The Biographies of

William Rooney and Julia Phelan

Old Settlers of Chicago

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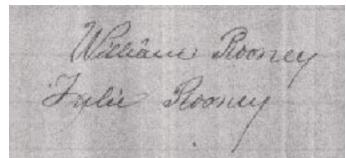
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I. Introduction

William and Julia Rooney were prominent early settlers of Chicago (Cook County, Illinois - United States) dating back to 1835, two years before the city was incorporated. They still have direct descendants who reside in Chicago as of 2024, 189 years later, making the Rooney lineage one of the oldest in the city.

William Rooney was born in Urard, County Tipperary (Ireland) on Christmas Day in 1811. He was baptized at the Catholic Church located in Gortnahoe [Exhibit 63-2]. His parents were Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer, who were farmers. The exact date and location of Julia Phelan's birth remains unclear, but was probably nearby around 1816. Her parents are also unknown.

William Rooney and Julia Phelan were married around 1834, most likely in the border region of Tipperary and Kilkenny counties. They lived in Ardreagh within the Urlingford Catholic Parish in Co. Kilkenny when their eldest child was born in 1835 shortly before traveling to the United States.

The Rooney family spent their initial years in the United States traveling back and forth between two residences in Chicago and the State of New York, probably New York City. There is consensus that William Rooney arrived first in Chicago while his wife and family remained in New York. The entire family became permanent residents of Chicago around 1838. William and Julia had a total of eleven children (three sons and eight daughters): Alice (1835 - Co. Kilkenny), John (about 1837 - New York), Hugh (about 1838 - New York or Chicago), Anna (about 1840 - Chicago), Elizabeth (1842 - Chicago), Hannah (About 1844 - Chicago), William (1845 - Chicago), Mary (1848 - Chicago), Katherine (1849 - Chicago), Margaret (1851 - Chicago), and Josephine (about 1856 - Chicago).

Between 1835 and 1885, William and Julia Rooney acquired a considerable amount of real estate in Chicago and the suburbs. These properties included a residential home they built in the Gold Coast neighborhood at present-day 43 E. Division Street; two commercial buildings built in Downtown near Franklin and Lake; and a large farm with timber lots in the present-day suburbs of Des Plaines and Mount Prospect. William Rooney's namesake Downtown building on the southeast corner of Franklin and Lake was made a Chicago Landmark in 1989. The City of Chicago Commission on Landmarks recognized William Rooney as one of the investors and businessmen who helped rebuild Downtown after the 1871 Chicago Fire. His residential home on Division Street was designated an architecturally and historically significant building by the City of Chicago.

Photographs of William and Julia Rooney were on display at the 1876 Centennial Exposition held in Philadelphia to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of America. Copies of these portraits are part of the photographic collection at the Chicago History Museum.

William and Julia Rooney joined the Old Settlers Society that was formed within the Calumet Club of Chicago in 1879. They were active participants in the annual receptions until their deaths, both in 1885. Status as an "Old Settler" was defined as permanent residence prior to 1840.

William and Julia Rooney were well-known amongst the earliest settlers of Chicago and they were mentioned in several Chicago history books. Today, William and Julia are best remembered as pioneers of the city and for their real estate endeavors during the rebuilding efforts after the Chicago Fire of 1871.

This biography has been extensively and meticulously compiled by their 3x-great-grandson Michael E. Byczek, a licensed Illinois attorney and real estate broker from Chicago. The definitive compilation and research, both legal and real estate, is the only accurate source of genealogy that is approved by him and his family.

II. Old Settlers of Chicago

William Rooney first arrived in Chicago in the year 1835, two years before the city was incorporated. The Rooney family initially spent some of their time in the State of New York before permanently settling in Chicago prior to 1840. There is a suggestion that William Rooney was already in Chicago by 1833, but this would have required him to travel back and forth between Chicago and Ireland. The year 1835 is more reasonable for his initial arrival.

The population of Chicago in 1832 was 200 total individuals [4]. The residents voted to incorporate as a town in 1833 (versus a city in 1837). The population of Chicago in 1837 was estimated to have been around 4,000. William Rooney first arrived in Chicago while the population ranged between these lower and upper estimates. Chicago's population in 2023, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, was about 2.6 million.

It remains unknown whether Julia accompanied William on his first trip to Chicago, or whether she stayed in New York with their infant daughter Alice. Their second child (John) was, without doubt, born in New York. There is uncertainty for their third child (Hugh) as both Illinois and New York are listed on different documents. Their fourth child (Anna) was, without doubt, born in Chicago. Therefore, the time period after the second and before the fourth child is the best estimate for when Julia Rooney permanently settled in Chicago, which would have been about 1838. There is consensus amongst historical documents that list William as arriving in Chicago in 1835 and Julia within three years later.

It also remains unclear whether William and Julia Rooney both traveled back and forth between Chicago and New York prior to their permanent residence around 1838. It is possible that Julia had not been to Chicago prior to 1838 and that William was traveling alone. The Rooney family remained in contact with their relatives and/or friends in New York throughout their life, as evidenced by sending notice to the New York newspapers when their youngest daughter Josephine passed away in 1879.

There had been multiple attempts in Chicago throughout the decades to form an Old Settler's Society without great success until 1879 when the Calumet Club established a society within it's own club that was dedicated to the earliest history of the city. The Club honored the early settlers with annual receptions, a historical collection, and photographs of the pioneers. Membership required permanent residence in Chicago prior to 1840.

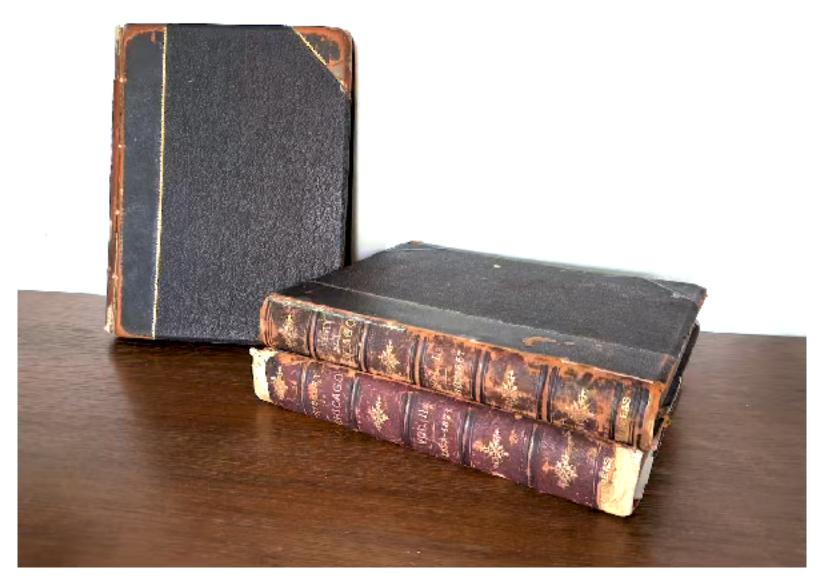
The Calumet Club hosted an annual reception for the Old Settlers held each May. William and Julia Rooney joined the Old Settler's Society after the initial 1879 event and were well-known amongst the other members. The Old Settlers were asked to contribute their photographs. William Rooney's photograph was on display [Exhibit 8]. The year 1837 was listed for his membership and 1838 was written on the photograph.

William Rooney's membership as an Old Settler was mentioned in at least two published history books of Chicago [Exhibits 4 and 5].

At each reception, the Old Settlers paid tribute to those who died since the previous event. William Rooney passed away in May 1885 and was honored at that month's event (the 7th reception). His official death notice for the Old Settlers reception listed 1835 as the year he had first arrived. Julia Rooney passed away in December 1885 and was honored at the 8th reception held in May 1886. Her death tribute showed 1837 as the year that she arrived in Chicago. Refer to Exhibit 6 for both death tributes.

One explanation for the difference between 1835 and 1837 is whether these years referred to first arrival or permanent residence and whether Julia had stayed in New York for two years..

The Fergus 1839 Directory of Chicago was a commemorative edition published in 1876. The purpose was to show what such a directory would have been if compiled in the year 1839. William Rooney was listed as a farmer, which suggests he already operated a farm to have been identified in the records used to recreate such a directory of residents for that year. An 1843 commemorative directory, published in 1896, referred to William Rooney, who was then deceased, as one of the Old Settlers who worked as a blacksmith. Refer to Exhibit 7 for both directories.



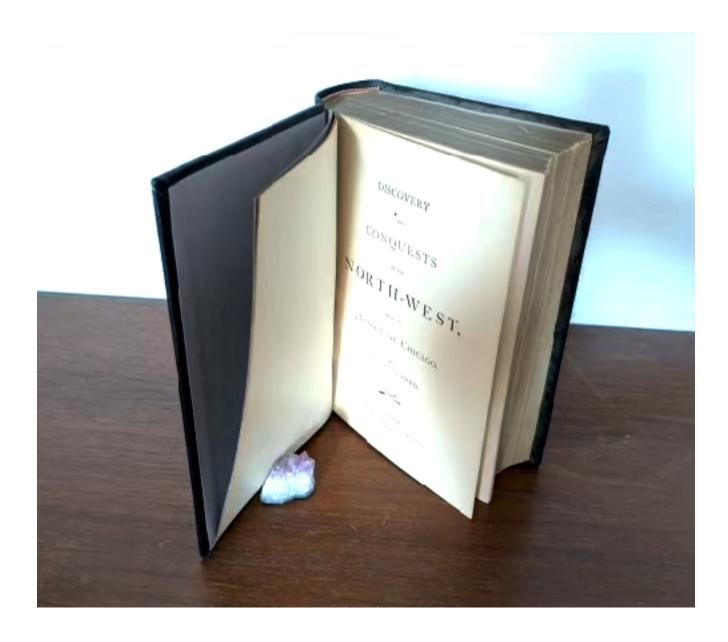
1st Edition (Three Volume) History of Chicago by Alfred Andreas (1886) [4A] Actual items from The Michael E. Byczek Collection (Photo credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

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William Rooney was named among the list of deceased Old Settlers in Volume III [4B]
Photo of actual book (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

William Rooney's name is near the bottom of the list (right column) with date of death as May 5, 1885

Exhibit 5



1st Edition (rebound cover) of Discovery and Conquests of the North-West by Rufus Blanchard (1879) [5A] Actual item from The Michael E. Byczek Collection (Photo credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

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Osborn, William,	1835, July,	Watertown, Conn.	64 Laporte, Ind.
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William Rooney was listed as a member of the Old Settler's Society as having arrived in May 1837 and that he was born in Ireland [5B] Photo of Actual Book (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

William Rooney's entry appears near the bottom of this image

Exhibit 6Old Settler Death Tributes

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Chicago Tribune. 5/22/1885 [6B] William Rooney listed in 2nd column near bottom, without an arrival date

NAMES.	RESIDENCE	DOID.	AGE.	ARRIVED
ERASTUS SELDEN BOWEN,	Chicago,	Oct. 19, 1883,	69.	1833.
JOSIAH SACKETT ROOT,	Buffalo, N.Y.,	Apr. 28, 1884,	76.	1838.
ANDREW FERGUSON,	Geneva Lake, Wis.,	May 14. "	84.	1836.
Gen. JAMES WATSON WEBB,	New York,	June 7, "	82,	1821.
ELIZA HARTRIDGE FENNIMORE,	Chicago,	June 27, "	1225	1837.
Gen. WARD BENJAMIN BURNETT,	Washington, D.C.,	June 24, "	73.	1832.
ALEXANDER WOLCOTT,	Chicago,	Aug. 11, "	70.	1834.
SAMUEL PARKER,	Davenport, Iowa,	Aug. "		183
CLEMENT BROWN,	Crown Point, Ind.,	Oct. 30, 11	79.	1835.
RICHARD LAPPIN,	Morrison, Ill.,	Oct. 30, "	4000	183
Gen. HENRY G. R. DEARBORN,	Roxbury, Mass.,	Nov. 21, "	75.	1838.
JOHN MCLEOD TURNER,	Chicago,	Nov. 27, "	77.	1835.
MARY SHEPLEY,		Dec. 28, "	74.	183
HENRY FARE,		Dec. "	1000	183
SYLVESTER MARSH,	Concord, N. H.,	Dec. 30, "	81,	1833.
SOPHIA E. ELDRIDGE,	Chicago,	Jan. 9, 1885,	The same of	183
JOHN NOBLE,		Jan. 13, 11	81,	1831.
CATHERINE CASSADY STURTEVANT,	LaGrange, Ill.,	Jan. 16, "	62,	1837.
BETTY KETTLESTRINGS,	Oak Park, Ill.,	Jan. 21, "	100	1834.
THOMAS COOK,	Western Springs, Ill.,	Feb. I, "	84.	1832.
JOSEPH WILLEMIN,	Chicago,	Feb. 8, "	84,	1837.
J. W. GOODELL,	Somonauk, Ill,	Feb. 23, II	72,	1836.
MARIA O'NEIL,	Chicago,	Feb. 24, "	100	183
NORMAN CLARKE,	Racine, Wis.,	Feb. 28, "	79,	1835.
CHARLOTTE WRIGHT HUBBARD,	Elgin, Ill.,	Mch. 10, "	1.20	183.,
JESSE H. LEAVENWORTH,	Milwaukee, Wis.	Mch. 12, 11	77,	1837.
SALLY B. PEARSON BARTLETT,	Diamond Lake, Ill.,	Mch. 23, "	75,	1834.
Rev. HENRY WHITEHEAD,	Chicago,	Apr. 10, 11	74.	1833.
CHARLES McDonnell,	H	Apr. 16, 11	Si.	1836.
Capt. HENRY STARK,	Allegan, Mich.,	Apr. 30, 11	70,	1833.
WILLIAM ROONEY,	Chicago,	May 5, "	71,	1835.
EUGENE SULLIVAN,		May 10, #	73,	1837.
HENRY DODSON,	H	May 15, "	101	183
Dr. JAMES STERLING BEACH,		May 16, "	61,	1837.
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Official Order of Exercises for the 7th Annual Reception of Old Settlers in May 1885 [6C] William Rooney's Death with 1835 listed as year of arrival

NAMES.	Kensington, Ill.,	May 20, 1885,	77.	1834-
DAVID ANDREWS,	South Evanston, Ill.,	June o. *	89.	1833.
Sergt. Joseph Adams,		Inne II. "	83.	1837.
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BETSY N. HOLBROCK,	Aurora, Ill.,	June 15, "	76,	1835.
MARCIA M. SWETLAND SMITH,	Chicago,	fuly 9,	81.	1837
ELIZA MCCREEDY (BATES) GAGE,	Chicago,	July 19,	80,	183
JOHN TONER,	Chicago,		87,	1836.
SUSANNAH GATES KING,	Chicago,	Sept. 11, "	74	1835.
GEORGE CHACKSFIELD,	Chicago,	The state of the s	66.	1836.
Col Ezra Taylor,	Chicago,	Oct. 25, 1	Duy	1835.
JULIA ANN DAVIS,	Evanston, Ill.,	Oct. "	78,	183-
CHARLES MCNEILL GRAY,	Chicago,	Oct. 17, "		1838.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON HEALD,	Oak Park, Ill.	Nov. 11, "	72, 68,	1837.
SUSAN M. RUCKER,	Hyde Park, IIL	Nov. 25. "		1836.
JOHN WASHINGTON SENSOR,	Hawkeye, Iowa.	Nov. 27, 11	73.	1835.
MAKY JOSEPHINE DAVIS TUCKER,	Chicago.	Nov. 29, 11	71.	1837.
JULIA ROONEY,	Chicago,	Dec. 13, "	69,	1838
CAROLINE E. POOL,	Chicago,	Dec. 13, "	72,	
RUDOLPH MIGULY,	Chicago,	Dec. 31, "	74,	1834
WILLIAM B. HIBBARD,	Milwankee, Wis. (I	ec. or Jan.) u	7	183
THOMAS DUGAN,	Chicago,	Jan. 3, 1886,	72,	1836.
Gen. DAVID HUNTER,	Washington, D.C.,	Feb. 2, "	/ F 52221	1828.
DENNISON HORTON,	Chicago,	Jan. 4, "	70,	1836.
JOHN HACKETT,	Beloit, Wis.,	Feb. 4, "	78,	1834
EDWARD BENTON TALCOTT,	Chicago,	Fela 8, "	73,	1835.
MARY NORTON,	Chicago,	Feb. 17, "		1839.
SUSAN M. CALLIS,	Glasgow, Ky.,	Feb. "	73,	1815.
LUCIUS GEORGE FISHER,	Chicago,	Mch. 5, "	77.	1837.
ABRAHAM FULLER CLARKE,	Marietta, Ga.,	Mch. "	71,	1836.
LICY A DUNCAN TAYLOR.	Brookline, Mass.,	Mch. 7, "	71,	1839.

Official Order of Exercises for the 8th Annual Reception of Old Settlers in May 1886 [6D] Julia Rooney's Death with 1837 listed as year of arrival

Old Settler death tributes printed in the newspaper for Julia Rooney are shown in Appendix II-B and Appendix II-C alongside a copy of her original Will.



Original 1839 and 1843 Commemorative Fergus Chicago Directories from 1876 and 1896, respectively [7A] Actual items from the Michael E. Byczek Collection (Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

Rogers, William, "the generous sport," , laborer, North Water street near Market Roi. Rooney, William, farmer, Maine Ross, Hugh, bookbinder and paper ruler, 24 Clark st Ross, Robert C., carpenter, North Dearborn st Rossetter, Asher, Mansion House, 86 Lake st Roth, John G., sausage maker, Absalom Funk Rötter, Neils K., clerk, W. H. & A. F. Clarke Rouscop, Jacob, teamster, cor. Rush and Whitney streets Rowe, Jonathan, sawyer, near Kinzie street bridge, 5th ward Rowland, Treadwell, boarding-house, North State near Kinzie Rucker, Henry L., alderman and justice of the peace, Dearborn Rucker, Edward A., student, H. L. Rucker Rudd, Edward H., job and book printer, Saloon Bdgs., Clark st Ruddiman, John, moulder, Stow's foundry Kne Inhn team ton Obiologica

1839 Commemorative Chicago Directory [7B]
William Rooney listed as a farmer in Maine (refers to the Town of Maine, which is present-day Des Plaines)
Photo from actual page in the booklet (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

Robinson, P. P., Dootmaker, 139 Lake Robinson, S. S., grocer, 184 Lake, res same Rochester, James H., commission merchant Rockwell, James, boarding-house, Clark, bet Washington and Madison Roden, James, laborer, bds Charles McDonnell Roder, John, blacksmith, James O. Humphrey Rodgers, John, forwarding and storage, North Water, east of N. State Refinot, Peter Francois Rogers, Edward Kendall (Horace Norton & Co.), res Indiana, bet Idied, Eastman, Ga., May 2, 1883, aged 70 Cass and Rush Rogers, George A., book-keeper, Horace Norton & Co. Rogers, George W., prop. Chicago Hotel, West Lake, n.-e. cor Canal [died February 4, 1867, aged 63. Rogers, John, lard-oil maker, res North Water [died April 3, 1849. Rooney, O., laborer, res South Canal, bet Lake and Randolph [died May 5, 1885, aged 7114. Rooney, William, blacksmith, Root, Josiah Sackett, carpenter, res Dearborn, bet Madison and Monroe died, Buffalo, N.Y., April 28, 1884, aged -Rose, Freeman, wagon-maker, res Wells, bet Randolph and Washington Rose, John, clerk, Murray & Brand Rose Dunnell

1843 Commemorative Chicago Directory [7C]
William Rooney, deceased when this booklet was compiled, listed as a Blacksmith without an address
Photo from actual page in the booklet (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

Newspaper articles that show Old Settlers with photographs on display at the Calumet Club

PHOTOGRAPH	s.	Thomas Hoyne	1818	Sept. 1, 1837 June, 1837
* A LARGE COLLECTION		Henry W. Blodgett		
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		Joseph H. Gray	1813	July, 1836
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been issued sent their photo	graphs, and	George F. Foster	********	- """"
		Albert A. Dexter	*******	Dec. 1, 1838
these, in connection with the on		Lucius G. Tuttle	*******	1838
the possession of the Club, form	n a large col-	Horace H. Yates		Mch 14, 1838
lection, which was on exhibition	m last even-	William Rooney		*******
ing. The names of the parties	whose photo-	P. B. Andrews	*******	*******
graphs were exhibited are as fo	lows:	Thomas O'Neil		
		John B. Mitchell	*******	********
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Edward McConnell		Elijah Smith		********
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J. A. Kennicott 183	4 May, 1832	F. A. Bryan		*******
J. M. Warren		C. B. Egan	*******	A PART OF THE STATE OF
James A: Marshall 180		Austin D. Sturtevant	1816	July, 1838
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Luther Nichols 180		Nathaniel Jones	*******	
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William Rooney listed in 2nd column without biographical information - Announcement for the 2nd Annual Reception (relevant portion) Chicago Tribune. 5/21/1880 [8A]

PHOTOGRAPHED The following is a list of the nam tlers whose photographs are inclose frame in the reading-room:	es of old set-	William Wayman Joseph H. Grey
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Chicago Inter Ocean. 5/21/1880 [8B]

William Rooney listed in 2nd column without biographical information (relevant portions shown)

III. The William and Julia Rooney Photographs

A Chicago photographer named C.D. Mosher took portraits of Chicago's earliest settlers around 1876. The objective was to display these photographs, along with their biographical sketches, at the 1876 Centennial Exposition held in Philadelphia [Exhibit 11D]. Photographs of William and Julia Rooney were part of this exhibition. All photographs of the Old Settlers that were on display were later published in the 1892 book, "The Story of Chicago" [Exhibit 9]. C.D. Mosher also used William Rooney's photograph as part of a special plate featuring the Chicago Old Settlers, which was later published in an 1893 trade journal, "The Inland Printer" [Exhibit 10].

C.D. Mosher capitalized on the success of his photographs at the Philadelphia World's Fair with a memorial dedicated to Chicago, similar to a time capsule [Exhibit 11C]. The project involved cataloging not just the Old Settler photographs, but other prominent residents, to be sealed until 1976 to celebrate the second centennial of America. C.D. Mosher wanted the descendants of these Old Settlers to discover their family pedigree through photography [14].

William and Julia Rooney's photographs were part of this project [Exhibit 11A, 11B]. C.D. Mosher called his initiative "The Memorial Offering to Chicago".

Copies of the same photographs for William and Julia Rooney were used at the 1876 Philadelphia World's Fair, the Old Settler's Society at the Calumet Club, and the C.D. Mosher Memorial Offering to Chicago. The portraits, perhaps the originals from the Calumet Club, are now part of the photographic collection of the Chicago History Museum [Exhibits 12 and 13].

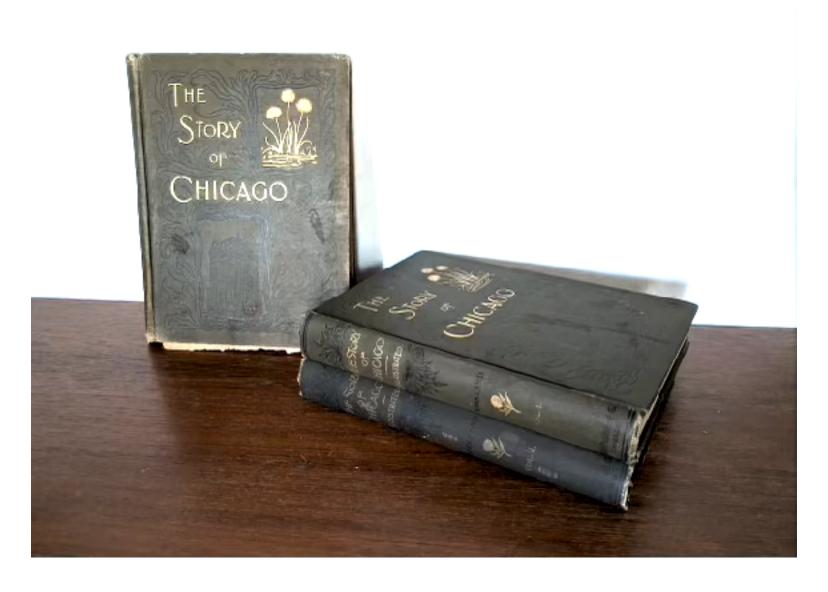
William and Julia Rooney must have contemplated the future upon hearing that their photographs were placed into a time capsule for their descendants to discover 100 years later. They might have imagined which of their eleven children would have descendants who would find and hold the photographs.

The first known descendants of William and Julia Rooney to view these photographs were Michael M. Byczek, their 2x-great-grandson, and his son Michael E. Byczek, 3x-great-grandson, in the year 2006 (about 130 years after the photographs were taken). They already knew that William and Julia Rooney were members of the Old Settler's Society and discovered the photographs at the Chicago Historical Society (now called the History Museum).

William and Julia Rooney's daughter Kittie A. Talbot was a co-executor of her mother's Will. She married Edward H. Talbot in 1880 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. Their only daughter Marie Talbot married Martin Flanagan, also at Holy Name, in 1922. Their eldest child Marie Flanagan married Michael S. Byczek in 1950 at St. Bridget's in the Bridgeport neighborhood. Michael M. Byczek, their eldest child, married Betty A. Bykowski in 1974 at St. Helen's in the Ukrainian Village neighborhood. Their eldest child is Michael E. Byczek.

It was Michael E. Byczek who first personally viewed each photograph at the History Museum. He and his father purchased high-resolution digital copies and licenses for both photographs from the Chicago History Museum upon discovery of the images.

The photographs are now publicly accessible through the Chicago History Museum's website. Julia Rooney's photograph was originally indexed as "Mrs Van Rooney". Michael E. Byczek corrected this mistake by explaining to the archives that "Van" was mistaken for the abbreviation "Wm". The photograph should have been indexed "Mrs Wm Rooney", not "Mrs Van Rooney". The Chicago History Museum now displays the correct description for the photograph.



1st Edition (single volume) and 2nd Edition (two volume) books "The Story of Chicago" by Joseph Kirkland (both editions published in 1892) [9A]
Actual Items from the Michael E. Byczek collection (Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

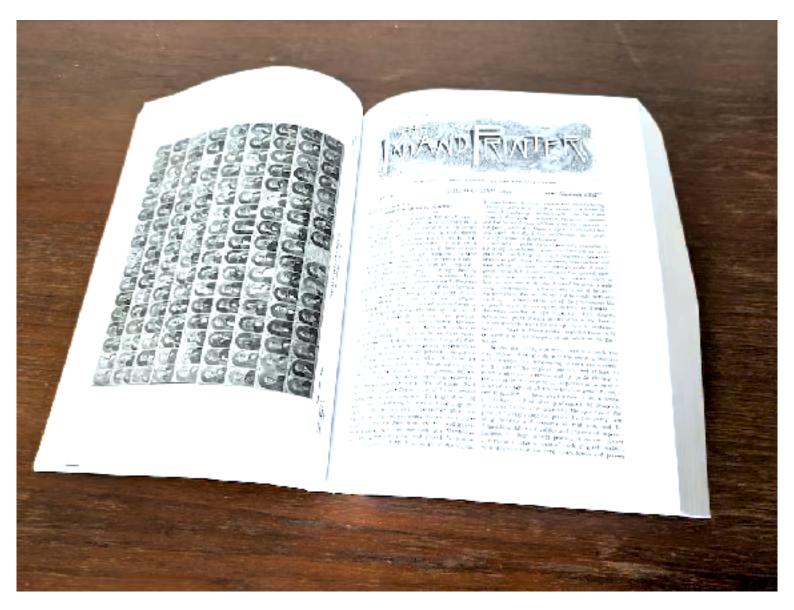


William and Julia Rooney are both listed as "Wm Rooney" with the date of 1838 [9B] Photo of actual page of the book (1st Edition) [Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024] Photo insert prior to Page 129

The multi-page photo inserts of the Old Settlers are described as:

This sheet of "memorial portraits," and the others facing pages 105, 112, 113, 120, 121, 128, 129, 136, and 137, are facsimiles of those exhibited at the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition of 1876, by C.D. Mosher

Exhibit 10



Public domain reprint of "The Inland Printer" - Volume 11 (April-September 1893) [10A] Actual Item from the Michael E. Byczek Collection (Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)



Actual photo of page from the book (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024) [10B]
Photo insert prior to page of May 1893, about p. 118
William Rooney's photo is shown in the 2nd row, third from the right

Exhibit 11 C.D. Mosher and the 1876 Centennial Albums

LADY OLD SETTLERS WHO CAME TO RESIDE IN CHICAGO PRIOR TO 1840. The figures following the names denote the year they came to Chicago. 227 Mrs. Silas B. Cobb., 1831. 284 Mrs. Sidney Caswell, 1837. 214 Mrs. Willis Scott, 1836. 284 Mrs. Jerome Beecher, 1832. 2131 Mrs. Jane Heartt. 1836. 215 Mrs. H. N. Heald, 1837. 214 Mrs. Silas Warren, 1832. 2133 Mrs. P. H. Osterholdt, 1338, 215 Mrs. Wrs. Rooney, 1838. 2137 Mrs. Churchill Ceffing, 1839, 2138 Mrs. H. G. Wello, 1832. 215 Mrs. S. J. Strdam, 1839. 2137 Mrs. A. J. Willard, 1839. 2160 Mrs. Russell Green, 1836. 2138 Mrs. S. R. Ball, 1839. 2160 Mrs. Russell Green, 1836. 2139 Mrs. Mar. A. Barney, 1333. 2115 Mrs. S. J. Hishop, 1831. 2139 Mrs. Mrs. A. Barney, 1333. 2115 Mrs. S. J. Hishop, 1831. 2139 Mrs. Mrs. M. A. Taylor, 1332. 2115 Mrs. S. J. Hishop, 1831. 2139 Mrs. John Calhonn 1819. 2141 Mrs. M. A. Taylor, 1332. 2119 Mrs. Erskel Morrison, 1839. 1334. 2145 Mrs. John Turner, 1835. 2146 Mrs. M. J. Turker, 1835. 2121 Mrs. C. M. Holden, 1837. 2139 Mrs. John Turner, 1835. 2146 Mrs. M. J. Turker, 1835. 2121 Mrs. C. M. Holden, 1837. 2134 Mrs. John Gray, 1837. 2149 Mrs. Charlotta Mitchell, 2128 Mrs. Caleb Fitz, 1837. 2144 Mrs. John Gray, 1837. 2159 Mrs. John Gray, 1837. 2159 Mrs. John Gray, 1838. 2151 Mrs. J. W. Hooker, 1836. 2123 Mrs. Caleb Fitz, 1837. 2136 Mrs. P. W. Varner, 1838. 2151 Mrs. M. A. Olson, 1836. 2123 Mrs. Jesse Churchill, 1839. 2130 Mrs. Phoebs Cartis, 1839. 1336. Mrs. Phoebe Cartis, 1333. OLD SETTLERS WHO CAME TO RESIDE IN CHICAGO PRIDE TO 1840. 52 James B. Bradwell, 1834. 2350 J. Y. Scammon, 1835. 1978 Mark Skinner, 1836. 2344 Silas B. Cobb, 1333. 512 R. N. Murray, 1831. 2345 Z. Eastman, 1857. 1143 Gurdon S. Hubbard, 1818. 380 John Wentworth, 1836. 2613 Van H. Higgins, 1839.

"Catalogue of the Names and Occupations of Prominent Persons who have sat for Memorial Photographs for Mosher's Memorial Offering to Chicago"

Julia Rooney was listed amongst the "Lady Old Settlers" with 1838 listed as the year she came to Chicago (third column near top) [11A]

OLD SETTLERS WHO CAME TO RESIDE IN CHICAGO PRIOR TO 1840.

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2233 John Sweeney, 1834,
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443 Peter Page, 1837.
3120 Joseph Peacock, 1836.
823 Isaac L. Milliken, 1837.
1518 Edwin Maneirre, 1835.
2338 Tuthill King, 1835.
2307 P. D. Hamilton, 1834.
2305 James A. Marshall, 1832.
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2320 George Armour, 1835,
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2261 Sam'l Vial, 1834.
2262 Daniel Worthington, 1836.
2263 J. L. Hanchett, 1835.
2265 Bennett Bailey, 1834.
2267 N. A. Baldwin, 1836.
2268 J. K. Mills, 1839.
2270 Thos. Dugan, 1836.
2273 Sam'l Wayman, 1833.
2275 Eugene Sullivan, 1837.
2276 Thomas Lee, 1836.
2277 Henry M. Hugunin, 1839.
2280 Wm. D. Rogers, 1838.
2284 Edw. McConnell, 1830.
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2286 Agustus Dickinson, 1834.
2288 Michael Kehoe, 1839.
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2216 Erastus S. Bowen, 1833.
2219 John Turner, 1835.
2219 John B. Mitchell, 1838.
2210 Sam'l B. Watker, 1838.
2211 Rudolph Midgly, 1834.
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2213 Albert Dexter, 1838.
2214 John Sollett, 1838.
2215 Geo. M. Gray, 1837.
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2313 Russell Green, 1837.
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2315 A. D. Sturtevant, 1838.
2318 John Jackson, 1836.
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William Rooney was listed among the "Old Settlers" with the date of 1838 (middle column near bottom) [11B]

HOW THE IDEA WAS FORMED.

The idea of forming this memorial collection had its origin in the Philadelphia Centennial. At the request of the then Governor of the State, John L. Beveridge, Mr. Mosber took the photographs of 500 old settlers and prominent -persons connected with the city, wrote a short biographical sketch of each one, and exhibited the whole as a series of Chicago historical albums at the Centennial Exposition. Mosher prepared and exhibited this collection at a cash outlay of over \$2,000, besides the time and labor expended in getting it up, being influenced partly by patriotic motives and partly by the hope of financial reward through this wide-spread advertising of his work. collection of portraiture received high encomiums at the time, and has since become much more valuable owing to the death of many of the people represented. It is now deposited in the vaults of the First National Bank, and forms the nu leus of the memorial collection which Mr. Mosher proposes to give the city.

Newspaper article about the Memorial Offering with reference to the 1876 Philadelphia Centennial Exposition [11C] Chicago Tribune (2/28/1885)

THE WORLD'S BAZAR.

Its Grandest Headquarters Are Now at Philadelphia.

Some of the More Attractive Features of the Exposition.

The Superb Display Made of the Famous Knabe Piano.

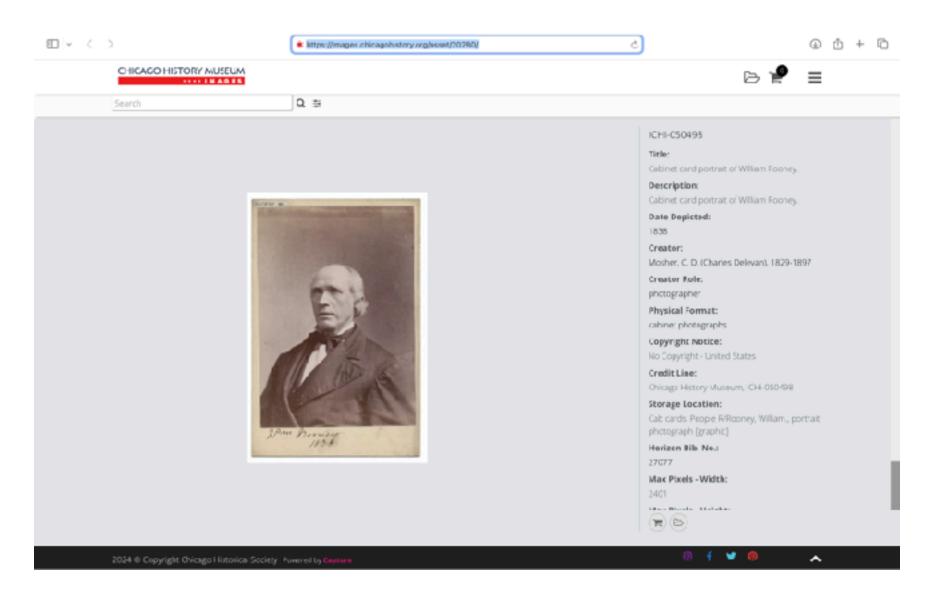
Other Entertaining Sights.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC DISPLAT. PHILADELPHIA, May 19 .- As a dweller in, and lover of, Chicago, I notice with natural pleasure the attention which one of our most artistic contributions to the Centennial is attracting. This is the series of classified photographs of eminent citizens of Chicago exhibited by Mr. C.D. Mosher. This well-known artist's "Centennial Albums," containing admirable portraits of Chicago's prominent divines, legal lights, general attention, and is most interesting features Photographie Department. The strong character marked in all the foods

а воюжтарые перыгинеть. The strong character marked in all the faces, and the delicate finish of the work from an artistic stand-point, are in fine contrast to each other, while there is, on the other hand, a conceded harmony in the fact that Chicago's foremost photographer has assumed the task of perpetuating the presentments of Chicago's foremost citizens. I doubt if any other man than Mr. Mosher could have secured sittings from such an unbroken array of energy and talent. His twenty-six years professional residence in Chicago has given him an unequaled acquaintance with the chief men of the city and the State. This fact, coupled to his well-earned repution as a photographer, made it possible for him, and him only, to secure the attendance and portraits of the leading people of the community. The photographs are all cabinet size and of the most exquisite finish. The Album devoted to the legal fraternity is headed by Judge Breese, of the Supreme Court, followed by all his associates; by every Judge in Chicago, and by all the prominent lawyers. The Album of leading physicians begins with Dr. N. S. Davis. Each of these contains forty pictures, and the one devoted to our chief clergymen the same number. Considerable curiosity is expressed to see Mr. Mosher's collection of editorial faces. Chicago editors have a brilliant reputation here in the East, and everybody is anxious to see what they look like. Mr. Mosher's "Centennial Albums" are accompanied by terse, entertaining biographies of the gentlemen represented, and all the photographs and autographs are fastened in by his ingenious patented process. This latter is absolute perfection, making his Albums the very some of beauty and security.

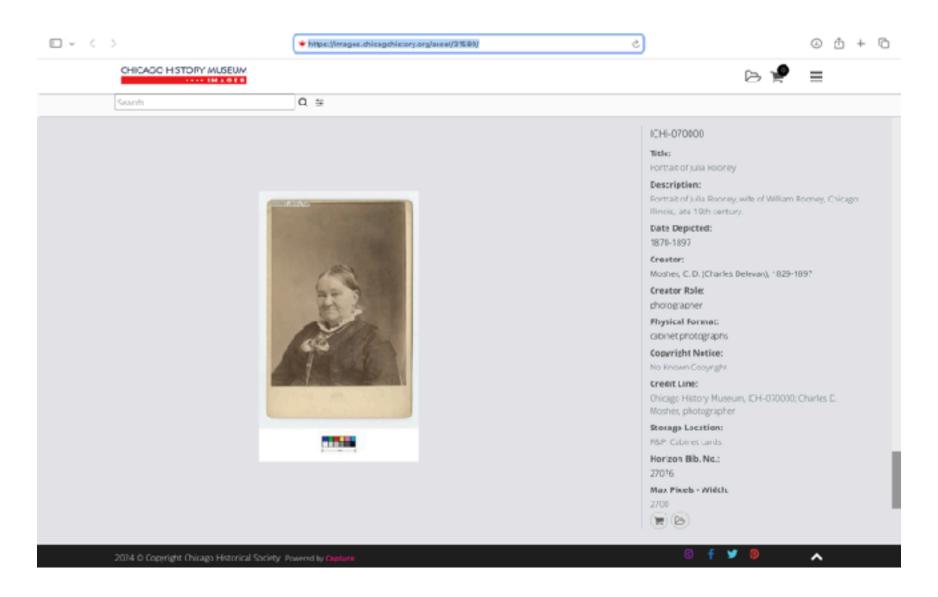
Newspaper article that described the C.D. Mosher photographs on display at the 1876 Philadelphia Centennial Exposition [11D] Chicago Tribune (5/21/1876)

Exhibit 12



Catalog entry for the photograph of William Rooney at the Chicago History Museum

Exhibit 13



Catalog entry for the photograph of Julia Rooney at the Chicago History Museum that shows the updated title provided by Michael E. Byczek The photo tag itself shows "Mrs Van Rooney" while the description is titled "Julia Rooney, wife of William Rooney"

IV. Real Estate

William and Julia Rooney were known amongst the Old Settlers as having acquired a considerable amount of real estate in Chicago and the suburbs. The Chicago Fire of 1871 destroyed most public access to real estate records prior to that time. The full extent and chronology of all properties they once owned may never be known. The effort to fully document the properties they owned is an ongoing project.

Michael E. Byczek, William and Julia Rooney's 3x-great-grandson, is a licensed Illinois attorney and managing real estate broker in Chicago. He began to research legal records and real estate transactions during his studies at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago between 2003-2006. This included access to microfiche archives at City Hall and research through the Cook County Clerk of Court. Over the years, he has compiled a collection of records from the 1830s through the 1871 Fire to reconstruct a historical narrative that has otherwise been lost.

Reconstructed records after 1835 were combined with recorded real estate documents after October 1871. Through these efforts the history of William and Julia Rooney's ownership of the following properties has been fully documented and preserved for posterity:

- 1. The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building (West side of Fifth Ave, now Wells St, between Lake St and Couch Place in Downtown Chicago)
- 2. William Rooney's Building (present-day 235 W. Lake St southeast corner of Franklin and Lake Streets in Downtown Chicago)
- 3. The William and Julia Rooney Family Residence (present-day 43 E. Division Street in the Gold Coast neighborhood of Chicago)
- 4. The William and Julia Rooney Farm in present-day Des Plaines and Mt. Prospect, which spanned more than 500 acres of land
- 5. The oldest house in Mount Prospect located at 15 S. George
- 6. Several non-adjacent timber lots in present-day Des Plaines, which totaled over 20 acres
- 7. One commercial lot on Lake Street between Peoria and Green Streets in the West Loop neighborhood of Chicago
- 8. Eight residential lots between Wentworth Ave, State Street, 57th Street, and 57th Place in the Chicago neighborhoods of Englewood and Washington Park
- 9. An ownership interest in 3/8 of the entire "Block 36" in Downtown Chicago on the north side of Randolph Street between State and Dearborn Streets

Refer to Appendix I for representative transcriptions and actual documents for these properties.

1. The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building

William Rooney acquired a single lot, that was about 20-foot wide, on Wells St (known as Fifth Ave at the time) between Lake Street and Couch Place around 1867. There was a building on the lot, which would have been destroyed by the Chicago Fire of 1871 [Exhibit 16]. The building was actually damaged during an earlier localized fire in 1868 [Exhibit 17].

In 1872, during the rebuilding efforts after the 1871 Fire, William Rooney partnered with the owner of the neighboring lot, Peter Ryan, to combine their properties and construct a double-lot 40-foot commercial building [Exhibit 15]. The new building would sit on both of their lots, but each would independently own their respective half. The building did not seem to have an official name. Michael E. Byczek has named the property *The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building*. Detailed drawings [Exhibit 18] and partial photographs [Exhibit 20] exist, even though the building has since been replaced.

The address of the combined building was 40-42 Fifth Ave [Exhibit 19]. William Rooney owned the left half (south half) that was numbered 42 Fifth Ave (also known as 42 Wells). The 1911 renumbering guide for Downtown properties appears to have changed the address to 182 N. Wells. It is difficult to determine the present-day address because the building doesn't exist anymore [Exhibit 22 and 23]. Maps from the time period after the renumbering tend to show an even wider building without individual addresses, as if multiple buildings may have been merged into a single number.

William Rooney arranged for his son Hugh to manage their family cigar business in the building after construction [Exhibit 21].

The building was sold in 1880 after William Rooney accumulated liens on the property. The terms of the sale required the buyer to pay these liens. However, the buyer did not pay the debts and kept the lease payments collected from the tenants. A subsequent buyer in 1885 discovered the outstanding liens and pursued default against William and Julia Rooney to clear the title. As a result, the building was sold at auction to pay the debt that William and Julia Rooney thought had been resolved five years earlier.

It is unknown whether the Rooney family sustained any financial loss as a result, or whether the auction itself resolved the outstanding liens. It is possible that the stress inflicted upon William Rooney may have contributed to his death on May 5, 1885. The auction had taken place on April 11th.

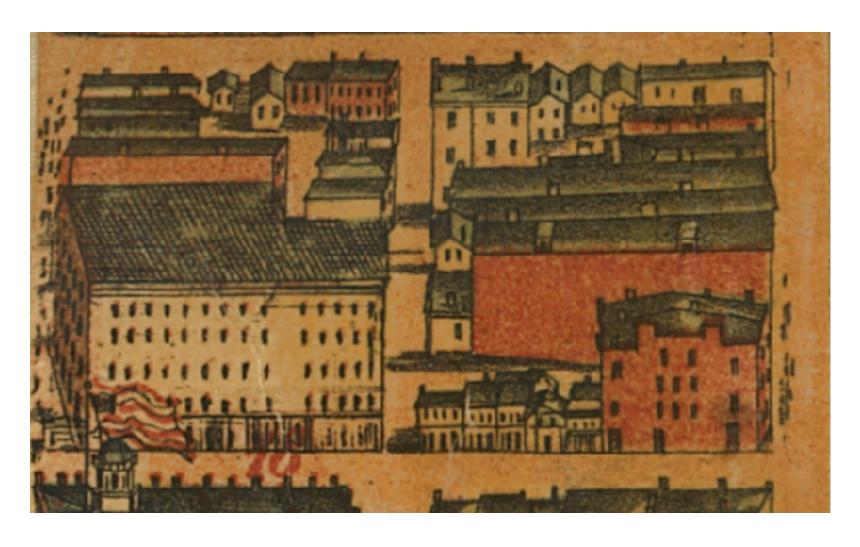
The drawings and photographs that survive are a lasting tribute to the first known building that William Rooney constructed Downtown after the 1871 Fire.

Exhibit 15

North of the Honore Block is a double building, put up by Peter Ryan and Wm. Rooney. It is three stories and basement, and in size is 40 by 40. It will be used for mercantile purposes.

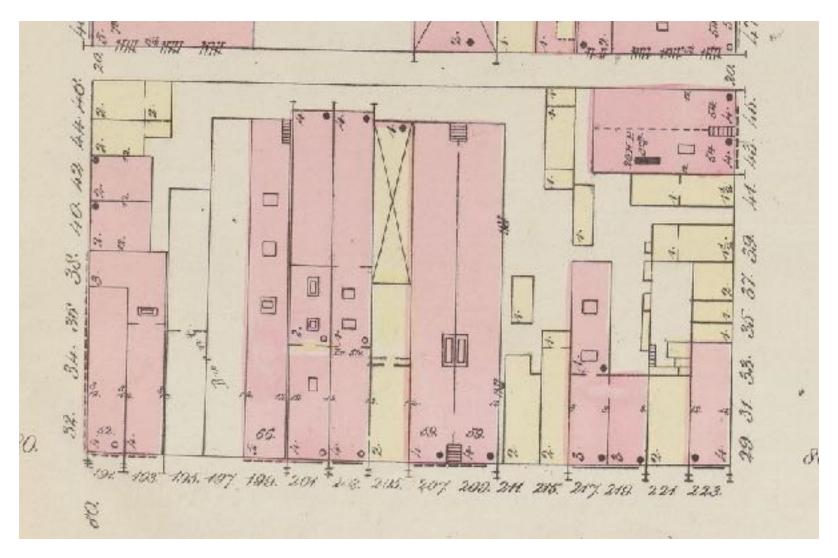
Newspaper article about the permit to construct the building - Chicago Evening Mail (7/11/1872)

Exhibit 16Pre-1871 Buildings



1857 Birds Eye Drawing of the property that William Rooney acquired around 1867 [16A] Fifth Ave is along the bottom with Lake St along the right, Randolph on the left, Franklin along the top, and Couch Place vertical in the center.

It is unknown whether the buildings shown in this 1857 map are the same buildings that existed when William Rooney acquired ownership ten years later. His property was within the collection of five two-story buildings right of Couch Place. William Rooney's building was the 2nd building right of Couch Place. It is unknown whether each building was situated on a single lot. The SE corner of Franklin and Lake is visible in the top right of this image.



1868-69 Sanborn Insurance Map [16B]

Lake Street is along the bottom, Fifth Ave along the left and Franklin on the Right with Couch Place along the top

William Rooney's building at 42 Fifth Ave is the center of the five buildings facing Fifth Ave, but the dimensions do not exactly match the 1857 Birds Eye The building located on the SE corner of Franklin and Lake that William Rooney acquired in 1870 is shown in the lower right corner (223 Lake)

No. 201, a three-story brick belonging to the Couch estate, was elightly damaged by water.

Property on Well's street was also considerably damaged by the falling of the east wall. A three-story brick, occupied and belonging to C. F. Grey, was thus damaged to the extent of \$1,000. No. 40, occupied by Peter Ryan as a second-hand store, was damaged to the extent of \$500. It is inspeed for \$1,500 in the Mercantile Company.

Nos. 42, 44 and 46, the first the property of Wm. Rooney, and the latter belonging to Messis. Bygeh & Wehli, were also damaged to the extent of \$5'3).

