

The Ashley (Asselin) Family In the Pacific Northwest by 1818 By Chalk Curchane

PART 3

MEN OF COURAGE - Forefathers of the Finlay, Ermatinger and Ashley Families of Montana and the West - Pierre Ashley and Mary Ermatinger

From our túpye? to our ya'ya? and síle?

PIERRE AND MARY (Ermatinger) ASHLEY

The Ashley's of the Flathead Reservation in Montana descend from the Asselin of Quebec, Canada.

Pierre Ashley's grandfather, Jean Pierre Asselin, became known as John Ashley in Montana, and was referred to as Jacques, Jack, and Jocko in various Flathead Agency records. The Ashley's of Montana's Flathead Reservation were very often recorded by Jesuit Priests as Asselin in the last century. Asselin is an old French name dating back to New France of the 1600's. The first person to enter Montana was probably Jean Pierre Asselin. He was the father of Joseph Ashley, Sr. and William Ashley. His descendants married into the Pend d'Oreille, Salish, and Kootenai tribes of Western Montana. Later their surname was Americanized into Ashley by government clerks. The surname can be usually found spelled four ways: Asselin, Ashla, Ashley and Aslin. According to "French-Canadian Surnames: Variants, Dit, Anglicization, etc.", American-French Genealogical Society, by Rita Elise Plourde, 2001: Ashley is the "dit" of Asselin.

From *EARLY FLATHEAD AND TOBACCO PLAINS*; "A Narrative History of Northwestern Montana"; by Marie Cuffe Shea; p.39:

“By 1857, Joe Ashley was living near where Ashley Creek joins the Flathead River (in Louis Brun's 1847 cabin). Joe's parents Jack (or Jean Pierre) Ashley and his wife were somewhere in the Lake area also, as their daughter Angela married Peter Irvine at St. Ignatius Mission in the early 1850s and their oldest child, Billy Irvine, was born in 1856. Another daughter Mary married Patrick Finley; other children of Jack Ashley included Alex, Antoine, Louison, Parrish, Adele, Betsy, and William. William married Maggie Finley (daughter of Jocko Finley) and their son Pierre married Mary Ermatinger (the 1834* daughter of Frances Ermatinger and Mary, a Flathead girl)". *note: The date of birth for Mary Ermatinger is incorrect. It should be 1838.

“Ashley: One of the older communities of the valley. Situated on Ashley Creek, west of what is now Kalispell. Named for Joe Ashley, Flathead pioneer.” (Flathead County Gazetteer - <http://www.digisys.net/users/scarlett/gazzz.htm>)



Ashley Creek (from http://farm1.static.flickr.com/12/88733558_ba196d22a9.jpg?v=0)



Flathead River

Taken by Chalk Courchane in June of 2010

Family Group Record

Husband Jean Pierre (Francois?) Asselin		
	Born	Place
		, , Canada
	Died	Place
	Abt 1843	, , Montana
	Married	Place
	Husband's father	
	Husband's mother	
Wife Rosalie Cree		
	Born	Place
	Abt 1793	
	Christened	Place
	23 Nov 1842	Porte d'Enfer, (Hellgate), Missoula Co., MT
	Died	Place
	Mar 1873	St. Ignatius, Missoula Co., Montana
	Buried	Place
	10 Mar 1873	St. Ignatius, Catholic Cem., Montana
	Wife's father	
	Wife's mother	
Children List each child in order of birth.		
1	F Mary Ashley	
	Born	Place
	Abt 1819	, , Canada
	Christened	Place
	Nov 1846	
	Died	Place
	13 Aug 1897	
	Buried	Place
	Aug 1897	St. Ignatius Catholic Cemetery, St. Ignatius, Montana
	Spouse	
	Patrick "Pichina" Finley	
	Married	Place
2	M Perrish "Pierre" Ashley	
	Born	Place
	Abt 1819/1820	, , Canada
	Christened	Place
	23 Nov 1842	Porte d'Enfer, (Hellgate), Montana
	Spouse	
	Sophia	
	Married	Place
	16 Jul 1848	St. Francis Regis, Washington
3	F Betsey Ashley	
	Spouse	
	Miquam (Jacques) Finley	
	Married	Place
4	M Antoine Ashley	
5	F Adele Ashley	

6	M	Joseph Ashley Sr.	
		Born	Abt 1827
		Place	
		Died	13 Jun 1911
		Place	, Missoula Co., Montana
		Spouse	Rosette "Aslusait" "Rose" Finley
		Married	Place
7	M	William (Asselin) Ashley	
		Born	Bef 1828
		Place	, , Canada
		Christened	23 Oct 1842
		Place	Porte d'Enfer, (Hellgate), Montana
		Died	
		Place	, , Montana
		Spouse	Margaret "Maggie" Finley
		Married	Place
8	M	Alexander C. "Alexi" Ashley	
		Born	Abt 1831
		Place	
		Christened	23 Nov 1842
		Place	Porte d'Enfer, (Hellgate), Missoula Co., Montana
		Died	Bef 1903/1907
		Place	
		Spouse	Susanna Stah-Tah
		Married	Place
9	F	Arzell (Arshela) "Skalpi" Ashley	
		Born	Abt 1831
		Place	, , Washington Terr.
		Died	By 1905
		Place	
		Spouse	Joseph Finley
		Married	Place
10	M	Louison "Louizo" Ashley	
		Spouse	Adele Stah-Tah
		Married	Place
11	F	Angelique "Azell" "Ah-se-lah" Ashley	
		Born	Abt 1839
		Place	Canada
		Died	Abt 1880
		Place	
		Spouse	Peter Irvine
		Married	15 Nov 1853
		Place	, , Montana

On November 23, 1843 his wife, Rosalie, was baptized as "widow of Asselin". Jean Pierre was probably married once before to one Augustine or Angelic. No one knows what happened to Jean Pierre Ashley.

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Name of Indian # 137		Alexander Ashley	1538
Name of his Father		Alexander B. Ashley	1538
Name of his Father's Brothers	1	James Ashley	1538
	2	1538	1538
Name of his Father's Sisters	1	Mary Ashley	1538
	2	1538	1538
Name of his Mother		Susan Ashley	1538
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Name of Previous Wife		1538	1538
Name of Present Wife # 38		Mary Ashley	1538
Present Wife's Father		1538	1538
Her Father's Brothers	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Her Father's Sisters	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Present Wife's Mother # 84		1538	1538
Her Mother's Brothers	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Her Mother's Sisters	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
His Own Brothers	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
His Own Sisters	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Present Wife's Brothers # 136		1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Present Wife's Sisters # 77		1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Their Sons	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538
Their Daughters	1	1538	1538
	2	1538	1538

From Catholic Church Records of the Pacific Northwest, Vancouver I & II, Warner & Munnick, French Prairie Press, 1972, page 12:

"Acts made at Jaspers House, on the River Athabasca

"B 108 Louis Apelin

This 3 October, 1838, we priest undersigned have baptized Louis, aged 6 years and a half, born of the natural marriage of the late Francois Apelin, and of Rosalie Campbell. Godfather Jean Baptiste Laliberte who as well as the father has not known how to sign.
Mod. Demers, priest, Miss."

