

Recording Evidence

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Why Cite Sources?



- To convince others that our work is accurate.
 To indicate where the research stopped.
- 3. To use the rule of witnesses that by the mouth of two or more witnesses all things are established. This is His work, so we benefit by doing it His way—find more than one source for each event.

Citing a source has never been sufficient to establish proof.

- It is not enough to tell people where they can go to find the source you found, because it is a complex world with sources in multiple places. It is not rational to make the reader try to figure out what evidence you are using in a source.
- Rather, you need to specify the web link in the online source, which might also reference its origins in another collection, such as the National Archives, or from microfilm in the Family History Library, and then you need to know if it is a book, a film, or an audio file ... and this is just to find the source later.

Citing a source includes recording what the record stated.

- We need to record properly what the record stated in case the original is ever destroyed, or to save time from duplicating work.
- In a world full of records, we must show the proof we found.
- We need to be humble enough to recognize that any proof statement is subject to re-evaluation when new evidence arises.





Three ways to **Record** Genealogy Evidence

Transcription—this is a verbatim copy (word-forword) of a record. **Transcriptions are essential** in probate work or testimonies where just one word could change the entire meaning of a document.



Bride: Joyce Marie Harvey, Gender: female, Race: white, Age 17, Born: about 1933 Place of Birth: Oxford, MI, Married 18 June 1950 in Oxford, Oakland Co., MI, Residence Oxford, MI, Father of Bride: John Edward Harvey; Mother of Bride: Mildred Elizabeth Gillette. Groom: Donald Oscar Blain, Gender: male, Race: white, Age 19, Born: about 1931 Place of Birth: Oxford, MI, son of Cleve Grover Blain and Florence Mildred Snyder, County File # 945, State File #63 43934. Signatures:

Second way to Record Evidence

Extract—a passage taken from a document, an excerpt. For instance, a person extracting information from a collection of marriage records might be asked only to include the marriage date, and the names of the bride and groom. Thus **indexes are** always extracts and they nearly always leave about a clue you will need later.



Joyce Marie Harvey, marriage 18 Jun 1950 in Oakland Co. MI, to Donald Oscar Blain.

The third way to **Record** Genealogical Evidence

Abstract—a written summary of the most important parts of a document transcribed using words from the document. Usually an abstract includes all of the names, ages, titles, places, and relationships between people found in the record. Words left out may have ... between one part of the document and when it picks up again.

Joyce Marie Harvey, female, white, age 17 born about 1933 in Oxford, MI, marriage license 18 Jun 1950 in Oakland County, and married 18 June 1950 in Oxford, Oakland Co., MI, residence Oxford, MI, daughter of John Edward Harvey and Mildred Elizabeth Gillette, spouse Donald Oscar Blain, male, white, age 19, born about 1931 in Oxford, MI, son of Cleve Grover Blain and Florence Mildred Snyder, County file # 945, State file #63 43934.



If you are not sure what to document – and you don't data <u>enter</u> everything – you WILL miss clues, so...

Photocopy or make an electronic or scanned copy of the document. Make a copy with your cell phone or use a snipping tool.



Everyone, look on your computer and see if you can find a snipping tool. My favorite is a free app "FastStone Capture".

If you fail to capture <u>all the details</u> from each record group, you will not properly interpret its evidence, but you will create your own research problems.

For example, if you only copied the name of your principle person, his/her age, and place of birth on the 1900 census, you would lose 12 other valuable pieces of evidence, including the key relationships to other people. ALWAYS record all associations of each person found in a source.



Use a Uniform Header

Source headers are uniform and easier to read quickly.

Made up of these parts Year EVENT: STATE ABBREVIATION, County Co., City or town Completed Header Sample 1850 CENSUS: CA, Monterey Co., Salinas

What is a Uniform Header?

A Uniform Header includes three common elements:

- The event type or record group CENSUS

It does not remove anything from a citation, but adds information to the front of the **Source Title Line at FSFT** so citations from every repository are "Uniform" or in the same format.

