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This is the explanation for the analysis of the early southern tier (Marathon, NY vicinity) reunions taken from multiple email exchanges in the late 1990s. George and Dave made this spread sheet analysis in hopes of finding a lead in the great Alvin hunt. We seldom have information on these early family events. - HK

15 Nov 1997 GFW

Dave; Howard: I finally got around to getting the Reunion List into the Excel Files. My first draft is attached. I still have to double check the entries. There are still duplications, but I'm counting on Dave to help point them out as well as check the genealogy.

The Data fields are:

A = Surname

B= Given Name

C= Maiden Name, Nick Name, some reference notes

D= FG/DEK family listing. The numbers are from Dave's Alvin's Descendants Genealogy Report

E= Reported home Town

F= County

G= State

H= Genealogy; from Dave's Alvin Genealogy Report or a note about a spouse

I = Listing number on the summary 1936 - 1942 Report 9#1=first person listed)

J through AA are the attendance records for 1936 through 1961. Each person listed in the order they signed in

AB=Notes

29 Dec 1997 GFW

Attached please find a second draft of the list of attendees at the Knickerbocker Reunions from 1919 through 1963. There are still numerous mistakes which I have to correct; however, I need to take three or four weeks away and then come back to list with a fresh perspective.

First of all, there were over 450 different individuals attending at least one of the reunions. Secondly, there are at least two major lines represented at these meetings. One line, is represented by a "JK-5" in the "Line" Column. These individuals are known descendants of William Van Alstyne's John Knickerbocker (43-

iii) born in New Canaan, CT 19 Nov. 1766. Both Fred E. Chamberlain and Mary Boice Gale are of this lineage.

The other known line is marked by "HJK-3" and are descended from Van Alstyne's Number 72, Tobias Knickerbocker, either through his son Charles or Platt. All of the descendants of Alvin Knickerbocker are marked with an "AEK." Finally, if you need to print a copy, you really need only print the first 8 columns unless you are interested in the exciting details of who attended which party.

31 Jan 1999 GFW

I'm always happy to meet a fellow "cousin" from the Alvin Line. Attached you will find an Excel (.xls) which contains a spreadsheet with data from all the various Knickerbockers who attended a family reunion held in the Marathon area from 1918 to 1963.

In the beginning and the end it was clearly Alvin Knickerbocker's family. (AEK in the fourth column means a Descendant of Alvin, born in 1816 or thereabouts; "HJK-3" is a member of the Tioga County Knickerbockers many of whom were quite active in the reunions; "JK-5" is a Delaware County Knickerbocker usually a Chamberlain or a Boice who attended the reunions.)

Clara Light has/had the original books from which Dave made Xerox copies; there are some places that I had to guess who was who and I still have to go through the list from top to bottom. If you or your fellow Bramans can review the list and make any corrections or further identifications it would be greatly appreciated. A Seymour Justin Braman married Alvin Knickerbocker and Phoebe Pratt in 1841 at Whitney Point. If anybody can identify him and where his records might be it would be a step closer in identifying Alvin's Parents. Will answer any question I can. - George.