And

B 112 [Angele Apelin]

This 3 October, 1836 [sic, no doubt 1838 is meant] we priest undersigned have baptized Angele, aged 4 and a half, born of the natural marriage of the late Francois Apelin and of Rosalie Campbell. Godfather Jean Baptiste Laliberte who has not known how to sign.
Mod. Demers, priest, Miss."

The family of Jean Pierre and Rosalie Ashley had children by the name Louis and Angele.

Letter to David Courchane from Jacqueline L. Asselin:

"Association des Asselin Inc.

C.P. 354

Sillery, Que. C1T 2R5

Sillery 1983-04-23

Mr. David Courchane, Washington

Dear Sir,

Following your letter of January 27, 1983, I made some checks in my files.

I know that some Asselin moved in Montana around 1850's and their names were Pierre and Damase."

Jean Pierre & Rosalie's Family:

Mary Ashley married Jocko Finlay's son Patrick "Pichina" Finley.

Perrish Ashley married Sophia "Coutanaise," he was a trapper, hunter and engage. They had a son named Andrew Ashley who according to 1910 records was living in Ottawa, Canada.

Betsy Ashley married Jocko Finlay's son, Miquam Finley. Also known as Elizabeth or Lisette. Their daughter was Jeannette "Jane" Ashley who married Louis Vallee and then Pierre Gaucher.

Antoine & Adele Ashley presumably died young.

Joseph Ashley, Sr. married Rosette Finley, the granddaughter of Jocko Finlay, and second to Julia Finley, the daughter of Miquam Finley.

Joseph Ashley, Sr. was born about 1827 in Canada. He was the son of Jean Pierre Ashley (Asselin) and a Cree woman. His mother is variously called Rosalie, Augustine, and Angelic.

Joseph settled near Flathead Lake, in present Flathead County, Montana, in the mid or late 1840s with his friend, Francois Gravelle, both Frenchmen from Quebec. They would both marry Kootenai Indian sisters. He was a trapper and hunter, and trader.

From Sam John's HISTORY OF FLATHEAD COUNTY, volume 9, page 32, "Extracts From History of the Flathead Valley" by Mrs. E. E. Day and Mrs. Emma Ingalls, December 31, 1923:

"About 1811, David Thompson, of the Northwest Trading Co., came into the Flathead and built on what is known as the McCarthy place, south of Kalispell, a trading post. The ruins of which was still to be seen in 1882. It did not prove successful and was soon abandoned. In 1857, Joe Ashley came into the valley on this land and used these buildings."

From Early Kutenai History, Carl Malouf, Montana Magazine of History, April 1952, Vol.2, page 7:

"The Kutenai Indians were living on the north end of Flathead Lake in 1845 when they observed that two 'long-whiskers', or 'Frenchmen' stayed one year in a cabin near Somers, and then left. This event was recorded by Baptiste Mathias's father on a traditional buck string calendar. Their dwelling place seems to have been on Ashley Creek. Two years later four more 'Frenchmen' arrived."

From Early Flathead and Tobacco Plains, "A Narrative History of Northwestern Montana", Marie Cuffe Shea, 1977, page 39:

"By, 1857, Joe Ashley was living near where Ashley Creek joins the Flathead River (in Louis Brun's 1847 cabin). Joe's parents Jack (or Jean Pierre) Ashley and his wife were somewhere in the Lake area also"

From page 63 of Early Flathead and Tobacco Plains:

"Ashley Creek was named after the Flathead pioneer Joe Ashley" (who lived in the area from 1845 or 1847 to 1883), "who then lived in a cabin between later Selish and Demersville on the ranch bought from him by 'Judge' Eugene McCarthy's folks. On January 24, 1926, Robert J. Ball answered an inquiry from Tyson D. Duncan thus: 'The log cabin was a short way south of my pre-emption (at Ball's Crossing) on what became J.D. Lambert's Homestead. In 1883 the McCarthy family came here and lived in the cabin until McCarthy located and built his home at the point of the mountain where D.

Griffith now lives. I was told the cabin was the remains of an old Indian trading post---- You know the old Indian trail used to come around the foot of the mountain, by where the cabin stood, and kept on until it came onto the prairie around where Andrew Swaney's store was (1882); then it went on to where Ashley Creek Bridge is now, then the ford across the creeks. It was impossible to cross over the swamp below Lambert's house until someone cut the willows out and made a trail across there."

Another reference from

<http://www.foresthistory.org/ASPNET/Publications/region/1/flathead/chap4.htm>:

The W. W. DeLacy map published in 1870 showed a "half-breed" settlement located north of Flathead Lake, where a Native American trail crossed Ashley Creek. The small settlement had been established several decades earlier. In 1845 two French Canadians joined the Kootenai living at the north end of the lake and built a cabin on Ashley Creek, spending most of a year there. Two years later, four more French Canadians arrived, including Louis Brun, a Quebequois, and his Kalispel wife Emily. When gold was discovered in California, they and other families, including a man named Benetsee Finley, left for the gold fields. Most of them returned to the Ashley Creek area in 1850, but the Bruns moved to the Jocko area and then Frenchtown. Men who came and returned to the Flathead in 1850 may have included Joe Ashley and Francois Grevelle, both of whom are mentioned often in histories of the early settlement of the Flathead Valley. When Lt. John Mullan passed through the upper Flathead Valley in 1854, he reported that "Our camping ground — was represented — by the Indians as a great resort of their tribe and the half-breeds of the country some years ago" (Holterman 1985:25; Shea 1977:37-38, 41; T. White 1964:27).

Joe Ashley, for whom Ashley Creek is named, had come to the Flathead in the mid-1840s. He and Angus McDonald (an HBC trader), Peter Irvine (a Shetlander), Francois Finley, and Laughlin McLaurin and several others farmed in a small way at the head of the lake. McLaurin (also spelled McLaughlin, McLaren, or McGauvin) was among the first traders at a post near the head of Flathead Lake. Ashley succeeded McLaughlin as trader, under the supervision of Angus McDonald of Fort Connah. In the late 1860s several of the families living at Ashley Creek left the area because of Blackfeet raiding, some only temporarily. Ashley stayed on, later moving to the foot of Flathead Lake and then selling out in the 1880s and leaving the area (Shea 1977:39-40; McCurdy 1976:71-72; Johns 1943 1:35).

There was a "Joseph Asline" at Frenchtown in the winter of 1862-3.

In the St. Ignatius Marriage Book 1856-1873 we find:

1861 - July 22

"Die vigesima secunda julii dieabus proclamationibus pretermisssa matrimonio conjunaxi Josephum Asslin/Canadien ea Moreal et Juliam Finly Wikuam Finly filiam. Testes fuere Pinetzi et LeChat....."

This is the marriage of Joseph Ashley to Julia Finley, filiam is Latin for "daughter of" Wikuam Finley is Jacques "Miquam" Finley. Witness is Francois Finley "Pinetzi" and LeChat.

Where is Moreal.... what place was the priest referring too, when he said Joseph Ashley was from Moreal? Montreal? Did the Ashleys come from Montreal?

