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Curator:

Last year my son visited your museum & talked with someone who requested he send the enclosed material regarding Adrian Van Horn Foote, who fought at Stones River.

Adrian^(V.H.) was my great grandfather & my son's great great g.f.

I am enclosing page from a genealogy showing one branch of Adrian's^(V.H.) descendants - Minerva Anna Foote.

Adrian's^(V.H.) mother - Phelomela Alden - was an 8th generation descendant of John Alden & Priscilla.

The Foote family arrived in Mass. in 1630 - Nathaniel Foote was the original settler. Hope you can use this information.

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, was born at Ripley, N. Y., August 30, 1840. He was brought up on a farm, and after leaving school studied law. He went to Minnesota in 1864, removing thence to Pacific Junction, Iowa, where he engaged in a mercantile business. He married, December 19, 1853, Emma Dorcas Sherman, who was born in Columbia Co., Wis., February 11, 1853. He removed to Custer Co., S. Dakota, where he remained for some years, then, in 1894, settled upon a farm in West Plains, Mo., where he now resides.

CHILDREN:

2. WAYNE, born December 22, 1879.
3. RALPH, born May 15, 1881.
4. MADGE, born August 1, 1883.
5. JOHN BELL, born June 9, 1885.
6. ALDEN, born December 17, 1894.

(109.) ELIZABETH ALDEN DINSMORE, (of Philander), first daughter of Harriet Hall Alden Dinsmore, (51), was born at Ripley, N. Y., March 12, 1843. She was married, February 8, 1875, Elias Spencer Goodrich, who was born at Ripley, May 30, 1844, and lived at Erie, Pa., November 13, 1878. She resides at Sutton, Nebraska.

CHILDREN:

27. MARY MARVIN, born October 1, 1876.
28. HELEN GERTRUDE, born July 5, 1878; died April 18, 1879.

(110.) SUSAN BELL DINSMORE, (of Philander), second daughter of Harriet Hall Alden Dinsmore, (51), was born at Ripley, N. Y., July 16, 1845, and died January 25, 1863.

(111.) JAMES DINSMORE, (of Philander), fourth son of Harriet Hall Alden Dinsmore, (51), was born at Ripley, N. Y., December 1848. He was brought up on a farm and received common school advantages. He emigrated to Nebraska in 1870, and settled on a home-land in Thayer Co., later removing to Eugene, Oregon, where he now resides. He married, September 10, 1873, Jane Fell, who was born at Anchtown, Bradford Co., Pa., August 18, 1844.

CHILDREN:

229. HARRIET ALDEN, born May 19, 1876.
230. SUSAN BELL, born December 15, 1878.
231. SALLIE MARVIN, born April 22, 1880.
232. JOHN BELL, born January 16, 1883.
233. HUGH FELL, born July 28, 1885.

(112), (113), (114). THREE CHILDREN of Philander L. Alden, (52).

(115.) ADRIAN VAN HORN FOOTE, (of Philander), eldest child and only son of Philomela Alden Foote, (53), was born at Meadville, Pa., February 8, 1833. He married, May 26, 1861, Julia Ann Thornton, who was born at Indianapolis, Ind., November 26, 1840. He removed to Indiana when a young man, and engaged in farming and the labor of making a home for his aged parents. This filial duty he had accomplished when the Civil war broke out. As soon as he felt that he could leave home he joined the volunteer service of the Government, enlisting, October, 1862, in the 73rd Indiana Regt. Co. F, which was assigned to the Army of the Cumberland, 20th Army Corps.

In January, 1863, he participated in the battle of Stone River. "We waded that river four times," he says, "with the water up to our arms. Some of the boys were so exhausted that they went to sleep on the further side, and were left there both times when we returned." In February of the same year, his regiment and two others were formed into a brigade and sent upon a raid into Georgia for the purpose of destroying the powder works located at Rome. As a mounted force they broke loose from the Federal lines at Tusculum, riding night and day, and stopping only long enough to feed their animals, while hotly pursued by the forces under Gen. Forrest. After frequent skirmishes they were finally captured, but not until they had succeeded in burning the Cumberland Iron Works. Adrian Foote was a prisoner for several months, but honestly testifies: "I was well treated."

