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Various ways to avoid the draft...

## Was your ancestor a Skedaddler?

by Robert Westbury

We are exposed to so many programs about the American Civil War on our TV screens, and their tone in general is so elevated and righteous, that it is easy to forget that this was not a universally

popular war, especially for those about to be exposed to the very high risk of death or mutilation in the dubious cause of Freedom.



In this war, as in most wars, there were draft dodgers, and the Americans of that period coined a special word for them: "Skedaddlers". If you have ancestors who lived in the Northern States at the time of the Civil War, especially if they mysteriously disappeared from the genealogical record some time between 1863 and 1865, then you should consider the possibility that they were skedaddlers. The "Skedaddle Quickstep" was a significant, though

short-lived, migration pattern which genealogists should keep in the backs of their minds.

After the first shots were fired on Fort Sumter on 12 April 1861 the North was engulfed in what Emerson called "a whirlwind of patriotism". Thousands of volunteers stepped forward to defend their country against the traitors. But, for the first few years, the war went badly for the North: important battles were lost, enormous casualties were sustained from both wounds and sickness, an estimated 100,000 soldiers deserted, and perhaps worst of all, civilians at home heard about the real human consequences of having two huge armies fight with 19th century weapons and 17th-century tactics. The stream of volunteers dried up. Most of the original soldiers signed on for three years, and were expected not to extend their service after 1864. In the face of this looming shortage of military manpower some states initiated a statewide draft in 1862, and on March 3rd, 1863 Lincoln signed the Federal Conscription Act. This called for the enrolment of all white men between the ages of 20 and 35, and continued on page 104



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techniques of genealogical research and compiling family histories

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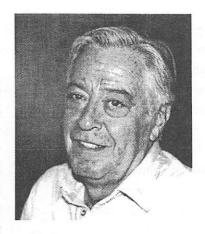
## Editorial — Thanks!

Welcome to the summer issue of Chinook. After a busy month which seemed to start with GENSOFT, it moved along until the Family History Center Seminar and finally the Irish Seminar with Brian Trainor. We hope our members had many opportunities to not only learn and share but to brag a bit too.

This issue marks another milestone and the end of volume 15 for CHINOOK. The annual report of the Society is included on pages 118-119 and while our chairman Noreen Chambers has listed the names of many members who contributed to another successful year for AFHS, there are many more who aren't named and yet their efforts have left a mark too.

The Burnsland Cemetery project is being completed and will be published in 1995. This massive undertaking has stretched our resources and involved at least 40 members since it began in 1993. Looking back, the largest cemetery project the Society had tackled previously was at High River which involved about 4,000 burials. Burnsland, with over 23,000 burials was a great leap forward and has helped us all learn new skills and incidentally, gain a better understanding of the history of our own fair city. While we've not ignored them by any means, Bob Browning and the very capable and obliging staff at the City of Calgary, Cemeteries Division office have made their mark too; not only through their complete cooperation with "our" Burnsland project but every day through their willingness to help members and many many others, find the resting places of family members.

Another phenomenon which is worthy of note is the fallout of our involvement with the Alberta Genealogical Society and the recently published cemetery index for the province. The index which is described elsewhere in this issue, is a very significant "finding aid" for people researching in Alberta and the prospects for the expansion of this tool have never been better. A new dedication to cooperation has evolved between the two societies thanks to the efforts of Janet



Morgan and Jim Farnel, publications director for AGS. It should be no surprise that the AGS will be publishing one or more of the great articles from Bill Mumford in their next issue. The greatest benefit to this new collaboration will be felt by individual researchers not only within the province, but elsewhere too. We look forward to this with a great deal of enthusiasm.

The CHINOOK staff have had a successful, and pleasant year also. One estimate of the work required to produce one issue was something in the range of 120 hours. Whether this is man-hours, woman-hours or personhours doesn't matter but it does highlight the amount of effort contributed by a very dedicated, talented group. The results are obvious when each issue arrives and the major part of that is due to the fine work of Gordon Hodgson and Sandy Irvine. The articles and columns are the result of considerable effort too and thanks for these go out to Marmie Longair, Bill Mumford, Ruth Duncan and Geoff Burtonshaw. There's more: Helen Backhouse contributes the digested indexes to the many journals we receive and Maureen Houlgate has been the one to get this information onto computer disk. Joan Hudson has helped regularly with editing and also indexing. Jeannette Hodgson very capably proofreads each issue and the last person on the production schedule is Lois Nicholson. Through her unfailing memory and other skills we are able to mail each issue from Australia to Poland in record time and minimal expense. Me? I handle complaints and thanks to the others... there have been very few. Many thanks to all. Doug Stobbs

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of unmarried men from 35 to 45. Each district had a quota of men to provide for the army. If this could not be done with volunteers, then the shortage was to made up by calling up a

random selection of names from the enrolment list.

It is especially important for genealogists to understand the psychosocial consequences of this legislation. Suddenly the war was being brought to the very hearth of families far removed from the battlefields. It was no longer possible for people to remain aloof from the war. It is one thing to know that you have a strong instinct for self-preservation; it is quite another to be publicly identified as a coward.

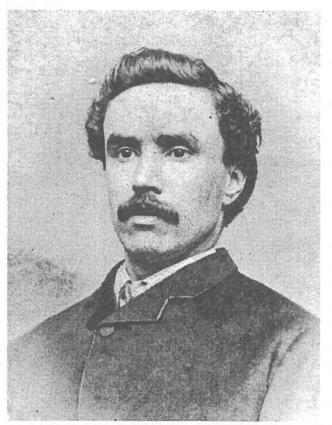
In some districts the patriotic spirit was so strong that they were able to meet their quota with volunteers for the whole course of the war. Some districts raised money to pay bounties to encourage men to enlist. Some managed to exert political influence to fiddle with the quotas. But many districts had to fall back to the draft lottery, even though it was clear to everyone how unjust it was in both conception and administration. The draft stirred up powerful emotions throughout the Union. Just four months after the law was signed, New York suffered five days of violent rioting sparked off by opposition to the draft.

There were a limited number of ways that one could avoid the draft. The legislation allowed a man selected by the lottery to avoid military service by the payment of a \$300 commutation fee. This would not have been an unreasonable amount for someone from the upper middle class, and it was a socially acceptable way out. One could persuade

> someone else to join the army as a substitute; presumably the usual payment for this would have been a bit less than the commutation fee. Again this procedure seems to have carried little stigma.