Joe Ashley and his partner, Francois Gravelle, did some freighting while they lived in the Upper Flathead Valley, which was called "The Head of the Lake" until 1880. Polson was known as "The Foot of the Lake."

The McCarthy's later tore down the old Ashley cabin, which Joe had sold for \$10.00 in 1883, and filled in the excavation, with scrapers and mules salvaged from the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad. David R. Griffith later planted a wheat field on the spot.

From FLATHEAD AND KOOTENAI, Olga Johnson, Arthur H. Clark Co., page 316:

"In 1863 he may have participated in the discovery of gold at Wild Horse Creek, \$700.00 in pumpkinseed gold. He and two others, Benetsee Finlay and Jack Fisher--sold the gold at Tobacco Plains to John Linklater, and HBC man, while on their way to Frenchtown."

From EARLY FLATHEAD AND TOBACCO PLAINS, page 40:

"It was around this time (1870's), with the Blackfeet Indians raiding so often, that several of the Half-Breed or Ashley Creek Settlement families left the area temporarily. But Joe Ashley stayed on, and is best remembered by the homesteaders who came soon after 1880. In 1883, however, Ashley sold his cabin and land to Eugene McCarthy, Sr., and went to live near his old friend Basil Finley's home on Finley Point at the foot of the Lake. Later history mentions Joe Ashley's as a stage stop nine miles north of Allard's Station for one of Allard's first rough trips up the east side of the Lake."

pages 51 and 52:

"In the late 70's three well-known Missoula County men named Jack Allen, Neil Campbell and Tom Nolan, driving a band of horses to the Fort Steele mining area, camped one night on the Flathead River at a place later called Selish (or Dooley's Landing). During the evening with some liquor around, Jack Allen argued with a local resident named John Finley; by morning one of Allen's horses was missing. Hot words passed, knives were drawn, and Finley was killed by Allen (who was a gentleman when sober, a maniac when under the influence). Finley's friends wanted Allen turned over to Chief Aeneas to be taken to Missoula for trial. The three whites refused, and headed their band of horses northward toward Ashley Lake.

"Chief Aeneas then sent his Indian police ahead by a shortcut, and at a place called Allen's Prairie, the Indians shot and killed Allen. The other two whites were allowed to proceed on their way. In fact, some of the police volunteered to help drive the horses on toward Star Meadows, Good Creek, and Fortine Creek to Tobacco Plains.

"However, an evil fate seemed to ride with the whites. East of Elk Mountain when crossing the Bone (Bowen) River (possibly Logan Creek), some horses turned back. Nolan, an excellent rider, turned them across, but suddenly his horse turned over in a sort of somersault. Campbell rushed to Nolan's aid and his horse turned over also, both white men were drowned.

"When Joe Ashley received word of the tragedy, he immediately rode to Allen's Prairie, where he found Allen's body covered with brush, his hat on top of the brush, his gold watch and other personal effect still in his clothing. Mr. Ashley had the body buried, then sent the watch and other personal effects to Judge Frank Woody at Missoula, who forwarded them on to Mr. Allen's sister."

St. Ignatius Baptism Register; MT; p.34; #54:
 Carolina Aslin b. 2 Aug 1878; bt 10 Dec 1878;
 Father: Joseph Aslin Mother: Joset

From a Report of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Montana Agency, 1885.
 1:20.1:855 (Government Document Number)
 "Flathead Agency, Montana Territory, August, 1885 - Peter Ronan's 9th annual report:

In order to give an illustration of the advancement of the tribes of this reservation, I will here cite the names of some of the prominent Indian farmers, with an estimate of their grain crops, which are now being harvested. In addition to the grain crop each farmer raised a small patch of vegetables, such as potatoes, turnips, cabbage, carrots, parsnips, onions &c., sufficient, perhaps, for family use.

name	under fence	wheat and oats produced
	Acres.	Bushels.
Mission Valley.		
Joseph	160	450
Charloanie	100	500
Partee	100	300
Lowman (son of Joseph)	200	400
Vetal	100	300
Petel Halks	50	150
Joseph (Qui Quil Cha)	100	200
Felix	160	400
John Solee	160	150
Deaf Louie	160	300
Francois	50	100
Pierre Eneas	50	60
John	100	150
Adolph	50	80
Michael Colville	160	800
Eneas Pierre	50	60

Nicholas	160	400
Frank Camille	160	500
Dandy Jim	160	500
Koosack Matt	160	300
Joe Guardapuis	100	400
Alex, the Snake	160	700
Pierrish (See-You)	100	250
Big John	100	400
Louie La Rose	180	600
Clatch-Kee-Lassa	50	100
Angus McDonald	800	: For hay only 380 tons produced
Charley Moolman	160	300
Pierre Moolman	160	150
Louie Moolman	160	300
Alexander Bonaparte	100	200
Red Mountain	50	60
Isaac Chel-Kan-Soo	50	60
Philip Stel-sa-Kau	60	80
Michelle, chief of the Pend d'Oreilles	160	250
Artemus Tallman	100	250
Ooyste Finlay	160	500
Grand Joe	100	250
Joseph Finlay	160	500
Abraham Finlay	200	1,200
Dupee	200	1,000
Joseph Aslin	160	800
Lorette Pablo	160	800
Jim Michel	100	400
Philip Iandra	60	100
Michelle Pablo and Charles Allard	300	(*) For pasture for their cattle
Slone	200	(!) No crop.
Peter Finlay	100	100
Baptiste Eneas	100	400
Polson	100	200
David Finlay	100	(!) No crop."

Joe Ashley, though considered a white man, was living on the Flathead Reservation in 1903 when the agency officials were preparing to give the Indians allotments of land. At this time he was not enrolled as a member of the Tribes. On the questionnaire he stated that his father was Jocko Ashley "not in this country", and his mother was Angelic "dead". He was later enrolled and allotted land. At a general council of the Tribes 11 and 12 March 1909, he was adopted.

Joe Ashley's first wife was Julia Finley, the daughter of Miquam Finley and Agnes Paul. They had two children; Joseph born in 1862 and Ignatius, who died young. His second wife was Rose Finley ("Oogh-koof-pah-qui"), born in about 1841-44, the daughter of John Finley and Josette (Lizette). They had eleven children: John, Caroline, Louison, David, Alexander, Eleanor, Peter, Julian, Rose, Henry, and James.

From a letter dated 3 May 1910, Department of the Interior, United States Indian Service, Flathead Agency, Jocko, Montana--Application for patent in fee, Joseph Ashley:

"The Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C.

"Sir:

"I have the honor to forward herewith application of Joseph Ashley, Flathead Allottee No. 2421, for patent in fee simple to his allotment described as, Lot 4 of Sec. 17 and Lot 1 of Sec. 20, Twn. 24 N., R. 20 W., and Lots 3 and 4 of Sec. 13, Twn. 24 N., R. 21 W., M.M. containing 140.32 acres.

"Trust patent is made under the Act of May 8, 1903, (34 stat. L., 182), and notice has been posted and other preliminaries complied with.

