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VAN KOUGHNET FAMILY

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NOTES

READING ROOM

I. **Count Johann Eberhard von Gochnat** was born in the year 1650 in the castle at Colmar, Alsace, Germany which had been the family home for many generations. He married Annie Cleopha Wetgerin.

II. Count Johann Eberhard von Gochnat b. Oct. 19, 1681. d. Dec. 11, 1732-3 He was a surgeon and also had large land-holdings.

m. 1st. Marie Salome Sirran who died in 1715.

m. 2nd. Margaretha Berthin.

III. Johann Eberhard 2nd son b. Jan. 1715. (Evidently his mother died at his birth. He married Maria Barbara Schmucker Sept. 20, 1734.

He inherited his father's money, vineyards and other property. He and Maria did not agree on religious tenets and after a property settlement they separated and he moved to Mannheim. Apparently he married again there for Rupp's "30,000 Emigrants" lists him - Eberhard Gochnat - as a passenger on the ship "Janet" from Rotterdam; landing at Philadelphia Oct. 7, 1751. Hans George Spraker, and early settler in the Mohawk valley, was also one of the Passengers.

Johann Eberhard Gochnat brought his son - John Eberhard - (Son of Maria) and other younger children with him. They arrived in Johnstown ^{NEW YORK} (then Caughnawaga) April 8, 1756. In the Sir Wm. Johnson papers Vol. 3, p. 357 we learn that Johann E. b. 1715 petitioned for naturalization papers for both himself and his son - John E. b. 1736. The elder Johann must have died soon after this because the citizenship papers were granted to John E. Jr. only Jan. 27, 1770.

IV. John Eberhard - son of Maria - b. Feb. 2, 1736. d. June 13, 1810.

m. at Stone Arabia Feb. 19, 1766 Elizabeth Rupert b. 1748 d. July 24, 1825.

Both buried in Colonial Cemetery, Johnstown, New York.

John Luke - Half brother of John Eberhard - b. 1750. d. March 31, 1831.

John Luke m. about 1776-7 Christiana, dau. of Jacob and Margareit (Koch) Boshart of Johnstown. She was born May 6, 1759 (Book I. p. 3. Coughnawaga church records) died March 15, 1840.

John Luke and Christiana are buried in the Gross Lutheran Cemetery west of Johnstown.

John E, was a shoemaker and his half-brother ⁽²⁾ John Luke was a tanner and shoe-maker. All sons of well-to-do German families were taught a trade.

John E, Coughnet made his will Feb. 24, 1808, appointing his brother John Luke and his trusty friend Henry Yanney, the elder, as executors, but when he died in 1810 administration papers were given to his wife Elizabeth. (July 31, 1810).

John Luke Coughnet's will in book 2, p. 29 of the Trans. records of Mont. Co. in Johnstown Sur.'s office names his wife Christiana and his six children.

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Revolutionary Service:

Johan Eberhard served as a minute man, was captured as a spy and condemned to be hanged; but as a shoemaker his life was valuable to make shoes for the almost-bare-footed soldiers of King George and he was reprieved. Refer to D.A.R. Lineage book Vol. 20. p. 67. 68. Nat. No. 19, 1801

Mrs. Sarah Louise Nellis McAfee b. in Palatine, New York.

Also as John Gochnat p. 180, N.Y. in the Revolution.

John Luke Coughnet served in Fisher's Reg't. Fisher's Co. Rev. Archives of New York. p. 349. Source: (Nellis Family Album of 1888) on file in the Burleigh Papers under "Van Koughnet Family File", Queen's University Archives in Kingston, Ontario

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List of United Empire Loyalists who settled in
Catawqui TOWNSHIP #3 (renamed Fredericksburg in 1788)

