent the last 18 years. The deceased was formerly employed as a foreman by the Berwind-White Coal Mining Company, Windber. He was in his 86th year. Mr. Harvey is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary (McGee) Harvey, and the following children: John J. Harvey, Salt Lake City, Utah; B. A. Harvey, Fresno, Calif.; C. F. Harvey, Pittsburg; Mrs. A. H. McLean; Vera, wife of C. F. Douglass, and James S. Harvey, Cleveland; J. P. and T. F. Harvey and Anna, wife of W. H. Miller, Pittsburgh. Eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren survive. A son, Rodger, jr., died in 1913 at Windber. Funeral services were conducted this morning in one of the Cleveland Catholic churches. The body will arrive in the city this afternoon and will be taken direct from the train to St. John Gualbert’s Church Cemetery in Geistown (The Johnstown Tribune, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, Friday evening, July 5, 1929).

Mrs. Rodgers Harvey, Formerly of This City, Expires in Cleveland
Mrs. Mary McGee Harvey, widow of Rodgers Harvey and formerly of Johnstown and Windber, died yesterday at her home, 1382 East One-hundred-fifth street, Cleveland. Her husband’s death occurred July 3, 1929, in Cleveland. Mrs. Harvey is survived by the following children: John J., Salt Lake City, Utah; B. A. Harvey, Fresno, Calif.; C. F. Harvey, Pittsburgh; Mrs. A. H. McLean, Vera, wife of C. F. Douglass, and James S. Harvey, Cleveland; J. P. and T. F. Harvey and Anna, wife of W. H. Miller, Pittsburgh. Eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren survive. A son, Rodger Harvey, died in 1913 in Windber, age 37. The body of Mrs. Harvey will arrive in Johnstown on the 1:50 train Monday afternoon and will be taken direct to St. Gaulbert’s Catholic cemetery in Geistown (The Johnstown Democrat, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, Saturday, November 2, 1929).

8. Charles Francis Harvey b. 23 Nov 1872 Barclay.  
9. Mary Alice Harvey b. 26 Sept 1874 Barclay.  
10. Catherine Harvey b. Sent 1876 d. 10 Apr 1880 3y 7m buried Barclay Cemetery beside maternal grandparents. The 1880 mortality schedule relates she died in Apr of bronchitis.  
11. James Sylvester Harvey b. 2 Feb 1879 Barclay.  
14. Ellen Harvey b. Oct 1884 d. 18 Dec 1884 2m buried beside sister in Barclay Cemetery.  
This photograph was one of 38 photographs in the album of James Thomas Jones and Mary Ann Pearson and was identified as a son of Roger and Mary Harvey

THIRD GENERATION

4. John Joseph Harvey b. 28 Apr 1866 removed to Salt Lake City, Utah. Returned to Bradford County, Pennsylvania and m. 17 Jan 1895 at Towanda, Mary S. McMahon of Towanda b. 1 Mar 1869 Barclay, Bradford County, Pennsylvania daughter of John W. McMahon and Joanna Smith. Enumerated at Norfolk Avenue, Park City, Utah in 1900, silver and lead miner. Enumerated in Salt Lake City in 1910, residing at South 2nd West, grain merchant. Enumerated in Salt Lake City in 1930. Mary d. 24 Aug 1932 Salt Lake City. John d. 22 Oct 1941 Holy Cross Hospital, Salt Lake City of carcinoma, resident of 839 South 2nd West, custodian of Salt Lake City County building buried Mt Calvary Cemetery with Mary.