"The following report is respectfully submitted.

1. The land has an estimated value of \$40.00 per acre.
2. I am personally acquainted with the applicant.
3. His reason for making application is that he is old and desires to sell his allotment and have the money to live on.
4. No answer required.
5. Applicant does not write.
6. Applicant is eighty-three years of age.
7. Applicant is a whiteman who was adopted by the Indians and his enrollment approved by Office Letter of September 3, 1909, Land-62136-1909.
8. Applicant is married.
9. Applicant has a wife and nine children. Seven of his children are married and but one is a minor and he is 20 years of age.
10. He never attended school.
11. He is a person of good character and reputation.
12. Applicant is old and feeble, doing no work to support himself &
- 13.
14. He is not addicted to the use of intoxicants.
15. Applicant is feeble from old age.
16. His land is not cultivated. The only property he owns is a few cattle and horses.
17. His name is not on the roll of honor.
18. He is not in debt.
19. He has had no practical business experience.

20. Trust period to applicant's allotment expires in 1935.
21. Applicant has no other trust lands.
22. He has not been given the privilege of leasing.
23. His land is not leased.
24. He has not been importuned by any person to produce patent in fee.
25. He has made no contact to sell his land.
26. Applicant or wife has no inherited lands.
27. Neither have sold any inherited lands.
28. No answer required.
29. Applicant's wife and all his children are allotted.
30. Owing to the applicant's advanced age and feebleness, I do not think he has the necessary business qualifications to manage his own affairs successfully."

Joseph Ashley died June 13, 1911 at the age of about 85 years, on his allotment. He had left his place to Charles Allard in his will. In a letter of August 22, 1911 from the Flathead Agency, it states:

"Shortly after his death I called at the Ashley place, and from some of his children who were at home, secured some data relative to this will. I also endeavored at that time to see Chas. Allard, the principal beneficiary named in the will and failing in this wrote him requesting certain information. I have held the will hoping to receive the information called for, and thus be able to make as complete a report as possible. Mr. Allard has never answered my letter, but a few days ago I had a talk with him regarding the matter."

From The Inter-Lake (Kalispell, Mt.) Jan. 10, 1896, p8:

"High Times on the Reservation

C. M. Walker, Wm. Sharp and William Harrington returned Saturday from the Flathead reservation where they had spent a week attending the New Years festivities. They went first to the old Hudson Bay post, where Angus C. McDonald now lives. On our New Years evening there was held what is said to have been the finest ball ever given on reservation. There are a large number of people of Scotch descent on the reservation, and they were nearly all present. Mr. Walker and Mr. Harrington had taken bagpipes with them, and to their music, loved by the Scot, the grand march was begun, with Mr. Sharp and Miss Maggie McDonald in highland costume leading the dancers. Dancing was continued until a late hour next morning. The music for the occasion, in addition to that furnished by the bagpipes, was furnished by an excellent orchestra, composed of Miss Maggie McDonald, Thomas McDonald, Angus C. McDonald and Charles Williams. The floor managers were Angus P. and Joseph McDonald.

A pleasant and unexpected feature of the evening was the marriage of William Irvin and Mrs. Larbie, two residents of the reservation.

On New Years Eve a grand dance after the Indian manner was held at the residence of Mr. Ashley, at which a large number of the Indians were present.

After the ball at Mr. McDonald's, Mr. Walker and Mr. Sharp visited a number of houses on the reservation, and stirred up the Scotch enthusiasm with the music of the bagpipes.

Who's this?

From The Daily Missoulian, Nov. 1, 1915, page 3:

"Polson

Mrs. Joseph Ashley, who has been ill for the past few weeks died at her home in the country Friday." (from Bob Bigart)

William Ashley: see page 273

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Name of Indian.	Joseph Adley
Name of his Father.	Joseph Adley
Name of his Father's Brothers.	1. Deat. Adams
Name of his Father's Sisters.	1. Deat. Adams
Name of his Mother.	Angelina Adley
Name of his Mother's Brothers.	1. Deat. Adams
Name of his Mother's Sisters.	1. Deat. Adams
Name of Previous Wife.	None
Name of Present Wife # 814	Rose Adley
Present Wife's Father.	John Adley
Her Father's Brothers.	1. Deat. Adams
Her Father's Sisters.	1. Deat. Adams
Present Wife's Mother.	Angelina Adley
Her Mother's Brothers.	1. Deat. Adams
Her Mother's Sisters.	1. Deat. Adams
His Own Brothers.	1. Deat. Adams
His Own Sisters.	None
Present Wife's Brothers.	1. Deat. Adams
Present Wife's Sisters.	1. Isabel Gravelle #164 2. Catherine David #2057
Their Sons # 815	1. Alex Adley #1077
# 816	2. John Adley #1078
# 817	3. John Adley #1079
Their Daughters.	1. Eleanor Adley #1157 2. Rose Adley #1080 3. Caroline Adley, dead left from #1081

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Name of Indian #	746	Joseph Ashby age 44
Name of his Father		Joseph Ashby 1815
Name of his Father's Brothers	1	Dead - Kansas
	2	
Name of his Father's Sisters	1	Dead - Kansas
	2	
Name of his Mother		Robert Finley, Mother's Name
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1	Robert Finley
	2	Dead " Joe Finley
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1	
	2	
Name of Previous Wife		None
Name of Present Wife #	747	Marcaline Ashby age 26 + 1881
Present Wife's Father		Robert Finley dead
Her Father's Brothers	1	Dead
	2	Full sister 2
Her Father's Sisters	1	Full sister 2
	2	Full sister 2
Present Wife's Mother	#744	Marion Finley #1218
Her Mother's Brothers	1	Joseph Ashby #1244 Joe Kansas #1240
	2	John Ashby #1251 Kate Limpy dead left farm #3000
Her Mother's Sisters	1	Marion Ashby #1401
	2	Marion Ashby #1241
His Own Brothers	1	Robert Ashby #1091 John Ashby #1082
	2	Robert Ashby #1091 John Ashby #1082
	3	Robert Ashby #1091 John Ashby #1082
His Own Sisters	1	Robert Ashby #1091 John Ashby #1082
	2	Rosa Dupuis #1020
	3	Caroline Ducharme dead left farm #1500
Present Wife's Brothers	1	William Finley #1219
	2	Full sister 2
	3	Full sister 2
Present Wife's Sisters	1	Full sister 2
	2	
	3	
Their Sons	1	None
	2	
	3	
	4	
Their Daughters	1	None
	2	
	3	
	4	

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MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Filed for Record the 12th day of Dec
A. D. 1895, at 3 o'clock P. M.
By J. W. McClure Clerk.
Deputy.

