

Jordan Family Immigration and Citizen Records

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Introduction

This document contains immigration records such as ship arrival records and citizen records, such as naturalization and voter registration records for various Jordan, Scholdberg and Steward ancestors and is available on [Our Jordan Family Web Pages](#) as part of our Jordan family history.

For ease of use, the above [Table of Contents](#) includes active links in selecting items of interest. Merely touch the line or page number to move to a section of interest.

Immigration and citizen records were obtained from a number of sources including but not limited to *Ship Manifests, Naturalization Records and Voter Registration Records*.

Immigration events are organized by the date of a *ship arrival*. In some cases an individual came alone and in other cases a family traveled together. *Citizen* related information is specific to an individual, but in the late 1880s and early 1900s if the male head of the family became a citizen, the wife and younger children also became citizens and thus are not listed as naturalized.

Spellings of names and places vary for different records and sometimes individuals changed some part of their names or used nicknames or abbreviations. In the transcriptions that follows, the names are transcribed as they were recorded in the original record source.

In order to help preserve our Jordan family history and to make that history more widely available, [Our Jordan Family Web Pages](#) was created in the early years of the 21st century. Then in the later part of the first decade of the 21st century, I began to compile various categories of information such as [Jordan Family Addresses](#), [Jordan Family Census Records](#), [Jordan Genealogy Source Records](#), [Jordan Family Immigration and Citizen Records](#), [Oscar Scholdberg's Voyages](#), and [the Jordan Stories](#) into pdf documents.

Such pdf files will make it easier to download files for preservation on our many computers and they will also allow much easier printing of pages and for studied analysis as desired. As part of this effort, a [Jordan PDF Downloads](#) web page was created. From this page, all currently available pdf's from [Our Jordan Family Web Pages](#) can be accessed.

You are encouraged to download the various Jordan, Scholdberg, and Steward pdf files, not only for your own study but to also help preserve for future generations hard to obtain data and information about our common Jordan, Scholdberg and Steward origins and history. Files are updated every once in a while, and checking about once a year is a reasonable frequency. Version dates are shown at the beginning of the [Table of Contents](#).

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What's New

Going forward it is intended to briefly describe what major items were added since the last version of this document.

1. 10/11/17: Miscellaneous format updates.
2. 1/25/2013: *Jordan Family Immigration and Citizen Records* creation date.

File Connections

As follows are other files that connect with *Jordan Family Immigration and Citizen Records*. All are available at [Jordan PDF Downloads](#) as individual pdf documents with titles and file names as listed below.

1. *The Jordan Story*
File: Stories_Jordan.pdf
Summary: The Jordan Story provides a written history of the origins of our Jordan family. As part of this story there are many appendices and sections.
2. *Historical Jordan Family Addresses*
File: Addresses_Jordan_Historical.pdf
Summary: Contains chronological address listings for various families in the Jordan/Steward/Scholdberg line.
Linkage: Elizabeth Priscilla Steward 1st married Knut Oscar Scholdberg and after his death she married James Jordan.
3. *Jordan Family Census Records*
File: Census_Jordan_Historical.pdf
Summary: Contains census transcriptions for various families in the Jordan/Steward/Scholdberg line.
Linkage: Elizabeth Priscilla Steward 1st married Knut Oscar Scholdberg and after his death she married James Jordan.
4. *Jordan Family Immigration and Citizen Records*
File: Records_Immigration_Jordan.pdf
Summary: Contains immigration records such as ship arrival records and citizen records, such as naturalization and voter registration records transcriptions for various families in the Jordan/Steward/Scholdberg line.
Linkage: Elizabeth Priscilla Steward 1st married Knut Oscar Scholdberg and after his death she married James Jordan.

Jordan and Steward Immigration Events

For our Jordan and Steward Families there were five known immigration events. For only one family though has a definitive arrival date been found. For the others, the timespan of the arrival and information about the individual is provided to assist future researchers. Events are listed in chronological order.