> One could claim exempt status as a conscientious objector, one could pretend to have a disability, or one could plead "alienage". At this period in US history immigrants were pouring into the country; it is estimated that, at the outbreak of the war, 15% of the inhabitants of the Union were aliens. To many, if not most of these people, the reasons for the war were a mystery. It was called the "damn nigger war". They had already risked their all for a new start in America, and they did not want their hopes to be dashed by

participating in a conflict in which they had no real interest or understanding. Many had emigrated to avoid military service in other countries. On the other hand, public opinion was strongly against exemption for new immigrants; they had chosen America for better or for worse. Even if they had just landed, they obviously had the intention of making the USA their home. There was considerable legal debate over what specific acts could be considered evidence of the intention to stay; the main ones were (a) voting in a local election, and (b) making the Preliminary Declaration for Citizenship, which had to be done at least three years before applying for full naturalization papers. Lincoln himself was clear on this topic in his "Fight or Emigrate" policy; the declaration was enough by itself. Despite public pressure and these legal measures, recent analyses suggest that aliens were under-represented in the Union Army and, although many did volunteer, aliens were less likely to volun-



Robert Thomas McGeach, great-grandfather of Robert Westbury

teer than established citizens. They tended to find ways to avoid service.

There were various ways to avoid the draft that were unequivocally illegal: it was common to bribe the draft officials, to avoid the enrolling officers or to give them a false name. Some went so far as to destroy draft documents, or even to threaten or kill draft officials.

For those unable or unwilling to pay, too honest or unlucky to be able to swing exemption, and too law-abiding to commit clearcut crimes to avoid the draft, the only way out was avoidance: skedaddling to Canada or the wildernesses in the West, or "skulking", hiding nearer to home. Little wonder that this was a popular

alternative to becoming cannonfodder. Historians estimate that there were between 10 and 90 thousand skedaddlers; compare this to the estimates of Loyalists moving to Canada during the American Revolution (50-100 thousand) and the number of deserters and draft-dodgers during the Vietnam War (about 100 thousand). There were restrictions on leaving the country in 1862 and 1864, but oddly enough they were not in force in 1863, the year in which the draft was started. Skedaddling reached its peak that year. Especially for the States along the border, the emigration was often dramatic. Whole communities were depopulated almost overnight. There are places in Canada that still commemorate "the great stampede" in their place names: Skedaddle Ridge, American Lodge, Skedaddlers Reach.



Libbie McGeach (née Dingle) with her son, John, grandfather of Robert Westbury.

My great-grandfather, Robert Thomas McGeagh, seems to have been a skedaddler, and is perhaps a good example of the species. I cannot be absolutely sure that he skedaddled (i.e., that his only

reason for leaving the USA was to avoid the draft) because only he could tell us that, and I suspect that in this he is typical too: skedaddling is not generally a thing one would boast about, even now that there is a President who could be said to have also engaged in that lifesustaining activity. A modern historian, R.E. Sterling, relates that, in the early 1970s, when he was gathering material for his doctoral thesis on Civil War draft resistance, he ran into difficulties because interest in the topic was still considered to indicate a lack of true patriotism!

> Robert was born in 1835 on a farm near Cookstown, Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland, the second son of a successful tenant farmer. In 1853 at the age of 18 he emigrated to the USA, and, judging by the modern, well appointed sailing ship that he used to cross the Atlantic, he emigrated from preference rather than necessity. Quite a few of his relatives had already settled in America, and he went to Pittsburgh to apprentice in the jewellery trade with a maternal uncle. His parents and younger siblings followed him to the New World a few years later.

> What had long puzzled me was that Robert's oldest son, John D. McGeagh, my grandfather, was born in Toronto in 1866, and the next sibling was born there in

1867. Robert had been married in Toronto in 1865. All the rest of the nine children were born later in Pennsylvania. Why was the family in Toronto? Examination of the series of commercial directories for Pittsburgh shows that Robert opened his own jewellery store in 1858. When the Civil War began he had been in business for just four years. He was just establishing himself in life, and probably already courting the girl he was to marry; the idea of the military life must have looked pretty grim. His store is mentioned in the 1862 directory, and then disappears from the record, only to reappear in 1869-70 again. I have yet to check the full series of Toronto directories, but know his jewellery business appears there from 1865-67.

Do we have other evidence to support the suggestion that he skedaddled? It is interesting to note that, although he lived in Pittsburgh itself before the war and years after, his later children were born just outside the city up to 1883. So, even after he returned to the USA, he seems to have kept away from his former associates in Pittsburgh. Again, I have so far been unable to find any naturalization records for Robert, although I have found them for his father. Robert travelled to the Old Country in 1896 and the passenger lists for the two transatlantic journeys describe his nationality as Irish one way and English the other. This suggests that he never took out American citizenship, which would be a likely outcome for a skedaddler. And still again, his life is described in considerable detail in the "Pittsburgh Biographical Review" of 1897, but there is absolutely no reference to the eight years he spent north of the border. Was this something that he preferred not to talk about? It is known that there was considerable resentment against the skedaddlers after the war ended at Appomattox on April 9th, 1865. Six months later, on October 17th, 1865, the U.S. Adjutant General decreed that draft evaders should no longer be subject to arrest, and that those in custody should be released. But, although people were quite relaxed about deserters — that was "the army's problem"— because of the quota system they were not so ready to forgive the skedaddlers; for each skedaddler someone else, possibly a relative or friend, had been sent to the Killing Fields. Skedaddlers were "miserable, cowardly, copperheaded scoundrels..." and that was stating it kindly. It was public opinion, not government policy,

that caused the skedaddlers to stay away for 5-10 years after the end of the war, or to move to somewhere where they were not known.

Canadian genealogists who do not have ancestors who lived in the States at that time may still find that their families were involved in this migration, remembering Ravenstein's Fourth Law of Migration, "For every major migration in one direction, there is usually a lesser one the other way". The Civil War in the States led to a major turndown in our economy here in Canada. There was a great deal of unemployment, and some 53,000 desperate, impoverished Canadians took advantage of the bounties that were being offered for military service, and fought in the Union Army, mainly in the Michigan regiments. Some of these were recruited by recruitment brokers, so called "crimpers", who operated in both the USA and Canada.

So, you can criticize skedaddlers all you like, but, as far as I am concerned, it was a good thing that it turned out to be possible to defend the Union and all it stood for, without my great-grandfather dying in its defence.

#### A selective bibliography on skedaddlers

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1994 address to the Alberta Family Histories Society

## My Maritime Loyalist Ancestor

by Phillip P. Thorpe CG(C)

During my talk I will use some of my 1989 notes on Maritime Loyalist research. The Alberta Family Histories Society Quarterly volume 11, no. 1, fall 1990 contains those notes and helpful lists of references for Loyalist research. Additional types of documents where we might find clues to our ancestors past will be suggested. The Loyalists arrived before New Brunswick became a separate province. The Public Archives of Nova Scotia (PANS) Halifax, N.S. therefore has early documents for residents of both provinces. A new Loyalist studies centre in Fredericton, N.B. now has copies of some of these records. Many records exist throughout Canada, England and the United States. This variety and diversity of records will be illustrated as a wider Loyalist refugee perspective is suggested, and I tell my own Loyalist ancestor's story.