Newspaper article describing damage caused to William Rooney's building at 42 Wells from a fire in January 1868 Chicago Tribune (1/18/1868)

It is unknown whether this is the same building shown in the 1857 Birds Eye Map, or whether it was rebuilt before or after William Rooney's ownership

Exhibit 18 Post-1871 Drawings

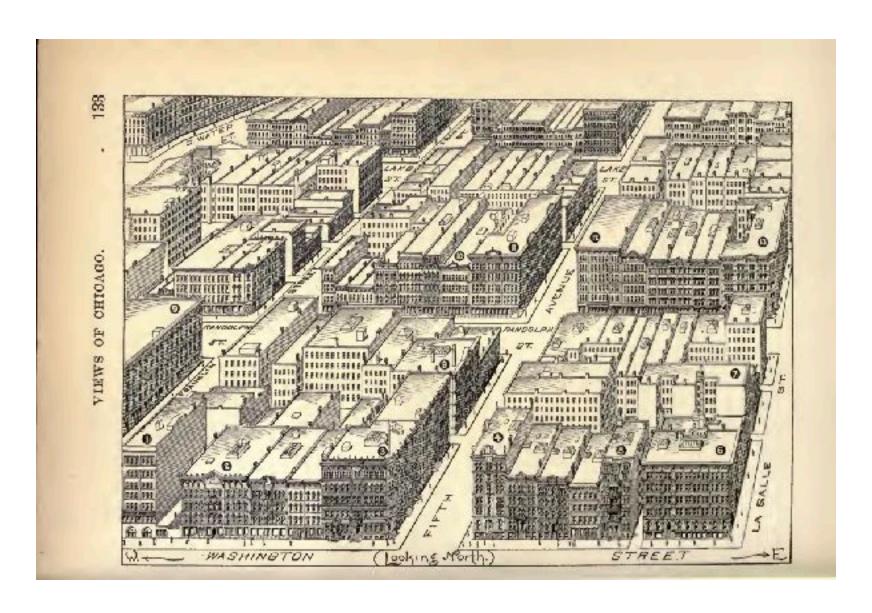


1898 Birds Eye view from the same perspective as the 1857 image [18A]

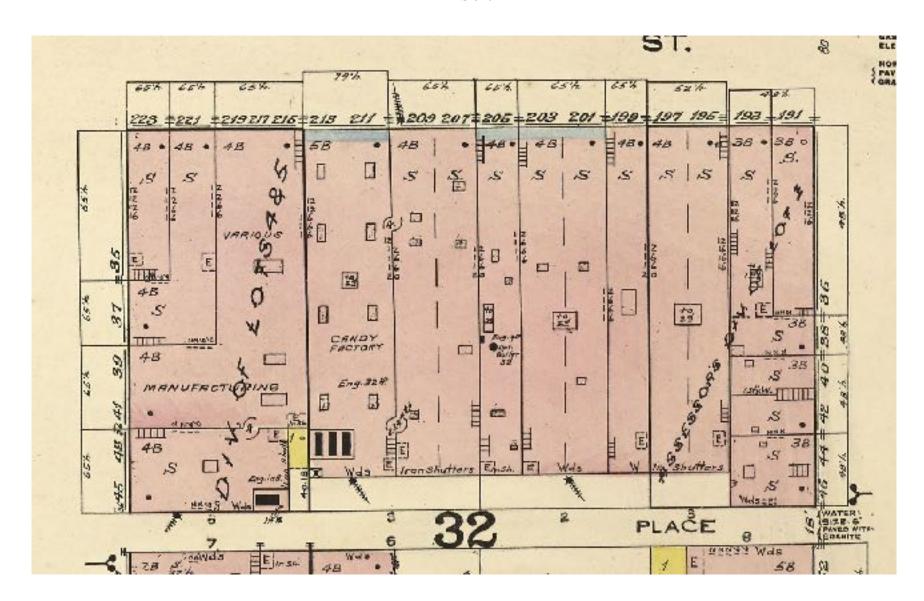
The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building is the double width building left of the thin white building along the bottom of this image (Fifth Ave with rail tracks)

Lake Street is on the right side of the image and Randolph along the left. William Rooney's half of the double width building is the left half.

William Rooney's Building on the SE corner of Franklin and Lake is visible on the top right corner.



1893 Birds Eye Map [18B] Both of William Rooney's buildings on Fifth Ave and the SE corner of Franklin and Lake St are visible



1891 Rascher Insurance Map

Precise details for *The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building* with the address 40-42 Fifth Ave / Wells (along the right side of the image) *William Rooney's Building* is shown at 223 Lake (top left corner) with Samuel Cole's Building wrapped around it facing both Lake and Franklin

Exhibit 20 Actual Photos



The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building is visible along the right side of the photograph next to the thin white building (looking south on Wells from Lake)



Another perspective that shows The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building at the very bottom left corner of the photo [20B]

Exhibit 21

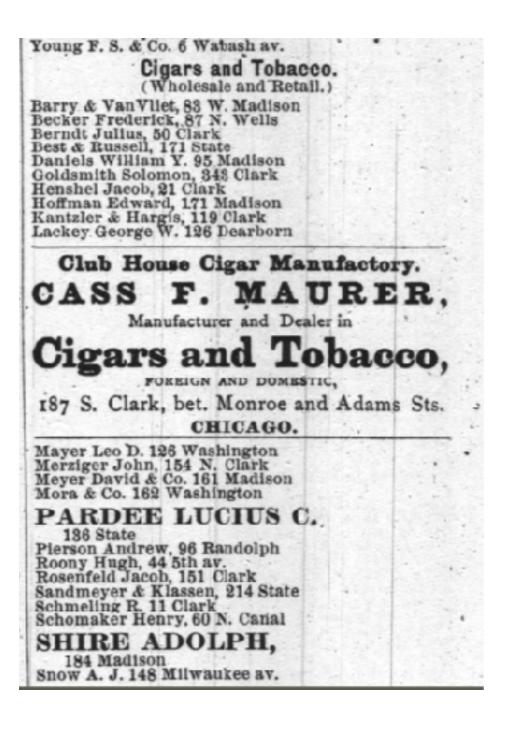
Hugh Rooney's business was listed as "Wholesale and Retail" Cigars and Tobacco

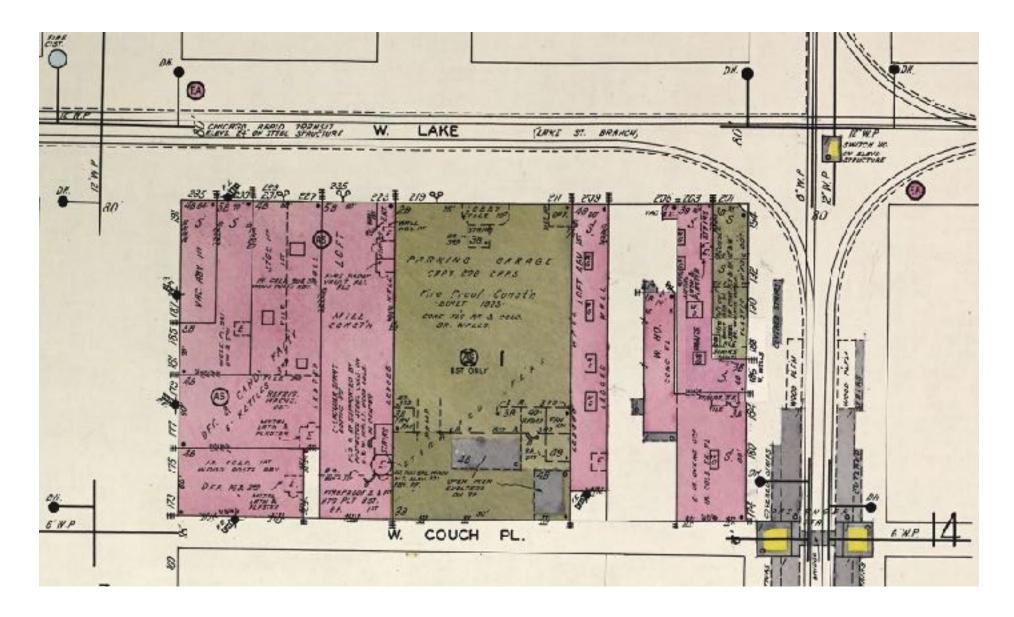
The 1875-76 residential Chicago Directory (below) lists Hugh and William Rooney both involved with the business located at 42 Fifth [21A]

The business directory (right) for the same year shows that the company was operating under the name of Hugh Rooney and was located at 44 Fifth [21B]

Note: There were discrepancies in the actual address of the building because it was a double building operating under multiple addresses. It is also possible that mistakes were made when typing the street number.

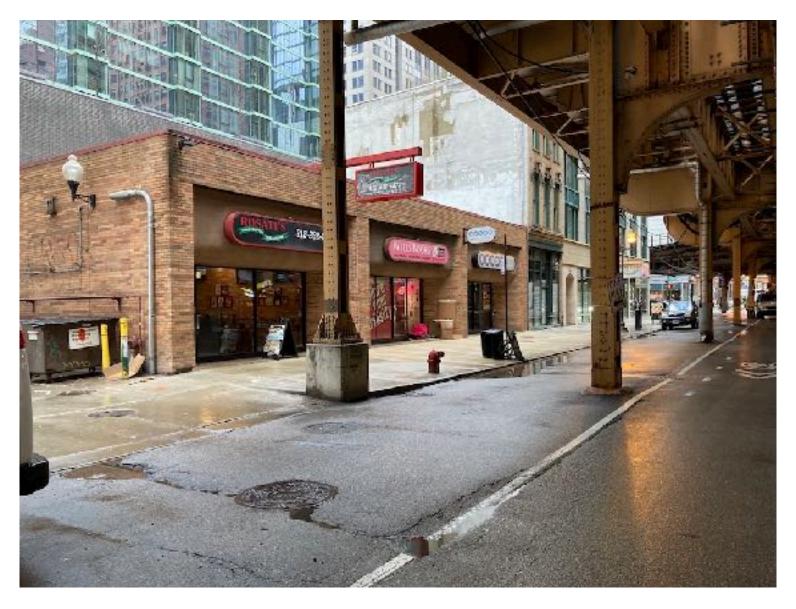
Rooney Christopher, billposter, r. 222 Carroll Rooney Christopher, plasterer, r. 591 W. 12th Rooney Hugh, cigars 42 5th av. r. 387 Division Rooney James, lab. r. 558 S. Morgan Rooney James, saloon 196 Michigan Rooney Jane, r. 25 Alexander Rooney John, molder, r. 754 W. 21st Rooney Margaret, wid. Thomas, r. 357 S. May Rooney Michael, flagman, bds, 69 W. Indiana Rooney Michael, plumber, bds, 363 4th av. Rooney Michael, teamster, r. Hawthorne av. bet. Weed and Blackhawk Rooney Owen, mason, r. 79 Sholto Rooney Patrick. lab. r. 115 Hickory Rooney Patrick, lab. r. 276 Forquer Rooney Patrick, teamster, r. Hawthorne av. bet. Weed and Blackhawk Rooney Peter, lab. M. C. R.R. Rooney Thomas, lab. r. 14 Gurley Rooney Thomas, molder, r. 754 W. 21st Rooney Thomas, porter, r. 161 Sedgwick Rooney Thomas F. (Dudley & Co.) r. 252 S. Desplaines Reoney William; cigars, r. 387 Division Rooney William, lab. r. 91 Henry Roon Andrew, whitewasher, r. ws. Hubbs nr. Doug-





The 1950 Sanborn Insurance Map (Fifth/Wells along the right and Franklin along the left

The present-day addresses for both buildings are shown, but the address on Fifth Ave is approximate because the building appears merged with the next property



The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building would have been approximately the location of the two stores to the left of the thin white building William Rooney's half of the building was approximately the middle of the three stores

Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2022

2. William Rooney's Building

The most enduring of William Rooney's real estate construction projects in Downtown Chicago was his namesake building located at present-day 235 W. Lake Street on the southeast corner of Franklin and Lake [Exhibit 24]. It was named *William Rooney's Building* [Exhibit 26]. Construction took place in 1873 around the corner from *The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building*. Afterwards, William Rooney simultaneously owned two buildings he constructed on the same block.

William Rooney built upon ... the premises on the corner of Franklin and Lake Streets ... a substantial building at great expense ... at an expense of about the sum of fifteen thousand dollars; that the said William Rooney paid out upon said premises large sums of money for taxes and special assessments and other improvements; that he caused to be placed upon the building so erected by him an inscription or legend as follows "William Rooney's Building"; that he sold a valuable farm, theretofore owned by him in said County of Cook, and invested the money in said building; that he sold other valuable properties belonging to him, for the purpose of making the improvements upon the said premises on the corner of Lake and Franklin Streets.

- Kittie A. Talbot and Bridget Anna Boucher - Joint statement filed in court documents during their mother's probate case [refer to citation for Exhibit 54]

In 1997, the building and those immediately adjacent were made a collective Chicago Landmark called "The Lake-Franklin Group" [Exhibits 27B and 29]. It is also listed in the City of Chicago Historic Survey [Exhibit 27A]. William Rooney was recognized as amongst the businessmen and investors who helped rebuild Downtown after the 1871 Chicago Fire [Exhibit 29]. There is uncertainty about the architects, but there is a suggestion of Burling & Adler since they built several nearby buildings. It appears that the photograph used during the landmark review is from the Art Institute of Chicago [Exhibit 30].

Unfortunately, those who conducted the review for landmark consideration mistakenly identified William Rooney as William Rowney. As a result, the building is officially known as "The Rowney Building" or otherwise having been built for "William Rowney". At the time, William Rooney still owned a large farm in "The Town of Maine", as present-day Des Plaines was known at the time. The landmark review also mistakenly referred to him as an "out of town" investor, possibly because they did not know the former name of Des Plaines. It also appears that the landmark review may have mistook tenant records based on the new and old addresses. "William Rowney" is the official name of the building used by some Chicago architecture guide books [Exhibit 28]. Michael E. Byczek contacted the City of Chicago Department responsible for the landmark in 2006 to correct the spelling of William Rooney's name. The response acknowledged a possible spelling error, but it does not appear that the records were updated. Due diligence during landmark review would have revealed William and Julia Rooney's ownership of the property, their residence, and the correct spelling of their names.

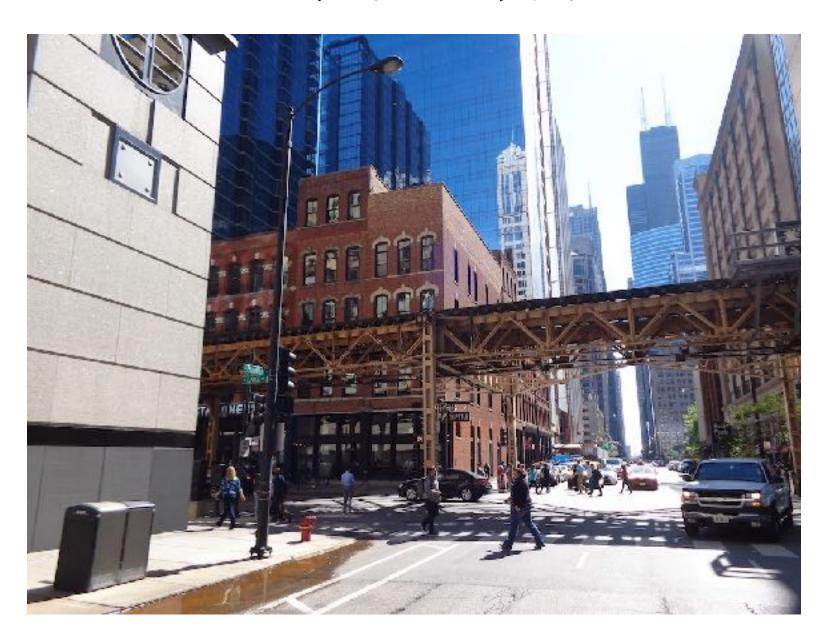
The original address of the building was 223 Lake Street before it was renumbered. The building, which was 20-foot wide, was later merged with the property next door to form a double building with the address of 233-235 W. Lake. Refer to Exhibits related to *The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building* for combined maps and images that show both buildings on Fifth Ave and the Lake-Franklin Group. A birds eye view prior to construction of the elevated train tracks is shown in Exhibit 25. The photograph from the Art Institute of Chicago shows the original building prior to the renovation project that doubled the width.

William Rooney acquired the property in 1870. The original building was owned by the family of his daughter Elizabeth's husband Caesar Periolat. The 1871 Chicago Fire destroyed the building, and William Rooney proceeded with new construction in 1873. He transferred ownership to his wife Julia in 1885. However her probate proceedings took nine years to finalize with the result that *William Rooney's Building* was sold at auction in 1893.

The most recent sale took place in 2023 for a reported \$2.9 million. This sale was for the combined sublots 2, 3, and 4. *William Rooney's Building* is sublot 3. Sublot 2 is the building next door on Lake while Sublot 4 is a portion of the building behind these two properties along Franklin. The total real estate taxes for the year 2023 (payable in 2024) was \$45,000. This payment is presumed to cover all three sublots.

The Cook County PIN for the combined sublots is 17-09-430-020-0000 with an official address of 233 W. Lake St and 19,800 building square footage.

Exhibit 24Present-Day Photos (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2017)

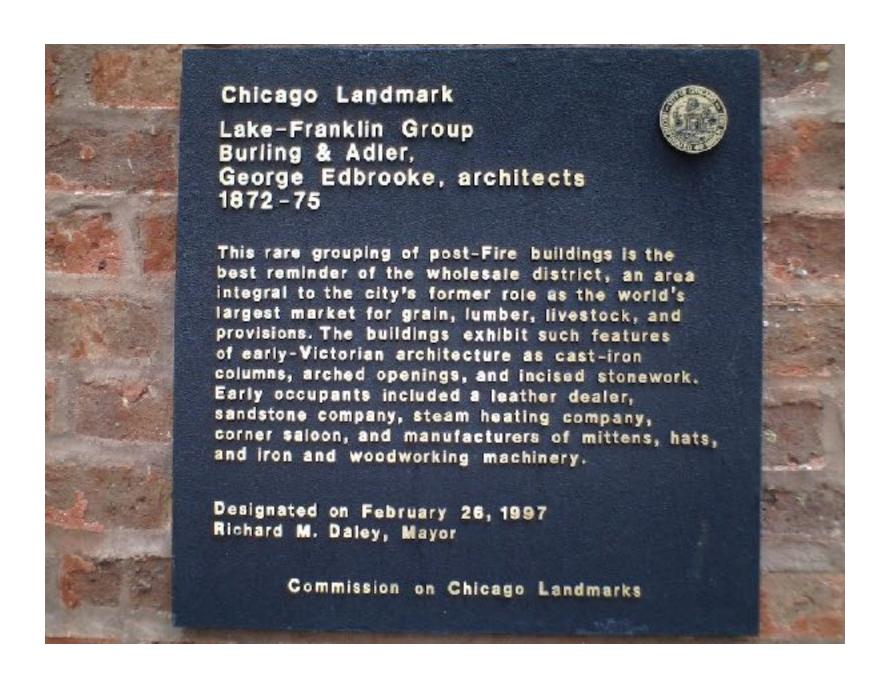


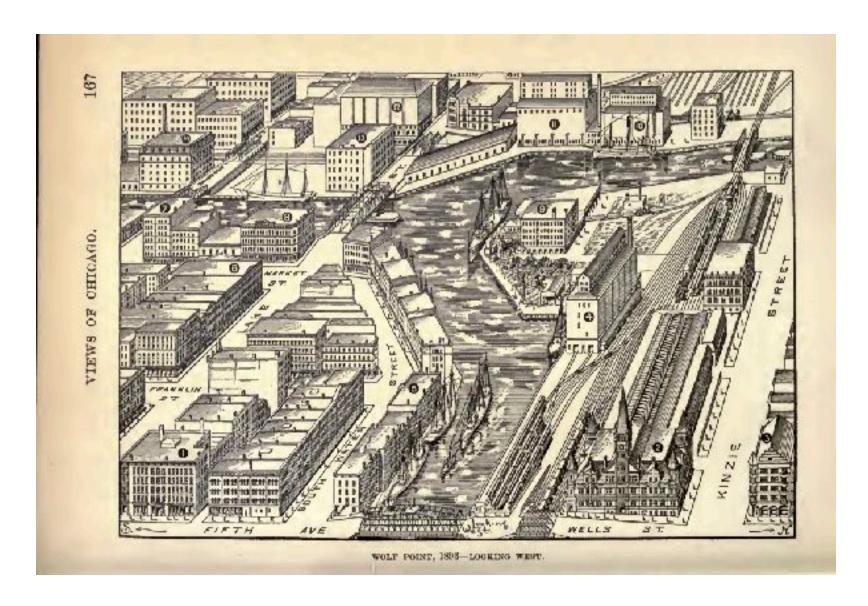




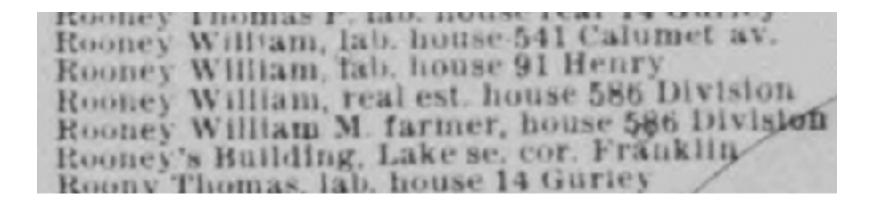


The Landmark designation plaque is located on William Rooney's Building on the Franklin side near the front of the building (visible in this photo)





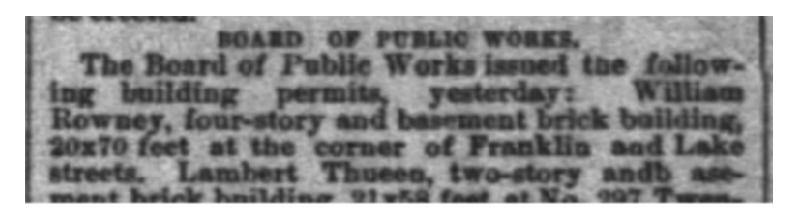
1893 Birds Eye Map William Rooney's Building is visible near the lower left corner along the left side of the image prior to the elevated rail track construction



1877-78 Chicago Directory [26A]

William Rooney's Building is listed on the SE corner of Lake and Franklin
His residence is listed as 586 Division (present-day 43 E. Division) with reference to both his farm and real estate occupation

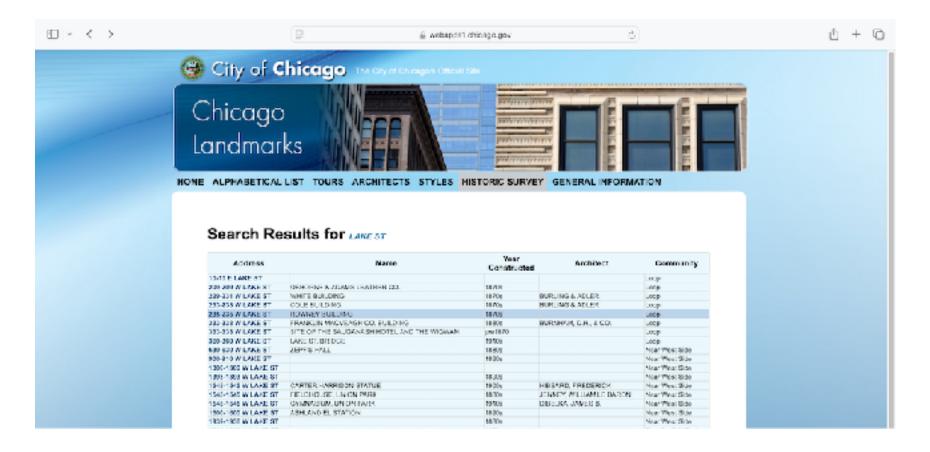
It is possible that the two William Rooney names could refer to father and son, but it is more likely that William Rooney, the father, was listed twice. For example, the real estate entry could refer to his status as a businessmen (SE corner of Franklin and Lake), while the farmer entry refers to his personal details.



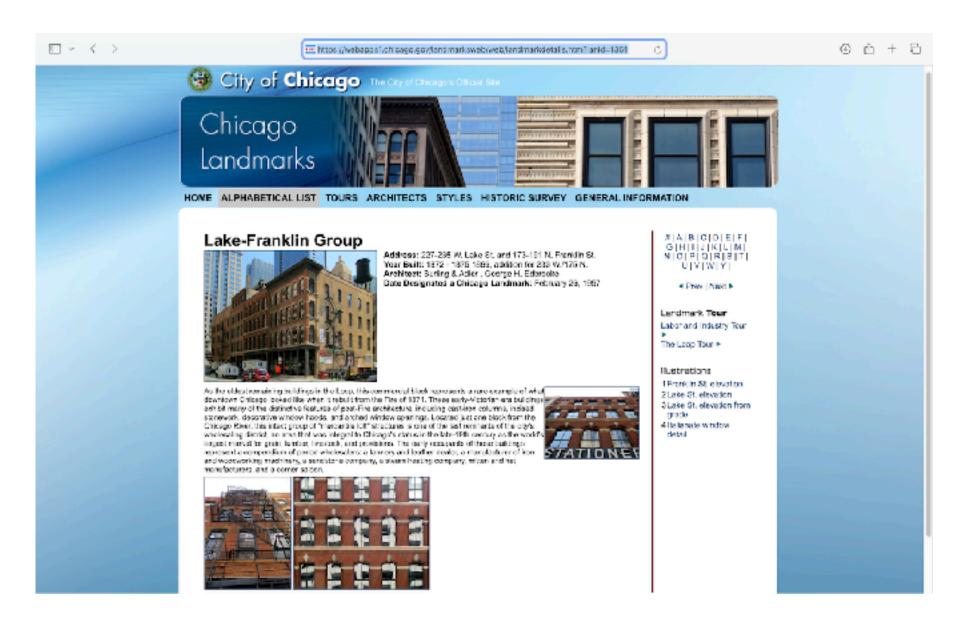
New building permits - Chicago Inter Ocean (6/13/1873) [26B]

It appears that the government's name for the building was derived from a mistake on the building permit instead of reviewing real estate records

Exhibit 27



The SE corner of Franklin and Lake (233-235 W. Lake) is listed in the City of Chicago Historic Survey [27A] as "Rowney's Building"



The Lake-Franklin Group Landmark as described on the City of Chicago website [27B]

Exhibit 28



1st through 3rd editions of the Chicago Architectural Guide Books "AIA Guide to Chicago" [28A] Actual items in the Michael E. Byczek Collection (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)

Building for Samuel
Cole
233 AV Take St. 185 N. Franklin
St.

813 Building & Adler
Building for William
Rowney

235 W. Lake St. 313, architect unknown

Building for Albert E.

Kent

15 N. Franklin St. 1875, George H. Edbrooke Renovated 1983, Stuart Cohen & Anders Nereim

Known informally as the Lake-Franklin Group, this quartet constitutes the Loop's largest concentration of 1870s commercial buildings. They are typical of construction before



175 N. Franklin St.

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Actual page from the 1st edition [28B] Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024



Lake-Franklin Group

227-235 W. Lake St. and 173-191 N. Franklin St.

Submitted to the Commission on Chicago Landmarks in April 1969 Recommended to the City Council on April 2, 1990



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Department of Planning and Development I.S. Royle, In. Commissioner



Exhibit 29

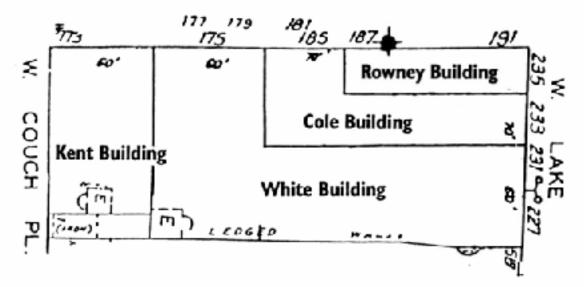
Official City of Chicago booklet for the Lake-Franklin Group Landmark.

This booklet (representative segments shown below) describe the boundaries of each building, a brief history of construction, and a detailed explanation of *William Rooney's Building*.

The City of Chicago recognized William Rooney as one of the investors and businessmen who rebuilt Downtown, but misspelled his name as "William Rowney" who was described as an "out of town investor".

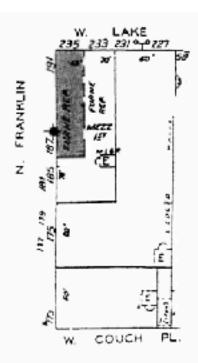
This booklet was originally obtained by Michael E. Byczek through email communication with the City of Chicago around 2006 to inform them of the spelling error.

N. FRANKLIN



ABOYE: A map of the four buildings in the Lake-Franklin Group, an 1870s commercial block located at the southeast corner of Lake and Franklin streets. Because of their layout, three of the four buildings face both streets.

Samuel Cole, Albert E. Kent, William Rowney, and Alexander White were among the group of local investors and businessmen who helped to rebuild the Loop following the Fire, contributing dozens of buildings for use by some of the businesses displaced by the Fire. Albert Kent, for instance, was the founder of one of the city's top meat packing companies and, together with his brother Sidney, was a longtime official of the Chicago Board of Trade and the Union Stockyards. Alexander White, a successful pre-Fire builder, constructed dozens of post-Fire buildings.



Rowney Building

235 W. Lake St.

This four-story structure is the corner building in the Lake-Franklin Group. It was built in 1873 by William Rowney, an out-of-town investor. The original permit does not state the name of the architect.

Like other buildings along this section of Lake Street, the Rowney was designed to be used by small wholesale firms. Among its early tenants, according to an 1874 directory, were a leather manufacturer (Lenox B. Shephard) and a hay wholesaler (N. R. Foster). A corner saloon (Hugh Kelley, proprietor) is believed to have occupied the ground floor.



The Rowney Building is located at the corner of Lake and Franklin streets. One of its facades is partially obscured by the "L" structure—built 24 years after the building.

The Rowney Building is the simplest of the Lake-Franklin Group in its architectural treatment. Its principal facade fronts on Lake Street, and the brickwork of its upper stories is varied by continuous stone sill lines and round window hoods, featuring prominent keystones. The punched window openings of its secondary (Franklin Street) facade are detailed with stone keystones and sills.

The exterior originally incorporated a stuccoing technique called "parging." Because face brick was difficult to obtain in the post-Fire years, structures often were built of common brick salvaged from the fire ruins. A cement-like veneer, called parge, then was applied over the common brick and detailed with false brick joints to simulate the appearance of more expensive face brick. Sections of this parging still remain on the Rowney Building, although much of the underlying common brick long ago was painted over.

The only changes to the exterior are the removal of its original cornice and a storefront modernization that took place along the Lake Street side of the building in 1951, shortly after it was occupied by the M.R. Lome office furniture company. The original, cast-iron columns still survive behind the aluminum-and-glass storefront. The Franklin Street elevation remains largely intact.

Exhibit 30



The presumptive photograph used by the City of Chicago when reviewing William Rooney's Building landmark documents

3. The William and Julia Rooney Family Residence

The William and Julia Rooney family legacy is best preserved by their prestigious residential home built in the Chicago Gold Coast neighborhood [Exhibit 31].

In 1875, William Rooney entered into a partnership with Edward Harland to construct two houses on land that Harland owned on Division Street at the T-intersection of Astor Street [Exhibit 33]. The design specified two row houses. William Rooney would assume full responsibility for construction. In exchange, Edward Harland would transfer ownership of the easterly half to William Rooney, who arranged for his wife Julia to be named on the deed.

The contract between William Rooney and Edward Harland was signed on August 11, 1875:

This agreement made and entered into this eleventh day of August AD 1875, by and between Edward Harland and William Rooney both of Chicago, Cook County in the State of Illinois ... That said Harland is the owner of a certain lot or piece of land ... that said Harland desires to have erected ... a block of two brick dwelling houses of two stories and basement each of not less than twenty feet each in width and according to plans and specifications attached hereto and made a part of this agreement and said Harland hereby agrees with said Rooney that if he the said Rooney will proceed at once to build and erect such dwelling houses according to such plans and specifications ... and have the same fully built and completed by or before November first 1875, then said Harland will give said Rooney a deed of conveyance to the easterly one of the two houses with the lot on which it stands. [...] The said Harland also further agrees to furnish to said Rooney in proper amounts and at proper times all the bricks necessary for the erection of said houses and also to furnish the said Rooney, two thousand five hundred dollars in cash and material.

- Copy of the agreement (joint statement by William and Julia Rooney during a legal dispute with Edward Harland in 1880) [refer to citation for Exhibit 3]

The City of Chicago designated the house as an architecturally and historically significant building [Exhibit 35]. A renovation project around 2006 combined the two houses into a single family home [Exhibit 32]. The most recent brokerage advertisement lists an interior building square footage of 5,500. When William Rooney built both houses in 1875, he undertook a financial expenditure of \$2,500. The most recent real estate transaction for the property in 2014 was reported as \$4.2 million. The total real estate tax payment for the year 2023 (payable in 2024) was about \$70,000.

The east half of the two houses originally had the address of 586 E. Division. The Rooney family moved into their new home around November 1875. Their daughters Hannah, Kittie, and Mary were married from the house in 1876, 1880, and 1881 respectively. It was also in the home where their children Josephine and Hugh passed away in 1879 and 1881. Both William and Julia Rooney also passed away in 1885 while living in the home they had built.

Four years after construction, in 1879, Julia Rooney and her eldest unmarried daughter Mary, were listed amongst the most fashionable and prominent ladies of Chicago [Exhibit 36]. In recognition of this distinction, Michael E. Byczek has affectionately paid tribute to his 3x-great-grandmother as "Lady Julia".

As a result of Julia Rooney's probate proceedings, the house was sold at auction in 1893 [Exhibit 55]. Mary (Rooney) Riley purchased her parent's house at the auction and it remained in her family until around the 1930s or 40s.

It appears that the land immediately to the east was originally unbuildable. Therefore, an address does not seem to have been assigned to that land. During Julia Rooney's probate proceedings, a developer negotiated new boundaries that provided an opportunity to build a house next door. Since an address was not available, the two houses that William Rooney had built were renumbered. The address 586 E. Division was given to the new house next door while the Rooney half of the house was assigned 584 E. Division. During the 1909 renumbering initiative, the 584 address was changed to present-day 43 E. Division. [Exhibit 34].

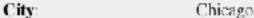
The property spans three Cook County PINs: 17-03-200-017-0000, 17-03-200-018-0000, and 17-03-200-019-0000. This represents the two units and side strip of land that was used as a private alley (alongside the east Rooney half).



The William and Julia Rooney Family Residence was built in 1875 located at present-day 43 E. Division in the Gold Coast neighborhood The Rooney family owned the left half of the two buildings - Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2017

COOK COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE Property Search Results

Property Index Number: 17-03-200-017-0000 **Address**: 43 E Division St





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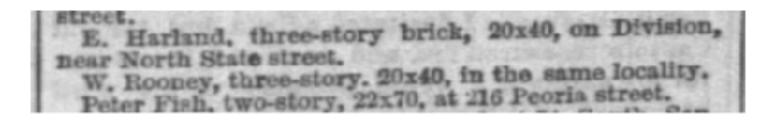
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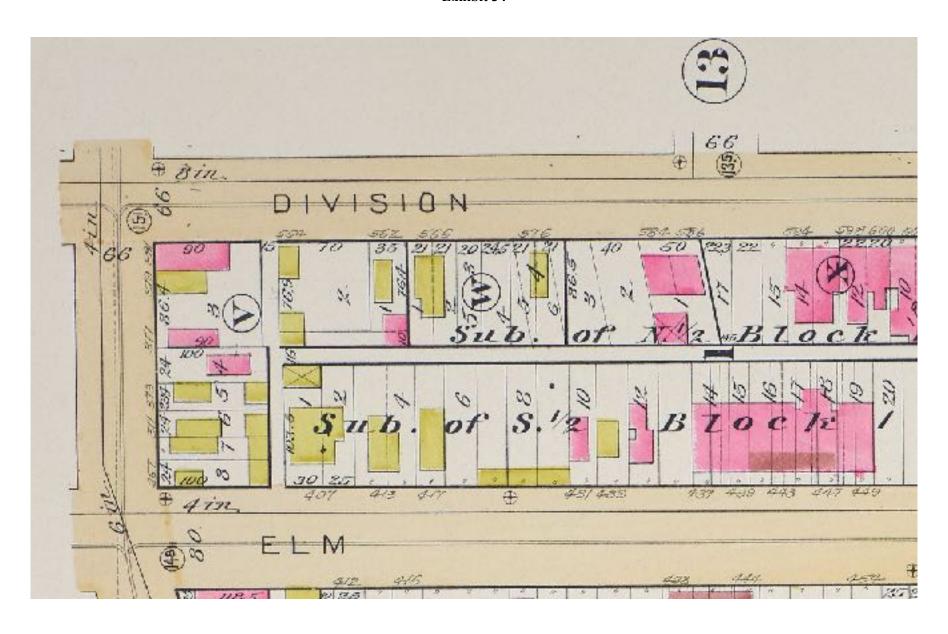
A renovation project in 2006 combined the two homes into a single family property [32B] Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2007

Exhibit 33

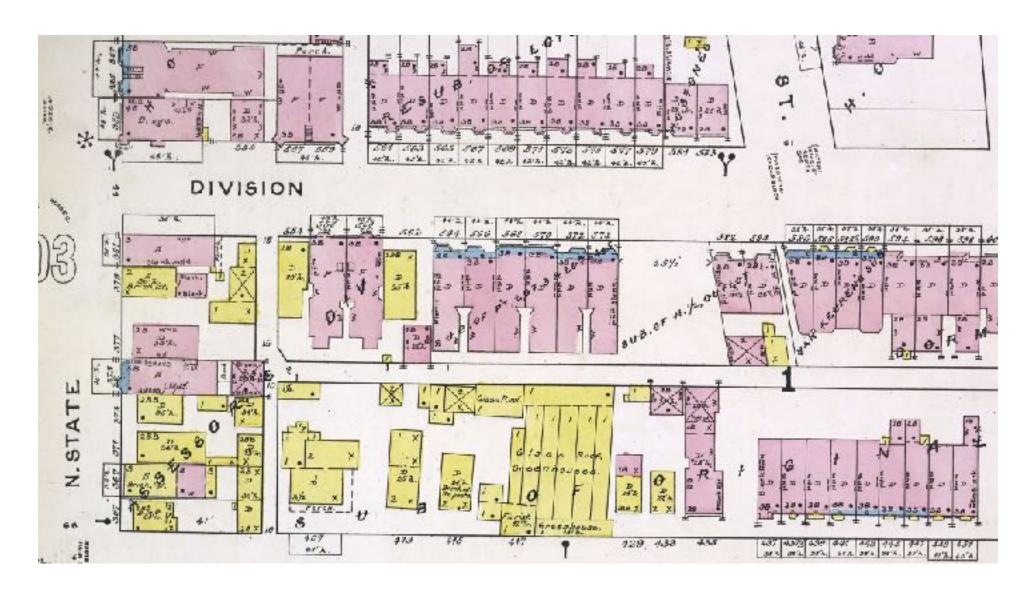


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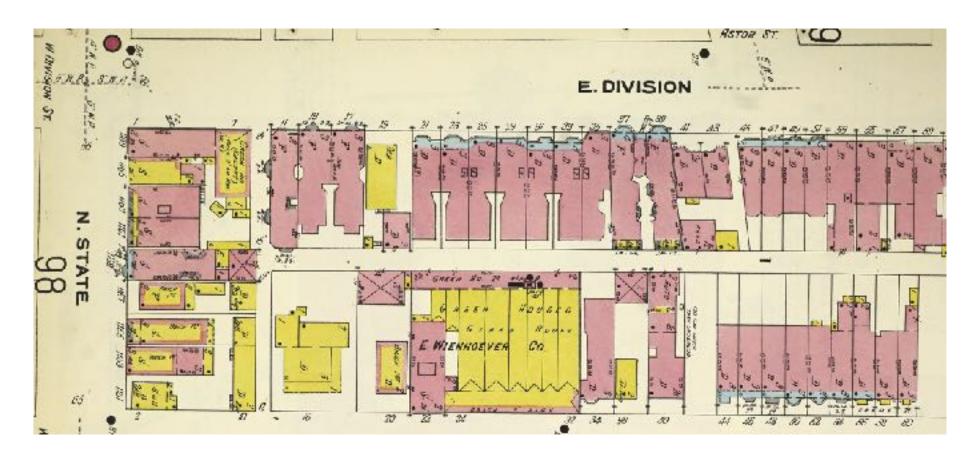
Chicago Tribune (8/15/1875)



1886 Robinson Insurance Map [34A] - The two houses have multiple empty lots on both sides (diagonal layout near right side of image)
The houses have the addresses of 584 and 586 Division. Lot number 17 to the east has irregular boundary dimensions.

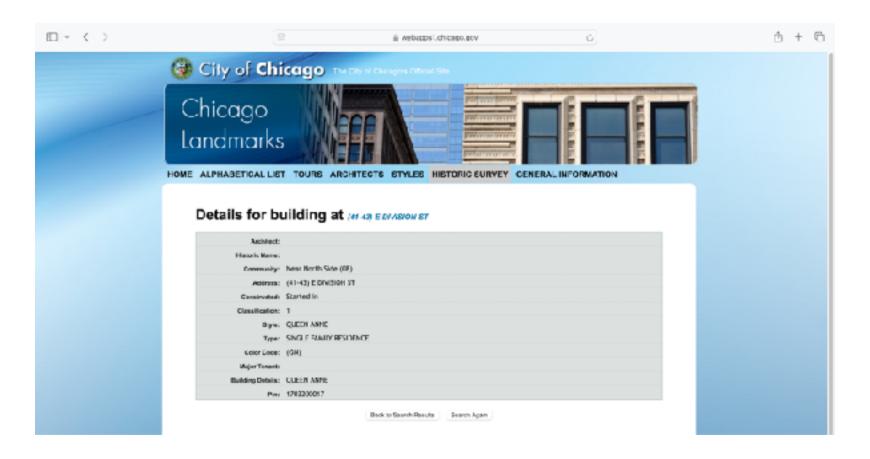


1892 Rascher Insurance Map [34B]
The two buildings now have the address 582 and 584 Division
The new house built next door to the Rooney property is now 586 Division



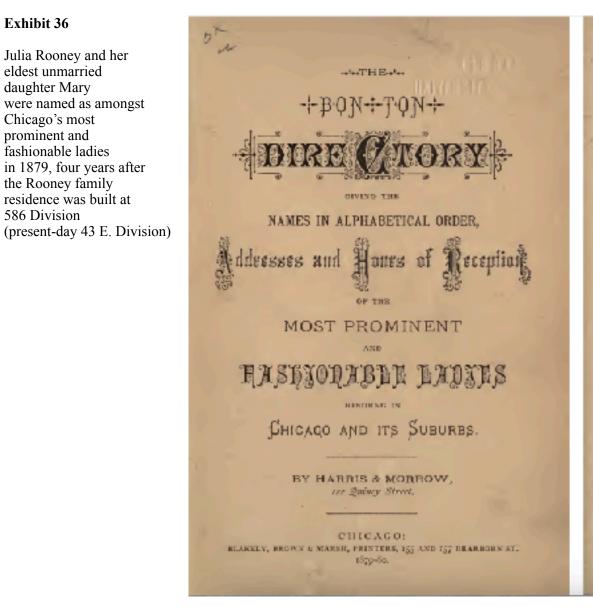
1910 Sanborn Insurance Map [34C] The two buildings have been renumbered as 41 and 43 E. Division

Exhibit 35



City of Chicago Historic Survey for the two properties located at 41-43 E. Division The double building is classified as "Queen Anne" style

586 Division



ROLLAND, Mrs. DAVID, 58 Wisconsin Street. Friends always welcome.

ROOD, Mas. JAMES, 333 Ontario Street.

ROOF, Mrs. A. E., 289 Illinois Street.

ROONEY, Mas M., 586 Division Street.

ROONLY, Mas. W., 588 Division Street. Friends always welcome.

ROUT, Mas. LOUISA, 354 West Adams Street. No reception days.

ROSENFELS, Mas. H., 150 Vincennes Avenue.

ROSENFELD, Mas. H., 430 Wabash Avenue. Friends are always welcome.

ROSENBAUM, Mrs. M., 168 Ashland Avenue. At Home at any time to friends.

ROSEBOOM, Mrs. W. L., 375 Centre Street. Glad to see friends at any time.

ROSENTHAL, Mus. H., 31 North Ada Street. A welcome at all times awaits my friends.

ROSA, MRS. W. L., 78 Lincoln Avenue.

ROSE, Mrs. L. 254 Calumet Avenue. At Home to friends at all times.

ROSS, Mas. GEO. P., 21 North Throop Street.

ROSS, Mas. J. L., 499 Vernon Avenue.

ROSS, Mns. Dn. J. P., 428 WestWashington Street. At Home to friends Monday evenings.

ROTHGERBER, Mas. L., 569 Cottage Grove Avenue. At Home Thursdays.

ROTHSCHILD, Mas. D., 501 Dearborn Street. Friends always welcome.

ROTHSCHILD, Mas. E./1141 Wahash Avenue.

ROTHSCHILD, Mrs. MAX M., 503 Indiana Avenue.

ROTHSCHILD, Mrs. S., 714 West Adams Street. Receives friends at all times.

ROTHSCHILD, Mrs. S., 213 North State Street.

ROUNBERG, Mrs. HANNAH, 3488 Wabash Avenue.

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4. The William and Julia Rooney Farm

William and Julia Rooney owned and operated a large farm that spanned both present-day Des Plaines and Mount Prospect. The Des Plaines land was their primary farm and most associated with the family. At the time, the area was known as "The Town of Maine" as it was located in "Maine Township". The land in present-day Mount Prospect was located in "Elk Grove Township" and the area was known as "Elk Grove". Michael E. Byczek refers to these two farms as the "Des Plaines Farm" and "Mount Prospect Farm". The land was continuous and adjacent.

Unlike the legal description or street address for residential property, these farms were described in legal documents using the grid-based rectangular coordinate system. The State of Illinois is divided into 640 acres squares. Not all squares have a full 640 acres, but each is called a "Section". Each Section is further divided into quarters, each having about 160 acres. These quarters are NW, NE, SW, and SE. There are a total of 36 Section squares per township, numbered 1-36. There are also different range and meridian reference lines. Large amounts of land can be located, such as a farm, using these quarters, sections, and townships.

The "Des Plaines Farm" was located in Section 7, Township 41, Range 12, Range Direction E, Township Direction N, and Meridian 3. Michael E. Byczek also refers to this land as the "Section 7" farm. William Rooney's farm was located in the NW and SW quarters of Section 7.

The "Mount Prospect Farm" was in Section 12, Township 41, Range 11, Range Direction E, Township Direction N, and Meridian 3. This land can also be referred to as the "Section 12" farm. William Rooney's land was located in the NE and SE quarters of Section 12.

These two sections, 7 and 12, are not part of the same 1-36 section grid as the sections are referenced by different range numbers. It just so happens that the "Section 7" farm in present-day Des Plaines and "Section 12" farm in present-day Mount Prospect were adjacent continuous land. The NE and SE quarters of the "Section 12" farm along with the NW and SW quarters of the "Section 7" farm are adjacent.

Refer to Exhibit 37 for a map of these sectional grid-based legal descriptions and location of the William Rooney land. The vertical north-south boundary between the "Section 12" and "Section 7" farms is present-day Mt. Prospect Rd. The horizontal west-east boundary that served as the northern border of both farms is present-day Central Rd. The "Section 7" farm was immediately SE of the intersection of Mt. Prospect and Central Roads. The "Section 12" farm was immediately SW of the same intersection.

The boundaries for the Rooney farm were not the same from year to year. Both William and Julia Rooney owned land in their own names and entered into several transactions to buy and sell portions of their farm over time. The land was both improved and unimproved.

Michael E. Byczek has estimated that the farm may have covered 530 acres, but not necessarily all owned at the same time. He concluded that William Rooney purchased an unknown number of acres directly from either/both the federal government and State of Illinois as early as 1835. Land patents had strict requirements, such as payment in full. It was common for individuals to purchase land and fail to satisfy the requirements. The same land was sold and resold until a purchaser completed all necessary paperwork. This appears to have happened with William Rooney's original ownership claims.

The federal government auctioned a portion of the "Des Plaines Farm" in 1850. William Rooney filed a claim for a land patent, but was denied. He had to buy the land back from the buyer at the auction.

The earliest documented reference to William Rooney's farm was the commemorative 1839 Chicago Directory published in 1876 that referred to "Maine". William Rooney stated in his own words during an 1876 court case that he purchased a timber lot in Des Plaines around 1843 to use for his nearby farm.

William and Julia Rooney's eldest son John married Ellen Butler around 1863. In recognition of the marriage, William Rooney arranged for his son to acquire ownership of a portion of the "Mount Prospect Farm" located in the NE quarter of Section 12. It is unclear what form of ownership William Rooney had at the

time, but it was his name associated with the land prior to 1863. The result was a father and son who owned adjacent farms. John Rooney's farm covered about 130 acres in present-day Mount Prospect. William Rooney's farm boundary in present-day Des Plaines was about 160 acres near the end of his ownership in the 1880s.

The 1860 federal agriculture census provided very detailed data. William Rooney owned a total of 437 acres. 200 was improved and 237 unimproved. His real estate was estimated at \$15,000. Julia Rooney owned \$1,800 worth of real estate, but it is unclear what properties she owned. William's personal property was worth \$3,000, while the value of farm machinery and implements was \$800.

Animals were also counted for the 1860 census. William Rooney owned eight horses, twenty-one dairy cows, two working oxen, five cattle, and eight pigs. His farm production included 250 bushels of wheat, 1,300 bushels of Indian corn, 4,500 bushels of oats, 1,300 bushels of Irish potatoes, 2,100 pounds of butter, 100 tons of hay, 40 bushels of grass seed, and \$40 worth of orchard products.