Sample Uniform Headers in front of FSFT Source Titles

1880 CENSUS: NY, Monroe Co., Hamlin, John Beedle in household of Joseph R Beedle, "United States Census, 1880" View Source

1900 CENSUS: MI, Clinton Co., DeWitt Twp., John R Beadle in household of Joseph R Beadle, "United States Census, 1900" View Source

1900 MARRIAGE: MI, Clinton Co., Olive, John R. Beadle, "Michigan, Marriages, 1868-1925" View Source

1900 MARRIAGE: MI, Clinton Co., Olive, John R Beadle, "Michigan Marriages, 1822-1995" View Source

1900 MARRIAGE: MI, Clinton Co., Olive, 1900 Marriage Certificate, John Randall Beadle and Mabel Hannah Taylor View Source

1910 CENSUS: MI, Clare Co., Sheridan, John R Beadle, "United States Census, 1910" View Source

1910 CENSUS: MI, Clare Co., Sheridan, household of John R Beadle, Mabel, Loy Randall View Source

How Uniform Headers and Abstracts Help



- By entering the **Uniform Header** in front of the *Source Title* line, it is possible to determine the year, the event, and the place of event. Sources can then be arranged chronologically.
- Sources can also be separated by those that refer to the person in someone else's records (as a parent listed in his/her child's record), and the main person's own records.
- With **abstracts** researchers can easily tell what information within a source provides the evidence to prove that this person is the correct ancestor—without reopening each source, restudying it, and jotting down the details each time it is studied.



An Edit template opens. Study the original source details. Is there an exact birth year and location name?

Yes. The year of the birth and place is given for this person! Fill out the template as illustrated on the next slide.



Add the year, event, and place of event to the Source Title line, the abstracted data under Describe the **Record**, and the **Reason to** Change Source. Then click SAVE.

Source Title (Required) 👔

1879 BIRTH: MA, Worcester Co., Worcester City, Chas. B. Whitcomb in entry for Eugene Whitcomb, "M

Web Page (Link to the Record) 👔

https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FX8T-FRC

Where the Record Is Found (Citation) 👔

"Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915," database with images, <i>FamilySearch</i> (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FX8T-FRC : 11 March 2018), Chas. B. Whitcomb in entry for Eugene Whitcomb, 21 Aug 1879, Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts; citing reference ID #379, Massachusetts Archives, Boston; FHL microfilm 1,428,173.

Describe the Record (Notes) 👔

Births registered in the City of Worcester, #909 Aug 21, 1879, Eugene Whitcomb male, born Worcester, son of Chas. B. & Charlotte Hill, of Worcester, occupation of father Boot Maker, both born in Mass.

Reason to Change Source 👔

Entered the year, event, and place of event in the Source Title line in order to arrange records chronologically and sort them

Charles Bryant Whitcomb

about 1833 - 7 June 1924 • L296-N19



The Charles Bryant Whitcomb who has this source was born about 1833, so this source is detailing evidence of the relationship between Charles and his son, Eugene Whitcomb. Notice FSFT indicates Chas. B. Whitcomb in entry for Eugene Whitcomb.

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Feature to Automatically set Source Dates Chronologically



How to set the Chronological Order Tab preference on your source page to put sources in chronological order.

2. Click the Chronological Order 1. At the top of the Sources page, click the Options button option. Sort: Sources Chronological Order Custom Order (☎) Options Detail View Add Source



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AFTER

Sort:

Chronological Order

Custom Order ^{*}Supports Drag and Drop

Sort ✓ 'd events are in the order that they took place.

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4 <u>8</u> 84	1916	Mary Salick in entry for Marko Mirich, "Nevada County Birth and Death Records, 1871- 1992" View Source
488	1920	Mary Mirich in household of George Mirich, "United States Census, 1920" View Source
фр.	1940	Mary Basta, "United States Census, 1940" View Source This source has not been attached to all people found in the record. Learn More Unfinished Attachments • Dismiss
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đần.	🕇 Add	Mary Basta, "BillionGraves Index" View Source

Now, open the source, find the place, & edit using a Uniform Header.