In a subsequent engagement he was severely wounded through the left lung, left as mortally wounded on the battle-field, and long mourned as dead by his relatives and companions. Of this experience he says: "The night before I was wounded I was ordered to take five men of my Company and go at midnight for forage. We found a corn crib and smoke house and had just filled our sacks, when up came a squad of the enemy for the same purpose. We could hear them talk and they

knew we were there, but we let each other alone. They followed us, however, back to camp. We fed our horses, ate some shelled corn and raw meat, and tried to go to sleep, but it was not for long, for, as day broke, they began firing, and in the severe engagement that followed I was seriously hurt. I lay on the ground where I fell, with three other wounded men, for six days and nights before being removed. Then an old Unionist in the mountains sent his negro boy and an ox team to take us to his home. Imagine that ride down the rough mountain side with my fly-blown wound! But I got over it, and"—with the patriotic ardor that still animates his heart and utterance, he adds,—“I am not sorry for my part in that struggle, for it is a legacy for my children and grandchildren.

Julia Ann Thornton Foote comes of good Revolutionary stock. Her grandfather and his three brothers (own cousins to President Van Buren), were all soldiers in the struggle for Independence. But this is the least of her personal claims to considerate remembrance. Hers was one of the stout and patriotic hearts that not only made the required sacrifice for her country's sake, and cheerfully took up the heavy burden laid upon her as wife and mother during her soldier husband's absence, but later helped him to face the hard struggle for existence when he returned empty-handed and broken to begin anew the life of a private citizen. They reside at Knox, Stark Co., Ind.

CHILDREN:

234. WILLIAM ADRIAN, born May 15, 1862.
 235. ELMER ELSWORTH, born August 11, 1865.
 236. PHILANDER ALDEN, born March 24, 1867; died August 25, 1882.
 237. LAVRA JANE, born February 25, 1869; died December 20, 1884.
 238. MINERVA ANNA, born April 13, 1871.
 239. ALBERT, born April 3, 1873; died December 2, 1875.
 240. ELVA, born February 22, 1876.
 241. JESSE, born November 14, 1877.
 242. EBER, born November 3, 1879.
 243. NORA, born April 11, 1881; died December 13, 1889.
 244. ALDEN, born May 28, 1883.

(116.) ELIZABETH ISABELLA FOOTE, (of Philander), eldest daughter of Philomela Alden Foote, (53), was born at Farmersville, N. Y., November 25, 1834. She was married, January 18, 1855, in La Porte, Ind., to Dr. Benjamin Grover, and died at Yakima, Washn., June 19, 1885. She was a woman of fine mental endowment, and, for some time, a writer for several important magazines and periodicals.

CHILDREN:

245. EUDORUS, born March 27, 1858.
 246. SARAH HARRIET, born 1864; died May, 1885.
 247. JAMES GARFIELD, born August 12, 1868.
 248. HERBERT EVERETS, born May 21, 1872.

(117.) SARAH HARRIETT FOOTE, (of Philander), second daughter of Philomela Alden Foote, (53), was born at Farmersville, N. Y., July 19, 1836, and died at La Porte, Ind., January 10, 1855.

(118.) MARYETTA FOOTE, (of Philander), third daughter of Philomela Alden Foote, (53), was born at Ellicottville, N. Y., February 22, 1839. She was married, at Rochester, Ind., December 1868, to John Augustus Bumstead, farmer, who was born at Uri Hills, Ind., June 14, 1838. They reside at Lincoln, Nebraska.

CHILDREN:

249. ARTHUR BOULES, born December 19, 1864; died April 19, 1900.
 250. LUCIA EUDORA, born August 4, 1866; died April 23, 1867.
 251. LUCIUS AUGUSTUS, born May 1, 1869.
 252. IDA ELIZABETH, born August 2, 1871; died July 15, 1873.

(119.) MINERVA GABRIELLA FOOTE, (of Philander), fourth daughter of Philomela Alden Foote, (53), was born at Ron Ohio, May 24, 1846. She was married, in Marchmont, Ind., June 1867, to Robert Gould, photographer, who was born in Sharon, Massachusetts, October 14, 1831. She resides in Lincoln, Nebraska.

CHILDREN:

253. EDWIN ROBERT, born September 28, 1868.
 254. CLARA BEILE, born September 14, 1870.
 255. ADA MAY, born October 27, 1873.
 256. ARTHUR FOOTE, born March 8, 1879.
 257. WINNIFRED ETTA, born October 5, 1885.

(120.) DORLISKA RATHBUN, (of Philomela), eldest daughter of Rev. Levant Rathbun, (54), was born at Pine Grove, Pa., March 15, 1827, and died at Fredonia, N. Y., September 22, 1903.