Detailed land ownership maps for Cook County showed how the boundaries of William Rooney's farm changed over time. Refer to Exhibit 38 for a map of ownership boundaries from 1861, Exhibit 39 for 1862, Exhibit 40 for 1870, Exhibit 41 for 1886, Exhibit 42 for 1890, and Exhibit 43 for 1898.

William Rooney was never granted a land patent from either the federal government or State of Illinois. Michael E. Byczek has reviewed all real estate deeds recorded after the Chicago Fire of 1871, newspaper articles prior to 1871, old maps, and a collection of historical records to reconstruct as complete of a chronological sequence of transactions as possible from 1835 through the final days that the land remained in the Rooney family in 1916.

It appears likely that William and Julia Rooney kept a residence in Chicago over the years that they operated the farm, perhaps on a seasonal basis. By 1870, almost of their children were living in the city. William and Julia Rooney began to fully transition from the farm to Chicago after the 1871 Chicago Fire, but continued to own their farm until shortly before their deaths in 1885. The last 90 acres of their farm was sold for \$7,200 in 1884. John and Ellen Rooney also kept ownership of their farm after settling in the Bridgeport neighborhood of Chicago in the 1880s. John Rooney sold the farm in 1916 to the Busse family who are responsible for the development of present-day Mount Prospect.

The Owen Rooney Farm and Origins of Mount Prospect

The name Owen Rooney is known as one of the founders of Mount Prospect. It was his farm, along with one other, that a developer named Ezra Eggleston acquired in 1874 to begin residential development. The new community was given the name Mount Prospect. Since the village began on Owen Rooney's farm, he is rightfully credited in the historical narrative of Mount Prospect's origin.

However, this historical narrative has entirely overlooked the role of William and Julia Rooney, which may in fact, have an even greater significance than Owen Rooney in the origins of Mount Prospect.

Owen Rooney married Anne Dorsey at St. Mary Catholic Church in Downtown Chicago in 1843. He was from County Tipperary, Ireland and was about the same age as William Rooney. The biggest clue as to the relationship between William and Owen Rooney is that Owen Rooney's farm was immediately adjacent to William Rooney's "Mount Prospect Farm". Not only did they share a common border, but they also exchanged land with each other. It is extremely unlikely that two strangers who never met would both have the name Rooney, arrived in Chicago very early in history, came from County Tipperary, were parishioners at the same church Downtown, and just happened to purchase farms that were adjacent to each other.

There is a very high likelihood that Owen was William's brother John, both sons of Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer from Urard. Records may not exist to ever verify the identity of Owen Rooney, but they were not unrelated strangers. There is very little doubt that whatever their family relationship, William Rooney was the reason for Owen Rooney's arrival in Chicago and the location of Owen's farm.

Owen Rooney's farm was located in the NW and SW quarters of Section 12, as described above. William Rooney's land was in the NE and SE quarters. At some point, they both may have owned all of Section 12. It was the NE quarter of Section 12 in which William Rooney's son John later owned a farm. This means that as of 1863, these three Rooney families owned and operated continuous farms all adjacent to each other. When viewed on a map, from west to east, these three farms were (1) Owen and Anne Rooney, (2) John and Ellen Rooney, and (3) William and Julia Rooney.

It is very possible that William Rooney arranged that particular farm for his son John because it was adjacent to Owen Rooney's land. William and Julia Rooney may have already been making plans to permanently live in the city and wanted their son to farm the land alongside Owen Rooney instead of having those two farms separated with a third party between the two segments.

As a result of these three Rooney family farms, there were four family members with the name William: (1) William, the Old Settler; (2) his son William; (3) his grandson William, son of John; and (4) William, the son of Owen. There were also three with the name John: (1) William and Julia's son John; (2) John's son John; and (3) Owen Rooney himself, since Owen is derived from the name John.

The fact that seven Rooney family members with the same two names, William and John, lived on three continuous adjacent farms has caused significant confusion, presumptions, and mistakes in the local historical narrative as to the origins of Mount Prospect.

The single most inaccurate narrative involving Owen Rooney is that he owned all three farms. These historical narratives tend to combine all land owned by any individual with the Rooney surname as a single farm owned by Owen Rooney and/or his children. Another mistake is that all reference to any of the four family members named William Rooney is attributed to Owen Rooney's son. All reference to any of the three John Rooney names is attributed to Owen Rooney himself.

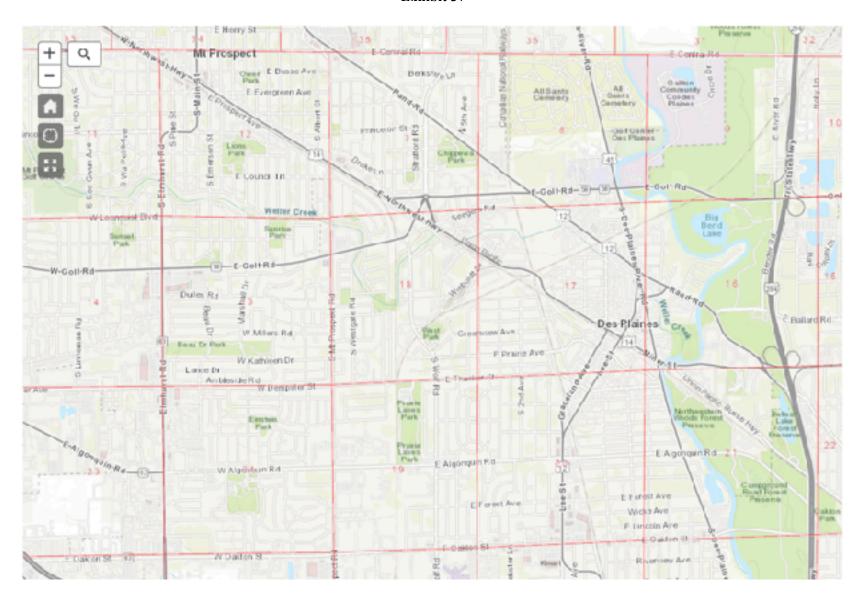
Due to this misinformation, the William and Julia Rooney family has been largely erased from history. In fact, their status as Old Settlers in Chicago has even been dismissed in favor of Owen Rooney's son who had not even been born. All reference to anybody named William Rooney prior to the birth of Owen Rooney's son William has been largely dismissed.

Perhaps the most significant feature of the Cook County ownership maps are marks that identify where buildings were located. The homes of William and Julia Rooney on their "Des Plaines Farm", John and Ellen Rooney on their "Mount Prospect Farm", and Owen and Anne Rooney on their farm are all clearly marked.

William Rooney agreed to remove his buildings on the Des Plaines "Section 7" farm when it was sold. The ownership maps for 1862 and 1886 confirm that the buildings were removed during this period. The 1870 map did not show building locations.

An aerial photograph from 1938 shows William and Julia Rooney's "Des Plaines Farm" mostly undeveloped with the "Mount Prospect Farm" sparsely developed [Exhibit 44].

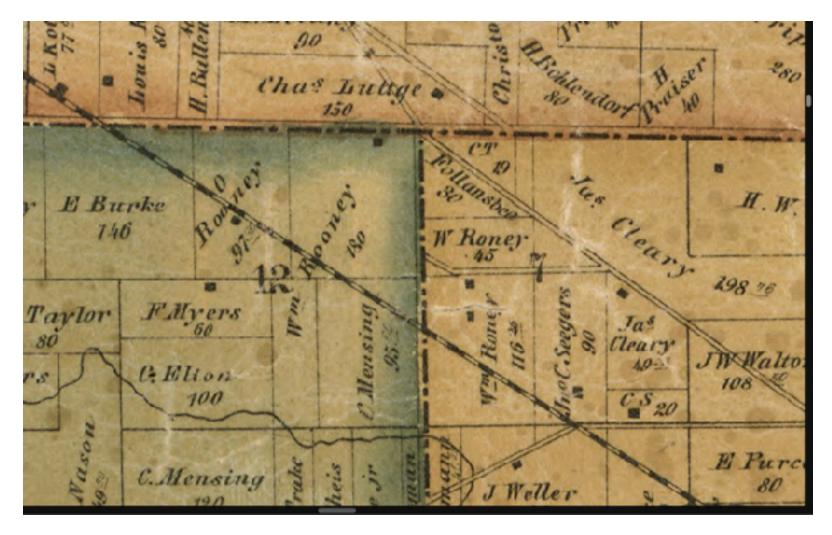
Exhibit 37



William and Julia Rooney's "Des Plaines Farm" was located in Section 7 (top center) and "Mount Prospect Farm" in Section 12 (to the left of Section 7)
The NE quarter of "Section 12" was John and Ellen Rooney's farm while Owen Rooney's land was in the NW quarter of Section 12

William Rooney also owned several timber lots in Sections 9, 16, and 21 along the right side of the map (John Rooney acquired one of these lots in Section 16)

Exhibit 38 1861 Cook County Ownership Map



William Rooney's farm in Sections 7 ("Des Plaines Farm") and 12 ("Mount Prospect Farm") with Owen Rooney's land also in Section 12

William Rooney had two buildings on the "Section 7" farm (with a road he used to reach the main streets) and one house in "Section 12". The "Section 12" house is present-day 15 S. George and is considered the oldest house in Mount Prospect. The "Section 7" buildings were removed when William Rooney sold the land.

The "Section 7" buildings would have been approximately located near present-day Amherst Ave between Princeton St and Drake Ln in Des Plaines.

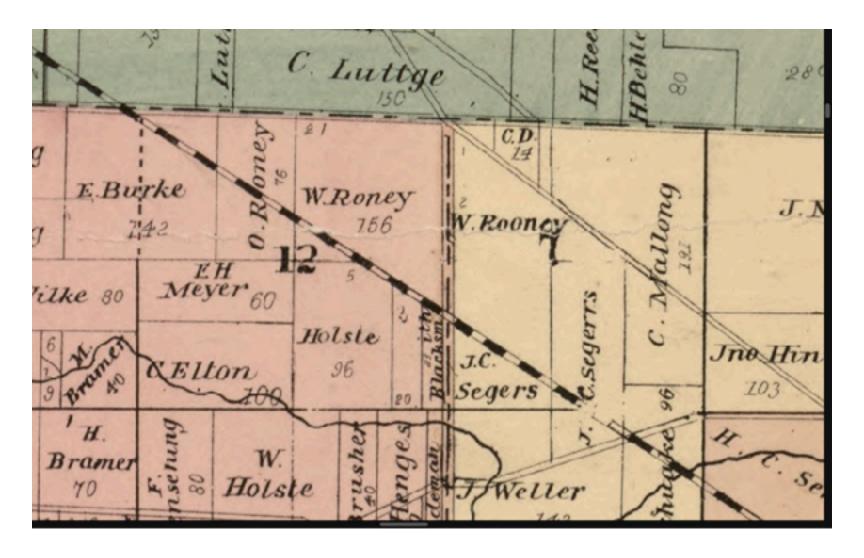
Owen Rooney's house is also visible along the railroad tracks.

Exhibit 39 1862 Cook County Ownership Map



The 1862 map is essentially the same as 1861

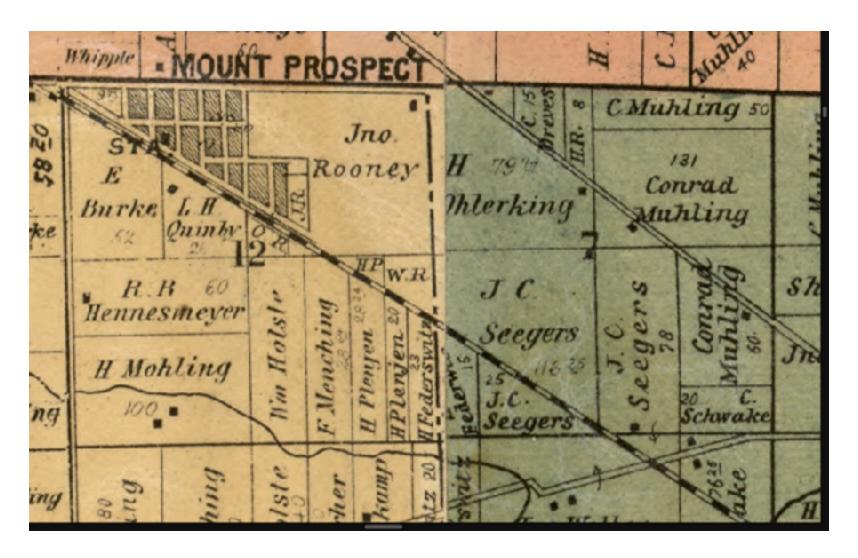
Exhibit 40 1870 Cook County Ownership Map



The 1870 map does not show buildings, but does show that William Rooney had entered into a series of agreements to buy and sell land that changed the boundaries of his farm, including with Owen Rooney. This is the last known map prior to William Rooney's death in 1885.

Even though William and Julia Rooney's son John acquired the NE quarter of Section 12 in 1863, the father is still considered the owner of the land.

Exhibit 411886 Cook County Ownership Map



William Rooney passed away in 1885. His son John is now the recognized owner of the NE quarter of Section 12. The buildings in Section 7 were removed prior to William's death when he sold the land.

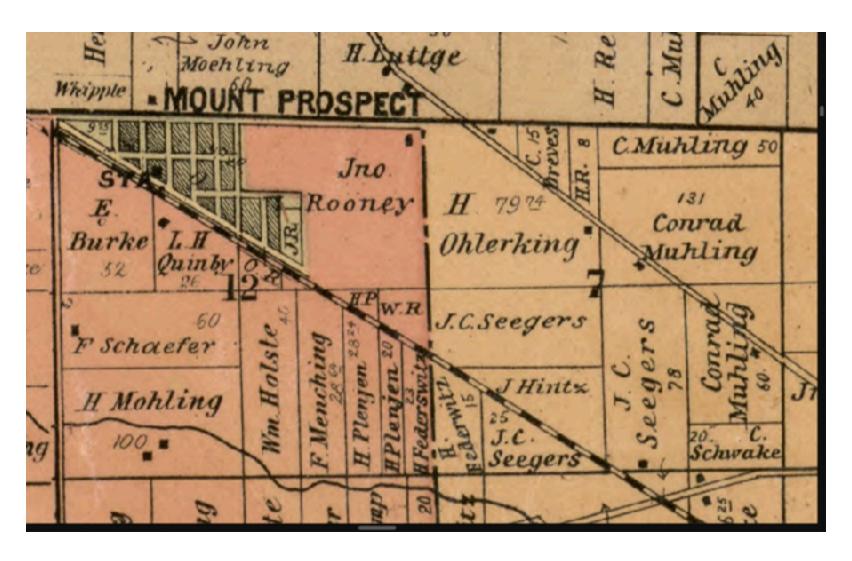
The Owen Rooney farm was used for the Mount Prospect development (shaded area), as shown adjacent to John Rooney's farm.

Exhibit 42 1890 Cook County Ownership Map



The 1890 map is essentially the same as 1886.

Exhibit 431898 Cook County Ownership Map



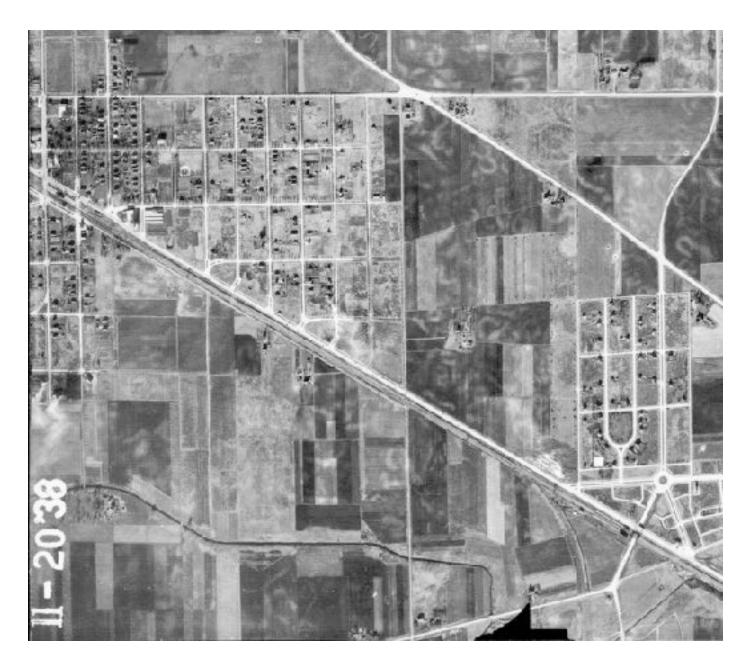
The 1898 map is essentially the same with clear reference to the John Rooney farm house located near present-day Mt. Prospect Rd and Central.

Exhibit 44

Aerial view of William Rooney's farm taken in 1938 before development took place.

The "Section 7" farm is essentially the same as it would have been under William Rooney's ownership with some development beginning to take place.

The "Section 12" farm, including the portion acquired by John Rooney, in present-day Mt. Prospect is rapidly being developed compared to Des Plaines.



5. The William Rooney Farm and the Oldest House in Mount Prospect

The most significant historical error has been to credit Owen Rooney as having built the oldest house in Mount Prospect, which is located at 15 S. George. The problem with this narrative is that 15 S. George was not located on Owen Rooney's farm. It was John and Ellen Rooney's house that was acquired from William and Julia Rooney in 1863 located in the NE quarter of "Section 12". This house is clearly marked on John Rooney's farm in the Cook County ownership maps, with William Rooney as the prior owner.

Numerous sources identify William Rooney as the farmer who built the house in 1833. These narratives have been largely dismissed on the basis that Owen Rooney's son William had not yet been born.

Michael E. Byczek, as an attorney and real estate broker, reviewed real estate documents, court files, newspaper articles, and maps. He concluded, on the balance of probabilities, that it is highly plausible and more likely than not, that it was his 3x-great-grandfather William Rooney, the Old Settler of Chicago, who built the house at 15 S. George.

William Rooney may not have been the original owner of the land and may not have built the first home on that farm. It is possible that the house was not built in 1833, but more likely in 1835 or later. William Rooney first arrived in Chicago in 1835. However, false claims have been made that Owen Rooney was the only person with the Rooney surname in the Chicago area until at least the late 1840s. The belief that all land was owned by Owen Rooney is inaccurate. There is not any document that links Owen Rooney to the NE quarter of Section 12 where the house is located. The only Rooney names associated with that farm are William and Julia along with their son John and his wife Ellen.

In support of this conclusion, Michael E. Byczek emphasized the following observations:

- 1. 15 S. George was located on John and Ellen Rooney's farm with William Rooney as the prior owner.
- 2. There are numerous sources that identify William Rooney as having built the house as early as 1833.
- 3. The ownership map markers show where John Rooney's house was located. That mark is present-day 15 S. George.
- 4. John Rooney sold the farm in 1916 to the Busse family, who subsequently lived in his house. It was the Busse family who gave the house its present address.
- 5. There is not any evidence that Owen Rooney or his family ever owned the NE quarter of Section 12 where the house is located.
- 6. John Rooney, the son of William and Julia, was identified as the owner of the farm when sold in 1916 [Exhibit 48]. However, the historical narratives refer to this sale as the "other half" of Owen Rooney's farm instead of a distinct farm owned by a different Rooney family. In this context, the "other half" is the alleged leftover portion from the 1874 development project.

One clue about the true history of 15 S. George is the rumor that William Rooney built the house in 1833. As a real estate broker, Michael E. Byczek considered the likely conversation that took place between John Rooney and the Busse family in 1916:

Busse: "Who built this house?"

Rooney: "My father William Rooney".

Busse: "When did he build it?"

Rooney: "About 30 years before I took over the farm in 1863".

Busse: "About 1833?"

Rooney: "Yes".

This fictional conversation is very plausible, and would explain why some people believe it was William Rooney who built the house in 1833. Most likely, it was the Busse family, after talking to John Rooney, who began to tell the story that the house, 15 S. George, was built in 1833 by William Rooney. [Exhibit 47].

John Rooney's son, also named John Rooney, was an attorney and Chief Justice of the old Municipal Court of Chicago. Judge John Rooney was a regular participant at historical events in Mount Prospect and Elk Grove [Exhibits 49 and 50]. He was known as the descendant of early settlers of the area. He was not a descendant of Owen and Anne Rooney.

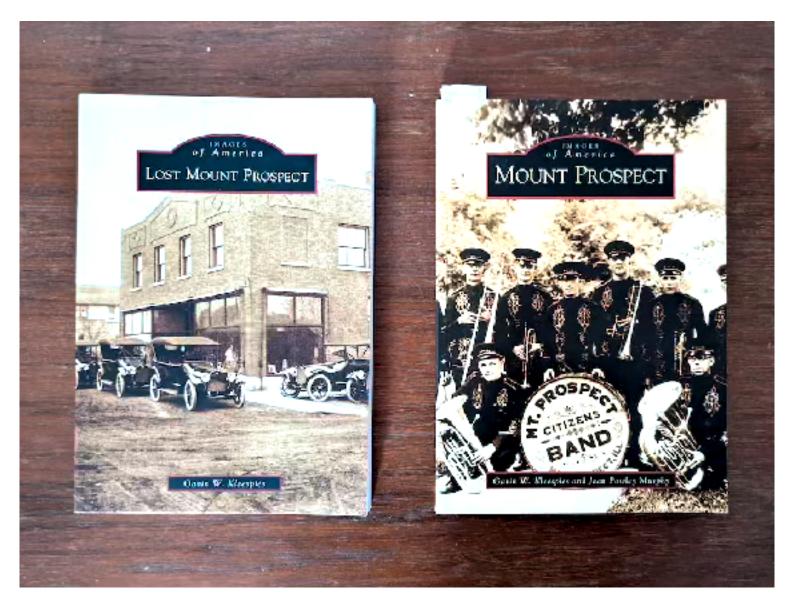
Another fact that Michael E. Byczek emphasized was the inaccurate portrayal of Owen Rooney's son William as the individual who started the Mount Prospect development project in 1874. He concluded, as more likely than not, that it was his 3x-great-grandfather William Rooney who brought the parties together. An important clue came from the grandson of Ezra Eggleston. The grandson commented that his grandfather worked with "a real estate man" named William Rooney [Exhibit 46]. In 1874, William Rooney had just built two commercial buildings in Downtown Chicago. He built the house at 43 E. Division in 1875. It is unknown how many other buildings William Rooney may have constructed during this time period. William Rooney played a notable role in the rebuilding efforts in Chicago after the 1871 Fire. Since the individual who is credited with bringing together Owen Rooney and Ezra Eggleston was known as a "real estate man", this can only refer to the Old Settler William Rooney, not the son of Owen.

Another interesting fact about the history of Mount Prospect is the dedication of a park to Owen Rooney. That park is called "Owen Park" and it sits on land that was once Owen Rooney's farm. However, records show that part of Owen Park is actually on land that was originally owned by William Rooney.

Refer to Exhibit 45 for two Mount Prospect History books that discuss the origins of 15 S. George without any mention of William and Julia Rooney or their son John and his wife Ellen Rooney.

It is unknown whether William Rooney, the Old Settler, was involved with the construction of new homes or the development plans, such as street and subdivision layout. Claims have been made that William Rooney, the son of Owen Rooney, was involved with the real estate side of the development project. If so, most likely, this refers to the Old Settler, not the son of Owen Rooney.

Exhibit 45

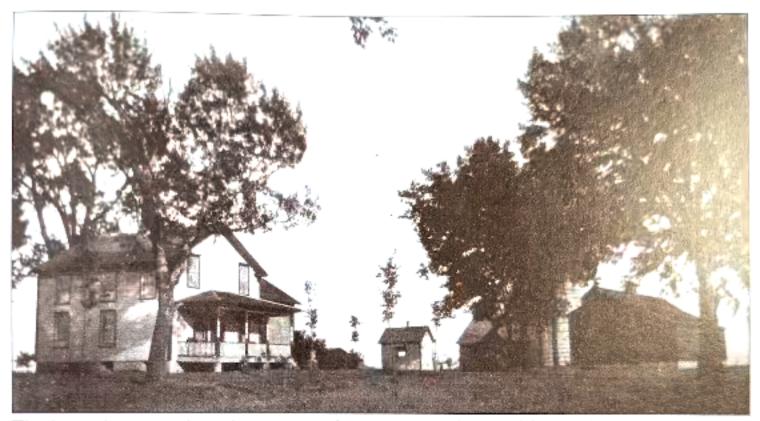


Two books in the "Images of America" series from the Michael E. Byczek collection [45A] Photo credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024



THE CWEN ROONEY HOUSE. This is the oldest house in Mount Prospect, different and date of its construction is not known. Owen Rooney was both in treland some that 1815 and moved to the Mount Prospect area from Wisconsin in 1817. He purchased a lateral farm, and it is not known if a house was already standing on the property. The above its house seen in this picture was most likely built after 1850, as it has side paneling in all account cut wood. The first mill in the area was started in 1852 by Socrates Rand, the manner as its Rand Road is named, and the train did not come through Mount Prospect area and a side would have been very difficult to find milled wood prior to that. Earn Egglesten purchased upon of Owen Rooney's farm when he began to develop what is today downtown Mount Prospect Later most of Rooney's farm was subdivided by William and George Pusse that Desses Ensure Addition. The home has had major additions over the years, so you cannot see the shape of the original building, although it is still standing.

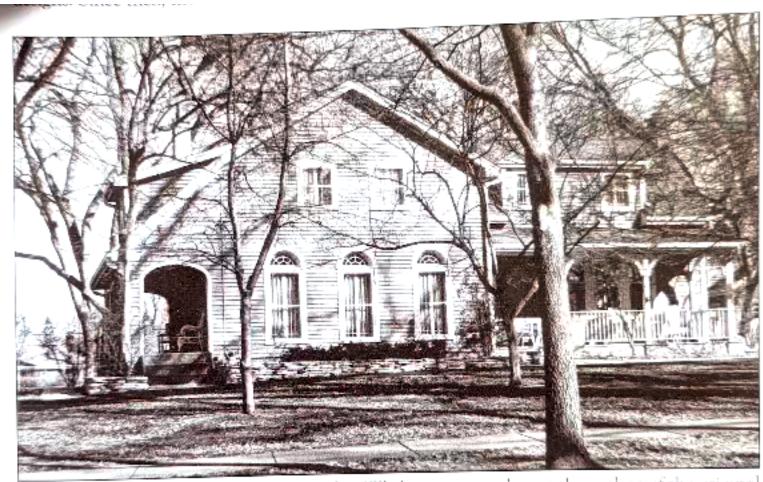
This is the John Rooney farm house (15 S. George) that he sold to the Busse Family in 1916, incorrectly labeled as Owen Rooney's farm. [45B]



The house has gone through a variety of owners since then and has undergone a number of additions and changes. Originally the house consisted of only two rooms until around 1900 when an addition was added to the right of the entrance. In the late 1920s, the land surrounding the farmhouse was subdivided into what became known as the Busse Eastern Addition. The house was again remodeled around 1929, adding arched walkways, stucco walls, and other contemporary designs. Since then, the house has undergone a number of interior and exterior renovations.

Another view of the John Rooney farm house, not Owen Rooney [45C]

Actual photo from book (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024)



Seen here is the Owen Rooney House today. While one can make out the outline of the original house, the building has been significantly changed. What was the front of the house is now the side; the windows have been arched, and there has been a series of additions put on the house. From a historical standpoint, it is nice that the building is still standing, still occupied, and is still in its original location. Unfortunately much of the original character has been obscured.

15 S. George is mistakenly called the "Owen Rooney" house when it was really owned by John Rooney, son of William and Julia Rooney. [45D]

The grandson of one of the two early founders of this town has returned here to live. He is Paul Eggleston, whose grandfather, C. H. Eggleston, a surveyor associated with William Rooney, a real estate man, founded and named this town 'Mount Prospect' because it is situated on what is supposed to be the highest point of Cook County.

Newspaper article where Ezra Eggleston's grandson refers to "a real estate man" named William Rooney

Chicago Daily Herald (2/8/1962)

Exhibit 47
Newspaper Article that refers to William Rooney having built 15 S. George in 1833

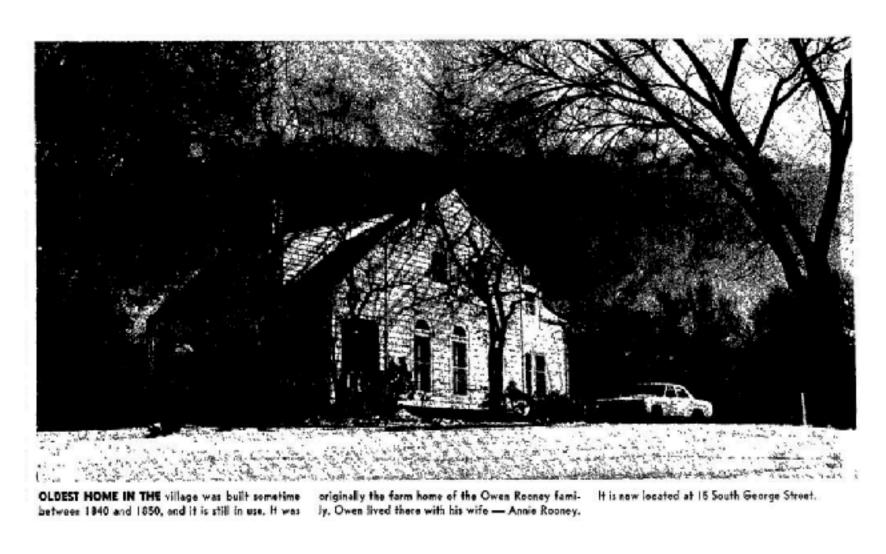


Photo caption from a newspaper article refers to the Owen Rooney house without mention of William or John Rooney

The Herald (2/24/1970) [and images that follow]

This Old House Once Knew Bill Rooney

How old is old? Only the knotholes of the home at 15 S. George, Mount Prospect, may know for sure

But new information has been found by the Mount Prospect Historical Society that may put a more accurate date on the home.

Previous owners of the house had believed it was built in 1833 by "a man society vice president.

"And it allows us to make some assumptions we couldn't make before. We are Other Photos on Page 2.

now fairly certain the farmhouse was built no earlier than 1852."

IN RESEARCHING a historical tour of

the vallage, the society learned the first Rooney in the area was Owen, who purchased 160 neres in section 12 of Elk Grove Township for \$100 in 1847

But the house at 15 S. George stands on named William Roomey." This date was set aside by the historical society in researching old village buildings, but they acknowledged that the house is the oldest in Mount Prospect.

"We have been permitted to study an 1862 survey map belonging to the Henry Schwake family," said Mrs. John Weber, a tract of 148 acres purchased from

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The multi-column newspaper publication did not print correctly. There is a sentence that begins in the first column and ends in the fourth that should read:

Previous owners of the house had believed it was built in 1833 by "a man named William Rooney"

Old House Once Knew Rooney

(Continued from Page 1)

Charles Follanshee. On the survey map of 1962, a farm belonging to William Rooney covers 180 acres directly adjoining a farm belonging to Follanshee.

Foliansbee's farm was located where the Red Balloon Restaurant stands on the east side of Mount Prospect Road in Maine Township.

The Foliansbee land west of Mount Prospect Road became part of the Owen Rooney farm Nov. 11, 1852. The 148 acres were sold for \$440. Foliansbee was the first owner of the land because he held a land grant from the United States government awarded to him on May 20, 1850.

WILLIAM ROONEY built the house on George Street according to elder residents of the town. He was the second son of Owen Rooney. His portion of the farm lay between Central Road and Lincoln Ave., and Mount Prespect Road and Owen Street.

Owen Rooney's farm ran from Owen Street west to Main, between Central and Lincoln.

Research of this home and others in the village is part of the continuing project of the society, Mrs. Weber said.

"But we feel this home deserves particular attention because it has always been occupied, probably for the last 110 years," she said.

Near the house on George Street are two other homes that are part of the written tour prepared by this historical society. These house, 804 and 808 East Central, were originally the homes of Mount Prospect's first favorite son candidate Willam Busse, who became a county commissioner at the turn of the century.

THE HOUSE AT 808 Central was built in 1894 in a corn field at the present site of Meeske's store.

The most-nostalgic building in the village is the little white school house at Thayer and Wille, now a part of St. John's Episcopal Church, Mrs. Weber said.

It is one of more than 23 points on the tour researched by the society.

Continuation of the newspaper article that expressly rejects the claim about William Rooney building the house in 1833

This segment of the article refers to Owen Rooney's son William and the singular Rooney family farm

Exhibit 48

Newspaper article that identifies John Rooney, the father of Judge John Rooney, as the seller of the NE quarter of Section 12 to George Busse.

John Rooney owned the farm since 1863. This is the sale that transferred ownership of the farm house that would become 15 S. George.

Chicago Tribune (6/18/1916)

ELK GROVE ACRES CHANGE HANDS

George Busse Buys Tract from John Rooney for \$37,000.

While subdividers continue to report a rather slow market, largely due to the continued unfavorable weather conditions, there were several interesting transactions in acres last week.

One of the most noteworthy of these was the sale by John Rooney, father of Municipal Judge John J. Rooney, to George Busse, brother of County Commissioner William Busse, of a tract of 133 acres in the town of Eik Greve, near the village of Mount Prospect, for a stated \$37,000, which is at the rate of about \$300 an acre. It will be subdivided into lots and blocks and placed on the market next spring. The property has been in the Rooney family since 1863. William L., Bossi of John C. Fetzer & Co. represented Mr. Busse.

IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION TO BANQUET

Strong Program Arranged for Annual Mount Prospect Eyent

At the banquet to take place Jannary 15, at St. Paul's school auditorism, those in attendance will have the pleasure of hearing a man who knows much about the early conditions of this territory in the nerson of Judge John Rooney of the Municipal court of Chicago. Many will emember that his forefathers lived on the Rooney farm which is now a part of Mt. Prospect and is fairly well built up.

Exhibit 49

Judge John Rooney's forefathers lived on the Rooney farm that is now part of Mount Prospect.

Chicago Daily Herald (1/10/1930)

JUDGE ROONEY TO SPEAK AT CENTENNIAL

Varied Program Is Arranged for Two Day Celebration

Plans for the Elk Grove Centennial celebration to be held August 19th and 20th, as revealed at the meeting of the Executive committee, Monday, at the Mount Prospect Village hall, are rapidly assuming form.

Judge John J. Rooney of the Municipal Court of Chicago and Honorable Charles S. Cutting, both of which are descendants of families identified with the early life of this community, will appear on the Sunday afternoon program, Commissioner William Busse, chairman of the speakers' committee, reports. Commissioner Homer J. Byrd will also participate.

The program for Sunday, August 20, will feature tributes to the pioneers of Elk Grove township, when Judge Charles S. Cutting, formerly of Palatine, and Judge John J. Rooney, of the Municipal Court of Chicago, and whose ancestors participated in the growth of Elk Grove, will speak, County Commissioners William Busse and Homer J. Byrd will also take part in the speakers' program.

Exhibit 50

The centennial celebrations in 1933 could have origins with the claim that William Rooney built the oldest house in Mount Prospect in 1833.

Judge John Rooney is called a descendant "of families identified with the early life of this community" [left, 50A] and that his "ancestors" were involved with Elk Grove [top, 50B].

Left: Mount Prospect Center Herald (8/4/1933)

Right: Arlington Heights Herald (7/28/1933)

6. The William Rooney Timber Lots

William Rooney owned five or more separate timber lots (not adjacent) in present-day Des Plaines. This includes one timber lot that his son John Rooney acquired in connection with the "Mount Prospect Farm".

The known lots represent a total of about 20 acres. Refer to Exhibit 37 for a map of where the timber lots were located relative to the farm. These timber lots were in Sections 9, 16, and 21 along the right side of the map image. John Rooney owned a timber lot in Section 16. Since his father arranged for ownership of the farm, it is presumed that he also transferred a timber lot versus John making an independent purchase.

William Rooney sold one of the lots in Section 9 in 1876, but had to file court papers to regain ownership of the land after the buyer breached the contract. In his own words, William Rooney explained ownership of this particular timber lot:

Your Orator William Rooney a resident of the said County ... on or about the year 1843 he purchased ... certain real estate ... containing eight and one half acres ... the said tract of land was covered with wood and your Orator has used it as a wood lot in connection with a farm which he occupied in the vicinity and that he cut timber from it for farm purposes.

- William Rooney, 1876 (Court documents to regain possession of the timber lot in Section 9) [refer to citation for Exhibit 3]

As was true for the farms, it is possible that at least some of the timber lots were purchased directly from the federal or Illinois government without a land patent issued to William Rooney.

7. Other William Rooney Real Estate Ownership

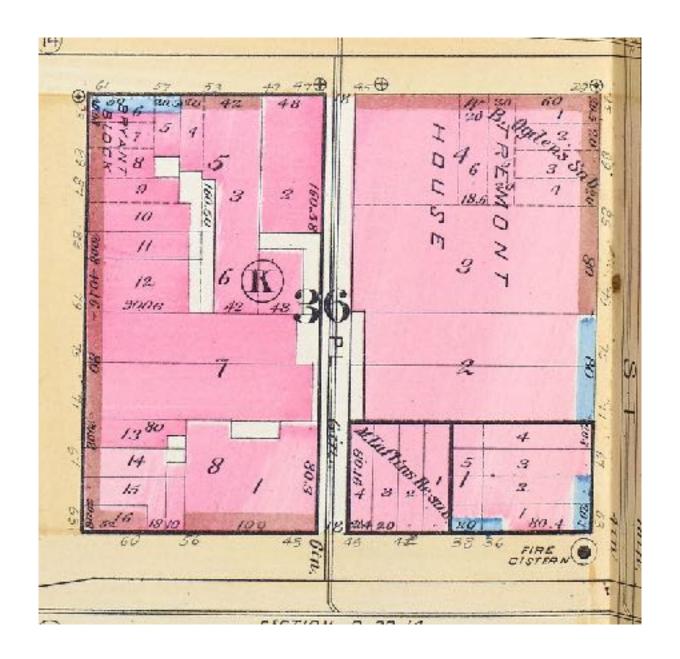
There are three other known properties that William Rooney owned in Chicago:

- 1. One of the other properties acquired from the Periolat family in 1870 was located in the West Loop on Lake Street near Halsted [Exhibit 52]. There appears to have been a building on the property during William and Julia Rooney's lifetime. However, nothing is known about the construction.
- 2. William Rooney also acquired eight lots from the Periolat family near 57th and Wentworth that spanned the neighborhoods of Washington Park and Englewood. There appears to have been a building on one of these lots. However, nothing is known about the construction [Exhibit 53]. The addresses and street layout does not match present-day. Therefore, it is difficult to determine exactly on which lot this building existed and whether it was even owned by William Rooney.
- 3. William Rooney pledged as collateral for a loan an undisclosed ownership interest in 3/4 of all real estate on the north side of Randolph between State and Dearborn in Downtown Chicago [Exhibit 51]. There is a discrepancy in how the legal description was written that suggests whatever this ownership interest was, it could have predated the 1871 Fire. The ownership interest was capable of being pledged as collateral. One possible form could have been an unpaid tax lien.



William Rooney pledged as collateral for a loan, 3/4 of the block on the north side of Randolph between State Street to Dearborn This photograph was taken on the corner of State and Randolph looking along William Rooney's ownership interest, including the Nederlander Theatre [51A]

Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2022



1886 Robinson Insurance Map [51B]

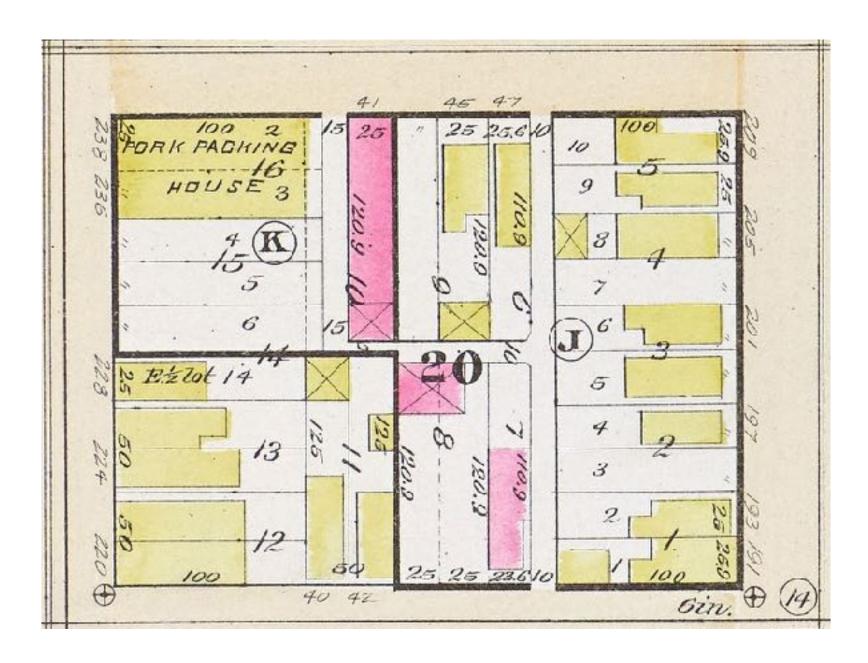
William Rooney pledged as collateral all of lots 5, 6, and 8. This represents 3/4 of the entire street along Randolph (left side) State Street is along the bottom and Dearborn the top

Exhibit 52



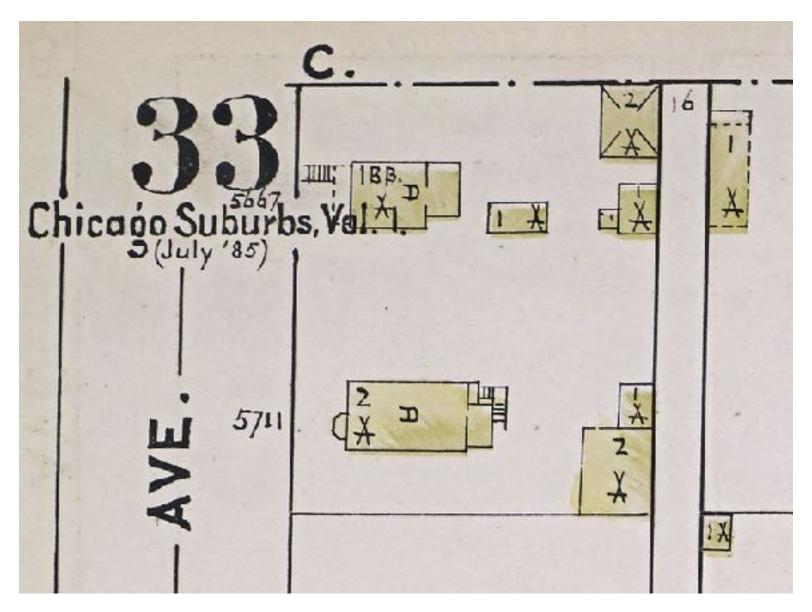
William Rooney owned one lot on Lake Street that would have been approximately in the center of the high rise The train tracks run along Lake Street. Photo taken on Peoria near Randolph with Green along the right side of image.

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1886 Robinson Insurance Map [52B]

The lot that William Rooney owned has the address of 228 on the left side of the image (Lake Street). It is unknown when or by who this building was constructed.



1885 Rascher Insurance Map

William Rooney may have owned 5711 Wentworth where there was a building as of July 1885. It is unknown when or by who this building was constructed

V. Julia Rooney's Will

On July 21 1885, two months after Julia Rooney's husband passed away, she wrote a Will. It is unknown whether it replaced an earlier document.

Julia Rooney gave careful thought to distribution of her assets amongst her surviving children. Her son Hugh and daughter Josephine had already passed away. Julia was survived by two sons (John and William) and seven daughters (Alice, Anna, Elizabeth (Lizzie), Hannah, Mary, Katherine (Kittie), and Margaret (Maggie)). All of her daughters except Maggie were married, whose status prompted Julia to provide extra thought for her youngest surviving daughter's comfort.

The inheritance bequests were:

First: I give and bequeath to my daughter Kittie Talbot, wife of Edward Talbot, the sum of five hundred dollars in money

Second: I give and bequeath to my daughter Maggie Rooney, my piano and eight hundred dollars in money. Also the use of my homestead located at and known as number five hundred and eight six East Division street in the city of Chicago, Illinois for five years. [...] My said daughter Maggie shall have the first privilege of purchasing said homestead. [...] And in the event the same is sold the proceeds thereof shall be divided equally between my seven daughters. And in the event my daughter Maggie shall decide not to purchase said homestead the same shall become the property of my seven daughters who shall hold the same in fee as tenants in common.

Third: I give and bequeath to my daughters Maggie Rooney and Kittie Talbot, in addition to the aforesaid bequests to them, all my household furniture other than the piano ... to be divided equally between them.

Fourth: All the rest and residue of my estate, real personal or mixed, of which I shall die ... I give, devise, and bequeath to be equally divided to and among my heirs at law except John Rooney and Alice O'Connor, the said John Rooney and Alice O'Connor having been given such aid and assistance by their father as in my judgement they should receive. Nothing in this clause shall be construed so as to exclude my daughter, the said Alice O'Connor, from sharing with my other daughters in the homestead as provided in the second clause of this Will.

Fifth: I hereby appoint my daughters Kittie A. Talbot and Hannah B. Brophy to be executors of this, my last Will and Testament.

- Julia Rooney, Last Will and Testament - Signed July 21, 1885 [copy of Julia Rooney's original Will included as Appendix II]

Michael E. Byczek reviewed the Will and made the following legal observations:

- 1. John Rooney was completely disinherited because he already received a fair share during his father's lifetime. Julia Rooney specifically referred to having used her "judgement" to make this decision.
- 2. All seven daughters were to share the ownership, in equal parts, of the family home at 43 E. Division (586 E. Division).
- 3. The only inheritance that Alice O'Connor would receive was 1/7 share of the house. She was disinherited from anything else.
- 4. Julia Rooney's two youngest surviving daughters, Kittie and Maggie, would receive all the contents of the house. Additionally, Maggie received her mother's piano and \$800 while Kittie was given \$500. This amounts to \$1,300 in cash total.
- 5. The other children had to allow Maggie, as the only unmarried daughter, five years to remain in her family home on Division Street.
- 6. Julia's son William was neither disinherited nor given a specific bequeath. This was not a mistake. Julia took care as a mother when providing for her children. It would have been easy to disinherit William. That omission suggests William was meant to receive a fair share.
- 7. The crucial question is what constituted the "remainder" of Julia Rooney's estate in the fourth bequeath. Of this "remainder", she did not want John or Alice to receive anything. At the same time, this "remainder" was the only assets from which William would receive any inheritance. Since Julia Rooney specifically

- divided the remainder of her estate into seven equal shares, of which William would receive one, while John and Alice received none, indicates she must have believed the "remainder" had substantial value. If insignificant, why disinherit John and Alice?
- 8. William, Anna, Lizzie, Hannah, Mary, Kittie, and Maggie would receive an equal 1/7 share of the "remainder". Without John and Alice having been disinherited, the "remainder" of the estate should have been divided in nine equal shares. If the value of these assets were small, there wouldn't be an issue. If extensive, then there is a definite distinction between 1/7 and 1/9 equal shares.
- 9. Julia Rooney named two of her daughters (Kittie and Hannah), instead of one, to administer her estate [Exhibit 54]. This suggests that Julia Rooney already knew there would be problems. If administration of the estate was straightforward, only one child was necessary. It seems likely, given the historical context, her son John should have been picked. As a mother, she must have trusted these two particular daughters. Julia could have just as easily appointed her attorney as executor. It appears that Kittie Talbot had a good grasp of the family's affairs and was living with Julia at the time of her death. Hannah Brophy lived across the street. Hannah's husband previously went to court on William Rooney's behalf for real estate matters. Edward Talbot was the only son-in-law specifically mentioned in Julia Rooney's Will. It is reasonable to conclude that Julia Rooney not only trusted her daughters Kittie and Hannah, but also their husbands.

Despite Julia Rooney's best intentions of writing her final wishes down in a Will, her probate took nine years to complete. The biggest issue was who should inherit *William Rooney's Building*. Unfortunately, that question was not explicitly addressed in Julia Rooney's Will. These nine years of litigation focused on what Julia Rooney intended through her "remainder" bequeath: was, or was not, *William Rooney's Building* to be distributed through the "remainder" provision.

Exhibit 54

Executor's Bond issued in December 1885 that named as executors:

- (1) Kittie A. Talbot, who was living at the Rooney family residence located at 586 E. Division
- (2) Hannah B. Brophy, who was living across the street in the Brophy family home located at 555 E. Division
- (3) Hannah Brophy's husband William

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VI. William Rooney's Building and Julia Rooney Probate Proceedings

William Rooney acquired a one-third ownership interest in the SE corner of Franklin and Lake in Downtown Chicago in 1870 while providing financial assistance to his daughter Lizzie Periolat and her husband's family. The \$3,000 sales price can be viewed as a loan secured by the real estate, but unlike a mortgage, legal ownership of that one-third interest was transferred to William Rooney and recorded with Cook County government. William Rooney agreed to place the real estate into a Trust for Lizzie's benefit (referred to as the "1870 Trust", by Michael E. Byczek). The terms show that William Rooney was focused on getting his money back. In exchange, he arranged for his daughter to inherit the property. The "1870 Trust" was very much like one part of an estate plan.

Unfortunately, the "1870 Trust" caused nine years of litigation after Julia Rooney's death. The probate proceedings were filed in December 1885. Litigation was not finalized until January 1894. The case lasted so long that Lizzie Periolat passed away before conclusion, as did Alice O'Connor. Kittie Talbot's infant son Edgar also passed away, as did Hannah Brophy's husband William. John Rooney sent his son John to law school and arranged for a partnership at one of the law firms involved in the probate. Kittie Talbot passed away in 1899, just five years after the case was resolved.

