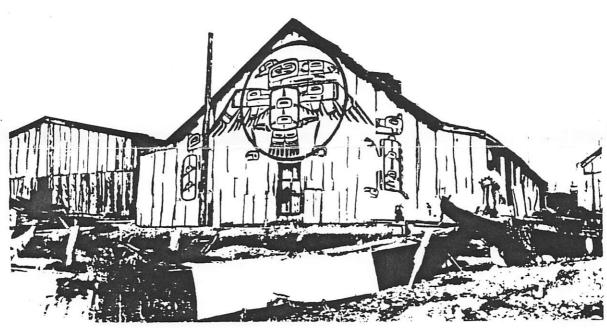
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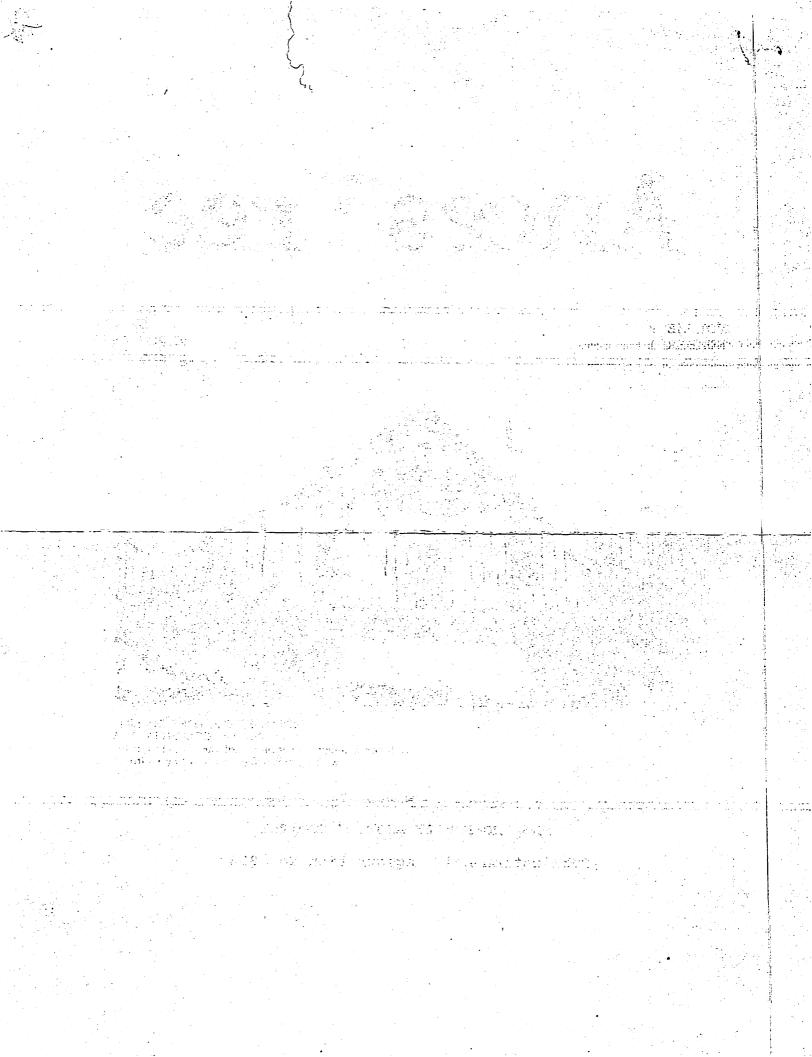
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INDIAN HOUSE, FORT RUPERT, BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1885 A house belonging to members of the Kwakiutl tribe, with legendary figures painted on its front.

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar. 07 -	Library, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Marj McLellan's, 4733 Laguna Way
Mar. 19 -	Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers for next year
Mar. 17 -	Library, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Marj McLellan's, 4733 Laguna Way
Apr. 04 –	Library, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Marj McLellan's
Apr. 16 –	General Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Speaker - to be announced
Apr. 21 -	Library, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Marj McLellan's
May 02 -	Library, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Marj McLellan's
May 19 -	Library, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Marj McLellan's
May 21 -	General Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; speaker not yet scheduled.

### May 23 -



Genealogy Plus Seminar - Bowen Park complex - 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Adrianne Anderson of Genealogy Plus will be here again this year with a large supply of books of interest to the genealogist. She will give two short talks; "Here Comes the Postman" which will be very useful for anyone just getting started, and "What's in a Name" which will give some history on the naming patterns of various cultures which may help you in trying to trace your ancestors. Admission will be by donation and it will be a bring-your-own-lunch affair. Ms. Anderson advises that she has been to England since she was here last year, and she has many new books on hand. This should be a very worthwhile event.

### LDS Library Days:

The LDS Library is now open 20 hours per week. Tuesday mornings are now also available for members to do research. Hours are now as follows:

Mondays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. & 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Wednesdays 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Thursdays 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The LDS Library now has the computer system in place. They are also expecting to get a new reader-printer in! If you have films ordered, make an appointment to read them by calling Tony Ballageer at 245-3403 between 5:30 and 6:30 weekdays only to arrange for an appointment on a reader.

### Malaspina College Library:

The Malaspina College Library now has an additional reader-printer on site. Bookings for the reader-printer can be made in person at the library - they are for 30-minutes periods. If no one else is booked on it there is no problem using it. If reading a microfilm reel one should use the ordinary readers until you find something that you may want to copy, and then try to book time on the reader. Bookings will not be taken by phone - only in person. Members are reminded that the College staff would prefer the public to use the library from 6 to 10 p.m. weekdays, and noon to 5 p.m. on weekends.

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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### Club Rews

### Christmas Party -

The Christmas party held December 4th, was an enjoyable affair, with about 45 persons present. An excellent buffet was enjoyed by all (next year we promise to have larger plates!). We had no idea there were so many talented chef's in our group! Special thanks to the members who donated prizes to be raffled off, especially Rowena Kempling, manager of My Favourite Things, who donated three of the prizes.

#### Condolences -

Sincere condolences are extended to Joan Blair who lost a son, Marion Hedge, whose father passed away, and to Audrey Curtis, whose mother passed away recently. Member Laura Bell recently passed away after a lengthy illness, and our sincere condolences are extended to her husband, Ed, a long-time, hardworking member of our club.

### Spring Seminar -

Details of this up-coming seminar are given on page 3 under "Dates to Remember". Be sure to mark May 23rd on your calendar and plan to attend. Also, mention the seminar to anyone else that you feel may be interested in attending.

The General Meeting held February 19th was a very enjoyable event. Following the business portion of the meeting several members exchanged research information, stories on family research, and disclosed some of the strange things that sometimes come to light while doing family research.

### Items of Interest

SUFFIXES TO GERMAN SURNAMES: Suffixes to German surnames often contain clues to the regional origin of the surnames.

"bach" from southwest Germany
"burg" from throughout Germany
"haus" from Westphalia
"ecke" from Hesse and Thuringia
"ingen" from Baden & Wurttenburg
"reuth" from Bavaria
"ski, zje" from East Pomerania
"inske" from Upper Silesia

EUROPEAN CENSUS: The time frame for European censuses may be of interest to those researching in Europe. The first census for each of the following countries began as follows:

Austria	1815	Bavaria	1818
France	1801	Norway	1815
Prussia	1810	Greece	1836
Russia	1897	Great Britain	1851
Saxony	1815	Sweden	1749
Spain	1789	Switzerland	1860

...(from Clark County Genealogical Society Newsletter, February 1992)

The following article was taken from the "Nanaimo Daily Free Press", November 16, 1991 issue:

### Church pays homage to peace not war.

VANCOUVER -- Second World War veteran Harold Robins is quick to clarify his church is a tribute to peace, not war.

Opened on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1928 — the anniversary of the end of the First World War — Canadian Memorial United Church began as a nationally funded symbol of the nation's war sacrifices.

In recent years, the congregation that Rev. Ken Wotherspoon calls one of the "most radical and activist" in Vancouver has donated most of the \$160,000 used to restore the soaring stained-glass windows dedicated to stopping war.

### WAR BOOKS.

The church chancel also houses the only publicly available replicas of Ottawa's books of war dead. Every Remembrance Day, people show up at the church to find the names of loved ones.

They pause to cry, feel private pain and remember.

Canadian Memorial was the first church in Vancouver to endure attacks for allowing a mostly gay congregation to meet in its sanctuary, he said. It has an Amnesty International working group and carries its own banner in the annual Vancouver Peace March.

There are no triumphant messages of war victory in the church's large and small stained windows. The names of the 45,000 Canadians killed in the Second World War rest in one "Book of Remembrance". The book begins with Private Reginald Allright and ends with airforceman Walter Zirkan. The other thick book lists the 66,000 Canadians killed in the First World War. SOLDIER ASKED.

The Canadian Memorial Church story goes this way: An 18-year-old soldier dying on the battlefield in 1915 told his padre to return to Canada after the war and build a chapel in memory of those filled.

The padre, Rev. Lt.-Col. George Fallis, criss-crossed Canada collecting funds from governments, wealthy benefactors and small donors of all faiths, finally making possible Canadian Memorial Church.

Wearing a poppy and gazing once again at the rows of names of the dead, 73-year-old Robinson, who is Canadian Memorial's archivist, said: "It seems to me this is one of the reasons we don't want war. It's a useless sacrifice, in many ways, isn't it?"

First Memorial Church is located at 1811 West 16th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C., V6J 2M3, Phone number (604) 731-3101.

### Washington State Genealogy Seminar -

Washington State Genealogical Society's 8th Annual Conference, entitled "America: Land of Opportunity," will be held at West Coast Everett Pacific, 3105 Pine, Everett, Washington, May 29th to 31st, 1992. The host society is Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society, Shirley Penna-Oakes, P.O. Box 1499, Marysville, WA, 98270, USA. Phone (206) 653-1867.

The January-February 1992 edition of The Genealogical Helper in the reference section of the Fitzwilliam Street Library has a listing of a number of American seminars set for the first half of this year. Anyone planning to travel in the States this year who is doing American research might be interested in checking this out before they go.

#### REMINDER!

If you have not already renewed your membership, please be reminded that you must do so before the Annual General Meeting in order to take part in the election of officers. This will also be your final issue of AncesTree that you will receive under last year's membership.

### 'Roots business' hot in Ireland as visitors try to trace their ancestors

the world's 70 million people of Irish descent to trace their roots.

Thirty-five database centres with computerized church and state records dating back hundreds of years everything from birth, marriage and death certificates to the records of convicts sent abroad.

choose ancestor-tracing as their main DUBLIN - Ireland, north and reason for travelling to the country, south, has united to tempt back home partitioned in 1921 into British-ruled Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic.

Officials believe that by the year 2000 the "roots business" could bring in up to \$250 million in extra tourist are being set up across the island with income. All the database centres should have their records complete within three years.

Authorities on both sides of the Tourist Board surveys show that up border are laboriously collating the to 25 per cent of the visitors to Ireland data on computer programs with built-in safeguards to avoid the price ities are also involved. less records being pirated abroad.

research centres and parish author- spokeman for the PM's office.

"We are anxious that the thing is set Genealogists, state agencies, local up on a proper legal basis," said a

### A SUCCESSFUL SEARCH FOR MY ROOTS

Mr. William G. Lee, Member No. 271, joined the Nanaimo Family History Society in He had very little knowledge of his family history; his the Spring of 1991. father died when he was only 14. Shortly after his father's death, he joined the navy and his mother died while he was in the navy. He became interested in his roots after his retirement, and started his quest after taking a course at Malaspina College on how to trace your family. When he started, he did not even know his grandfather's name, but he had been told that the family originated in the Oshawa area of Ontario. He joined our club, and as per our advice given in the new membership kit, joined the Oshawa-Whitby Branch of the Ontario Genealogy Society. Through research contacts made in the Oshawa-Whitby Branch he received some information, and then purchased a book that they had quoted from entitled "Burrs and Blackberries from Goodwood", which is a book on the history of a small village in the N.E. corner of Uxbridge township. (One of the names he was researching was GOODWOOD). When he placed a query in the Oshawa newsletter, he received a reply from the author of the aforementioned book, giving him about five pages of information on his family. She also gave him the name and address of a person who turned out to be a second cousin of his, and the cousin forwarded over 100 pages of material including computer print-outs which her father had done as a gift to her grandmother! The following is an excerpt of some of the material which Mr. Lee received.

#### DESCENDANTS OF HUGH PUGH AND ELIZABETH WILLIAMS

This is an attempt, for the guidance of present and future generations, to list the many descendants of Hugh Pugh of Wales.

During the 1840's, several families bound together by family relationships, common religious beliefs, and a desire to be the owner of their own land, emigrated from Radnorshire, Wales, to Upper Canada, and settled mostly in Pickering Twp. The heads of these families were Hugh Pugh, his sons Edward and David, and Edward Morgan. The great depression existing in the early forties in the mother county, Great Britain, also influenced many to seek new homes in the new land of hop, America. then, in Wales, all farms were held in lease and could not be owned. The Gentry had the right to hunt over the fields without recompensing the farmer. Taxes had to be paid to the support of the state church, though you were not a member of the established church of England.

Hugh Pugh, with his wife, Elizabeth Williams and family, were among the Welsh immigrants who settled in Upper Canada, now Ontario province, in the year 1842. At the same time came his wife's brother and sister, David Williams and Mrs. Meredith. He left behind him two or more brothers, Josiah, and Rev. Stephen Pugh.

The main reason for his coming to this land was to hunt for his son, William, who had come over in 1835. William had always written home regularly, until all of a sudden his letters ceased. A son, Hugh, who came over in 1837 had failed to find him When he had gone to his address he was told he had moved one, being engaged in canal work. Some time passed before he tried to follow him up. He was then told at one place of someone resembling him having been drowned, and at another place someone like him having been killed; but he was never heard of afterwards. when his parents arrived, they spent what would be deemed a lot of money in those days trying to locate him, but with no results, which brought much sorrow to the family.

The majority of these pioneers belonged to the agricultural class. They had to face a long tedious and often dangerous sail-boat sea journey of six or seven weeks, and a toilsome journey from the ports of the lower province or the Atlantic state; but they were blessed with indominatable courage and high ideals Had these early and heroic people left their religion and faith behind them, the history of Canada

would have been quite different, and its development in the right direction very doubtful.

These people were by no means penniless immigrants. They had all been prosperous tenant farmers in Wales, and were persons of means. They were above average in education for that time; with few exceptions all could read and write. They brought their money with them in gold coin, mostly secured in money belts on their person. They bought farms already partly cleared and with some buildings on them.

It was in the 1830's that Pickering Twp. received its first large influx of settlers. Then began the formal building and maintenance of schools. The township's population grew from 180 people in 1809 to 3,752 in 1842. By 1850 there were 6,385 people with 18 schools, 7 grist mills, 27 saw-mills, stores, hotels and a tannery. In 1855 Whitby became the county town of Ontario County. In 1851 control of postal affairs was entrusted to Canadian Parliament, and a 3¢ rate, with use of postage stamps, was introduced. 1850-1860 was one of Canada's earliest booms; farms were rapidly cleared and improved, prices were good, and settlers prosperous and hopeful. In 1856 G.T.R. was built near the shore of Lake Ontario, westward to Toronto. Commerce increased; timber and grain were exported, and clothing and merchandise imported.

The settler's life was a toilsome one, - cutting down trees, logging and burning, and cultivating the soil. Still, their lives had wholesome joys and elements which tended to develop strong and true character.