STATE OF MONTANA,
COUNTY OF MISSOULA.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

THESE PRESENTS are to authorize any Judge of a Court of Record, any Justice of the Peace within the said County, elected or appointed by the Governor of Montana therefor; any regularly ordained Minister, who is in good standing in the religious denomination to which he belongs, or any Religious Society, according to the usages of said Society, to solemnize, within said County, the marriage of

Joseph Ashley a white man, aged 34 years, born at
Jocko, in the County of Missoula, State of Montana,
and now residing at Roman Springs, in the County of Missoula,
State of Montana, and son of Joseph Ashley and
Dorothy Taylor with Marceline Ashlin
a white woman, aged 24 years, born at Jocko
in the County of Missoula, State of Montana, and now residing at
Jocko, in the County of Missoula, and State of Montana,
and daughter of Bertha Dixon and Louise Kumprey
The gentleman has not been married before
The lady has been married but divorced July 11th 1892

Said parties being of sufficient age to be capable of contracting marriage, and there being no legal impediment thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the District Court of the Fourth Judicial District, this 12th day of December A. D. 1895

J. W. McClure Clerk.
By J. A. Davis Deputy.

STATE OF MONTANA,
COUNTY OF MISSOULA.

CERTIFICATE.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I believe that the facts stated in the foregoing License are true, and that, from the inquiry, there appears no legal impediment to the validity of said

that said This is to certify, that the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace did, on the 12th day of December, A. D., 1895 join in lawful wedlock Joseph Ashley and Marceline Ashlin with their mutual consent, in the presence of H. A. Lambert and Thos H. Corbett, witnesses

of the County Corbett, witnesses and State of

witnesses of said marriage Witness my hand this 12th day of December, 1895

ATTEST: Andrew Logan

of said named witnesses Henry A. Lambert Justice of the Peace
T H. Corbett : witnesses

WITNESSES.

From Duzzie Glover 10/24/2013

33-7 1082

Name of Indian # 760	John Reddy, Age 34
Name of his Father	Joseph Reddy, Age 60
Name of his Father's Brothers	1. John Reddy
	2.
Name of his Father's Sisters	1. Mary Reddy
	2.
Name of his Mother	Rose Reddy #1076, born in Ireland
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1. William Reddy, dead, left wife and three sons
	2.
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1. Catherine Reddy #2057, 2 sons, Frank and Arthur, 22 years
	2. Ellen, dead, Leabail Gravelle #164
Name of Previous Wife	None
Name of Present Wife # 761	Mary Egan, Age 33, born in Ireland
Present Wife's Father	Michael Paddy #1148
Her Father's Brothers	1. Thomas Paddy, born in Ireland #1153 et al
	2. James Paddy, no family
Her Father's Sisters	1. Maggie Paddy, dead, left family #1764 et al
	2.
Present Wife's Mother	Agnes Paddy #1149
Her Mother's Brothers	1. None
	2.
Her Mother's Sisters	1. Mary La Rose #1088, born in Ireland, single, born 8-57
	2. Louise Reddy #1095, born in Ireland, dead, left family #1201 et al
His Own Brothers	1. Joseph Reddy #1080, born in Ireland, 17-10-1901, born in Ireland
	2. William Reddy #1081, born in Ireland, 17-10-1901, born in Ireland
	3. John Reddy #1082, born in Ireland, 17-10-1901, born in Ireland
His Own Sisters	1. Elsie Reddy #1087, born in Ireland
	2. Rose Dupont, born in Ireland
	3. Elizabeth Reddy, born in Ireland, left family #157 et al
Present Wife's Brothers	1. James Paddy #1156, born in Ireland
	2. Joseph Paddy #1158, single
	3. Alex Paddy, single #1152
Present Wife's Sisters	1. Louise Dupont, born in Ireland #1164
	2. Mary Paddy, single #1150
	3.
Their Sons # 763	1. Frederick Reddy, born in Ireland, 4-22-1907
	2. Ernest Reddy #2369, born Dec 14, 1907
	3.
	4.
Their Daughters # 762	1. Mary Reddy, Age 6, #1184
	2.
	3.
	4.

Federal Archives and Records Center in Seattle.

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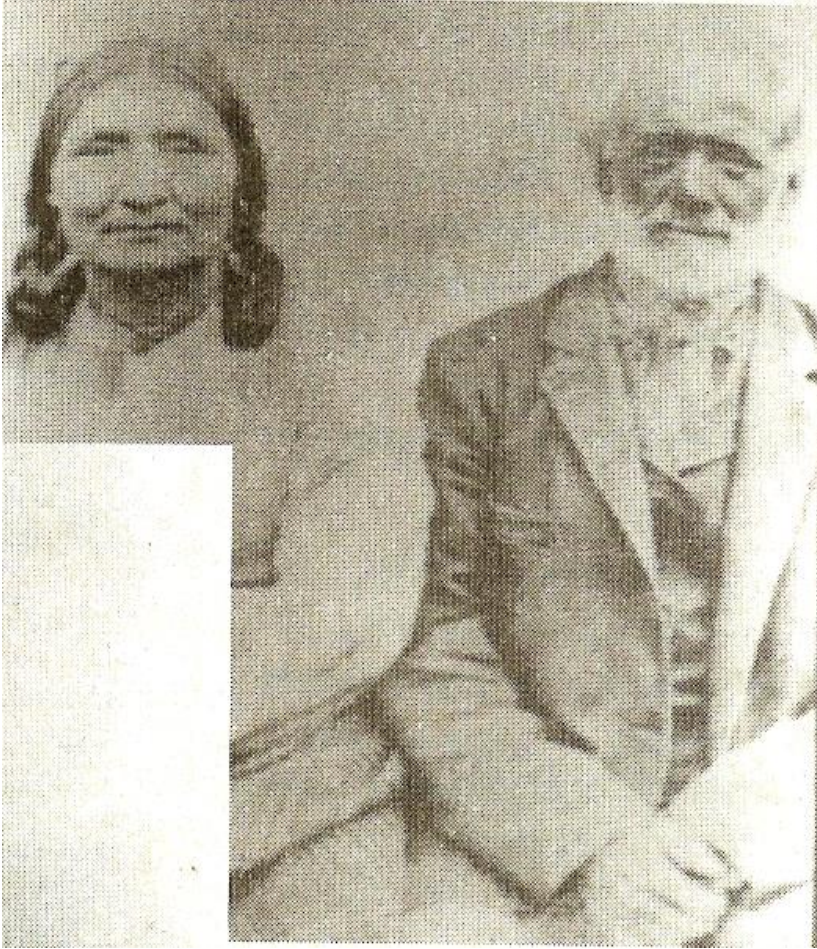
John. Ashley

Jan	10	Miss. Street	?		50	Apr 16	By Cash	201		3	10
		Sum for above			20						
Feb	11	to	175		80					3	10
					3	10					