Michael E. Byczek obtained access to the original court files in 2006 through the Cook County Clerk of Court, including Julia Rooney's actual Will that she held and signed shortly before her death. He also reviewed the real estate documents recorded with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds. Some court documents were not provided through the archival request and it was unknown whether such files even still existed. Enough information was available to adequately reconstruct what happened. It is unknown exactly how the court ruled or the precise nature of all arguments on both sides of the dispute. The family home on Division Street and *William Rooney's Building* were sold through a court-ordered auction in 1893. It is also unknown exactly how the proceeds were distributed, because the court documents only stated such disbursement was in accordance with the judgment.

The opposing sides of the dispute were primarily advocated by sisters Kittie Talbot and Lizzie Periolat. Kittie Talbot, supported by her brother William and sister Anna, claimed that the "1870 Trust" had been revoked and that every member of the family knew this to be true. Lizzie claimed the "1870 Trust" was valid and wanted a full audit of the real estate. Michael E. Byczek is Kittie Talbot's 2x-great-grandson and the 3x-great-nephew of Lizzie Periolat. He tried to remain neutral during the legal review with an emphasis on the most likely final wishes of his 3x-great-grandparents William and Julia Rooney. Both claims had merit. There had been legal mistakes, most likely caused by inexperienced attorneys who lacked the requisite skill for handling such matters.

The single biggest problem was that the proper documents were not filed with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds. A skilled attorney would have known such revocation, or lack of revocation, regardless of whether it was legally required, should have been formalized and recorded with Cook County government.

Michael E. Byczek concluded, on the balance of probabilities, that it was highly plausible and more likely than not, that William Rooney revoked the "1870 Trust" in 1873 and became the sole legal owner prior to construction of his namesake building. William Rooney later transferred sole ownership to his wife in 1885. Through Julia Rooney's Will, ownership of the building was to transfer through the "remainder" of her estate for distribution to seven of their nine surviving children in equal shares.

To support this conclusion, Michael E. Byczek emphasized the following legal observations:

- 1. The building's name speaks for itself. It was called *William Rooney's Building*, not *William Rooney's 1/3 Building* or the *Rooney and Periolat Building*. One year earlier, William Rooney partnered with Peter Ryan in 1872 to construct a double-width building around the corner on Fifth Ave. William Rooney did not own the building, as it was shared by two owners. The new building, constructed the following year, was called *William Rooney's Building*. Legal interpretation often evaluates the choice of words and placement of punctuation marks. One can visualize standing on the SE corner of Franklin and Lake reading the plaque on the side of the building as if its builder had announced to all Chicago "This is my building".
- 2. Lizzie and her husband sold William Rooney their one-third interest on 3/14/1870. The "1870 Trust" was signed the following day. Very quickly, the terms of that Trust required modification, which did not appear to happen.

- 3. On 9/28/1870, Clemens Periolat (relative of Caesar) sold William Rooney his one-third interest in the property for \$7,000. As of that date, William Rooney owned one-third of the real estate in his own name and served as Trustor for another one-third interest under the "1870 Trust". If William Rooney intended to continue favoring his daughter Lizzie, the "1870 Trust" needed to be revised. William Rooney needed to transfer the one-third interest he owned outright so that two-thirds were held through the "1st Revision to the 1870 Trust". There is not any indication that any modification took place.
- 4. Siblings Kittie Talbot, Anna Boucher, and William Rooney stated in court documents that their father negotiated with the Periolat family in the aftermath of the 1871 Chicago Fire to acquire 100% ownership in the property and revoked the "1870 Trust" to begin construction of the new building.
- 5. On 3/3/1873 an agreement was made between William Rooney, Clemens Periolat, and Samuel Cole (owner of the adjacent property). Plans were underway for new construction on both properties. This agreement stated that William Rooney and Clemens Periolat were the owners of the SE corner of Franklin and Lake. This agreement was recorded with Cook County government. Neither Lizzie nor her husband were mentioned in this agreement. If the "1870 Trust" had still been valid, William Rooney would have been identified as acting pursuant to that Trust. Instead, the terms of the agreement conveyed the sense that William Rooney was acting in his own legal right as co-owner with Clemens Periolat.
- 6. Earlier, on 6/29/1872, Peter Periolat (another relative) had transferred one-third ownership interest to Clemens Periolat. This is why, despite the 1870 transaction between William Rooney and Clemens Periolat, that the agreement in 1873 with Samuel Cole referred to Clemens Periolat as a co-owner.
- 7. Shortly after the agreement with Samuel Cole, on 5/22/1873, Clemens Periolat sold another one-third interest to William Rooney for what appears to have been \$500 in addition to assumption of liens on the property that may have amounted to over \$3,000.
- 8. As a result of this second transfer of a one-third interest from Clemens Periolat to William Rooney, the entire property had been transferred to William Rooney.
- 9. Not only would the original "1870 Trust" have required a formal modification after the first transfer from Clemens Periolat, this second transfer would now require another modification ("2nd Revision to the 1870 Trust"). This did not appear to happen.
- 10. Even if the "1870 Trust" was still valid, without a modification, that original Trust only covered a 1/3 ownership interest. Without such a modification, or additional deed of transfer into the "1870 Trust", William Rooney owned a 2/3 interest in his own name without any Trust. It is unlikely that William Rooney would have kept 2/3 ownership and left 1/3 in the original "1870 Trust". It is more likely that the "1870 Trust" was revoked. This is corroborated by the statements by Kittie Talbot, Anna Boucher, and William Rooney that their father negotiated with the entire Periolat family to acquire 100% ownership in 1873.
- 11. Kittie Talbot, Anna Boucher, and William Rooney stated that their father negotiated with Lizzie and her husband prior to construction of the building. The end result was revocation of the "1870 Trust".
- 12. William Rooney granted a deed of transfer to his wife Julia on 1/27/1885. There was not any indication that his ownership interest was subject to any form of Trust. It was a straightforward transfer from husband to wife without regard to a fractional share or existence of a Trust declaration.
- 13. Julia Rooney's Will did not refer to any existence of the "1870 Trust". *William Rooney's Building* would have fallen under the "remainder" of her estate for distribution to her son William and daughters Anna, Lizzie, Hannah, Kittie, Mary, and Maggie in seven equal shares. As mentioned, Julia Rooney most likely believed that the "remainder" of her estate had substantial value. The only possible "remainder" asset with substantial value was *William Rooney's Building*.
- 14. Even if the original "1870 Trust" was still valid, without modification it only covered one-third ownership. Assuming that scenario was true, Lizzie would inherit the 1/3 interest from the "1870 Trust" and a 1/7 share of the remaining 2/3 ownership interest. Her brother William and sisters Anna, Hannah, Mary, Kittie, and Maggie would receive 1/7 share each of the remaining 2/3 interest that was not part of the original "1870 Trust". Even without a formal revocation, Lizzie Periolat still would not have owned the entire property.
- 15. The Chicago Fire of 1871 destroyed all public access to real estate conveyances. It was common for property owners to file a duplicate copy of documents recorded prior to 1871. They did so by showing proof that such a document had been filed. This was the case for both 1870 transfers to William Rooney. Duplicate copies were filed in 1873, which corresponds to the negotiations between William Rooney and the Periolat family. It would have been important for William Rooney to prove that he owned 2/3 of the property at the time of the 1871 Chicago Fire.
- 16. The most interesting observation about the post-1871 duplicate copies is that somebody recorded the "1870 Trust" in 1879. It was not filed with the two 1870 deeds in 1873. This suggests that William Rooney filed the duplicate deeds, but an unknown third-party filed the "1870 Trust" six years later. If William Rooney was protecting his daughter Lizzie, he would have re-filed the "1870 Trust" in 1873 with the duplicate 1870 deeds. This did not happen.
- 17. The 1879 filing of the "1870 Trust" doesn't make sense. The "1870 Trust" needed to be revised twice. By 1873, William Rooney owned 2/3 of the property in his own right without regard to the "1870 Trust". Whoever recorded the "1870 Trust" in 1879 did not understand this distinction or that the other 2/3 fractional share needed to expressly be transferred into the "1870 Trust". If William Rooney was behind this 1879 filing, he would have revised the document so that

Lizzie would inherit the entire building. Instead of filing the original "1870 Trust" that only provided for 1/3 ownership interest, it would have been logical to revise the Trust and/or otherwise prepare a deed to that effect. The "1870 Trust" should not have been refiled in its original form.

Michael E. Byczek emphasized that neither transfer from Clemens Periolat to William Rooney referred to the "1870 Trust". Both transfers were to William Rooney as an individual in his own name. When William Rooney and Samuel Cole negotiated with each other prior to construction of both buildings, neither Lizzie nor Caesar Periolat were identified as owners. Not even Clemens Periolat recognized any ownership claim by Lizzie or Caesar Periolat. These verified legal facts corroborate Kittie Talbot's statement that the entire family knew and acted upon the belief that the "1870 Trust" was revoked in 1873.

Several legal mistakes occurred, such as how best to revoke the "1870 Trust", what documents should have been filed, how to draft Julia Rooney's Will, and the best possible resolution to the probate dispute that took nine years to finalize. For example:

- 1. A written revocation of the "1870 Trust" should have been recorded with Cook County government in 1873 when William Rooney acquired full ownership.
- 2. When William Rooney transferred ownership to his wife in 1885, that transfer should have specifically referred to the "1870 Trust" as revoked. An observation should also be made that the 1885 transfer was not "subject" to the "1870 Trust" either.
- 3. The question of whether or not the "1870 Trust" was revoked should not have taken nine years to resolve. A title search by a qualified attorney would have resulted in the same legal argument presented above. It would not take nine years to reconstruct the transactional chronology.
- 4. The building was eventually sold through a combined auction for both *William Rooney's Building* and the house on Division Street. This suggests that the judge ordered a sale of both properties without the family having a chance to market the real estate for sale to obtain a higher market value. The court decided to end the case without any further delay. The court must have concluded that the Periolat family only owned an equitable fractional share. Otherwise, the court would have sold the house on Division and approved a deed for Franklin and Lake in favor of the Periolat family.
- 5. The heirs should have agreed to sell both properties on the open market instead of allowing an auction at what must have been a much reduced valuation.
- 6. Julia Rooney's Will should have itemized all of her assets, including all real estate owned and formal declaration that the "1870 Trust" had been revoked. An observation should be made that the Will didn't mention the "1870 Trust" at all. That omission further suggests that the "1870 Trust" was revoked and didn't require inclusion into the Will. If the "1870 Trust" was valid, that fact should have been disclosed for peace of mind.
- 7. The reality that this dispute lasted nine years raises a concern that the attorneys who handled the case may have deliberately dragged the case on for that long to increase their legal fees, and thus reduce the total value of Julia Rooney's estate for the heirs.

Michael E. Byczek further considered the quality of legal advice given to William and Julia Rooney during their lifetime. It was his conclusion that William and Julia Rooney had received bad legal advice, not just with regard to their estate plan. It's possible that William and Julia Rooney represented themselves at times, but they most likely hired attorneys to handle certain matters:

- 1. The other building on Fifth Ave is a perfect example that William Rooney trusted other parties to a transaction, including his lawyers. The sale for that building required the buyer to pay liens against the real estate. This did not happen. The ethical duty of an attorney would require verification that the liens were paid.
- 2. One of William Rooney's timber lots in Des Plaines was sold to a buyer who did not pay the entire sales price. William Rooney signed the deed to transfer ownership without full payment only to learn that the buyer immediately started cutting down the trees. William Rooney did not receive any further payments and asked his son-in-law William Brophy to revoke the transfer in court. A skilled attorney should have foreseen that transfer of ownership to a timber lot without full payment posed a risk that the trees would be cut down.
- 3. William Rooney trusted his business partner and neighbor Edward Harland when constructing the two residential houses on Division Street. For this reason, he did not read the terms of the loan papers that he had signed. William Rooney later discovered that he had signed an agreement to repay a higher amount. The result was litigation and a series of subsequent deeds to sort out the disagreement.

Based on the verified negotiations between William Rooney and the Periolat family prior to construction in 1873, the absence of any modification to the original "1870 Trust", and evaluation of Julia Rooney's Will, Michael E. Byczek's legal opinion is that William and Julia Rooney intended and did revoke the "1870 Trust" in 1873. *William Rooney's Building* should have rightfully been divided into seven equal shares. It remains unclear how the proceeds were distributed.

It is unfortunate that William Rooney's legacy during the rebuilding efforts of the 1871 Chicago Fire ended with a court-ordered auction [Exhibit 55] for a building that could have remained in the Rooney family to this day for use by all of his descendants.



Auction for both the William Rooney Residence at 43 E. Division and his namesake building on Franklin and Lake.

Chicago Tribune (5/28/1893)

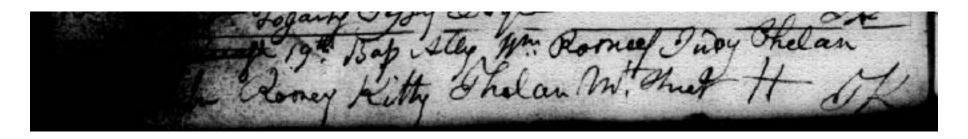
Note: The advertisement shows an error that William Rooney's Building was located on the NE corner. It was on the SE Corner of Franklin and Lake.

VII. Children of William Rooney and Julia Phelan

William and Julia Rooney had eleven known children together with at least 51 grandchildren [Exhibits 56-1 through 56-11]:

- 1. Alice ("Ally") [1835 in Ireland 1893 in Elgin, IL] married James O'Connor in Elgin, IL (1863). Their seven children were: John, William, James, Frank, Elizabeth, Julia, and Charles.
- 2. John [about 1837 in New York) 1923 in Chicago] married Ellen Butler in the Chicago area (About 1863). Their ten children were: William, Thomas, John, Edward, Bridget, Frank, Austin, Walter, James, and Mary. The 1900 census and Ellen (Butler) Rooney's obituary suggests she had at least two other children.
- 3. Hugh (About 1838 in New York or Illinois 1881 in Chicago]. Unmarried without children.
- 4. Anna (also known as Bridget) [About 1840 in or near Chicago 1913 in Chicago] married Patrick Boucher in the Chicago area (About 1869). Their ten children were: Maria, Julia, Elizabeth, William, John, George, Alice, Ellen, Irene, and Margaret.
- 5. Elizabeth ("Lizzie") [1842 in or near Chicago 1891 in Chicago] married Caesar A. Periolat in Chicago (1867). Their seven children were: Clemens, Marie, Julia, Ellen, John, Edward, and Charles. There appears to have been another child whose birth certificate without a name does not match the known children.
- 6. Hannah [About 1844 in or near Chicago 1923 in Chicago] married William Brophy in Chicago (1876). Their six children were: William, Walter, George, Mary, Robert, and Adolph.
- 7. William [1845 in or near Chicago 1917 in Chicago] married Mary Mullany (location and date of marriage unknown, possibly San Diego, CA). Their one child was Thomas. The 1900 census suggests that Mary (Mullany) Rooney had one deceased child.
- 8. Mary [1848 in or near Chicago 1923 in Chicago, IL] married Patrick Riley in Chicago (1881). Their three children were: Albert, Catherine, and Mary.
- 9. Katherine ("Kittie") (1849 in or near Chicago 1899 in Chicago, IL] married Edward Talbot in Chicago (1880). Their three children were Frank, Edgar, and Marie. The 1885 birth certificate for their son Frank suggests that Kittie (Rooney) Talbot had three deceased children.
- 10. Margaret ("Maggie") [1851 in or near Chicago 1935 in Detroit, MI] married John Maher in Chicago (1888). Their four children were Julia, Ellen, Catherine, and Margaret.
- 11. Josephine [About 1856 in or near Chicago 1879 in Chicago]. Unmarried without children.

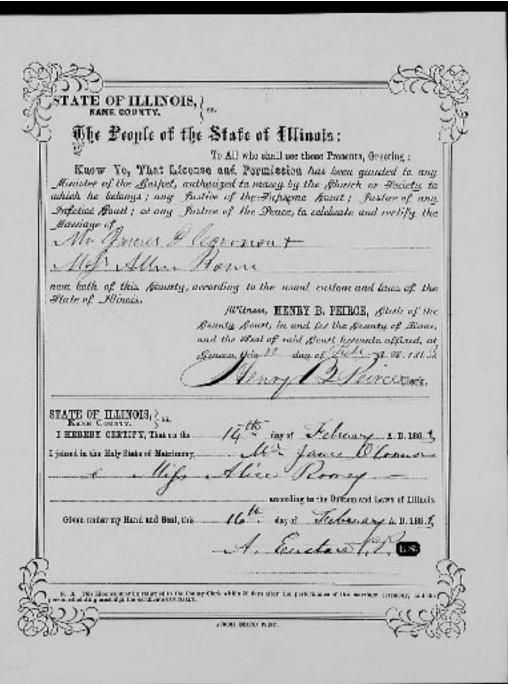
Exhibit 56-1 Alice (Rooney) O'Connor



1835 Baptism - Urlingford Catholic Parish of County Kilkenny (Ireland) [56-1A]

Godparents are John Rooney (probably, but illegible) and Kitty Phelan

The village name is partially illegible. Upon comparison with other baptism entries, it appears to be Ardreagh.



1863 Marriage License for Alice Rooney and James O'Connor Wedding took place in Elgin (Kane County), IL [56-1B]

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Mrs. Alice, wife of Jas. Connor, died suddenly after a year's iliness at her home on Highland avenue, Jan. 11, aged 55 years. She had lived here thirty years and had many friends. She leaves a husband and six children.

Alice (Rooney) O'Connor Obituary [56-1D]

Exhibit 56-2 John Rooney

First name(s)	Patrick
Last name	Rooney
Birth year	1837
Birth date	19 Feb 1837
Baptism year	1837
Baptism date	20 Feb 1837
Parish	Transfiguration
Location	Manhattan
County	Manhattan
State	New York
Country	United States
Mother's first name(s)	Julia
Mother's last name	Telhellan
Father's first name(s)	William
Father's last name	Rooney
Archdiocese	New York

An interesting prospective baptism [56-2A] (transcription) at the Church of the Transfiguration (Five Points) in Manhattan, NY The father is William Rooney and the mother is Julia Telhellan (very close to Phelan, plus this is a transcription not the actual scan) John Rooney appears to have used the full name of John P. Rooney in Chicago

This could be John's baptism and that he was baptized Patrick John, but used the name John Patrick It's also possible that this is a coincidence, Hugh's baptism and that he was really named Patrick, or another previously unknown son

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John Rooney 1923 Death Certificate (Chicago, IL) [56-2B]

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Nearly a thousand persons, officials of the city and of the Municipal court, this morning attended funeral services for John Roney, \$5 years old, held at \$1, Bridget's Roman Catholic church.

Among those who attended the services were Judges Donnis W. Sullivan, John Haas, Joseph Schulman, Francis Borrelli, Charles Williams, John R. Caverly; Multipal Court Bailiff Dennis Egau, Ald. Timothy Hogan of the 11th ward and Attorney Frank Sullivan.

Mr. Rooney, who was the father of Municipal Judge John J. Rooney, was one of Chicago's earliest settlors, coming to the city in 1842. He died at his home, 2070 Archer avenue, Munday night.

Following the ceremony, in which six grandsons acted as pallbearers, the body was interred in Calvary cemotory.

Mr. Rooney is survived by six sons-Judge Rooney, Edward, Frank, Austin, Walter and James and one daughter, May,

John J. Rooney, Father of Municipal Judge, Is Dead

John J. Rooney, father of Judge John J. Rooney, 2970 Archer avenue, died at his home yesterday after a brief illness. He is survived by five other sons and one daughter. He will be buried Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment will be at Calvary cemetery.

ROONEY-John Rooney, Peb. 16. beloved husband of Ellen Rooney, nes Butler, deceased, fond father of Mary C., John J., Edward, Frank Austin J., Walter A., and James J. Rooney, Funeral Thursday, March 1, at 9 a. m., from his late residence, 2070 Archer-av., to St. Bridget's church, where solemn requiem high mass will be celebrated, Interment Calvary, Reservations call Lafayette 6607.

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John Rooney Obituaries Left: 56-2C (Chicago Daily News Article)

Right: 56-2D (Top: Chicago Tribune Article), 56-2E (Middle: Chicago Tribune), and 56-2F (Bottom: Chicago Daily News)

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ROONEY—Hugh Rooney, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Rooney, Sunday, Dec. 4, at 11:20 p. m., at the residence of his parents, 586 East Division-st.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

HOONEY-Sunday night, Dec. 4, 1881, at the residence of his parents, 586 E. Division st. HUGH ROONEY, after a long and painful illness. Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 10.30 a. in., by carriages to Calvary Cemetery.

San Diego (Cal.) papers please copy.

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Hugh Rooney Obituaries 56-3B (Top: Chicago Tribune) and 56-3C (Bottom: Chicago Daily News)

Note: Hugh's brother William was probably living in San Diego by 1881

Exhibit 56-4 Anna (Rooney) Boucher

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1913 Death Certificate for Anna (Rooney) Boucher [56-4A]

She is listed as having "always" lived in Chicago.

BOUCHER—Anna B. Boucher, nee Rooney, Jan. 2, 1913, beloved wife of the late Patrick J. Boucher mother of John, Mae, Julia Elizabeth, and Irene, and the late William and George; member of Isabella court No. 8, W. C. O. F.; St. Mary's branen No 35, C. K. and L. of A., and St. Anne's sodality. St. Vincent's parish. Funeral Saturday at 9.39 a. m., from her late residence, 909 Addison-av to Mount Carmel church, where high mass will be ce brated; carriages to Calvary.

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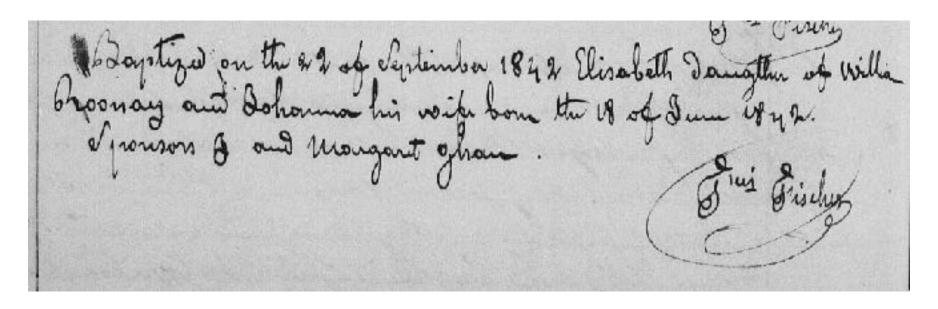
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Obituaries for Anna (Rooney) Boucher

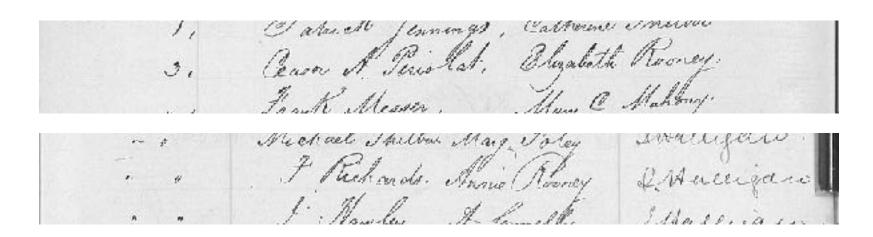
56-4B (Top: Chicago Tribune) and 56-4C (Bottom: Chicago Daily News)

Exhibit 56-5 Lizzie (Rooney) Periolat



1842 Baptism at St. Mary's in Downtown Chicago [56-5A]

Lizzie was born on June 18th, but wasn't baptized until September 22nd (unless a mistake was made)



1867 Marriage Record from St. Mary's Church in Downtown Chicago [56-5B]

Annie Rooney was a witness (presumed to be her oldest unmarried sister just prior to her own marriage around 1868)

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1891 Death Certificate for Elizabeth (Rooney) Periolat [56-5C]

PERIOLAT-Nov. 12, at No. 345 Fulton street, Elizabeth A. Periolat, nee Rooney, beloved wife of Cæsar A. Periolat. Funeral Nov. 15, at 11 o'clock, by carriages to Calvary Cemetery.

PERIOLAT-Nov. 12, at No. 345 Fulton street. Elizabeth A. Periolat, nee Rooney, wife of Caesar A. Periolat. Funeral to-day at 11 o'clock by carriages to Calvary Cemetery.

Obituaries for Elizabeth (Rooney) Periolat

56-5D (Top: Chicago Tribune) and 56-5E (Bottom: Chicago Inter Ocean)

Exhibit 56-6 Hannah (Rooney) Brophy

STATE OF ILLINOIS, | SS. Che People of the State of Illinois: Cook County. To any Person Legally Authorized to Solemnize Marriage, Greeting: may be celebrated between and State of years, and and State of , of the age of years. The of the said , and the of the said , having given assent to said marriage. Witness. HERMANN LIEB, Clerk of the County Court ok County, and the seat thereof, at my office in said County, this A. D. 1876 Clork of the Co TATE OF ILLINOIS. Also Clara COOK COUNTY. bereby certify that in the County were united in marriage by me, at A. D. 1978. of Cook and State of Illinois, on the SHEN HIGH.

1876 Marriage License [56-6A]

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On last Wednesday evening Mr. William Brophy was married to Miss Hannah B. Rooney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rooney, of this city, at the Cathedrai of the Holy name, the Rev. Dr. McMulten officiating. The bride was elegandy attired in a rich costume of cameo sidk en traine, lace veil, garlanded with orange blossoms. The bridesmads were Miss Mary Rooney, sister of the bride, and Miss Mary Melody; and the groomsmen Mr. George Metz and Mr. James Dwyer. After the ceremony the bridal party and guests, repaired to the residence of the bride's parents, No. 586 Division street, where a reception was given to at least 150 ladtes and gentlemen.

Top: Marriage Record from Holy Name Cathedral [56-6B] - Mary Rooney was a witness (presumed to be her oldest unmarried sister)

Bottom: Chicago Times Newspaper Article [56-6C]

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1923 Death Certificate for Hannah (Rooney) Brophy [56-6D]

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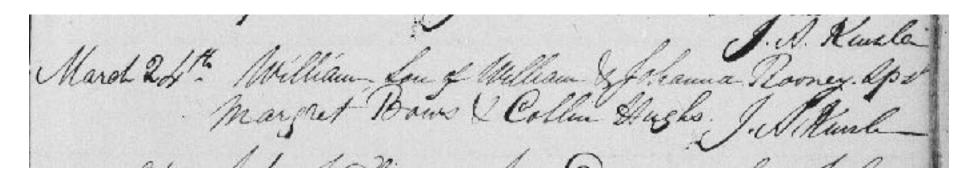
BROPHY—Hannah B. Brophy. Funeral will be held at St. Clement's church, Orchard and Deming-pl., Friday, Jan. 5, 1923, at 9 a. m. Interment Calvary.

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Obituaries for Hannah (Rooney) Brophy

56-6E (Top: Chicago Tribune) and 56-6F (Chicago Daily News)

Exhibit 56-7 William Rooney



1845 Baptism at St Mary's in Downtown Chicago [56-7A]

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1917 Death Certificate for William Rooney [56-7B]

William was living with his brother John in the Bridgeport neighborhood (Chicago) when he passed away, even though he had relocated to San Diego.

Exhibit 56-8 Mary (Rooney) Riley

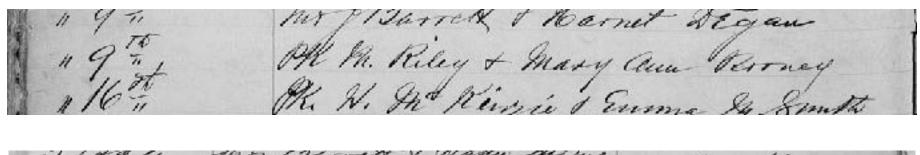
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1848 Baptism at St. Patrick's in the West Loop neighborhood of Chicago [56-8A] Mary Rooney's godfather was Peter Rooney

Chicago records do not list any Peter Rooney in Chicago at that time. Therefore, it is reasonable to conclude that Peter lived on the Rooney farm.

The most likely scenario is that Peter was William's brother from Urard, Co. Tipperary.

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Marriage record from Hoy Name Cathedral [56-8C]

The witness was Margaret Rooney (presumed to be her only unmarried sister)

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1923 Death certificate for Mary (Rooney) Riley [56-8D]

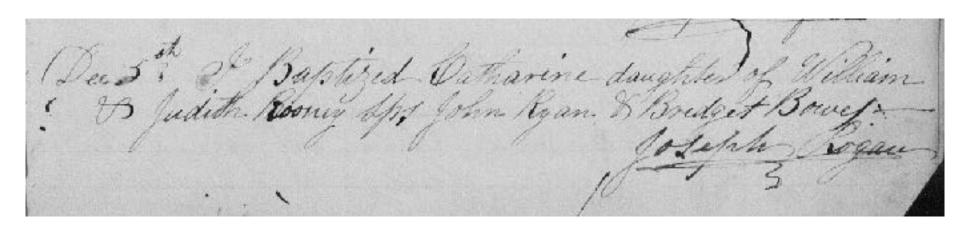
Mary's residence was 43 E. Division.

RILEY-Mary J. Riley, beloved wife of the late Patrick M. Riley, mother of Albert A. Mrs. William McKinley, and Mrs. John P. McKinley; sister of Mrs. Margaret Maher. Funeral from residence, 43 E. Division-st., Tuesday, 9:30 a. m., to Holy Name cathedral, where solemn requiem mass will be celebrated. Interment Calvary.

Mary (Rooney) Riley's obituary

Chicago Tribune [56-8E]

Exhibit 56-9 Kittie (Rooney) Talbot



1849 Baptism at St. Mary's in Downtown Chicago [56-9A]

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A very quiet wedding was celebrated at the Cathedral of the Holy Name Wednesday, the parties to the contract being Miss Kittie Rooney, of this city, and Mr. Edward Talbot, well known in railroad circles. After a breakfast at the house of the bride's parents, the happy couple departed on their weddingtrip.

Top: Church record from Holy Name Cathedral [56-9C]
Maggie Rooney was a witness, presumed to be her youngest unmarried sister (her oldest unmarried sister Mary had already been a bridesmaid)

Bottom: Chicago Tribune newspaper article [56-9D]

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Kittie (Rooney) Talbot's 1899 Death Certificate [56-9E]

TALBOT-Sept. 19, at her residence, 6550 Woodlawn-av., Kittie A. Talbot (née Rooney), beloved wife of E. H. Talbot. Funeral Thursday, Sept. 21, at 9 a. m., to Holy Cross Church, thence to Calvary by carriages.

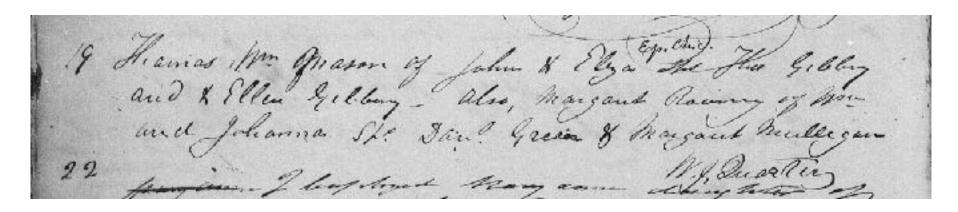
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Kittie (Rooney) Talbot's Obituaries

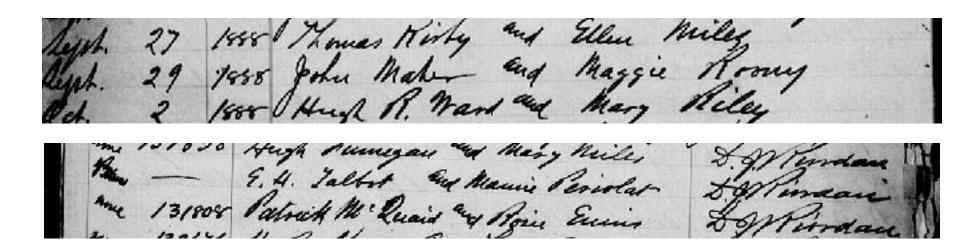
56-9F (Top: Chicago Tribune) 56-9G (Middle: Chicago Daily News) 56-9H (Bottom: Chicago Record)

Exhibit 56-10 Maggie (Rooney) Maher



1851 Baptism at St. Mary's in Downtown Chicago [56-10A]

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Church record from St. Elizabeth's Church in the Grand Boulevard neighborhood of Chicago [56-10C]

The witnesses were Edward Talbot (husband of Kittie Rooney) and Mamie Periolat (daughter of Lizzie Rooney, presumed). St. Elizabeth was the Talbot family church. It is presumed that Maggie Rooney was living with her sister Kittie (Rooney) Talbot at the time.

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1935 Death Certificate [56-10D]

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Obituaries for Margaret (Rooney) Maher

56-10E (Top: Chicago Tribune) and 56-10F (Top: Chicago Daily News)

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1879 Death Certificate for Josephine Rooney [56-11A]

The funeral services for Josephine, the beloved daughter of William and Julia Rooney, will take place Friday, the 6 h inst., at 10 o'c'ock, at the Church of the Holy Name, and thence by carriages to Calvary. Ca'ifornia and New York papers please copy.

ROBINSON, aged 51 years.

ROONEY-On June 4. at the residence of her parents,

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Funeral services will take place, Friday, the 5th inst.,

at 10 o'clock, at the Church of the Holy Name, and
thence by carriages to Calvary.

California and New York papers please copy.

Obituaries for Josephine Rooney

56-11B (Top: Chicago Daily Telegraph) and 56-11C (Bottom: Chicago Daily News)

The Rooney family requested that the obituary be sent to California and New York.

Josephine's brother William was probably living in San Diego at this time.

Unless a member of the family was traveling in New York, it is presumed that William and Julia Rooney still had relatives in New York from the 1830s.

VIII. Census Records

The William and Julia Rooney family cannot be verified in every census throughout their lifetime in Illinois. Below is a summary of what has been verified or presumed accurate from analysis of the information:

1840 Federal Census

The Bridgeport Precinct of Cook County (The Bridgeport neighborhood of Chicago has not been annexed to the city yet)

There is an entry for William Rooney, but the census only lists head of house with statistics. This is presumed to be the correct William Rooney because of the time period for the Old Settlers, when the population of Chicago is still relatively low. The demographics don't exactly match, but are very close.

1850 Federal Census

Nothing found yet

1855 Illinois State Census

There is a William Rooney household in North Chicago (versus South and West). The census only lists head of house and demographics. It seems reasonable that this is the correct William and Julia Rooney family, but if so, the census taker made mistakes and/or otherwise the demographics listed don't match.

1860 Federal Census

The entire family is verified on their farm in Maine (present-day Des Plaines).

1865 Illinois State Census

The family is verified on the farm in Maine, but there is an unknown young male with the family (could be John and Ellen's son).

1870 Federal Census

The family is split up and could indicate a time period when they began a permanent transition from the farm to full-time residency in the city.

- William and Julia not found, but there is a possible match. Hugh, Josephine, and Margaret are not listed anywhere, as of yet.
- Kittie and Hannah (both unmarried) are living with Anna, who is married
- Mary (unmarried) is living with Elizabeth, who is married
- Alice (married) is living in Elgin, IL and John (married) is living in Chicago with their families

1880 Federal Census

- William, Julia, Kittie, Hugh, Mary, and Margaret are living at 586 Division.
- Alice is listed as living with them, perhaps because she is visiting for an extended time (Kittie's wedding took place a few weeks after the census).

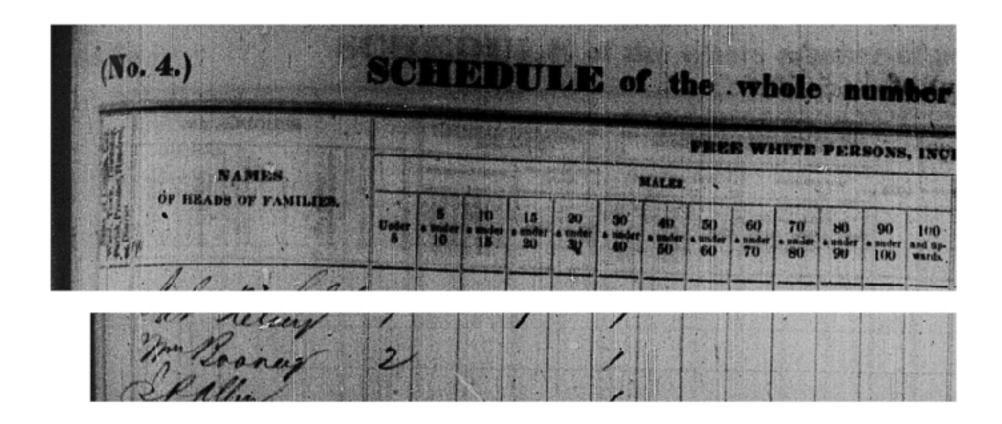
1840 Federal Census

The William Rooney family listed for the "Bridgeport Precinct" of Cook County consists of three males and one female, which is not accurate [Source 1840].

There are two males under 5 years old. This would be correct, since John and Hugh would both be within that age category. There is one 30-40 year old. William would be 29 years old, which is a reasonable mistake.

However, the female section shows one female, 20-30 years old. Julia is about 24. Alice is about five years old, but is not listed.

Probability suggests that this is the correct family and the missing female child is a mistake. However, the only name given is the head of the household.



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1855 Illinois State Census

The entry for William Rooney in "North Chicago" is a good candidate for the William and Julia Rooney family, but the demographics don't match [Source 1855].

The household only consists of 4 total:

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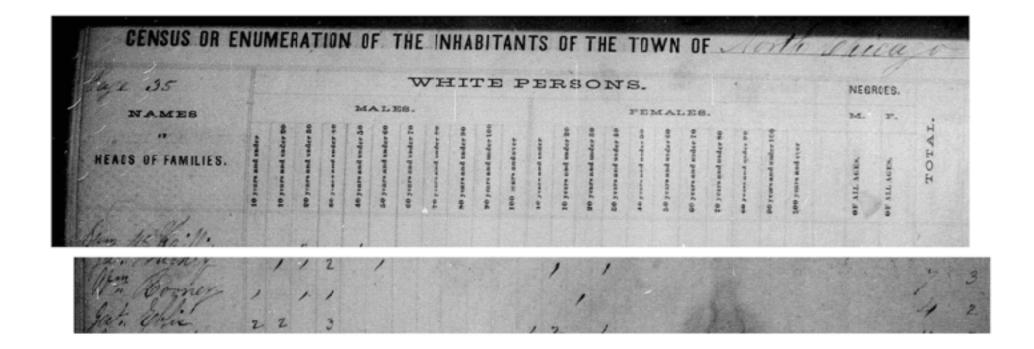
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1 female 10-20

William Rooney would be 44 years old. His oldest son John would be about 18. Therefore, the demographics do not match the Rooney family.

One possibility is that this is William Rooney's city residence, and therefore, he is the head of household. However, other relatives could be living in his house while William and Julia are living on the farm at this time. It is also possible that neighbors provided the answers and did not know the entire family. It is also possible that the census taker took liberties because nobody was home.



1860 Federal Census

The 1860 federal residential census for the "Town of Maine" in Cook County is the first fully verified census for the William and Julia Rooney family [Source 1860A]. It was also the first census that listed full details about every member of the family, instead of just summarized demographics.

This census is also the most accurate list of ages for each of their children. All of the children are unmarried. Each of William and Julia Rooney's children used a wide-range of age-related mistakes throughout their life. The 1860 census best reflects the accurate age for each son and daughter. The following chart shows the age as listed in the census. Based on the age, the year of birth is estimated with a comment whether the baptism has been verified (analysis by Michael E. Byczek).

William:	48	(1812) - Baptized in 1811
Julia (written as Johanna):	41	(1819)
Alice:	22	(1838) - Baptized in 1835
John:	20	(1840)
Hugh:	18	(1842)
Bridget:	17	(1843)
Elizabeth:	16	(1844) - Baptized in 1842
William:	14	(1846) - Baptized in 1845
Hannah (written as Johanna):	13	(1847)
Mary:	12	(1848) - Baptized in 1848
Kate:	10	(1850) - Baptized in 1849
Margaret:	6	(1854) - Baptized in 1851
Josephine:	4	(1856)

Alice, John, and Hugh are listed as born in New York. It is confirmed that Alice was born in Ireland in 1835. The oldest children's ages are off by about 3 years.

The ages start becoming more reliable around the son William. He was baptized in 1845. His birth is listed as about 1846.

William, the father, is listed as a farmer with \$15,000 worth of real estate and \$3,000 of personal property. Julia owns \$1,800 worth of real estate.

The eldest two sons, John and Hugh, are also working as farmers.

Julia's name was written as Johanna, which is the same variation used for several baptism records of her children. "Johanna" is often considered the formal version of "Julia". The name "Julia" is considered a common or casual version of "Johanna".

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1860 Federal Agriculture Census

The William Rooney farm is located in Maine [Source 1860B]. Refer to the discussion about the farm for details of farm production and livestock.

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1865 Illinois State Census

The William Rooney family (verified) is listed for Maine (Cook County) on their farm:

This census only shows the head of household with demographics, of which there are some mistakes.

Total: 4 male and 8 female

1 male 50-60 - William is 54

1 female 50-60 - Julia is about 49, which is a reasonable mistake

John and Alice are married, so they shouldn't be counted among the household.

2 males 20-30 - Hugh and William

2 females 20-30 - Anna and Elizabeth

2 females under 10 - Only Josephine (9) should be in this column

3 females 10-20 years - Hannah (19), Mary (17), Kittie (16), and Margaret (14) should be listed, but only 3 are shown. Possible that Margaret was made younger.

1 male under 10 - This is unexplained

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The John Rooney and Owen Rooney farms are listed under Elk Grove. Therefore, the 1865 Illinois State census shows all three Rooney family farms.

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1870 Federal Census

William and Julia Rooney's children are living in different residences throughout the city.

William, Julia, and their children Hugh, Josephine, and Margaret have not been identified. However, this is a possibility for William and Julia living alone. However, it cannot be verified whether these entries are a coincidence.

Anna, Hannah, and Kittie

Kittie (piano teacher listed as Kate) and Hannah (dressmaker) are living with their married sister Anna Boucher in Chicago [Source 1870A] (spelled "Roomey").

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1880 Federal Census

William and Julia Rooney are living at 586 Division in Chicago with their unmarried children Hugh, Mary, Kittie (listed as Katie), and Maggie [Source 1880].

Alice was listed as unmarried and living with her parents, but this was a mistake. The census taker probably thought because William and Julia Rooney's daughter happened to be living with her parents on an extended trip, this must have meant she was unmarried. Kittie Rooney's wedding took place shortly after the census. It is possible that her eldest sister was staying in the city for the wedding preparation.

Josephine had recently passed away and was listed in the 1880 census mortality index.

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IX. Chicago Address Chronology

There were multiple competing Chicago City Directories published continuously from 1844 to the 1920s.

The name William Rooney does not appear in these directories until the 1862-63 edition. None of these entries can be verified until the family is living on Division Street near Franklin in the early 1870s, through cross-reference to *The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building* on Fifth Ave.

It is unknown whether any of the other William Rooney entries are the correct family. For instance, both William and Julia Rooney had a son named William old enough to live on his own by the 1860s, as did Owen Rooney. The street names and addresses reflect the original, not present-day locations.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	Address
1862-63:	William Roney William Ronnay	carpenter miller	bds. n.s. Sigel w of Franklin [Note: This address is near a confirmed location on Division and Franklin] bds. Fifer House
1864-65:	William M. Rooney	carpenter	h. 165 W Madison [Note: William Rooney was listed with the middle initial "M" later on Division St.]
1865:	William Rooney	carpenter	r. 95 Sedgwick
1866:	William Rooney	carpenter lab	r. 1 Hinsdale bds 638 S. Canal
1867	William Rooney	lab	bds 161 S Market
1874-75	William Rooney	none lab	r 387 Division [Note: First confirmation, due to Rooney cigar business on Fifth Ave the following year] ws Henry bet Centre and Blue Island avs
1875-76	William Rooney	cigars lab	r. 387 Division 91 Henry
	Hugh Rooney	cigars	42 5th Av, r 387 Division

William Rooney is listed at 586 Division from 1876 through his death.

The Rooney family is believed to have lived on both the farm and a residence in Chicago on a regular basis from the 1830s through their permanent transition in the 1870s. This is corroborated by the fact that their children were baptized at different churches in the city, which could provide a clue as to the location of their home at the time. The reason for not appearing in the city directories could reflect that nobody was home when the canvassers knocked on the door.

X. The Rooney Family and the Chicago Catholic Church

William and Julia Rooney were parishioners of several different Catholic churches over their life in Chicago, including St. Mary's in Downtown, St. Patrick's in the West Loop, and Holy Name Cathedral in River North.

The baptisms for three of their children (Anna, Hannah, and Josephine) born in the Chicago area have not been found. However, there is reference to a pioneer Rooney family being parishioners of a rural Catholic church located near the farm in present-day Des Plaines.

St. Mary's was the first Catholic church in Chicago. The first location in 1833 was near State and Lake. The second location, opened in 1836, was on the corner of Michigan and Madison. The third location, opened in 1843, was on the corner of Wabash and Madison. William and Julia Rooney baptized four of their children at St. Mary's: Elizabeth in 1842, William in 1845, Katherine in 1849, and Margaret in 1851. Elizabeth was also married at St. Mary's in 1867.

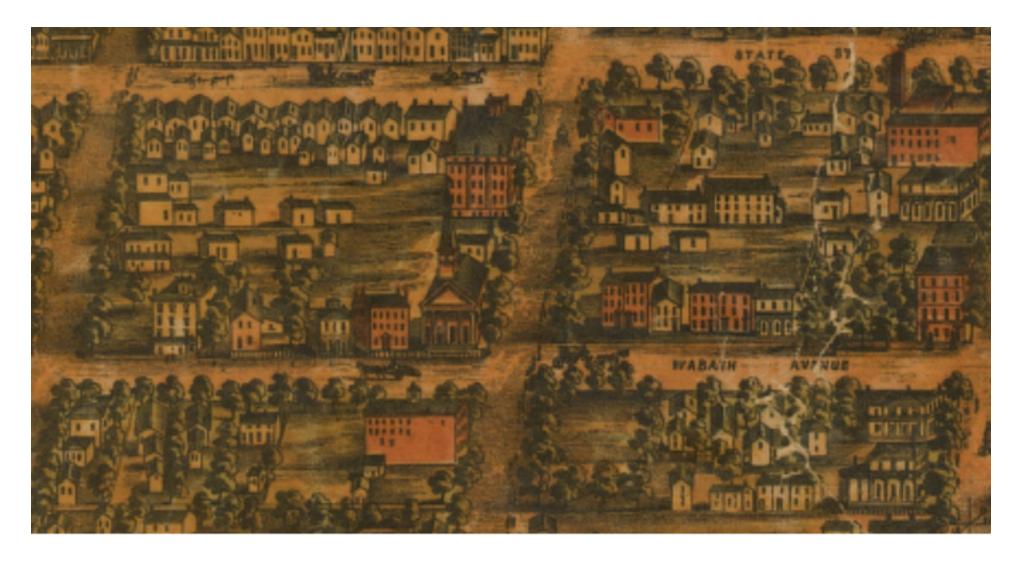
St. Patrick's (present-day location of Desplaines and Adams) was originally located on Desplaines and Randolph. William and Julia Rooney baptized their daughter Mary at the original location in 1848, which had recently opened in 1846.

William and Julia Rooney were parishioners of Holy Name Cathedral (State and Superior) after the 1871 Chicago Fire, and possibly earlier. Three of their daughters were married at Holy Name: Hannah in 1876, Katherine in 1880, and Mary in 1881. The funeral for two of their children were held at Holy Name during their lifetime: Josephine in 1879 and Hugh in 1881.

William and Julia Rooney's funerals were also held at Holy Name Cathedral: William in May 1885 and Julia in December 1885.



The 2nd St. Mary's Catholic Church was located on Michigan and Madison - Left corner of the photograph (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2023) [57A]



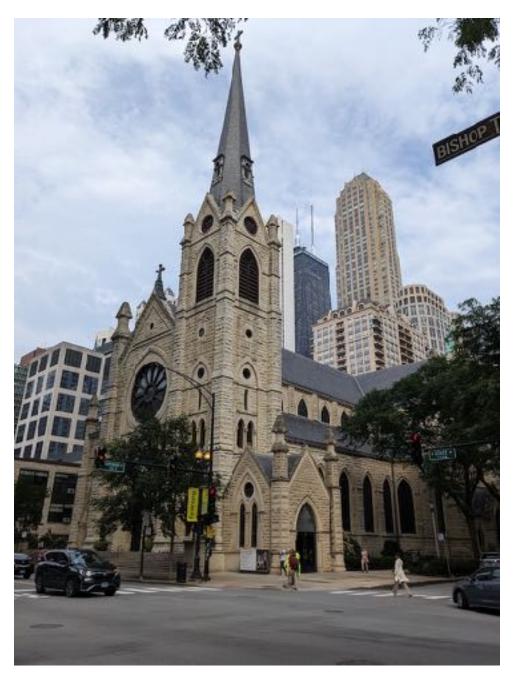
The 3rd St. Mary's Catholic Church was located on Wabash and Madison, shown in the 1857 Bird's Eye Map in the center of this image [57B]



Present-day corner of Wabash and Madison [57C] (facing Wabash with the elevated train tracks taken near rear of church) [Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2023]



Present-day St. Patrick's Church located on Desplaines and Adams (original was a few blocks away on Randolph) [Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024] [57D]



Holy Name Cathedral on State and Superior Streets (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2023) [57E]

XI. Age Range Analysis for the Children of William and Julia Rooney

All eleven of William and Julia Rooney's children used a range of ages throughout their life. This may simply reflect the life and times of that period in history.