For light, home-made candles were first made by winding a rag around a stick and saturating it with tallow. Later they used candle moulds. They made their own clothes from their own wool; this was taken to a carding mill, then spun and woven on looms at home. Shoes were made to order by the village shoemaker. though latterly home-made hooked rugs were used as scatter mats, the floors of their houses were bare pine; these were scrubbed with home-made soft soap. In the cold weather, pork was salted for summer use. There were stoves for cooking, but many baked their bread in outside ovens. Most houses had fireplaces for heating. Horses were few, and many a bag of grain and provisions were borne on the settler's backs, through forest paths to Whitby and Toronto. Soon "clearances" surrounded the little log dwellings, which widened season by season, until the clearance was larger than the remaining bush. These early settlers were of stout hearts; through their dauntless courage, their faith in a guiding and protective Providence, and through their heroic industry they patiently laboured until the wilderness was transformed into productive farms. To these heroic forefathers we wish to pay our tribute.

Hugh Pugh was born March 15, 1777, in the Parish of Llanbadarn Fuynydd in the County of Radnor, Wales, about ten miles from Newtown. He was married February 1805 to Elizabeth Williams, born May 21, 1787, also in Radnor County, Wales. They emigrated from Wales in 1842, coming by sail-boat journey of six or seven weeks to the Port of New York. There they took a fast steamer 150 miles up the Hudson River to Albany; from there they went west 250 miles by the Erie Canal to Rochester; the journey was completed by boat across Lake Ontario to the southern shore of Pickering Twp. where their son Hugh was then living nearby in Markham Twp.

He bought land from Chancey Reynolds and settled on North 1/2, Lot 26, Con. 4, Pickering Twp., one mile east of Whitevale. They called their farm Penybank, after their home they had left in Wales. This farm is still, in 1955, the home of one of their direct descendants, Sidney Pugh. After Hugh passed, it became the home of his sone, Thomas, then of Thomas' son, Hugh, and now of Hugh's son, Sidney Pugh. Evidently, Hugh and his family were well satisfied they had come to this country; in writing to his son, Edward in Wales in 1847, re his contemplated coming over, he expressed himself as finding this a very fine country.

In their homeland, Hugh Pugh and his wife, Elizabeth, were both members of Maeryshelem Baptist Church, Wales; both being baptized by Elder Joseph Jones around 1822. He held the office of deacon for many years, up to the time he came to this country. Here he attended and served for many years the Baptist Church at Claremont, until 1864 when, with six others, he helped organize the Whitevale Baptist Church, which was nearer to his home.

His wife, Elizabeth, departed this life June 26, 1870, at the age of 83. Her burial was in Claremont Baptist burial ground on June 28th. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. J. B. Moore, from II

Samuel, Chap. 23, verse 5.

Hugh Pugh passed away Aug 4, 1873, in his 97th year, retaining his reason to the last. His remains were placed by the side of his deceased wife on Aug. 6, 1873. His funeral sermon was preached by Rev. J. Finch, from Jeremiah, Chap. 12, part of 5th verse. ... At the special request of many members of the family and the Whitevale Church another funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Finch on Sunday morning, Aug. 17th, in the Whitevale Baptist Church.... The attendance upon both occasions was very large.

They were the parents of 13 children, all born in Wales, and all immigrated to Pickering Twp.; half of whom settled in the norther part of the township. At the time of his death, there were left to mourn his loss eleven children. Hugh and Elizabeth's children were:

(1) Hugh Pugh, (2) William Pugh, (3) Edward Pugh, (4) David Pugh, (5) Eliza (Mrs. Wm. Lewis), (6) Mary (Mrs. Robt. Chapman), (7) Sarah (Mrs. Jas. Evans), (8) Stephen Pugh, (9) Thomas Pugh, (10) Josiah Pugh, (11) Price Pugh, (12) Elizabeth (Mrs. Jas. White), and (13) one child who died in infancy.

Today descendants of these children may be found from coast to coast.

### President's Report

Another year has rolled around very quickly and it is again time for the Annual Report.

We on the Executive Committee had a very busy year; a year of major changes in our club. We have done our best to keep the club running smoothly and to operate with as little change to our basic structure as possible. While we know we cannot please everyone, we have tried to be as fair and democratic as is possible.

Having had our meetings and our library in the Fitzwilliam Library auditorium for many years, we were faced with having to find a new location for both when the Library needed the space for expansion. Several months were spent trying to find a new home where we could library and meeting place together, possibilities were explored. [placing our books into the Regional Library system, combining our library with the LDS Library, finding a meeting hall where we could have a shelf place for our books and proved fruitless. all initiatives fiche readers1. These Suggestions were called for from the membership, but it became quite clear by July that with rental costs at an all time high, rental space for our library for 3654 days per year would be beyond our means. We were able to find a suitable location of our General Monthly Meetings at our present location at Room B202, 420 Selby To solve the Library problem, Marjorie McLellan rose to the occasion, as she always does when help is needed. She offered us the use of a large room in her home for our library. proven to be a very popular place on the two library days we have every month. Thank you Marjorie for your generosity. Marjorie, those coffee and tea breaks with all the goodies are worth coming for even if we never opened a book. Could that be why the member turnout has been so good?!

Our executive meetings are being held in our homes so as to cut costs. We have had to raise our membership dues for 1992. This was a decision we did not like to have to make, but with added mailing and printing costs for <a href="Ancestree">Ancestree</a> and new member kits, we had no alternative.

Without a library at our meetings, we have concentrated on having more speakers. Our First Vice-president and Programs Chairperson, Susan Castle, has done a super job of providing us with speakers. Thank you, Susan, for a job well done.

In May we had a one-day seminar given by Adrienne Anderson from Calgary. Other Island clubs were invited to attend and it was well attended and enjoyed by all. Adrienne has a genealogical book store and brought all her books with her. She gave talks on "Armchair Genealogy", "Tombstone Research", and "Preparing for a Trip to Salt Lake". We look forward to her giving another seminar and displaying her books on May 23, 1992, at Bowen Park.

The second activity of 1991 was our taking part in the Coop Community garage sale in May. In June we again had our Family History display on Heritage Week in Harbour Park Mall. Joan Blair, Ralph Vernon, Albert Hood, Carol Morley, Paul Shaw and myself set up and did our best to familiarize the public as to what we are about and help answer questions about family history. I really believe the most gratifying thing we did that day was when we allowed a lady to use the Voter's List on fiche to find her family. Her daughter had not seen her father since she was a little child and wished to contact him. She got the address and the last we heard, father and daughter were writing letters and getting to know each other again.

We took part for the first time in the Woodgrove Mall Fall Craft Sale for one day. Klara Beck, Iris Biggs, Al Hood, Paul Shaw, Jean Jenkinson, Susan Castle, Gladys Wagner, Joan Page, Muriel Rowland, Bonnie Goyette and myself looked after the four tables. It was a huge success and perhaps we should make this an annual fund-raising project. Those of us who took part had an enjoyable day and were able to do a bit of public relations for our club by handing out brochures and talking genealogy with those who asked. thank you to all who made and donated articles and helped at the tables.

Our Christmas Social on December 4th was enjoyed by a good many of us. The food was great and the company was great, and a good time was had by all. As to the entertainment, if Ken Joubert would have given Ed Bell and myself more notice, I am sure our singing performance would have been "unforgettable". Perhaps next year, Ken.

During the year our society published two booklets; "Name index to Births, Marriages and Deaths, taken from the Nanaimo Daily Free Press 1874 - 1899", and the "Name Index to the Nanaimo Cemetery, 1876 to 1907". Those of us who have IBM compatible computers worked on compiling the information. They were, Ed Bell, Paul Shaw, Klara Beck, Al Hood, Marion Hedge, Keith Kinch, Keith Ketchen

and myself. Paul Shaw coordinated the projects. In order for us to publish the birth, marriage and death extractions, several years of work was spent by many members painstakingly going over the newspaper microfilm at Malaspina College and carefully copying down all the events. This project was coordinated by Ed Bell. Thanks to all who helped in the gathering of information and publishing of these booklets.

Our Annual Election will be held on March 19th and three of our executive are stepping down. Paul Shaw is retiring as Librarian and Marie Mitchell, our Treasurer, and myself will be stepping down. Four of our Executive have agreed to let their name stand for re-election. If you have any ideas as to persons you would like to see on the Executive, please attend our Annual General Meeting and put forward your nominations or step forward yourself and offer to serve.

As out-going President, I would like to thank everyone on the executive for being such a willing, happy, and hard-working group, and it has been a pleasure sharing our ups and downs with you. would also like to thank our Committee Coordinators for the excellent job they have done for us all. Joan Blair as our Historian and Publicity Chairman has been responsible for keeping the public informed about our goings-on and preserving the history of our club. She is also one of the founding members of the club. Carol Morley is our Membership Chairman, and will be assisted this year by Gladys Wagner. Ken Biggs is our Chairman in charge of Form and Map sales as well as the 50/50 draw. Marion Hedge is our Stamp Marjorie McLellan is our Social Coordinator and is responsible for all the goodies we have at our meetings and other social functions. Marie Mitchell will be in charge of Publication Sales this year. Betty Kinch is our Phoning Coordinator in charge of the Phoning Committee, who keep us all informed of club Phoners are Carole Moser, Peggy Nichols, activities. Passmore, Evelyn Dickson and Jessie Vernon. They have all done a great job and we all owe them a big "thank you".

There is another group that need to be recognized for the service they have given to us all year, as they go about their work as our club librarian at the LDS Family History Library. They are Marion Hedge, Carol Morley, Al Hood, Keith Kinch, Ralph Vernon, Don Alderdice, Keith Ketchen, Dorothy Atkinson, Sue Strobe, Ed Bell, Shirley Binnersley, and Jean Jenkinson.

- If I were asked what the three most important contributions any member could give to our club, I would reply:
- 1) Willingness to give of some of your time to help keep it running smoothly.
- 2) A friendly attitude and a willingness to help one another with research.
- 3) When a new member joins, introduce yourself, make them welcome, and offer to help them get started with the family research, and answer any questions they might like answered about our Society.

#### NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT:

Klara Beck, Newsletter Editor

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those of you who submitted articles for <u>AncesTree</u> over this past year. I have had many articles given to me for submission in our newsletter, and as I have been working full-time and do not always have the time to search out this information myself, I have really appreciated the help.

We could still use more queries as I don't seem to be receiving too many of those. Members are reminded that queries are free of charge, and there is a form available from the editor if you do not know how to word your query. For non-members, there is a \$2.00 fee to have your query appear in our newsletter, but our indexes will also be searched for that fee. The only requirement for a query is that it be a 50-word maximum length.

Articles of genealogical interest are always welcome. The deadline for submission of newsletter articles is as follows:

Summer Issue - May 21st
Fall Issue - August 21st
Winter Issue - November 19th
Spring '93 Issue - February 18th



### **PUBLICATIONS:**

The Nanaimo Family History Society now has two publications for sale. The first, "Name Index to Births, Marriages, and Deaths, taken from the Nanaimo Daily Free Press, 1874 to 1899" is 42 pages and sells for \$6.00 per copy (\$8.00 if mailed). The second, "Name Index to the Nanaimo Cemetery, 1876 to 1907" contains approximately 2400 entries and is 45 pages. This booklet sells for \$10.00 per copy (\$12.50 if mailed).

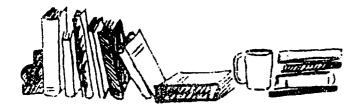
### **EXCERPT FROM NANAIMO CEMETERY INDEX**

The following list is taken from information contained in our second booklet, the index of the Nanaimo Cemetery. This list gives the names of persons buried in Nanaimo Cemetery whose country of origin was either Ireland or Wales.

GIVEN	AGE	BORN	CTRY	DIED
GUSTAVUS			IRL	1906-04-28
CHARLES	70		IRL	1896-12-13
ELIZABETH ANN	65		IRL	1901-10-04
JAMES A	70		IRL	1883-07-27
WILLIAM	<b>6</b> 5		IRL	1901-09-10
STEWART ROSS	29		IRL	1904-04-11
WILSON THOS	50		IRL	1899-08-04
WILLIAM	52		IRL	1897-10-06
WILLIAM ROBERT	67		IRL	1901-03-21
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SURNAME	GIVEN	AGE	BORN	CTRY	DIED
MCINTYRE	DANIEL			IRL	1897-10-29
MCLENNAN	MARY	79		IRL	
MCMANUS	ROBERT	57		IRL	1897-02-12
MORGAN	MARGARET	73		IRL	1897-09-19
SLOAN	ELLEN MARY	54		IRL	1907-10-26
SNOWDEN	JAMES	36		IRL	1893-08-17
SPARKS	CHRISTOPHER	32		IRL	1901-04-04
BELL	JOHN	34	ARM	IRL	1898-06-11
BELL	WILLIAM JOHN	31	ARM	IRL	1896-07-18
BYERS	ELIZABETH	77	CAV	IRL	1908-09-21
MCKENZIE	ELIZABETH	28	CLA	IRL	1902-03-31
HUTCHESON	ELIZABETH	80	DOM	IRL	1902-04-22
HUTCHINSON	WILLIAM	63	DOM	IRL	1889-08-11
MCGIMPSEY	SARAH JANE	43	DOM	IRL	1895-08-29
TODD	WILLIAM	59	DUB	IRL	1895-08-05
STEWART	WILLIAM	21	MOG	IRL	1904-06-27
QUINN	MICHAEL	43	TYR	IRL	1901-08-12
AITKEN	MARTHA	19		WLS	1903-07-29
DAVIES	JOHN M	56		WLS	1902-09-03
DAVIS	DAVID			WLS	1901-04-19
DAVIS	DAVID R	27		WLS	1893-10-04
DAVIS	НАММАН	82	,	WLS	1905-04-10
DUGGAN	ALBERT EDWARD	38		WLS	1904-03-07
EVANS	JOHN	38		WLS	1894-02-10
GRIFFITHS	THOMAS B	28		WLS	1892-10- <b>0</b> 5
GRIFFITHS	THOMAS MORRIS	53		WLS	1879-04-07
GRIFFITHS	WILLIAM D	i		WLS	1891-07-26
HARRIS	MORGAN			WLS	1906-12-24
HOPKINS	MARGARET	72		WLS	1897-12-20
JAMES	SHEM	<b>3</b> 3		WLS	1895-06-19
JOHNS	EDWARD	40		WLS	1887-05-03
JONES	DAVID	73		WLS	1893-06-09
JONES	JAMES	30		WLS	1888-01-24
JONES	JOHN	42		WLS	1884-06-30
JONES	JOHN	65		WLS	1891-03-20
LEWIS	DAVID	61		WLS	1901-12-21
LEWIS	WILLIAM	65		WLS	1899-11-15
MORGAN	DAVID	27		WLS	<b>1887-05-</b> 03
MORGAN	EVAN	52		WLS	1903-07-19
MORGAN	MARY ANN	52		WLS	1903-05-05
MORGAN	WILLIAM	77		WLS	1901-05-28
SMITH	THOMAS	53		WLS	1897-06-29
THOMAS	JAMES	35		WLS	1887-05-03
THOMAS	LEVI	<b>5</b> 7		WLS	1900-10-26
WILKINS	EDWARD	26		WLS	1887-05-03
WILLIAMS	JOHN			WLS	1892-04-14
WILLIAMS	WILLIAM			WLS	1880-05-24
HALLO	ANN	88	BRE	WLS	1901-04-12
EVANS	EVAN	71	CHN	WLS	1901-04-28
THOMAS	PRICE		DEN	WLS	1889-12-08
COLLIER	MARGARET	37	GLA	WLS	1901-03-13
DUGGAN	FRANCES MARY		GLA	WLS	1904-01-26
EVANS	DAVID	40	GLA	WLS	1884-06-30

SURNAME	GIVEN	AGE	BORN CTRY DIED
EVANS	SARAH	71	GLA WLS 1901-09-10
HOPKINS	DAVID	35	GLA WLS 1894-01-04
HOPKINS	THOMAS	41	GLA WLS 1898-04-15
JONES	EDWARD	51	GLA WLS 1901-01-27
JONES	GWEN	16	GLA WLS 1882-10-31
JONES	JBL	34	GLA WLS 1893-05-23
JONES	MARGARET	43	GLA WLS 1898-10-30
JONES	MARY	40	GLA WLS 1904-03-01
MORGAN	JANE	36	GLA WLS 1889-06-29
CAMONT	CATHARINE	36	GLA WLS 1899-07-16
THOMAS	MARY ANN	38	GLA WLS 1894-04-17
JONES	ELIZABETH	64	MON WLS 1894-10-09
MEREDITH	ELIZA	42	MON WLS 1901-12-30
VATER	CHARLES	56	MON WLS 1894-02-24



## Library News

Librarian, Paul Shaw

### New Books

INDEX to the 1871 Census of Ontario for the following counties:

BRANT, DURHAM, ELGIN, ESSEX-KENT, GREY, HALDIMAND-NORFOLK, HASTINGS-PRINCE EDWARD, NORTHUMBERLAND, ONTARIO, OXFORD, PERTH, WATERLOO. WELLINGTON.

