GETMAN NEWS

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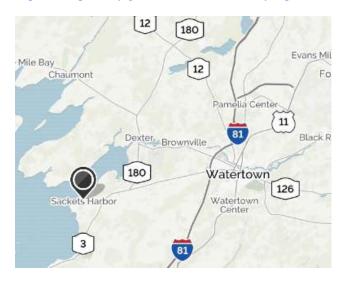
the Reunion in Watertown.

Don't forget to let us know you are coming as well as the hotel!

GETMAN REUNION

Watertown, NY August 12-13-14

A special group rate of \$124.00 plus tax has been arranged the Holiday Inn Express, Watertown, NY http://www.hiexpress.com/watertownny. We expect to visit Sackets Harbor State Park on Saturday http://www.parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/7/history.aspx



Anticipated Reunion Schedule

Friday Evening

Dinner

Sboro's Restaurant and Chop House 836 Coffeen Street, Watertown, NY

(315-788-1728)

http://www.sborosrestaurant.com/home.aspx

Saturday

Breakfast on your own.

9:00 meet at County Historical center / museum (9:00 -5:00)

Paddock Mansion / Museum, 228 Washington Street, Watertown, NY

\$6.00 entry 5.00 seniors.

http://www.jeffersoncountyhistory.org/

Lunch

Schluers Restaurant, 802 Mill Street, Watertown, NY (315-782-1429)

http://www.shulersrestaurant.com

Afternoon at Sacket's Harbor Battlefield State Historic Site (opens at 10:00) \$3.00 entry (\$2.00 seniors) 504 W. Main Street, Sackets Harbor, NY 13685 http://www.parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/7/details.aspx

Dinner

The Boathouse 6:30 PM

214 West Main St., Sacket's Harbor, NY, 13685 (315-646-2092)

http://www.thesacketsboathouse.com/

Sunday

On your own

Getman News From The Past

The Getman Family

The history of this family is Interwoven with the history of Montgomery county, from Revolutionary times till now and the family is spread over a goodly section of the western end of the county, in St. Johnsville, Canajoharie, Fort Plain, Fonda, Tribes Hill, Johnstown. N. Y. and other towns and villages. A genealogy of the family would show them to have entered in most every walk of life, farmers, merchants, lawyers and businessmen of all professions, thereby giving a good cross section of the history of the Mohawk valley.

(Saint Johnsville, New York, ENTERPRISE AND NEWS, Wednesday, February 19, 1936)

Crawford Getman GFG # A180

- Crawford Getman, was the grandson of George Getman, one of the brothers whose homes were in Fulton, then Montgomery county, town of Ephratah. the family is of German origin. The Getmans of this country being, so far as know, descendants of these four brothers. George was the father of six sons, one of whom, Benjamin, was born in Ephratah. He lived to be ninety years of age, dying in 1879. His wife, Mary Van Antwerp, was Holland Dutch and also a resident of Montgomery County, she died in 1883 at the age of eighty-eight. Benjamin and Mary Getman were the parents of twelve children: Eliza, Washington, Jane, Chauncy, Delia, Rachel, Oliver, Kate, William, Asa, Crawford and Mary. These children all grew to maturity and are now living, with the exception of William, Eliza and Jane, So long as

a boy, clerked in a country store for three years, and until 1857 clerked in the Agricultural Bank of Herkimer until the bank closed. He came to Cleveland in 1858, where he kept the books for the Union Glass Company, remaining in this position until September 1, 1863, when the firm of Caswell & Company was formed, the members of the firm being William Foster, Forrest Farmer, H. J. Caswell and Crawford Getman. Mr. Getman's life for the remaining thirty-one years is the history of the glass manufacturing industry of Oswego county, which will be found elsewhere in this volume. Mr. Getman has never married. His sister, Kate, lives with him caring for his home.

(Landmarks of Oswego County - pg. 92)

Census Records

For Crawford Getman

- 1850 census, Minden, Montgomery, NY - living with his brother Chauncy.