BART HARVEY. — One of the progressive business men in Fresno, and a merchant widely known for his straightforward ways and pleasing personality, is Bart Harvey, the proprietor of the leading clothing and gents’ furnishing store in Fresno, centrally located at the corner of J and Tulare Streets. He was born at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England, on April 19, 1874, the seat of many of the most interesting events in English history, and a town famous for its situation on the summit and declivities of three lofty eminences, rising from the north bank of the Tyne, about ten miles from its mouth. Amid the ancient piles of donjon-keeps and church spires, there are ranges, along the banks of the river, one above another, of dim and dingy buildings, that have stood for centuries. Bart’s father was Rodger Harvey, a mining man, who married Miss Mary McGee and then came to the United States in 1874 and located at Barclay, Pa., where he became superintendent of coal mines. They had seven boys and three girls, and now live retired in comfort at Pittsburg. Bart, the second oldest, was educated in the public schools and later received a thorough training in one of the best business colleges of Rochester. For several years, he worked as a salesman in a mercantile establishment, and then, in 1889, he came West, locating first at Trinidad, Colo. In 1891, he went to Salt Lake City, Utah, and there engaged as a traveling salesman, after which he was made manager of a company store for three years. He next spent four years in Oregon. In 1901, Mr. Harvey dropped anchor in Fresno and at once became manager of the clothing department of Messrs. Radin & Kamp, and within the short period of four years thereafter he established himself in business, opening on J Street. In March, 1908, he founded his present enterprise, and there by methods sure to meet the approval of patrons, he has built up such a good business that he employs regularly no less than fourteen persons. A live member of the Chamber of Commerce, in which he was a director for many years, and a member of the Merchants’ Association, the Traffic Association and the Commercial Club, of which he was the first secretary, Mr. Harvey has been closely identified with the up building of Fresno, giving freely of his time and personal means. With Dave Newman, Ralph Woodard and John W. Short, Mr. Harvey began the Raisin Day movement for advertising, asking Americans all over the United States to use more raisins as a part of their daily food, and naming a Raisin Day. They obtained the cooperation of all Fresnans, and their work resulted in much good, and there is now besides the local raisin celebration, the successful organization known as the California Associated Raisin Company. Mr. Harvey has been active in every movement started in Fresno for the advancement of the city and county. In 1895, at San Francisco, Mr. Harvey was married to Miss Belle Isbell, a native of California and a member of an old Southern family. She is the daughter of Ewing and Sarah (Price) Isbell, born respectively in Missouri and Kentucky. Her father comes of an old Virginian family, a near relative of Robert E. Lee. However he did not countenance slavery, so he freed his slaves and migrated across the plains in an ox team train. He engaged in mining in Calaveras County and was the discoverer of the Isbell mine near Murphy’s Camp. Later he removed to near Flagstaff, Ariz., where he became a large cattle-man until his death. Mrs. Sarah Price Isbell is a niece of General Sterling Price, the Virginian soldier who died at St. Louis in the late sixties. He raised the Second Missouri Cavalry for the Mexican War, becoming its colonel, and marched his men over a thousand miles, under General Stephen W. Kearney, to Santa Fe, when they were reduced to subsisting on the wild country, the tramp continuing fifty days. When Kearney went to California, Colonel Price was left in charge of New Mexico; and having put down an insurrection, he was made a brigadier general of volunteers, and afterward became military governor of Chihuahua.* Still later, he was governor of Missouri, and then he underwent the hard campaigns of the Civil War as a Confederate officer. A daughter, Edith Isbell Harvey, has attained distinction as a graduate of Stanford University, where she graduated with honors, and then he underwent the hard campaigns of the Civil War as a Confederate officer. A daughter, Edith Isbell Harvey, has attained distinction as a graduate of Stanford University, where she graduated with honors, and then she attended the University of California. She is the dau.

7. **Roger T. Harvey** b. 20 Oct 1870 m. 23 Nov 1900 at Rummel, Paint Township, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, **Delilah Erma Faust**, often known as Dilly, b. 10 Dec 1878 daughter of **Isaac Newton Faust** and **Catherine Ann Shaffer**. Roger was of Windber at time of marriage and a clerk. Enumerated in Paint township, Somerset County, Pennsylvania in 1910, farm hand. Roger d. 11 Apr 1912 Windber buried St. John Guibal’s Church Cemetery in Geistown. Dilly was a widow in the 1920 census enumeration, residing in Windber, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, daughters Catherine and Alice residing with her, son Roger enumerated in the Tressler Orphanage in Tyrone, Perry County, Pennsylvania. Dilly enumerated as Lily in the 1930 census enumeration, widow, lodging at 1813 Mt Vernon Street, Philadelphia,

18. Mary Catherine Harvey b. 15 Jan 1903 Cambria County, Pennsylvania.
19. Alice V. Harvey b. 4 Nov 1904.
20. Roger B. Harvey b. 22 Sept 1912.


22. Helen Dorthea Harvey b. 1907 Pennsylvania.
23. Charles Francis Harvey, Jr., b. 1 Jan 1910 Pennsylvania.
24. Margaret Mary Harvey b. 23 Dec 1917.