<p>Keller, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Barnhart, Charles — K.R.R.N.Y. Bartley, Isaah — K.R.R.N.Y. Behn, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Bell, Duncan — Butler's Rangers Bell, Thomas — K.R.R.N.Y. Bell, William — Butler's Rangers Benson, Mathew — Butler's Rangers Birch, Jacob — K.R.R.N.Y. Bowen, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Bowen, Cornelius — Butler's Rangers Bowen, Peter — Butler's Rangers Bower, Gaspar — K.R.R.N.Y. Bradshaw, Asal — K.R.R.N.Y. Bradshaw, James — Delancey's Troop Brant, Henry — St. Leger's Corps. Brounson, Samuel — K.R.R.N.Y. Cadman, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Cain, Joseph — Prisoner in the war Carscallen, Edward — K.R.R.N.Y. Carscallen, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Carscallen, James — K.R.R.N.Y. Carscallen, Luke — K.R.R.N.Y. Church, Oliver — K.R.R.N.Y. Clark, Alexander — K.R.R.N.Y. Cornelius, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Cotter, James — K.R.R.N.Y. Cotter, Richard — K.R.R.N.Y. Crawford, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Defoe, Abraham — K.R.R.N.Y. Defoe, Daniel — K.R.R.N.Y. Defoe, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Demorest, James — Orange Rangers Detlor, Jacob — K.R.R.N.Y. Detlor, Samuel — K.R.R.N.Y. Detlor, Valentine — K.R.R.N.Y. Diamond, John — Butler's Rangers Diamond, Jacob — Butler's Rangers Dies, Mathew — K.R.R.N.Y. Dingman, Garret — K.R.R.N.Y. Dunavan, Florence — K.R.R.N.Y. Dynhars, Martin — Hessian Earhart, Adam — Jessup's Rangers Embury, Andrew — K.R.R.N.Y. Embury, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Ferguson, Aaron — K.R.R.N.Y. Ferguson, Jacob — K.R.R.N.Y. Finkle, George — K.R.R.N.Y. Fitchet, George — K.R.R.N.Y. Foster, Moses — K.R.R.N.Y. Frederick, Peter — Orange Rangers Fykes, Peter — K.R.R.N.Y. Harlow, William — Hessian Artillery Harns, Gilbert — K.R.R.N.Y. Harns, Isaiah — K.R.R.N.Y. Harns, Johnston — K.R.R.N.Y. Harson, Felix — New Jersey Volunteers Hawley, Zaduck — Jessup's Rangers Hedlor, Adam — K.R.R.N.Y.</p>	<p>Heron, Andrew — K.R.R.N.Y. Hoffman, Phillip — K.R.R.N.Y. Hough, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Howell, Warren — K.R.R.N.Y. Huff, Asa — Jessup's Rangers Huffnagle, Andrew — Jessup's Rangers Huffnagle Jephtha — K.R.R.N.Y. Irish, Peter — K.R.R.N.Y. Keller, Charles — K.R.R.N.Y. Keller, Frederick — K.R.R.N.Y. Kemp, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Kemp, James — K.R.R.N.Y. Kemp, Joseph — K.R.R.N.Y. Kitcheson, William — Tarleton's Legion → Koughnet, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Lambert, David — K.R.R.N.Y. Larraway, Abraham — K.R.R.N.Y. Larraway, Isaac — K.R.R.N.Y. Larraway, Jonas — K.R.R.N.Y. Lawer, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Loucks, Abraham — K.R.R.N.Y. Loucks, George — K.R.R.N.Y. Loucks, Henry — K.R.R.N.Y. Loucks, Jacob — K.R.R.N.Y. Loyd, Daniel — K.R.R.N.Y. Loyd, Richard — K.R.R.N.Y. Lyst, Andrew — K.R.R.N.Y. Lyst, Henry — K.R.R.N.Y. Marsh, Joseph — K.R.R.N.Y. Miller, Jonathon — K.R.R.N.Y. Mills, Henry — K.R.R.N.Y. Mills, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Murdoff, George — K.R.R.N.Y. Murdoff, James — K.R.R.N.Y. McConnell, Hugh — K.R.R.N.Y. Mcgrawth, Owen — K.R.R.N.Y. McNutt, James — 1779 McTaggart, James — K.R.R.N.Y. Neher, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Nicholson, Alex — Jessup's Rangers Nicholson, Archibald — Jessup's Rangers Parks, Cyrenus — K.R.R.N.Y. Parks, James — K.R.R.N.Y. Parks, Nathaniel — K.R.R.N.Y. Patingall, Jacob — Hessian Patingall, Samuel — K.R.R.N.Y. Phillips, Elisha — K.R.R.N.Y. Phillips, Peter — K.R.R.N.Y. Pickle, John — K.R.R.N.Y. Pilman, Russell — Jessup's Rangers Post, Frederick — Orange Rangers Prindle, Joel — K.R.R.N.Y. Prindle, Joseph — K.R.R.N.Y. Prindle, Timothy — K.R.R.N.Y. Prindle, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Rambouch, William — K.R.R.N.Y. Richardson, Asa — Jessup's Rangers Rickley, Andrew — K.R.R.N.Y. Ross, Zenus — K.R.R.N.Y.</p>
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Notes:-
 John Koughnet
 (not on list)
 was a
 member of K.R.R.N.Y.
 (settled near
 Cornwall, Ont)

K.R.R.N.Y. - King's Royal Regiment of New York. Source - "The Loyalist Trail" by R.M. Bruce

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Note:- William, John and Michael Koughnet (K.R.R.N.Y.), who came to Canada with E. Loyalists in 1783 were half brothers of Johanna (John Eberhard) and John Luke Coughnet. The "Van" was added to the name after their arrival in Upper Canada 1788.