Our library now holds the following volumes of the Index to the 1871 Census of Ontario: Bruce, Brant, Durham, Elgin, Essex-Kent, Grey, Kingston-Frontenac-Lennox-Addington, Haldimand-Norfolk, Halton-Peel, Hamilton-Wentworth, Hastings-Prince Edward, Lambton, Leeds-Grenville, London-Middlesex, Lincoln-Welland-Niagara, Northumberland, Ottawa-Carleton, Ontario County, Oxford, Perth, Peterborough-Victoria, Simcoe, Stormont-Dundas-Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, Waterloo, Wellington.

We hope to add volumes covering Lanark, Renfrew & the North, Toronto, and York as they become available this year.

Union List of Canadian Newspapers. 1991 edition, microfiche. This is a list of all newspapers which have been, or are, published in Canada. It includes general interest newspapers, community newspapers, ethnic and native newspapers. Index is arranged by Name/Title and also geographically by Province/Town. Microfilm copies of many of older papers, 18th and 19th centuries are available through Interlibrary loan. 40 microfiche.

### Donations

- -B.C. War Memorials, Index of Names, BCGS 1990.
- -Research Outlines. Quebec.
- -Outline of Tanguay Genealogical Dictionary, Quebec.
- -Loiselle Marriage Index Guide, Quebec

don. by Peggy Nicholls.

- -Irish Heritage Links, 1990, V3 N8,9,10; V4 N1,2. don. by Joan Blair.
- -Famine to Fortune, History of the Descendants of Henry DREANY 1795-1875.

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"The Treehouse" - Campbell River Gen. Soc. - Dec. 91

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Birmingham & Midlands Gen. Society, "Midland Ancestor", Dec. 91

Cornwall FHS Journal, Dec. 91

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Nottinghamshire FHS, Oct. 91

North West Kent FHS, Dec. 91

Aberdeen & N.E. Scotland FHS, Sept. 91

#### USA -

American-French GS., AFG News, Nov-Dec. 91 & Jan-Feb. 92
Clark County (Washington) Newsletter & "Trail Breakers", Dec. 91 & Jan-Feb. 92
Mouse River Loop, North Dakota Gen. Soc., Dec. 91
National Gen. Society Newsletter, Nov-Dec. 91
National Genealogy Society Quarterly, Dec. 91
"Cousins & Cousines", Aug to Dec. 91
Oregon Genealogy Society Quarterly, Winter. 92
"Ancestors West", Santa Barbara Gen. Society, Dec. 91
"Root Cellar Preserves", Sacramento Gen. Society, Jan. 92

### INDEX TO NORTHERN IRELAND TITHE APPLOTMENT RECORDS

A recent acquisition available through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City and at any of its Family History Centers (branch libraries) is this index. It is not to be confused with the "Householders Index" which is a surname This index covers the Tithe Applotment Books (1823-1837) for the six counties of Northern Ireland and gives the surname, given name, residence, year of record and reference as to how to locate the individual in the actual records (which are also available through the Family History Library) for each landholder. An example of the details given is: Blackley, James Ballynagarrick, County Down 1829 v.118/p.12. Also available as part of this collection is a handwritten card index to place names as found in the Tithe Applotment Books. All of these may be found in the 1991 edition of the Family History Library Catalog under the heading "Ireland--Land and Property."

From Kingston Relations, Kingston Br., Ont. GS. January/February 1992 -



"If he was really our ancestor, how many 'greats' would he have in front of 'grandfather'?"

### **DIARY OF RICHARD CARR:** (continued from previous issue) submitted by Klara Beck

#### 1840

July 22 - 7PM - arrived at Buffalo, distance from Mackinaw, 800 miles. These beautiful and extensive lakes are navigable from Kingston on Lake Ontario to Chicago at the head of Lake Michigan, a distance of about 14,000 miles;; the Welland canal round the falls of niagara connecting Lakes Ontario and Erie. The Americans have long thought of making a canal round the falls in St. Mary's River so as to enable vessels to enter lake Superior. At present there are but 4 or 5 small schooners on that lake. When they went up they had to be taken out at the Sault St. Marie and hauled over land for about a mile, then launched again above the falls. Lake Superior is the largest collection of fresh water in the world - is 500 miles long and 250 wide. Its shores are still in their wild state, the only settlements are those made by the English and American fur companies. The shores of the lakes Erie and Ontario are the most inhabited. During the summer months the steamboats between Buffalo and Chicago - one leaving every other day - are crowded with emigrants and the wealthy, either for health or pleasure. It is a delightful excursion in fine weather. The boats are commodious and comfortable. Buffalo is situated at the head of Niagara River and at the east end of Lake Erie. It is very advantageously situated and since the completion of the Erie canal which connects it with New York, has rapidly increased. The town is on an eminence overlooking the lake, has regular streets and contains many handsome shops and private houses and a great number of fine hotels for the accommodation of the multitude of travellers continually arriving and departing. It is the grand mart of lake commerce, its harbour is continually thronged with steamboats and all kinds of water craft.

July 25 - Having sold my fish I left Buffalo to visit the falls of Niagara. Walked to Blackrock and there crossed in the ferry boat to Waterloo in Canada. From there, walked on to the village of Niagara. I always feel great pleasure in entering any part of the British Dominions or even when I see the colours of my native country waving proudly in the breeze. It brings to mind the scenes of my childhood and friends far away. I like Canada far better than the United States. When I am here I feel at home - the inhabitants are mostly of British descent and attached to the mother country. About 3 1/2 miles above the falls is Navy island which the rebels occupied for some time during the disturbance in 1837. At the other side of the island on the American side is where the steamboat Caroline was cast adrift, set on fire and sent over the falls.

July 26 - This morning went to view the stupendous cataract of Niagara. The whole mass of water forming the great American lakes is here compressed into a channel of a mile in width, and plunges over a precipice of from 150 to 160 feet high, into an abyss whose depth has never been fathomed. A small Island in the river divides the falls into two unequal parts - that on the British side being the most extensive. There are stairs on both sides of the river for the accommodation of those who wish to descend to view the falls from below, the noise of which is said to have been heard at the distance of 40 miles. There is a large village both on the English and American side at which there are several large hotels. They are well filled during the summer by visitors from all nations. I took my breakfast at the edge of the falls. Being too low in pocket to patronize the hotels, bread and cheese with a drink of water, I find much cheaper and perhaps quite as wholesome. Afterwards I crossed over in the ferry boat to the American side with the intention of returning to Buffalo. After I had got 6 miles on the road I met a man by the name of Hill. He wanted me to help him get his harvest in. Being short of money, I agreed so to do. We commenced work at 4 AM and remained at it til 8 or 9 in the evening. We remained at our meals no longer than was sufficient to eat them. The living was very good, and being harvest time, we were allowed liquor. At this place, the noise of the falls resembles the noise of a train of railway carriages in motion.

Aug. 18 - Having got tire of farming and earnt a few dollars in the meantime, I left Mr. Hill. Went to the falls, crossed over to Canada to buy a few things I wanted, then returned and started for Pittsburg in Pennsylvania.

'Aug. 19 - Got to Buffalo. Left again same evening in steamboat "Constellation".

Aug. 20 - 5AM. Arrived at Erie. Did not make any stay here, but strap[ping my baggage (a carpet bag) to my back, I started off on foot.

Aug. 24 - Arrived at Pittsburg - distance from Erie, 128 miles. Being summer time I had good waling. but had no sooner descended one hill that I had to ascend another, for it is a succession of hills the whole distance. From the top of many of them the view is extensive, but the forest meets the eye in every direction. Much of the land on both sides of the road is cultivated. There are taverns every few miles at which I stayed nights, but in the middle of the day i went back in the woods a little way, ate a crust of bread and cheese, and went to sleep for a little while, after which I was considerable refreshed and able to walk on til night came. I passed several small towns. The inhabitants are of Dutch descent, many of them do not understand English. They grow a great deal of buckwheat. it has a beautiful appearance when in blossom and a delightful smell. It is ground into flour, made into pancakes, and used as bead. but is always eaten when hot. Pittsburg was founded in 1765 and now contains a population of 34,000 inhabitants including the adjoining villages of Allegany and Birmingham. It is built on a point of land at the union of the Allegany and Monongahela Rivers, which here assume the name of Ohio. It is favourably located for trade, has communication by steamboat with all the towns on the ohio and Mississippi rivers. Pittsburg is made up in no small proportion of manufacturing edifices and inhabited by manufacturers. Few if any other places in the United States with an equal population have transactions to so great an amount. The surrounding country abounds with bituminous coal which is delivered to the inhabitants at their houses for the small sum of three cents per bushel. Near the junction of the two rivers stood Fort De-Quesne which belonged to the French. The arsenal remains entire, and is still an object of curiosity to the traveller who visits this place. Finding business dull, I was glad to make a bargain with the captain of a keel boat to go down to Louisville with him, and left the same evening. The boat is about 60 or 70 feet long and 10 wide, covered over and has a crew of 21 men, 119 oarsmen, a cook and pilot. These boats are made for carrying freight when the river is too low to allow the steamboats to carry it. We run all day, but lay by at night.

<u>September 4</u> - Got to Cincinnati. This is the largest city in the northwest section of the United States, is admirably situated on the Ohio River, standing upon two plains, the highest elevated about 60 feet above the lower with a rather steep intermediate bank. To a person in the vicinity placed on an elevated ground, the city seems to occupy the centre and base of an immense basin; the view in every direction being terminated by swelling hills. The city is well laid out, the streets crossing each other at right angles. There are several public buildings. Steamboats are arriving and departing at all hours.

<u>September 6</u> - 12 AM. Cincinnati. On the following day at 11 AM we got to Louisville. The Ohio River is 1,370 miles long. It is a beautiful clear stream, navigable all the year for small steamboats and for large ones most of the year the whole distance. Like the Mississippi, it is very high in the spring and fall, rising banks are steep and precipitous, the hills coming down to the water's edge. There are several towns of considerable size on its banks.

<u>September 8</u> - 11 AM. Left Louisville in steamboat Raritan for St. Louis. Soon after we started I was taken with the fever and ague. At the first stopping place I bought a bottle of Smiths tonic mixture and commenced taking it. I had a slight shake 48 hours after the first attack, but the medicine stopped it afterwards, though I remained weak for some days. The river being low, we got aground, which detained us some time.

<u>September 12</u> - 10 AM. Arrived at St. Louis. I find business equally as dull here as at the other towns I have stopped at, so must try New Orleans.

September 18 -4 PM. Left in steamboat Moravion for Orleans. Being a large boat and the river unusually low, we got aground several times. On one occasion we had to discharge part of our cargo before we could get the boat afloat. At night we had to lay to for fear of getting snagged, so that instead of getting to New Orleans in 5 or 6 days, the usual time, we were 14 days.

October 2 - 3 PM. Arrived in New Orleans. Went on board of the steamer Columbia to which I was formerly attached. Found several of my old shipmates still on board of her. They appeared glad to see me. I have engaged to go on her again, and am glad enough to find myself once more comfortable situated. My money is reduced to 37 1/2 cents for clothing. I am most confoundedly bad off.

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### The Sinclair Party of 1841

### by Richard Mackie

In November 1839 Governor George Simpson of the Hudson's Bay Company instructed Duncan Finlayson, governor of the company's settlement of Assiniboia (Red River), to assemble a party of Scottish and French Metis to emigrate to the Columbia River. Simpson had two main reasons for doing so. First, he hoped to strengthen the company's and by extension the British - presence on the Columbia in the years before the settlement of the Oregon boundary. Second, he hoped to create an overflow valve for Red River's rapidly-growing population, which in 1837 Simpson placed at about 5000. These people put a great strain on the company's provisions, particularly pemmican and other buffalo products.

By the spring of 1841 Finlayson had put together a party of twenty-three men, twenty-two women, and seventy-five children for the crossing. Led by James Sinclair, they left Fort Garry on 3 June 1841 and reached Fort Vancouver by the end of October. They travelled via Whiteman Pass and Sinclair Pass, and descended to Lake Windermere and Canal Flats.

A precise list of the heads of households has been located in the Hudson's Bay Company's Archives in Winnipeg, and is published here for the first time in full detail.

"List of Emigrants for the Columbia."

1 Henry Buxton 1 Wife, 1 Child

2 3 4	John Tait	1 Wife, 1 Wife, -	3 Children 1 Child
5		1 Wife,	2 Stout Boy
6	Horatio Calder	1 Wife,	7 Children
7	William Flett	1 Mother	4 Children
8	John Spence	1 Wife	4 Children
9	James Flett	1 Wife	4 Children
10	John Flett	1 Wife	2 Children
11	David Flett	1 Wife	
1.	Daviu Fiett		1 Child, e dec'd Jno Bird
12	Joseph Klyne	1 Wife	_
13	Toussaint Joyal	1 Wife	4 Children
14	Francois Gagnon	1 Wife	5 Children
15	Bapte Rhelle	1 Wife	1 Child
16	Pierre St. Germain	1 Wife	5 Children
17	Charles McKay	1 Wife	4 Children
18	Francois Jacques	1 Wife	4 Children
19	Alexr Birston	1 Wife	4 Children
20	Gonrague Zastre	1 Wife	6 Children
-	•		Trapper
21		1 Wife	3 Children
22	Louis Larocque	1 Wife	3 Children
23	Archd Spence	1 Wife	7 Children
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In November 1841 Chief Factor James Douglas led these emigrants north from Fort Vancouver to the Puget's Sound Agricultural Company's farms at Fort Nisqually and at Cowlitz. (The PSAC was the Hudson's Bay Company's agricultural affiliate or sub-Within months, however, sidiary). some of these settlers had left Cowlitz and Nisqually for the fertile valley of the Willamette River, a tributary of the Columbia south of Fort Vancouver. By the summer of 1843 all but five of the Red River migrants had settled in the Willamette, attracted by the superior agricultural land and by the presence of an

established Metis community. Most of these overlanders remained in the Willamette and became American citizens.

This list of members of the first overland migration in British territory will be of interest to social historians and genealogists. A list of members of James Sinclair's second overland party of 1854 was published in the Washington Historical Quarterly in 1916.