#### Who were the Loyalists?

Our Loyalist ancestors were the men, women and children who came from the American colonies as refugees when other parts of the community revolted against the authority of British rule. Viewed from one side they were loyal to the British crown but their neighbours viewed them as disloyal (or traitors). Throughout a long history of wars the media and historical writers have provided views often exaggerating (or glorify) one view over another. The United Empire Loyalist (UEL) group recognized the resolve of many thousands who remained loyal, but other lineage societies honour those that revolted. Both are being true to their ancestor's ideals. Both sides suffered the same struggles to sift through the surviving records and documents to locate their ancestors and feel the human hurt.

Our Loyalist ancestors lost land, family and friends, an

established society, and a lifestyle that could not be replaced for generations. But they won our respect for doing their part to support a king they trusted. They accepted the added taxation as necessary to pay for services that England had provided. It is strange how national debt repayment and other issues serve to divide a land and cause revolutions.

#### What did our Loyalist ancestors do?

Our Loyalist ancestor may have gained fame or glory in spectacular ways. He (or she) may have participated in many military or equally committed civilian events. I will list a number of ways that a Loyalist might have participated. Each of these and other events produced documents that we can now use in our research. We may find secondary documentation in books and reports that have collected primary materials. It pays to verify sources. As I prepared for this talk I noted my use of a number of secondary sources. I must use the primary sources for verification and hopefully data extension.

Perhaps our famous (or not so famous) ancestor was:

- recruited or volunteered for active service
- in various battles or well documented campaigns
- wounded and hospitalized
- taken prisoner and released or escaped
- credited with many years of service in a regiment
- posted to special combat, defence or service duties
- transported to another British colony in a regiment
- victualled as a member (or family) in a regiment
- listed amongst a disbanded regiment
- granted land as part of a disbanded regiment
- rejected or compensated following a petition of loss, or was a wife, child or other loyal subject

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supplied allied forces with food, shelter, transport,

or equipment (boats, horses, etc)

- served in the lines as family (wives cooked, mended, nursed and often stayed there for self protection)
- acted as guides, scouts, rescue or escape support
- was tarred and feathered for suspected troop support
- preached against the revolution
- held business or political office aiding the British
- sought refuge in New York or in other allied defences
- joined other early refugees in protected colonies
- migrated north overland into British North America
- was transported to other colonies with allied troops
- had a marriage, family or death recorded in later newspaper, township or church records
- acted in township or colonial political developments.

I feel obliged to indicate that you will find few heroes who appear in many documents. Most Loyalists, mine included, performed only a minor role. They are conspicuous for their absence in many things. My Loyalist ancestor appears in only a few places so I will include his friends and others in my presentation tonight. A look at sheer numbers also serves to give a better perspective to this event.

#### When did our Loyalist ancestors emigrate?

There are reports that refugees were forced to leave as early as 1775 and "a thousand Loyalists fled the certain

violence of the Boston mob in March 1776". They came to Halifax with the evacuating British forces. Smaller groups followed until the big evacuation of New York in the fall of 1782 and 1783. Maritime Loyalists may have



totalled 35,000 but some estimates are lower. "About 14,500 people, or one half of the migrants, went to what became New Brunswick in 1784; about the number went to peninsular Nova Scotia, 400 to Cape Breton, about 500 to Prince Edward Island, and a few families settled in Newfoundland" (p 155, Origins, Canadian History to Confederation). "The sixteen to twenty thousand Loyalists who came to peninsular NS initially concentrated at Shel-

burne, around Anna-polis Royal, at Guys-borough and in Halifax." (p 4, The Loyalist Guide).

I selected these Maritime refugee references to impress you with the numbers, firstly, to indicate the potential for any one ancestor being lost in the masses, and secondly to reflect the large number of these Loyalist refugees compared to those in Upper Canada. In all fairness, I must admit that these numbers included some who later chose to emigrate to Upper Canada, overseas, and even return to former homes. The lineage charts of many Maritime families identify Loyalists who remained. They are proud of the historical and political influence that arose from this group of new Canadians.

#### How do we research Loyalist ancestors?

The Maritime Loyalists are often ignored. Promotion of resources and publications often focus on the Upper

Canadian Loyalists. Over 10 years ago Maritime writers launched their own series of Loyalist publications. Also a Loyalist studies centre was created in Fredericton, N.B. It resulted from the "Programme for Loyalist Studies and Publications", which was a "joint Canadian, British and American effort to discover, list and eventually microfilm all Loyalist records for the period 1784 to 1830" (p 258, The Loyalist Guide).

Central resources are useful but cannot be expected to be complete. I was not aware of The Loyalist Studies Centre during my research project and have only had limited contact there in recent years. Its resources are recommended to get started but I would encourage provincial archive and local town visits to expand on any Loyalist's life and events.

Depending on our perspective, data sources appear to be unavailable or unlimited. Knowing where to look helps but an accident or blind luck might locate the real gems in strange places. Most of my known Loyalist ancestor's story came from extremely remote sources. It is time to tell his story.

#### What I discovered about my Loyalist Ancestor

Benjamin Hines resided in Duplin County, North Carolina before serving in the North Carolina Militia. This data, and a stay in "His Majesty's Hospital at Wilmington, between the 25th April & 25 June 1781", is on record (p 235 Loyalists in North Carolina). His name was recorded as Benjn Hinds with that list of patients. In other documents the surname may be misinterpreted as Hinis, Hindes, etc. He continued in service beyond that injury and was listed as a private in Bacot's Co with 18 months service having enlisted in 1872 (p 135 Roster of Soldiers from North Carolina). That same source, quoting from State record's Vol. XVII reported him on "Pay roll Capt Wm Brinkley's Co. of the 1st Reg. of NC commanded by Col. Sam'l Jarvis". His 1781 hospitalization is also documented in another secondary source (p 539 Loyalists in the Southern Campaign). I confess to having trusted secondary sources for this background. I want to check their references to primary sources for new clues and to establish greater confidence in the selected material.

Benjamin Hines appears again amongst a list of officers and men of the Royal South Carolina Regiment, who drew land at Country Harbour, June 4, 1784 (p 185 History of the Co of Guysborough, N.S.). His surname is recorded as Hynd. His 100 acre grant indicates that he was a private and single. Using another secondary source (based on related primary data) he is included in the total list of Sydney County Grants under Hinis, Benjamin -1784 - County Harbour E. - 100 Acres - S.C Reg't. (p 129 Loyalists and Land Settlement in Nova Scotia). I next used the primary source of the Return of the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Private Men, Servants, Women and Children of the Late South Carolina Regiment, who are to obtain lands at Country Harbour, Halifax, 18 February, 1784 (PANS, I have photo copy). This hand written document is one example of writing that creates surname difficulties. Hines looks like Hinis. Another difficulty is that in 1784 Sydney County referred partly to what is now Guysborough County.

