



Generation One

1. **Henry Bonisteel** #117369, b. 1798 in United States.

Settled in Sidney Township. Nine children.

Is this family related to the BONESTEEL (sic) family of Jacob and Christian WELCH of Edwardsburgh?

He married **Anna Bush** #117370.

Children:

2. i. **Peter Bonisteel** #191700.
3. ii. **Samuel Bonisteel** #191705.
4. iii. **Gilbert Bonisteel** #191701.
5. iv. **Oriel Bonisteel** #191702.
6. v. **Sidney Bonisteel** #191703.
7. vi. **Huldah Bonisteel** #191704.
8. vii. **Samuel Bonisteel** #117368 b. c. 1817.
9. viii. **John Bonisteel** #191706.
10. ix. **Elizabeth Bonisteel** #191707.
11. x. **Abigail Bonisteel** #191708.

Generation Two

2. **Peter Bonisteel** #191700, b.¹
3. **Samuel Bonisteel** #191705, b.¹
4. **Gilbert Bonisteel** #191701, b.¹
5. **Oriel Bonisteel** #191702, b.¹
6. **Sidney Bonisteel** #191703, b.¹
7. **Huldah Bonisteel** #191704, b.¹

She married **John S. Smith** #191711.

8. **Samuel Bonisteel** #117368, b. c. 1817 in Ontario.² .

Family settled in Sidney Township, Hastings County.

He married **Jane Leavens** #81079, b. c. 1823 in Prince Edward County, Ontario,³ (daughter of **Peter E. Leavens** #81070 and **Elizabeth Lounsberry** #81071), religion 1829 Society of Friends/Orthodox Quaker.⁴

Children:

- 12. i. **Mary E. Bonisteel** #117371.
- 13. ii. **Charles H. Bonisteel** #117372 b. 16 July 1850.

- 9. **John Bonisteel** #191706, b.¹
- 10. **Elizabeth Bonisteel** #191707, b.¹

She married **(unidentified) Vandervoort** #191710.

- 11. **Abigail Bonisteel** #191708, b.¹

She married **(unidentified) Creedman** #191709.¹

Generation Three

- 12. **Mary E. Bonisteel** #117371, b. in Hastings County?² .

Pioneer Life suggests that Samuel and Jane had only one child, Charles.

- 13. **Charles H. Bonisteel** #117372, b. 16 July 1850 in Sidney?, Hastings County, Ontario.¹ .

Until 1883: lived in Sidney Township.
1883 - 1893: Lived in Assiniboia

Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte, 1905; Charles Bonisteel; (page 173)

"A well-known member of the Leavens family and a lineal descendant of the sturdy United Empire Loyalist, Henry Bonisteel, is Charles H. Bonisteel no resident at Belleville, but for years himself a successful pioneer and citizen of Assiniboia. His father, Samuel Bonisteel, married Jane, daughter of Peter Leavens. His grandfather was Henry Bonisteel, who came from the United States and settled in Sidney near the famous and historical White Church; by his wife, whose maiden name was Bush, ne had nine children, to wit: Peter, Samuel, Gilbert, Oriel, Sidney, Huldah, (Mrs. John Smith), Samuel, John, Elizabeth (Mrs. Vandervoort) and Abigail (Mrs. Creedman). Of these Samuel married Jane Leavens, and settled in Sidney. They had but one child, Charles H. Bonisteel, who was born upon the 16th day of July, 1850. He married (Nov. 27th, 1876) Clarissa White and had issue: Emma L., Lee H., Louise M., Jennie E., Frank W. and Sabra. Emma L., the eldest of these children married Arthur A. Perley, son of Senator Perley, of Assiniboia N.W.T, and settled at Woolsey, and had issue (1) Henry Dell, (2) Edna Louise, (3)Helen and (4) Blanche.

"Mr. Bonisteel lived in Sidney until about 1883, when he removed to Assiniboia. Here he remained for twenty years, during which time he not only secured for himself and family a handsome competence, but heartily contributed his

skill and energy to throwing open and building up this future granary of the world. In 1893 the educational needs of his growing family induced his return to Ontario. Since then he has lived a retired life at Belleville, retaining his fondness for, and his interest in, the great Northwest.

"Mr. Bonisteel belongs to the Liberal party, but he has never accepted any office beyond serving for some years as Councillor while a resident of Assiniboia. He is a faithful member of the Methodist Church. He also belongs to the Independent Order of Foresters."

He married **Clarissa White** #191712, 27 November 1876 in Sidney?.¹

Children:

14. i. **Emma L. Bonisteel** #191713.
15. ii. **Lee H. Bonisteel** #191714.
16. iii. **Louisa M. Bonisteel** #191715.
17. iv. **Jennie E. Bonisteel** #191716.
18. v. **Frank W. Bonisteel** #191717.
19. vi. **Sabra Bonisteel** #191718.

Generation Four

14. **Emma L. Bonisteel** #191713, b.¹

She married **Arthur A. Perley** #191719.¹

Arthur:

Family lived in Woolsey.

Children:

20. i. **Henry Dell Perley** #191720.
21. ii. **Edna Louise Perley** #191721.
22. iii. **Helen Perley** #191722.
23. iv. **Blanche Perley** #191723.

15. **Lee H. Bonisteel** #191714, b.¹
16. **Louisa M. Bonisteel** #191715, b.¹
17. **Jennie E. Bonisteel** #191716, b.¹
18. **Frank W. Bonisteel** #191717, b.¹
19. **Sabra Bonisteel** #191718, b.¹

Generation Five

20. **Henry Dell Perley** #191720, b.¹
21. **Edna Louise Perley** #191721, b.¹
22. **Helen Perley** #191722, b.¹
23. **Blanche Perley** #191723, b.¹

¹ Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte, 1905; Bonisteel, (page 173).

² Gayla Vidal genealogy, MAGRC, transcribed OCT 2018.

³ West Lake (Conservative) Meeting, Monthly Meeting Register (1820-1882).

⁴ West Lake (Conservative) Meeting, Quaker Monthly Meeting Registers.