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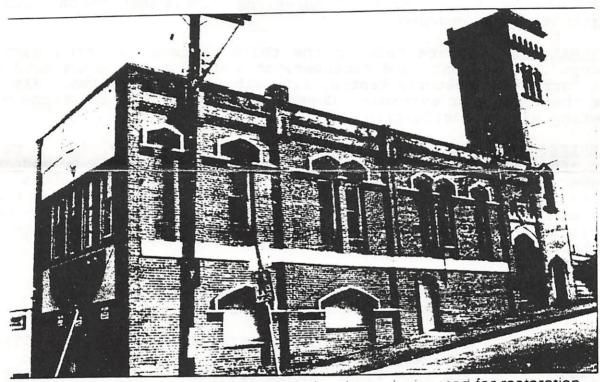
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### OUR COVER - THE OLD FIREHALL

Nanaimo residents, I am sure, are pleased to see that the old Firehall on Nichol Street is being restored. This building was erected in 1890 and served as the main firehall for Nanaimo up until the new firehall was built in 1967. For a time the old building served as a retail outlet, but since 1987 it has not been used and was rapidly becoming an eyesore.

Rumour has it that when it is restored, the ground floor will be an arts and crafts store, and the upstairs will be a restaurant. Word has it that Pagliacci's of Victoria will be opening there. At any rate, it is heartening to see another fine old building being restored to its original splendor.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

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June 6 - Library, Marj McLellan's, 10 am-1 pm
June 13 - Heritage Day Celebrations at Harbour
Park Mall. Our Society is planning to
set up a display. Volunteers will be
required to help man the tables.
Please contact one of the Executive if
you can help. Thank you.

June 16 - Library, Marj McLellan's, 11 am-3 pm June 18 - General Meeting, 7 p.m. "Show and Tell" - Members, please

"Show and Tell" - Members, please bring items of genealogical interest to display, eg. published family histories, photo albums, family tree charts, family bibles, heirlooms, etc.

July & August - No meetings and no club library.

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER AND SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!

Sept. 15 - Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 11 am-3 pm
Sept. 17 - General Meeting, 7 p.m. No program set
 as yet. Jane Turner, Nanaimo Archivist, will
 speak to the October meeting.

NOTE - There will not be a Library Day September 5th as that is Labour Day weekend.

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NOTICE RE GENERAL MEETINGS - Members are advised that the School District has requested that the doors at the Curriculum Resources Centre be kept locked at all times as there have been some problems with people wandering in who do not belong there. There will be someone at the door to let you in up until 7:00 p.m., however, latecomers may have a problem getting in, so please try to be on time.

Malaspina College Library - Members are reminded that the college library is now on summer hours, so is not open on the weekends anymore, and is only open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The up side of this is that we are welcome to use the facilities at any time of the day we wish. As part of a cost-cutting measure though, we have been advised that the college library will not be open on Sundays when regular hours commence in the fall.

LDS Library Hours - Members are advised that the film photocopier is now up and running. The LDS Library has not set their summer hours as yet, but members should be aware that hours may be cut back slightly for the summer months, and the library will likely be closed entirely for the last three weeks in August.

### Club Rews

**COPS!!!** My apologies for the typos in the last newsletter. That just goes to prove that it doesn't pay to be in a hurry. Also, **Doug Eastman's** name was inadvertently omitted from the list of people that helped with the indexing of the Nanaimo Cemetery. Sorry Doug!

Condolences are extended to Margaret Sloan who lost a son, and to Marion Hedge, whose mother passed away recently.

Congratulations to Joan Blair who won a dinner for four at the Coast Bastion Inn and limousine service to and from the dinner, in the "Flabulous Heart-Smart Challenge" draw on CKEG Radio in February.

### NOTE THE NEW EXECUTIVE -

You will note that an almost full-slate of officers were elected at the Annual General Meeting in March. We welcome new President Jean Jenkinson who has ably taken over the reins from Kay Warn. We still need a 1st Vice-President to arrange programs for the meetings. Anyone who feels that they would like to take on this duty should let one of the executive know. Programs have already been planned up to October, so there really is not too much to do. New Librarian is Joan Page, while Sue Castle is taking over the position of Treasurer and Publication Sales.

Our sincere thanks go out to our retiring Executive. President, Kay Warn, is taking a long-deserved rest and hopes to get some of her own genealogy done. She, no doubt, will continue being active in the club and helping others with their research. (Is there anyone in the club who she has not helped find some long-lost ancestor?) Marie Mitchell has had to give up the position as Treasurer. She did very well to carry the position for a whole year while working at a full time job and living so far away (Errington). Marie has just returned from a month-long trip to Ontario, which was a combination of sight-seeing, visiting, and genealogy. Paul Shaw is taking time out to concentrate on his research as well, but he is still helping others, especially with their computers, and is quietly indexing a second issue of the Nanaimo Cemetery all on his own.

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### WAS YOUR ANCESTOR A YEOMAN?

Some of you may have come upon this term when researching your ancestors. The following definitions can be found for the word "yeoman":

- a petty officer in the Navy who performs clerical work.
- one who cultivates his own farm.
- a yeoman of the Guard.
- formerly an attendant in the service of a nobleman of Royalty.
- formerly a freeholder next below the gentry who owned a small landed estate or farm.

### Items of Interest

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Alberta Family Histories Society - Conference entitled "Canajun, Eh?", Canadian Research and Resources featuring Terrance Punch, October 23rd & 24th, Calgary, Alberta. \$45.00 registration fee covers coffee breaks and Saturday lunch. For further information contact Alberta Family Histories Society, B. Pomeroy, (403) 288-7341.

Russian Research? Is anyone having trouble with their Russian ancestors? Well, help could be on hand if you contact Alexander V. Mashtafarov, 123060, Moscow D-60, Raspletina Str. 17-2-37, who is engaged on gathering information on families originating in Russia and the old Soviet Republics.

... from the Lincolnshire Family History Society Members' Magazine, March 1992

Irish Research - Sandra Gill spoke to our April Meeting on this topic. I don't have any Irish roots myself, at least none that I've found so far, but I understand that Irish research can be quite difficult. I just happened to note the following in the September 1990 issue of "Family History News and Digest" "Irish Genealogical Research - The author of a prospective book on the subject invites correspondence from anyone who has attempted Irish research, listing problems encountered or, conversely, cooperation received. For full details write to: W. B. Davis, 47 Kings Road, Walton on Thames, Surrey, KT12 2RB, England" Perhaps it would still be timely to contact this person if you have anything to contribute, or if you wish to find out the results of this ad.

Wells Fargo in the Western States - Anyone who feels they may have an ancestor who either worked for Wells Fargo in some capacity, or who may have had an ancestor that may have been a stage robber, Marion Hedge has a book that you might be interested in looking at. The title is "True Accounts of Wells Fargo, 1870 - 1885". It gives brief histories on many robbers and names several Wells Fargo employees who were either injured or killed by robbers.

Clan DAVIDSON Association - The Clan Davidson Association is being re-founded and membership is open to anyone bearing one of the names of the Clan Davidson and its septs or descended from such a person or married to someone so descended. Anyone interested should contact the Membership Secretary, Ian Davidson, Holly Wood House, Broom Way, Weybridge, Surrey, KT1s 9TG

...from Wiltshire FHS Newsletter, Jan. '92.

St. Catherine's House Courier Service - Pam Morgan will order, collect and post certificates for members from St. Catherine's House. since the price of certificates was increased in April, the charges are now:

FEE, including a three year search (i.e. 12 Vols.) £8.00 if full details or reference is supplied £7.00

Both prices include postage, but could overseas members please send STERLING only. £5.50 refund if the search is unsuccessful. Their service is only available to member of the West Middlesex FHS - please quote membership number with request. Please make cheques payable to: Pam Morgan, 17, Croft Gardens, Ruislip, Middx. HA4 8EY

... from West Middlesex FHS Journal, Dec. 1991
NB - Overseas membership to Society is £7.00 per annum.

Pictou County, Nova Scotia - Genealogical information from Pictou County will Soon be on its way to Salt Lake City, Utah.

Arvid and Betha Kristiansen are gathering and microfilming probate files from before 1925 for the Genealogical Society of utah, a part of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Since arriving last year, the Mormom couple has travelled to variuos parts of the province and will be based in New Glasgow until they return to their California home in June. ...

The society's library in Utah is not the only beneficiary of this work. A copy of the couple's microfilm will be sent to the Public Archives in Halifax. ... the above excerpt was taken from a newspaper clipping, but unfortunately, I do not know which newspaper the article appeared in.

Looking for Out of Print Books? The Allen Co. Public Library, Fort Wayne, will copy books in their collection on acid-free paper at 15¢ per page and \$3.00 postage and handling fee. (U.S. funds) For an extra \$3.00, you can have it hardbound. Allen Co. Public Library, 900 Webster St., Fort Wayne, IN, 46802.

The New England/New York Genealogical Research Association, Inc., provides a staff of genealogists in various parts of New England Nad New York who undertake research in various county, state, and local respositories for a fee. You may write for a free brochure: Genealogical Research Assoc., Dept. A., 178 South Street, Needham, MA, 02192.

... the above from Western Pennsylvania Gen. Soc. Newsletter, Nov. 1991

Civil War Data Base: The project of compiling a computerized data base of soldiers from North and South in Civil War is a joint venture of the National Archieves, the National Park Service, the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Genealogical Society of Utah. The major source will be National Archives' master card index to serve and pension records, plus state rosters, regimental histories, and other information. It is expected that the full date base will fit one or two CD-ROM disks (high-density optical computer disks). It will take two to three years to complete entering the 5 million names from the master card list, after which there will be periodic updates. Viewing will be available at National Archives, National Park Service, the Family History Library in Salt Lake City and its Centres. Dists will also be sold to schools, societies, libraries and individuals.

.. from Western Pennyslvania Gen. Soc. Newsletter, Feb. 1992

Researcher's Calling Card: The January-February 1992 issue of <u>The Genealogical Helper</u> (on the reference shelf at the Nanaimo Public Library) has an interesting article on page 23 which refers to the use of a researcher's calling card. It relates a story of how a woman visiting England left a card in a shop stating her interest in her family history, and some seven years later she received a reply. The writer of the article has devised the calling card, which has a fourgeneration pedigree on the one side, and on the back, along with your address, is printed the following: "Dear Friend- I am a dedicated family historian. I am interested in sharing information with anyone who might be related to me. Please look at the pedigree chart onthe reverse side of this card. If you think we might have a family connection, please contact me. Thank you." There is an order form in the centre part of the magazine for ordering these cards preprinted for 100 @ \$7.95.

Maiden Name Sources - In the lower left hand corner of most deeds are signatures of two to four witnesses. The first is always from the husband's side, the next one from the wife's side. This is to protect her one-third dower right under the law. In the 1800's and before, it was traditional when the daughter got married, as part of her dowry, for the father to either cover the loan or carry the note for his son-in-law. If you know the husband's name, but not the wife's maiden name, find out to whom they made their mortgage payment. About 70 percent of the time it will be her father. [Minnestoa Gen. Soc.]

... Saskatchewan Gen. Soc. Bulletin, March 1992

Most family trees have at least one crop failure -- and a little sap.

The epitaph of auctioneer Joseph Knight runs like this: Good Knight.

Going Going Gone.

The following pages on the Julian and Gregorian calendars, the Quaker calendar, and the German months, were taken from the Spning issue of the Western Pennsylvania Genealogy Society newsletter. This information will be quite useful to those who have come across any of these problems in figuring out proper dates, etc.

### GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY AND THE JULIAN AND GREGORIAN CALENDARS

George Washington could not tell a lie. Everybody should know that, even if Parson Weems hadn't come up with that fabrication about the cherry tree and the hatchet in 1805, seven years after the General's death.

Then why did George Washington celebrate his birthday -- and why do we -- on February 22nd? The father of our country was not born on February 22nd; the indisputable fact is that old George was born on February 11! At 10 a.m. on February 11, 1731/32, to be precise. And he knew it, too; he didn't even start celebrating his birthday on the 22nd until he was a grown man. When he did so, according to biographer James Thomas Flexner, some of his Virginia neighbors continued to celebrate in his honor on the 11th. Why would a man of unquestioned integrity try to falsify his birthdate? Why indeed?

Fear not, gentle reader. George didn't change his birthday; when he was 20 years of age, England and her colonies changed their calendar. And that fact may have some significance for the study of your family's history two-and-a-half centuries ago.

Consider for a moment the shock and dismay that the descendants of John Knight and Bridget Sloper must have felt when they read these two entries in their family record from the late 17th century:

"Bridget Sloper was married unto John Knight 29th March 1684," and "John Knight [Jr.] was borne 29th January 1684."

This clearly seems to indicate that their ancestor John Knight the younger was born exactly two months before his parents married -- such a blot on the family 'scutcheon' that one descendant omitted the entries from his family history.

At the time in question, however, the New Year began on March 25, not Jan. 1. Consequently, March 29 (the marriage date) was only five days into the year 1684, while young John's birth on January 29, 1684 occurred exactly 10 months later; had the descendant/author known a little of the evolutionary history of our modern calendar, he would not have been in the least dismayed.

Milton Rubincam recounts the confusion about John Knight's birth and cites a rather more puzzling case in his <u>Pitfalls in Genealogical Research</u> (Ancestry Publishing, 1987). Ephriam Burr died, according to his gravestone, at the age of 76 years and 13 days on April 29, 1776. Subtracting in the usual manner, we would determine that he was born on the l6th day of April in 1700. Perhaps, but it would be somewhat disconcerting to his descendants, then, to discover that he was baptized on the l4th! Clearly he could not have been baptized two days before he was born. An experienced researcher, however, would know that old Ephriam was actually born on April 5, 1700 -- a full 9 days before he was baptized. Then where did the extra 11 days come from? A good question, the answer to which begins with rendering unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's -- his calendar, for instance.

Julius Caesar, having decided as Shakespeare's Hamlet would, later, that his time was out of joint, reformed the Roman calendar nearly half a century before the birth of Christ. He had determined with the aid of an Egyptian astronomer that it takes about 6 hours more than 365 days for the Earth to revolve around the sun (or vice versa, as some believed). Therefore, a repeating sequence of 3 successive years of 365 days and then a "leap" year of 366 days would, it seemed, set things right. Thus came about the Julian (or "Old-Style") calendar, which nonetheless turned out to be off by an additional 24 hours or so every 128 years or so.

The Roman Catholic Council of Nicea held in 325 A.D. adopted the Julian calendar and established the vernal equinox (then falling on March 21) as the basis for determining the date of Easter, the central occurrence of Christianity. By the 16th century, because of Caesar's minor error, the calendar and the sun were again out of sync by 10 days, so the vernal equinox fell on March 11. Several medieval attempts to further refine the calendar had failed, but Pope Gregory XIII was not to be denied; in March of 1582 he decreed that the day following the Feast of St. Francis would become October 15 rather than October 5. By thus adding 10 days to the calendar, which in its new form would be known in his honor as the Gregorian (or "New-Style) calendar, Gregory arranged for the vernal equinox again to fall on the "correct" date of March 21. To make future adjustments automatic, Gregory decreed that only those century years exactly divisible by 400 would be leap years. Thus 1900 was not a leap year, but the year 2000 will be.

while Catholic countries boarded the Pope's chronological bandwagon virtually upon receipt of his edit, many of our Protestant ancestral homelands were not greatly inclined to follow a Pope's orders and delayed the change for years -- or for centuries. As Ethel Williams notes in <a href="Know Your Ancestors">Know Your Ancestors</a> (Tuttle, 1960), Russia stabilized her calendar in only 1918, and Greece followed suit in 1923.