I will return later to look at Benjamin Hines with his family. While we are focused on these documents a side trip with this loyalist regiment is interesting. This may not be a complete split from Benjamin since his presumed father-in-law is Stephen Hoggle. Looking again at the return of 18 Feb 1784 we find Stephen Hoggle listed with two family members and a grant of 200 acres. Another single private (100 acres) was Fredk Feltmate (Feltmitt). One of the captains with a family of three and a grant of 850 acres was George Dawkins (he signed the return). These three later combine in petitions to exchange testimonies about prior assets. (British Audit Office papers A.O. 13/24 pp 265, 266 and 267). Stephen's rejected petition is found in summary form (p 235, American Loyalist Claims).

The Audit Office (A.O.) documentation of the family of Stephen Hoggle is typical of so many refugees. He had 150 acres in Ninety Six District in South Carolina with 20 acres cleared and under cultivation. Also a dwelling house, barn, cattle, horses, sheep etc. I will quote part of his petition "That your memorialist Resided in the Province of South Carolina at the Commencement of the late War and from refusing to join the Rebellious Proceedings of those Times His Fields of Grain, His Stock of Cattle and other Property were destroyed by the Americans. Himself compelled at the Earliest Period of the late War to leave his Wife & Children and Dearest Commissions and after some Struggles and Skirmishings at Ninety Six in the aforesaid Province Your Memori-alist Joined the South Carolina Royalists at their first embodying and has constantly done the duty of a Soldier in that Regiment until they were disbanded at Halifax and is with the remainder of his poor Family at a New Settlement in the Province Having had the Misfortune to loose his Wife and two Sons Who died in the British Lines being forced from their abode and Driven to the British Garrison by the Americans, Destitute of every Support but what my own Struggles and the Goodness of the British afforded...".

The mention of the "remainder of his poor family" opens a path to some speculation. I earlier mentioned that it has been suggested that Stephen was father-in-law to my Loyalist ancestor, Benjamin Hines. The 1784 Return listed a family of two and granted Stephen 200 acres in Country Harbour. A need for finding daughters pushed us into the records again. Some muster rolls for Country Harbour were printed (pp 183 to 189 History of the Co of Guysborough, N.S.). One list of women, children and servants On the Roll of the late South Carolina Royalists at Country Harbour 12th June, 1784 includes a Mrs. Hogle and Jean Hogle over 10 years (p 189).

Since Stephen's petition mentioned the loss of a wife I have not determined if a new Mrs. Hoggle existed. Perhaps a daughter was mistaken for his wife. He might have remarried, but I venture to speculate that he came with two daughters. If Stephen was father-in-law to my ancestor Benjamin Hines, whose wife was Ann (see below), then either Jean Hogle also used the name Ann or she had a sister with her in 1784.

To conclude with Benjamin Hines, I consulted some other secondary and primary sources. I found his family genealogy written as follows: (Jost's Genealogies Guysborough County).

Hines, Benjamin	Country Harbo	ur	marrie	d Ann
Their children:				
Joseph	born	29	Oct	1789
Elizabeth		4	Aug	1792
Benjamin		7	Aug	1798
Sarah		20	Sep	1801
Christopher		20	Jan	1804
Lydia		24	Oct	1813
John		7	Mar	1807
Martha Ann		24	May	1810

I have a known ancestor married to Martha Ann Hines and this now established the identity of her father, my own Loyalist ancestor. Looking further I found the obvious source for the above sketch in church records (pages 33, 40 and 71 Christ Anglican Church, Guysborough 1786-1940). Such sources exist in Nova Scotia and can be used with authorized permission.

p 33 baptisms	1 July 1804	
Joseph		born October 29, 1789
Elizabeth	(parents)	August 4, 1792
Benjamin		August 7, 1798
Sarah and Ann	Hines	September 20, 1801
Christopher		January 20, 1804
p 40 baptisms	19 Aug 1810	
John	(as above)	March 7, 1807
Martha Ann		May 24, 1810
p 71 baptisms	29 Aug 1819	
Lydia	(as above)	Oct 24, 1813

I have not traced the direction Benjamin Hines and his regiment took to get to Nova Scotia. There must have been a change (or a merger) from his North Carolina Regiment to the South Carolina Regiment along the way. According to Stephen Hoggle's petition, and other documents, his Regiment went to St. Augustine (Florida) before being disbanded in Halifax.

I want to add one final note on Loyalist sources found in a local library. The University of Calgary library has a collection of graduate theses on microfilms from University Microfilms, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Sketches of Benjamin Hines and Stephen Hoggle in one thesis included references to more source documents (*p* 206/7 and *p* 377, The Migration of Loyalists). Research grows as references within references lead the way. It is very exciting to uncover new clues in unexpected places. Both primary and secondary sources provided material for this story. Secondary sources are available in some home and local libraries, but archival materials are recommended.

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# Ancestor Angst

by Marmie Longair



A number of interesting (and challenging) questions have been submitted asince the last edition

of the Chinook. Thank you for your continued interest and comments.

In this column I have chosen another of my favourite genealogical libraries to highlight. The library of the Society of Genealogists in London, England offers many services to members and is available to the "occasional searcher" on an hourly, half day or daily fee basis. It is situated at 14 Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road in London. I took the tube to the Barbican station and made my way from there. The entrance to the Association building is on a quiet cul-de-sac at the junction of Goswell Road and Clerkenwell Road.

The library has three floors and a basement area which has a members' room (where you can make yourself a cup of tea and eat your lunch), and a lecture room.

The ground floor houses the lower library where the great card index is situated. The files contain several million slips of paper, sorted under surnames, on which are recorded entries from various sources including parish registers, monumental inscriptions, genealogies, newspapers, and court records. The Bernau's Index, on microfilm, is a card index of four and one-half million cards to unindexed material in the Public Record Office. The microfilm of the abstracts of the destroyed Irish Prerogative Court Wills (1536-1800)

made by Sir William Betham is available here. Also in the lower library is the International Genealogical Index on microfiche and The Scottish Old Parochial Registers on microfiche. Microfilm and microfiche readers have to be reserved.

On this floor you will also find the Society of Genealogists book store. In addition to the Society's own publications many other books of interest to family history researchers are available. There are numerous publications available on fiche, including a number of directories, e.g., "London Post Office Directories" for 1861, 1873 and 1892, "Slater's Directory of Ireland", and a number of poll books, e.g., "Wiltshire Poll Book, 1772". County maps and genealogical supplies are also stocked.

The first floor is identified as the middle library and the library catalogue for the whole library is on this floor. At the enquiry desk there are volunteers and staff to assist you in your search. The photocopier is near the enquiry desk. There are many county and local histories available for the British Isles and it is a tremendous help to be able to see the old history books of the 1800s which give a view of the parishes and the industries and vocations of the people who resided there. Also found are the parish registers, directories, monumental inscriptions, gazetteers, county maps and poll books.