Beckwith Store ledger 1903

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Name of Indian #	765	David Ashley, Father age 29
Name of his Father		Joseph Ashley, White man
Name of his Father's Brothers	1	Don't know
	2	
Name of his Father's Sisters	1	Don't know
	2	
Name of his Mother		Rose Ashley *1076
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1	Don't know
	2	
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1	Don't know Isabel Gravelle *166
	2	1/2 Catherine Davis *2057
Name of Previous Wife		Don't know
Name of Present Wife #	766	Josephine, dead *1087
Present Wife's Father		William P. Pabla
Her Father's Brothers #	6051	Michael Pabla #1148
	2	
Her Father's Sisters	1	none
	2	
Present Wife's Mother		Mary Franklin, dead
Her Mother's Brothers	1	Joe Franklin *1321
	2	Abraham "A" *1385
Her Mother's Sisters	1	Don't know
	2	
His Own Brothers	1	Joseph Ashley *1080, Peter Ashley *1077
	2	Harmon "H" *1091, Julian "J" *1078
	3	John "J" *1082, Henry "H" *1079
His Own Sisters	1	Elaine Pabla *1157
	2	Rosa Dupuis *1070
	3	Catherine Ducharme, dead, left hand *1062
Present Wife's Brothers	1	William Pabla *1153
	2	
	3	
Present Wife's Sisters	1	Coraline Messager *1171
	2	Rosa Dupuis *1154
	3	Mary Pabla *1057, Sister on father's side
Their Sons #	7671	David A. Ashley *1089
	2	Michael Ashley *1092, born June 15, 1907
	3	
	4	
Their Daughters #	7671	Annie Ashley *1088
	2	
	3	
	4	



Rose "Nana" Finley and Joe Ashley (Char-Koosta via Anna Lee Cowan)

In the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library at the University of Montana in Missoula is the Demers Mercantile Company Ledger 1881-1883 following are pages from it that mention Joseph Ashley:

I am not sure, but some of the early bookkeeping involved day books and ledgers. Some clerks would group all the items in a purchase as "Merchandise" in order to avoid recopying the list of items into the ledger. Bob

[illegible]

421	
4/3	
✓ 144	Mr. D. B. Smith 50
✓ 145	Mr. D. B. Smith 12.5
✓ 146	Mr. D. B. Smith 25
✓ 147	Mr. D. B. Smith 15
✓ 148	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.25
✓ 149	Mr. D. B. Smith 28.00
✓ 150	Mr. D. B. Smith 1.00
✓ 151	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.5
✓ 152	Mr. D. B. Smith 3.00
✓ 153	Mr. D. B. Smith 16.00
✓ 154	Mr. D. B. Smith 25

424	
4/3	
✓ 155	Mr. D. B. Smith 1.50
✓ 156	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.50
✓ 157	Mr. D. B. Smith 18.50
✓ 158	Mr. D. B. Smith 1.25
✓ 159	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.25
✓ 160	Mr. D. B. Smith 9.50
✓ 161	Mr. D. B. Smith 1.25
✓ 162	Mr. D. B. Smith 3.25
✓ 163	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.25
✓ 164	Mr. D. B. Smith 20.00
✓ 165	Mr. D. B. Smith 5.00
✓ 166	Mr. D. B. Smith 90
✓ 167	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.50
✓ 168	Mr. D. B. Smith 1.50
✓ 169	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.25
✓ 170	Mr. D. B. Smith 1.25
✓ 171	Mr. D. B. Smith 3.25
✓ 172	Mr. D. B. Smith 4.50
✓ 173	Mr. D. B. Smith 2.5

Catherine	age 8	F	Hb.	W.T.
Alexander	6	M	Hb.	W.T.
Louis	5	M	Hb.	W.T.
Francis	3	M	Hb.	W.T.

1851 Baptism records at St. Paul Mission, WT:

Catharinam Anchelin bt in Oct Parents: Alex & Susanne Anchelin

From St. Francis Regis Mission, Washington Record Book Burials 1853-1887
Listed alphabetically according to Christian (or first) name.

In this group of records is inserted a book that seems to list names in some kind of
census or status record thus:

No date has been determined for this book.

(Possibly means)

name	tribe?	baptism	census?	marriage?
Alexis Asselin	sm		1854	22 Sep 1850

From Liber Baptismorum in Mission St. Ignatius (Pend d'Oreilles, etc)
1854-1873 page 73:

Alexis Louis Ashley: bt 27 Jul 1862; St. Ignatius Mission; MT
b 12 Jun 1862; parents Alex Ashley & Therese
godparents: Baptiste & Angelique

From St. Peter's Mission, Baptismal Register [Settlers] 1855-1879, vol.2,
Translated and transcribed by Rev. Dale McFarlane, (summer 1981), page 4
#70: at Sun River, Montana
Ignatius Marie Ansela (McFarlane's rendition)
Parents: Alexis Ansela & Geresa (metis Iroquois)
Born: ?
Baptized: 10 July 1860 by Rev. Nicholas Congiato, S.J.

420 1687

Name of Indian	Alby Ashley Deal Port Conn
Name of his Father	Paul Nelson
Name of his Father's Brothers	1
	2
Name of his Father's Sisters	1
	2
Name of his Mother	Rosalia Deal
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1
	2
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1
	2
Name of Previous Wife	
Name of Present Wife #4049	Lophia Ashley Nelson age 71. Spouse #1021
Present Wife's Father	John Se-yah
Her Father's Brothers	1
	2
Her Father's Sisters #489	1 Ellen Badrock #404
# 419	2 Josephine Alphas #572
Present Wife's Mother	Beulah Deal
Her Mother's Brothers	1 all dead
	2
Her Mother's Sisters	1 all dead
	2
His Own Brothers	1
	2
	3
His Own Sisters	1
	2
	3
Present Wife's Brothers	1 none
	2
	3
Present Wife's Sisters	1 none. John Deal mother #1088
	2
	3
Their Sons	1 none. Mack Ashley dead. 1st. Paul #1231 et al.
	2
	3
	4
Their Daughters	1 none
	2
	3
	4

1220

Name of Indian		Mack Ashley dead
Name of his Father		
Name of his Father's Brothers	1	
	2	
Name of his Father's Sisters	1	
	2	
Name of his Mother		
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1	
	2	
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1	
	2	
Name of Previous Wife		
Name of Present Wife		Rosa F. Ashley #1220 28
Present Wife's Father		Baptiste Finley dead
Her Father's Brothers	1	
	2	
Her Father's Sisters	1	
	2	
Present Wife's Mother		Louise F. Finley #1218
Her Mother's Brothers	1	James Joseph Lemprey #1240 John Lemprey #1251
	2	" " Ephraim " #1244
Her Mother's Sisters	1	" " Louise Lemprey dead left hand #1026 dead
	2	" " Mary Vandenberg #1271 Lucy Lamore #1401
His Own Brothers	1	
	2	
	3	
His Own Sisters	1	
	2	
	3	
Present Wife's Brothers	1	William Finley #1219
	2	
	3	
Present Wife's Sisters	1	Mercaline Ashley #1081
	2	Sophie Michel #1924
	3	
Their Sons	1	Paul Ashley, 9 yrs #1221, Father Mack Ashley dead
	2	Alexander F. Ashley #1333 " is Anton F. Ashley #1330
	3	
	4	
Their Daughters	1	Mary Adele Feline #1332 " " " "
	2	
	3	
	4	

Arzell Ashley married Joseph Finley, the son of Patrick "Pichina" Finley.

1. Name variations: Angelic, "Sah-kah"; Skalpe.
2. Skalpi for Kootenai.
3. How is she Kootenai unless Rosalie Cree was part Kootenai or not her mother?
4. Are Angelique, wife of Peter Irvine and Arzell, wife of Joseph Finley, the same person? Instead of sisters? This needs to be checked out. Also the Angela Ashel (RIN 10137) who married George Montour can also be tied in to this person?

