Addition to Peter DeGroat. 16 Dec 2016. From Mary Guler to Pat Wardell,

I am researching my son-in-law's mother's family, and came upon your work on the various lines of those living in the Ramapo Mountains.

Re: DeGroat, Peter Peter DeGroat b. about 1804 NJ (Mulatto) m. (prob. 2?) Margaret b. about 1822 NJ

1860 Federal Census, NJ, Bergen County, Hohokus Township, taken July 1860, dwelling 792, family 868 Peter Degroot, 56, farmer, and Margt, 38 his wife, were listed in the 1860 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ. Listed living with them were: Manning, 10 (male); Jane, 8; Edward, 6; Mary, 5; Irene, 3; and Ellen, 1. They were listed as Mulatto.

1870 Federal Census, NJ, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (Ramsey's P.O.), taken June 1870, dwelling 466, family 514 Peter GeGroot, 63, farmer, and Margaret, 45, keeping house, were listed in the 1870 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ. Listed living with them were: Mann, 21, farm laborer; Mary, 17; Edward, 18; Irene, 13; Ellen, 10; Rosanna, 8; Sophia, 5; and Peter, 3/12. They were listed as Mulatto.

- ---children of Peter DeGroat &
- Manning DeGroat (Mann), b. about 1850
- Jane DeGroat, b. about 1852
- Edward DeGroat, b. about 1854
- Mary DeGroat, b. about 1855
- Irene DeGroat, b. about 1857
- Ellen DeGroat, b. about 1859
- Rosanna DeGroat, b. about 1862
- Sophia DeGroat, b. about 1865
- Peter DeGroat, b. about 1870

Peter was married twice, both times to women named Margaret. His first wife was Margaret Mann; the second wife, who he seems to have married shortly before, or after, Manning's birth, was Margaret Teach. I have the death certificates of two of the children, to prove same. Since I am searching the line of Manning, I am desperately seeking a record, (birth, death or marriage) that will clarify who his mother was.

Here is a copy of the 1850 Fed census for Peter Degroat and family (in Warwick, NY),

Although Manning was said to have been born in 1850, he is not yet with the family, as of the date of the census, 7 Oct 1850. This leads me to believe that the Margaret with Peter in 1850 is his second wife, Margaret Teach. Per this 1850 census, the youngest child is 5 years old, so perhaps his first wife died in childbirth, or not long afterwards.

If you would like to see the death certificates for Sophia Degroat Scott, enumerated here with the first group of children, and for Mary Degroat Conklin, enumerated with the second group of children, I can provide those documents.

I don't know if you have interest in updating your information, but given I have had to "work" to prove the two marriages, I thought I would share my documents and information.

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