- 1870 census, Cleveland, Oswego, NY, fam # 101 (Clement J Earll and family) Getman Crawford, ae 35, Glass Manufacturer with real estate valued at \$5000 and personal property of \$15,000, born in NY.
- 1880 census, Cleveland, Oswego, NY, fam # 207 (Lidia Earll and family) - Getman Crawford, ae 46, no occupation listed, born in NY, parents born in NY
- 1900 census, Constantia (Cleveland) Oswego, NY, fam # 224 - Getman Crawford, b. Jan 1834, ae 66, born in NY, parents born in NY, Capitalist,

owns his home without a mortgage; Catherine, sister, b. Aug 1827, ae 72, born in NY, parents born in NY.



the parents lived, all of the children met at the old home on July 5th to celebrate the wedding anniversary of father and mother. Crawford the youngest son, now sixty-one years of age, received a common school education, worked on the farm when - 1910 census, Constantia, Oswego, NY (Center Street) fam # 160 - Getman Crawford, ae 76, born in NY, parents born in NY, Merchant - General Store, owns his home without a mortgage; Kate, sister, ae 82, born in NY; Saltsman Mary A, sister, ae 69, widow, no children, born in NY; Shindler Mary, servant, ae 72, widow, born in Germany, parents born in Germany, immigrated in 1867; Mary M, servant, ae 31, born in NY, parents born in Germany, Housekeeper - Private Family.

Newspaper Article

The Morning Herald Gloversville and Johnstown, NY Monday, May 17, 1915

A final decision has been made by Referee Harwood Dudley in the case of Getman vs, Getman, famous in the annals of Fulton county court proceedings for its length. The action was brought by Crawford Getman of Cleveland against Oliver Getman of this city, an action for an accounting for rents on certain properties and for \$16,000 alleged borrowed by the defendant of the plaintiff.

The case was started in September, 1910, and has dragged its way through many a term of court. Attorney Harwood Dudley was appointed referee early in the action and has served since. In March, 1912, the defendant voluntarily relinquished deeds to the property mentioned in the first part of the action and only the action for the borrowed money was continued. Numerous hearings have been held since that time. The decision of Referee Dudley is in favor of the plaintiff, giving him a verdict of \$14,716.82 with costs of \$1,997.91, making a total of \$16,714.73.

Attorney Crawford O, Getman of this city was attorney of record for the plaintiff, with Attorney Borden D. Smith as counsel. Attorney Henry M. Eldredge of Fort Plain represented the defendant.

Obituary

Utica Daily Press, NY Thursday, November 29, 1917

Cleveland, Nov. 28 – Crawford Getman, for years prominent glass manufacturer, the biggest individual maker in the world, died at 4:30 this afternoon at his home in this village.

Crawford Getman was born in Ephratah, Fulton County, January 23, 1833 (sic). He had only a

common school education. At the age of 13 years he entered the store of his brother, Chauncy Getman, at Ephratah, serving there as a clerk for a time. Thence he went to Fort Plain where he was employed as a clerk in a general store for two years. Then he moved to Herkimer where he had secured the position as bookkeeper in the state bank, the head of which institute was F. M. Spinner, afterward treasurer of the United States.

In June 1858, Mr. Getman went to Cleveland in this state to fill the position of bookkeeper with the Union Glass Works. He remained there several years and then formed a partnership with H. J. Caswell and they bought the Cleveland Glass Works. In 1878, Mr. Getman bought out his partner and in 1961 (?) he purchased the plan of the Union Glass Works and thus became the largest individual manufacturer of window glass in the United States, if not in the world. About 1890 the United Glass Company was formed, taking in all the glass manufacturers in the United States. Mr. Getman refused to join the trust and in order to secure his plant they were obliged to buy it outright and they did at his own price.

In politics Mr. Getman was a Democrat. He served the town of Constantia as supervisor a few terms several years. He was president and trustee of the village of Cleveland for many years. At one time he was president of the National State Bank at Oneida and for years was director of two Oneida banks and in a national bank at Central Square. He was a member of the Episcopal church. Mr. Getman never married. He was the youngest of a family of six brothers and six sisters all of whom are dead. Only nephews and nieces survive.

After selling out his glass plant at Cleveland, Mr. Getman lived a retired life. He was a great reader, taking 10 daily newspapers and dozens of magazines and had thus kept himself informed very thoroughly regarding current topics. He was public spirited, generous and a liberal giver to enterprises in the interest of the village, town and church. He was an especially good business man, very successful in his undertakings, amassing a handsome fortune. He had the shrewd insight and the sound judgement which enabled him to reach the right conclusion and make correct decisions. He was honest and honorable, energetic and enterprising. He was a master of detail and had a good grasp on business at all times. He drew around him a large circle of friends and acquaintances, who esteemed and respected him highly. He was long one of the most prominent and influential men of his neighborhood where he will be much mourned and missed.

Newspaper Article

Oswego Daily Palladium, NY Saturday, December 1, 1917

CLEVELAND, N. Y. Dec. 1 – (Special) – Private funeral services for Crawford Getman were held at his residence here at 7:30 o'clock last night by the Rev. Mr. Barhans, rector of the Episcopal church. The remains were taken to Johnstown, N. Y. for burial this morning. His estate id estimated at \$1,500,000 by many who were acquainted with him and his business affairs. It is said that he left a will with several local bequests. Two nephews live here, George Baker and Harvey Saltsman. There are several others in Johnstown, including his namesake, Crawford Getman, who is an attorney, and who it is believed will look after the estate.