The event "Census" was added, then the place of the census, UT, Emery Co., Mohrland, is placed in front of the repository's source title.

Event Date 👔	Source Title (Required) 🚯
1920	CENSUS: UT, Emery Co., Mohrland, Mary Mirich in household of George Mirich, "United Stat
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Where the Record Is Fou	nd (Citation) 👔
"United States Census, (https://familysearch.or George Mirich, Mohrland publication T625 (Wash	1920," database with images, <i>FamilySearch</i> rg/ark:/61903/1:1:M8PF-XNF : accessed 11 May 2020), Mary Mirich in household of d, Emery, Utah, United States; citing ED 72, sheet 20B, line 62, family 96, NARA microfilm ington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1992), roll 1862; FHL microfilm

You can also abstract the record and paste the abstract into the **Describe the Record (Notes)** field and fill out **Reason to Change Source**, & click **Save**.

Describe the Record (Notes) 👔

Example: Hugh S. Smith Family Page 7. Lines 23-27. Arbroath, Scotland. UK Census 1841 Father: Robert Smith. Mother: Helen Strachen. Children: Hugh Sidley Smith, Robert Smith.

Reason to Change Source 👔

Added the event and the place of event to the source title line so a migration pattern can be seen, and it is easier to determine which sources are duplicated, are for this person, or are for her relatives.

ANALYZE EXISTING EVIDENCE of names, dates, relationships, and places of events.

We must utilize the evidence or assertions provided along with the sources and make sure their clues and facts have been updated in the Vital section of the PERSON page.



Evaluating evidence on Charles Whitcomb

- The Life Sketch, Vitals, and Other information close by clicking the arrow head, which turns to the right
- Now see the Spouse and Children for Charles Whitcomb in one column, and on the right his parents Jonas and Abigail (Bigelow) Whitcomb as shown on the next page.

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► Vitals			
Other Information			
 Family Members 			
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Opening up the rest of the Person Page shows he was on the 1900 census in Ward 8, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Other Information

Add Information

Residence • Edit 1900 Precinct 3 Worcester city Ward 8, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States

(Slide below **Other Information**) See **Family Members** which list his wife and children on the left, and his parents and siblings on the right.

Charles Bryant Whitcomb is bolded signifying he is the main person. He has 11 children.

He has 3 brothers. His father and mother are listed at the top of the right column.



Before further research, determine if all the sources pertain to the bolded person or to his children.

🖗 Chas. B. Whitcomb in entry for Eugene Whitcomb, "Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915"

The first source indicates a birth entry for a child Eugene Whitcomb. The original image said:

Births registered in the City of Worcester, #909 Aug 21, 1879, Eugene Whitcomb male, born Worcester, son of Chas.B. & Charlotte Hill, of Worcester, occupation of father Boot Maker, both born in Mass.

Use the **Print** option below Research Help tool to print the Family. Use this printout to write down facts onto the family group record about each child.



This first source covered the birth of the 11th child.

It was determined that only 2 sources pertained to Charles Bryant Whitcomb out of the 15 there. All the rest dealt with other people in his family.

- 1. One was his 1860 marriage to Charlotte D. Dustin which listed his birth year as about 1833, and hers of about 1837, as well as his parents as Jonas Whitcomb and Abigail Whitcomb in Worcester, MA.
- 2. The other was a 1900 census in Worcester City, MA, with a birth date of Aug 1833 in MA., and hers as Charlotte D. Whitcomb, age 63 b. MA.

If only the typed, extracted, indexed data was used, for the 1940 census, these critical facts from the original cursive originals would have been missed:

- Charlotte his wife was born January 1837, was married for 40 years, was the mother of 14 children of which 8 are alive, she was born in MA (Massachusetts), her father was born in ME (Maine) and her mother was born in MA.
- 2. They had a grandson, Leon S. Weaver, born Nov 1897, 2 years old, living with them born in MA with parents born in MA.
- 3. There was a son Edgar A. Whitcomb, born July 1877 age 22 single living next door. He was a teamster.