History of the Van Koughnet Family

VANKOUGHNET

Township

JOHN E. b1791 EM SHOEM (f WILLIAM, UE-FRED)
CATHERINE (n SHEWMAN) b1794
↓ Benjamin b1812 m Jane b1814
↓ George b1814 m Mary b1822, 2 Josette b1816
↓ William b1817 m Mary b1823
↓ Peter b1823 m Susan b1830
S:LO'51-9:'61-41

LO 5-13

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BENJAMIN b1812 EM F
JANE b1814

LO 8-13

John b1834
Alexander b1838 m Ann Scott b1842 (f Francis)
Robert b1841
Elizir b1843
● George b1845 m Nancy Keller b1846 ↑
July Ann b1846
Margaret b1848
Emaline b1851
Elizabeth b1852
Daniel b1855
S:LO'51-11:'61-40:CMR F



1ST WIFE

GEORGE b1814 EM SHOEM
'MARY b1822

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Aberhart b1839 m Charlotte Hartwick b1838US
Mary b1841
↓ Elijah b1843 m Marie E. Green b1842
Catherine b1845 m William Green b1839 (f Henry)
Mabrey b1846
George b1849
Susan b1851

2ND WIFE

2 JOSETTE b1816
Eunice b1854
Moses b1856
Emily b1859
Mary J. b1860
S:LO'51-7:'61-41

ELIJAH b1843 m1862 EM F
MARIE E. (n GREEN) b1839 (f HENRY)

LO

Martha b1856
Filda A. b1858
Joseph b1860
William I. b1862
Albert b1865
Mary b1867
Edward b1870

S:LO'81-63

Source: "U.C. Socialist Links in Montanac County by Russ Walker U.C.

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TOWNSHIP

LO 5-13, PORTLAND

Vankoughnet -- continued

WILLIAM b1817 EM LAB

MARY b1823

Peter b1841

Sary J. b1842

Henry b1844

Iry b1847

Caty b1849

S:LO'51-9:PORT'71-1-23

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PETER b1823 EM F

SUSAN b1830

Clark A. b1850 d1871

Almira b1852

Alpheus

S:LO'51-9:'61-41:'71-2-33

LO 5-13

LO

WILLIAM b1800 EM F (f WILLIAM, UE-FRED)

ELIZABETH (n LLOYD) b1810

Alexander b1826

Minerva b1828

George b1829 m Lydia b1830

Katherine b1831

Wesley b1834

Barbary b1836

Magdalene b1839

Cinderella b1840

Rachel M. b1842

Lydia E. b1844

Kezzy b1845

William b1850

Evey b1852

James b1854

S:SHEF'51-63:KENN'61-2:'71-9

SHEF 6-10, KENN 11-18

Sheffield, Kennebec

KENN EBE

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1/ William Van Koughnet was a United Empire Loyalist who came to Fredericksburg Township (Catarqui Township 3) under Colonel James Rogers after the American Revolutionary War in the 1780's.

2/ William's son was John E. Van Koughnet (b.1791) who married Cathrine Shewman (b.1794)

Their children: -1/ Benjamin (born 1812) married Jane (born 1814)
2/ George (" 1814) married 1/ Mary (born 1822) 2/ Josette (b.1816)
3/ William (born 1817) married Mary (b.1823)
4/ Peter (Born 1823) " Susan (b.1830)

3/ Benjamin (b. 1812) married Jane (1814) E. Methodist, Farmer- Loughboro

Their children: 1/ John b.1834
2/ Alexander b.1838 marr. Ann Scott (b.1842) daughter of Francis
3/ Robert b.1841
4/ Elizir b.1843
5. George b.1845 married Nancy Keller (b.1846)
6. July Ann b.1846
7. Margaret b.1848
8. Emaline b.1851
9. Elizabeth b.1852
10. Daniel b.1855

4/ George (b.1814) married ¹ Mary (b.1822)-Shoemaker (E.Methodist) -Loughboro
₂ Josette b.1816.