9. Mary Alice Harvey b. 26 Sept 1874 m. A. H. McLean and was a widow in 1920 residing with her parents in Bolivar, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. Enumerated in Cleveland, Ohio in 1930, registered nurse in public health. Mary Alice d. 1952 Altoona, Pennsylvania.


25. Frances Marilyn Harvey b. 19 Sept 1919.
26. John Roger Harvey b. 9 Nov 1921.


26. **Maurine M. Douglass** b. 6 Dec 1912 Bolivar, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.

### Fourth Generation

17. **Edith Isbell Harvey** b. Sept 1897 received an A. B. in Economics in May 1917 from Stamford University, m. Nov 1920 **Brodie Bowen Gilman** b. 27 Jan 1884 Hartford, Washington County, New York son of **John B. Gilman** and **Jennie B. Bowen**. In the World War I draft registration, Brodie was residing at 4946 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois in September 1918, salesman for Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company, tall, medium build, blue eyes, light hair. Brodie had m. 3 July 1908 at Billings, Montana, **Lelah Corrine Allen**, divorced. In 1921 resided 37 Trumbull Street Apartment 5A, New Haven, Connecticut. Enumerated at 310 West 73rd Street, Manhattan, New York in 1930, Brodie an insurance salesman. Enumerated at South Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles, California in 1940, Brodie a professional and Edith assistant buyer for ladies ready to wear. In the World War II draft registration, they resided at 326 South Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles, California, Brodie self employed in public accounting with business at same address as residence. Brodie d. 22 Sept 1952 New York City buried Evergreen Cemetery, Washington, New York.

18. **Mary Catherine Harvey** b. 15 Jan 1903 m. 8 Apr 1920 at Winder, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, **William Homer Berkstresser** b. 8 Jan 1896 Lilly, Cambria County, Pennsylvania son of **Grant Berkstresser** and **Margaret Louder**. Enumerated 225 East Crawford Street, Ebensburg, Cambria County in 1930, engineer and foreman for coal mine. Enumerated 128 South Cherry Street, Ebensburg in 1940, foreman for coal mine. Catherine member of the Daughters of the American Revolution #499413. William d. 27 May 1972 Ebensburg, Cambria County and Catherine d. 26 Dec 1980 buried Lloyd Cemetery, Ebensburg.

daughter d. 1921.

**Mary Catherine Berkstresser** b. c. 1924.

**Maurene Berkstresser** b. 1926.

**Dorothy Berkstresser** b. 1928.


**Arlene Berkstresser** b. c. 1935.

19. **Alice V. Harvey** b. 4 Nov 1904, stenographer in the 1930 census in Windber, m. **Herbert L. James** b. 7 Oct 1906. Enumerated 1105 ½ Graham Avenue, Windber, Somerset County, Pennsylvania in 1940, Herbert collector for credit clothing. Alice d. 10 Jan 1968 and Herbert d. 30 Aug 1978 buried Berkey Cemetery, Windber, Somerset County, Pennsylvania.


22. **Helen Dorthea Harvey** b. 31 Aug 1907 m. **Frederick Thomas Storch** and she d. 22 May 1997 buried Shady Rest Cemetery, Holy Hill, Volusia County, Florida.

HELEN D. STORCH, 89, Reed Canal Road, South Daytona, died Thursday, May 22. Mrs. Storch was a sales representative and secretary for Dick Stark Carpet for more than 20 years. Born in Pittsburgh, she
moved to Central Florida in 1954. She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Daytona Beach, and the Business and Professional Women's Club. Survivors: sons, Ronald C., Daytona Beach, William C., Salt Lake City; daughter, Linda Kress, Port Orange; 18 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren. Baggett & Summers Funeral Home, Daytona Beach (Orland Sentinel, Orlando, Florida, May 24, 1997).

23. Charles Francis Harvey, Jr., b. 1 Jan 1910, salesman for refrigerators in 1930 census enumeration, m. 17 Dec 1929. Charles d. 5 June 1962.

24. Margaret Mary Harvey b. 23 Dec 1917 m. 6 June 1934 d. 23 Nov 1943.

25. Frances Marilyn Harvey b. 19 Sept 1919 m. a Tyler and d. Mar 1985 buried Ajo Cemetery.

26. John Roger Harvey b. 9 Nov 1921 m. 15 Mar 1944 at Pittsburgh, Rose Marie Browning and he d. 4 Aug 2003 buried Ajo Cemetery.