In fact, by 1752, when England and her colonies and possessions changed from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian, the former was off by eleven days. Thus it was that September 3, 1752, became September 14, 1752. George Washington, being an eminently sensible fellow, did not react as so many Englishmen did, rioting in response to the "removal" of eleven days from their lives and shouting "Give us back our eleven days!" Like most of those living in the colonies in 1752, he simply "rectified" his birthdate by adding 11 days to the "Old Style" date of February 11, 1731/32.

There was another important change in 1752. Parliament had decreed in 1751 that 1752 would officially begin on January 1, which had been the historic secular date, rather than the traditional religious date of March 25. Thereafter, questions like those of John Knight's and Ephriam Burr's births would no longer arise. Before 1752, as Donald Lines Jacobus noted in his classic Genealogy as Pastime and Profession (2nd ed., Genealogical Publishing Company, 1968), ... "there is likely to be some confusion with regard to dates between 1 January and 24 March, unless we know what New Year's Day a particular recorder used. It is apparent that if the year began 25 March, a man born on 20 February was born before the new year began, hence a year earlier than if the year began 1 January. If 1710 began on 25 March, then a man born on 20 February following was born in 1710, since 1711 did not begin until the next month. The only problem is this connection is the year into which dates between 1 January and 24 March should be placed, and we always run the chance of an error of exactly a year if we do not know the date on which the recorder began the New Year. In most records before 1700 we may usually assume that the year was reckoned as beginning March 25, and that is true of many later records, especially church registers. But the use of January 1 gradually came into favor, especially in legal documents and town records, even before that date was made official in 1752. Careful recorders often used a double date, such as 11 Feb. 1731/32; here we can be certain that the date is 1732 by modern usage, but the double date should be retained when records are copied and printed.

Bear in mind that this confusion of year-dates before 1752 applies only to dates between 1 January and 24 March; all other dates belong to the given year regardless of when New Year's Day fell. But George Washington (and many of our other forefathers) came into the world between those critical dates, so his Old-Style birthdate of February 11, 1731/32 quite properly was "rectified" to its New-Style equivalent, February 22, 1732. So that is why we celebrate Washington's birthday on a date on which he wasn't -- and yet was -- born.

But you already knew that!

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### THE QUAKER CALENDAR

The Julian calendar adopted by the Romans was in use for over 1600 years, but in 1582 Pope Gregory XIII, with the aid of learned astronomers, gave us what is known as the Gregorian Calendar. In that year 10 days were dropped from October, and leap years were instituted in years divisible by 4. This calendar, having originated with the Catholic Church, was not accepted at once by Protestants. In England (which then ruled America) the change was not made until 1752.

From the 12th century, in England, the year began with the vernal equinox, on March 25th, and this lasted until January 1752 as the legal and civil year. However, from the time of the Norman conquest in 1066 A.D., the first of January had been considered the historical beginning of the year, and it was customary to use a system of double dating between the 1st day of January and the 25th day of March, giving both years - thus Feb. 16, 1742/43, or among Friends, 12th month 16th, 1742/43.

In Pennsylvania where Friends/Quakers controlled the State government for many years, the numerical form of dating was commonly used, and sanctioned by law. An Act of Parliament was passed in 1751, prescribing the adoption of the Gregorian Calendar throughout Great Britain and her colonies, beginning the first of January 1752.

#### Old Style

Year beginning March 25th

Eleventh month called January Twelfth month called February First month called march Second month called April Third month called May Fourth month called June Fifth month called July Sixth month called August Seventh month called October Ninth month called November Tenth month called Occember Tenth month called Occember

#### New Style

Year beginning January 1st

First month called January
Second month called February
Third month called March
Fourth month called April
Fifth month called May
Sixth month called June
Seventh month called July
Eighth month called August
Ninth Month called October
Tenth month called October
Eleventh month called November
Twelfth month called Occomber

Anita Steele, Swarthmore (Hicksite Quaker) College Library, 500 College Avenue, Swarthmore PA 19081.

#### THE GERMAN MONTHS

Something else to remember is that Charlemagne established Germanic names for months, and that some localities used these names into the 18th century. They were:

Hartung (January) Lenzig (March) Maien (May) Heuert (July) Scheidling (September) Nebelung (November)

Horning (February)
Ostermund (April)
Brachet (June)
Ernting (August)
Gilbhard (October)
Christmond (December)

Larry O. Jensen's A Genealogical Handbook of German Records, Vol. 1.

The following article is a continuation of the story of the Pugh family, which was featured in the last issue of  $\underline{\text{AncesTree}}$ . The Pugh family are ancestors to William Lee, Member #271.

Descendants of Edward, son of Hugh Pugh and Elizabeth Williams Edward Pugh 1810 - 1894, married Jane Evans, 1813 - 1847

Edward was the third child of Hugh Pugh and Elizabeth Williams. He was born Sunday, July 8, 1810 in Parish of Llanbister, Radnor, Wales.

He married Jane Evans in 1837. She was born Jan. 13, 1813, also in Radnor, Wales. The date of the wedding we do not know, but it was agreed between them that "on that day the sun must shine".

They immigrated to Canada in Sept. 1847, being the last of his family to leave Wales. During the five years from his parents' departure in 1842, Edward worked the farm they had vacated, called Penybank. On that day when the entire family slowly sailed away, it must have been with sad hearts, but with their hopes high and their trust in Providence firm. Coming with them was his wife's mother, Jane Evans, a widow, who made her home until she passed at 84 years with her daughter, Elizabeth (Betsy) Mrs. Edward Morgan, in Uxbridge. She also had two other daughters here; Sarah, Mrs. David Pugh, Claremont, and Margaret, Mrs. Richard Pugh (no relation), Wolcott, Ind. USA. One daughter Mary, Mrs. Abram Ramer, and family remained permanently in Wales.

Much preparation was necessary before the trip. They had to sell their stock and most of their belongings. From Edward's own note book we have an account of his sale held Mar. 17, 1847, in which the sale of stock, apart from other items, totalled f648, 15s, 3d. Forty-nine cattle brought f472, 13s, 3 horses brought f49, and 217 sheep sold for f127, 2s, 3d. Passengers had to cook their own meals on board ship. On the advice of his father, Edward purchased "1 lb. coffee, 15 lbs. treacle, 1 stone sugar, oatmeal bread made with a little sugar and seeds, plenty of bacon, a good dried ham, a little beef, potatoes, 3 bushels of flour, a few good sea-biscuits, 2 good cheeses, a few salt herring, butter and eggs, and also a little porter and gin."

The cost of the passage over for himself, wife and five small children was £27 5 s. The trip was two or three weeks longer than usual, partly due to some discord among the crew, and they were over nine weeks on the ocean. A most unfortunate experience overtook them; the dreadful disease of cholera broke out. Edward always claimed if the trip had been completed in the usual time that members of this family would never have taken ill, but this delay became the occasion of a very sad and great tragedy. After a week's illness, on Sept. 23, 1847, at the age of 34 years, 8 months, his wife died, and on Sept. 28, Thomas, their baby boy of 4 months was also taken. In those days there was no provision made on ships to store corpses, so the bodies had to be wrapped in canvas and buried at sea. The boat stopped, a prayer was offered, and the bodies were lowered into the deep blue Atlantic. He was now left alone in a new country to rear his four young children, Sarah, eleven years old, David, nine, Jane, five, and Edward, three. Their marriage had been a very happy one, and he felt most keenly the sense of his irreparable loss.

Their ship docked at New York. Usually those unable to walk were placed in quarantine by the immigration authorities. Edward's children were so weak he feared they would be detained and he might never see them again. He did all in his power to encourage them to "walk up smart", and they got by.

The trip was then started from New York to the home of his father in Pickering Twp. A steamer was taken for 150 miles up the Hudson River to Albany, from where they went 250 miles west on Erie Canal to Rochester, then a three-horse boat brought them across Lake Ontario to Windsor Bay (Whitby), and they were within 14 miles of his father's home. Edward left his family and belongings at Whitby and came on by himself. Within two miles he got directions at Thomas tavern, and hurried on the next twelve miles to his parent's home at North 1/2, Lot 26, Con. 4, Pickering, called Penybank after the home they had left in Wales. It was a very sad and trying experience for him to relate the death of his beloved wife and baby son at sea. His father sent a wagon to Whitby to bring the children and belongings. These included attractive chinaware, a few brass and pewter vessels, a fine red Welsh riding habit, and the works of a grandfather clock. These were packed in a very heavy English oak chest.

Soon Edward located a home for himself in the northern part of Pickering

Twp., Lot 12, Con. 9, where it was high and hilly, resembling in many respects the country he had left in Wales. It was not many years before he erected a fine stone house. During his lifetime he acquired several farms. One, fifteen miles from Stratford at Milverton, was settled by his son, David, when it took seven days to make the trip with a six-week old baby, all his belongings in a lumber wagon, drawn by a team of horses and a cow tied behind. Another farm near Chatham, at Darrell, became the home of his son Edward. He never remarried, but devoted himself to being both a loving and wise mother and father to his family. His oldest daughter, eleven, helped mother the three younger children and was soon knitting and making their clothes.

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His children were sent to school, and were taken for their religious instruction to Claremont Baptist Church, where for years he acted as a deacon. He regularly attended, supported, and served his church vigorously until his death. He also gave liberally to other religious causes. He was devoted to his

church and to his family.

He displayed great enthusiasm in everything he did, always driving a very high-spirited horse.

He was fond of children, and his grandchildren always looked eagerly

forward to his fairly frequent visits.

He kept in touch with many relatives and friends back in Wales, as evidenced by the many letters he wrote and received from the "Old Land". Very frequent were the letters to his cousin, Stephen Pugh, who took over his old home, Penybank, and to a cousin, Josiah Pugh of Cefenpole. In most of these letters concern was expressed for "the state of the church". More than once he paid a visit back to his old birthplace, the last being in 1880.

His last few years were spent at the home of his daughter, Jane, Mrs. Wm. Edwards, in Balsam. Here he passed away from an attack of grippe, Jan. 10, 1894, at age of 83 years, 6 months. He had retained his reason and spirit to the last. A much missed and loving father had gone, leaving to mourn his loss four children.....Sarah, (Mrs. Robert Ward), David, Jane, (Mrs. William Edwards), and Edward.

WELSH ANCESTORS IN THE MARITIMES? Marj McLellan advises the following:

Ottawa Archives film #M843 has on it birth records for Shelburne, NS, stating it as a "Welsh Settlement" (in the early 1800's).

Vancouver Island Regional Library has a book entitled, "Strangers from a Secret Land" by Peter Thomas, call number 971.5. This book is about the voyages of the brig "Albion" and the founding of the first Welsh settlements in Canada in the early 1800's. The book has an index and list of settlers at Cardigan, NB, New Cambria and Shelburne, NS.

One of our members (who is not yet 80) gave me the following article, which gives us all something to look forward to:

Got it Made at 80 - taken from the June 1991 edition of "The Elder Statesman".

We oldsters sure do get away with a lot just because we have managed to keep breathing longer than most folks. I have just celebrated my 80th birthday and I have got it made.

If you forgot someone's name or an appointment or what you said yesterday, just explain that you are 80 and you will be forgiven. If you spill soup on your tie, or forget to shave half your face, or take another man's hat by mistake, or promise to mail a letter and carry it around in your pocket for two weeks, just

say "I am 80 you know", and nobody will say a thing.
You have a perfect alibi for everything when you are 80. If you act silly, you are in your "second childhood". Being 80 is much better than being 70. At 70 people are mad at you for everything, but if you make it to 80 you can talk back, argue, disagree and insist on having your own way because everybody thinks you are getting a little soft in the head. They say that life begins at 40. Not true. If you ask me, life begins at 80.

### NANAIMO AREA SCHOOLS MARK CENTENNIAL -

Two schools in the Nanaimo area are marking their 100th birthdays in May. North Oyster Elementary School, located in the rural area north of Ladysmith, celebrated its anniversary reunion on May 23rd.

Also celebrating its centennial is Harewood Elementary School, who commemorated the event on May 25th with an open house and strawberry social. The first Harewood School opened Oct. 1, 1892 on land set aside by the "father" of Harewood, Sam Robins, Superintendent of Vancouver Coal Mining and Land Company.

The first school, to which a second smaller room was added in 1898, remained in operation while the present school building was being constructed immediately adjacent. With its own version of "central" heating -- a cast iron pot-bellied stove in the centre of the school room -- the facility also had board floors which were oiled several times a year.

(taken from "The Bulletin" and "The Nanaimo Times")

### HAREWOOD - DISCOVERY OF COAL

Soon after the discovery of the "Land of Wakesiah," the white settlers began to roam the valley from one end to the other. Within ten years, coal deposits were discovered in the Harewood ridges.

This fact is substantiated in a book written by Dr. Cheadle, a world-wide traveller, and titled "Dr. Cheadle's Diary." An extract from his diary and dated Friday, December 11, 1863, reads:

"Went off with Dr. Benson, Viscount Milton and Captain Lascelles, according to agreement, on an expedition through the woods to see an outcropping of coal. the field (Harewood) of which Lascelles had engaged from the government under hope of forming a company to work this field. Lascelles having been in communication with his brother-in-law, Mr. Mills, a London banker, with a view of getting his financial assistance.

A civil engineer named Landale was our guide, but he wandered through the thick bush for an hour or more. We kept close to him but Dr. Benson and the ship's boy with the luncheon, lagged far behind. Presently Dr. Benson began to hallo and kept up a continual halloing to know where we were, and finally arrived out of breath and very red in the face and assured us that we were going in the wrong direction. We therefore lunched and piped and then concluded that as our guides could not agree and it was getting rather late, it would be better to return rather than to risk the almost certainty of being in the woods after dark and perhaps having to spend the night out."

Captain Lascelles, mentioned in the "Diary", was a member of the British nobility. The eldest brother of the Lascelles family held the hereditary title of Lord Harwood (pronounced Harewood). It is from this branch of the English nobility that the name Harewood comes, although it was misspelled by the early Harewoodites. (from "Harewood - Land of Wakesiah" - local history)

### LIST OF ORIGINAL 5 ACRE LANDOWNERS OF HAREWOOD

Collishaw Spencer Sterling Cook (2) Leask Green Brown (2) Calverley (3) Thompson Keller Newbury Cunningham Godfrey Shepherd Dickinson Price Gibson Teaque McLellan Malpass (2)

Ashworth Dixon Kerrone Hilbert Mottishaw (2) Scott Nicholson Crew Storey Coulson Stevens Lawson Crewe Williams Anderson Cawthorne Pywell Smith

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Cochrane
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### FIND HIS FAMILY?

Robert F. Parrott of Scarborough, North Yorkshire, England, has written the <u>Daily Free Press</u> to ask if any readers can give him information about living descendents of his grandfather, William Sharp Parrot.

William Parrott, a builder and member of Kingston-upon-Hull borough council, left England in 1880 and came to Canada. He died in Nanaimo in 1935, age 98.

Robert Parrott is a grandson through William Parrott's first marriage, which produced six children. The elder Mr. Parrott married a second time after leaving England and had at least three children: Katie Isabel Parrott, apparently of Machleary Street in Nanaimo; Lucy Margaret Sherk, and Ada Annie Saunders.

Robert Parrott, now age 88 and himself recently remarried after being widowed, is a former archivist in the Kingston-upon-Hull town clerk's department. Even though he is blind, he has hopes of visiting Nanaimo with his second wife, and would like to hear from any of his long-lost relatives. His address is, 8 Oriel Close, Scarborough, N. Yorks., England, YO 11 2TE. (0723) 368057. (taken from an issue of The Daily Free Press)

## Library News



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Donations from Jean Jenkinson. Thanks, Jean!