In the upper library on the second floor is the document collection, a series of box files of unbound family history material donated to the society. Each box contains a number of envelopes with the surnames indicating the content written on the outside. The contents vary from file to file. When I last visited in 1992 there were several groups of papers concerning "Ritchies" but none of them fit my family. On the other hand, there was a pedigree chart in the Chapman file that took my family back a further three generations. The extensive Richmond file did not appear to be relevant but after further research I can hardly wait to get back to see it and copy it! This upper library holds books on countries other than the British Isles, printed family histories, records of professions, apprentices, schools, peerages, heraldry, wills and abstracts. These items are all in print form with a photocopier available. For those of us who have British ancestors, this library is a must! For further information please write to: The Society of Genealogists, 14 Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road, London, U.K. EC1M 7BA.



Q. My wife's uncles both served in World War I in the Canadian Army. They were posted overseas and fought in Europe during 1917 and 1918. How can I obtain their army records? J.G.

A. In the booklet *Tracing Your* Ancestors in Canada published by the National Archives of Canada there is some information telling you how to apply for records. I will quote the relevant details for you: "In the event that the person has been dead for less than 20

years, immediate family members (parent, spouse, sibling or child) may obtain limited information from the Centre on submitting proof of death and verification of their relationship to the deceased. If the persons concerned have been dead for more than 20 years, the information in the military personnel records is no longer protected under the Privacy Act and any Canadian citizen or permanent resident has the right to examine or obtain copies of the person's records under the Access to Information Act. Fee: \$5.00. The person requesting access to the records must produce evidence that the person concerned has been dead for more than 20 years."

One of our members recently received a reply from the Personnel Records Centre, National Archives of Canada at Tunney's Pasture which pleased

him a great deal. The enquiry was for the records of one of two men who had volunteered for the Canadian Expeditionary Force which was mustered in Calgary in World War I. The research involved one of two men each named J. Robson. These particulars were pointed out in a letter along with the Battalion number, and the Regimental numbers of both men. The \$5.00 fee and the Access to Information form (green), which may be obtained from any branch of the Calgary Public Library, was forwarded with the letter. The reply, together with the documents for the correct individual, was received back in Calgary within a month. Forward similar requests to: Personal Records Centre, National Archives of Canada, Tunney's Pasture, Ottawa, K1A 0N3.

Q. Two of our members have asked about the Alberta Family Histories Society's policy regarding Queries in "Chinook". They were both concerned that there had been no queries in the journal for some time and they were interested in making use of such a service. One lady had received assistance from a relation in Ontario after placing a query in one of the branch newsletters of the Ontario Genealogy Society. E.M. M.H.A.

Thank you for bringing this concern to our attention. The AFHS executive has this subject under review and it will resolved shortly. As an interim step, see the selection of researcher queries elsewhere in this issue (p 120).

One of our AFHS members has already volunteered to look after editing and preparing these very useful entries for the journal. As family history enthusiasts we all turn to the query pages in any society journal to see if we can spot our family names and we recognize the importance of this service for members.

Q. I have been looking at lists of people buying licences for various businesses in St. John, New Brunswick in 1883. (From the N.B.G.S. Generations, March, 1989, pp. 8-18.) A number of Slovens were listed. Can you tell me what occupation these people were in? B.R.

A. I checked this article in the above mentioned Generations and found that there were 66 people who had bought "sloven" licenses in 1883 at \$2.00 per licence but there was no further indication of what this business entailed. The dictionary did not have a suitable definition of such a business. The list of the 1200 licences issued included were classified as taverns, carts, drivers', dogs, coaches, slovens, auctioneers, businesses, wholesalers, omnibuses, lumber waggons, pony carts, exhibitions and junk dealers. If there is any member who knows what the "sloven" business was about could you give me a call. I have a hunch that we may be looking for a person in the sanitation business as there were no other businesses that would fit that category.

I admit that this question has stumped me!

Q. Someone recently asked about where the book "Tracing Your Ancestors in Alberta," written by Victoria Lemieux and David Leonard could be bought.

A. Genealogy Plus, Adrienne Anderson's bookstore, carries this book. Phone her at 936-5386 or write to General Delivery, PO Box 68, Langdon AB, T0J 1X0. The Alberta Genealogical Society was also selling these for \$18.95 plus 7% GST and \$3.00 shipping and handling. Write to Alberta Genealogical Society, PO Box 12015, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3G2.

I have enjoyed working on Ancestor Angst for the past three years and am looking forward to the 1995-96 year. Please forward your questions so that I have something ready for the fall issue of Chinook. Since summer is fast approaching, I would like to wish you all an adventurous holiday. May you find your ancestors buried where they are supposed to be, with gravestones that have well preserved inscriptions with the right dates, birthplaces, and spouse's full names!!!

Editor's note: Anyone who has an answer to the "sloven licenses" question may get in touch with any Chinook staffer, should Marmie be away. We would also like to collect any other unusual "occupations" which our members turn up so please pass those along too.

# Recent Additions to the A.J.H.S. Library

Belleville, Portrait of a City, Mika Publishing, from Geoff Burtonshaw

Calgary Heritage Directory, 1995

Canadian Railway Records, Althena and J. Creighton Douglas, from OGS

Directories on Microfiche to 1900 for Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies and British Columbia, from Jan Roseneder

Ontario- Index to the 1871 Census, Elgin County ON, from Florence Denning

Rocenka, Year Book of the Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International, from Rosemary Lyons

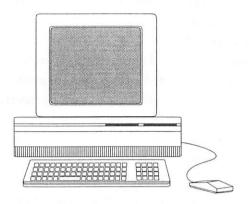
South Africa and the Boer-British War, from Stanley Clute

Their Name Liveth, pictorial of Commonwealth Cemeteries, and 1936-45, from Stanley Clute Murder, Psychics and Genealogy

## Black Dreams

Murder, Psychics and Genealogy: A book review by Jan Roseneder

Many mystery stories utilize some kind theme or thread involving genealogy. These can range from the classic "lost heir" such as Brat Farrar by Josephine Tey to those which feature a "skeleton in the closet". The majority of these works, however, mention genealogy or family history only as a plot device without showing a real understanding of the principles or practices of family history research. One such title is BLACK DREAMS by Kate Green. This work (Harper Collins, New York, 1993, ISBN 0-06-017984-8) is subtitled "A Theresa Fortunato Mystery" and features Theresa, the "heroine" who becomes involved in solving the mystery of the abduction of a child. The twist to this is that Theresa is a psychic and in fact is contacted mentally by the missing girl long before she is officially called in to consult on the case. The seemingly unrelated murder being investigated by her police detective friend soon becomes meshed with the abduction and it is the genealogies being compiled by the first murder victim which lead in the end to a solution in the cases. These genealogies are of two types; family history, that is, the history of the family of the murder victim; and, for want of a better term, family pedigrees, the genealogy of the blood line. The two exist side by side (or byte by byte, since they are all on a computer) because the victim was adopted and while keeping record of his adoptive family also was involved in tracing that of his "real" family. To my mind, the use of this plot device is somewhat overdone but despite that I found myself unable to stop reading just to see what happened next. It's an unlikely combination: murder, psychics and genealogy but in this case it works.