Louison Ashley married Adele Stah-tah. He was a trapper and hunter. Adele Stah-tah & Susanna Stah-tah were sisters. Their father was Sata and their mother was Francisca

(Plessaway) Kuiltpi. Sata's father was Nicolas, of the Small Robes band of Blackfeet and a chief. He died in a fall from his horse in September 1846. Sata aka: Gervais. "Of all the Blackfeet, the Small Robes were the friendliest to the Flathead, and it was through them Catholicism was introduced to the Blackfeet. The first to be baptized -- at St. Mary's on Christmas Day, 1841 -- were "an old chief ... with his son and his little family, five in all" (Chittenden and Richardson 1969:II, 338). The "old chief" was given the name Nicolas; his son became Gervais. They became for the Blackfeet what Ignace Lamoose and Little Ignace had been for the Flathead (Buckley 1989:250).

Gervais had been known as Sata, a name which the priests equated with Satan, which befitted his behavior in younger days (Buckley 1989: 250; Chittenden and Richardson 1969:II, 596). Sata is said to have been the leader of the Blackfoot war party which ambushed Francis Ermatinger's men in O'Keefe Canyon in 1835, killing 3 South Sea Islanders, including one who was Ermatinger's favorite and for whom the canyon was known for the next three decades as the Coriakan Defile (Teit 1930: 364; McDonald 1980: 184, 209; Gray 1980:28).

Charles Larpenteur (1962:II,270-271) described Sata as "a small Indian" and "a half-breed Flathead and Blackfoot." Father Point said that Sata's wife "had been brought up among the Flatheads" (Buckley 1989: 347). Her name is given as Koitepi in the marriage record of her daughter Adele." Malouf

317		1091	
Name of Indian	# 845	Laurieau Ashley	age 40
Name of his Father		Joseph Ashley	White man
Name of his Father's Brothers	1	Don't know	
	2		
Name of his Father's Sisters	1	Don't know	
	2		
Name of his Mother	# 814	Rose Ashley	# 1076
Name of his Mother's Brothers	1	Don't know	
	2		
Name of his Mother's Sisters	1	Don't know	
	2		
Name of Previous Wife		None	
Name of Present Wife	# 846	Laure Ashley	# 1082
Present Wife's Father		Gustav Finley	Dead
Her Father's Brothers	1	Don't know	
	2		
Her Father's Sisters	1	Don't know	
	2		
Present Wife's Mother	# 851	Deborah Finley	Living
Her Mother's Brothers	1	Don't know	
	2		
Her Mother's Sisters	1	Don't know	
	2		
His Own Brothers	1	Joseph Ashley	# 1080
	2	John "	# 1082
	3	David "	# 1086
His Own Sisters	1	Elleanor Pells	# 1157
	2	Rose Dupuis	# 1020
	3	Carlina Ducharme	Dead # 1066 et al
Present Wife's Brothers	1	None	
	2		
	3		
Present Wife's Sisters	1	Aggie Pells	# 1149
	2	Mary Le Rose	# 109
	3		
Their Sons	# 850	Alex Ashley	# 1078
Step Son	# 847	Joseph Tallman	# 1075
on mother's side			
Their Daughters	# 848	Mary Jane Ashley	# 1032
	# 849	Mary Lou Ashley	# 1033
	# 851	Don't know	mother in law

Petshina on 19 June 1858, by Father Menetrey.

From "I Will Be Meat For My Salish" The Buffalo and Federal Writers Project Interviews Relating to the Flathead Reservation - edited by Robert Bigart - Biographical Glossary of Flathead Indian Reservation Names " by Eugene Mark Felsman and Robert Bigart (draft-1999) soon to be published: (note it is now published (2008)

"In 1855 she worked as a cook for the Flathead Agency....."

Peter Irvine:

In the winter of 1862-3 Peter Irvine was at St. Ignatius Mission, MT.

Occupation: Interpreter; Flathead Agency; 1855; engage - Hudson's Bay Co.; farmer.

1860 Washington Territory Census-Spokane County- Bitterroot Valley
149/107

Peter Irvin-age 32-sex M-occ. Laborer-birthplace-Scotland

Angelick Irvin-age 21-sex F- birthplace-Canada

Christianna Irvin-age 6-sex F-birthplace- Wash. Terr.

William Irvin-age 4-sex M- " " "

Paskal Irvin -age 2-sex M- " " "

John Irvin -age 5/12-sex M " " "

Rosalie Gaspere-age 51-sex F " " "

Betsey Gaspere-age 40-sex F " " "

Antonia Rivaïs -age 40-sex M " Trader Canada \$500.00

It also shows that Peter Irvine could read or write.

From MEN AND TRADE ON THE NORTHWEST FRONTIER AS SHOWN BY THE
FORT OWEN LEDGER - pages 112 & 113. On his report on employee at the Flathead
Agency, Dec. 31, 1855 Agent Richard H. Lansdale lists:

Peter Irvine -interpreter at \$500.00 per year

John Irvine-laborer at \$40.00 per month

Lizette Irvine-cook \$5.00 per week

John Irvine-laborer \$35.00 per month

Lorison-herder at \$20.00 per month (may be Louison Ashley??)

ibid.pp175-176:

"Yet another man with Owen on the 1858 trip from the Dalles was Peter Irvine, although neither the Major nor Frush mention him. Apparently he was not an employee, but was accompanying the party for protection. He had some goods of his own which he was taking to the Flathead country. Irvine must have been well acquainted with the Indians because he had served two years previously as Lansdale's interpreter at the Flathead Agency.

It is stated in the 1860 census of Washington Territory that Peter Irvine was a laborer in Spokane County, Bitterroot Valley, and that he was born in Scotland in 1828. The

Historical Society of Montana lists him as a resident at St. Ignatius Mission in the winter of 1862-63, and the Missoula County Tax of 1870 has him down for 160 acres of land valued at \$300.00 and \$30.00 worth of personal property."

From Flathead Agency, Mt. census:

"Dec. 1886

538	Peter Irvin	Widower	60	M
539	Rosalie Irvin	Dau	19	F
540	Aggy Irvin	Dau	17	F
541	Mary Irvin	Dau	10	F
542	Maggie Irvin	Dau	9	F

From the "Revised Fort Colville List" Bruce M. Watson (1997) page 5:

name	parish	occupation	Yrs. at Ft. Colville
Irvine, Peter [a]	Shetland	laborer	1852-56

Angelique and Peter Irvine's son, William Irvine was a famous Flathead country cowboy. A top cowhand and expert with horse and rope. He often worked for the "Bar U" spread. He was trail boss when the Charles Allard, Michel Pablo, and Alexander Matt herds were trailed to Cheyenne, Wyoming in May 1876. With him were eleven cowboys and 1,200 cattle. Six months later (15 Oct 1876) they were in Cheyenne, Wyoming. "The Namesake of Irvine Flats"; Early Days by Miss Beaver; ""Mission Valley News"; St. Ignatius; MT; 14 Apr 1988, Monday: "Irvine Flats, near Polson, got its name from a cowpuncher, Billy Irvine. Billy was one of nine children born to Peter Irvine and Angela Ashley Irvine.