Dealing with Duplicates

The program suggests you evaluate the information you know (from the current sources at FSFT) with records uploaded previously by others who have similar names, relationships, dates, and places in Family Tree. Sometimes a duplicate is found when trying to reserve a name.

As you try to reserve it, you see this **Possible Duplicates** warning:



Open the Vitals page by clicking the arrowhead at the start. We only see an about birth year and state.



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▼ Vitals			► Searc	h Records

Wow! 19 suggestions. Three possible duplicates, 15 sources hints, and a clue of a missing child. No wonder this hasn't been reserved yet.



Having studied Charles Whitcomb's source, it is evident we are missing an original vital record of his birth date and place.

- Duplicates often provide evidence given by other family members.



The bottom one has his birth year within 12 months, all have his same name, 2 have his wife's first name. Click **Review Merge** on the last one.

Data Problems



Merging Names, dates, and places

Step 1: Study the people. Charles B. does not have a surname, but was born in MA. His wife was Charlotte D. Hill that matched the spouse on the other column. But you must scroll to the bottom of the Possible Duplicate screen to see the source that gives the surname as Whitcomb.

← BACK Step 1 of 3: Are these people a possible match?



Step 1 (Cont): Tell the program you think this is a possible match by clicking the **YES CONTINUE** button at the top or bottom of the page.



Step 2: Select the data you want to save by clicking the **REPLACE** link below the Name, Sex, Birth, Death details in the Possible Duplicate column to replace what is in the Surviving Person column. None of these details are better than what is already in the Surviving Person column, so just scroll down to compare the rest.

← BACK Step 2 of 3: Select the information you want to save. CONTINUE NOT A MATCH These 2 people can be merged but only in this order. Possible Duplicate Surviving Person Information in this column will be deleted at Information in this column will be saved at the the end of the merge. end of the merge. Charles B Charles Bryant Whitc... Deceased · 9J2Q-3RN about 1833 - 7 J... · L296-N19 Vitals Vitals Name Name \sim \sim Birth Name Birth Name Charles Bryant Whitcomb Charles B → REPLACE Sex Sex \sim \sim Male Male → REPLACE Birth Birth \sim \sim Massachusetts, United States about 1833 Ashby, Middlesex, Massachus... → REPLACE Death Death \sim \sim 7 June 1924 Deceased New Braintree, Worcester, M... → REPLACE

Step 2 (Cont): Another spouse named Charlotte D. Hill will be added. It is best to let that happen and then to merge the two Charlotte Hill individuals later. Otherwise someone might start a new family with her. The source is also added. Click the **CONTINUE** button at the top or bottom of the page.



Step 3: Enter the Reason For Merge: Both men have the same given name, middle initial and surname, the same birth state, the given and surname of their spouse is the same, and they have the same child Edward W. Whitcomb from the same source. Click the **FINISH MERGE** button at the top or bottom of the page.

← BACK Step 3 of 3: Confirm your changes by finishing the merge.

NOT A MATCH FINISH MERGE

Reason For Merge

Both men have the same given name, middle initial and surname, the same birth state, the given and surname of their spouse is the same, and they have the same child Edward W. Whitcomb from the same source.

Confirm Changes

Green boxes are indicators of newly added or changed conclusions.



Charles Bryant Whitcomb about 1833 - 7 June 1924 · L296-N19

Vitals

Name Birth Name Charles Bryant Whitcomb

Birth

about 1833 Ashby, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States

Death

7 June 1924 New Braintree, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States

Continue through all the other duplicates.

- One duplicate had Charles B. Whitcomb 27MN-J4S with no sources just matched to a daughter, Charlotte L. S. Whitcomb 27MN-J49, already linked to her father, so nothing would be moved to the right, but the merge would continue.
- No new sources.
- Last duplicate had Charles B. Whitcomb KL3B-DDN, with no source, but a place of birth as Ashburnham, Worcester, Mass. He had a wife Charlotte L. Hill KL3B-DDV, and a daughter Phebe Jane Whitcomb 1868-Deceased KL3B-DDX. The two females were added to Charles L296-N19 and the file merged.
- No sources added.