The wealth of the Getman has been proverbial for many years past. Oliver Getman, another brother, died a short time ago in Johnstown, leaving a large estate. Whether the will of Crawford Getman will be found in his strong box here or whether it has been placed for safe keeping with some trust company will not be known until an examination has been made of his papers here.

Newspaper Article

The Palladium, Oswego, NY Thursday, December 6, 1917

Crawford Getman, retired glass manufacturer, of Cleveland, N. Y., left an estate of more than a million dollars, according to Attorney Charles R. Coville, of Oneida. who filed his will with Surrogate Clayton I. Miller here today and obtained an order to serve citations upon heirs and next of kin.

There were no charitable or public bequests, the entire estate going to thirty relatives and friends. A grand-nephew, Myron Shutts, of Richfield Springs, and Mamie Gallaver, 125 N. Boulevard, Chicago, Ill., receive no bequests, the reason being, it is said, that Mr. Getman did not know of their existence at the time the will was made.

The executors and trustees of the will are directed to create a trust fund of \$20,000, which shall be invested as to provide an annuity of \$800 a year, which shall go to George G. Baker, of Cleveland, during his life time. At his death the trust fund goes into the residuary estate. Besides the above, Mr. Baker receives a bequest of \$20,000 and a one-sixteenth portion of the residuary estate, which is estimated at \$75,000. Mr. Baker is a merchant in Cleveland.

Crawford O. Getman, Jr., of Johnstown, Fulton County, N. Y., receives a bequest of \$20,000 and five-sixteenths of the residuary estate, estimated at \$375,000.

Miss Mary Schindler, of Cleveland, who was a maid in Mr. Getman's household, receives a bequest of \$6,000.

Harvey Saltsman and Carrie Saltsman, nephew and niece, Cleveland, N. Y., \$10,000 each and each one-sixteenth of the residuary, which it is estimated will give them \$75,000 more.

Charles R. Baker, nephew, Birmingham, Ala., nephew, \$10,000 and one-sixteenth of residuary.

May Harter, Frankfort N. Y., niece, \$10,000 and one-sixteenth of residuary.

Adelbert Getman, nephew, Gloversville, and May Ehle, Fort Plain, each \$10,000 and one-sixteenth each of residuary estate.

Alida Diefendorf, Canajoharie, N. Y., and Etta Getman, nieces, \$10,000. Do not participate in residuary estate.

Catherin Pauline Getman, Gloversville and Helen W. House, St. Johnstown [sic], N. Y. \$10,000 each and one-sixteenth of residuary estate.

Henrietta W. Getman niece, incompetent, confined in asylum at Utica, N. Y., \$300. Does not participate in residuary estate.

Crawford Shults and Benjamin Shults, Fort Plain; William Shults, Canajoharie; John P. Shults. Lockport; Edwin J . Shults, Amsterdam; Rachael Shults, Gloversville; Leslie Worllett, children of his sister, Jane Shults, \$10,000 each.

Leslie Shults, daughter of Eugene Shults, \$5,000.

Lela Van Woert Fields, daughter of Jan VanWoert, Mount Pocona, Pa., \$5,000.

Clyde Shults, New York city, \$5,000.

Ella Smith, daughter of Alvira Shults, Ephratah, N. Y., \$5,000.

Frank and Arthur Shults, Gloversville, \$5,000 each.

Maud Shults, now Kneskern, Fultonville, \$5,000.

Mrs. Ollie Dutton Stanton, wife of the Rev. Royal A, Stanton, Ephratah, N. Y., \$5,000.

G. L. Meyers, Gloversville, \$5,000.

Crawford A. Stoddard, Herkimer, \$2,000. All are to be paid in full.

Jane Ann VanWoert and Leslie Woollerr, one-sixteenth of the residuary estate.

This Madison County Trust & Deposit Company, of Oneida, N. Y., Charles W. Harter, of Frankfort, and Crawford O. Getman, of Johnstown, N. Y., are named as executors and trustees of the will. The will was executed in March, 1916, at Cleveland, N. Y. Apparently this estate is one of the largest coming within the jurisdiction of the Surrogate's Court of Oswego county in some, years.

Eugene Morenos and Purcival D. Barley, of Cleveland, were the witnesses.

The estimate as to the amount of the residuary was made by Attorney Coville in talking of the estate with friends at the county building.