

## **Starting Family Tree:**

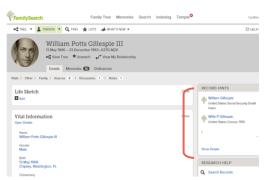
# **Attaching FamilySearch Sources to Your Tree**

You can attach records to an ancestor's Details page using the Source Linker (a tool that attaches records found in indexed FS collections to individuals in Family Tree.) The right column of your ancestor's Details page contains two options for locating records:

- 1. Record Hints under Research Help
- 2. Search Records

Selected records from either option will need to be examined, and, if applicable, added as Sources to FT.

### Record Hints under Research Help



**Record Hints** contains records pre-selected by Family Search based on matching data.

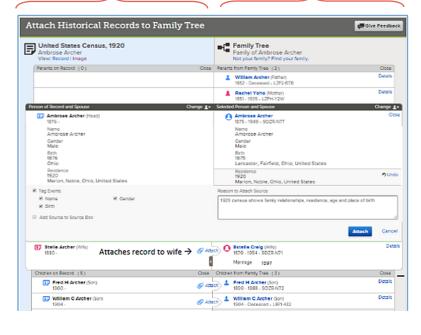
If a record appears in-**RECORD HINTS**, examine it by clicking on the person's name above the record title. An abstract window appears.

1.Clicking on
Linker as shown
below.

The left half of the screen shows the information in the selected **Historical Record**. The right half shows the information in your **Family Tree**.

**Historical Record** 

Family in Family Tree



Massach etts, Births and Christenings

Name: Rachel Wood

Gender: Female
Birth Date: 04 Oct 1806

Father's Name: Samuel Wood

Mother's N me: Rachal Wood

Indexing P yect (Batch) Number: 102321-7, System Origin:

Massachu atts-EASy, GS Film number: 758485, Reference ID: p

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Citing thi Record

"Massach setts, Births and Christenings, 1639-1915," Index,
FamilySe, ch (https://familysearch.org/pat/MM9.1./F426-271: accessed 2-3 April 2015), Rachel Wood, 04 Oct 1806; citing , p 239, FHL microfilm
58,485.

Review and Attach

Not a Match

opens the Source

Examine these features: Compare, Attach, Detach, Open, Close, Details, Change and Add

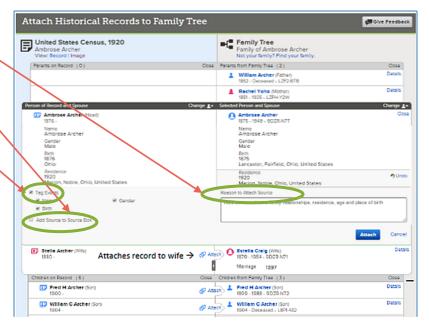
3. In this section compare the details in the **Historical Record** with those in **FamilyTree** to determine if the record belongs to your ancestor. If it does, then...

- a) Enter a "Reason to Attach Source" statement
- b) Check or uncheck "Tag Events"
- c) Check or uncheck "Add Source to Source Box"
- d) To attach this Historical Record Source, Click



4. The Record is now attached as a Source in your ancestor's Details page.

No information is changed in your family unless you have clicked **+Add** on the **Historical Record** side.



#### Search Records

**FamilySearch.org** To find additional records which may pertain to your ancestor, click on FamilySearch.org in the box on the right side of the person screen.



**FamilySearch** has entered some search terms (name, place, & date range) for you. To find other records, edit the search terms.

In order to examine and determine if this record belongs to your ancestor, click the Preview Arrow or the Blue Name above the record title; view the abstract, and <u>whenever possible</u>, the actual document.

The next window is the abstract of an indexed record. You will see either:

- 1. abstract only ("no image available")
- abstract with image ("view the original document")
- abstract with GS Film # reference (which means there is an image on film in Family History Library)



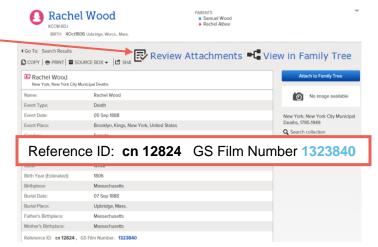
You will want to examine and attach the original image whenever possible!!!!

If the record has already been attached, Click Review Attachments to verify everyone listed has the record attached. When a record is attached to a person, their name field turns light green.

To attach a record, click on

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in the record abstract. Add any additional deceased people in the record not found in Family Tree.



Should the abstract have a GS film number, as in the record above, (GS Film # 1323840) you will know that the film is in the Family History Library and can be searched and image saved for your records.

Before you leave FamilyTree, go back to your ancestor's Details page and check that the source has been attached.



For further help in attaching Historical Records and using more advanced features of the Source Linker, it is strongly recommended that you Google "FamilySearch Family Tree Curriculum" (created by Leland Moon). Click on the URL beginning with "broadcast.lds.org/..." Click on Level Two. In the next page scroll down to the **Sourcing** section.

There you will find "Hands on Activities" and "Short Videos" explaining/demonstrating how to put these records in Family Tree.