1. Next merge Charlotte D. Hill 9J2Q-3TZ.

2. Click on **Charlotte Dresser Hill L296-N19** so she is main

person.

3. Click and copy 9J2Q-3TZ so it is on your clipboard.

See next image.

Charles Bryant Whitcomb 1833-1924 • L296-N19 Marriage: 19 January 1860 Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, Unit... 🕅 Charlotte Dresser Hill 1837-1905 • L296-JQ6 Preferred Children (13) George E Whitcomb R 1856-Deceased • L29X-Q5K



4. Open the **Tools** in the tool bar on the right side of the Person page. 5. Click on Merge by ID. 6. Paste the ID # for Charlotte D. Hill 9J2Q-3TZ in the Possible Duplicate ID field 7. Click the **Continue** button. 8. When the pink and green columns appear, the best details are already on the surviving person, so just click **YES CONTINUE**, then **CONTINUE**, then **Reason For Merge** (same name, same husband, same son), then FINISH MERGE.



Now we had three marriages to merge. All for variations of Charlotte Hill, who had a daughter Phoebe or Phebe Jane Whitcomb.





- Merged Phebe Jane Whitcom 9WM3-L9V into Phebe Jane Whitcomb KL3B-DDX because of an extracted IGI Record that was used to create the person.
- Then removed second set of parents to Phebe Jane Whitcomb KL3B-DDX
- Merged Charlotte L. Hill KL3B-DDV who has a birth place of Worcester, Worcester, MA, into Charlotte Dresser Hill L296-JQ6 who only has Massachusetts as birth place. Nothing was pulled over but will note the birth place in Charlotte's name source.
- Next merged Charlotte Whitcomb 9WM3-L9V with Charlotte Dresser Hill L296-JQ6 who had the same husband and the same daughter Phebe Jane Whitcomb KL3B-DDX (with her birth record) and L296-J5K Phoebe J. Whitcomb.
- Then a new possible duplicate came up of Charlotte Hill MKN8-7ZQ born 6 Feb 1837 to same parents but no sources—as Charlotte Dresser Hill L296-JQ6 has many sources. Both had a set of parents whose names match but not their ID#s.

- This left **Charlotte Dresser Hill L296-JQ6** with 16 sources, a birth 6 Feb 1837 in Worcester, Worcester, MA; and death 18 Apr 1905 Worcester, MA; and an exact duplicate with same ID number linked to two sets of parents.
- Removed her from her parents Richard Hill L2YH-936 and Charlotte Johnson L2YH-9HC.
- Richard Hill L2YH-936 and Charlotte Johnson L2YH-9HC had the same child, Charlotte Dresser Hill, but Richard Hill LH7D-8MF was a match and he already has 17 sources.



Record Hints

Once the merging is complete, check the record Hints for Charles, his wife Charlotte Hill and all 11 children at this point.

- If you click on Show All under the Research Help tool on the right tool bar of FSFT, you can see all the new hints at one time.
- If you click on the icon, it will open and then click Review and Attach if you think it is a match. Because Chas was born about 1833 and this one says he was born 1832, that is within 12 months so is likely correct.



Record Hints

Chas B Whitcomb United States Census, 1860

Other: 1860, Ward 6 City of Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States Birth: 1832, Massachusetts

Review and Attach

Not a Match

Record Hints Open

- The location of the event is listed,
- The birth year of the person who is on that person page is given,
- A list of each person on the record page, with their gender, age, and birthplace so you can determine if it is your ancestor's document.
- BUT REMEMBER THIS IS NOT THE ORIGINAL RECORD...IT IS AN EXTRACT.