556 MARRIAGE LICENSE 9/26

Fredrick C Lemke
 To
Maggie M Irvine
 By *Thos E Kemp* Deputy Clerk

Filed for Record the 14th day of March
 A. D. 1882, at 9:20 o'clock P. M.
R. W. Kemp Clerk

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss. MARRIAGE LICENSE
 COUNTY OF MISSOULA.

These Presents are to authorize any Justice of the Supreme Court, Judge of the District Court, Justice of the Peace within the said County, or the Mayor of any city, any Priest or Minister of the Gospel of any denomination, or any Religious Society, according to the usages of said Society, to solemnize, within said county, the marriage of *Fredrick C Lemke* a *single* man, aged *29* years, born at *Carltonia*, in the County of *Racine* State of *Wisconsin*, and now residing at *Woodman*, in the County of *Missoula*, State of *Montana*, and son of *Isidore C Lemke* and *Wilhelmina Kast* with *Maggie Irvine*, a *White* woman, aged *22* years, born at *Lead Wood*, in the County of *Lacrosse*, State of *Iowa*, and now residing at *Woodman*, in the County of *Missoula*, State of *Montana*, and daughter of *John Irvine* and *Angie Chley*.

Said parties being of sufficient age to be capable of contracting marriage, and there being no legal impediment thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the District Court of the Fourth Judicial District, this 11th day of March A. D. 1882.

Thos E Kemp Deputy Clerk.

STATE OF MONTANA, } ss. CERTIFICATE.
 COUNTY OF MISSOULA.

This is to Certify, That the undersigned, a *Catholic Priest* did, on the *eleventh* day of *March* A. D. 1882, join in lawful wedlock *Fredrick C. Lemke* and *Maggie Irvine* with their mutual consent, in the presence of *Alfred Strune* and *Corona Beasly* witnesses.

Witness my hand this the *eleventh* day of *March* 1882.

Attest: *Alfred Strune* Witnesses: *F. C. Lemke*
Corona Beasly *Maggie M Irvine*
L. B. Palladino, D.D.

From Duzzie Glover 10/24/2013



Peter Irvine (from Troy Felsman)



Taken by Chalk Courchane June 2010



LILLY R. COURCHANE JONES
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 REMATCHES WA 98001

1. Alexander Hominsto
2. Andrew Bullhead
3. Baptiste Mathias
4. Chief Eneas Paul Koostahtah
5. Chief Martin Charlo
6. Chief KahKahShee
7. Charlie Michel
8. Peter Paul Abraham
9. John Deere
10. ?
11. Maxine Barnaby
- between 11 and 13 Alex Roostoo Ashley
12. ?

13. Richard McLeod
14. Louie Courture
15. Pete Vanderburg
16. Jerome Vanderburg
17. ?
18. Andrew Bullrobe
19. Lasso Stasso
20. Eneas Conko
- between 19 and 21 Annie Pablo Miles
21. ?
22. Henry Matt
23. ?
24. Tommy Bell

25. Antoine Pierre
26. Louie Camille
27. Dave Couture
28. Billy Courtois
29. Billy Irvine
30. ? Clairmont
31. ? Clairmont
32. Johnny Clairmont
33. Jane Finley
34. Louison Ashley
35. ?
36. Victor Dupuis
37. thru 39. ?

40. Henry Cameron
41. & 42. ?

Photograph taken in 1926 or 1927,
 at a meeting in Equity Hall in Saint
 Ignatius. Photo courtesy of Louie
 Dupuis.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

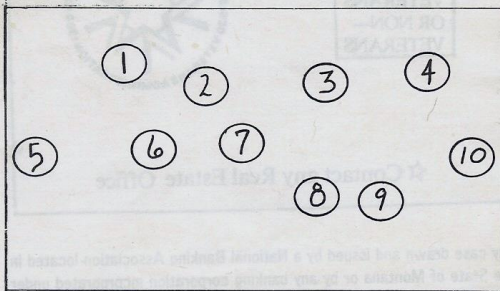


ANOTHER OF THE PHOTOS contributed by Alvin Sloan deals with an interesting but not fully identified scene at a reservation boundary marker, probably in the early 1920's. Those who have been identified include

Dave Finley, at left, August "O-Use" Finley in the white shirt, and Johnny Ashley. The men second and third from left couldn't be named, nor was the occasion. Anyone know?



A mild controversy surrounds this picture. On the one hand, Al Sloan identifies the men as: (1) Joe Marian, (2) ? Wise, (3) Hill Link, (4) Charlie Russell, (5) Lawson Ashley, (6) Michell Pablo, (7) George Sloan, (8) Fred Decker, (9) Walter Sloan and (10) Alec Pablo.



Sonny Morigeau and Tom Pablo claim a slightly different set of names: (1) unknown, (2) Walter Sloan, (3) unknown, (4) Charlie Russell, (5) Alex Ashley (?), (6) Michell Pablo, (7) ? Sloan, (8) Fred Decker, (9) John Decker and (10) unknown.

Anyone else out there have any ideas who these folks are?



1 AUG. 1991

Russell once visited the Flathead

by Al Sloan

The group picture of 10 men posed standing or perched on apple boxes adorns the picture shelf in many Reservation homes. I have handed this picture to people who glanced quickly at it and put it down only to feverishly grab it up when informed the cowboy in the upper right is none other than cowboy artist Charlie Russell.

Charlie was no stranger to western Montana. He spent many happy days with his good friend Frank Linderman at Frank's Goose Bay home up on the west shore between Dayton and Lakeside.

He was fascinated by buffalo and scores of his paintings reflected this life-long love affair with "nature's cattle". In October of 1908, Charlie visited here and participated in the attempted round-up of a herd owned by Michel Pablo. He describes the Flathead as an open wild country with lots of wild horses. He said they camped along the "Pandroll River", actually the Pend d'Oreille, with Canadian officials who bought the 800 head owned by "half-Breed Peblo" (as Charlie described Michel). Charlie described Pablo's riders as all breeds or fullbloods making a good-looking bunch (his words). Four of those "good-looking 'breeds'" are shown here (bottom row): George Sloan, whose widow, Eva still lives in Ronan; Fred Decker; Walter Sloan, whose widow is Carlotta "Curley" Sloan of Hot Springs, and Alec Pablo.

Montana is justified in its love and respect for Russell. Russell truly respected the Native American. Charlie writes about his visit here in a letter to a friend, dated January 1909. In the book titled "Paper Talk: Charlie Russell's American West", there are some drawings he did while here on Flathead; they portray some round-up scenes.

Another ID of the above picture: These photos come from the collection of Donna (Dupuis) Yerbury. Description for Chalk Photo#1 L-R, Back Row: Joe Marion, Jim Grinder, Wise and Charles Russell.

Bottom Row, L-R: Michelle Pablo, Loyette, George Sloan, Fred Decker, Walter Sloan, and Alex Pablo.