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The Executive has approved a budget to buy books at the seminar being held May 23rd, so there should be a number of new books to look at when the library re-opens in the fall.

Any members who have suggestions about what books they think the library should have, or what newsletters they would like to see our society try to arrange an exchange with, please make your wishes known to the librarian. The Executive will do all it can to meet the wishes of all of its members.

Members who have purchased books or newsletters and find that they are just "gathering dust" on their shelves, may wish to donate them to the library so that they can be enjoyed by others. Thank you.

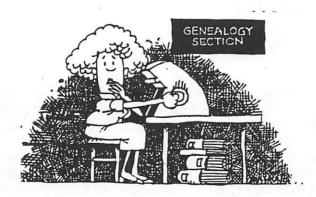
#### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Welcome back to Brenda Hunter, Member #122, who has rejoined our club!

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The roundtable discussions at the May meeting seemed to be a great success. If you would like to see more of this sort of thing, or if you have any other ideas as to what you would like to see take place at our regular meetings, please pass along your ideas to one of the Executive.



Oh DEAR...so much for THAT branch of the family tree."

DIARY OF RICHARD CARR (continued) - Submitted by Klara Beck

1840

Oct 8 - Left New Orleans bound to Havana in the Island of Cuba.

Oct 12 - Cast anchor in the harbour of Havana having had a fine run - distance 700 miles. This the capital of the Island - is situated on the north side, has a splendid harbour capable of containing 1000 ships. the entrance is so narrow as to admit but one vessel at a time - has an immense trade with Europe and the United States exporting sugar, coffee, tobacco, etc. It is not well built. The streets are narrow and somewhat dirty, but the public walks outside of the city are splendid and very extensive, are ornamented with fountains and tropical plants and kept in excellent order. The climate is unhealthy. America is more subject to the ravages of the yellow fever and black vomits. The city was founded in 1511, and in 1790 the bones of Columbus were brought here and deposited in the cathedral. The dress of the inhabitants is entirely white all year round. You will not see a white female out of doors in the day time except in a carriage, but in the evening they walk out a good deal. the military band plays in the square from 8 to 9. Slaves are very numerous - they do all the There is some splendid vessels here that run in the slave trade, are remarkable fast sailers and go well armed and manned, but prefer running to fighting, but will occasionally adopt the latter when close pushed.

Nov 2 - Put to sea bound to Charleston and from there to New York with a cargo

of sugar, coffee, oranges, pineapples, etc.

Nov 3 - Head wind and heavy sea running. Vessel leaked a good deal when we left port, but has increased a good deal since, and it is now as much as they can do

to keep her clear of water with the pumps.

Nov 4 - All the morning we have had a strong head wind. In the afternoon it increased to a tremendous gale. the American steamers do very well in smooth water, but are not built to withstand a heavy sea. This one is old and in bad condition, and is on her passage to the north to be repaired. During the height of the gale she worked tremendously. The berths in the fore and after cabins gave way. For about 2 hours we expected every minute she would go to pieces and our boats would have been useless in the sea that was running.

Nov 6 - The weather continuing bad. the leak keeps increasing so that the water in the hold gains on us, the pumps not being able to keep her free. It has been concluded to run into the first port. At 2 PM we got St. Augustine in East

Florida and commenced discharging our freight.

Nov 7 - Discharged the balance of our freight on board a schooner, finding it impossible to proceed with it in our present condition. We are in want of fuel. There is coal to be got and but little wood - the people being afraid to go in the woods to cut it on account of the Indians who lay in ambush for them all through the country.

Nov 9 - Finding we shall have to lay here 2 or 3 weeks, that is til we can get coal from Charleston. We ran the vessel across the harbour into the mouth of a small creek at high water. At low water we are aground which enables us to

repair our leaks a little.

Nov 10 - One of the sailors died this evening of the yellow fever. We lost one before by the same complaint while lying in Havana and all of us was more or less unwell. St. Augustine is the oldest town in North America except the Mexican settlements. It has a safe and commodious harbour with a depth of water of from 20 to 23 feet at low tide. The situation is pleasant - the supply of fresh water abundant - the atmosphere dry and healthful. The houses are generally two stories high and built of a species of stone peculiar to the country. The orange and banana grow to perfection here. The market is but badly supplied, though fish are plentiful and of an excellent quality.

Nov 21 - Our coals have arrived and we have commenced taking them on board.

Nov 24 - Put to sea. Kept as close to the shore as possible so that in case of extreme danger we can run the vessel ashore and save our lives if nothing else. Nov 25 - .. Made fast along side the wharf at Charleston. This is the metropolis of the state of South Carolina, and the sixth city in the union to point of population, half of which are slaves. It is situated at the junction of Ashley and Cooper rivers which here unite and form the outer harbour... No free negroes are allowed to come here. We have 4 of them on board. As soon as we arrived they were taken ashore and put in jail, and will have to remain there til we are ready for sea. .. Continued next issue.

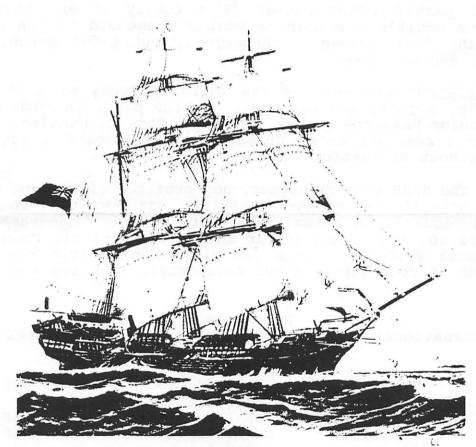
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Provincial Archives photo of Princess Royal taken from a painting by famed Nanaimo artist Jack Hardcastle

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GENERAL MEETINGS are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July, August, and December, at 7:00 p.m., in Room B202 of the Curriculum Resource Centre, 420 Selby Street, Nanaimo. Please use the lower rear entrance. Guests are most welcome to attend one meeting without obligation.

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#### **Our Cover - THE PRINCESS ROYAL**

Each November there is an annual commemorative ceremony at Pioneer Rock, just below the Bastion, of the landing of twenty families of the Hudson's Bay Company barque "Princes Royal".

It was on the first day of June 1854 that the Hudson's Bay sailing ship "Princess Royal" left a London dock under Captain Wishard and a Mr. Norton as first mate, bound for Nanaimo. Her first port of call was Liverpool, and there twenty families totalling in all seventy persons from Brierly Hill, Staffordshire, embarked on the voyage. The voyage was made via Cape Horn and the only break in the long journey was a ten day stop at the Sandwich Islands. The "Princess Royal" cast anchor at Esquimalt on November 27, 1854, where the passengers were transferred to the schooner "Discovery" for the last leg of the journey to Nanaimo. When they reached Nanaimo, the passengers were greeted by 21 Scottish miners who came out in the "Harpooner" in 1849 and the "Torry" in 1851. The men, women and children from the "Princess Royal" had come to stay, and look ahead to a life of progress in this new land.

### The names of the families making the six-month sea journey were:

George Robinson, manager, wife, son, daughter and maid. James Bevilockway, wife, two sons and daughter. Richard Turner and daughter. John Meakin, wife and two sons. Daniel Dunn and wife. John Malpass, wife, son and daughter. Joseph Webb and wife. John Biggs and wife. Matthew Miller, wife and two daughters. John Thompson and wife. George Bull, wife and daughter. George Baker, wife, son and daughter. John Baker and wife. Elijah Ganner, wife, two sons and two daughters. Thomas Hawks, wife, son and daughter. Jess Sage, wife, two sons and one daughter John Richardson, wife, two sons and one daughter Richard Richardson and wife. Edwin Gough, wife, two sons and one daughter. Thomas York, wife and daughters.

**REMINDER!** The School District has requested that the door to the school remain locked at all times, so please arrive at regular meetings on time so that our club doorperson can go upstairs and join in the meeting.

#### Dates to Remember

Sept. 15 - Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 11 am - 3 pm Sept. 17 - General Meeting, 7 pm. Summer success stories and reunions, followed by question and answer period.

- Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 10 am - 1 pm Oct. 3 - General Meeting, 7 pm. Speaker will be Oct. 15

Jane Turner, Archivist for Nanaimo

- Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 11 am - 3 pm Oct. 20 - Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 10 am - 1 pm Nov. - Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 11 am - 3 pm Nov. 17

- General Meeting, 7 pm. Tentative - a speaker Nov. 19 to speak on using computers in genealogy.

- Library Day, Marj McLellan's, 10 am - 1 pm Dec. 5

\* Directions to Marj McLellan's, the club library I believe, were given out with the new membership The address is 4733 Laguna Way, Nanaimo

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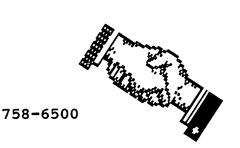
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## Club News

**PUBLICATIONS - Paul Shaw has now completed indexing the Nanaimo** Cemetery Records up to 1926. He was able to carry on with the list where the first publication left off, and we have printed up Volume 2, covering the years from 1909 to 1926. But also, with the magic of the computer, he was able to amalgamate the new information with the previous booklet, so we also have available, for those who have not previously purchased volume 1, a combined volume covering all the years, 1876 to 1926. There will also be a book on the club library shelves of the cemetery, indexed according to plot numbers, which will be useful in tying in families who are buried in family plots. The club wishes to sincerely thank Paul who carried on all on his own on this last venture. It certainly will be a useful resource for many people looking for their ancestors. The price list for the publications available is as follows:

Name Index to the Births, Marriages and Deaths, taken from the Nanaimo Daily Free Press - 1874 to 1899 42 pp.
\$ 6.00 per copy (\$8.00 includes postage & handling)

Name Index to the Nanaimo Cemetery (Vol 1) - 1876 to 1909 45 pp. \$10.00 per copy (\$12.00 includes postage & handling)

Name Index to the Nanaimo Cemetery - 1876 to 1926 98 pp. \$15.00 per copy (\$18.00 includes postage & handling)

Name Index to the Nanaimo Cemetery (Vol 2) - 1909 to 1926 41 pp. \$ 5.00 per copy (\$6.50 includes postage & handling)

#### Genealogy Seminar -

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May 23rd was the date of our seminar in Nanaimo. Held at the Bowen Park complex, the setting was perfect for the seminar. Unfortunately, there was a bout of flu going around at the time, and although the facilities were capable of holding up to 140 people, our turnout was only 47, and half of those were visitors from the community or members of other genealogy clubs up-Island. However, those that did attend enjoyed the two lectures given by Adrienne Anderson, and had ample time to browse through the large display of genealogical materials and books that she brought with her.

Librarian Joan Page purchased \$300 worth of books for our library covering a variety of topics which she hopes will be of assistance to all members. See the Librarian's report further along in this issue for a list of the titles purchased.

The Executive wishes to thank all those that helped with this seminar, especially Marj McLellan, who once again organized the refreshments and did an excellent job of it, and to Catherine Molnar, who kindly hosted the speaker and her helpers in her home.

One can't help but think that the flu was not the only contributing factor to the small attendance. Perhaps we should skip a year before trying another seminar, or perhaps we should try to get something entirely different lined up for next year. If you have any ideas on speakers you would like to hear, or topics you would like to see covered at either a meeting or a full-day seminar, please let one of the executive know. We are here to try to meet the needs of all the members, but we must be advised just what it is you want, so make your wishes known!

#### Heritage Day Activities -

Our club took part in Heritage Week by setting up a display in Harbour Park Mall on Saturday, June 13th. We had quite a number of people stop by and talk to us, and even had a new member, a visitor from Ontario, join the club. Special thanks to everyone who donated materials for display, and a special thanks to all those who came down and helped man the tables in the mall. We had an

excellent turn-out of members to assist.

#### Moving? Had a Change of Address?

It is very important that you notify Nanaimo Family History Society of your change of address if you've moved. We are fortunate to receive publication postage rates for our newsletter, but one of the rules we have to comply with in order to keep this rate is that we have to have a consistent 98% accuracy rate in our addressing, so please help us by notifying us promptly about any change in your address.

#### Club Still Needs Full Executive -

Please note that we still require a 1st Vice-President. Also, I will be wanting to retire from the position as Newsletter Editor at the end of my term, so anyone who thinks they might be interested in taking over this position should contact myself or one of the executive.

#### LDS LIBRARY - NEW ROUTINE

The Family History Centre Library will re-open September 14th. For those that do not already know, there is now a microfilm photocopier available and the computer system is now in place. Tony Balageer is no longer the librarian. Nina Slobodian has taken over this position, and with the change in officers comes a change in routine. There is now a phone in the LDS Library. If you wish to book time on the microfilm readers, or on the computer, you can do so during library hours on Mondays and Tuesdays, either in person, or by phoning the library at 758-1360. To the best of our knowledge, library hours will be the same as last year, which are as follows:

Mondays 11 am to 4 pm

Tuesdays 10 am to 3:30 pm & 6:30 to 9 pm

Wednesdays 6 to 8:30 pm
Thursdays 1 to 3:30 pm

MALASPINA COLLEGE LIBRARY will be open for regular hours commencing September 8th. Library hours are 8 am to 10 pm weekdays, and noon to 5 pm on Saturdays. Please note that the library will no longer be opened on Sundays. There is a procedure for booking the photocopier microfilm readers. Please check with the librarian.

#### MEMBER ACTIVITIES -

Ed Bell spent approximately six weeks visiting Great Britain in May and June.

Noticed in the "Nanaimo Times" that the family of member Norm Godfrey celebrated a successful family reunion over the summer.

Klara Beck attended the Western Washington Genealogy Society seminar at Everett, Washington at the end of May.

Joan Page took part in a school reunion for Pierdonville (Abbotsford area), and helped organize a family reunion at the same

time.

Shirley Binnersley will be travelling to Great Britain for six weeks this fall.

Also travelling to Scotland and Ireland for a trip of sightseeing and ancestor hunting will be Paul Shaw and wife, Sally.

Club secretary, **Sharon Taylor**, will be making some changes to person number one on her pedigree sheet after she Kerry Davison tie the knot October 10th.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Ron Fawcett who is in hospital at present.

#### CHARITY BAZAAR - WOODGROVE MALL

We would once again like to try to take part for one day in the charity bazaar at Woodgrove Mall. This event is usually held sometime in November. Those who took part last year will remember that we attended on a Saturday only, and in that one day we were able to raise over \$500.00 for the club. We would like to duplicate that success again this year.

If you have some item in mind that you would like to donate, please let one of the executive know no later than the October meeting just what it is you will bring. Also, if you can spare an hour or two to work at the mall on the day of the sale, it would be most appreciated. Please let one of the executive know as soon as possible if you can donate items or if you can work at the bazaar. Items for sale can include preserves, baking, crafts, used books, etc.

## For Your Information

1901 Canadian Census. At a meeting this spring, Paul Shaw showed me a letter from someone in eastern Canada who mentioned seeing the 1901 census. I wrote to Archives Canada in April to see if the census was indeed available, hoping to have an answer to print in the June issue of <a href="Ancestree">Ancestree</a>. However, their reply did not arrive till mid-June, but for your information, the following reply was finally received:

... the 1901 Canada Census will not be available for genealogical research here in our search rooms or through interlibrary loan until 4 January 1993. It should be noted, however, that access to the 1901 census has been granted to students and individuals involved in studies other than genealogical, subject to the regulations of the "Access to Information Act."

So, unless you can think of a purpose other than genealogical to request the census film, I guess we'll just have to wait until January 1993.

join nearly 1,000 worldwide members of the Armstrong Clan Association in solving our gigantic Genealogical Jigsaw Puzzle with the aid of four computers, members' pedigree charts and every item of data we can add to our 22 years of collections. Details available from:

Merle W. Armstrong
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N2T 1R2 (Ph. (519) 725-1987
... from "Kindred Spirits", May 1992.