	Willian	n Rooney	Julia (Phelan) Rooney
1860 Census	48	(1812)	41 (1819)
1880 Census	60	(1820)	61 (1819)
Death (1885)	71	(1814)	69 (1816)
Obituaries	71/73	(1814 / 1812)	69 (1816)
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Alice (Rooney) O'Connor

Baptized in September 1835 - Co. Kilkenny

1860 Census	22 (1838)	[Alice was listed as born in New York]
1870 Census	30 (1840)	
1880 Census	40 (1840)	[Alice also listed with her parents on Division with the age of 32 (1848)]
Death Cert	55 (1838)	

John Rooney

Based on the most accurate chronology of all the children, John should have been born around 1837 in New York.

1860 Census	20 (1840)
1870 Census	32 (1838)
1880 Census	37 (1843)
Mary's Birth (1885)	47 (1838)
1900 Census	60 (May 1840)
1910 Census	68 (1842)
1920 Census	80 (1840)

Hugh Rooney

Based on the most accurate chronology of all the children, Hugh should have been born around 1838 in either New York or Chicago.

1860 Census	18 (1842)	[listed as born in New York]
1880 Census	32 (1848)	[listed as born in New York]
Death	38 (1843)	[listed as born in Illinois]

Anna (Rooney) Boucher

Based on the most accurate chronology of all the children, Anna should have been born around 1840. She is the first confirmed birth in Chicago, from consensus of records.

1860 Census	17 (1843)
1870 Census	26 (1844)
1879 (George's Birth)	34 (1845)
1880 Census	35 (1845)
1900 Census	10/13/1847
1910 Census	65 (1845)
1913 Death	10/13/1849

Elizabeth (Rooney) Periolat

Born on 6/8/1842 according to baptism record.

1860 Census 16 (1844) 1870 Census 25 (1845) 1880 Census 33 (1847) 1891 Death 45 (1846)

Hannah (Rooney) Brophy

Based on the most accurate chronology of all the children, Hannah should have been born around 1844.

1860 Census	13 (1847)
1870 Census	21 (1849)
1876 Marriage	22 (1854)
1880 Census	25 (1855)
1884 Robert's Birth	30 (1854)
1887 Adolph's Birth	33 (1854)
1900 Census	August 1858
1910 Census	58 (1852)
1920 Census	56 (1864)
1923 Death	75 (1848)

William Rooney

Baptized on 3/24/1845.

 1860 Census
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 1900 Census
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 1910 Census
 64 (1846)

 1917 Death
 65 (1852)

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Mary (Rooney) Riley

Baptized on 6/27/1848.

1860 Census	12 (1848)
1870 Census	20 (1850)
1880 Census	24 (1856)
1881 Marriage	26 (1855)
Albert's Birth (1882)	25 (1857)
1900 Census	43 (Dec 1856
1910 Census	54 (1856)
1920 Census	65 (1855)
Death (1923)	66 (1857)

Katherine (Rooney) Talbot

Baptized on 12/5/1849.

1860 Census	10 (1850)
1870 Census	16 (1854)
1880 Census	22 (1858)
Marriage (1880)	22 (1858)
Frank's Birth (1885)	27 (1858)
Edgar's Birth (1888)	26 (1862)
Death (1899)	38 (1861)

Margaret (Rooney) Maher

Baptized on 4/19/1851.

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Josephine Rooney

Based on the most accurate chronology of all children's ages, Josephine was born around 1856.

1860 census 4 (1856)

1880 Mortality Census 16/18 (1861/1863) [There are two versions]

Death (1879) 16 years 9 months (Sept 1862)

XII. Death of William and Julia Rooney

William Rooney passed away on May 5, 1885 while living in the home that he built at 43 E. Division in the Gold Coast neighborhood of Chicago. He was 73 years old. The cause of death was listed as paralysis of the heart in his obituary and cerebral embolism on his death certificate. His wife Julia passed away on December 13th, just a few months after her husband. Her cause of death was pneumonia. She was about 69 years old.

William and Julia Rooney are buried at Calvary Cemetery in Evanston, IL in a family plot (Section O, Block 1, Lot 49) that they purchased in 1879 when their daughter Josephine passed away [Exhibit 62].

Buried with them at the Rooney plot are (1) their children Josephine, Hugh, and Margaret; (2) son-in-law John Maher, the husband of Margaret; and (3) grandchildren Adolph Brophy (son of Hannah) and Alice and Ellen Boucher (daughters of Anna).

William and Julia Rooney's daughters Kittie Talbot, Maggie Maher, Hannah Brophy, and Mary Riley along with their son William Rooney arranged for a monument to be built at the family plot. The names are not arranged alphabetically or according to age, therefore it is reasonable to conclude that the names are in the order of their contributions towards the monument. It is unknown whether the other children did not contribute or didn't want their names displayed.

Refer to Exhibit 58 for William Rooney's death certificate and Exhibit 59 for his obituaries.

Julia Rooney's death certificate is shown as Exhibit 60 and her obituaries as Exhibit 61.

Michael E. Byczek is the administrator and sponsor of William and Julia Rooney's memorials on the Find a Grave website. He also administers the memorials for their children Kittie Talbot, Hugh Rooney, Josephine Rooney, and Hannah Brophy along with William Rooney's parents Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer. Refer to "Citation 58" for web links.

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William Rooney, one of Chicago's old settlers, who has lived here since 1835, died at his residence, No. 586 East Division street, yesterday. Mr. Rooney was born Dec. 25, 1813, and during the years he has lived here has accumulated considerable property. He has always been a prominent figure in the old settlers' remions, and his death will be regretted by all who knew him. His death was sudden, paralysis of the heart being the cause. Notice of the funeral will be given bereafter.

OBITUARY.

William Rooney, one of the old settlers of Chicago, died yesterday, of paralysis of the heart, at the age of 73 years, at his home, No. 586 Division street. Mr. Rooney came to Chicago in 1835 and has been a resident of the North Side ever since. He was well known among the old settlers, and has been a prominent participant in their annual reunions. He was the owner of considerable property in the city and in Desplaines. He has been a lifelong Democrat, and was a man highly respected among his neighbors. He leaves a wife and seven children, all of whom are married except one.

Special Telegram to The Inter Ocean.

Newspaper Obituary Articles

Left: Chicago Tribune [59A] Right: Chicago Inter Ocean [59B] Mr. WILLIAM ROONEY, who has been of the years a prominent figure at all gatherings of the old settlers of Chicago, and was possessed of considerable means, died at his residence at 586 Division street. Mr. Roone; was born in 1813, and came to Chicago in 1838.

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Funeral Friday, May 8, at 10 o'clock, to the Cathedral; carriages to Calvary.

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Top: Chicago Evening Journal Newspaper Obituary Article [59C] Standard obituaries (top to bottom): Chicago Tribune [59D], Chicago Inter Ocean [59E], and Chicago Daily News [59F]

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Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 15, by carriages to Calvary Cemetery.

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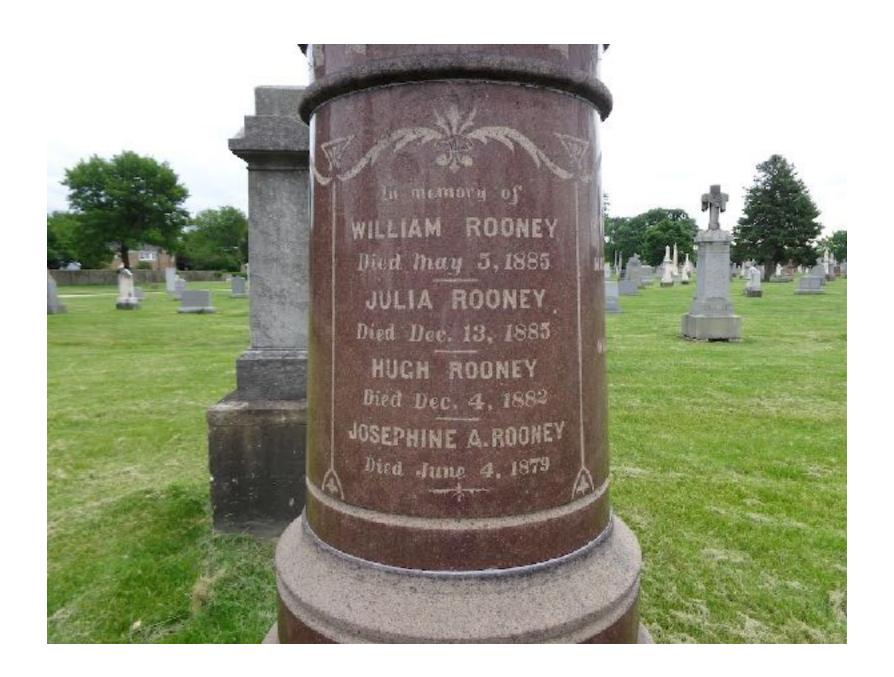
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Funeral services Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the Church of the Holy Name, at 10:30 o'clock; from there to Calvary.

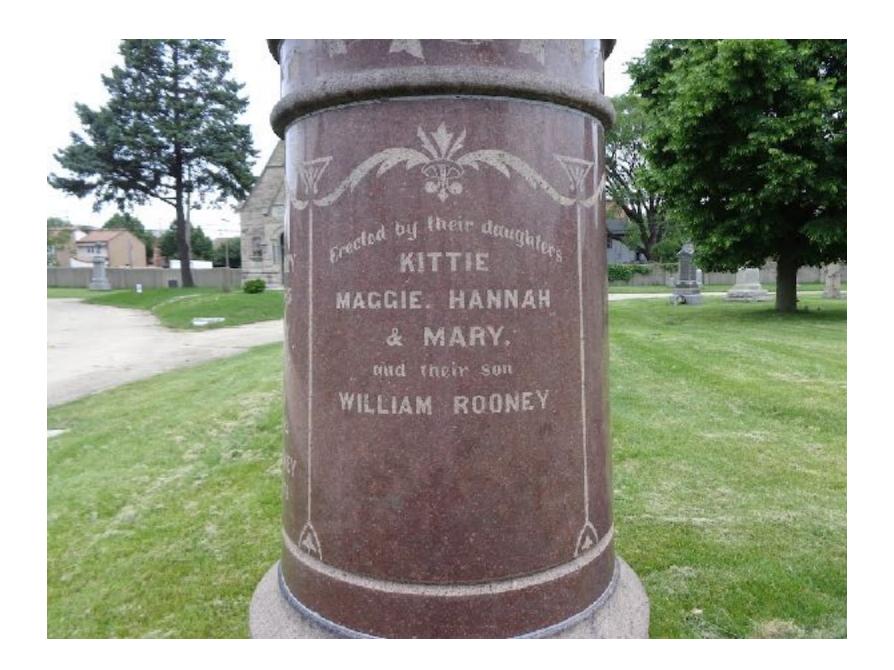
Obituaries (top to bottom): Chicago Tribune [61A], Chicago Inter Ocean [61B], and Chicago Daily News [61C]





The William and Julia Rooney family plot at Calvary Cemetery [All four photo credits: Michael E. Byczek, 2016] [62A]





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Plot and Ownership Information [62B]

XIII. Rooney and Phelan Families in Ireland

William Rooney was the son of Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer, who were farmers in Urard, Co. Tipperary (Ireland). He was baptized on December 26, 1811 at the Catholic Church in the Parish of Gortnahoe. Baptism records in Ireland from that time period did not list date of birth. William's family, after his death, thought that he had been born on Christmas Day in 1813. It was common for babies to be baptized on the same or following day of their birth. It is reasonable to conclude that William was born on Christmas Day and baptized a day later. The discrepancy between the years 1811 and 1813 could be a mistake made after his death. Hugh and Alice Rooney had at least nine children with only their date of baptisms listed on the records [Exhibit 63]:

John (9/24/1810)
William (12/26/1811)
James (12/5/1813)
Peter (1/3/1815) [*]
Nancy & Ellen (3/17/1817) [Twins]
Edmund (12/26/1819)
Margaret (4/8/1822)
Catherine (7/27/1829) [**]

[**] The 1829 baptism is illegible. However, Catherine appears to have been born around 1829, and her baptism has not been otherwise identified. Therefore, the 1829 baptism is presumed to be Catherine. It is possible that there are other children, including the correct baptism for Catherine.

[*] Peter was baptized in the nearby Parish of Ballingarry. The reason is unclear, perhaps while visiting family.

There is not much known about Julia Phelan's family. The godmother of her eldest child, Alice Rooney born in 1835, was Kitty Phelan. Therefore, it is presumed that Julia had a sister Catherine. This is also presumed to be the reason why William and Julia Rooney's daughter Katherine was called as "Kittie".

William Rooney's brother Edmund married Catherine Phelan/Whalen in Co. Kilkenny in 1854 [Exhibit 69]. It is unknown whether Edmund's wife may have been the same Kitty Phelan as Alice Rooney's godmother or whether this was just a coincidence. The maiden name of Edmund's wife has been spelled both as Phelan and Whalen. Julia Rooney's maiden name was also spelled as Whalen on occasion.

There is reason to believe that Owen Rooney from Mount Prospect is John, the oldest son of Hugh and Alice Rooney from Co. Tipperary.

Owen and Anne Rooney (Mt. Prospect) asked James Rooney to be the godfather for one of their children [Exhibit 68]. There was not any James Rooney known in Chicago at the time, suggesting he was living on the farm. It is highly likely that James Rooney who knew Owen was the son of Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer.

William and Julia Rooney asked Peter Rooney to be the godfather for their daughter Mary [Exhibit 56-8]. It is highly likely that Peter was William's brother. The only other known Peter Rooney in Chicago at the time was Owen Rooney's son, who would have been a very young boy.

Catherine Rooney, the daughter of Hugh and Alice, is confirmed to have traveled to Chicago [Exhibit 66]. She married William Gannon at St. Mary's in Downtown Chicago in 1853. There are indications that the Gannon family farm was adjacent or otherwise near Owen Rooney's farm in Elk Grove at the time. John Rooney was the witness to their marriage. It is unknown whether this was Owen Rooney or William and Julia's son John, who would have been about 16 years old. William and Catherine's first two children were born in Chicago prior to the Gannon family relocating to a farm in Iowa.

Catherine (Rooney) Gannon was associated with a Michael and Ellen Gannon family in Chicago [Exhibit 67]. There is a baptism that suggests Ellen's maiden name was Rooney. It is unknown whether Ellen (Rooney) Gannon may have been the daughter of Hugh and Alice Rooney from Co. Tipperary. This would suggest that two Rooney sisters may have married two Gannon brothers. Similarly, it is possible that two Rooney brothers married two Phelan sisters.

Edmund Rooney passed away in Ireland in 1876. His widow and children traveled to Iowa to join their aunt and sister-in-law Catherine (Rooney) Gannon. It is most likely that Edmund's family passed through Chicago on their journey to the Gannon farm in Iowa. It is reasonable to believe that they reunited with William and Julia Rooney on Division Street.

Genealogical analysis of records indicate that both Rooney and Dwyer were well-known families in the Urard, Co. Tipperary area. There is a suggestion that William Rooney's maternal grandfather was a member of the Dwyer family who owned mines in County Tipperary [Exhibit 64]. There is also reference to the "Rooney Cross" in Urard that was used as a geographic marker on the roads [Exhibit 65]. This suggests that the Rooney family held a prominent status in the village to have such a marker named for them. There were multiple Rooney and Dwyer families living in and near the Gortnahoe Parish, including those who were godparents for the children of Hugh and Alice Rooney.

Records suggest that Hugh Rooney's name may have been interchanged with John, such as one name being crossed out and the other written in its place. The reason remains unclear. It is also possible that Hugh's father was known as Hugh Rooney Sr. William and Julia Rooney's two oldest sons were John and Hugh.

It is unknown when or where William Rooney married Julia Phelan. Their eldest known child, a daughter Alice, was baptized on September 19, 1835 at the Catholic Church for the Urlingford Parish in County Kilkenny. The family was living in Ardreagh. The Gortnahoe Parish in Co. Tipperary is adjacent to the Urlingford Parish in Co. Kilkenny. It is presumed that William Rooney and Julia Phelan were married in that area shortly before the birth of their daughter Alice.

Both Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer appear to be members of large families near Urard in County Tipperary. While it is not known where either were born or where/when their marriage took place, it is highly likely that they are originally from the same area.

Land records for County Tipperary consistently show Alice Rooney was associated with Hugh Rooney and John Rooney, including one name being crossed out in favor of the other. There are also three Rooney families that appear in sequence. Those names are Hugh Jr, Hugh Sr, and Owen Rooney. It is possible that Hugh Rooney Jr is William's father, Hugh Sr was his grandfather, and Owen was his brother prior to settling in Chicago. Refer to Exhibit 71 for an overview and the following analysis for representative documents that describe the Hugh and Alice Rooney farm.

Neither Hugh nor Alice Rooney's death can be verified. There are two death records for Alice Rooney, both in Urard, about the same age and same time (1866 and 1876). Government death records did not begin until the 1860s. Land records show more than one Hugh Rooney. Therefore, it is difficult to determine when William Rooney's father disappeared from the records. It is presumed that the correct death record for Alice (Dwyer) Rooney in 1866 because the informant was Edmund Rooney, also from Urard [Exhibit 70]. The best estimate for Hugh Rooney's death is 1856-1866. Both are presumed to have been buried at the Gortnahoe Catholic Parish cemetery or other nearby graveyard.

There is a high likelihood, but unverified at present, that William Rooney's grandfather may have been Hugh Rooney, Sr. The land records suggest that William's eldest brother John was named Owen and initially received a portion of the Hugh and Alice Rooney farm. When Owen Rooney presumedly traveled to Chicago, the land reverted back to Hugh and Alice. After Hugh Sr passed away, Hugh Jr acquired full ownership of these three Rooney farms. More research is needed.

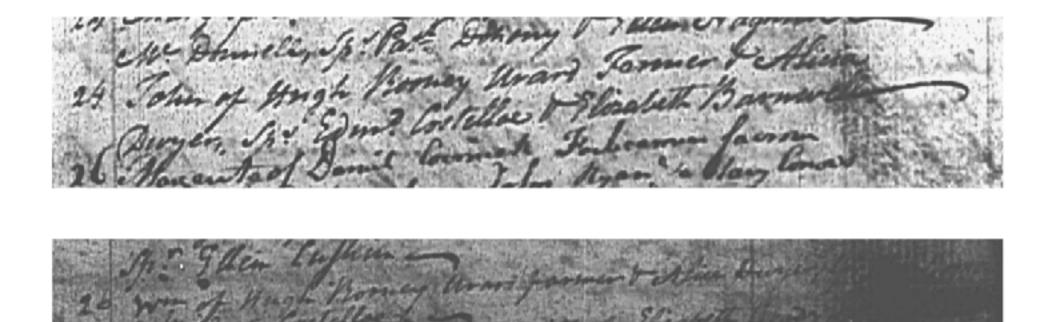
There are multiple references to Hugh Rooney in Urard, such as his status as a juror [Exhibit 72] and voter [Exhibit 73].

While the exact location or boundaries of Hugh and Alice Rooney's farm cannot be determined at present, the approximate location is analyzed in Exhibit 74. It is important to observe that the names Hugh Jr, Hugh Sr, John, Owen, and Alice are eventually merged into a single farm under the singular name Hugh Rooney.

Exhibit 63

There are several discrepancies amongst the baptisms for the children of Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer, primarily spelling variations:

Child	Father	Mother	Residence	Location of Baptism (Parish)
John	Hugh Rooney	Alicia Dwyer	Urard	Gortnahoe
William	Hugh Rooney	Alice Dwyer	Urard	Gortnahoe
James	Jno Rooney	Alicia Dwyer	Rathbeg	Gortnahoe
Peter	Hugh Rooney	Allicia Dwyer	Lisnamrock	Ballingarry
Nancy + Ellen	Hugh Rowny	Ally Dwyer	Illegible	Gortnahoe
Edmund	Hugh Rony	Alice Dwyer	Urard	Gortnahoe
Margaret	Hugh Rony	Alley Dwyer	Urard	Gortnahoe
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Top: Baptism of John Rooney [63A]

Bottom: Baptism of William Rooney [63B]

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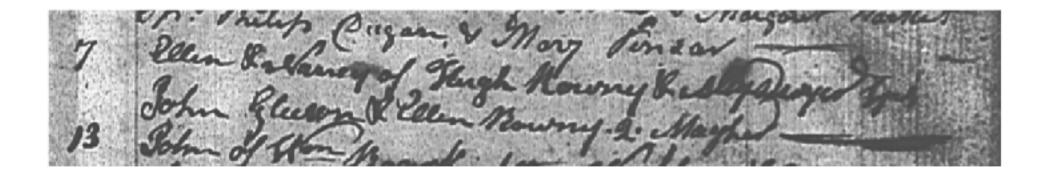
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Top: Baptism of James Rooney [63C] - Godparents appear to be James Dwyer and Catherine Rooney

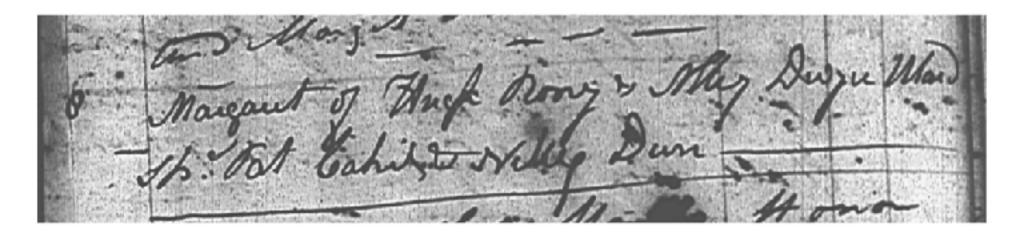
Bottom: Baptism of Peter Rooney [63D]

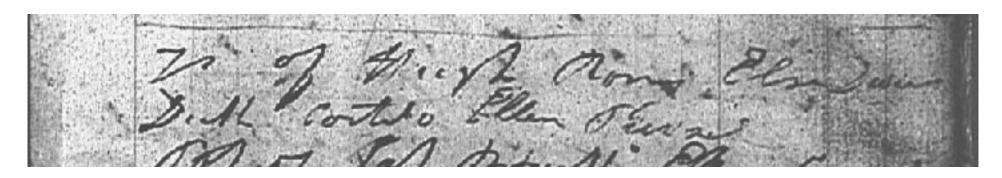


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Top: Baptism of twins Ellen and Nancy Rooney [63E] - It appears that their godmother was Ellen Rooney

Bottom: Baptism of Edmund Rooney [63F]





Top: Baptism of Margaret Rooney [63G]

Bottom: Baptism of an illegible child that is presumed to be Catherine Rooney [63H]

The biography of Edmund Tobin in Chicago suggests that he was the first cousin once removed of William Rooney. Edmund Tobin's maternal grandmother was William Rooney's maternal aunt. The following observations are necessary to explain what might otherwise be perceived as discrepancies.

- 1. This biography refers to two Dwyer sisters in Co. Tipperary. One was married to Joseph Fitzgerald and later Edward Leahy. The other married John Rooney. William Rooney's father appears to have used both names of Hugh and John.
- 2. The biography refers to a Rooney who came to Chicago at a "very early date". This reference of "very early" can only refer to William Rooney's status as an Old Settler. It is presumed that the narrator of this biography knew about several members of the Rooney/Dwyer family who settled in Chicago and that William was designated an "Old Settler" of the city. The biography should not be taken literally that Alice and Hugh themselves traveled to Chicago.
- 3. The Rooney family described in this biography came to Chicago "very early" and settled on Division Street. This can only refer to William and Julia Rooney's house at 43 E. Division.
- 4. The biography further explains that the Rooney family on Division Street bought land from the Government and their estate contained several hundred acres, where their descendants still lived. This can only refer to the William and Julia Rooney "Des Plaines Farm" and "Mount Prospect Farm", where their son John still owned at the time this biography was written.

Joseph Fitzgerald, the maternal grandfather of Edmond D. Tobin, was a shoe merchant in the town of Thurles, where he lived and died. His sons were: Phillip, Edward and Michael. The last-named came to America at an early day, as did also the eldest. Their mother was a Miss Dwyer, whose sister married John Rooney, and came to Chicago at a very early date, locating on what is now Division Street. They bought land from the Government at one and one-fourth dollars per acre, and their estate included several hundred acres in that locality, where some of their descendants still live. The Dwyers, like the Tobins, were owners of mines and lands in County Tipperary from time out of mind. The

During the 1860s and 1870s there was an Edmund/Edward Rooney who was involved with government road construction contracts in and around Urard.

The projects described sections of road and refer to a marker in Urard as "Rooney's Cross", which does not appear to still exist.

It is presumed that somebody named Rooney erected a wayside cross as an intersection marker on the main road that went through Urard. There are two primary intersections in Urard. The Rooney family must have held a prominent status in Urard, or were otherwise well-known in the village for such a designation.

20. Edward Rooney and Edmond St. George, to repair 273 perches of the road from Clonmel to Urlingford, between James Cleary's lime kiln at Rathbeg and Rooney's cross, for 5 yrs, not to exceed 1s. p. p.

Clonmel Chronicle - 4/27/1861 [65A]

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- 2. William Kelly and William Purcell, to repair 1,240 p. of the road from Carrick to Urlingford, between the National School at Clonwiclean and Rooney's erom at Urard, for 5 years, not to axceed Se per perch.
- 27. Thomas Ryan and Edward Rooney to repair 560 perches of the road from Urlingford to Cloumel, between the county bounds at Urlingford and Rooney's cross at Urand, for 5 years, not to exceed 2s per perch.
- 28 Edmond Dwyer and Edmond Rooney to repair 1,149 perches of the road from Killenaule to Kilkenny, between the bridge of Boulea and Scott's cross at Kyle, and from Feehan's cross at Garranagree to the Munster river, for five years, not to exceed is 4d per perch.

Tipperary Free Press - 4/29/1862 [65B]

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1853 Marriage of William Gannon and Catherine Rooney at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Downtown Chicago [66A]

John Rooney was a witness

RILLIAM GANNON, the leading Irish farmer and the most extensive stockman of Poweshiek Township, was born in County Kilkenny, Ireland, and was one of a family of ten children, of whom only six lived to maturity. John Gannon, the father of this family, was a farmer. He lived on leased land in the Old Country, and to improve his condition removed to America in 1849 and settled in Cook County, near Chicago, Ill. There he joined his fortunes with those of our subject and purchased eighty acres of land, which was paid for largely from the earnings of his son. The mother of the family was also a native of Ireland. Her maiden name was Mary Kelley. After arriving in America the parents made their home with William Gannon and resided with him as long as they lived. The father died in Iowa in 1868, at the age of eightyfour years, and the mother some years later, at the age of ninety years. Both are buried in the Catholic Cemetery at Des Moines. Their children were Michael, Katherine, Peggy, Mary, Richard and William, the subject of this sketch.

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William Gannon received a fine English education at some of the best schools and was also well instructed in the theory of farming. When he came to this country he had little besides his general knowledge and his indomitable pluck and energy, but these have been sufficient to place him among the wealthiest and most influential citizens of his county. From 1849 until 1856 he remained upon the farm in Cook County, Ill., and on the 5th of July of the latter year arrived in Des Moines, Iowa, with the largest part of his possessions, consisting of the teams and cattle that he drove before him. During the following winter he purchased one hundred acres of raw land in Franklin Township, Polk County, for which he paid \$600. The following spring he rented and farmed a tract of land, and a little later purchased of James Bailey one hundred and sixty acres of land, for which he gave about \$1,200. This farm he occupied for five years, giving his personal attention to its cultivation and improvement, and when he had brought the place to its present state of excellence turned his attention to an earlier

Published biography of William Gannon [66B]

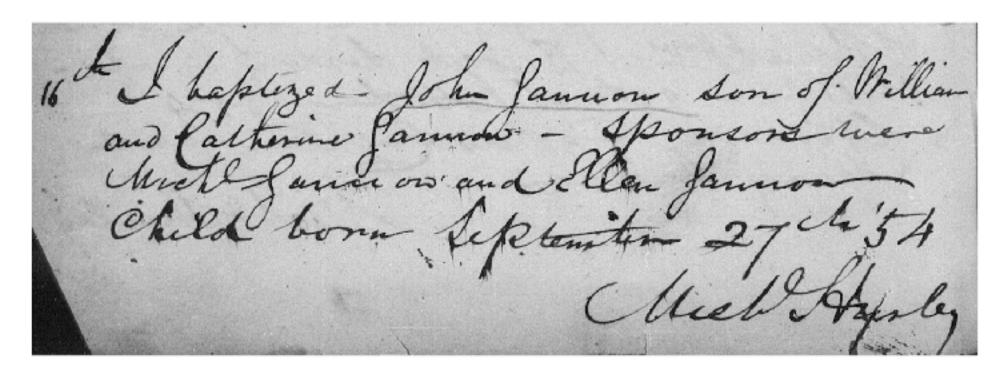
purchase of one hundred and seventy acres, which had in the meantime been comparatively neglected. Here his intelligent management soon brought the farm into a high state of cultivation and gradually he has added to the original tract until he now has eight hundred acres in a body, all showing the marks of the master farmer's hand. His residence is one of the finest in the township, and the outbuildings are all first class.

Mr. Gannon and his sons now own some thirteen hundred acres of other lands in this and adjoining counties, making them the largest landed proprietors in this section of Iowa. A very important part of Mr. Gannon's business has been the buying, selling and raising of stock, and in this line he has been more than usually successful. Within the past year or two he has gradually withdrawn from active participation in the business and has given that branch into the hands of his sons, while he, with his wife, resides in his elegant country mansion, eight miles from Colfax and near the Polk County line.

In 1854 Mr. Gannon married Catherine Rooney, a native of County Tipperary, Ireland, and the daughter of Hugh and Alice (Dwyer) Rooney. They were married in St. Mary's Church, Chicago. Their children are: John, who lives at home with his parents; William J., a resident of this township; Alice, wife of William Phalan; Michael, who lives in Polk County; Kate, wife of James O'Brien, of Bondurant; Mary, who died when about five years old; Ellen, wife of John Maher, of this township; Hugh and Lizzie, at home. Mr. Gannon takes an active interest in politics and is a stanch Democrat. Both he and his wife, as well as the other members of their family, are regular and consistent members of the Catholic Church.

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1855 Illinois State Census that shows Owen Rooney's farm was near, if not adjacent, to the William and John Gannon farms in Elk Grove [66C]



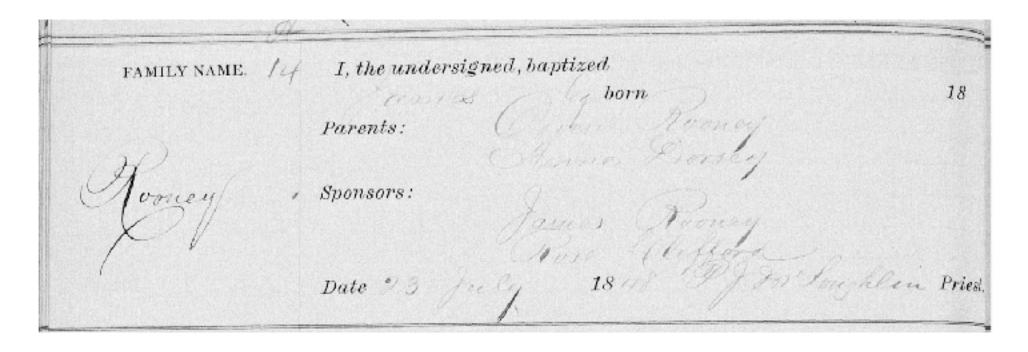
1854 Baptism of John Gannon, son of William and Catherine Gannon, at St. Mary's whose godparents are Michael and Ellen Gannon [67A]

William Gannon had a brother Michael

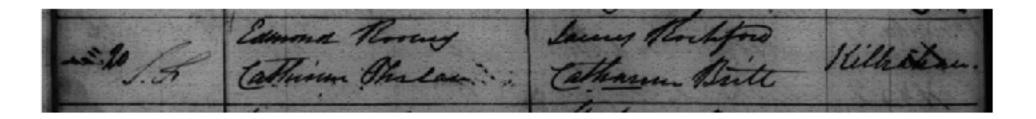
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1852 Baptism of John Gannon, son of Michael Gannon and Ellen Rooney, at St. Patrick's Church in Chicago [67B]

The godfather was Richard Gannon. William Gannon had a brother Richard.



July 23, 1848 Baptism for James Rooney, son of Owen Rooney and Anne Dorsey, at St. Patrick's Church in Chicago
The godfather was James Rooney. This name does not appear in the Chicago City Directories, suggesting he lived on one of the Rooney farms.
William and Julia Rooney's daughter Mary was baptized at the same church on June 27th with Peter Rooney as godfather (less than one month apart)



1854 Marriage of Edmund Rooney and Catherine Phelan - Ballycallan Catholic Parish in County Kilkenny

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1866 Death Certificate for Alice Roney, a widow, living in Urard [70A]

The witness was Edmund Rooney, also from Urard. Because of the witness, it is presumed to be the correct death certificate for Alice (Dwyer) Rooney.

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1876 Death Certificate for Alice Roney, a widow, living in Urard [70B]

The witness was William Roney, also from Urard

It is unknown whether there were two Alice Rooney widows living in Urard, or whether this is a duplicate death certificate that may have been filed in error

1. Hugh and Alice Rooney Farm - Representative Land Records

1831 Tithe Defaulters: Owen, Hugh, and Hugh Sr Roony are the only three farmers with the Rooney surname [71A]

1842 Rate Book Owen, Hugh, and Hugh Sr Rooney are consecutive entries [71B]

1846 Tenure Book [71C] (1) Hugh Rowney Jr crossed out as John Jr.

Alice Rowney

John Rowney leasing from Hugh and Alice Rowney

- (2) Hugh Rowney Sr crossed out as just Hugh Hugh Rowney Sr subleasing two parcels
- (3) Hugh Rowney has part of another subdivision

1846 House Book [71D] Version A: (1) Alice Rowney

Hugh Rowney Jr John Rowney

(2) Hugh Rowney Sr

Version B: (1) Alice Rowney

Hugh Rowney Jr crossed out as John Rowney Jr

John Rowney

(2) Hugh Rowney with Sr added

1848 House Book [71E] Same as 1846 House Book Version B

1849 Field Book [71F] (1) Hugh Rooney Jr and Alice Rooney

Hugh Rooney and Alice Rooney

John Rooney

(2) Hugh Rooney Sr

1850 Griffiths [71G] (1) John Rooney Jr

Alice Rooney

John Rooney leasing from Alice Rooney and John Rooney

(2) Hugh Rooney Sr

Two sublots leased from Hugh Rooney Sr

Note: The years and record descriptions (i.e. house versus field books) are based on best efforts to identify the chronology and purpose of each document.

Exhibit 71 - Land Description

There is a consistent pattern in the land records of three segments of land. Regardless of why Hugh Jr was crossed out, it is fair to presume the land divided into three segments under the name Alice is where William Rooney was born. It is also fair to presume that the land could have originally belonged to his grandfather Hugh Sr, since the earliest documents list the names as consecutive. It is also fair to presume that William's grandfather took over other land, of which two sublots were leased out.

There are two distinct groupings of land that Michael E. Byczek described as "Three Segments - Alice" and "Three Segments - Hugh Sr".

Three Segments - Alice

	Туре	Grade (1846)	Grade (1848)	Dimensions [2]	Possible Acreage A-R-P (1849) [1]
Sublot A (Hugh Jr / John)	House Shed Cow House	3C+ 4C-	2C 3C-	29.6 x 15.6 x 5.0 12.6 x 7.0 x 4.0	8-2-30 2-2-0
Sublot B (Alice)	House Stable Piggery	3C- 3C 4C-	2B- 2C+ 3C-	31.6 x 16.6 x 5.6 9.6 x 15.6 x 5.6 8.6 x 8.0 x 3.6	4-1-0 3-0-0 0-2-0
Sublot C (John)	House	3C-	2C-	19.6 x 14.6 x 5.0	0-3-39
Three Segments - Hugh Sr					
Sublot A (Hugh Sr)	House Cow House Piggery Quarry	2B 2B A-	Same 2C+ 2B	39.6 x 17.6 x 7.0 57.0 x 16.6 x 6.0 7.6 x 11.0 x 5.0	27-0-32 4-0-0
Sublot B (Burk)	House	3C	2C+	20.6 x 12.0 x 5.0	0-0-19
Sublot C (Kelly)	House House return (?) Piggery	3C+ 2B 2C+	2C 2C+ Same	28.0 x 16.0 x 5.6 10.6 x 13.6 x 5.6 6.0 x 11.6 x 4.0	0-0-26

Assessment: The grade classification changed for most of the structures from 1846 to 1848. It's possible that a different classification scheme was used. One version was found online, but it's not known if reliable. According to the changes in classification, both the state of repair, age, and construction method/material changed. This may reflect a different method to classify structures.

^[1] The 1849 Field Book shows a list of lot dimensions without descriptions that probably correspond to each purposes of the land (i.e. House).

^[2] It is assumed that the dimensions are listed in Irish measurements, since it appears that the acreage corresponds to Irish versus English.

Generalized Grade Classifications (according to online sources).

Dwellings

- 1 Slated dwelling houses built with stone or brick and lime and mortar
- 2 Thatches houses built with stone or line and mortar
- 3 Thatched houses having stone walls with mud or puddle mortar; dry stone walls pointed, or mud walls of the best kind
- 4 Urban: Basement stories of a slate-roof house used as dwellings

Offices

- 1 Slated offices built with stone, or brick walls with good lime mortar
- 2 Thatched offices built with stone or brick walls and lime mortar
- 3 Thatches offices having stone walls with mud or puddle mortar, dry stone walls pointed, or good mud walls
- 4 Thatched offices built with stone walls

Newly Built

- A + Built or ornamented with cut stone, and of superior solidity and finish
- A Very substantial building and finish, without cut stone ornament
- A Ordinary building and finish or either of the above when built 20-25 years prior

Medium Age

- B + Medium but not new, but in sound order and in good repair
- B Medium, slightly decayed by age, but in good repair
- B Medium, deteriorated by age, and not in perfect repair

Older than 25 years

- C + Old but in good repair
- C Old and out of repair
- C Old and dilapidated, scarcely habitable

Maps

It is not presently possible to identify the Rooney farm from the Griffiths Map.

The Map with lot numbers do not match with the official Griffiths index or the Valuation Books from the 1840s.

The Griffiths Index is supposed to match the corresponding map. However, the lot numbers do not correspond to the property descriptions. For instance, one property listed as 19 acres is four times larger than a lot listed as 15 acres.

According to the 1850 Griffiths, the three segment property (Alice) with lot number 36 is 19 acres whereas the three segment subdivision (Hugh Sr) with lot number 54 is 42 acres. However, lot 36 is about ten times the size of lot 54.

Also, Griffiths lists Urard as having 67 lots. However, the corresponding map only has 60 numbered lots.

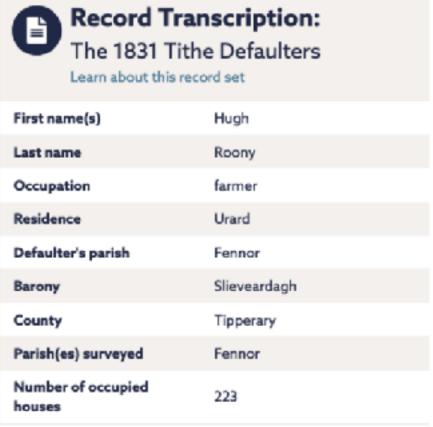
The Valuation Books from the 1840s constantly cross lot numbers out and refer to the Hugh Sr subdivision as formerly being lot #67, suggesting there is an older map that the Valuation Books are based upon.

There is also uncertainty with the location of Urard in County Tipperary. It is possible that the Urard village as it existed during the Rooney time period may not exactly match present-day boundaries.

The 1850 Griffiths Map shows Urard near the border with Urlingford Parish in County Kilkenny. Gortnahoe (Tipperary) and Urlingford (Kilkenny) are adjacent. The modern day map shows Urard in a different location, but not that far away. It is presumed that the Griffiths Map is accurate, and that at some point the village boundaries may have changed.

1831 Tithe Defaulters







Learn about this record set

First name(s)	Owen
Last name	Roony
Occupation	farmer
Residence	Urard
Defaulter's parish	Fennor
Barony	Slieveardagh
County	Tipperary
Parish(es) surveyed	Fennor
Number of occupied houses	223

Rate Books

There are multiple Rate Books, but only the 1842 edition for the Fennor Parish (civil parish) has been found online as of present.

There are only three Rooney entires, listed consecutively: Owen, Hugh, and Hugh Sr.

Consecutive entry suggests the three individuals are associated with the same or adjacent land. An observation should be made about the three Rooney farms in Mount Prospect and Des Plaines. William and Julia Rooney may have been trying to recreate the family arrangement in Urard.

There are several pages for Urard. The Rooney family appears at lines 168, 169, and 170 [They are leasing the land from Fitzgerald, who owns most of Urard]

This version of the Rate Books uses both Irish and English measurements.

It appears that the difference is that 1 Irish acre = 1.62 English acres (according to online sources).

A R P refers to acre - rood - perch.

It appears that the Statute Measure is equivalent to U.S. measurement.

Hugh Sr had 31 acres while Hugh Jr and Owen had equal amounts of 10 acres. This could suggest that Hugh Sr is the patriarch or head of the family.

Two possible scenarios are: Hugh Jr split his land in half for his son Owen, or Hugh Sr gave two of his sons (John and Owen are brothers) equal amounts. This could further explain why William and Julia Rooney arranged for their eldest son John to acquire a portion of their farm in 1863. William Rooney may have been following a Rooney tradition where the father splits the family farm in half for his oldest son.

Owen and Hugh have a 5 net annual value while Hugh Sr is 14.

According to this financial breakdown, Hugh Sr has three times the net annual value of each smaller Rooney plot. Hugh Sr also has more expenses and repairs, probably because it's a larger operation.

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Valuation Books

There are a series of valuation books that appear to have been either a precursor to Griffiths Valuation (1850) or were the actual documents used to finalize Griffiths.

Four such books are described in this biography for the Rooney family in Urard:

Tenure Book 1846 [undated, so it's unknown whether it was written before or after the 2-10-1846 House Book]

House Book 2-10-1846 House Book 5-12-1848 Field Book 2-28-1849

These documents have multiple entries crossed out.

Some of the crossed out portions pertain to Hugh and John, as if the names are interchangeable or the land has changed hands. It is assumed that whoever was compiling the information was using existing records and had to keep changing the names each time they visited the land (suggesting Hugh and John were interchangeable or, perhaps, co-owners).

Other items that are crossed out are the lot numbers, which create the discrepancies with the Griffiths lot map to identify the location of the land.

The 1842 Rate Book (pre-famine) appears to show Owen, Hugh, and Hugh Sr leasing three adjacent parcels of land.

The 1846-1849 Valuation Books (post-famine) appear to reflect this same configuration, with the additional indication that Hugh Sr took over another farm.

These books also indicate that Owen is not involved with the land anymore. It appears to show that Hugh and Alice now have two adjacent parcels of land which are adjacent to Hugh Sr. This would suggest that when Owen vanished from the records, Hugh and Alice took over the land (perhaps suggesting a parent-child relationship). There are indications that Owen Rooney in Chicago arrived around 1843, which could correspond to the difference between the 1842 and 1846 land records in County Tipperary. The fact that Owen Rooney appeared in Chicago at about the same time an individual with that same name disappeared from the Co. Tipperary land records suggests this is the same person.

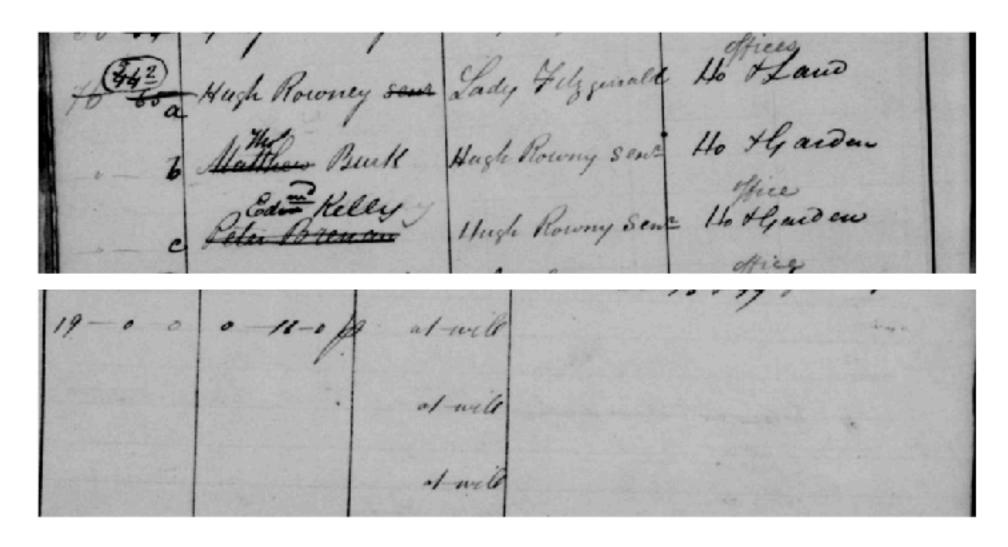
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One portion of the land - Currently marked lot 37. Formerly marked 61, 62, and 63 but that could also be position number of the ledger It appears to show that Hugh Rooney is now listed as John, but that Hugh and Alice are one unit (suggesting they are married)
Hugh and Alice are equal owners of the first segment, while they lease the second segment to John (this is presumed to be Owen's share that reverted back)
The 1842 Rate Book showed two parcels containing 6 acres. Therefore, combined they are 12 acres (as listed here)

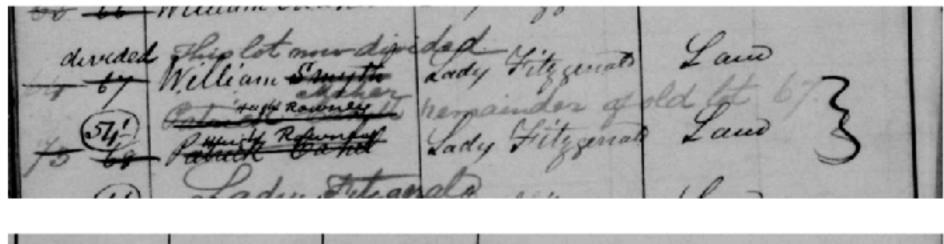


Hugh Rooney Senior is crossed out

This parcel of land is currently listed as lot 52 (illegible) with three subdivisions containing a total of 19 acres (matches with 1842 Rate Book)

Hugh has the first segment, while he is leasing out the other two segments to Burk and Kelly.

Note: Matthew Burk is crossed out to read Thomas Burk while Peter Brennan is crossed out to show Edward Kelly.