Record Hints × Charles Bryant Whitcomb Chas B Whitcomb United States Census, 1860 Chas B Whitcomb Name: Event Type: Census Event Date: 1860 • Edit Event Place: Ward 6 City of Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States Edit Event Place (Original): Ward 6 City Of Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States Male Gender: 28 Age: White Race: Birth Year (Estimated): 1832 Birthplace: Massachusetts • Edit 295 Page: Record Number: 11767 Household Age Birthplace Role Sex Chas B Whitcomb Male 28 Massachusetts Charlotte D Whitcomb Female 23 Massachusetts George E Whitcomb Male 4 Massachusetts Chas F Whitcomb 2 Massachusetts Male

View the original document as it contains more than what was on the index.

To open up the citation for a document, click this down arrow head to see:

- the complete Document Information,
- and its Citation

"United States Census, 1860", database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MZC9-74S : 19 March 2020), Chas B Whitcomb, 1860.

Review and Attach

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or

This family is split across two pages – be sure to go to the second page and abstract it.



1860 CENSUS: MA, Worcester Co., City of Worcester, "United States Census, 1860", database with images, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MZC9-74S : 19 March 2020), Chas B Whitcomb, 1860.

Chas. B. Whitcomb, 28, m, Bootmaker, age 45 born MA; Charlotte D. Whitcomb, 23, f, born MA; George E. Whitcomb, 4, m, born MA; Chas. F. Whitcomb, 2, m, born MA

Review and Attach Template

1860 census evidence is on the left, while assertions and facts from the Person page is on the right.

Compare info and click **+Add** to insert new info to Person page

Be sure to **Tag Events** for Name, Sex, and Birth so the source of evidence appears on Vitals.

Record **Reason to Attach Source** and click **Attach**.

Parents on Record (0)	Open	Parents from Family Tree (2)	Open
Person of Record and Spouse	Change 💵	Selected Person and Spouse	Change よ
Chas B Whitcomb (Principal) 1832 -		Charles Bryant Whitcomb (Head) 1833-1924 • L296-N19	Close
Name Chas B Whitcomb		Name Charles Bryant Whitcomb	
Sex Male		Sex Male	
Birth 1832 Massachusetts		Birth about 1833 Ashby, Middlesex, Massachusetts,	United States
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		Residence 1880 Worcester, Worcester, Massachuse States	etts, United
		Residence 1900 Precinct 3 Worcester city Ward 8, Massachusetts, United States	Worcester,
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		Attach Not a Match	Cancel

User is prompted to standardize the place name by removing "Ward 6 City of" and a place pin now shows up on the locality that is standardized.

The next image shows Charlotte and her two children from this census.

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	Event Place
	 Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States
	✓ Standardized Place

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Siblings on Record (0)	Open	Siblings from Family Tree (4)	Open

Charlotte and her two sons, George E. and Chas. F., are on the record, but only Charlotte is on the right. Hover over Charlotte's name, and it says to **Click** and drag to realign across from the proper person. See the word Open below where Charlotte needs to go. Click that Open to see the children.

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		 Charlotte Dresser Hill (Wife) 1837-1905 • L296-JQ6 Marriage 19 January 1860 Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, Un 	Detail nited States
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Siblings on Record (0)	Open	Siblings from Family Tree (4)	Open
Other on Record (3)	Close	Other from Family Tree (0)	Close
 Charlotte D Whitcomb (Principal) 1837 - George E Whitcomb (Principal) 1856 - Chas F Whitcomb (Principal) 1858 - 			
eturn to Family Tree			
Other on Record (3)	Close	Other from Family Tree (0)	Close
Click and drag to realign with a Family Tree person George E Whitcomb (Principal) 1856 - Chas F Whitcomb (Principal)			

Click the paper clip between the two Charlotte spouses and repeat the previous process to standardize the place and give the reason to attach the source: "proves relationships between parents and sons." I did not include all the children due to lack of space.