## Computer corner 3. Family Search

by Bill Mumford

As a volunteer at a Family History Center I have had the opportunity to help researchers use the various programs available in the FamilySearch® collection since its inception. In this capacity it has become evident to me that a very large percentage of users are not utilizing the programs as fully as they might. Recently I heard a comment from a researcher, and I quote, "I spent two hours at the FHC the other day. I went through everything they had and found nothing on my family. Where do I look now?". Where indeed?

The first program all FHC visitors try is usually the IGI, or International Genealogical Index<sup>®</sup>. This is an index of the Church's ordinance records. It consists primarily of birth and baptismal or christening records although a few of these records are derived from other sources such as wills or census. None of the names in the IGI are of living persons. The database may be searched for individual data, for marriage records, or for families. There are no linkages made beyond the parent/child link or the spousal connection. Records may be filtered to obtain the exact name, locality (at county level), or year. Results of searches may be printed out or downloaded to disk in either ASCII or GEDCOM format.

Next on the average user's list is the Ancestral File®. The Ancestral File, unlike the IGI, contains complete lineage linked families, sometimes for many generations, and may, under certain circumstances, contain the names of living persons. These records have been submitted to the Church for inclusion in the Ancestral File by Church members and non-members alike. At present it is considerably smaller than the IGI but in years to come it will surely become the major source of genealogical data.

After locating a name of interest in the Ancestral File the researcher may have the option of displaying the data in three different formats. As a family group, in a pedigree chart or as a descendancy chart. All may be printed out but only the pedigree data and the family group records may be saved to disk in the GEDCOM format at present. A word of warning. Before requesting a GEDCOM of all family members the researcher should first check the pedigree chart carefully to determine how many family members might be recorded. Then a descendant chart should be printed out to discover

how many siblings are recorded. These people do not appear on the pedigree chart but will be present in a GEDCOM that includes all family members. Often a simple five-generation pedigree may contain thou-

sands of family members. As the researcher is allotted limited computer time it may not be possible to GEDCOM the entire family in one session.

The Ancestral File also contains the names and addresses of those who have submitted the data. If the submission is rea-

sonably current there may be an opportunity to contact these people. In those instances where you discover your family members but note that the data given is incorrect you have the option of editing it. This is done by submitting a disk, in GEDCOM format, to Salt Lake. The editing is done within the Ancestral File program and data sources are required.

The United States Social Security Death Index is another database contained in the FamilySearch program. The Social Security program was implemented in 1936 and this index contains the names of those individuals with Social Security numbers who have died from that time up till 1989. The location at time of registration is given as is the location to which the death benefits were sent. Using a special form, obtainable from the United States government for \$7, a copy of the Social Se-

curity application may be obtained.

The Military index is a compilation of those United States service personnel killed in Korea and Vietnam. It gives birth and death dates as well

> as birth location and military unit.

The last component of the FamilySearch databases, and, in my opinion, the most important one, is the Family His-

tory Library Catalog. This is a listing of all films, microfiche, books, and other useful genealogical data in the library at Salt Lake. Much of this data is available at the local Family History Center on a loan basis. More often than not a search of the IGI and Ancestral File will fail to disclose any of your family members. However if you have any idea of where they came from the catalog can be of help.

The catalog may be searched in several ways. A locality search lets you enter the location to be searched and then gives you the option of entering the type of record you hope to find, e.g., probate records, church records, etc. The locality browse method will first check the records to see if your locality has any records and then, if the locality does appear in the catalog, will give you the option of viewing a specific record type

or all records. It is also possible to search the catalogue for any mention of a specific surname. Lastly, the catalogue may be searched for a specific fiche or film number.

Of the foregoing I personally favour the locality browse method for the following reasons. By entering a parish or locality name you will discover whether or not there are any records for that locality. Often the locale of a family event may be simply a local name for an area and not the name under which the records were kept. In this case the researcher must check the area for a nearby major settlement that may be a repository for records. As an aid in this case the menu will also give you the option of listing all towns contained in the county or political division in which your locality lies. You may also move to yet another level and display all counties within the country. When looking for any records the searcher should be aware that these are held at various governmental levels depending on the type of record and the governmental system of that country.

After the locality browse has found the correct location you are given the option of selecting a specific topic or all topics. Unless you are seeking a specific topic choose all topics. The program will then present a list of all topics with data for that particular location. By using this procedure the researcher doesn't have to second guess how the cataloguer might have classified information. For example, a search for "wills" would

come up empty whereas they will be found under "probate". In addition a display of all topics might suggest ideas for further research. On reaching a dead end in the local parish registers a researcher might look for some kind of census records to relocate the family. These might be actual census records or possibly tax rolls, land holder records, court records, or even voter's lists. Some of these records will be held at local level, others at county level, and still others at country level. By using the catalog to check all records at all levels of government the researcher will be amazed at the number of records available from the Salt Lake Library.

The Surname search facility allows the user to input a name for which the program will search the entire catalog index. It will also search for any similar names. In most instances the names found are from the indexes of books at Salt Lake. Books are not available for interlibrary loan from Salt Lake but a copy may be available through your local library.

The last menu item that is of use to the user is the film/microfiche number search. While this is more useful to the library staff the patron may find it useful at times. The films of certain church records are not available on inter library loan for a number of reasons yet the film number of these records may appear in the source field of the IGI record. A check of these numbers using the search feature will fail to show a listing for them in the catalog. An unlisted film is not available.

Properly used the FamilySearch program can be a tremendous help to most researchers. The databases it contains are constantly being updated. The IGI still does not contain all of the family record data stored at Salt Lake although this data is being added as fast as possible. Filming crews are active throughout the world, especially in the old Soviet Union, adding a considerable amount of new data to the catalogue. There has been some talk of adding source data to the Ancestral File which would be a great boon to researchers.

I hope the foregoing will be of some help to FamilySearch users and that I will never again hear someone suggest they have checked everything available through Salt Lake in "a couple of hours".

## Book review

by Doug Stobbs

"Index to Registrations of Births, Marriages and Deaths 1870 to 1905" has just been published by the Edmonton Branch of the Alberta Genealogical Society and is sure to be welcomed by anyone doing research in what was the Alberta District of the Northwest Territories.

The book is an index to the 32,000 original registration records which are held in the Provincial Archives and because of this, not accessible to those outside the Edmonton area. The volunteers who extracted the information from the records did a thorough job and there is additional information to that in the Index, in a card file held by the "Edmonton Branch".

The original records were released to the Provincial Archives by Alberta Vital Statistics, in 1989. There are two accession numbers applicable to these collections and these are noted in the preface to the Index. In addition, the Index records the box, file and registration particulars for each entry which will save both time and frustration to anyone intent on retrieving the original records.

The column headings in the Index

are as follows:

· Surname, given names then parents or spouse • Sex • Event: indicates whether B, M or D, and the full date • Age • Place • Bx-File-Reg.

