ABOUT: MARGARET ANGLIN ENGLISH O'TOOLE

Born: 3-1-1855

Place: Columbus, Ohio

Died: 6-4-1925

Cause of death: Tuberculosis

Burial: Catholic Cemetery in Monroeville, Indiana

Nickname: Maggie

Married: 2-8-1881, to Peter McArdle at age 26

Children: John Edward, Harry, Frank, Mary, Rose,

Charles, Marguerite, Helen and James

Margaret was the youngest of two known children born to Edward and Margaret Anglin English. Her father, Edward English, died sometime after 1856. (Naturalization papers state that in the year 1856 he became a naturalized citizen of the United States in Franklin, County, Ohio.) How and when her mother married James O'Toole or when she came to Monroeville, Indiana, is not known. Both she and her sister, Mary, took the name of O'Toole. Mary married James McArdle, the brother of Peter McArdle.

Margaret was a very small, frail woman. "Tiny" is a word used to describe her. Pictures show her as almost dwarfed next to her tall husband. She gave birth to nine children. Her daughter, Helen, died as an infant because there was noone to take the baby for medical care. Because her husband, Peter, was away or working the farm, she was left to raise the children and the home. Although she had a hard life she was remembered as a very generous person. Her husband often said she gave half the farm away to visitors and friends. She suffered many years with tuberculosis.