- 1. Charles Hooper Steward Montreal Immigration - 1871 to 1876:** Charles Hooper Steward was the second son of Joseph and Elizabeth Steward. He was born 27 February 1851 in Poplar England. He was living with his parents in Poplar during the 1871 Census but married Eveline Annie Mathers 28 September 1876 in Montreal. Thus he left England sometime between 1871 and 1876.
- 2. Charles Hooper Steward Chicago Immigration - > 1881:** It is unknown how long Charles Hooper Steward and family stayed in Montreal. The 1900 Chicago Census indicates that Charles Steward immigrated in 1880 to the USA. However, Charles and Eveline are listed in the 1881 Montreal Census for April 4, 1881. It is known that Charles and Annie later divorced and it is believed it was in Chicago . It is believed their daughter Alice remained in Chicago also. The first identifiable Chicago address for Charles Steward is in 1890 as he is at the same address as James Oscar Jordan. However there are addresses as early as 1882-1883 that could be our Charles Hooper Steward. Obtaining his divorce decree could provide additional information on where he was when.
- 3. James Oscar Jordan USA Immigration - 1882 to 1886:** James Oscar Jordan's 1900 Census record for Chicago indicates he immigrated in 1886 when he would have been 18 while the 1910 record indicates he immigrated in 1882 when he would have been 14. James Oscar Jordan's 1940 Census record indicates he had 2 years of high school. Assuming he completed his schooling in Poplar, England he probably didn't immigrate until after 1882. An inquiry to the Grand Lodge in Illinois states that he was raised to the degree of Master Mason on April 11, 1890, thus he must have arrived some years previously to begin the process within the Lodge 526. Chicago Directory address data indicates he lived with his Uncle Charles Steward by 1890 and probably before. While James Oscar Jordan could have arrived in a number of ports, including Montreal, two possible matches were found for New York. Both were in 1883 for 16 year olds. While our James was 15 in 1883, it is not unusual for ages and dates to be a little off. Transcripts of the manifests follow, though it is possible neither of them are James Jordan. In summary, it appears that after James Oscar Jordan finished his schooling in Poplar, England, he left to live with his Uncle Charles Steward in Chicago. At that time, jobs were plentiful in Chicago and it is possible Charles welcomed the company of his nephew after his divorce.
- 4. The Jordan Family USA Immigration - 18 August 1893:** By 1893 both James Oscar Jordan and Charles Steward were living together in Chicago. Meanwhile in Poplar, Elizabeth Steward had lost her

husband Joseph in 1892 and it appears Elizabeth Priscilla Jordan may have been widowed again in the late 1880s. Thus with the death of Joseph Steward, it appears Elizabeth Priscilla Jordan immigrated to America in August 1893 with two of her children and her mother. The children with her were Charles Jordan and James Henry Jordan. Her mother was Elizabeth Steward. They embarked from Liverpool, England on the *SS Britannic* in August 1893 and arrived at Ellis Island on August 18, 1893. Their manifest record is presented following.

5. **Joseph John Steward USA Immigration - Unknown Year:** Joseph John Steward was the first son of Joseph and Elizabeth Steward and brother of Charles Steward. Joseph was born 18 June 1849 in Poplar England. He was living with his parents in Poplar during the 1871 Census. Family recollections are that he lived in San Francisco but was never heard from after the 1906 earthquake. A check of deaths from the quake showed no Joseph Steward listed. It is not known when he arrived in the USA, whether he came to Chicago first, or whether he married. It might be possible to find him in the 1900 Census for San Francisco, but with just the name Joseph Steward which is relatively common, it would be a long shot to identify him.

Jordan Family Ship Arrival Record - 18 August 1893

Overview

Name of Vessel	Port of Embarkation	Date of Embarkation	Arrival Port	Date of Arrival
S.S. Britannic	Liverpool	August 1893	Ellis Island, New York	18 August 1893

Manifest Summary

Name of Vessel	Flag	Master	Port of Clearance	Boarded Passengers	Passenger List Compiled	Steerage Passengers	Citizens in Steerage	Aliens in Steerage
S.S. Britannic	British	E.J Smitte	Liverpool	Liverpool and Queenstown	18 August 1893	Main: 311	Main: 79	Main: 232
						Reg: 311	Reg: 18	Reg: 293

Passenger Manifest - Part I

Line	Name in Full	Age (Yrs/ Mo.)	Sex	Calling or Occupation	Country of which they are Citizens	Native Country
68	Eliz Jordan	37 yrs. 6 mo.	F	Wife		England
69	Eliz Jordan	57 yrs. 7 mo.	F	Wife		England
70	Chas Jordan	18 yrs. 10 mo.	M	Steward		England
71	James Jordan	11 yrs. 8 mo.	M	Child		England

Passenger Manifest - Part II

Line	Name in Full	Intended Destination	Whether Citizens of United States	Transit, In-Transit, or intending Protracted Sojourn	Location of Compartment or Space occupied forward, amidship, aft	Number of Pieces of Luggage	Port of Embarkation
68	Elizabeth Jordan	Chicago	No	P.S.	Aft	1	Liverpool
69	Elizabeth Jordan	Chicago	No	P.S.	Aft	1	Liverpool
70	Charles Jordan	Chicago	No	P.S.	Aft	1	Liverpool
71	James Jordan	Chicago	No	P.S.	Aft	1	Liverpool

Notes

1. Above is an excerpt from the *Britannic* for its voyage from Liverpool, England in August 1893 to its arrival on 18 August 1893 in New York at Ellis Island. The *Britannic* was a two-stack steamer with auxiliary sail and could hold over 1500 passengers. Our relatives traveled in aft steerage class. On board the August 1893 voyage were Elizabeth Jordan, her mother Elizabeth Steward (mistakenly shown as

Elizabeth Jordan), and Elizabeth P. Jordan's sons Charles Jordan and James Henry Jordan.