Person of Record and Spouse	Change よ	Selected Person and Spouse	Change 🎝
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Charlotte D Whitcomb (Principal) 1837 -	🖉 Compa	Are Charlotte Dresser Hill (Wife) 1837-1905 • L296-JQ6	Detail
	٢	Marriage 19 January 1860 Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, Un	ited States
Children on Record (0)	Close	Children from Family Tree (13)	Close
George E Whitcomb (Principal)		George E Whitcomb (Son) 1856-Deceased • L29X-Q5K	Details
		Charles F Whitcomb (Son) 1858-Deceased • L29X-76X	Details
		Charlotte L. S. Whitcomb (Daughter) 1861-Deceased • 27MN-J49	Details
		Sumner Bryant Whitcomb (Son) 1862-1900 • 9J9T-TRZ	Details
		Lydia S Whitcomb (Daughter) 1865-Deceased • L296-J81	Details
		Henry Richard Whitcomb (Son) 1867-Deceased • 27VL-XY5	Details
		Phebe Jane Whitcomb (Daughter) 1868-Deceased • KL3B-DDX	Details
		Ann E. Whitcomb (Daughter) 1870-Deceased • 9VN8-J1D	Details
		Waldo Whitcomb (Son) 1872-Deceased • GMPP-YPT	Details

Notice the reason to attach source repeats without having to type something different. Click Attach when done, and you have attached this source to everyone in it all at one time.

George E Whitcomb (Pr 1856 -	incipal) 🔁 Det	ach	George E Whitcomb (Son) 1856-Deceased • L29X-Q5K	Detail
Chas F Whitcomb (Princ 1858 -	cipal)	1	Charles F Whitcomb (Son) 1858-Deceased • L29X-76X	Clos
Name Chas F Whitcomb			Name Charles F Whitcomb	
Sex Male			Sex Male	
Birth 1858 Massachusetts			Birth about 1858 Worcester, Massachusetts, United States	
Residence 1860			Residence Event Date) Undo
Ward 6 City of Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States			3 1860	
			 Standardized Date Event Place Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, Unite Standardized Place 	d States
			Residence 1870 Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, Unite	ed States
			Residence 1880 Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, Unite	ed States
Tag Events		Reason	to Attach Source	
 Name Sirth 	Sex	Name state, betwe	e matches, birth year the same, residing in t parents are the same so it proves relations een parents and sons.	he right hips

Sometimes when adding a hint, another Possible Duplicate will surface.

- 1. Phebe Jane Whitcomb born 31 Aug 1868 in Worcester City came up with a hint.
- 2. Phoebe J. Whitcomb was born about 1868 in MA and had the same parents.
- 3. Phebe Jane had another MA birth source. The 1900 census indicated that Charlotte had 14 children, but we only have 11 so far.

Standardizing

Standardizing locations, names, and dates, enables search engines to send you more hints, gives you more success in the FSFT Activities, and helps prevent duplication.

Standardization



- For generations, genealogists have used a standardized format for entering names, dates, and places so families world-wide could understand the pedigrees of others.
- *FamilySearch.org* supports standardization so people with different languages, history, pedigrees, and computer skills can accurately share information.
- Only if your information is standardized can search engines compare and match YOUR names, dates and places in *Family Tree* with the over one million new records that are uploaded <u>every day</u>!

Standardization Rules at FSFT

- Spell out the name of the month and put dates in day, month, and year order like: **5 August 1851**.
- Record names a person received as an infant: their given, middle, and last name(s) (no commas in between) like: Mary Elizabeth Sweeney. Do not enter the surname all in capital letters.
- Record females with their maiden name, not their married name.
- When entering or correcting an event place, use the name as it existed at the time of the event.
- Do not abbreviate words. This applies to the words "before", "after", and "about" as well. Spell all words out completely.



Standardizing Rules at FSFT (cont)

- Enter the full standardized name of the country without abbreviations. Do not enter: USA; United States is the standardized format.
- For locations, enter the smallest location to the largest location with a comma between each. For example, the town, county, state and country. Do **not** enter the words "town" or "county."
- Do not put a comma in front of any word used in a search engine. That is okay in software database program (like our affiliate programs) but it gives too many "false" hints at *FSFT* or other online search engines.