The volunteers who extracted the data (over 7,500 hours) and also published it, deserve a good deal of thanks for this significant new finding aid. "Index to Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths 1870 to 1905 Vol. 1" may be purchased from: • Alberta Genealogical Society, Edmonton Branch Box 12015, Edmonton AB, T6E 3L2 Price is \$55.00 Cdn. which includes taxes and postage.

## Chairman's report

#### by Noreen Chambers

This has been a good year for the society. We have consistently had more than one hundred members out to our general meetings and our membership is growing. The Executive has met seven times to handle the day to day business of the Society, and are in the process of reviewing the Society bylaws.

1. The Genealogical Computer Group, chaired by Suddie (Bill) Mumford, functions as a special interest group of the Society. Its purpose is to provide an opportunity for those who are either considering using a computer for genealogy or those already active in this area to discuss any topics related to this pursuit.

During the monthly meetings talks were presented on such diverse topics as the use of bulletin boards and Internet, the FamilySearch program at the Family History Center, the use of CD-ROMs and multimedia in genealogical research. The major event of the Group's year was the presentation of GENSOFT V in March. Demonstrations of nine different genealogical programs were made as well as demonstrations of desk top publishing, bulletin board usage and Internet. Because GENSOFT is intended to be educational the admission charges are minimal. Any surplus funds derived are used to cover the group's yearly expenses with the result the group, to this point, has

not required any financial support from the Society.

In the coming year special attention will be paid to the novice user. Regular help sessions will be offered prior to the regular meeting to meet their needs.

- 2. The Education Committee, consisting of Ruth Duncan, Rosemary Lyons and Marmie Longair, have had a very successful year. Two sessions, "Introduction to Genealogy" were conducted through the Calgary Board of Eduction, Continuing Education. The committee was responsible, together with the Irish Special Interest Group and Myrna Waldroff, for the Irish Seminar featuring Brian Trainor. This was well received with over 100 participants. As well, this group was responsible for the monthly program at the general meetings and the beginner classes.
- 3. The Library Committee with Helen Backhouse, Lois Nicholson, Isobel Schiedel and Olive Carlin were kept busy with an increase in circulation of books and periodicals. A computer was donated to the library by Frank Morrow and will be used to keep track of inventory.
- 4. The Membership Committee, headed by Bev Rayburn, issued 78 new memberships this year, giving us a total of 339 active members. Thanks to the telephoners, Cathy

Barnes, Florence Denning, Murray Devlin, Jean Doddridge, Mary Esposito, Alison Forte, Helen Green, Jackie Hammond, Jeannette Hodgson, Margaret Keyes, Barbara Lafrentz, Rosemary Lyonds, Erika McCarthy, Dorothy Muirhead, Linda Murray, Janet Pomeroy, Gail Robertson, Lillian Rutherford, Lois Sparling, Bette Strang, Bernice Stangward, Gladys Struble, Jean Taylor, Nina Wiliamson and Victoria Wood. Helping us with several other important jobs throughout the year were Cathy Barnes, Jean Doddridge, Nina Williamson, Emma Gregg and Mary Peet.

- 5. The Social Committee, with Terry Bunce at the helm, provided excellent service to all members with tea, coffee and juices at general meetings. They also provided free refreshments for the Colin Chapman evening, the Irish Seminar and the Christmas meeting. A special thanks to Terry, who is leaving us to move to Saskatchewan.
- 6. The Projects Committee, chaired by Janet Morgan, is continuing work on the Burnsland Cemetery. They also worked with the Alberta Genealogical Society in the production of a set of fiche which includes Alberta cemetery records and some miscellaneous records.
- 7. The Seminar Committee cochaired by Bev Swan and Stanley

Clute, conducted a well attended seminar at the University of Calgary in October.

- 8. The Publications Committee, chaired by Doug Stobbs, continues to produce a professional and informative quarterly magazine (Chinook). They also produce The Breeze with the able assistance of Ron Steffan which keeps members informed of coming events.
- 9. Finances were taken over by Ann Anderson this year. She is doing a terrific job. Please see the financial statement opposite.

Genealogy is a fast growing interest and we expect to see further growth over the next few years. Our biggest problem is still our difficulty in finding volunteers to work on or chair committees. We are a volunteer organization and will only be as good as our committees and our volunteers. As in most organizations like ours, a small number of dedicated people do the lion's share of the work. A large vote of thanks has to go to all of the people on our busy committees. If you have not served your Society by active participation on a committee, please take a moment to consider it. We need your expertise and your involvement. The pay isn't great but the opportunities to learn are tremendous and the chance to interact with, and get to know other Society members makes it a worthwhile endeavour. Have a great summer — see you in September.

#### **AFHS Operating Statements**

INCOME	1994	1995	EXPENSE	1994	1995
Memberships	7,397	6,814		 521	931
Projects	698	821		904	616
Computer projects	381	0		31	200
Refreshments	216	216		66	130
Raffles	413	388		63	32
Publications (Chinook)	99	76		3,126	3,697
Seminar	7190	5410		5,816	5,288
Education (programs)	552	156		186	598
Queries	203	76		110	158
Donations	166	290		0	0
Rent				1,560	1,360
Library, purchases				1,069	771
Library, operating				65	141
Newsletters				114	240
Stationery and supplies	S			794	364
Publicity				63	111
Insurance				238	375
Miscellaneous	397	1582		1154	1286
Totals	17,712	15,829		15,880	16,298
NET: Revenue/(Expen	se)			1832	(469)

#### **AFHS Balance Sheet** Year Ending March 31, 1995

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$ 0	Accounts payable	\$434
Bank accounts	2,268		
Investments	2,200		
Accounts receivable	•		
Committees	74		
Inventories		NET WORTH:	
Projects	565		
Membership kits	400	Members equity	20,442
Reports	50		-
Other	215		
Prepaid expenses	732		
Capitol Assets	13,706		
Total Assets	\$20,876	Total Liabilities	\$20,876

## Queries?

#### by Adrienne Forsyth

BILLINGS, Charles, b. Brighton Twp, Northumberland Cty., Ontario. abt 1818. Would appreciate any information concerning this man's marriage to Susan? abt 1843. Reply to S.W. Mumford, Box 696, Turner Valley, AB, TOL 2AO.

Internet: mumford@cadvision.com

HODGSON, nameless, born about 1836 in Canada West, living in the region between Hamilton and Lucan, Ontario, thought to be related to the Hodgsons of Ailsa Craig, brother to Thomas (b 1822) and Robert (b 1834). Reply to Internet GordonH@eworld.com or Gordon Hodgson, fax 403 288-0164, phone 403 288-1559 or 18 Varbay Place NW, Calgary T3A 0C8.