2. There are a number of data discrepancies for these four individuals in the record. These are: 1) an age reduction of 9 years for Elizabeth Priscilla Jordan, 2) a wrong name for Elizabeth Steward which is shown as Elizabeth Jordan, however, her date of birth as 1826 appears to be correct, 3) a reduction in age of Charles Jordan from 19 to 18 years, 4) a reduction in age of James Jordan from 13 to 11 years, and 5) both Elizabeth's being listed as *wife* instead of widows or divorcees. The months of birth appear to be reasonably accurate.
3. The *Britannic* was a combination steamship and sailing ship. Its hull was 455 feet long by 45 feet wide and was made of iron and weighed 5004 tons. It had two funnels which were located about two-thirds of the way from the bow and four sailing masts; two positioned in front of the funnels and two positioned behind. The *Britannic* had a single screw, compound engines and could travel at 16 knots. A typical voyage would take 12-13 days one way on the regular voyage from Liverpool to New York and return. Travel to Liverpool from London and from New York to Chicago was certainly by rail. Elizabeth P. Jordan and her family passed close by the Statue of Liberty as the *Britannic* docked near the newly opened Ellis Island. At Ellis they would have been interviewed, checked for diseases, changed their money, purchased rail tickets and proceeded to board trains for Chicago from nearby Jersey City.
4. Originally this record was obtained from a search of the ship manifest records at the Allen County Library in 1978. It was found again in a 2003 search of the *American Immigration Family History Center - Ellis Island* on-line data base. The August 1893 arrival date was stated in the *James Henry Jordan Biography* and was a key to locating the *Jordan Manifest* record well before the ship manifest records were indexed. The 1978 search entailed visually scanning on microfilm each New York ship arrival from Liverpool for August 1893 day by day, ship by ship, and passenger by passenger.
5. There are a number of errors not only in the original record itself, but also in its extraction by the *American Immigration Family History Center - Ellis Island* on-line data base. It is also tricky to retrieve the record for viewing. The following search parameters will retrieve the record: First Name contains ELIZ, Last Name is JORDAN, Gender Female, Year of Arrival: 1893, Year Range: Exact. The record is very easy to read once retrieved.
6. In 1992 I submitted some of my immigrant ancestors names to the *Centennial Edition of the American Immigrant Wall of Honor* project at Ellis Island. At the time, Ellis Island was being refurbished and turned into a National Park for its 100th anniversary in 1993. I recalled that our Elizabeth Priscilla Jordan and family arrived the year it opened 1893. As a way of honoring her for her role in keeping the family together and getting all her family to America, I arranged for the *Elizabeth Priscilla Holloway Jordan* name to be inscribed on the

American Immigrant Wall of Honor at Ellis Island. Her full name was later found to be Elizabeth Priscilla Holloway Steward Scholdberg Jordan.

7. Author/Last Update: [Dave Jordan](#)/January 25, 2013

Jordan Family Ship Arrival Record - 18 August 1893

NAME IN FULL	Age		Sex	Calling or Occupation	Country of which they are Citizens	Native Country	Intended Destination or Location State or Territory	State of passage other than that of the United States	Transient in Transit or intending protracted sojourn	Location of embarkment or arrival
	Years	Months								
John Davis	24	6	M	Clerk	England	Duluth	Yes	Citizen	Apr	
Sarah "	22		F	Wife	"	"	"	"	"	
Minnie Mc Cabe	24	3	"	Wander	Ireland	New York	No	P.S.	"	
Geo. Canby	22		M	Shoemaker	"	Pittsburg	"	"	"	
Robert Davies	35		"	Farmer	"	"	"	"	"	
Florence Mann	20		F	Servt	England	New Jersey	Yes	Citizen	Embark	
City Jordan	37	6	"	Wife	"	Chicago	No	P.S.	Liverpool	
City "	57	7	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Geo. "	18	10	M	Steward	"	"	"	"	"	
John "	11	8	"	Child	"	"	"	"	"	
Henry Herdman	30		"	Engineer	W. I.	New York	"	"	"	
Amos Jagenkaucas	11		"	None	Poland	"	"	"	"	
Constance	10		F	Wife	"	"	"	"	"	
Wm. A. Hodson	24		M	Miner	England	Ohio	"	"	"	
W. A. Anderson	37	14	"	Seaman	Norway	Brooklyn	Yes	Citizen	"	
Geo. Brownfield	41		"	Engineer	England	Philadelphia	No	P.S.	"	
Geo. Reed	27		"	Hallman	"	Iowa	Yes	Citizen	"	
Geo. "	27		"	"	Ireland	New York	"	"	"	

