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Dear Mark:

I checked several record series here at the Courthouse and at the McClurg Museum but didn't find much information regarding Devillo McBride's wife or family. I checked the index to the 1855 state census for the entire county. There were McBrides in Villenova (Daniel and Roxena). Pomfret (Robert). Poland (Phidelia) and Carroll (Charles H. and Mary M.), but no Devillo.

I checked the deeds and mortgages and found that Devillo McBride of the town of Sherman bought land from Charles Paddock in 1859 (lot 23, town 1, range 14 in North Clymer). The same property was sold by Devillo McBride and his wife Mary E. of the town of Westfield to Ira Holden in April 1861. I checked the 1860 census for the towns of Clymer, Sherman, and Westfield; then I checked Sheridan, Villenova. Pomfret and Hanover because I thought you had said that Devillo was from Sheridan (maybe I misunderstood you). However, I did not find him anywhere.

I also checked the Fredonia Censor Marriages. Fredonia Censor Death Notices, Gleanings, and the muster rolls for the Civil War. The Fredonia Censor Death Notices included a notice for Devillo: "D. D. McBride, of Co. E. 154th died in battle in Virginia 28 June 1864."

The muster roll for Westfield included Devillo D. McBride, killed at Kenesaw Mt., GA; captured 7/1/1863 at Gettysburg, paroled date unknown.

Also checked the surrogate's office to see if there were probate records for McBride or his wife, but I found none.

Just wanted to let you know that I have looked and will continue to keep my eyes open for the name as I am working with the records here at the courthouse. If I find anything else I'll pass it along.

Sincerely,

Michelle Henry

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