Their children: A/ George & Mary's children

1/ Aberhart b.1839 married Charlotte Hartwick b.1838 in U.S.A
2/ Mary b.1841
3/ Elijah b.1843 married Marie E. Green (b.1842) daug. Of Henry
4/ Catharine b.1845 married Wm. Green (b.1839) son of Henry
5/ George b.1849 -died in Kingston, Ont. On 14/July/1909, age 60.
6. Susan b.1851

B/ George and Josette's children

1/ Eunice b.1854
2/ Moses b.1856
3/ Emily b.1859
4/ Mary J. b.1860

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5/ Elijah Van Koughnet (b.1843) married to Marie Green (b.1842) married in 1862,
E. Methodist, Farmer -Loughboro

Their Children: 1/ Martha

2/ Filda A.

3/ Joseph

4/ William I.

5/ Albert

6/ Mary

7/ Edward

Source - 1851 Census of Loughborough Township

Taken from "U.E Loyalist Links" Volume 1 -update & supplement by Russ Waller U.E

Note: VanKoughnet was used as a surname after their arrival in Upper Canada.

Michael VanKoughnet, brother of William, was a United Empire Loyalist who settled in the Prescott, Ontario, area. VanKoughnet Street, Prescott, is named after this original settler of that area. Many prominent people in Ontario sprang from this branch of the VanKoughnet family.

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6/ William Van Koughnet (born 1817) marr. Mary (b.1823)-E.Methodist-Laboror-Loughboro-Portland.

Their children: 1/ Peter (b.1841)
2/ Sary J. (b.1842)
3/ Henry (b.1844)
4/ Elry (b.1847)
5/ Caty (b.1849)

7/ Peter Van Koughnet (b.1823) marr. Susan (b.1830) -E.Methodist-Famer-Loughboro

Their children: 1/ Clark A. b.1850-died 1871

2/ Almira b.1852
3/ Alpheus b. ?

8/ William Van Koughnet b.1800, brother of John E. Van Koughnet, married to Elizabeth Lloyd (b.1810). They were E.Methodists.

Their children: 1/ Alexander b.1826
2/ Minerva b.1828
3/ George b.1829 m.Lydia b.1830
4/ Katherine b.1831
5/ Wesley b.1834
6/ Barbary b.1836
7/ Magdalene b.1839
8/ Cinderella b.1840
9/ Rachel M. b.1842
10/ Lydia E. b.1844
11/ Kezzy b.1845
12/ William b.1850
13/ Evey b.1852
14/ James b.1854

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1851- Census of Loughboro Township, Ont: -list

1/ George Van Koughnet -Age 38 -Shoemaker

Mary	"	- "	30
Averhart	"	- "	13
Mary	"	- "	10
Elizer	"	- "	8
Catharine	"	- "	7
Malrey	"	- "	6
* George	"	- "	5 X
Susan	"	- "	1

2/ Benjamin Van Koughnet -Age 40 -Farmer

Jane	"	- "	38
John	"	- "	18 -Laborer
Alexander	"	- "	15
Robert	"	- "	11
George	"	- "	8
July Ann	"	- "	6
Margaret	"	- "	4
Emoline	"	- "	1

3/ William Van Koughnet - Age 35 -Laborer

Mary	"	- "	29
Peter	"	- "	11
Sarey	"	- "	10
Henry	"	- "	8
Elry	"	- "	5
Caty	"	- "	3

4/ Peter Van Koughnet - Age 35 -Farmer

Susan	"	- "	22
Clark A.	"	- "	2

5/ John E. Van Koughnet -Age 60 -Shoemaker

Catharine	"	- "	58
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Note! - George Van Koughnet (Household head) is listed on 1901 Census of Loughborough Township living at lot 17, Concession 8.

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1881 - Census of Loughboro List:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RELATION</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>RELIGION</u>	<u>OCCUPATION</u>
1. Eligh VanKoughnet	Husband	40	Ont	Methodist	Farmer
Mariah(?)	Wife	44		"	
Martha	daughter	15			
Filda	"	13			
Joseph	son	11			
William	"	9			
Albert	"	6			
Mary	daughter	4			
Edward	son	1			

Note! - This family does not appear on the censuses of Loughborough in 1891 or 1901.