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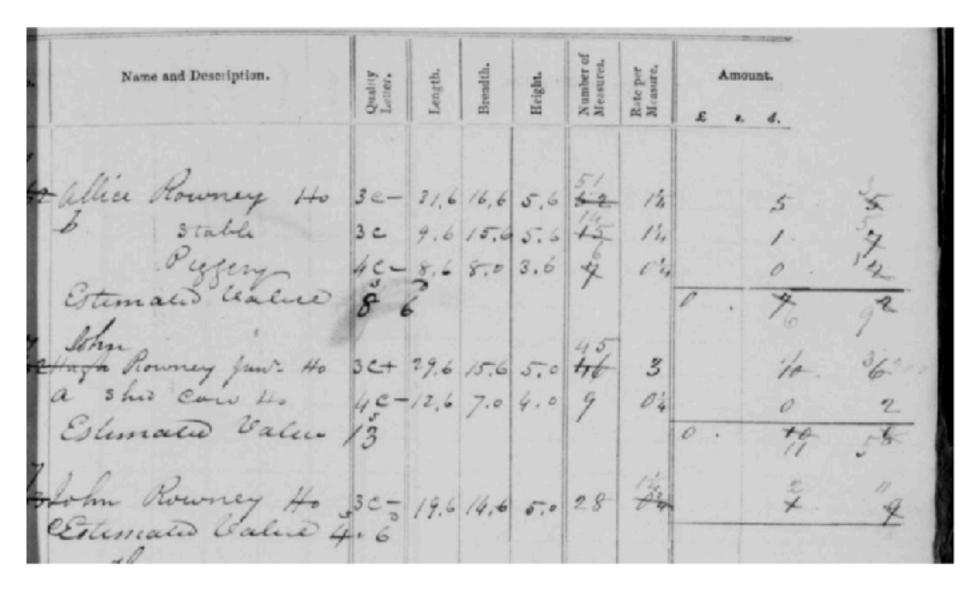
There is a new entry for Hugh Rooney, which shows lot 54 (old lot 67 is written in)
It appears that old lot 67 was subdivided into lots 54 (as above) with another portion in the name of Hugh Rooney
The names of Patrick Cahill and another are crossed out with Hugh Rooney written in
This land total is less than one acre

A note is made that Hugh Rooney has all of Pat Cahill's land with reference to lot 78 (illegible)

1846 House Book Version 1

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Four entries on the 2nd page corresponding (three segments plus the new subdivision)

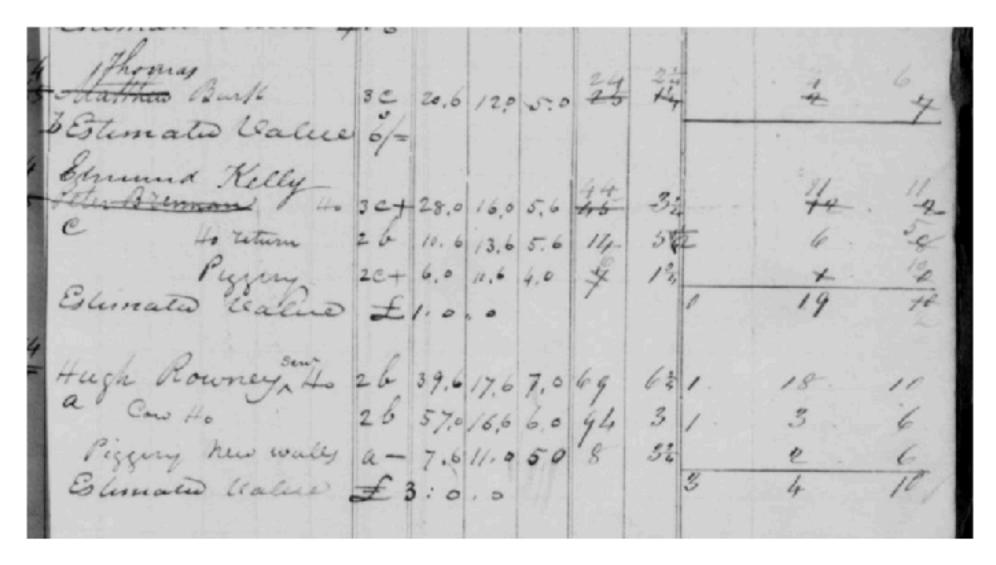


This is the three segment property - Alice owns part b, Hugh Jr (crossed out with John added) has part a, and John has part c Part B: House in 3C grade (31.6 x 16.6 x 5.6), Stable in 3C- grade (9.6 x 15.6 x 5.6) and Piggery in 4C- grade (8.6 x 8.0 x 3.6)

Part A: House in 3C+ grade (29.6 x 15.6 x 5.0), Shed Cow House in 4C- grade (12.6 x 7.0 x 4.0)

Part C: House in 3C- grade (19.6 x 14.6 x 5.0)

It would appear that Part A is more valuable (13) compared to Part B (8 and 6) and Part C (4 and 6)

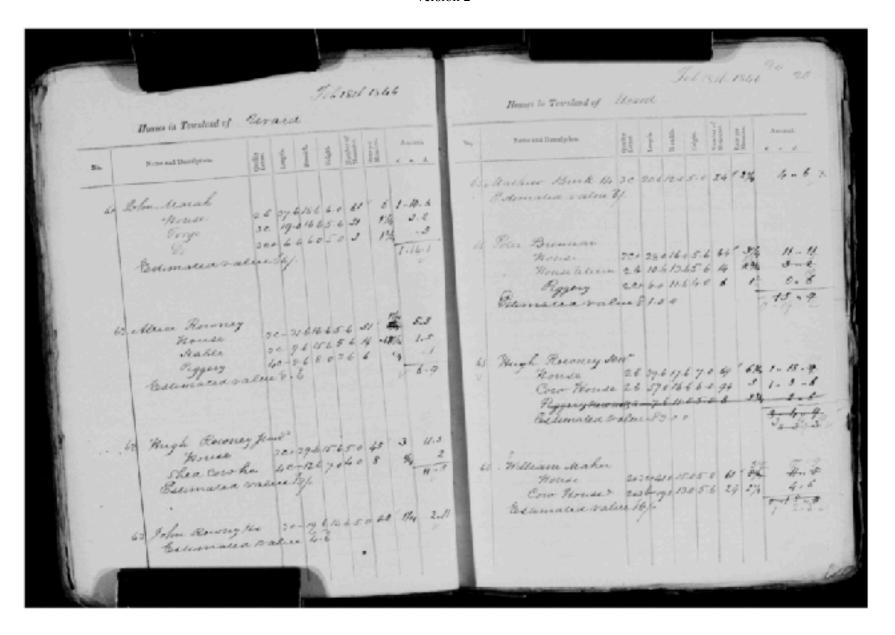


This is the newly added subdivided portion Hugh Sr has Part A

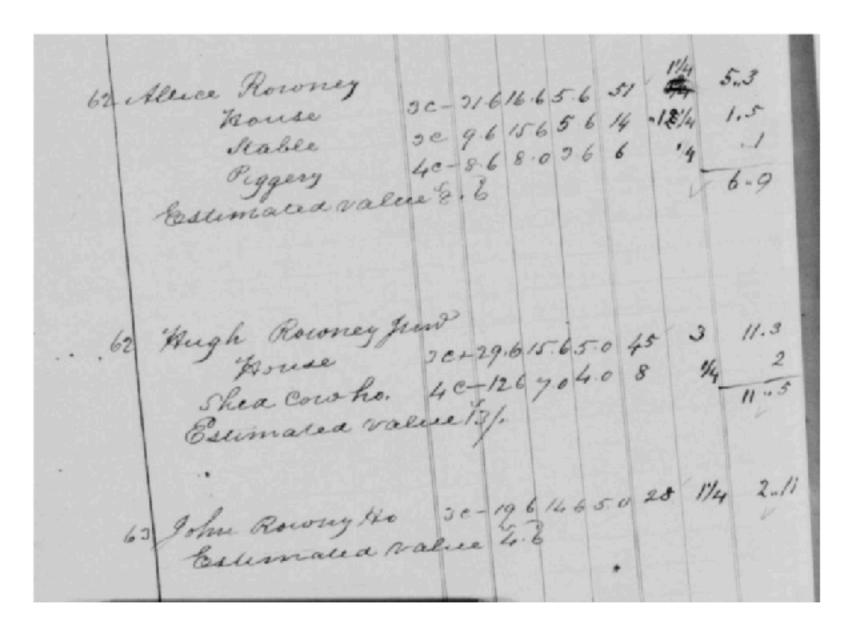
House in 2B grade (39.6 x 17.6 x 7.0), cow house in 2B grade (57.0 x 16.6 x 6.0) and Piggery with new wall (?) in A- Grade (7.6 x 11.0 x 5.0)

It appears that this is brand new property that is significantly more valuable than the three segment portion above. Hugh is subleasing Parts B and C to Burk and Kelly, so he also is the primary occupier of this land from Fitzgerald.

1846 House Book Version 2



The first parcel of land with three segments on the first page with the subdivision on the 2nd page.

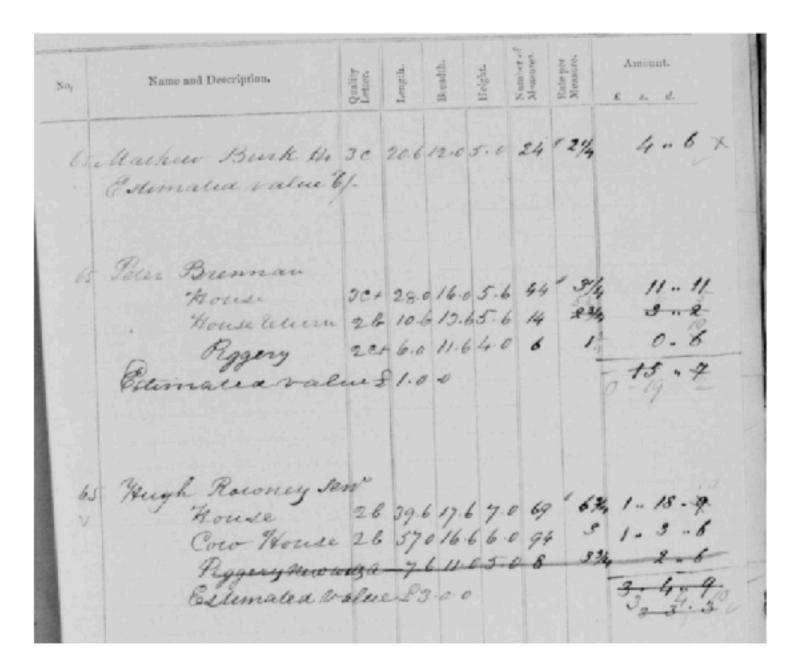


It would appear that this is the original book that predated the earlier version

This is the three segment parcel of land, and it shows Hugh Jr without being crossed out

However, it shows John, not Hugh as the other entry

Alice and Hugh Jr are both referred to as #62 while John is #63, indicating that however this was compiled, Alice and Hugh Jr are associated with each other

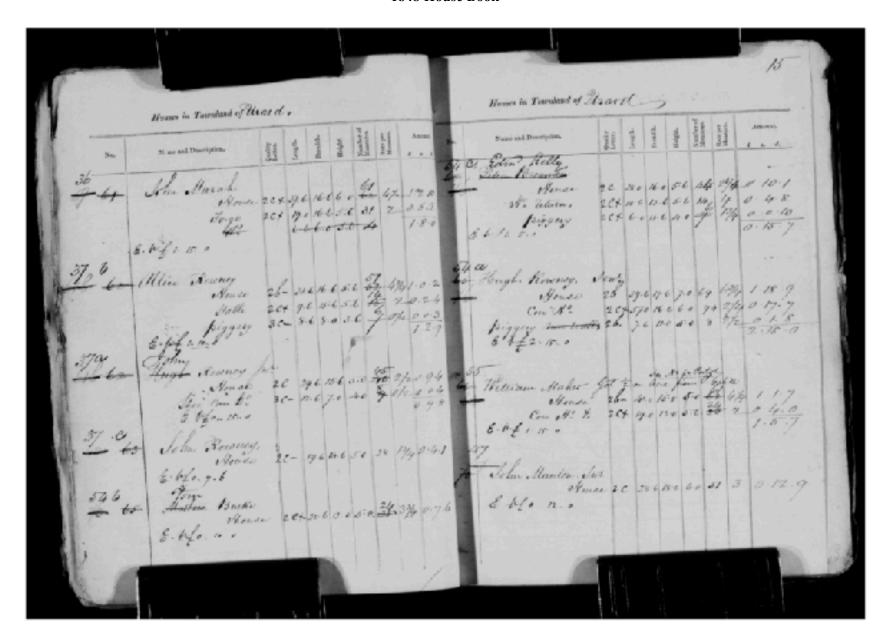


This is the subdivided parcel, with all three names listed as #65.

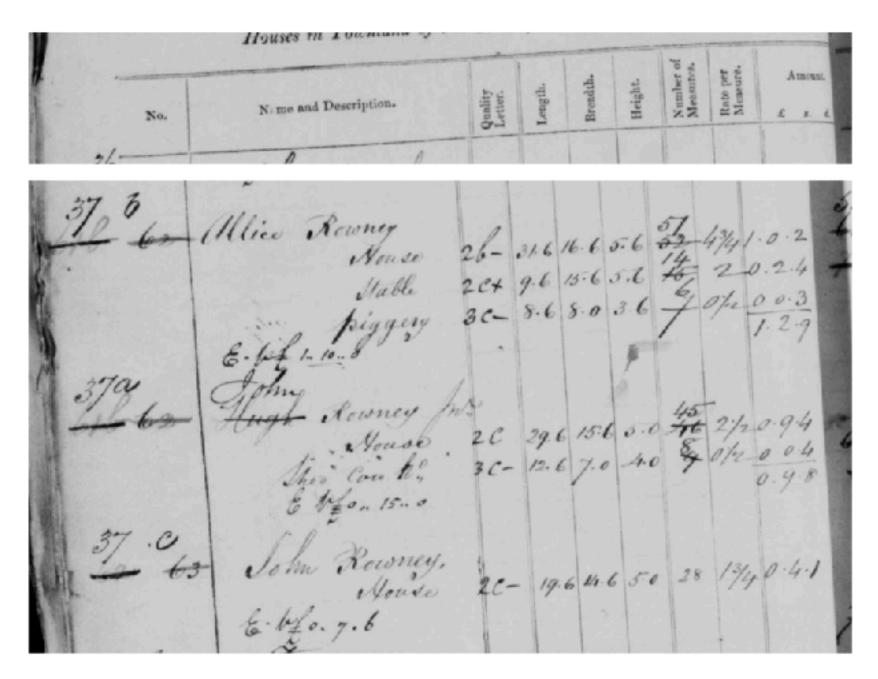
Note, that Peter Brennan is listed, whereas he is crossed out in the version above.

For some reason, the piggery is crossed out, perhaps suggesting it was being built and was finished for the version listed above.

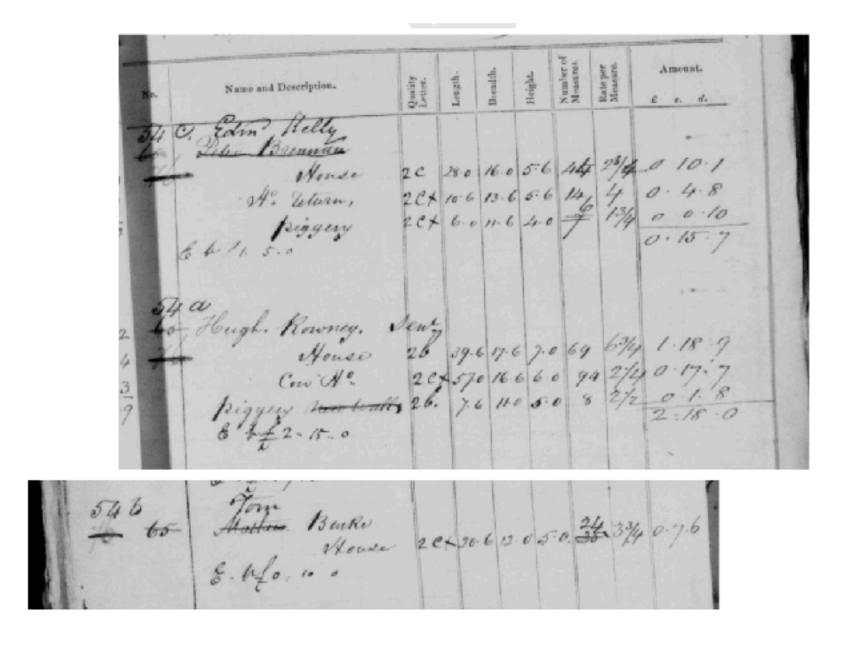
1848 House Book



The three segments involving Alice are on the left page The divided land follows immediately, as if the land is adjacent



The segments for lot 37, again with Hugh Jr crossed out and John added



Lot 54 subdivision - More changes (decline) for Hugh Sr: House the same grade, cow house in 2C+ grade (formerly 2B), and Piggery in 2B grade (formerly A-)

1849 Field Book

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The three segment land with Alice on the 2nd page

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The three segment subdivision on first page (consecutive except for one entry between the previous segment (with Alice))

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This book has a different format and breaks down the combined land into smaller segments (that match the building descriptions)

It appears that the total acreage is about 18 plus, which corresponds to the original 19 acres going back to the 1842 Rate Book (Hugh Sr portion in 1842)

This book also refers to "waste", perhaps a garbage dump. The lots are written as 62 and 63 then crossed out as 61 and 62.

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The subdivision portion: Referred to as lot 65 with 76 written in pencil (there was a earlier comment about lot 67 - perhaps an error)

Hugh Sr is listed as having waste at houses and quarry

This book refers to Hugh Sr having a breakdown consisting of a total of 31 acres and the other two (Burke and Brennan) having a very small patch

1850 Griffiths

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Top: The three segments with Alice Bottom: The three segment subdivision for Hugh Sr

Note: The three segment with Alice is listed as 19 acres while the Hugh Sr segments have 42 acres.

The 1842 Rate Book showed an initial segment of 6, 6, and 19 as if the two 6 acres segments were joined.

The 1849 field book showed only 19 acres and that Hugh Sr had 31 acres.

This could indicate that the missing 12 acres from Alice's segments were added to Hugh Sr's 31 acres for approximately 42 acres

Alice Rooney is associated with John Rooney, Junior. This could be another indication that the names Hugh and John are interchanged in relation to Hugh Senior

1856 Encumbered Land Sale

- The Fitzgerald Family auctioned off, perhaps, all of Urard in 1856. Hugh Rooney was listed as one of the land holders [71H].
- The Auction was divided into two lots, 1 and 2. It appears that the two lots are roughly the north and south portions of Urard.
- Hugh Rooney is listed under lot 2, which corresponds to the general area of the Griffiths Map, despite having the wrong lot numbers.
- There is only one Rooney (Hugh) among the list of names. He is listed with 62 acres, but it's unknown whether this is the Irish or English form of measurement.
- The 1850 Griffiths showed Hugh Jr (John Jr) and Alice had 19 acres and Hugh Sr had 42 acres. If the lands were combined, it would be about 61 acres.
- Since there is only one Hugh Rooney (only one Rooney at all), it's possible that Hugh Sr is dead and Hugh Jr took over all the land. This could indicate that William Rooney's father was still living as of 1856.
- This could be the best estimate of Hugh Rooney's death, since the most probable death certificate for his wife Alice is 1866 as a widow.

Hugh Rooney's farm is located in Lot 2, as that identifier was used for the auction. This represents the best geographic location of the Rooney farm, because it narrows down the possibilities when comparing Griffiths lot numbers with the map index. Lots #36 and #54 from Griffiths is within Lot 2 as used for the 1856 auction.

In the Court of the Commissioners for Sale of Incumbered Estates in Freland.

COUNTY OF TIPPERARY.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL AUGUSTINE FITZGERALD,

OWNER AND PETITIONER.

RENTAL, MAPS, & PARTICULARS OF THE LANDS OF

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Situate in the Barony of Slievcardagh and County of Tipperary, South Biding,

Containing, as per Survey, 1043a. 2a. Sr. Statute Measure,

BEING THE FEE-SIMPLE ESTATE OF THE OWNER AND PETITIONER.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION,

IN TWO LOTS,

BY THE COMMISSIONERS FOR SALE OF INCUMBERED ESTATES IN IRELAND, AT THEIR COURT, IS, HENRIETTA-STREET, DUBLIN.

On TUESDAY, the 18th day of NOVEMBER, 1856,

For RENTALS and Particulars of Sale, apply at the Office of the Commissioners, 14, Henrietta-street, Dublin; to AQUILA M'MAHON, Solicitor, having Carriage of Sale, 36. Upper Gloucester-street; to P. J. COFFEY, Esq., Agent over said Estate, Waverly, Newmarkst-on-Fergus; or to J. T. HURFORD, Surveyor and C.E., 30, Bachelors'-walk, Bublin.

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DESCRIPTIVE PARTICULARS

OF LOTS 1 and 2.

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The Lands are well supplied with Limestone Quarries of a superior quality, and have suitable Public Roads kept in repair by County Presentments; there is also a constant supply of Water.

The Estate lies about 12 Miles West of the City of Kilkenny; 10 East of the important Town of Thuries, where there is a Station of the Great Southern and Western Railway; 3 from the Colliery of Sileveardagh; and 1 mile from Urlingford.

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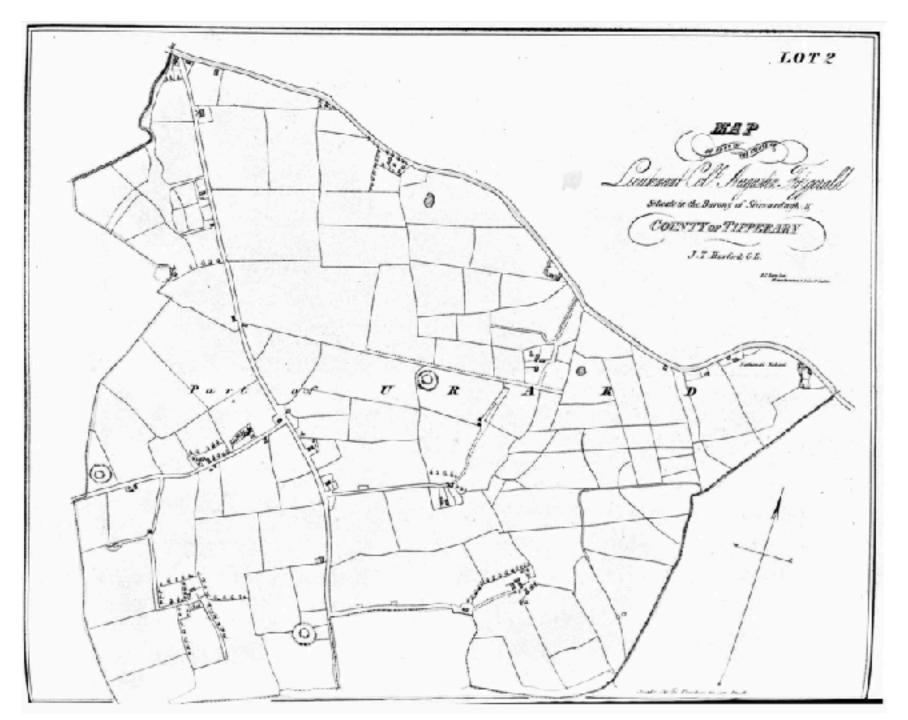
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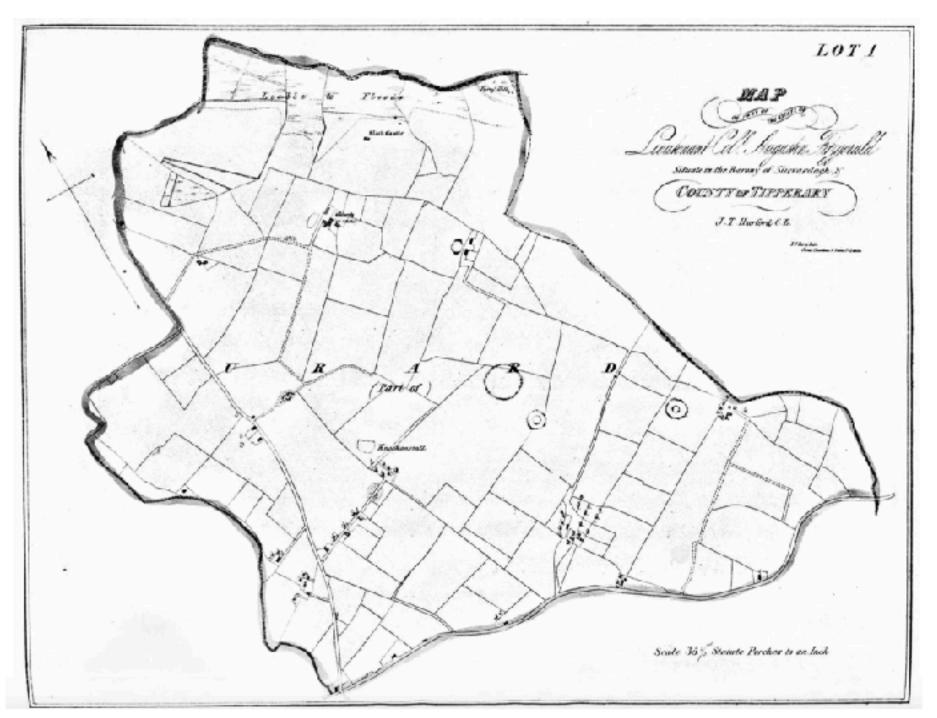
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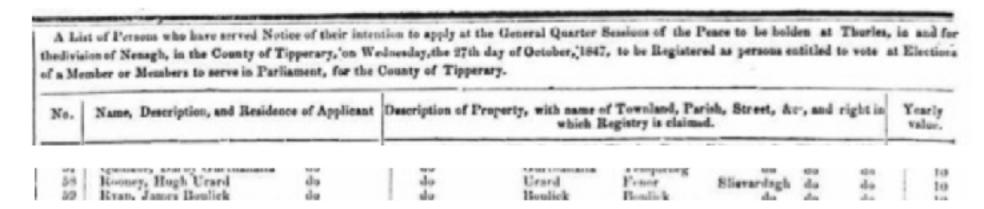
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There is a single Hugh Rooney from Urard who was identified as a juror in 1846. It is unknown how he was selected to be a juror.

Hugh Rooney referred to as a freeholder farmer

List of Jurors printed in the Publication "Accounts and Papers of the House of Commons" for 1846 - Book referred to as the Session for 1/22 - 8/28/1846

Exhibit 73



It appears that land holders (freeholders) were allowed to vote, but had to declare their intentions

There is a single Hugh Rooney from Urard who declared himself to vote in 1847

Hugh Rooney identified as a freeholder farmer with yearly value of 10 pounds (or shillings, hard to read)

Newspaper Article - Voter Declaration (Tipperary Vindicator - 10/13/1847) [73A]

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Representation of the County.

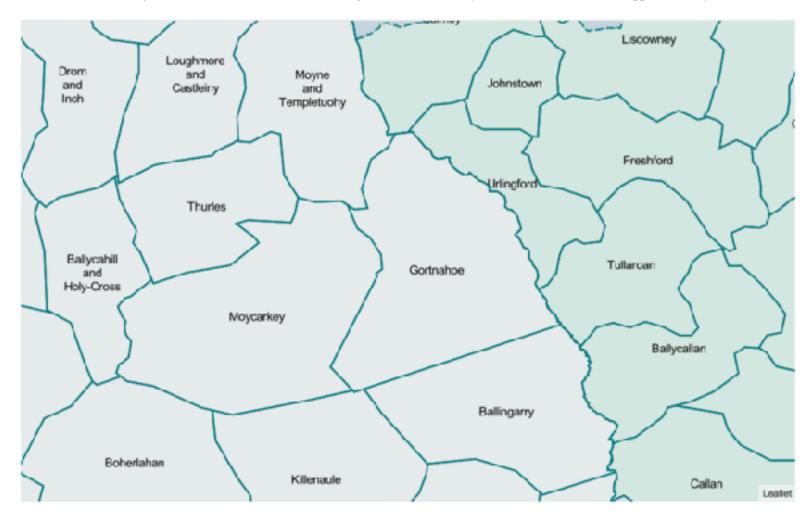
W.E., the undersigned, request a Meeting of the Clergy, Gentry, Electors and Inhabitants of the County of Tipperary, at Cashel, on Wednesday the 18th instant, at the hour of One o'Clock, for the purpose of selecting a fit and proper person to fill the vacancy caused by the lamented death of our late distinguished representative, the Hon. Robert Otway Cave.
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                           William Maher,
Michael Duly, R.C.C.
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                          Denis Costello,
John Cormack,
                          Patrick Campion,
James Cormack,
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Tim Hickey,
                          James Cleary.
James Cleary,
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William J. Carroll,
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Patrick Egan,
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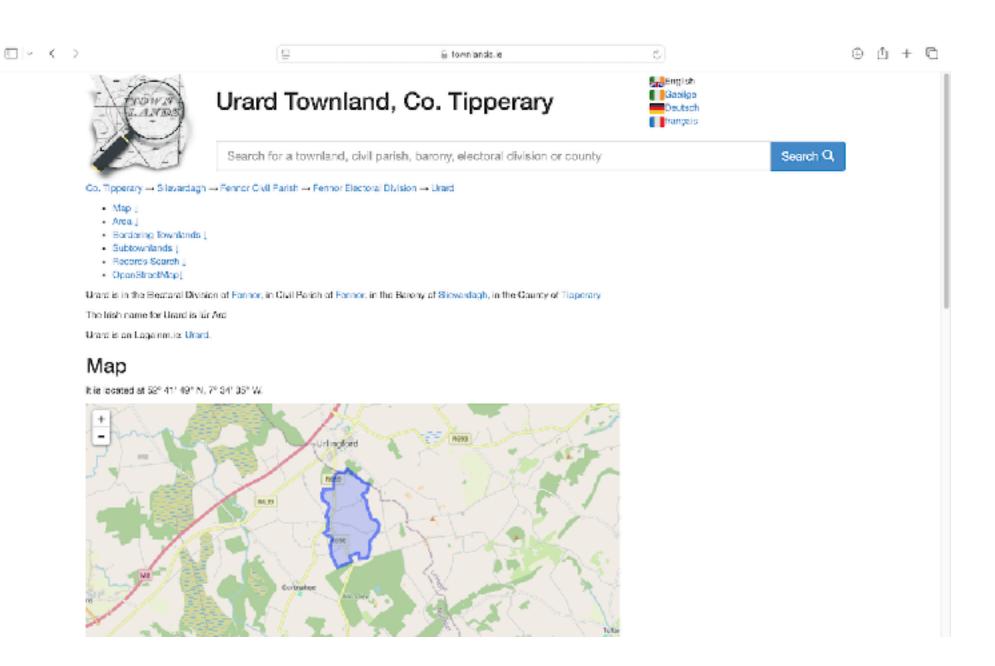
There is also a Hugh Rooney from the general Gortnahoe Region (without a village name) who joined in a political meeting in 1844

Exhibit 74 Land Maps

The Griffiths Land Index refers to map numbers to locate each farm. There is also an overlay tool to view present-day locations. However, there is uncertainty as to the accuracy of the map lot numbers. The following maps show prospective lot boundaries based on the information provided through the Griffiths search tool. The maps may not be accurate, but are a good estimate to visualize where Hugh and Alice Rooney's farm would have been approximately located.

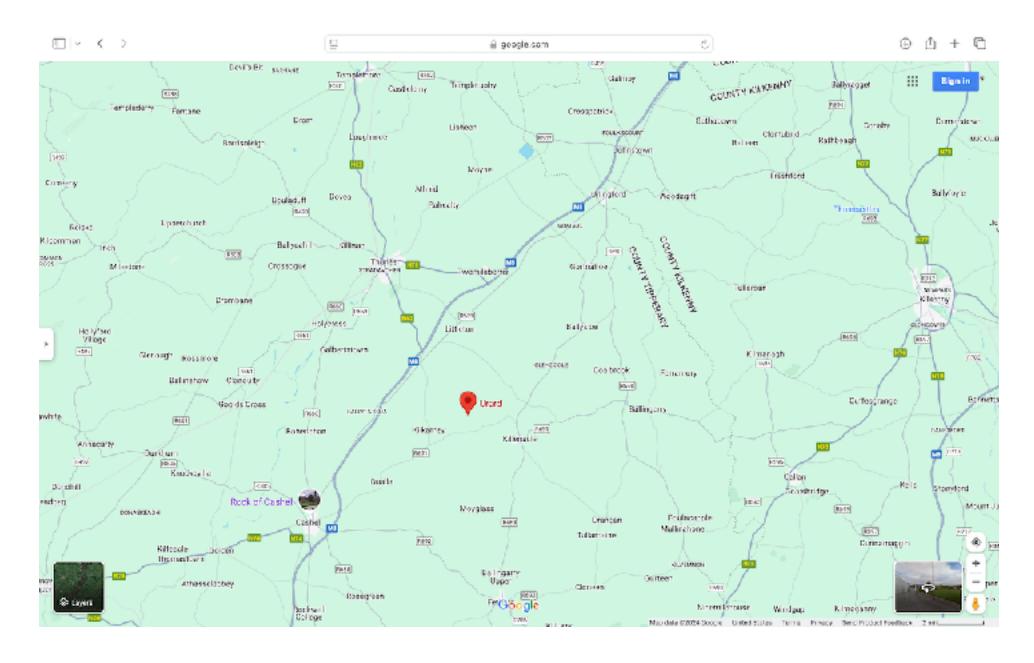


The best verification of where the farm was located is using the Catholic parish boundaries. William Rooney was baptized in the Gortnahoe Parish of Co. Tipperary, while his daughter Alice was baptized in the Urlingford Catholic Parish of Co. Kilkenny. The map above [74A] shows that these two Catholic parishes are adjacent. Hugh and Alice Rooney were living in Urard within the Gortnahoe Parish in 1811. William and Julia Rooney were living in Ardreagh within the Urlingford Parish in 1835. The only way to verify the locations of Urard and Ardreagh was the fact that each was situated within that particular parish boundaries.

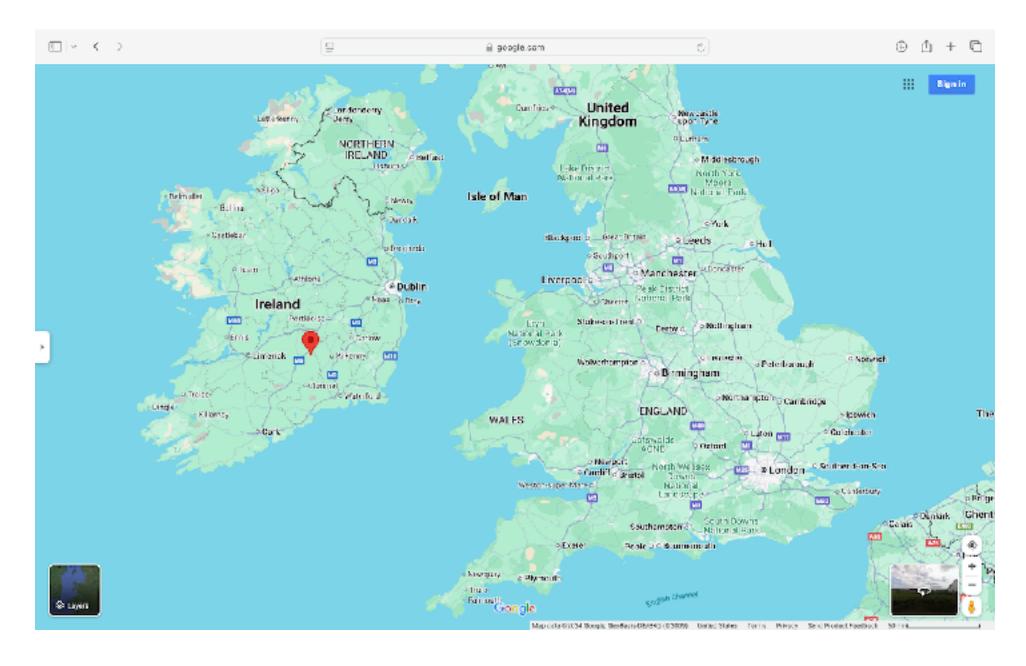


Present-day Urard is considered a Townland in the Fennor Civil Parish located between Urlingford and Gortnahoe [74B]

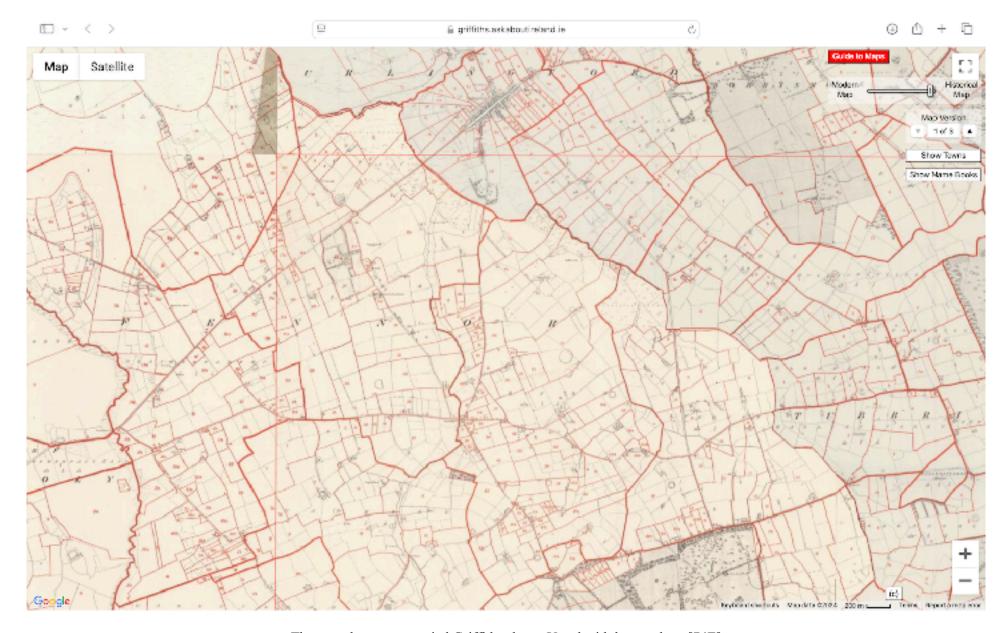
It is unclear whether this was the same Urard boundaries as when William Rooney was born in 1811



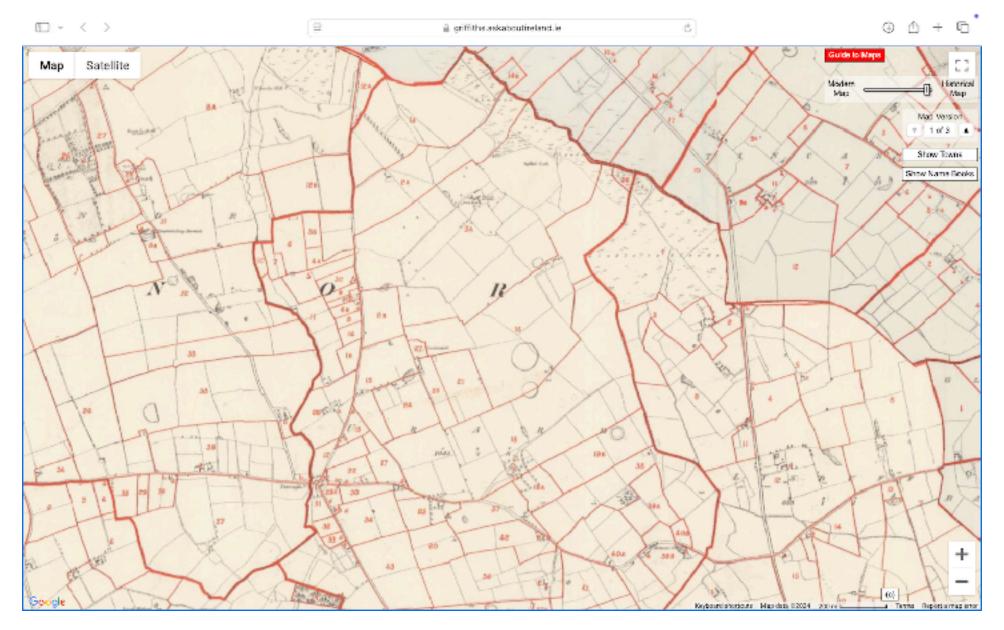
Google Maps show that there is a present-day Urard further southwest than Gortnahoe in the opposite direction than Urlingford [74C]



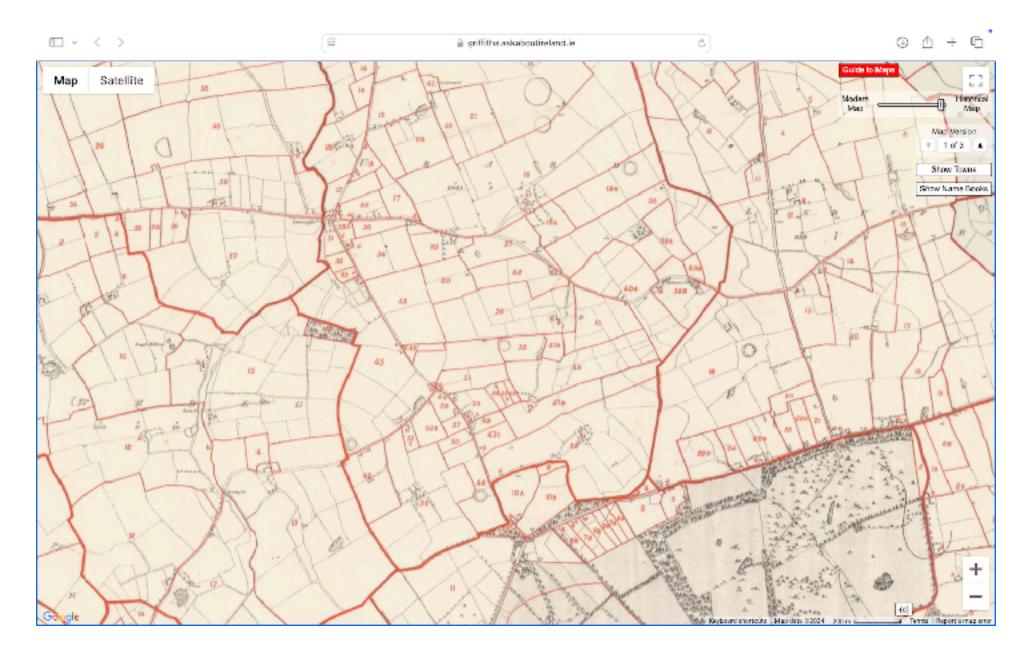
Location of Urard in the context of Ireland as a country [74D]



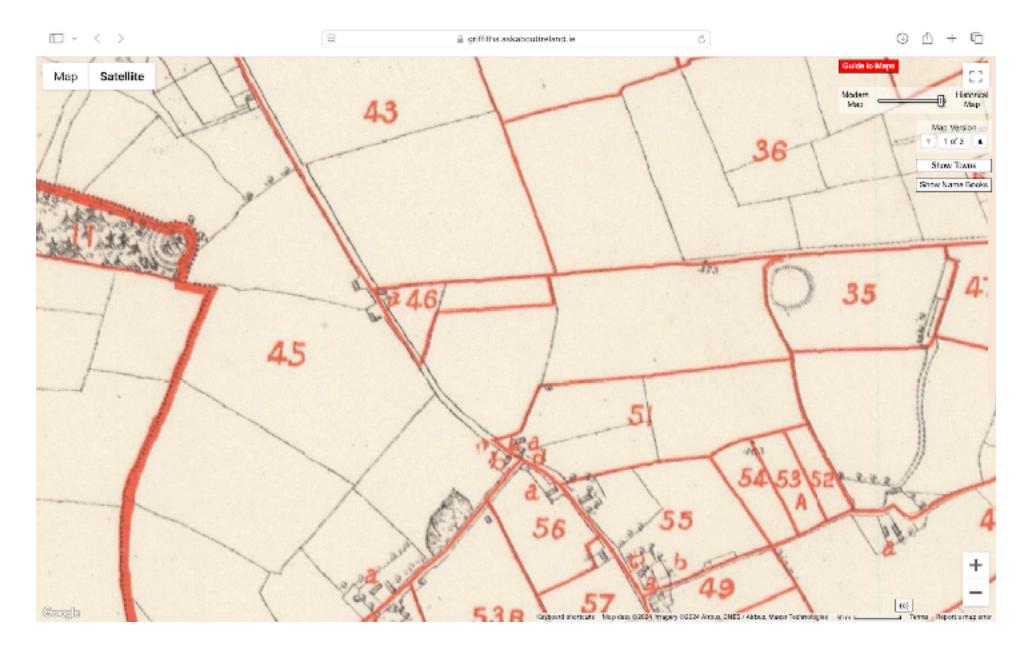
The map that accompanied Griffiths shows Urard with lot numbers [74E]
Urard is the section with the "OR" in "FENNOR"
Urlingford is along the top of the image



Zoom of north half of Urard [74F]
The name Urard is visible halfway between the OR of FENNOR and the bottom of the image



Zoom of south half of Urard [74G]
Lots 36 (middle of image) and 54 (slightly below) are the best candidates for the Rooney farm



Lots 36 and 54 [74H]

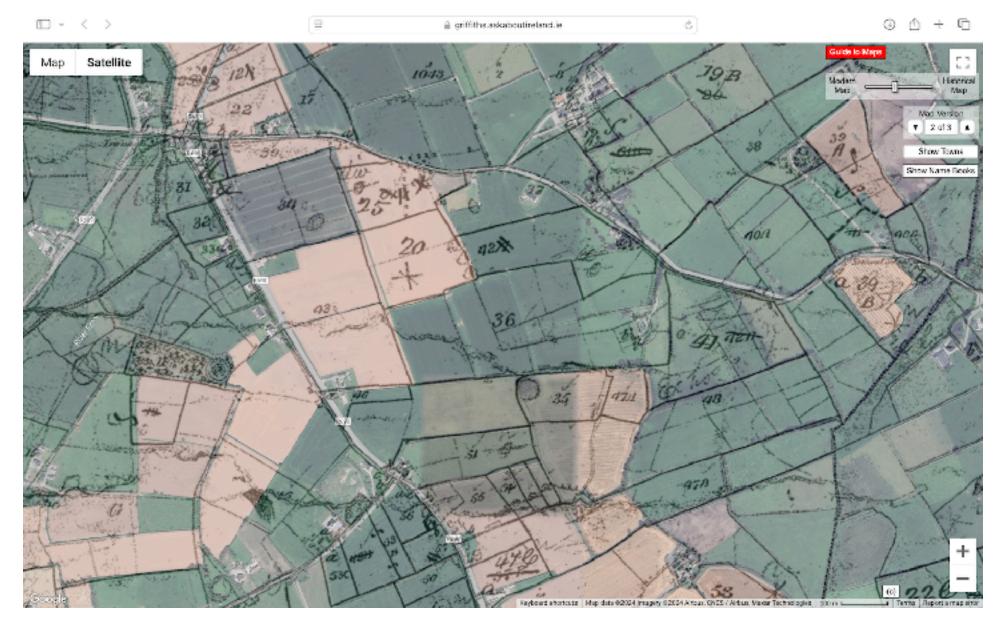
There appears to be a discrepancy in how the lot numbers correspond to the Griffiths Index. Therefore, the map may not match the lot numbers. The road intersection north of lot 56 (at the 'a' corner) shows a circle in the top corner. This is the best candidate for where the Rooney Cross was located.



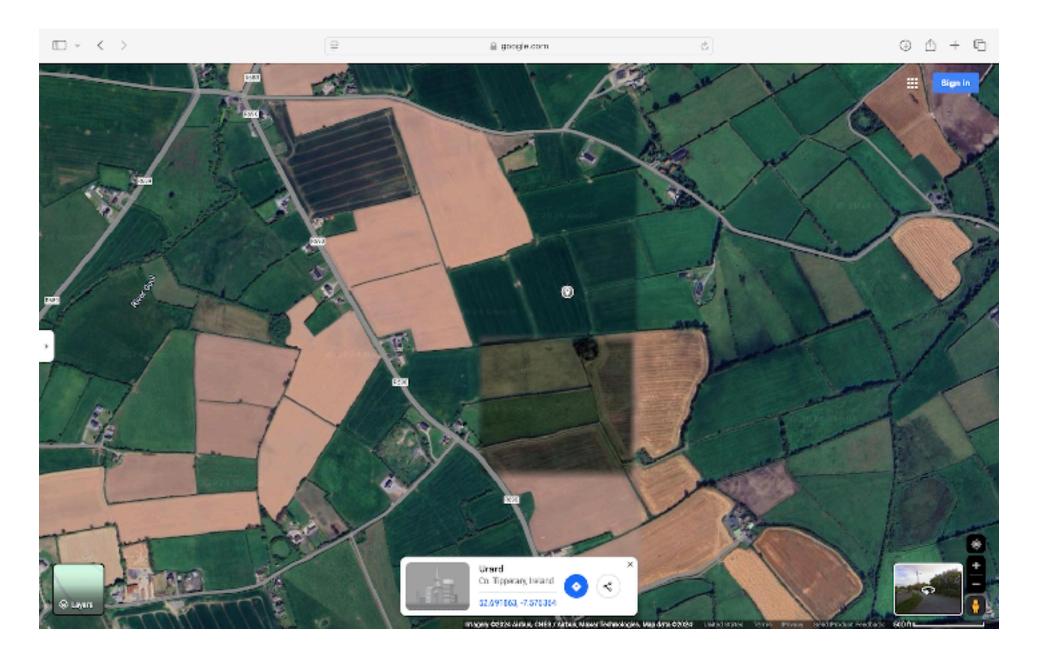
Search tool overlay that shows the present-day location of each Griffiths lot number [74I] Emphasis is on lots 36 and 54



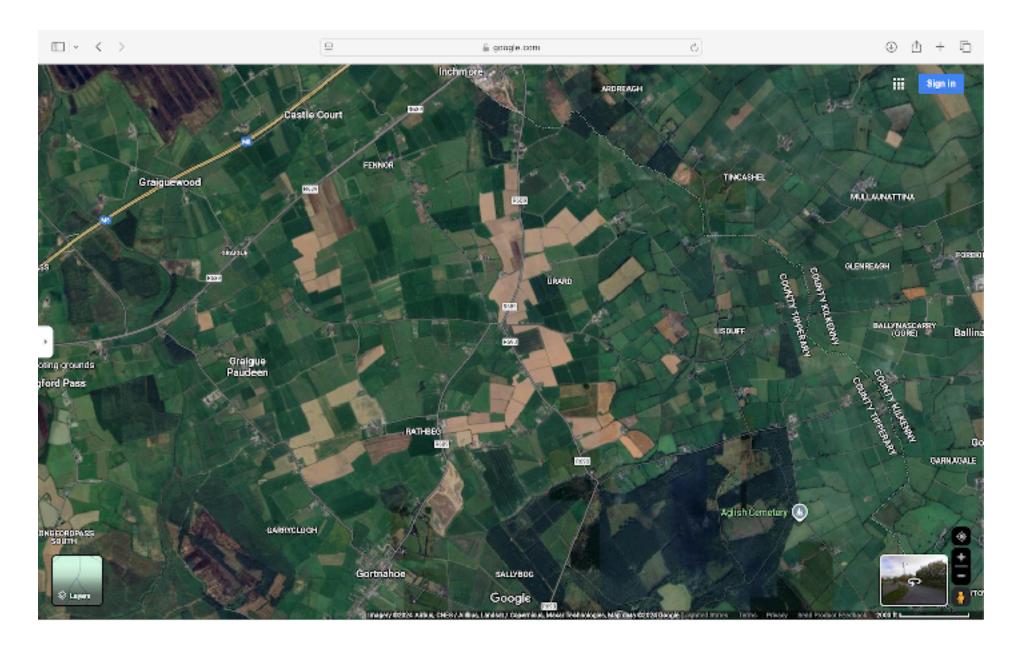
Present-day aerial view of what could have been the Hugh and Alice Rooney farm [74J] Emphasis must be made that the lot numbers do not appear to perfectly match the map that accompanied the Griffiths Index



A second map overlay showing the same lot numbers [74K]



The map marker shows lot 36 [74L]
The road intersection to the southwest, which is the best candidate for the Rooney Cross (may not exist in present-day) and very near the possible farm location



Aerial view of Urard [74M]

The Catholic Church where William Rooney was baptized in 1811 was located in Gortnahoe on the bottom-left of the image (Rathbeg also visible) William and Julia Rooney were living in Ardreagh (near the top-right of the image) in 1835 shortly after their marriage

XIV. Rooney and Phelan Relatives in Chicago

There is reason to believe that William Rooney's brothers John, Peter, and James and his sisters Catherine and Ellen joined him in Chicago. There is a suggestion that his parents also came to Chicago, but that is less likely. The known records suggest that both Hugh and Alice Rooney passed away while living in Urard.