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Possible James Oscar Jordan Ship Arrival Record - 12 June 1883

Overview

Name of Vessel	Port of Embarkation	Date of Embarkation	Arrival Port	Date of Arrival
England	Liverpool	Liverpool and Queenstown	Castle Garden, New York City	12 June 1883

Manifest Summary

Name of Vessel	Flag	Master	Port of Clearance	Boarded Passengers	Passenger List Compiled	Steerage Passengers	Citizens in Steerage	Aliens in Steerage
England			Liverpool					

Passenger Manifest - Part I

Line	Name in Full	Age (Yrs/ Mo.)	Sex	Calling or Occupation	Country of which they are Citizens	Native Country
	James Jordan	16	M	Laborer		England

Passenger Manifest - Part I

Line	Name in Full	Intended Destination	Whether Citizens of United States	Transit, In-Transit, or intending Protracted Sojourn	Location of Compartment or Space occupied forward, amidship, aft	Number of Pieces of Luggage	Port of Embarkation
	James Jordan	United States					Liverpool

Notes

1. Above is a possible *Ship Arrival Record* for our James Oscar Jordan. Our James Oscar was born in February 1868 and was 15 years old in 1883 which is pretty close to the age of 16 indicated. However, there is not enough information to know whether this is our James Oscar Jordan or not.
2. This record extract was found at CastleGarden.org and educational project of The Battery Conservancy. The organization offers a free database of immigrant arrivals to Castle Garden, New York.
3. Note there is a 2nd James Jordan arrival in 1883 on the *Egypt*.
4. Author/Last Update: [Dave Jordan](#)/January 25, 2013

Possible James Oscar Jordan Ship Arrival Record - 22 August 1883

Overview

Name of Vessel	Port of Embarkation	Date of Embarkation	Arrival Port	Date of Arrival
Egypt	Liverpool		Castle Garden, New York City	22 August 1883

Manifest Summary

Name of Vessel	Flag	Master	Port of Clearance	Boarded Passengers	Passenger List Compiled	Steerage Passengers	Citizens in Steerage	Aliens in Steerage
Egypt			Liverpool					

Passenger Manifest - Part I

Line	Name in Full	Age (Yrs/ Mo.)	Sex	Calling or Occupation	Country of which they are Citizens	Native Country
	James Jordan	16	M	Laborer		England

Passenger Manifest - Part I

Line	Name in Full	Intended Destination	Whether Citizens of United States	Transit, In-Transit, or intending Protracted Sojourn	Location of Compartment or Space occupied forward, amidship, aft	Number of Pieces of Luggage	Port of Embarkation
	James Jordan	United States					Liverpool

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4. Author/Last Update: [Dave Jordan](#)/January 25, 2013

Jordan and Steward Naturalization Events

In regard to naturalization events, no records have been obtained though they most likely exist. The commonness of the names makes it difficult to know whether a record is the correct one. A summary of what is known and likelihood of a naturalization record is as follows:

1. **Elizabeth Holloway Steward:** Elizabeth Steward was not indicated as naturalized on the 1900 Census.
2. **Charles Steward:** The 1900 Census indicates Charles Steward as *Naturalized*.
3. **Elizabeth P. Jordan:** Elizabeth P. Jordan was not indicated as naturalized on the 1900 Census nor on her 1920 Census record.
4. **James Oscar Jordan:** The 1900 Census indicates James O. Jordan as an *Alien* though the 1910 Census indicates he is *Naturalized*. His 1920 and 1930 Census records were not found but his 1940 Census record indicates he was *Naturalized*. However, his death record indicates that he had no Social Security number which would lead one to believe he was not *Naturalized*.
5. **Charles Jordan:** Charles Jordan was indicated as *Naturalized* on the 1900 Census but as *Alien* the 1920 Census.
6. **James Henry Jordan:** James Henry Jordan was indicated as *Naturalized* on the 1900 Census.