The 1891 Census of Loughboro Township lists:-

①	<u>Peter Van Koughnet</u>	- Age 68	- Born in Ont.	- Methodist	- Farmer	- married.
	<u>Susan</u>	"	"	"	"	"
		" 61	"	"	"	"
②	<u>George Van Koughnet</u>	- Age 40	"	"	Farmer	married
	<u>Emily</u>	" 35	"	"	"	"
	<u>Rhoda</u>	" 15	"	"	"	"
	<u>Hester</u>	" 13	"	"	"	"
	<u>Emily</u>	" 11	"	"	"	"
	<u>John</u>	" 8	"	"	"	"
	<u>Elyja</u>	" 6	"	"	"	"
	<u>Mittel</u>	" 3	"	"	"	"
	<u>William</u>	" 1	"	"	"	"

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1901 - Census of Loughboro Township, Ontario Lists

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RELATION</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>REL</u>	<u>Occ</u>
1. George Van Koughnet	husband	49	Ont 8mar/1852	Dutch	Meth	Farmer
Emma	wife	43				
Hester	daughter	23				
Alexander	son	20				
John	son	18				
Elisa	daughter	16				
Nattie	daughter	13				
William	son	10				
Shannon	daughter	8				
Lillie	daughter	6				
Frank	son	3				
2. Peter Van Koughnet	husband	77	Ont 18May/1823	Dutch	Meth	Farmer
Susan	wife	71	Que? 14Feb/1828	English		
Flossie Begg	grdaughter	12	(born in N.Y)	Scottish		
3. William Van Koughnet	husband	26	Ont 3Aug/1874	French	Meth	Miner
Amhersipa	wife	21	Ont 5July/1879	Dutch		

Note! - The 1901 Census(Loughboro) lists an Earl VanKoughnet, aged 2 (b3Feb/1899) living with Robert and Jane Clark

WAS KILLED BY ENGINE

George VanKoughnett slain on the track, July 14, 1909
Was Struck By K & P Railway Engine Near the Company's
Old Pile Wharf---- Accident Purely Accidental, and
No Inquest Will Be Held.

George VanKoughnett, aged sixty, a labourer, living at number 4 Corrigan street, was almost instantly killed in an accident, which occurred about 9:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning, when he was run over by a Kingston & Penbrooke railway engine, at the company's old pile wharf.

Mr. VanKoughnett had been fishing off the wharf, and its not known whether he was on his way home when the accident happened, or whether he was about to change his fishing position. The engine #6, had pulled onto the wharf, as is the custom, to coal up. Alexander Potter had charge of the engine, and a yardman, Edward Northmore, was riding on the front end of the engine. Mr. VanKoughnett was struck when the engine was backing out to the round house. Northmore was the first to notice the body on the track, and he at once called to the engineer. The engine was travelling at a slow rate of speed, and was soon brought to a standstill. Mr. VanKoughnett was breathing when the two men arrived on the scene, but he only lived a very few minutes. His body was almost cut in two, and his legs and arms were terribly mangled. The fishing pole he had been using was found at the side of the tracks.

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Coroner Dr. Killborn and Dr. Stanley Keyes, were called to the scene, also Constable McAdoo, and James Reid's ambulance, was also sent for. Coroner Kilborn made an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the accident, and afterwards announced that an inquest was unnecessary, as the accident was purely accidental. Mr. VanKoughnett was very deaf, and it is believed that he did not hear the engine coming along. He often went fishing at this location, and was well-known to nearly everyone in the neighborhood in which he lived

A daughter of the deceased was told of the accident, and she identified the remains. After Coroner Kilborn concluded his investigation, the body was taken to Reid's undertaking rooms to be prepared for burial. The deceased is survived by his wife, six daughters and six sons. Mr. VanKoughnett was a hard working, industrious man, until overtaken by age. He was well liked by all who knew him. Much sympathy is extended to the members of the family. The deceased had lived in Kingston for about ten years, and before coming to the city, was engaged as a farmer on the Perth Road. At the family residence, the Whig was informed that Mr. VanKoughnett was in his usual good spirits this morning and left early to go fishing at the pile dock. The news of his untimely death came as a severe shock to his wife and family.

The engineer was so affected by the accident, that another was secured to take the engine away from the scene of the accident. The news of the accident spread rapidly, and a large crowd gathered at the scene.

----- From the files of the "Daily British Whig"-----

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