It is also reasonable to speculate that when William Rooney's sister-in-law Catherine (Phelan) Rooney and her children joined Catherine (Rooney) Gannon in Iowa, they probably stopped in Chicago to reunite with William and Julia Rooney. This is especially true if Catherine and Julia were relatives, and perhaps even sisters.

There was at least one Phelan family associated with both Catherine (Phelan) Rooney and Catherine (Rooney) Gannon in Iowa. The exact family relationship is unknown, but if they were also related to Julia (Phelan) Rooney, it is reasonable to believe that they also stayed in Chicago to reunite with the Rooney family prior to settling in Iowa.

As mentioned, Edmund Tobin settled in Chicago and appears to have been William Rooney's first cousin once removed.

There is a high likelihood that Kittie Rooney's marriage to Edward H. Talbot reveals a direct or indirect family relation or acquaintance through their common County Tipperary origins. Edward's parents were Thomas Talbot and Hannah McDonald/McDonnell who were married in Taunton, MA in 1852. Thomas Talbot was born in Ballinlonty within the Drom and Inch Catholic Parish. Exhibit 74A shows the proximity between the Rooney and Talbot family churches in Co. Tipperary. There is a possibility that Hannah (McDonald/McDonnell) Talbot was also from Co. Tipperary.

Lizzie (Rooney) Periolat's daughter Julia was baptized at Holy Family Church in 1872 [Exhibit 75A]. The baptism record is slightly illegible, but appears to show that the godparents were Edward Talbot and Catherine Rooney. This baptism took place eight years before Kittie and Edward were married. There is little doubt that Lizzie would ask one of her sisters, Kittie, to be a godmother versus another Rooney in Chicago with the same name. While there was more than one Edward Talbot, the fact that Kittie Rooney would later marry a husband with that name, suggests that Kittie and Edward knew each other at least eight years prior to their wedding through the Rooney family.

Anna (Rooney) Boucher's son George was baptized at St. Pius V Church in 1879 [Exhibit 75B]. The godparents were Thomas and Hanora Talbot. Edward Talbot's mother Hannah was also known as Hanora. The church was located on 18th and Ashland while the Talbot family lived near 18th and Wentworth. The baptism took place a year prior to Kittie and Edward's marriage in 1880.

Kittie Rooney's father was born in the Gortnahoe Catholic Parish while Edward Talbot's father was born in the nearby Drom and Inch Catholic Parish. It is very likely that William Rooney and Thomas Talbot were at least acquainted with each other's families in County Tipperary and later reunited in Chicago.

William and Julia Rooney's family were also involved with two other families (Sanders and Wright) in Chicago over the years. Both families remained very close with John and Ellen Rooney in the Bridgeport neighborhood. While the exact family relationship is unknown, it is highly likely that they were related.

Records show that Patrick Sanders married Mary Walsh/Welch at St. James in Chicago in 1859. Their son James was baptized at St. Mary's in Downtown in 1868 [Exhibit 76A]. His godmother was Bridget A. Rooney (highly likely and presumed to be the daughter of William and Julia Rooney). Their daughter Margaret Sanders was baptized at St. Mary's in 1869 [Exhibit 76B]. Her godfather was William Rooney without any further identifying details. Margaret Sanders later married Charles Rooney, who was the grandson of Owen Rooney from Mt. Prospect. Other members of Owen and Anne Rooney's family were also associated with the Patrick and Mary Sanders family over the years.

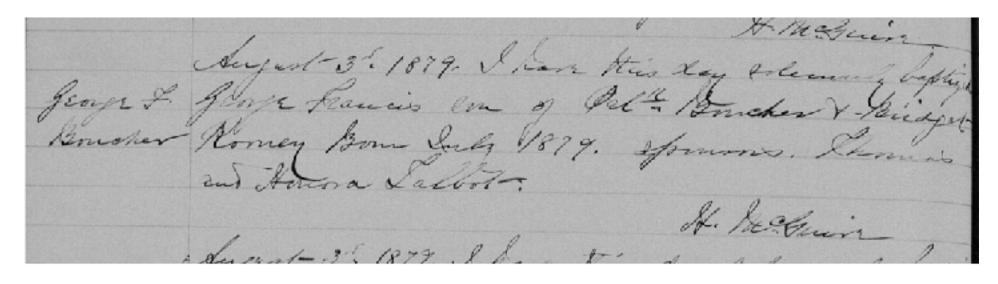
Patrick Sanders was a Chicago alderman who assisted William Rooney during construction of his namesake building on Franklin and Lake after incurring costs related to improvements made to the public street. Patrick Sanders later owned a plumbing company and was a creditor in Julia Rooney's probate case. William and Julia Rooney's son John, and his wife Ellen, were very close to the Sanders family. Their family plots are adjacent to each other at Calvary Cemetery. When Mary Sanders passed away in 1901, a comment was made that the pallbearers were her Rooney cousins. An unverified claim has been made through user-submitted online genealogy that the mother of Mary (Walsh/Welch) Sanders was Julia or Johanna Rooney. It is unknown how William Rooney was related to Mary Sanders, but there appears to have been a rather strong Rooney family connection.

The Andrew Wright and Bridget Ryan family was also associated with William and Julia Rooney. Their son Joseph Wright was baptized at St. Thomas in Chicago in 1873 [Exhibit 77A]. The godparents were Hugh Roney and Mary Roney. It is presumed to be the son and daughter of William and Julia Rooney. Their son Andrew Wright was baptized at Nativity in Bridgeport in 1882 [Exhibit 77B]. His godfather was John Rooney, presumed to be the son of William and Julia Rooney.

Michael E. Byczek's great-grandmother Marie Talbot, the daughter of Kittie Rooney and Edward Talbot, lived with her uncle John Rooney after her father passed away. John Rooney built a family home at 2970 Archer in the Bridgeport neighborhood [Exhibit 78]. It is believed that Marie Talbot remained with her uncle from 1908 until her marriage to Martin Flanagan in 1922. During this time, another relative also lived in the John Rooney household. Catherine Wright was identified as a cousin alongside Marie Talbot. At one point, John and Augustus Wright also lived at 2970 Archer. These seem to have all been Wright siblings. The exact family connection between the Rooney and Wright families remains unknown, but appears to have been more significant than mere acquaintances.

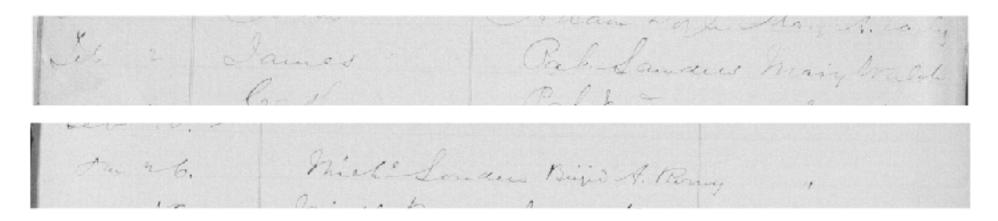
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75A: Julia Periolat's baptism in 1872 that shows Edward Talbot (slightly illegible) and Catherine Rooney as godparents The best interpretation of the handwriting is "Edward Talbot and Catherine Rooney"



75B: George Boucher's baptism in 1879 that shows Thomas and Hanora Talbot as godparents

Exhibit 76



76A: Baptism of James Sanders at St. Mary with Bridget A. Rooney as godmother

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76B: Baptism of Margaret Sanders at St. Mary with William Rooney as godfather

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77A: Baptism of Christopher Wright at St. Thomas the Apostle with Hugh and Mary Roney as godparents

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77B: Baptism of Andrew Wright at Nativity with John Rooney as godfather



2970 Archer in the Bridgeport neighborhood of Chicago that was built by John Rooney in 1896 [78A]

Marie Talbot lived with her uncle from at least 1908 through 1922, alongside another Rooney relative Kathryn Wright [Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2022]

J. L. Koster has designed for John Rooney a four-story store and flat building to be erected at 2972 Archer avenue. It will front 25 feet and have a depth of 92, be constructed of pressed brick and stone and cost \$10,000.

Building Permit - Chicago Chronicle (7/19/1896) [78B]

The address for the building permit was 2972 Archer. The present-day address is 2970 Archer. There is not an address that corresponds to 2972 Archer, so it is presumed to have just been the number used for the architect plans

About the Biographer, Michael E. Byczek

Michael E. Byczek has been a licensed Illinois attorney since May 2007 and real estate broker since April 2003. He is 6th generation Chicagoan (5th born in the city) and lifelong resident of the Bridgeport neighborhood with a Chicago lineage dating back to 1835 as the 3x-great-grandson of William and Julia Rooney.

He has a background in both computer science and engineering as a student at the Illinois Institute of Technology (Electrical and Computer Engineering) and graduate of the University of Maryland (B.S. Computer and Information Science, summa cum laude). He graduated from The John Marshall Law School in Chicago (J.D., cum laude) in 2007. Real estate brokerage training was completed through the Chicago Association of Realtors.

Michael was one of the first attorneys in the United States to develop legal apps for mobile devices beginning with Apple iOS in 2008 followed by Android in 2011. He continued developing legal apps for different platforms over the years and launched a digital and print book series in 2024.

Several I.T. certifications have been awarded as a macOS and Linux system administrator. Legal focus has been technology, intellectual property (patent, trademark, and copyright), estate plans, and real estate.

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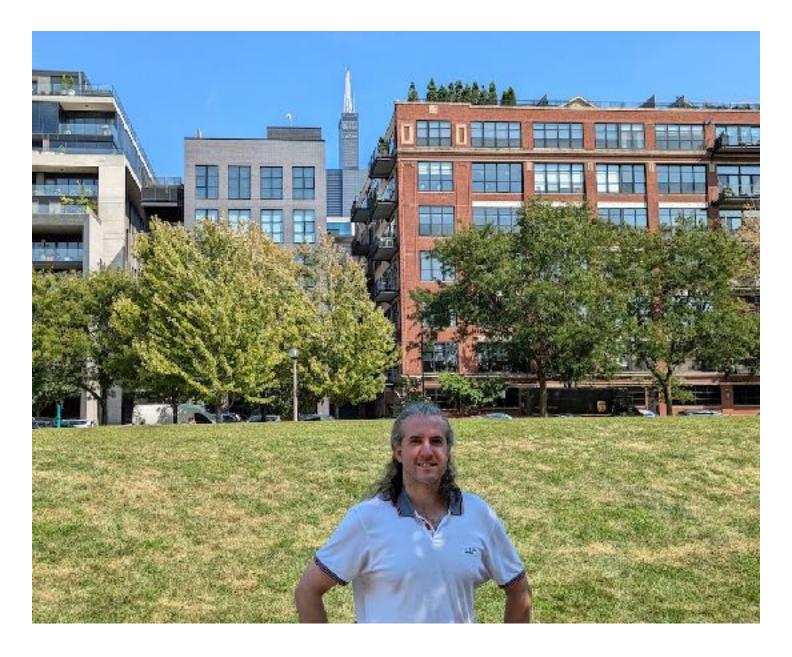
DNA Genealogy

Michael E. Byczek performed a DNA test through ancestry.com in 2024. As of December 15, 2024 he is a DNA match to the descendants of Kittie Talbot (in addition to his own direct lineage through Marie Talbot), Lizzie Periolat, Maggie Maher, and John Rooney (children of William Rooney and Julia Phelan).

He is also a DNA match to descendants of Edmund Rooney and Catherine Phelan/Whalen (son and daughter-in-law of Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer).

These are the only verified Rooney DNA matches as of December 15, 2024.





Michael E. Byczek (West Loop neighborhood of Chicago) [79A] [Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2024]



Michael E. Byczek at the William and Julia Rooney Residence located at 43 E. Division in Chicago (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2017) [79B]



Michael E. Byczek at the William and Julia Rooney family plot at Calvary Cemetery (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2016) [79C - this and below]

Note: Michael E. Byczek's height is 5 foot 11 inches - The monument is over 12 feet tall



Michael E. Byczek and the dedication by his 2x-great-grandmother Kittie (Rooney) Talbot on her parent's monument (Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2016)

Appendix I: Representative William and Julia Rooney Real Estate Transactions

Representative real estate transactions, both transcriptions and actual documents, are described in the following appendixes. Michael E. Byczek prepared the transcriptions from the actual legal documents filed with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds. A summary is provided to explain the chronology of transactions and may contain transcription errors, especially where the documents were illegible. This chronology of transactions serve as an informal legal title search of the properties for genealogical purposes. Transactions are only included from 1871 until the death of both William and Julia Rooney in 1885 [Citation Appendix].

- 1. 43 E. Division Chicago, IL
- 2. The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building Chicago, IL
- 3. William Rooney's Building Chicago, IL
- 4. Des Plaines Farm (NW and SW Quarters of Section 7)
- 5. Mt. Prospect Farm NE Quarter of Section 12
- 6. Mt. Prospect Farm SE Quarter of Section 12
- 7. Owen Rooney's Farm in Mt. Prospect
- 8. Timber Lots Section 9
- 9. Timber Lots Section 21
- 10. Eight residential lots near 57th and State Chicago, IL
- 11. Lake Street in the West Loop Chicago, IL

1. 43 E. Division - Chicago, IL

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
73018	11/1/1875 [Filed 2/19/1876]	Edward Harland and wife Hannah (Town of Lake View) -> Julia Rooney, wife of William Rooney (Chicago)	\$2,500 - Deed	West 50 feet of lot 1 of the subdivision of the N half of sublot of Block 1 of the south half of fractional 3-39-14 described as: Commencing at a point 20 feet and 9 inches east of the west line of Lot 1 on the south line of Division Street running thence east on said south line of Division St 20 feet and 9 inches. Thence south 5 degrees and 12 minutes east 36 feet to the south line of Lot 1, thence west along the south line 25 feet, thence north 5 degrees and 12 minutes west 36 feet to a point 50 feet south of Division St., thence west 4 feet and 3 inches to the center of the party or division wall between the two brick dwelling houses now standing on the said west 50 feet, thence north 5 degrees and 12 minutes west and running through the center of party wall 50 feet to the place of beginning. Also the undivided one half part of the 8 feet 6 inches strip lying next east and adjoining the north part of the tract above and running 50 feet in depth from the south line of Division St also granting to Rooney the right to use, without cost, within 4 years the east wall of a barn now standing on the rear of the lot next west and adjoining the lot for a party wall for a barn or out building should she elect to do so within that time

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
73092	11/1/1875 [Filed 2/21/1876]	Julia Rooney and husband William (Chicago) -> Henry George (Chicago) as trustee with Edward George as successor trustee	\$3,750 Loan	William Rooney is indebted to Edward Harland \$3,750 secured by 6 promissory notes payable to Harland at his office in Chicago with interest 10% One note being for \$2,500 and payable in five years and the other 5 notes for \$250 each and payable in one, two, three, four, and five years. William Rooney together with John P. Rooney is indebted to Harland in the further sum of \$1,050 on three promissory notes payable at his office and dated 12/31/1875. One of notes being \$500 with interest until paid at rate of 10% per annum and payable 10/1/1876, another being for \$500 with interest after 12/31/1876 at rate of 10% and due 10/1/1877 and the third for \$50 at 10% and due one year after. All of notes being given to Harland for payment on the property described below and for money to finish building thereon. Same description as original deed In case of default, right sell at door of any building being used as a court house in city of Chicago. If any court appoints a new trustee, \$30 shall be taken from the proceeds for attorney fees.
438473	9/20/1882	John Young and wife Martha (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$35 - Quitclaim	Except the west 25 feet, the west 50 feet (except street) of Lot 1 in North half of Block 1 in Canal Trustee subdivision of south fractional quarter of 3-39-14 Note: The two documents preceding this one in the book are for Edward Harland receiving what appears to be large tract of land on State St (perhaps between house and State). Therefore, this document between William Rooney and Young must be related to Harland, in order for these documents to have been filed in succession.
435753	11/29/1882	Edward Harland and wife Hannah (Chicago) -> Julia Rooney (Chicago)	\$105 - Deed	Commencing at a point 20 feet east of the west line of Lot 1 on the south line of Division St, thence east 9 inches, thence south 5 degrees 12 minutes east 50 feet, thence east 4 feet and 3 inches, thence south 5 degrees and 12 minutes east to the north line of a brick barn, thence west along the north line of said barn 5 feet, thence north 5 degrees 12 minutes west parallel to the west line of lot to the place of beginning.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
437145	11/29/1882	Julia Rooney and husband William (Chicago) -> Edward Harland (Chicago)	\$105 - Deed	Commencing at point 50 feet south 5 degrees 12 minutes east of a point on the south line of Division St 41 feet and 6 inches east of the west line of Lot 1, thence east 8 feet and 6 inches, thence south 5 degrees 12 minutes east 36 feet to the south line of Lot, thence east lone south line of Lot 8 feet and 6 inches thence north 5 degrees 12 minutes west 36 feet to the place of beginning being a strip of ground 8 feet and 6 inches wide on the east side of the south 36 feet of the west 50 feet of lot 1.
437146	11/29/1882	Julia Rooney, wife of William, and Edward Harland	Agreement	Julia Rooney and Edward Harland are owners as tenants in common of a strip of land 8 feet and 6 inches wide off from the east side of west 50 feet of lot 1 It is desired that strip of ground shall be perpetually reserved for a private alley to the joint use of said parties.
438472	12/13/1882	Edward Harland and wife Hannah -> Julia Rooney	\$105 - Deed	Commencing at point 20 feet east of west line of Lot 1 on the south line of Division St. thence east 9 inches, thence south 5 degrees and 12 minutes east 50 feet, thence east 4 feet and 3 inches, thence south 5 degrees 12 minutes east 17 feet to the north line of a brick barn, thence west along north line of barn 5 feet, thence north 5 degrees 12 minutes west 67 feet parallel to the west line of Lot to the place of beginning.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
447521	1/25/1883	Thomas Moulding and wife Sarah (Chicago) -> Julia Rooney	Quitclaim	For \$1 and the purpose of removing any supposed claim of Moulding by virtue of suit Moulding vs Edward Harland pending in Circuit Court of Cook County, All that part of lot 1 in Knauss subdivision of the north half of Block 1 in the Canal Trustee's subdivision of the south fraction of 3-39-14 described as: Commencing at a point 20 feet east of the west line of Lot 1 on the south line of Division Street thence east on said south line of Division St 21 feet and 6 inches. Thence south 5 degrees and 12 minutes east 86 feet to the south line of Lot 1, thence west along the south line 16 feet and 6 inches to east line of a brick barn, thence north 5 degrees 12 minutes west 19 feet to the north line of barn, thence west 5 feet, thence north 5 degrees 12 minutes west 67 feet to the place of commencement. Also undivided one half of strip of ground 8 feet and 6 inches in width and 86 feet in depth lying immediately east of the and adjoining the real estate.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
447522	2/1/1883	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) ->	\$3,100 - Trust Deed	William and Julia Rooney indebted to the legal holder of promissory note for \$3,100 Five years with interest of 6% per annum to be paid half yearly on the first of each of the months February and August and 8 percent after due (?). Ten coupon notes payable in city of New York, NY to who the holder may
		Lyman Baird (Chicago) as trustee + William H. Bradley as successor		appoint, or Bank of America in NY. If not paid within 20 days or any tax assessment not paid for 90 days, at option of holder, the entire amount shall become due
				Commencing at point 20 feet east of west line of Lot 1 in Knauss subdivision on the south line of Division Street since the widening of the the street, thence south 5 degrees 12 minutes east 67 feet to the north line of brick barn thence east along north line of barn 5 feet to east line thereof thence south 5 degrees 12 minutes east along east line of barn 19 feet to south line of Lot 1 thence east on south line of Lot 1 16 feet and 6 inches thence North 5 degrees and 12 minutes west 86 feet to the south line of Division St, thence west 21 feet and 6 inches to place of beginning. Also undivided one half of strip of ground 8 feet and 6 inches in width and 86 feet in depth lying immediately east of the and adjoining the real estate. More specifically described as: commencing at point 41 feet and 6 inches east of west line of Lot 1 on the south line of Division St since widening of the same, thence south 5 degrees and 12 minutes east 86 feet to the south line of Lot 1 thence east 8 feet and 6 inches thence north 5 degrees and 12 minutes west 86 feet to the south line of Division St thence west 8 feet and 8 inches to place of beginning.
				Julia Rooney must pay all taxes and furnish once a year on demand proper receipts. Julia Rooney shall also keep all buildings insured, and in case of fire, Julia Rooney shall do all things required by the policies to make the amounts due and payable.
				Deed is an assignment of leases in case of default. William and Julia Rooney appoint Lewis H. Boutell (illegible) or any other attorney to perform legal acts. He is also secondary successor trustee.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
448945	2/14/1883	Edward J. George, successor in trust (Henry P. George, trustee, deceased) -> Julia Rooney and William Rooney	Quitclaim	Quitclaim rights through Trust Deed dated 11/1/1875. Same description as the original Trust Deed with reference to the conveyance to Julia Rooney by Edward and Hannah Harland on 11/1/1875.

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2. The William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building - Chicago, IL

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105086	5/10/1873 Recorded on 5/27/1873.	William and Julia Rooney -> Lyman Baird	Trust Deed \$7,500	William Rooney is indebted to Francis Bradley (of cook county) Bond has penal sum of \$15,000. Appears that the date sum had to be paid back was 5/10/1876. 10% interest per centum per annum paid half yearly on 5/10 and 11/10. Six coupons. Payment made in New York to Bank of America (default appointment). Description: Begin at east line (of lot 1 block 32) 34 feet north of south east corner of lot thence north along east line 18 and 3/4 feet, thence west on line parallel with south line of lot 40 and 3/4 feet, thence south on line parallel with east line of lot 18 and 3/4 feet, thence east on a line parallel with south line of lot 40 and 3/4 feet to place of beginning. Otherwise described as: south 18 and 3/4 feet of north 56 and 1/4 feet of south half of east half of lot 1 Comprises tract of land on west side of Fifth Ave 18 and 3/4 feet and extends west 40 and 3/4 feet. Successors to Bradley: William H. Bradley then Lewis H. Boutell (both cook county).

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109791	6/10/1873 Recorded 6/19/1873	Lyman Baird -> William Rooney	Quitclaim Deed	William Rooney and wife executed deed of trust on 3/11/1870 (month is illegible). South third of the north 56 feet 3 inches of south half of east half of lot 1 in block 32 original town of Chicago. Trust deed has been fully paid and bond cancelled.
298113	10/28/1880 Recorded on 11/19/1880	William and Julia Rooney -> Aaron C. Goodman	Quitclaim Deed \$1	Full property description. Goodman from City of Hartford (County of Hartford) in Connecticut. Subject to Trust Deed #105086 Note: This document is the basis for the 1885 auction. Under the 1873 Trust Deed, the loan went into default in 1876. It's possible there was an unrecorded agreement regarding the outstanding balance. However, based on what was recorded, the loan would have been four years in default in 1880. It would appear that Goodman was supposed to take over payment. Yet, in 1885 the property was auctioned with William and Julia Rooney being in default.
610254	3/9/1885 Recorded on 3/17/1885	Thomas Allen -> William Rooney	Quitclaim	Allen acquired title interest through a deed of trust executed by Benjamin Hadduck on 4/26/1866. South third of north 56 feet 3 inches of south half of east half of lot 1 in block 32.

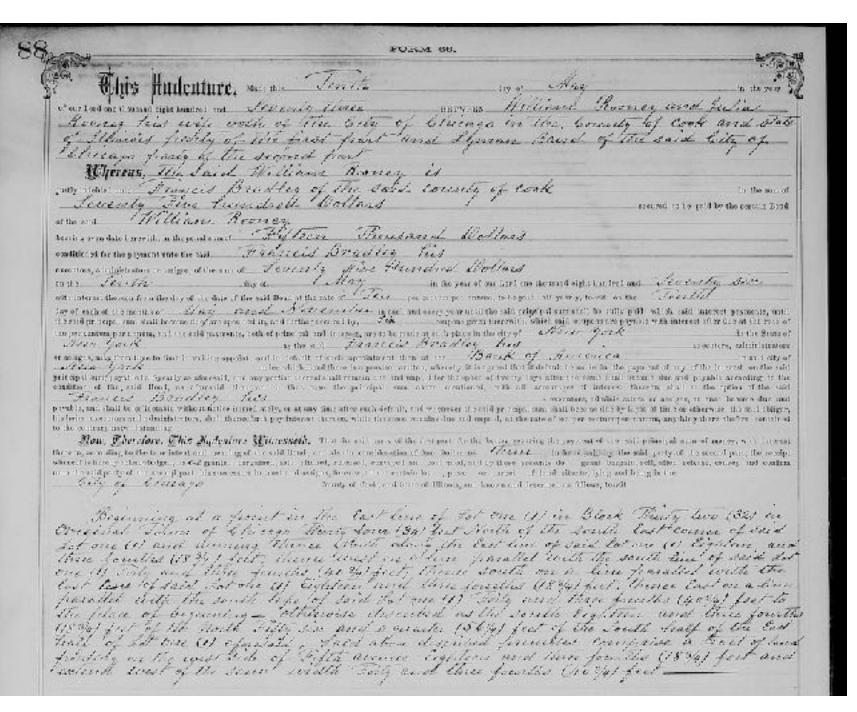
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610255	3/9/1885 Recorded on 3/17/1885	Aaron C. and Annie M. Goodman -> George L. Warner	Quitclaim	Goodman from City of Hartford in County of Hartford (Connecticut). Warner from Chicago. Description same as above that refers to Fifth Ave
610256	3/14/1885 Recorded on 3/17/1885	George L. and Elizabeth S. Warner -> Washington Porter	Special Warranty Deed \$11,500	Full property description Subject to all taxes and assessments subsequent to 1884 and all special assessments under which the improvements have not been made. All parties from Chicago

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624016	4/11/1885 Recorded on 5/12/1885	Lyman Baird -> Washington Porter	Deed \$10,889.13	William and Julia Rooney through trust deed #105086 secured payment through Lyman Baird bond for \$15,000 conditioned on payment to Francis Bradley the sum of \$7,500 on 5/10/1876 with interest. Trust deed provided that upon 20 days notice, Lyman Baird shall publish in newspaper and hold at auction sale of the property. Document states that the legal holder of the bond applied to Baird to have the property sold. On 3/19/1885, Baird published in the Chicago Daily Evening Journal that the property would be sold at public auction on 4/11/1885 at 10 am at east main door of the court house on Clark St. Notice was published daily for 20 successive days in the newspaper with the first date being 3/19/1885 and the last on 4/10/1885. Washington Porter was highest bidder in amount of \$10,889.13. Baird under authority of 1873 Trust Deed conveyed property to Washington Porter. Full property description.

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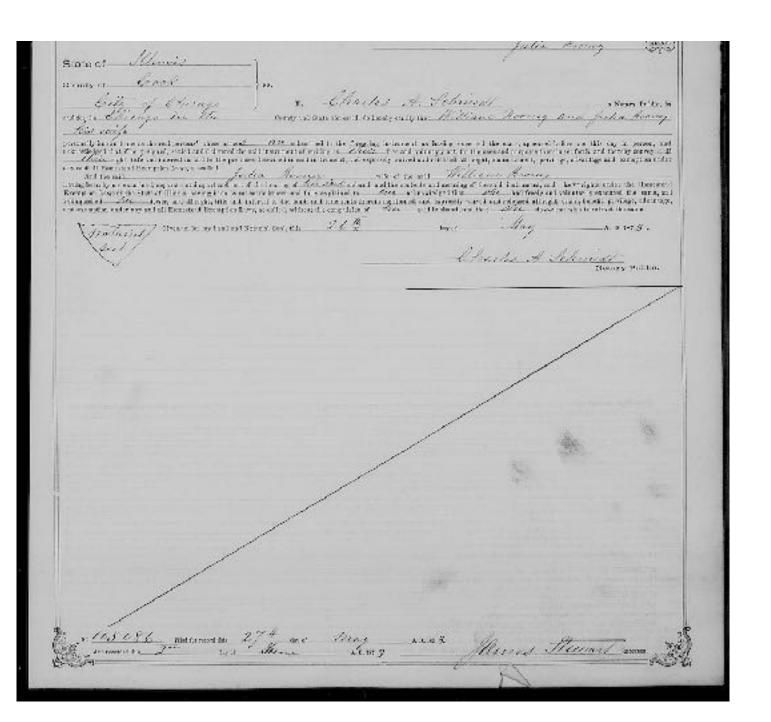
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3. William Rooney's Building - Chicago, IL

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137015 3/14/1870 [Filed 11/21/1873		Caesar A. Periolat and wife Elizabeth (Chicago)	\$3,000 - Deed	Lots 3, 5, 7, 10, 14, 16, 19, and 22 in Periolat's subdivision in south 147 feet on lot number 4 in the School Trustee's subdivision 16-38-14 Also undivided one third part of west 20 feet of north 70 feet of lot number 4 block 32 Original Town. Also one third part of east half of lot 14 block 20 Carpenter's Addition to Chicago
		William Rooney (Town of Maine)		Originally recorded as #45821 on 3/22/1870 in Book 581 of Deeds page 471
219063	3/15/1870 [Filed 4/22/1879]	Declaration of Trust by William Rooney	Trust	On 3/14/1870 Caesar A. Periolat and wife Elizabeth transferred to William Rooney for \$3,000 1. Lots 3, 5, 7, 10, 14, 16, 19, and 22 in Periolat's Subdivision in the south 147 feet on Lot 4 in the School Trustees Subdivision of 16-38-14 2. 1/3 interest in the west 20 feet of the north 70 feet of Lot 4 Block 32 Original Town of Chicago
				3. 1/3 interest of the east half of lot 14 Block 20 Carpenter's Addition to Chicago The real estate is held on trust to (1) repay myself the \$3,000 loaned to Periolat with interest at 10% per annum from this date for three years either by sale or mortgage at my option, (2) right to hold the proceeds of the sale and the premises themselves until sold for any purpose in trust for the use of Elizabeth Periolat (wife of Caesar) for life and after her death, the benefit of their children. William Rooney shall deduct each year from the rent and profit (if any), or sale/mortgage, the money needed for repairs, taxes, and special assessments.

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137014	9/28/1870 [Filed 12/12/1873]	Clemens F. Periolat and wife Mary Jane Frances (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Cook County)	\$7,000 - Deed	undivided one third part of west 20 feet of north seventy feet of lot 4 in block 32 in the original town of Chicago and being further described as being lot 3 in the Assessor's subdivision of lots 4 and 5 in Block 32 Old Town as recorded in Book 162 of Maps page 6. Originally filed 10/7/1870 in Book 633 of Deeds page 237.
51300	6/29/1872	Peter Periolat and wife Annie -> C F Periolat	\$2,500	Peter Periolat and wife Annie convey to 1/3 interest to C F Periolat (corner lot) subject to mortgage of \$3,000 (Charles Durand?)

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
96819	3/3/1873	Memorandum of Agreement of	Agreement	Cole is the owner of lots 2 and 4 of subdivision of lots 4 and 5 of block 32 original town.
		Samuel Cole (first party) and		Rooney/Periolat are owner of sublot 3 of the subdivision of lots 4 and 5 of block 32 original town.
		William Rooney and C. F. Periolat (second party combined)		Cole is about to erect a building on his property and at his expense build a brick party wall with stone foundation running the entire distance of the line separating the properties. Plan of the property is attached as exhibit A.
				Further agreed that when the second party decides to erect a building, the second party may use the party wall in exchange for payment.
				If the parties cannot agree as to the cash value, they will choose a disinterested person to do so.
				If the second party decides to enlarge their building, the same rules apply.
				If anything happens requiring repair (such as building destroyed by fire), both parties shall share equal cost.
				If Rooney/Periolat should happen to build first, then Cole will be bound by the same terms.
101030	Undated (probably about time recorded - 5/8/1873	Agreement between Clemens F. Periolat and William Rooney	Agreement	Periolat conveys 1/3 interest in SE corner Lake/Franklin for \$500. Rooney is to assure payment of mortgage dated 9/27/1871 in favor of Charles E. Durand payable 5 years bearing 10 percent payable semi-annually. Rooney also agrees to pay all liens, back taxes, and special assessments except one third of a special assessment made in 1869 for opening Franklin Street and also 1/3 of amount to be paid to Erhard of Joliet in settlement of debt that Erchard claims to hold against property. Periolat agrees to pay 1/3 of those two amounts. Periolat also agrees to give Rooney a good warranty deed of his 1/3 interest on condition that the \$500 be paid three years from 6/1/1873.

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110715	5/22/1873	Clemens F. Periolat and wife Mary -> William Rooney	\$500 - Deed	Undivided 1/3 part of sublot 3 in lot 4 block 32 original town being on the SE corner of Lake and Franklin and being 20 feet front on Lake by 70 feet on Franklin subject to taxes/assessments of 1873 and all the taxes/assessments except 1/3 of special assessment by City of Chicago in 1869 for opening Franklin St that Periolat agrees to pay. Also subject to a mortgage dated 9/27/1871 given by Periolat to Charles E. Durand and due five years from that date that Rooney assumes and agrees to pay.
190671	9/15/1874	William Rooney -> Lazarus Silverman	Document	William Rooney certifies that Silverman on that day cashed 8 orders (illegible) Shepherd of \$100 each (illegible) 223 Lake Street for months of September-December 1874 and January-April 1875 and guarantee payment of said orders at maturity and Rooney further agrees that Silverman has a good/valid lien on premises until orders fully paid. SE corner of Lake and Franklin, being 20 feet and nine inches on Lake Street and 70 feet and 14 inches on Franklin Street with a brick building thereon. Rooney agrees to assign the lease to Silverman and he continues to keep possession until fully paid and shall have a lien on property for the amount above.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
48453	8/23/1875	Public Sale for nonpayment of	Document	Real estate sold:
		taxes and special assessments on		sublot 3 of lots 4 and 5 of block 32 (original town of Chicago)
		10/16/1872		On 10/23/1872 the following was sold:
				 south half of lot 7 of block 100 in School Section Addition to Chicago improvements and lease hold interests in the north half of lot 8 of block 113 in School Section Addition south half of lot 12 of block 122 in School Section Addition lot 43 of block 125 in School Section Addition Improvements and leasehold interest on lot 20 of block 142 in School Section Addition
				On 10/25/1872 the following real estate was sold
				 Lots 9 and 10 of block 1 in Poyntzs Subdivision of South 20 acres of West half NE quarter of Section 28-39-14 Lot 7 of block 1 of Adam Murrays Addition to Chicago Lots 62, 63, and 64 all in block 5 in C H Walkers subdivision of that part south of north 30 acres (illegible) of east half and SE quarter of Section 28-39-14 Improvements on lots 21, 27, 34, 38 in block 6 and the improvements in lots 15, 20, and 10 in block 7 all in Uhlick and Muhlkes Addition to Chicago
				Looks like City of Chicago was granted the real estate subject to redemption.
72457	1/26/1876	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago)	\$11,000 Loan	William Rooney indebted to J. Williamson of Philadelphia Pennsylvania for \$11,000 to be paid three years at 8% per annum. To be paid on January and July 26th payable at Grand National Bank of Philadelphia.
		-> Eiskiel Phelps (illegible)		West 20 feet of the North 70 feet of Lot 4 of Block 32 (original town of Chicago) known as 223 Lake Street.

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192687	8/8/1878	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) -> John Mattocks (Chicago)	\$12,200 Loan	\$12,200 promissory note payable to Charles E. Durand (5 years) with 8% interest per centum per annum 8 coupons payable on 2/8 and 8/8 in amount of \$488 The west 20 feet of the north 70 feet of lot number 4 in block number 32 in "original town of Chicago" being otherwise described as lot number 3 in the assessor division of lots number 4 and 5 in block 32 old town and lots number 5, 6, and 8 and block 36 of old town Chicago as recorded in Book 102 of Maps on page 6.
238680	9/27/1879	Public Sale for nonpayment of taxes	Document	Auction: 9/12/1877 (or 1879 as illegible) Sublot 3 in lots 4 and 5 in Block 32 (original town) Convey onto Daniel J. Hubbard the real estate subject to redemption
444426	9/27/1879 [Filed 1/19/1883]	Daniel J. Hubbard and wife Sarah Alice (Englewood) -> Mary Carbine Bluhm (Milwaukee County, Wisconsin)	\$1,420 Quitclaim	Sublot 3 of lots 4 and 5 in block 32 (original town of Chicago)
601373	1/27/1885	William Rooney (Chicago) -> Julia Rooney (Chicago)	\$1	Sublot 3 or Lots 4 and 5 in Block 32 (Original Town) ** Note ** Document # looks like 601373 versus 601873

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4. Des Plaines Farm (NW and SW Quarters of Section 7)

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
33486	4/26/1863 [Filed 6/10/1875]	Charles Follanshee and wife Sally (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$893.75 - Lien Release	All land in NW quarter of 7-41-12 (35.25 acres) on the SW side of an adjoining Deer Grove Road and also adjoining land formerly sold to Rooney from Follansbee in the NW quarter of section 7
33485	6/1/1875	William Rooney and wife Julia Rooney (Chicago) -> Lyman Baird (Cook County)	\$3,500 Lien	William Rooney is indebted to Francis Bradley (Cook County) for \$3,500 with the penal sum of \$7,000 This document, William Rooney makes payment of \$3,500 to be paid on 6/1/1878 Payments due in June and December for six payments (10% per centum per annum) Payments payable to whoever Bradley appoints in New York, or in default, Bank of America in New York Real Estate in Town of Maine: That part of the east 80 acres of the fractional SW quarter 7-41-12 which lies north and east of that land conveyed to the Illinois and Wisconsin Railroad by Charles Follansbee on 8/27/1853 (Recorded in Book 100 of Deeds Page 570) containing 56 and 94/100 acres ** Presumedly, William Rooney's land being conveyed is the 56 acres, meaning that Follansbee land was 24 acres (representing total of 80 acres) ** Also the NW fractional quarter of section 7 that lies south and west of Deer Grove Road containing 80 and 75/100 acres.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
111448	11/11/1876	Cook County Sheriff Francis Agnew -> Samuel Bliss and William Topliff	\$646.45 - Court Judgment	Bliss and Topliff are plaintiffs (in Superior Court of Cook County) against William Rooney (defendant) for \$646.45 dated 8/12/1876 Real estate as described in 33485 sold to Samuel Bliss through notice on Criminal Court for highest bid of \$686.09. Real estate must be redeemed by 2/11/1878 or Bliss receives Deed to the property
165606	1/12/1878	Samuel Hoard and wife Sofkronia (?) (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$100 - Deed	Town of Maine: part of the SW fractional quarter of 7-41-12 lying west of the east 80 acres and north of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway containing about 18 acres
179163	2/11/1878	Sheriff -> Julia Rooney	Redemption	"Redemption" of Samuel Bliss (above) judgment, which was assigned to Andrew J. McDuffe (certificate of purchase) McDuffee assigned the certificate of purchase to Julia Rooney [* Not quite a redemption, because the certificate was reassigned, not explicitly paid *] ** The deed to Julia only refers to: that part of the NW fractional quarter of section 7 which lies south and west of the Deer Grove Road and containing 80 and 75/100 acres, without any mention of the 56 acres (This could just be a mistake, but on paper, Julia may not have obtained the entire real estate back) **

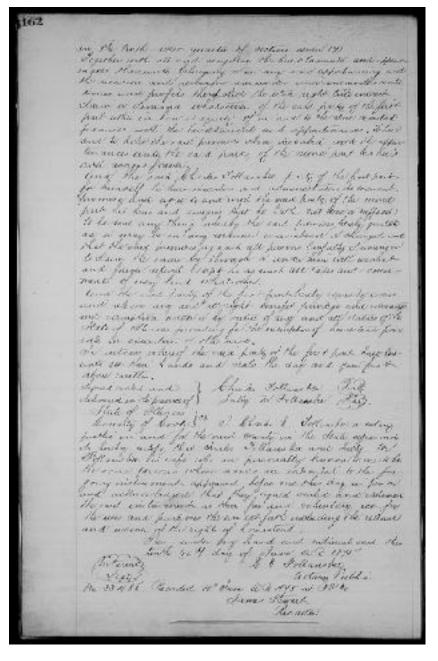
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179001	3/11/1878	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) -> John Seegers (Cook County)	\$5,900 - Deed	Town of Maine: that part of the SW quarter of 7-41-12 lying north of the Chicago and North Western Railroad right of way containing 76 and 65/100 acres William Rooney must enter the property after 4/1/1879 and remove the dwelling house, which remains the property of William Rooney. Also one acre off of the east end of the NW fractional quarter of section 7 lying south of the Dundee and Rand Road or highway.
179164	5/3/1878	John Seegers -> William Rooney	Agreement	John Seegers bought from William Rooney land described in 12/11/1877 (Chicago) and agreed to pay \$6,860.25 ** Doesn't say what property, and doesn't appear to have anything to do with Des Plaines farm, based on amount and date (could just be estimate versus actual) ** ** This could indicate that there is an unknown property that William also sold to Seegers, which location is unknown ** Seeger has paid the sum of \$785.25 leaving balance of \$6,075 There is an incumbrance of \$3,500 that Lyman Baird is Trustee for the sum of \$4,100. There are also judgments against William Rooney attached to that land and unpaid taxes William Rooney delivers deed to that land to Seegers and Seegers agrees to pay the judgments and taxes subtracted from the remaining balance of \$6,075 within six months with 8% interest per annum unless the judgments and taxes are greater than the balance (Rooney must pay the excess).

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
185651	6/1/1878	Lyman Baird (Trustee of the City of Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$1 Quitclaim	Rights of the Trust Deed by William Rooney and wife (6/1/1875) with document number 33485 East 80 acres of fractional SW quarter of 7-41-12 which lies north and east of the land conveyed to Illinois and Wisconsin Railroad by Charles Follansbee 8/27/1853, the piece herby conveyed containing 56 and 94/100 acres. Also that part of NW fractional quarter of section 7 that lies south and west of Deer Grove Road containing 80 and 75/100 acres.
185647	6/12/1878	John Seegers -> William Rooney	Agreement	William Rooney acknowledges that existing agreement with Seegers (#179164) has been satisfied
185650	6/22/1878	Cook County Sheriff -> William Rooney	Certificate of Redemption	The following real estate was sold at auction on 12/17/1877 based on order from Circuit Court dated 11/19/1877 (illegible) for a judgment from the November 1876 term. Joseph McDuffe referred to as Plaintiff The redemption refers to the original property description from the Samuel Bliss judgment [* See note about reassignment to Julia Rooney *] William Rooney repaid the original purchase price (auction) plus interest of 10% per annum.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
192686	8/8/1878	Julia Rooney (in her own right) and husband William (Chicago) -> John Mattocks (Chicago)	\$12,200 Loan	\$12,200 promissory note payable to Charles E. Durand (5 years) with 8% interest per centum per annum 8 coupons payable on 2/8 and 8/8 in amount of \$488 ** Exact same details (other than ordering of Julia and William's names) as Franklin/Lake and Block 36 document ** The NW fractional quarter of 7-41-12 except the portion of said quarter lying north of center of Dundee Road containing 90 and 90/100 acres
549211	3/27/1884	Adam S. Glos wife Emilie (Elmhurst) -> Julia Rooney (Chicago)	\$213 - Quitclaim	Except east one acre the south forty five acres of NW fractional quarter 7-41-12
535372	3/29/1884	Lyman Baird and Francis Bradley	Lien Discharge - \$1	Discharge lien through judgment rendered in their favor against Ellen Geary, David Geary, and William Rooney. Transcript entered as number 1611 in Circuit Court on 9/13/1880, only against the following property, not any other property. NW fractional quarter 7-41-12 except portion lying north of center of Dundee Road, what being conveyed containing 90 and 90/100 acres.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
535373	4/4/1884	Julia Rooney and husband William (Chicago) -> John C. Seegers (Cook County)	\$7,200 - Deed	NW fractional quarter of 7-41-12 except portion lying north of center of Dundee Road containing 90 and 90/100 acres
535371	4/4/1884	John Mattocks (Trustee) -> Julia Rooney and husband William	Quitclaim	Quitclaim rights of Trust dated 8/8/1878 The NW fractional quarter of 7-41-12 except what is lying north of center of the Dundee Road, containing 90 and 90/100 acres.

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5. Mount Prospect Farm (NE Quarter of Section 12)

Document	Date	Parties	Amount	Notes
252517	5/1/1863 [Filed 1/13/1880]	John Rooney and wife Ellen (Town of Maine) -> J. L. Willmarth (town of Stamford, County of Bennington, Vermont)	\$1,710.61 Lien	John Rooney indebted to Willmarth for \$1,710.61 secured to be paid by 4 promissory notes payable as: one note \$430.89 payable on 11/1/1864 one of \$426.39 payable in one year to current date one of \$426.39 two years one of \$426.39 three years all drawing interest of 10% per annum with interest payable at end of each year All of Lots 1 and 2 of the NE quarter 12-41-11 except 24 acres sold to Owen Rooney in the SW corner of this quarter - About 130 acres Also 3 and 87/100 acres described as: -> part of the east half of the NW quarter of Section 16 in Town of Maine -> Start at post on east line of said quarter distance south of the NE corner 6 chains and 63 links -> south with the east line 9 chains and 7 links to post. -> a maple 20 inches in diameter bears south 84 degrees west 19 links -> an elm 30 inches in diameter bears south 64.5 degrees east distance of 46 links -> south 87.5 degrees west along William Johnston's line two chains to a post -> elm (ten inches) diameter bears north 47.5 degrees west distance of 46 links -> north 29.75 degrees west 9 chains and 50 links to a post -> elm (ten inches) diameter bears north 47.5 degrees west distance of 46 links -> north 82.25 east 6 chains and 75 links to place of beginning Containing about 134 acres (total) In case of default, Willmarth shall advertise a sale for 20 days in a newspaper published in City of Chicago or by posting written or printed notices in four places in the county, auction shall take place at the north door of the Courthouse Chicago. Originally filed as document 66143 on 5/5/1863

Document	Date	Parties	Amount	Notes
35683	6/11/1866 [Filed 6/23/1875]	John Rooney and wife Ellen Rooney (Town of Maine) -> Homer Willmarth (Town of Barrington)	\$675 - Warranty Deed	-> Begin at SE corner of NE quarter of 12-41-11 and go west 15 chains to a post -> Then north 10 chains to a post -> Then east 15 chains to a post -> Then south 10 chains to place began -> Total of 15 acres
167091	6/21/1875 [Filed 1/25/1878]	Homer Willmarth (Town of Barrington) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	Agreement	\$672.34 - Articles of Agreement that when William Rooney makes payment, Homer Willmarth will convey by Warranty Deed (payable in one year at 10% per centum per annum) -> Same description as 35683
397462	12/1/1876 [Filed 5/23/1882]	Homer Willmarth and wife Mary Willmarth (Barrington) -> John Rooney (Town of Maine)	\$775.05 - Deed	-> Same as usual 15 acre description with Willmarth
114462	12/7/1876	John Rooney and wife Hellen/Nelly Rooney (Town of Maine) -> Homer Willmarth (Town of Barrington)	\$775 - Mortgage	 (payable in two years at 10% interest annum) -> Same description as 35683 -> Note in margin that Willmarth released the mortgage on 8/27/1878 for payment in full

Document	Date	Parties	Amount	Notes
168694	2/7/1878	John Rooney and wife Ellen Rooney (Town of Elk Grove) -> Michael O'Connor (Chicago)	\$7,500 - Appears to be a lien	All of Lots 1 and 2 of the NE quarter 12-41-11 except 24 acres sold to Owen Rooney in the SW corner of this quarter - About 130 acres Also 3 and 87/100 acres described as -> part of the east half of the NW quarter of Section 16 in Town of Maine -> Start at post on east line of said quarter distance south of the NE corner 6 chains and 63 links -> south with the east line 9 chains and 7 links to post a maple 20 inches in diameter -> bear south 84 degrees west 19 links to an elm 30 inches in diameter -> bearing south 64.5 degree distance of 46 links -> south 87.5 degrees west along William Johnston's line two chains to a post -> north 29.75 degrees west 9 chains and 50 links to a post elm (ten inches) diameter -> bear north 47.5 degrees west distance of 46 links -> north 82.25 east 6 chains and 75 links to place of beginning Except 15 acres of SE corner of NE quarter deeded to Homer Willmart on 6/11/1866 and recorded 6/23/1875 and subject to mortgage of \$1,700.10 dated 5/1/1863 payable to Willmarth recorded 5/5/1863
185707	2/8/1878	Michael O'Connor and wife Margaret O'Connor (Chicago) -> John Rooney (Town of Elk Grove)	\$6,500 - Deed	-> Same Description as 168694

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235234	5/1/1878 [Filed 9/2/1879]	John Rooney and wife Nelley (Town of Maine) -> Homer Willmarth (Town of Barrington)	Promissory Note for \$1,429.34	Payable in two years drawing interest at 8% per annum payable at end of year after 9/1/1878 All of Lots 1 and 2 of the NE quarter 12-41-11 except 24 acres sold to Owen Rooney in the SW corner of this quarter - About 130 acres Also: Begin at SE corner of NE quarter of 12-41-11 and go west 15 chains to a post -> Then north 10 chains to a post -> Then east 15 chains to a post -> Then south 10 chains to place began -> Total of 15 acres Total of about 145 acres
195004	8/27/1878	William Rooney and wife Julia Rooney (Chicago) -> Homer Willmarth (Barrington)	\$1 - Quit Claim Deed	-> Same Description as 35683 -> Comment that William and Julia Rooney quit claim their interest from the 6/21/1875 agreement
336747	5/2/1881	John Rooney and wife Ellen Rooney (Chicago) [Mortgagors] -> Homer Willmarth (Barrington)	\$3,826.36 - Mortgage	(payable in five years at 7% per annum) -> Same description as deed to Michael O'Connor, except refers to 115 acres and also mentions the same information about Owen Rooney and 24 acres -> Along with same description of the William/Julia 15 acres -> Total of 130 acres

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6. Mount Prospect Farm (SE Quarter of Section 12)

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175811	1/17/1878	Bridget Anna Boucher formerly Bridget Anna Rooney and husband Patrick Boucher (Chicago) -> Julia Rooney (Chicago, wife of William)	\$1 - Deed	Commencing at the NE corner of the SE quarter of 12-41-11 and running thence west on the north line of SE quarter 14 and 95/100 chains, thence south 4 and 93/100 chains to the line of the right of way of Chicago and North Western Rail Road thence south easterly along line of right of way 17 and 30/100 chains to the east line of Section, thence north along section line 13 and 56/100 chains to place of beginning containing 13 and 82/100 acres, otherwise described as the east 14 chains and 95 links of the east half of the SE quarter of section 12 lying north of the Chicago and North Western Rail Road.
179002	3/11/1878	Julia Rooney in her own right and William Rooney, her husband (Chicago) -> John C. Seegers (Town of Maine)	\$1,000 - Deed	Commencing at the NE corner of the SE quarter of 12-41-11 and running thence west on the north line of SE quarter 14 and 95/100 chains, thence south 4 and 92/100 chains to the line of the right of way of Chicago and North Western Rail Road thence south easterly along line of right of way 17 and 30/100 chains to the east line of Section, thence north along section line 13 and 56/100 chains to place of beginning containing 13 and 32/100 acres, otherwise described as the east 14 chains and 95 links of the east half of the SE quarter of section 12 lying north of the Chicago and North Western Rail Road.