Canada: A Legacy of Cultures - Seminar of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society. The 1992 Annual Seminar of the SGS will be held at the Delta Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, October 23rd to 25th, 1992. Details and registration form are in the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Bulletin, Vol. 23, No. 2, June 1992, in the club library.

Are you from Wawota, Saskatchewan? Shirley Corkish is secretary of the Wawota and district History Book Committee.

The committee wants to publish a history of the Saskatchewan town and surrounding area. If you're from there and want your family's history in the book, write to the committee, c/o Box 73, Wawota, Saskatchewan, SOG 5AO.

... from The Vancouver Sun, May 29, 1992

Irish Roots? If you are descended from Irish-Protestants who came to Canada in the 19th century, commencing ca. 1818, there is a new book out which may be of interest to you. Irish Migrants in the Canadas: A New Approach, by Bruce S. Elliott, McGill-Queen's University Press, 371 pp. is a detailed study of 775 Irish-Protestant families. The subjects are mostly from North Tipperary and they settled mainly in the areas around London, Ontario, and the Ottawa valley. The book is considered a breakthrough in historical research, and it delves into the lives of a significant number of the people from one side of the Atlantic through their successive residences and careers on this side of the ocean. The book, apparently, may be found to be dry reading for some, but if one of the subjects is your relative, it could be a real find. Available in hardcover at \$35. Inter-library loan is recommended.

Just a note to thank everyone who has been supplying me with news items for this newsletter. I really appreciate your help.

- The Editor



An archeologist is the best husband a woman can have: The older she gets, the more interested he is in her.

# Solving the Paper-Collecting Problem

The following article was taken from the <u>Genealogy Bulletin</u>, Number 14 - April-May-June 1992, published by Dollarhide Systems of Bellingham, Washington. As you will gather as you read this article, Mr. Dollarhide has devised an organizational system that involves the use of a number of forms that his organization sells to genealogists. I have not included the pages of sample forms and the order form referred to in the article in our newsletter. You may, after reading this article, be able to devise some forms of your own, but if you wish to see samples of the Dollarhide forms and think that you might wish to purchase them, I would suggest that you write to: Dollarhide Systems, 203 W. Holly St. - M4, Bellingham, WA, 98225, USA., asking for sample forms and a price list.

This article is excerpted from the book, "Managing A Genealogical Project" by William Dollarhide.

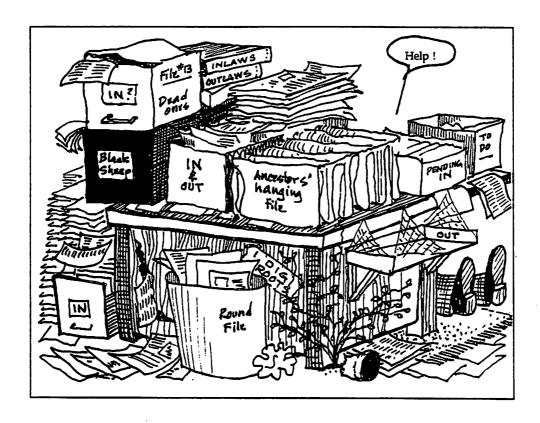
When genealogists first become interested in their family history their collection of notes and documents is small and easy to handle. It will probably never get larger than a packet of papers unless they proceed with the next steps in research. Taking these steps is when a researcher discovers the wealth of information that is available, and the notes and documents begin to build rapidly.

After just a year or so a diligent genealogist may have collected hundreds of pages of notes, representing many hours of library research, correspondence, or extracted information. If the stack of paper continues to grow without some control, as is typical with many genealogists, he will have to bring the research to a stand-still and devise a method of controlling the paper. The cause of this typical problem is due to the nature of the project.

For example, one of the problems that hinders a genealogical project is the strange urge many researchers have acquired: they must create families. Nearly every genealogy teacher will stress the importance of the "family-group sheet" as the basic method of organizing records. Yet the information that goes on a family-group sheet was first compiled from notes and documents. If a reference in a tax list to a person living alone in 1779 in North Carolina is all that is known about that person, it is impossible to learn anything more by filling out a family-group sheet, particularly if there is no information on the sheet except perhaps one person's name and approximate date of birth. The importance of the notes and documentation cannot be overstated. Therefore, a means of collecting the source material into a retrievable form is essential. This all happens before family sheets can be prepared.

This leads to another problem universal to genealogists,

again, partly because of the nature of the project itself. Genealogists collect references for people who are relatives as well as for non-relatives -- or for those who are suspected to be relatives. This creates organizational questions: Should non-relatives be filed separately? Or, should ancestors be treated differently than collaterals? If research is conducted in such a way as to have the notes and documents well organized first, the problem of "who is who" need not be a hinderance.



#### What's in the Pile?

If you were to stack all of your genealogical papers in one pile, you could probably sort every sheet of paper into three smaller piles (categories):

- 1. Notes and documents. These are the photocopies or handwritten extracts from certificates, census records, obituaries, etc., or written notes taken from books and other sources. This category is the genealogical evidence and comprises the heart of your research materials.
- 2. Compiled sheets. These are the family-group sheets, pedigree charts, and other compiled narratives, descendancies, etc., which were all compiled from the notes and documents.
- 3. Research aids. This is your personal library, containing books on how to do research, reference-finding sources, or other

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references such as maps, lists of libraries, addresses, and so on.

Perhaps the first step in solving the paper crunch is to separate the notes and documents and treat them as a separate group of papers. If you are sifting through maps, address lists, family-group sheets and other papers to find a marriage certificate, the job is easier if the notes and documents are kept in a stand-alone collection free from the other two categories.

Organizing family-group sheets and pedigree charts is not a difficult problem -- they can be kept in one notebook as a group. In addition, your personal library materials can be organized easily as well, because books can go on a bookshelf, maps can go in manila file folders, and most of these items can be filed and retrieved quickly.

The real problem lies with category 1, the Notes and Documents, and by separating them from the other materials, there is a chance that you can organize them. Hang on ... there is hope!

#### Identify the Notes and Documents

Genealogical notes and documents are those extracts, photocopies, abstracts, and other handwritten notations acquired in research. The research collection system also includes documents received through the mail, and correspondence in which genealogical information has been revealed. This collection is for making sense of what is known about the family lines, and every single piece of information that has ever been collected should be included.

However, there will always be archival materials, such as old photos, precious family documents, certificates, etc., that should not be part of the note files as originals. These originals should be stored in some safe place. The note/document collection should include copies of the originals if the originals are too fragile to keep in a 3-hole notebook. The important thing about this note collection is that it is the heart of a genealogist's research; it contains everything that is known about families and individuals of interest to the project.

This collection should also contain written narratives drawn from the memory of the researcher or his immediate family. These invaluable memories should be treated no differently than the documents collected.

They should be written up on standard note paper and incorporated into the note collection. To bring all of these notes and documents together requires some work, and therefore some guidelines to follow in taking notes will make the work easier to manage.

#### **Basic Rules in Taking Notes**

Here are Dollarhide's four basic rules in taking notes for any genealogical project. These rules are based on standard historical research practices, but because of the special needs of genealogists, the rules apply specifically to family research techniques.

#### Rule 1: Control the Sheet Size

Nearly every student may have learned how to prepare for a written essay in high school. We were taught to use 3"x5" index cards, noting such things as the author's name, publisher, date of publication, etc., followed by a brief quote or two from the source we had found in the library. This method worked well because the cards sorted easily and provided a bibliography once the report had been written.

However, genealogical researchers attempting to use this system will quickly discover that they rarely will have enough room on a 3"x5" index card to write all the notes they may want to capture. Not only that, genealogists are fond of copying whole pages of text from books, not just a few notes here and there. To make matters even worse, genealogists receive information from a variety of sources -- letters from relatives, documents from vital statistics offices, interview notes, phone notes, or information from other genealogists. The nature of genealogical research does not allow the use of 3"x5" cards effectively, because a separate collection of the full-size documents would then be necessary.

We have also been known to go to the library without a note pad, using whatever paper we could beg, borrow, or steal to write down the latest census data we found. If the little sheet of paper is covered with a larger sheet of paper in the file box at home, the little sheet of paper will probably be in the "lost" category in the near future.

Standardizing the sheet size using 8 1/2"x11" paper solves this problem. If every note were taken on this sheet size, the notes can be well organized at the time they are created. The little pieces of paper can be taped or pasted to standard sheets to bring them into conformity, and if a researcher follows this simple rule faithfully, the ability to find notes and documents for later analysis will be enhanced immediately. Genealogists can adapt the 3"x5" system into an 8 1/2"x11" system quite easily. The rewards are great.

To make this technique even better, using a pre-printed form to take all written notes has several advantages. First, the sheet size will be controlled at the time the note is taken. Pre-punched 3-hole paper saves having to punch holes later, and the sheet has a place to be filed when taken home. (An example of such a form for genealogical note-taking is the Reference Family Data Sheet described on page 45).

#### Rule 2. Separate Sheets by Surname

Many genealogists are already separating documents by the surname of the family to which it pertains. "Surname books", that is, standard 3-hole notebooks, are commonly used by genealogists. One book would contain everything that is known about one surname, including those people who married into the family or the collateral families to the main surname. At this level of collection, it is not necessary to separate known ancestors from "suspected" ancestors. The important thing is that the person has the right surname and could be important to the project.

As the notes are gathered, write the surname at the top of the

page and devote that page only to the surname or names connected with that surname.

Typically, genealogists find themselves sitting in front of a microfilm reader copying down notes from original records. Even if a genealogist were careful to copy all of the Johnson family records from one county, what happens often is that another surname besides Johnson pops up — something that was not expected. This happens frequently in the course of collecting genealogical records. The serious mistake is to mix these surnames on the same sheet of paper. If the Brown family is on the same sheet as the Johnson family, even though these two families were not related to each other, the only recourse later may be to use a pair of scissors to get the notes separated by the surname. Therefore, simply turning the page when another surname is found will separate the surnames as the notes are taken.

Separating documents into surname books limits what is stored in the books to just the notes and documents and does not admit such things as lists of libraries, genealogical societies, or other material not directly related to a certain surname. The goal is to create a collection of reference material relating to a certain surname in such a way that family sheets can be prepared later — but with assurances that all of the known facts are easy to find.

A family record mentioning several other surnames that married into the family could all be saved as part of the main surname. But, if the reference mentions more than one pedigree/ancestral family, copies should be made of the reference for each applicable surname book. Or, save the document in one surname book, then make reference to that record in other surname books to the location of a document. A surname book should be a stand-alone collection which contains everything you know about that surname and the families.

The problem of what to do with non-relatives has been solved as well: treat them equal to the relatives at this level of collection. Even though a family group sheet may never be made, the references stored in the same surname book allow for possible future connection to known persons with the same name.

Even with just the first two rules, if the same sheet size is used -- 3-hole, 8 1/2"x11" notepaper -- and all surnames are separated on different sheets, a system of collecting notes will begin to pay off. With these two rules only, the note doesn't need to be stacked on top of a pile at home -- a new sheet can go into a surname book as another page.

There will always be documents that don't fit in to the 8 1/2"x11" format, but those sheets smaller can be affixed to a standard sheet easily. Larger sheets and bulky, fold-out papers need special attention. For folded documents, pocket pages can be added to the 3-hole binder. And for tape recordings, photo albums, wall hangings, large charts, etc., the genealogical information can be abstracted onto standard sheet sizes for inclusion in the surname notebooks. The goal is to have notebooks with ALL genealogical notes and documents relating to a particular surname available in one place for review and analysis ... and the ability to produce family sheets, descendancies, or narrative histories is enhanced. More importantly, the "compiled" sheets can be documented systematically.

#### Rule 3: Separate by Place

Once the notes and documents have been brought together on the same sheet sizes and placed in the appropriate book for the surname, the next step is to break down the sheets by the place, or origin, of the record to be saved. The logic behind this concept needs to be explained.

To advance your genealogy beyond what Mom and Dad told you, there are three vital pieces of information you must know: (1) a name, (2) a date, and (3) a place. With these three things known, a treasure chest of information will be made available for further research. Of these three, the place is the one that tells you where to look for further information. The place of the event, such as the birth, marriage, residence, death, etc., is what a genealogist must know before a copy of that record can be obtained.

We live in a record-keeping society. The jurisdiction that created the record is the place. That jurisdiction must be known before we can learn anything new. If this fact is clear, then the idea of separating source material by the place is a logical step to take. Therefore, the many sheets of notes and documents pertaining to one family surname in one notebook can be further separated by the origin of the records. Experienced genealogists know that once the county of residence has been established, an avalanche of information awaits in the courthouse, the local library, the funeral homes, the cemeteries, the local genealogical societies, etc., all of which can provide much important information about a family that lived in the locality. That information cannot be found without first knowing where to look. A place designation can be placed on a sheet of paper as part of a sheet number.

#### Rule 4: Give Every Sheet a Place/Sheet Number

Separating the sheets by the states or counties where the records were originated is an easy task to control because virtually every single genealogical reference item will have a place (such as the state or country) attached to it. So, the top of the sheet can first show the surname for the record, followed by a designator for the place of origin, then a sheet number within that state/country section.

Here are some examples of place/sheet numbers for various reference sheets:

#### Surname-Place-Page (example of type of record)

Johnson 1A-1 (a deed for william Johnson of Iowa)
Johnson IN-24 (a census record for John Johnson of Indiana)
Brown MA-32 (a photograph of Willard Brown of Massachusetts)
Schmidt GER-14 (christening record of Johann Schmidt of Germany)
Windsor ENG-125 (English census record showing Edward Windsor)

The codes for the states are the two-letter postal codes, such as MA for Massachusetts, MN for Minnesota, and so on. Three-letter codes can be used for countries, such as ENG for England, GER for

Germany, and so on. Within each surname book, the page number for each reference becomes both a place designator and sheet number. Together, they become a "source code" for that particular reference. The place designation can be broken down further. If there were many Johnsons in Ohio, it may be worthwhile to separate this section by Ohio counties, for example.

A surname book could contain all of the notes for the Johnsons in Iowa in one state section and Ohio Johnsons in another state section. If the Johnson family of interest started out with an immigrant to New Jersey, followed by migrations later to Ohio, then Indiana, then Iowa, etc., these state sections could be arranged in that particular order -- which would tend to put the family reference material in a loose chronological order for the time periods they were in a particular state.

But sheets within each section should receive a sheet number on a "first-come, first-served" basis, and a page number can be assigned in consecutive order as the records are added within each state/country section of the surname book. There is no need to get 1790 records before 1870 records, because we rarely find references in any time order.

The advantage to this method of organizing notes is that when a new piece of information is found, a genealogist knows where to look for what is known about the family in that geographic area. It should be easy to determine if the information is something repeated or is indeed new information. A new sheet of information can be added to any state/country section by just adding the next consecutive page number.

A place orientation for the notes and documents allows more flexibility for saving the paper, because any document and any relationship can be saved, including ancestors, collaterals, or "suspicious" relatives. What ties them all together is the surname and place they lived.

#### Indexing the References

If the genealogical notes and documents are of the same size, and all in notebooks for retrieval, a sheet number can be assigned to each sheet based on the geographic place of the original record—which means an index can be used to locate records in the collection.