Vital Information **Open Details** Name Alexsis Nickoli Lehtonen Sex Male Birth 17 July 1895 Rymättylä, Turku ja Pori, Finland Christening 17 July 1895 Rymättylä, Turku ja Pori, Finland Death 31 August 1941 Portland, Multnomah, Oregon, United States Burial 2 September 1941 Woodland, Clark, Washington, United States

Standardize Date and Place HINTS as added

Standardize the Date and Place of an event as prompted by the *FamilySearch Family Tree* program.

Waldo Whitcomb Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915			
First Names	Last Name		
Waldo	Whitcomb		
Sex Male Female Unknown Date of Birth			
8 Feb 1872			
Standard: 8 February 1872			
Birthplace			
Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts			
Standard: Worcester, Worcester, Massachusetts, United States			

1. TIP: Give Reason to Attach Source to the **New Child** first—he is the principle reason for the record. Then compare parents & the same note will appear in all areas without the need of more typing.

2. **TIP: Tag Events** and they will show up when the **Edit** birth date and place is clicked under Vitals as shown on next page.

Person of Record and Spouse	Change 💵	Select	ted Person and Spouse	Change よ
Chas B Whitcomb (Father)	🖉 Compa	are 🕗	Charles Bryant Whitcomb 1833-1924 • L296-N19	Details
Charlotte D Hill (Wife)	🔗 Compa	re 🕴	Charlotte Dresser Hill (Wife) 1837-1905 • L296-JQ6	Detail
	<		Marriage 19 January 1860 Worcester, Worcester, Massachus States	etts, United
Children on Record (1)	Close	Childre	n from Family Tree (12)	Close
		1	George E Whitcomb (Son) 1856-Deceased • L29X-Q5K	Details
		1	Charles F Whitcomb (Son) 1858-Deceased • L29X-76X	Details
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Waldo Whitcomb (Son) 1872 -		1	Waldo Whitcomb (Son) 1872-Deceased • GMPP-YPT	Close
Name Waldo Whitcomb			Name Waldo Whitcomb	
Sex Male			Sex Male	
Birth 08 Feb 1872 Worcester, Worcester, Massacl	husetts		Birth 8 February 1872 Worcester, Worcester, Massachus United States	etts,
Tag Events		Reason t	to Attach Source	
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Add Source to Source Box				

Change 17

Person of Record and Shouse

Tag Events when entering sources

This builds a Proof Statement when an original vital record no longer exists.

about 1833	
✓ Standardized Date	
Birthplace 👔	
Ashby, Middlesex, N	lassachusetts, United States
✓ Standardized Place	
Reason This Information	Is Correct:
Town of Ashby from	daughter, Phebe's birth record.
	1950
Last Changed: January :	12, 2019 by KarenClifford1
See All Changes	

- Sources Tag g
- 1860, Chas B Whitcomb, "United States Census, 1860"

1832 Massachusetts

- 1860, 1860 MARRIAGE: MA, Worcester Co., Charles B. Whitcomb, "Massachusetts Marriages, 1841-1915" 1833
- 1868, Charles B Whitcomb in entry for Phebe Jane Whitcomb, "Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915" Ashburnham, Worcester, Mass.
- 1870, 1870 CENSUS: MA, Worcester Co., Worcester City, Chas B Whitcomb, "United States Census, 1870" 1834 Massachusetts
- 1877, Charles B Whitcomb in entry for Edward W Whitcomb, "Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915" Mass
- 1877, Charles B Whitcomb in entry for Edgar A Whitcomb, "Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915" Mass
- 1880, Chas B Whitcomb, "United States Census, 1880"

1834 Massachusetts, United States

- 1898, Charles B Whitcomb in entry for Sumner B Whitcomb, "Massachusetts Deaths, 1841-1915" Ashby
- 1900, 1900 CENSUS: MA, Worcester Co., Worcester City, Charles Whitcomb, "United States Census, 1900" August 1833 Massachusetts

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Test your new skills

- TASK 2: Find an ancestors needing your help. Click on the *FamilySearch* Logo in the upper left corner of the FS screen.
- Under **Recommended Tasks** in the right column are people you are related to who need help. Maybe one fits the criteria you feel comfortable working on such as needing their names, date, or places standardized.
- Work on someone and share your experiences with someone.