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7. Owen Rooney's Farm in Mt. Prospect

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
161084	4/7/1874	Edward Bourke -> Ezra C. Eggleston	Articles of Agreement	Bourke shall after Eggleston make payment, convey warranty deed land described as "two flucid fields" (illegible) in "north end" (illegible) of lot 2 of the NW quarter of 12-41-11 lying on both sides of the Chicago and Northwestern RR track and supposed to contain 41 acres Eggleston agrees to pay \$150 per acre as follows: \$25 down, \$975 within 30 days and balance in annual payments of \$1,000 until paid with interest on payments due in one year to be 9% with interest at 7% per centum per annum and to pay all tax assessments.
161085	4/7/1874	Owen Rooney -> Ezra C. Eggleston	Articles of Agreement	Rooney shall after Eggleston make payment, convey warranty deed Land described as lot 1 of the NW quarter 12-41-11 also 24 acres in the NE quarter being a farm occupied by Owen Rooney "containing 100 acres" (don't know if this refers to the total amount of land combined) Eggleston agrees to pay \$100 per acre as follows: \$25 down, \$75 six days after, \$900 within 30 days, \$1,500 one year after with 9%, and balance four years with interest 7% per centum per annum and to pay all tax assessments.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
169758	4/7/1874	Owen Rooney and wife Anne -> Ezra C. Eggleston	\$10,400 - Deed	E half of NW quarter of 12-41-11 Also part of NE quarter Beginning at the SW corner of NE quarter running N on quarter section line 7 and 80/100 chains to the southerly line of the right of way of the Chicago and Northwestern RR, thence S 58 degrees E along southerly line to the south line of quarter section thence W along south line 13 and 65/100 chains to place of beginning Also part of NE quarter described as: Beginning on the W line of quarter section at intersection of line with northerly line of right of way of Chicago and Northwester RR running thence N on quarter section line 13 chains thence S 58 degrees E parallel to RR 12 and 70/100 chains thence E 3 chains thence S 14 and 90/100 chains to northerly line of RR, thence N 58 degrees W along northerly line to place of beginning except taxes and assessments subsequent to year 1873
169799	4/7/1874	Ezra C. Eggleston (Chicago) -> Trust (Patrick W. Snowhook - Trustee in Chicago)	\$9,400 Loan	Promissory Notes payable to Owen Rooney for part payment of following real estate 1. Sum of \$1,500 (payable in one year at 9% per annum) 2. Sum of \$7,900 (payable in four years at 7% annum) 1. East fractional half of the NW quarter of 12-41-11 2. And also part of the NE quarter of the said section beginning at SW corner of the NE quarter -> Running north on quarter section line seven and 80/100 chains to the southerly line of the right of way of Chicago and Northwestern Rail Road -> Then south 58 degrees east alone southerly line to the south line of said quarter section -> Then west along south line 13 and 65/100 chains to the place of beginning 3. Also part of NE quarter of section 12 beginning on the west line of said quarter section at intersection of said line with northerly line of right of way of Railroad -> Then north on the quarter section line 13 chains -> Then south 58 degrees east parallel with railroad 12 and 70/100 chains -> Then south 14 and 90/100 chains to the northerly line of railroad -> Then north 58 degrees west along said north line to place of beginning

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
166488	4/27/1874	Edward/ Edmund Burke and wife Annie -> Owen Rooney	\$10 - Quitclaim	East half of the NW quarter of 12-41-11 reserving the right of way for the RR as it now passes through the land
170031	5/3/1874	Ezra C. Eggleston (Chicago) -> Owen Rooney and wife Anne in joint tenancy (Town of Elk Grove)	\$1,333 - Deed	part of NE quarter of 12-41-11 described as: Beginning at the SW corner of NE quarter running N on quarter section line 7 and 80/100 chains to the southerly line of the right of way of the Chicago and Northwestern RR, thence S 48 degrees E along southerly line to the south line of quarter section thence W along south line 13 and 65/100 chains to place of beginning, containing 5 and 33/100 acres. Also the E 8 acres of that part of NE quarter described as: Beginning on the W line of quarter section at intersection of line with northerly line of right of way of Chicago and Northwester RR running thence N on quarter section line 13 chains thence S 58 degrees E parallel N said RR 12 and 71/100 chains thence E 3 chains thence S 14 and 90/100 chains to northerly line of RR, thence N 58 degrees W along northerly line to place of beginning. the west line of said 8 acres to run N and S

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
185164	6/15/1878	Owen Rooney's children purchased at auction	\$2,500	Looks like Owen's children bought property at auction from the Eggleston Subdivision of Mt. Prospect (6/10/1878 - auction) \$2,500 (Peter Rooney, William Rooney, James Rooney, Joseph Rooney, Michael Rooney, Edward Rooney, and Mary McBride Notice published in Chicago Legal News 4/20/1878 - 5/11/1878 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, and 32 in Block 21 of Mt Prospect (E. E. Eggleston's Subdivision of the NW Quarter and part of the NE Quarter of Section 12 Township 41. South 33 rods of the east half of the SW Quarter of Section 34 Township 42 North Range 11. East half of the NW Quarter of Section 12 except right of way of railroad and as designated on plot of Mt. Prospect. Lots 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38 in Block 12 Block 17 Piece of land described as: Commence at SE corner of NW Quarter Section 12 running west along south line of Quarter section 754 and 84/100 feet hence north to southerly line of railroad, thence south easterly along southerly line to east line of quarter thence south along east line of quarter to place of beginning.

8. Timber Lots - One lot in Section 9 ("Lot 14")

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
26553	11/13/1874	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) -> Constantine Bender (Township of Maine)	\$950 (Deed)	Lot 14 in section 9-41-12 commencing at the NE corner of SW quarter south ten chains and 55 links south five degrees and thirty minutes west 7 chains and 70 links thence north 11 chains and 70 links thence east 7 chains and 60 links to place of beginning containing 8 and 1/2 acres.
77611	3/20/1876	John Forsythe and wife Eliza W. (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$5 - Quitclaim	Quitclaim to William Rooney - Lot 14 in the SW quarter 9-41-12
375137	5/16/1876 [Filed 2/13/1882]	John Conant and wife Anne (?) (Wisconsin) and Betsey M. Conant, Marcy (?) Conant, Melissa W. Conant (his wife), and Coretta (?) Conant (Rockford, County of Winnebago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$20 - quitelaim	Lot 14 in the SW quarter 9-41-12 Described as: commencing at the NE corner of SW quarter, thence south 10 and 55 chains thence south 85 degrees West 7 and 70 chains, thence north 11 and 70 chains, thence east 7 and 60 chains to place of beginning
427254	9/30/1882	Adam Glos and wife Emilie (Elmhurst, DuPage)	\$61 - Quitclaim	Quitclaim to William Rooney (Chicago) all interest in lot 14 SW quarter of 9-41-12.

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
425203	10/7/1882	William M. Brophy (Special Commissioner) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	Commissioner Deed	On 9/20/1882 Superior Court of Cook County on the Chancery side entered decree in William Rooney v. Constantine and Louise Bender that Bender deliver a quit claim deed. They failed to do so, thus Brophy through power and authority appointed by the Superior Court entered this quit claim deed for \$1. Lot 14 in SW quarter of 9-41-12
425647	10/11/1882	Affidavit - Mrs. Betsy M. Conant, widow of Augustus Conant	Document	States that John Conant, Marcy Conant, and Caretta Conant (not sure of first names) executed a quit claim deed of lot 14 in SW quarter of 9-41-12 to William Rooney dated 5/16/1876 and that they were the only surviving children of Augustus Conant. On that date, John Conant and his wife Amy (illegible) executed the deed, Marcy and his wife Melisa, executed the deed. Caretta was unmarried.
430753	11/3/1882	Lyman Baird and Francis Bradley (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	Discharge of Lien	\$1 paid to William Rooney to release and discharge from any lien upon the premises through transcript of judgment filed in Circuit Court of Cook County 9/13/1880 as number 1611 (but not a discharge against any other property owned by William Rooney at the date of judgment) lot 14 of the SW quarter of 9-41-12
431346	10/20/1882	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) -> Frederick Wegner (Town of Maine)	\$510 (Deed)	Lot 14 of SW 1/4 of 9-41-12 containing 8.5 acres.

9. Timber Lots - One lot in Section 21 ("9 acre lot")

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
46043	12/19/1861 [Filed 7/29/1872]	William Rooney (Town of Maine) and wife -> John B. Poyer (Town of Maine)	\$60 - Deed	west half of NE quarter of Section 21 in Town of Maine: commencing at a post (illegible) east of NW corner of said west half 7 chains and 90 links (7.90) and south six degrees west two chains and 57 links (2.57) from which point a red oak 12 inches in diameter bears north 81 degrees east distance 22 links and running from thence south 83.75 degrees east 5 chains and 62 links (5.62) thence south 13 chains and five links (13.05) to SE corner of land owned by Thomas Boyce thence west 7 chains and 13 links (7.13) thence north six degrees east 14 chains and 60 links (14.60) to place of beginning 9 acres (more/less) Originally filed as document 73908 on 12/10/1863

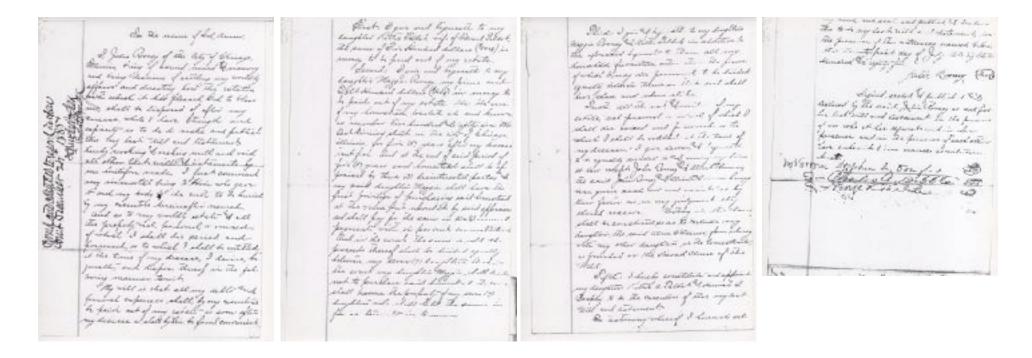
10. Eight residential lots near 57th and State - Chicago, IL

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
143140	12/13/1873	Bernard Engel and wife Sophie (Chicago) -> William Rooney (Chicago)	\$400 - Quitclaim	Lots 3, 5, 7, 10, 14, 16, 19, and 22 in Periolat's subdivision of south 147.5 feet of lot 4 in 16-38-14
161426	4/6/1874	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) -> William Kimball (Chicago), as trustee, and James Fake (?) as secondary trustee	\$2,200 Promissory Note	Promissory note payable to the order of John K. Chase (Massachusetts, County of Middlesex) Due 5 years for sum of \$2,200 with semi-annual payments at 10% per annum and evidenced by 10 interest notes for \$110 each due in 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, 42, 48, 54, and 60 months payable at the Bescott (?) National Bank in the City of Lowell, Massachusetts. Town of Lake: Lots 3, 5, 7, 10, 14, 16, 19, and 22 in Periolat's subdivision of south 147.5 feet of lot 4 in school trustee's subdivision of 16-38-14

11. Lake Street in the West Loop - Chicago, IL

Document #	Date	Parties	Amount	Summary
27434	4/18/1872	William Rooney and wife Julia (Chicago) -> Clemens F. Periolat (Chicago)	\$1,400 - Deed	East half of Lot 14 in Block 20 of Carpenter's Addition to Chicago
114292	9/10/1872	William Rooney and wife Julia (Town of Maine) -> Clemens F. Periolat	\$1,400 - Deed	East half of lot 14 in block 20 of Carpenter's Addition to Chicago

Appendix II - Copy of Julia Rooney's Original Will



The original hand written Will, probably in the hand of her attorney, was four pages long [Citation Appendix II-A]

Julia Rooney signed the last page

Zoom views are shown below

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or () years soul homestedd shall be ap. praised by three (3) disinterested parties, & my said daughter Maggie shall have the first privilege of purchasing said homestead at the value put upont it by said appraise and shall pay for the same in pix (6) annual payments, with sir per cent annual Suturst. and in the winh the same is sold the proceeds thereof shall be divided equally believe my seven (7) daughters. Cled in the work my daughter Maggie shall decide not to purchase said homestead the same shall become the property of my seven (7) daughters who shall hold the same for as levaulo in Common

Third: I give " bequeath to my daughters Maggie Rooney Ed Killie Calbot, in addition to The aformatid bywesto to them, all my household furniture, other than the piano, of which I may die possessed to be divided Equally believen their so that each shall have share and share alike, South: all the rest, the residue of my estate, real personal or mixed, of which I shall die seised and possessed or to which I shall be sutitled at the time of my dicease, of gir, devise, "It bequeath to be equally divided to ack among my heiro

to be equally divided to at law Except John Rooney Ed alice O'Bonnor, the said John Romey Walies Olomur having born given such aid and assistance by their father as in my judgment they should receive. Nothing in this clause shall be construed so as to Exclude my daughter, the said alice O'Connor, form charing with my other daughters in the homestead, as formided in the Second Clause of this Fifth: I hereby constitute and appoint my daughters Mittil a. Talbat " Haunal Q. Josephy to be the Executoro of this, my last Will and betament. On testimony whereof I hereunto set

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Reception to Old Settlers.

The eighth annual reception to the Old Settlers of Chicago, tendered by the Calumet Club, will take place Thursday, May 20. The following is a list of deaths of old settlers. which have been reported to the Old Settlers Committee since the last reception, May 21, 1885, the figures following the date of death showing the year of settlement in Chicago. David Andrews, died May 29, 1885, 1837; Sergeant Joseph Adams, June 9, 1885, 1833: Theodorus Doty, June 11, 1885, 1837; Betsey N. Holbrook, June 11, 1885. Marcia M. Smith, June 15, 1885, 1835; Euza M. (Bates) Gage, July 9, 1885, John Toner, July 19, 1885, --: Susannah G. King, Sept. 11, 1885, 1836; Chackfield, Oct. 8, 1885, 1835; Colonel Ezra Taylor, Oct. 25, 1885, 1836; Julia Ann Davis, Oct. -, 1885, 1835; Charles M. Gray, Oct. 17, 1885, --: Susan M. Rucker, Nov. 25, 1885, 1837; Julia Rooney, Dec. 13, 1885, 1837; Caroline E. Pool, Dec. 13, 1885. 1838; Rudolph Migury, Dec. 31, 1885, 1834; Thomas Dugan, Jan. 3, 1886, 1836; General David Hunter, - 1886, 1828; Dennison Horton, Jan. 4, 1886, 1836; John Hackett, Feb. 4, 1886, 1834; Edward

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Old Settler Newspaper Tributes for Julia Rooney's Death with arrival date of 1837

Left: Chicago Inter Ocean - 4/29/1886 [Citation Appendix II-B] Right: Chicago Tribune - 5/20/1886 [Citation Appendix II-C]

Next Steps in Genealogical and Biographical Research

Michael E. Byczek has identified the following research items as the most important next steps to fully document William and Julia Rooney's biography:

- 1. Date and location of William Rooney and Julia Phelan's marriage.
- 2. Date and location of Julia Phelan's birth along with her parental information.
- 3. Date of their arrival in the United States, such as a ship passenger list (only one has been found for a William and Judith Rooney without children, or any other identifying information).
- 4. Their residences in New York (and possibly other states) prior to permanent settlement in Chicago.
- 5. Date and location of baptism for their son John Rooney, including verification of whether the record found in Manhattan is accurate.
- 6. Date and location of baptism for their son Hugh Rooney, since his birth took place around the time of permanent transition between New York and Illinois.
- 7. Dates and location of baptisms for their daughters Anna, Hannah, and Josephine in Chicago or the suburbs.
- 8. More precise date of William and Julia Rooney's initial arrival in Chicago.
- 9. When and where William Rooney became a U.S. citizen, and therefore his wife through their marriage.
- 10. Complete inventory of all real estate owned by William and Julia Rooney, before and after the 1871 Chicago Fire, including how many buildings they constructed.
- 11. Whether the case file still exists for William Rooney's 1850 federal land patent claim that was denied. A claim required details about the family and land.
- 12. Whether court records still exist to determine exact distribution of assets from the real estate auction during Julia Rooney's probate proceedings.
- 13. William and Julia Rooney were each asked to write their biographies three times: (A) the 1876 Centennial, (B) The Old Settler's Club, and (C) the Mosher Memorial "time capsule". If these biographies are found (six total three each), the documents are expected to reveal very specific family information about early life in Chicago.
- 14. Whether the William and Julia Rooney family can be found in missing census years, including the agriculture editions.
- 15. Complete chronology of Chicago addresses from the 1830s through the 1870s, including the existence of rental properties versus ownership records.
- 16. Verification for which of William Rooney's siblings joined him in Chicago.
- 17. A complete record of all Rooney and Phelan immediate or close relatives in Chicago, New York, and elsewhere in the United States.
- 18. A more precise chronology for the marriages of William and Julia Rooney's children (those for which records have not been found outside Chicago or prior to the 1871 Fire) and identities/timelines for all their grandchildren.
- 19. William and Julia Rooney's grandson Judge John Rooney was a regular guest speaker at historical events in Mt. Prospect and Elk Grove. It is unknown whether transcripts or detailed notes exist from these presentations.
- 20. Judge John Rooney referred to a priest in Ireland with the Rooney surname who he wanted to visit during his honeymoon to Europe. It is unknown whether this was a curiosity or known blood family relationship.
- 21. Date and location of Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer's marriage (William Rooney's parents).
- 22. Whether the location of both Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer's birth can be determined, which does not seem possible at present.
- 23. Verification for Hugh and Alice Rooney's death and location of their burials.
- 24. More information about whether William Rooney's father Hugh Rooney was also called John, or whether these are two different individuals.
- 25. A more precise location of the Rooney farms in Urard, Co. Tipperary, and the relationship between each owner (i.e. Hugh Sr versus Hugh Jr).
- 26. Verification of the Dwyer mines in Co. Tipperary.
- 27. Information about the Rooney Cross in Urard, Co. Tipperary, such as by whom and when it was built.

Michael E. Byczek intends to post relevant updates to this biography on his website prior to formal registration of a second edition.

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This biography of William and Julia Rooney, written and compiled by Michael E. Byczek, is an extensive research effort that expands upon that earlier genealogical narrative.

List of Sources

[Exhibit 1] Cabinet card portrait of William Rooney. Mosher, C. D. (Charles Delevan), 1829-1897. Chicago History Museum, ICHi-050498. https://images.chicagohistory.org/asset/20280/ [Online access verified on 11/7/2024]. Image used for this biography is the low quality version saved from the website.

[Exhibit 2] Portrait of Julia Rooney, wife of William Rooney, Chicago, Illinois, late 19th century. Chicago History Museum, ICHi-070000; Charles D. Mosher, photographer. https://images.chicagohistory.org/asset/31580/ [Online access verified on 11/7/2024]. Image used for this biography is the low quality version saved from the website.

[Exhibit 3] Signatures of William and Julia Rooney

Michael E. Byczek personally obtained access to original paper court files related to William and Julia Rooney's ownership of their home at 43 E. Division in Chicago, IL through the Cook County Clerk of Court Archives in 2006. He made photocopies of these documents, in person, which are now part of his personal genealogical collection. The signatures are from a joint statement by William and Julia Rooney during litigation with Edward Harland concerning the construction of the two houses on Division Street. The joint statement included a copy of the agreement between William Rooney and Edward Harland that is quoted in this biography.

Another case file obtained regarding William Rooney's real estate was a court case for one of his timber lots in Des Plaines, which is quoted in this biography.

[4] Early Chicago, 1833-1871. A selection of documents from the Illinois State Archives. Illinois Secretary of State. https://www.ilsos.gov/departments/archives/teaching_packages/early_chicago/home.html [Online access verified on 11/4/2024]

[Exhibit 4] Actual items from the Michael E. Byczek Genealogy Collection:

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[4A] Byczek, Michael E. "History of Chicago, in three volumes by A.T. Andreas". Photograph. 2024.

[4B] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rooney and the Old Settlers of Chicago, page 397 - Andreas History of Chicago, v3". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 5] Actual item from the Michael E. Byczek Genealogy Collection:

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[5A] Byczek, Michael E. "1879 Book - Discovery and Conquests of the Northwest". Photograph. 2024.

[5B] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rooney and the Old Settlers of Chicago, Page 740 - Discovery and Conquests of the Northwest". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 6] Old Settler Death Tributes

[6A] The Inter Ocean Fri, May 22, 1885 - Page 5. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/34470342/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[6B] Chicago Tribune Fri, May 22, 1885 - Page 3. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349270685/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

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[6D] Order of Exercises and Corrected Lists for the Eighth Annual Reception to the Old Settlers of Chicago Tendered by the Calumet Club - Refer to citation for Exhibit 6C

[Exhibit 7] Actual items from the Michael E. Byczek Genealogy Collection:

Fergus, Robert. Fergus' Directory of the City of Chicago, 1839. (Fergus Printing Company, Chicago. 1876). Page 29.

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[7A] Byczek, Michael E. "1839 and 1843 Commemorative Chicago Directories". Photograph. 2024.

[7B] Byczek, Michael E. "Page 29 from the 1839 Commemorative Fergus Chicago Directory". Photograph. 2024.

[7C] Byczek, Michael E. "Page 86 from the 1843 Commemorative Fergus Chicago Directory". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 8] William Rooney's Photograph on Display

[8A] Chicago Tribune Fri, May 21, 1880 - Page 6. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349865483/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[8B] The Inter Ocean Fri, May 21, 1880 - Page 3. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/35076591/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 9] Actual items from the Michael E. Byczek Genealogy Collection:

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Kirkland, Joseph. The Story of Chicago, Second Edition. Dibble Publishing Company, Chicago. 1892. Photo insert marked page 129 and before book page 129.

[9A] Byczek, Michael E. "The Story of Chicago, 1st and 2nd Editions". Photograph. 2024.

[9B] Byczek, Michael E. "William and Julia Rooney's Photos printed in The Story of Chicago, 1st Volume". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 10] Actual item from the Michael E. Byczek Genealogy Collection:

The Inland Printer - A Technical Journal Devoted to the Art of Printing, Volume XI. April to September 1893. The Inland Printer Company (Chicago). [Anonymous reprint of a book in the public domain]. Photo insert prior to beginning of the May 1893 Edition and after page 116.

[10A] Byczek, Michael E. "Inland Printer, Volume XI". Photograph. 2024.

[10B] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rooney's Photo printed in the Inland Printer". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 11] Centennial Album Photographs

Mosher, C.D. Catalogue of the names and occupations of prominent persons who have sat for memorial photographs for Mosher's memorial offering to Chicago. 1885.

Digitalized Version: Catalogue of the names and occupations of prominent persons who have sat for memorial photographs for Mosher's memorial offering to Chicago, 1885. Family Search. https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/502906 (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[11A] Julia Rooney - Microfilm Item 16 (image #318) [Digital version above]

[11B] William Rooney - Microfilm Item 16 (image #319) [Digital version above]

[11C] Chicago Tribune Sat, Feb 28, 1885 - Page 7. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349819237/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[11D] Chicago Tribune Sun, May 21, 1876 - Page 5. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349578575/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 12] William Rooney Photograph - Website screenshot. Refer to citation for Exhibit 1

[Exhibit 13] Julia Rooney Photograph - Website screenshot. Refer to citation for Exhibit 2

[14] Currey, J. Seymour. Chicago: Its History and Its Builders, Volume II. The S. J. Clarke Publishing Company, Chicago. 1912. Page 205.

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[Exhibit 15] The Chicago Evening Mail Chicago, Illinois - Thursday, July 11, 1872. Page 4. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/668318427) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

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[16B] Insurance Map of Chicago 1868-69. Plate 8. (Publisher: D.A. Sanborn). Retrieved from the Norman B. Leventhal Map & Education Center Collection at the Boston Public Library (https://collections.leventhalmap.org/search/commonwealth:ht250120r) [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

[Exhibit 17] Chicago Tribune Sat, Jan 18, 1868 - Page 4. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/465934597/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 18] Birds Eye Maps

[18A] Poole Brothers. Bird's-eye-view of the business district of Chicago. Chicago, 1898. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/75693212/ (online access verified on December 12, 2024)

[18B] Rand, McNally & Co.'s bird's-eye views and guide to Chicago. Rand, McNally & Company (Chicago and New York, 1893). Page 133.

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[Exhibit 19] Atlas of Chicago Volume 1 1891. Plate 70. (Publisher: Rascher Insurance Map Publishing Co.). Retrieved from the Chicago Public Library (https://www.chipublib.org/) through the online resource titled "Illinois Fire Insurance Maps online (FIMo)". [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

[Exhibit 20] Actual Photos of Fifth Ave

[20A] Boucher, Jack E. 1. Wells and Lake Sts. crossing. Randolf St. Station is visible in lower center, - Union Elevated Railroad, Randolph-Wells Street Station, Randolph & Wells Streets, Chicago, Cook County, IL. Photograph. 1971. From Library of Congress. *Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American*

Engineering Record/Historic American Landscapes Survey. https://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/il0387.photos.060838p/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[20B] Boucher, Jack E. 2. Randolf St. Station seen from the crossing of Wells and Lake Sts. - Union Elevated Railroad, Randolph-Wells Street Station, Randolph & Wells Streets, Chicago, Cook County, IL. Photograph. 1971. From Library of Congress. *Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record/Historic American Landscapes Survey*. https://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/il0387.photos.060839p/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

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[21A] The Lakeside Annual Directory of the City of Chicago. 1875-76. Page 851. Donnelley, Loyd and Company. https://www.fold3.com/image/80066539/rollo-charles-e-p-851-us-city-directories-for-chicago-illinois-1843-1916 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[21B] The Lakeside Annual Directory of the City of Chicago. 1875-76. Page 1159. Donnelley, Loyd and Company. https://www.fold3.com/image/78231391/brachvogel-charles-p-1159-us-city-directories-for-chicago-illinois-1843-1916 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[Exhibit 22] Insurance Maps of Chicago, Illinois Volume One South 1906; Revised to April 1950. Plate 13. (Publisher: Sanborn Map Co.). Retrieved from the Chicago Public Library (https://www.chipublib.org/) through the online resource titled "Illinois Fire Insurance Maps online (FIMo)". [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

[Exhibit 23] Byczek, Michael E. "Present-day location of the William Rooney and Peter Ryan Building in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2022.

[Exhibit 24] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rooney's Building on the SE Corner of Franklin and Lake in Chicago, IL". Collection of Photographs. 2017.

[Exhibit 25] Rand, McNally & Co.'s bird's-eye views and guide to Chicago. Rand, McNally & Company (Chicago and New York, 1893). Page 167.

Digitalized Version: Internet Archive. https://archive.org/details/randmcnallycosbi00lawr (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

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[26A] The Lakeside Annual Directory of the City of Chicago. 1877-78. Page 845. Donnelley, Lloyd and Company. www.familysearch.org/library/books/idviewer/844684 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[26B] The Inter Ocean Fri, Jun 13, 1873 - Page 4. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/38404291/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[Exhibit 27] City of Chicago Government Resources

[27A] Chicago Historic Resources Survey, An inventory of architecturally and historically significant structures (online search tool). City of Chicago. https://webapps1.chicago.gov/landmarksweb/web/historicsurvey.htm (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[27B] Lake-Franklin Group. City of Chicago, Chicago Landmarks. https://webapps1.chicago.gov/landmarksweb/web/landmarkdetails.htm?lanId=1351 (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

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[28A] Byczek, Michael E. "AIA Guide to Chicago, 1st - 3rd Editions". Photograph. 2024.

[28B] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rowney Building, page 87 from the AIA Guide to Chicago, 1st Edition". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 29] Lake-Franklin Group Landmark Publication - Originally obtained (around 2006-2007) by Michael E. Byczek from the City of Chicago through email communication about the spelling of William Rooney's name.

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[Exhibit 30] Thall, Bob. Lake Street, Lake St at Franklin St. Photograph. Date unknown. Retrieved from the Ryerson and Burnham Art and Architecture Archive. Art Institute of Chicago. https://artic.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/mqc/id/38733/rec/23 (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[Exhibit 31] Byczek, Michael E. "The William and Julia Rooney Family Residence located at 43 E. Division in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2017.

[Exhibit 32] Pre-Renovation Photographs

[32A] Michael E. Byczek saved the image dated in the year 2000 on the Cook County Assessor's Office website around the year 2006. The photograph has since been replaced with a current image. https://www.cookcountyassessor.com/

[32B] Byczek, Michael E. "The William and Julia Rooney Family Residence located at 43 E. Division in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2007.

[Exhibit 33] Chicago Tribune Sun, Aug 15, 1875 - Page 8. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349741083/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

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[34A] Robinson's Atlas of the City of Chicago Illinois Volume Three 1886. Plate 12. (Publisher: E. Robinson). Retrieved from the Chicago Public Library (https://www.chipublib.org/) through the online resource titled "Illinois Fire Insurance Maps online (FIMo)". [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

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[Exhibit 36] The Bon-Ton Directory

Harris & Morrow. The Bon-Ton Directory: Giving the names in alphabetical order, addresses and hours of reception of the most prominent and fashionable ladies residing in Chicago and its suburbs. Chicago. Blakely, Brown & Marsh, Printers. 1879-80. Page 133.

Digitized Version: The Internet Archive. https://archive.org/details/bontondirectoryg79harr/bontondirectoryg79harr/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 37] Screenshot taken by Michael E. Byczek showing the legal grid-based map of Des Plaines and Mount Prospect - Illinois Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Boundaries. Illinois Geospatial Data Clearinghouse. https://clearinghouse.isgs.illinois.edu/data/reference/illinois-public-land-survey-system-plss-boundaries (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[Exhibit 38] Flower, W. L, and Edward Mendel. Map of Cook County, Illinois. Chicago: S. H. Burhans & J. Van Vechten, 1861. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593074/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 39] Flower, W. L. Map of Cook County, Illinois. Chicago, Ill.: S.H. Burhans & J. Van Vechten, . Chicago: engraved, printed, colored & mounted by Edw. Mendel, 1862. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593075/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 40] Van Vechten, J. Van Vechten's map of Cook Du Page Countie's also the norther portion of Lake County, Indiana. Chicago: J. Van Vechten, 1870. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593087/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 41] L.M. Snyder & Co. Snyder's real estate map of Cook County, Illinois: indexed. Chicago: L.M. Snyder & Co, 1886. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593088/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 42] Snyder, F. M. Snyder's real estate map of Cook and Dupage Counties, Illinois. Chicago, Illinois: F.M. Snyder, 1890. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593076/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 43] Rondonell, Max. Snyder's real estate map of Cook, Du Page and part of Will counties, Illinois. Chicago, Illinois: William L. Mitchell, 1898. Map. Retrieved from the Library of Congress, https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593089/ (online access verified on December 16, 2024)

[Exhibit 44] Illinois Historical Aerial Photography. Illinois Geospatial Data Clearinghouse. Filename: 0bwq05089 (Photograph taken 1938). https://clearinghouse.isgs.illinois.edu/data/imagery/1937-1947-illinois-historical-aerial-photography (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

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[45A] Byczek, Michael E. "Mount Prospect History Books". Photograph. 2024.

[45B] Byczek, Michael E. "Page 15 from the Book: Mount Prospect - Rooney House". Photograph. 2024.

[45C] Byczek, Michael E. "Page 113 from the Book: Lost Mount Prospect - Original House". Photograph. 2024.

[45D] Byczek, Michael E. "Page 113 from the Book: Lost Mount Prospect - Current House". Photograph. 2024.

[Exhibit 46] The Daily Herald Thu, Feb 08, 1962 - Page 127. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/44558989/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 47] Arlington Heights Daily Herald Suburban Chicago - Tuesday, February 24, 1970. Page 34. Retrieved from http://newspaperarchive.com (https://dailyherald.newspaperarchive.com/arlington-heights-daily-herald-suburban-chicago/1970-02-24/page-34/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[Exhibit 48] Chicago Tribune Sun, Jun 18, 1916 - Page 18. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/354931932/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 49] The Daily Herald Fri, Jan 10, 1930 - Page 16. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/37224170/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

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[50A] The Daily Herald Fri, Aug 04, 1933 - Page 11. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/37236080/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[50B] The Daily Herald Fri, Jul 28, 1933 - Page 1. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/37235962) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 51] Block 36

[51A] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rooney's Ownership of Block 36 on Randolph in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2022.

[51B] Robinson's Atlas of the City of Chicago Illinois Volume Three 1886. Plate 1. (Publisher: E. Robinson). Retrieved from the Chicago Public Library (https://www.chipublib.org/) through the online resource titled "Illinois Fire Insurance Maps online (FIMo)". [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

[Exhibit 52] West Loop

[52A] Byczek, Michael E. "William Rooney's Real Estate on Lake St in the West Loop neighborhood of Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2023.

[52B] Robinson's Atlas of the City of Chicago Illinois Volume Four 1886. Plate 9. (Publisher: E. Robinson). Retrieved from the Chicago Public Library (https://www.chipublib.org/) through the online resource titled "Illinois Fire Insurance Maps online (FIMo)". [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

[Exhibit 53] Rascher's Map of Chicago Suburbs Vol. 1 1885. Plate 33. (Publisher: Central Map, Survey, and Publishing Co.). Retrieved from the Chicago Public Library (https://www.chipublib.org/) through the online resource titled "Illinois Fire Insurance Maps online (FIMo)". [online access verified on December 18, 2024].

[Exhibit 54] Julia Rooney's Probate Executor Bond - Michael E. Byczek personally obtained access to original paper court files related to Julia Rooney's probate through the Cook County Clerk of Court Archives in 2006. He made photocopies of these documents, in person, which are now part of his personal genealogical collection. This includes the Executor Bond and joint statement made by Kittie Talbot and Anna Boucher regarding construction of their father's namesake building on Franklin and Lake.

[Exhibit 55] Chicago Tribune Sun, May 28, 1893 - Page 24. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349910875/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024].

[Exhibit 56-1] Alice (Rooney) O'Connor

[56-1A] Baptism - Urlingford; County of Kilkenny; Diocese of Ossory. Baptisms, Aug. 1835 to Nov. 1835. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000635348_139 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[56-1B] Marriage License - "Illinois, County Marriages, 1810-1940", , *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:KF23-7YJ: Sat Mar 09 21:28:54 UTC 2024), Entry for James O'Connor and Alice Rooney, 1863. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-1C] Death Certificate - Michael E. Byczek obtained a genealogical copy of Alice O'Connor's death certificate directly from Kane County government.

[56-1D] Obituary - Elgin Every Saturday. January 14, 1893. Michael E. Byczek obtained a copy of the obituary from a genealogy volunteer in Elgin, IL at the Gail Borden Public Library.

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[Exhibit 56-2] John Rooney

[56-2A] Baptism - Patrick Rooney in 1837 New York Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms. Retrieved from Findmypast (https://www.findmypast.com/transcript? id=US/NY/CATH/PR/BAP/PH2/00530937&tab=this) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[56-2B] Death Certificate - "Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871-1998", , *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:Q2MC-H384 : Sat Aug 31 09:35:29 UTC 2024), Entry for John Rooney and William Rooney, 26 Feb 1923. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-2C] Obituary Article: Chicago Daily News. March 1, 1923. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

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[56-2E] Obituary: Chicago Tribune Tue, Feb 27, 1923 - Page 23. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/355115197/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[56-2F] Obituary: Chicago Daily News. February 28, 1923. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

[Exhibit 56-3] Hugh Rooney

[56-3A] Death Certificate - "Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871-1998," database, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N7HY-3MN: 8 March 2018), Hugh Rooney, 04 Dec 1881; citing, Cook, Illinois, United States, source reference 14347, record number 314, Cook County Courthouse, Chicago; FHL microfilm 1,031,438. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-3B] Obituary: Chicago Tribune Mon, Dec 05, 1881 - Page 8. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349573818/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[56-3C] Obituary: Chicago Daily News. December 6, 1881. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

[Exhibit 56-4] Anna (Rooney) Boucher

[56-4A] Death Certificate - "Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871-1998", , FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:Q2M7-PF9V: Sun Mar 10 23:08:22 UTC 2024), Entry for Anna B Boucher and William Roomey, 02 Jan 1913. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-4B] Obituary: Chicago Tribune Fri, Jan 03, 1913 - Page 18. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/355165731/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[56-4C] Obituary: Chicago Daily News. January 3, 1913. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

[Exhibit 56-5] Elizabeth (Rooney) Periolat

[56-5A] Baptism - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HT-DHG9-SYH?cc=1452409&wc=M66G-13D%3A40147601%2C40290401 : 20 May 2014), St Mary of the Assumption Parish (Chicago: Old, Wabash) > Baptisms, marriages 1833-1863 > image 217 of 482; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-5B] Marriage Church Record - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HT-DHG9-SHC?cc=1452409&wc=M66P-CWG%3A40147601%2C40287801 : 20 May 2014), St Mary of the Assumption Parish (Chicago: Old, Wabash) > Marriages 1859-1906 > image 86 of 232; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-5C] Death Certificate - "Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871-1998", , FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N7K5-QYC: Thu Mar 07 15:20:42 UTC 2024), Entry for Elizabeth A Periolat, 17 Nov 1891. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-5D] Obituary: Chicago Tribune Sun, Nov 15, 1891 - Page 16. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349505148/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[56-5E] Obituary: The Inter Ocean Fri, Nov 13, 1891 - Page 7. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/33945365/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[Exhibit 56-6] Hannah (Rooney) Brophy

[56-6A] Marriage License - "Illinois, Cook County Marriages, 1871-1969", , *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N7DS-3ZS : Sun Mar 10 08:20:50 UTC 2024), Entry for William M Brophy and Hannah B Rooney, 1876. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

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[Exhibit 56-7] William Rooney

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[Exhibit 56-8] Mary (Rooney) Riley

[56-8A] Baptism - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch*(https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HY-6SM9-TYG?cc=1452409&wc=M66P-HPN%3A40280601%2C40413901 : 20 May 2014), St Patrick Parish (Chicago: Old, Adams St) > Baptisms 1846-1856 vol 1 > image 19 of 206; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

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[Exhibit 56-9] Katherine (Rooney) Talbot

[56-9A] Baptism - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HT-DHG9-3MT?cc=1452409&wc=M66G-13D%3A40147601%2C40290401 : 20 May 2014), St Mary of the Assumption Parish (Chicago: Old, Wabash) > Baptisms, marriages 1833-1863 > image 267 of 482; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[56-9B] Marriage License - "Illinois, Cook County Marriages, 1871-1969", , FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N76X-WZ2: Fri Mar 08 18:09:28 UTC 2024), Entry for Edward Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney, 1880. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

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[56-10F] Obituary: Chicago Daily News. December 31, 1935. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

[Exhibit 56-11] Josephine Rooney

[56-11A] Death Certificate - "Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871-1998," database, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N7Z9-MM5: 8 March 2018), Josephine Rooney, 11 Jun 1879; citing, Cook, Illinois, United States, source reference 3522, record number 980, Cook County Courthouse, Chicago; FHL microfilm 1,031,422. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

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[Exhibit 57] Churches

[57A] Byczek, Michael E. "Present-day Second Location of St. Mary's Church on Michigan and Madison in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2023.

[57B] Refer to citation for Exhibit 16A

[57C] Byczek, Michael E. "Present-day Third Location of St. Mary's Church on Wabash and Madison in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2023.

[57D] Byczek, Michael E. "St. Patrick's Church in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2024.

[57E] Byczek, Michael E. "Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, IL". Photograph. 2023.

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[Exhibit 59] William Rooney Obituaries

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[59C] Article - Chicago Evening Journal. May 6, 1885. Michael E. Byczek obtained a printed copy from microfilm at the Chicago Public Library, main branch (date retrieved unknown).

[59D] Chicago Tribune Thu, May 07, 1885 - Page 8. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349266981/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

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[59F] Chicago Daily News. May 8, 1885. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

[Exhibit 60] Julia Rooney Death Certificate - "Illinois, Cook County Deaths, 1871-1998," database, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N7WQ-BMK: 9 March 2018), Julia Rooney, 13 Dec 1885; citing, Cook, Illinois, United States, source reference on 74807, record number 91, Cook County Courthouse, Chicago; FHL microfilm 1,030,912. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[Exhibit 61] Julia Rooney Obituaries

[61A] Chicago Tribune Tue, Dec 15, 1885 - Page 8. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/349827579/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[61B] The Inter Ocean Tue, Dec 15, 1885 - Page 8. Retrieved from newspapers.com (https://www.newspapers.com/image/34349071/) [online access verified on December 20, 2024]

[61C] Chicago Daily News. December 16, 1885. Retrieved from genealogybank.com (date retrieved unknown).

[Exhibit 62] Calvary Cemetery

[62A] Byczek, Michael E. "The William and Julia Rooney Family Plot at Calvary Cemetery in Evanston, IL". Collection of Photographs. 2016.

[62B] Michael E. Byczek and his father Michael M. Byczek have requested copies of grave ownership and burial records directly from Calvary Cemetery in Evanston, IL (in-person and through written request) starting in 1993. This is an ongoing research effort as more graves are located.

[Exhibit 63] Hugh Rooney and Alice Dwyer's Children

[63A] Baptism of John Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, May 1810 to Oct. 1810. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725 017 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63B] Baptism of William Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, Sep. 1811 to Dec. 1811. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725_021 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63C] Baptism of James Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, Aug. 1813 to Dec. 1813. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725_029 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63D] Baptism of Peter Rooney - Ballingarry; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, Nov. 1814 to Jan. 1815. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632641_010 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63E] Baptism of twins Ellen and Nancy Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, Dec. 1816 to Mar. 1817. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725_041 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63F] Baptism of Edmund Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, Dec. 1819 to Feb. 1820. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725_054 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63G] Baptism of Margaret Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, Feb. 1822 to May 1822. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725 065 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[63H] Baptism of Catherine Rooney - Gortnahoe; County of Tipperary; Diocese of Cashel and Emly. Baptisms, June 1829 to July 1829. Catholic Parish Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000632725_104 (online access verified on December 18, 2024)

[Exhibit 64] Biography of Edmund D. Tobin

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[Exhibit 65] Rooney's Cross

[65A] Clonmel Chronicle - April 27, 1861. Retrieved from Findmypast. https://www.findmypast.com/search-newspapers (online access verified on December 19, 2024).

[65B] Tipperary Free Press - April 29, 1862. Retrieved from Findmypast. https://www.findmypast.com/search-newspapers (online access verified on December 19, 2024).

[Exhibit 66] Marriage of William Gannon and Catherine Rooney

[66A] Marriage Church Record - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HT-DHG9-S2S?cc=1452409&wc=M66G-13D%3A40147601%2C40290401 : 20 May 2014), St Mary of the Assumption Parish (Chicago: Old, Wabash) > Baptisms, marriages 1833-1863 > image 137 of 482; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[66B] Biography of William Gannon

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[Exhibit 67] Michael and Ellen Gannon

[67A] John Gannon Baptism (son of William and Catherine) - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HT-DHG9-SVH?cc=1452409&wc=M66G-13D%3A40147601%2C40290401: 20 May 2014), St Mary of the Assumption Parish (Chicago: Old, Wabash) > Baptisms, marriages 1833-1863 > image 304 of 482; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[67B] John Gannon Baptism (son of Michael and Ellen) - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch* (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HY-6SMS-9FC?cc=1452409&wc=M66P-HPN%3A40280601%2C40413901 : 20 May 2014), St Patrick Parish (Chicago: Old, Adams St) > Baptisms 1846-1856 vol 1 > image 75 of 206; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago. (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[Exhibit 68] James Rooney Baptism - "Illinois, Chicago, Catholic Church Records, 1833-1925," database with images, *FamilySearch*(https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HY-6SM9-YWC?cc=1452409&wc=M66P-HPN%3A40280601%2C40413901 : 20 May 2014), St Patrick Parish (Chicago: Old, Adams St) > Baptisms 1846-1856 vol 1 > image 20 of 206; Catholic Church parishes, Chicago Diocese, Chicago (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[Exhibit 69] Marriage of Edmund Rooney and Catherine Phelan - Ballycallan; County of Kilkenny; Diocese of Ossory. Marriages, Apr. 1852 to Feb. 1855. Catholic Registers at the NLI. https://registers.nli.ie/pages/vtls000635296 100 (online access verified on December 18, 2024).

[Exhibit 70] Alice Rooney Death Certificate

[70A] Death of Alice Roney in 1866. Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/details-civil/97f25222527770?b=https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/civil-perform-search.jsp? namefm=Alice&namel=rooney&exact=&name2fm=&name2l=&location=&yyfrom=&type=B&type=M&type=D¢ury=&decade=&sort=&pageSize=100&ddBfrom=&mmBfrom=&yyBfrom=&ddMfrom=&mmMfrom=&yyMfrom=&ddDfrom=&mmDfrom=&yyDfrom=&ddPfrom=&mmPfrom=&yyPfrom=&ddBto=&mmBto=&yyBto=&ddMto=&mmMto=&yyMto=&ddDto=&mmPto=&yyPto=&locationB=&locationD=&locationP=&keywordb=&keywordb=&keywordb=&keywordb=&event=D&district=Urlingford&submit=Search (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[70B] Death of Alice Roney in 1876. Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. (https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/details-civil/7306807724539?b=https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/civil-perform-search.jsp? namefin=Alice&namel=rooney&exact=&name2fm=&name2l=&location=&yyfrom=&yyto=&type=B&type=D¢ury=&decade=&sort=&pageSize=100&ddBfrom=&mmBfrom=&yyBfrom=&ddMfrom=&mmMfrom=&yyMfrom=&ddDfrom=&mmDfrom=&yyDfrom=&ddPfrom=&mmPfrom=&yyPfrom=&ddBto=&mmBto=&yyBto=&ddMto=&mmMto=&yyMto=&ddDto=&mmPto=&yyPto=&locationB=&locationD=&locationP=&keywordb=&keywordb=&keywordb=&keywordb=&event=D&district=Urlingford&submit=Search (online access verified on December 17, 2024)

[Exhibit 71] Hugh and Alice Rooney Farm

[71A] The 1831 Tithe Defaulters. Findmypast. https://search.findmypast.com/search-world-records/the-1831-tithe-defaulters (online access verified on December 19, 2024)

[71B] Thurles Poor Law Union, "Fennor Rate Book 1842," *Tipperary Archive*, accessed December 19, 2024, https://www.tippstudiesdigital.ie/items/show/440.

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[Citation Appendix II-A] Julia Rooney's Original Will - Michael E. Byczek personally obtained access to original paper court files related to Julia Rooney's probate through the Cook County Clerk of Court Archives in 2006. He made photocopies of these documents, in person, which are now part of his personal genealogical collection. Julia Rooney's original Will is one of those documents from the original probate files.

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