The place/sheet number becomes a "source code" which is an abbreviated method of citing a full bibliographic source. for example, a reference to a Dollarhide family can be found in a book by B. R. Sulgrove, History of Indianapolis and Marion County, Indiana, (L.H. Everts & Co., Philadelphia, 1884), pp 512-7. Five photocopied pages from that book are stored in my Dollarhide notebook in the Indiana section, and a page number of "IN-2" has been assigned to all of them,. (The five sheets are listed as "IN-2, sheet 1 of 5, "IN-2, sheet 2 of 5", and so on).

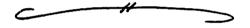
On any family group sheets where the Sulgrove book is the source for a genealogical event, such as a residence, marriage, birth, etc., instead of writing out the full bibliographic source, I need only write "IN-2" as the source code for that particular reference. My family group sheets are called "Compiled Family Data

Sheets". Since the back of the family sheet has a place to itemize every reference source for that particular family, source codes can be used. Each different source is then listed as a single line, giving an overview of every genealogical reference for every member of a family. Any particular indexed source should be easy to locate again by the source code. This type of source list demonstrates your thoroughness as a genealogist when other people read it.

#### **RFDS Forms and Labels**

The majority of the papers genealogists collect are already 8 1/2"x11" in size, and because of that, the four rules shown above can be followed easily. The need for a pre-printed collection sheet for notes or documents can be lessened if the top of each document page is identified with a surname, place, and sheet number. The Reference Family Data Sheet (RFDS) shown on page 45 does the job nicely, but a plain sheet of paper can be used as well. The advantage to the pre-printed forms is the convenience of already having three holes punched for 3-ring binders, plus the form acts as a reminder to capture the full source citation for each reference gathered in the research project.

The sample RFDS label shown on page 45 was designed to identify a sheet ready to go in a surname book, with a place to write in the surname, state/country code, and page number. The labels also can be used to identify reference documents, photos, cassette tapes, etc., as a way of controlling a variety of media and record types.





## Library Report

Librarian, Joan Page

#### PERIODICALS RECEIVED SINCE LAST ISSUE:

#### Great Britain

The Hampshire Family Historian
Aberdeen & North East Scotland Family History Society
Birmingham & Midland Family History Society
Nottingham Family History Society
Cornwall Family History Society - Journal & Library Holdings

#### Canada

Kindred Spirits, Whitby/Oshawa Branch, OGS Tree Tracer, Prince George Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Bulletin Huguenot Trails, Huguenot Society of Canada The British Columbia Genealogist Yesterday's Footprints, Lethbridge, AB The Tree House, Campbell River, BC Families, OGS Toronto Tree Connections, Quebec Family History Society

#### United States

Ancestors West, Santa Barbara, CA Oregon Genealogical Society Quarterly Mouse River Loop, North Central North Dakota Root Cellar Preserves, Sacramento, CA Trailbreakers, Clark Co., WA

#### Periodicals donated to library:

Clandigger, Edmonton, AB (3 copies, 1990-91) Relatively Speaking, AGS (5 copies, 1990-92)

- donated by member Marion Sim of St. Albert, AB... Thanks!

The Nova Scotia Genealogist (13 copies, 1987 - 1991)
- donated by Bev Sherry

The Minnesota Genealogist (4 copies, 1989 - 1990)
Santa Clara County, CA (2 copies, 1987)
Saskatchewan GS Journal (3 copies, 1987)
Manitoba GS Journal & Surname List (8 copies, 1986 - 1987)
The Oxfordshire Family Historian (7 copies, 1986-1988)
- donated by Klara Beck

West Middlesex FHS Journal, Mar. 1992
- donated by Jean Jenkinson

We have also received a complimentary copy of the 1992 Genealogical Contact Reference, a new periodical from Australia.

PLEASE NOTE - If you are doing research in a certain area and you feel that you would like to receive the newsletter from that area but do not feel you can afford the membership fee or whatever, please let Joan know. We will try to initiate a newsletter exchange with that society so that the periodicals will be in the library for the use of all members. We do not always get accepted when we request exchanges, but it is certainly worth a try.

#### NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

The following is a listing of the books purchased at the seminar May 23rd. These books are now on the shelves at the club library.

#### <u>IRELAND</u>

FLIGHT FROM FAMINE

The coming of the Irish to Canada by Donald McKay McClelland & Stewart Inc. Toronto, Ontario

IRELAND

A GUIDE TO TRACING YOUR DUBLIN ANCESTORS by James C Ryan This book attempts to present the major sources of family records in the city and county of Dublin for the time period of the late 18th and early/middle 19th centuries. Publisher: Flyleaf Press, Dublin

<u>IRELAND</u>

A NEW GENEALOGICAL ATLAS OF IRELAND by Brian Mitchell A book to identify the county, barony, parish and poor law union of every townland in Ireland. Pub: 1992 Genealogical Pub. Co, Inc. Baltimore.

POLAND

TRACING YOUR POLISH ROOTS by Maralyn A Wellauer
History and Geography, Finding place or orgin
Sources at home and in Poland. 1991
Pub. by M. A Wellauer, Milwaukee, WI

UNITED STATES

RETRACING THE PAST by Gary B Nash

Readings in the History of the American People Volume One to 1877. Harper & Row, New York

UNITED STATES

A CHRONOLOGY OF LIFE & EVENTS IN AMERICA

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN. An Essential Collection of Facts & Dates From 986 to Today by Gorton Carruth An abridged edition of The Encyclopedia of American Facts and Dates by Harper & Row, Publ.

UNITED STATES

<u>U.S. MIGRATION PATTERNS</u> by Wendy L Elliott, C.G. Distributed by American Genealogical Lending Library, Bountiful, Utah.

UNITED STATES

QUR QUAKER ANCESTORS by Ellen Thomas Berry & David Berry. Finding them in Quaker Records. Publisher: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore, MD

UNITED STATES

PLYMOUTH COLONY by Eugene Aubrey Stratton Its History & People 1620-1691 Ancestry Publishing, Salt Lake City, Utah

UNITED STATES

ELLIS ISLAND, Gateway to America, by Loretto Dennis
Szucs. Publisher, Ancestery Incorporated. USA

UNITED STATES

KNOW YOUR ANCESTORS by Ethel W William PH.D.
A Guide to Genealogical Research. Publisher,
Charles E Tuttle Company, Vermont.

CANADA: NOVA SCOTIA

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN NOVA SCOTIA -Terrence M.
Punch. Third revised printing. Petheric Press,
Halifax, Nova Scotia

CENTRAL EUROPE

CENTRAL EUROPEAN GENEALOGICAL TERMINOLOGY by Jared H. Suess. This book will assist the researcher in reading documents from the Central European area. Published by Everton Publishers, Logan, Utah (1978)

**ENGLAND** 

RECORD REPOSITORIES IN GREAT BRITAIN, Ninth Edition
A geographical directory and other useful addresses
The Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts 1991

**ENGLAND** 

THE A-Z GUIDE TO TRACING ANCESTORS IN BRITAIN by
F.C. Markwell & Pauline Saul. Published by
Genealogical Publishing Co Inc 1989, Baltimore US

GERMANY

FINDING YOUR GERMAN ANCESTORS by Dr. R M Smelser
Printed by Ancestry, Salt Lake City, Utah. 1991

GERMANY

FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH IN THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC by Maralyn A Wellauer. The book is the first part of a series dealing with German research in the former German Empire before 1871. Pub: Roots International, Wilwaukee, Wisconsin (1987)

GERMANY

HANDY TIPS TO YOUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH IN GERMANY
German Genealogical Research

**GENERAL** 

THE ADOPTION SEARCHBOOK by Mary JoRillera

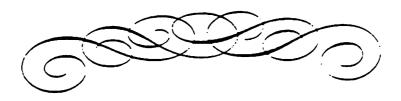
Techniques for tracing people. Triadoption
Publications, Westminster, California

GENERAL

FAMILY DISEASES ARE YOU AT RISK? By Myra Vanderpool Gormely. A carefully researched guide to the diseases that plagued our ancestors, the transmission of those diseases from generation to generation, and treatments, cures and long term hopes by medical genetics. Genealogical Pub Co., Baltimore, MD USA

Also received during the summer, the <a href="1992">1992</a> Genealogical Research Directory.

Ouick Canadian Facts - donated by Jean Jenkinson



# Queries



FORD/SORTON

JOHN FORD married HANNAH SORTON, July 18, 1819, in Stoke-Demerel, Devon, England. Son George was born 1831 or 1832. Daughter Martha born 1842 - 1847 in Somerset, England. Would appreciate any information regarding the above.

Norah E. Fuller R.R.2, Site 52 Gabriola, B.C. VOR 1X0

#### TURK/GOUDY

Richard Nathaniel TURK, married Margaret GOUDY, February 17, 1814, in London, England. They had a daughter Ann, born ca. 1819. Two other children were William Goudy TURK, born May 29, 1829, and Eliza Margaret TURK, born February 18, 1832, both bapitzed in Middlesex in 1857. In the 1842 London Post Office directory, Richard TURK is shown as living in Lower Hungerford, and is registered as the owner of the Dolphin Tavern. Would like any further information on this family that is available.

Mrs. K. Beck 309 Blake Place Site T4, C62, R.R.#1 Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5K1

**REMINDER!** Queries are free to members. If you are having trouble getting information on an ancestor, try placing a query in the newsletter.

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## Richard Carr's Diary -(continued) - submitted by Klara Beck.

#### 1840

Dec. 9 - Made fast along side the wharf at the foot of Maiden Lane, New York.

<u>Dec. 11</u> - Paid off from the Steamer, but intend to wait till she is repaired and join her again.

Dec. 20 - Having nothing to do concluded to go to Philadelphia.

Dec. 23 - 4 1/2 pm - Got to Philadelphia. Walked here, distance 90 miles. Found it cold on the road being a hard frost and deep snow. There are several towns on the road which is thickly inhabited. Philadelphia is the second city in the Union for population. It is situated on the Delaware River 126 miles from its mouth. Seven miles below the city the river Schuylkill falls into the Delaware. The city is handsomely laid out in squares. It extends from Delaware to the Schuylkill River nearly two miles. From north to south the distance is about 1 mile. The extensive suburbs form together with the city about 3 square miles of close buildings. The houses are mostly of brick which are of a very dark colour and resemble at a short distance the common red sand stone. The streets are paved with round stone and kept very clean. It is considered to be the handsomest city in the Union.

Dec. 24 - 1 pm. Left Philadelphia to return.

<u>Dec. 25</u> - Spent rather an unpleasant Christmas. Had no dinner - walked 22 miles, weather extremely cold. Was almost froze when I got to my quarters for the night, but it happened to be a very comfortable house. After a good supper and a glass of grog I went to bed and slept sound enough till next morning.

Dec. 26 - About 4 inches of snow fell during the night. After

breakfast it turned to rain and continued to rain the whole day. I walked 23 miles, got a thorough soaking. Had to sleep in a wet shirt and start the following morning in my wet clothes. Did not experience any ill effects from so doing.

Dec. 27 - Got to New York.

#### 1841

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Jan. 11 - Reshipped on board the Columbia.

Feb. 2 - 11 am. Put to sea bound to Havana by way of Charleston.

Feb. 12 - Passed Cape Floriday. In the afternoon passed a fort and small settlement called Indian Key. A few months back the Indians massacred all the inhabitants. After securing what plunder they could carry, set fire to the place. In the evening came to an anchor. The night is dark and the coast is dangerous.

<u>Feb. 13</u> - 6 pm. Came to an anchor off Key West. We lay here till the 16th, it blowing a gale the whole time. ...

<u>Feb. 17</u> - 3 pm - Came to anchor in Havana harbour. We made the light before day, but the pilot, not being sufficiently acquainted with the coast, ran down to Matanzas, a town 60 miles to the eastward. It took us till the afternoon to return.

<u>Mar. 8</u> - The steamer I am on has been sold. Myself, with the rest of the crew, have been discharged.

Mar. 9 - Shipped on board the American barque "Broutus" - Curtis master. She is laying here waiting for freight.

<u>Apr. 22</u> - 7 am - left Havana for Matanzas. We have been chartered to go there to take in a cargo of sugar to take to Antwerp in Belgium. ...

May 4 - Finished taking in cargo. We have 2606 boxes on board, each box weighs about 400 lb.

May 10 - 5 am - weighed anchor and put to sea.

<u>June 21</u> - 12 am - got sounding at the entrance of the English Channel in 60 fathoms water.

June 22 - This afternoon the English coast was just discernable.

June 23 - Today we have run in much closer to the land. Off of St. Alban's head we were boarded by a Cowes pilot boat. It gives me much pleasure once more to behold my native land after an absence of more than 4 years. Time has in no way lessened my attachment to it. The more I travel the more I perceive I have reason to be thankful I was born an Englishman. Some of those who are so discontented in England had better try some other country for a short time. They will then know better how to value it. It is my intention on arriving in Antwerp to cross over to England and spend a few days with my relations.

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## Odds and Ends

Nanaimo Daily Free Press, Tuesday, August 18, 1992

The Vancouver Sun, Friday, Aug. 14, 1992

### Clannishness sees MacLeods recall roots

Canadian Press

FORT MACLEOD, Alta. — Tartan kilts and tams dotted the southern Alberta landscape this week as MacLeods and Macleods from around the world gathered to recall their roots.

Interest in the clan MacLeod is flourishing, says John MacLeod, who hails from Dunvegan Castle on the Isle of Skye, Scotland.

"It's become more natural (to belong to the clan)," says the chief of the Associated Clan MacLeod Society.

"(Individuals) have become more interested in who they are. They've become more concerned with their roots and if they're not, they're rootless."

About 265 clan members began the North American Gathering of the Clan MacLeod in Vancouver last week and have toured across Alberta and British Columbia.

The society has about 3,500 active clan members in the United States, Canada, France, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Scotland.



#### HISTORY BOOK SELLING

Brad Wylie's history on Qualicum Beach is selling fast. Mr. Wylie, seated, was signing copies of his work at the Mulberry Bush Bookstore in Qualicum Beach last weekend. John Miller was among those lining up to get an autographed copy. The book was commissioned by the Qualicum Beach 50th Anniversary Committee. Its cover features a painting by local artist Pauline Pike. Two thousand copies were printed, and they sell for \$11.95 each. "I'm halfway through the first print and it's only the tenth day," Mr. Wylie said.

# History text title chosen

GUST 13, 1992. NANAIMO TIMES.

Discover Nanaimo has been chosen as the title for the history book soon to be published by the Greater Nanaimo Chamber of Commerce.

"The title conveys the rich history which Nanaimo has been built on and also gives us a feeling of today and tomorrow in the life of our city," says Project Co-ordinator Penny Lackie.

The Chamber office reports that sales of the history book have been brisk since the announcement last week of its publication.

Many people are purchasing extra copies for Christmas gifts and several orders have come from out-of-province visitors wishing to order a copy for Nanaimo friends and relatives.

The price of this hard-cover book is a very reasonable \$20 until September 15, after which time it will be sold for \$29.95. The target date for publication is November 15, 1992.

To order your copy, telephone the Chamber of Commerce at 753-1191.

# 'Precious Papers' shown at museum

The Nanaimo Community Archives Society, together with the Nanaimo Centennial Museum, are opening the "Precious Papers" exhibit in the Barrie Hardcastle Temporary Exhibit Gallery at the museum.

The exhibit runs until September 25.

The exhibit features the documentary heritage of Nanaimo such as the Daily Journal used by the Hudson Bay Company in the Bastion dating back to 1855, the Guest Book from the Doric Lodge dating back to:(1892 and Mayer's Red House Account book dated 1866.

- The exhibit also has pictures and maps of unique interest from Nanaimo's past.

Jane Turner, Community Archivist will be available to answer questions about the display and the Society.

Be sure to stop by, enjoy refreshments and see documents never before on display.