MUMFORD, Suddie. Born circa 1728. Married, 1763 at Saffron Walden, Essex England. Require birth information. (same address as above under Billings)

McCOOL: Looking for information on James McCool and ancestors. Born on Ireland — came to Canada as a single man. No known second name. Married 8 Sept 1853 in village of Bolton, Albion township, Ontario, to Margaret Brownlee b. 12 Mar 1824, Fermagh Ireland. Both buried in Clinton Cemetery, Huron County, Ontario. Replies to: Larry McCool, 271 Burroughs Circle NE, Calgary AB, T1Y 6K8, 403-280-4157.

POTTER, Robert Addinell and William Henry Addinell Potter (his father). Robert was born abt 1857 in either Tadcaster or Leeds, Yorkshire, England, married Emily Lazenby in 1880 and died in York in 1933. Any information on POTTER would be appreciated. Replies to Marlene Roy, 174 Westover Drive SW, Calgary AB, T3C 2S6, 403-246-7947

ROBSON: Searching for the family of John Robson and Isabella Bell who came to Calgary from Northumberland, England about 1910. Known children (earliest birth abt 1902) were Alice, a teacher; Bessie, James, an accountant: Jacob, a plumber and Thomas, an electrician. John is believed to have died during WW1. Reply to: Doug.Stobbs, Box 61206 Brentwood PO, Calgary AB T2L 2K6 Internet:

dstobbs@freenet.calgary.ab.ca

RUPERT: Looking for ancestors and descendants of Peter Rupert b. 1779. and his wife Rebecca Deisman. They farmed near Sherwood, Ont (1 1/4 m. S of Maple) and raised five known children: Adam, Ann, Peter, Jacob and Elizabeth. Some of the original farm was donated for a church, cemetery and a school. Reply to Marianne Wilkat, 215 Lynnview Cres. SE, Calgary, AB T2C 1T8, 403-279-9637

RUSSIA: Am seeking \*any\* informa-

tion on the village of Kronsthal in the Mennonite Colony of Chortitza, Russia, founded in 1809 and a sister village to (Neu)Osterwick. Am interested in paragraphs from books, family histories... anything. Johann Peters and Agatha Neufeld (my gg grandparents) and 11 of their 16 children were born here between 1839 and 1875. Replies to Judith Rempel, 2416 Bowness Road, Calgary AB, T2N 3L7, 403-283-0143.

SAXTON, George, born abt 1790 married to Martha (maiden name unknown) One known child, Ann Saxton, baptised in 1805 in Selston, Yorkshire, England who married William BROWN in 1845. Any information on SAXTON or BROWN would be appreciated. Replies to Marlene Roy, 174 Westover Drive SW, Calgary AB, T3C 2S6, 403-246-7947

SNOOK: Looking for information on Lavina Loisa Snook. Born c. 1821 Kingston township, Ontario, m. Alexander Ferguson, b. c 1816 County Armagh Ireland. Lavina buried Sandhill Cemetery, near Battersea Ontario. Replies to Larry McCool, 271 Burroughs Circle NE, Calgary AB, T1Y 6K8 403-280-4157.

COLE: Zilpha (or Silphia) Cole, my 2xg/grandmother, was born abt 1808 near Rockland, Westmorland Co., New Brunswick. Seeking her parents. She married Benjamin Tower in 1826 at Sackville and was widowed abt 1845 with seven girls, Mehitable, Deliah, Sarah, Eliza, Zilpha, Caroline and Jane. Zilpha's second marriage was to Richard Lutes in 1851; she died in 1860 also in Westmorland Co. Reply to Lois Nicholson, 5820 Dalton Drive NW, Calgary AB, T3A 1C6

HUGHES, Jane, b. 17 Mar 1824 probably Que., and d. 24 Aug 1825 at L'Avenier, Que, buried in Anglican Cemetery at Kirkdale Que. m. John Carson, children: Sara-Jane, William Henry, John Joseph, Mary E., James Richard, Anna Rebecca, Henry and George Ernest. Seeking parents of Jane Hughes and details of her marriage. Reply to Nancy Carson, 430 -519 17th Avenue SW, Calgary AB, T2S 0A9

MUTCH, Major Alexander, came from Scotland with British army be-

fore the American Revolutionary war. Settled Mermaid, Mt. Herbert PEI d.1826. MUTCH, Rev Alexander, b 1799 Mermaid? lived Rothesay, NB d. 1875. MUTCH, Benjamin (Rev?) b 1834 Rothesay NB lived Summerside PEI, d 1912 Charlottetown PEI. Also Elizabeth, dau of Benjamin b. 24 Dec 1874, at Summerside PEI. Reply to Joyce O'Brien, 3904 Glenwood Ave., Calgary AB, T2V 3M1, 403-281-0922

PATRICK, Robert, b.1856, Quebec, d. 18 Dec 1931, buried in Anglican Cem., Gallup Hill Que. m. Mabel Roberts (b.1874), children: Thomas, Lily, Henry, Jack, Rose-Mae and James. Seeking marriage record of Robert and Mabel also parents of Mabel Roberts. Reply to: Nancy Carson, 430 - 519 17th Avenue SW, Calgary AB T2S 0A9

SWIFT: Seeking the parents of Susannah Swift, born abt 1778 and

m. 1796 to George Harshman in St.Paul's Church, Halifax N.S. Children of Susannah and George were George and Susannah (twins), Amelia, John, Mary, Sarah, Hannah and Eliza Anne (also twins) and William Philip, all born in Halifax. Susannah died 3 Feb 1854 in Halifax. Reply to Lois Nicholson, 5820 Dalton Drive NW, Calgary AB, T3A 1C6.

Researcher queries for publication in Chinook are welcome. Send queries to: Chinook, c/o Queries Editor, AFHS, Box 30270 Station B, Calgary AB, T2M 4P1. Submissions should be printed, typed or transmitted. AFHS members are invited to submit two per year as part of their membership privileges. Other queries from members or nonmembers are also welcome and will be published if prepaid at the rate of \$5.00 per insertion. All queries are subject to editing.

## New Titles for Genealogists

at the Calgary Public Library, Main Branch, October to February, 1995.

#### By Catherine Mayhood

- A guide for Genealogists, Althea Douglas, 1994. See a review of this book in Chinook, vol 15 no 3. 929.371, circulates.
- General Introduction to Genealogical Research, B.C. Genealogical Society, Richmond B.C., 1994 929.1072, circulates.
- Genealogy Online, Researching Your Roots, Elizabeth P. Crowe, 1955. 929.10285, circulates.
- Grave Lists of Cemeteries In and Near the Province of Quebec, Quebec Family History Society, 1994. 929.509714, reserved. This is a compilation of recorded cemeteries - not individual burials.
- Guide to Quebec's Parishes and Civil Registers, Francine Fortin, 1993 929.3714, reserved. This guide includes Roman Catholic, Protestant and other records and is an indispen-
- sable guide for those researching in Quebec. In addition to describing the records, it also points one to the institutions in which they are held.
- More notices From Ontario's Methodist Papers, Donald A. McKenzie, 1993 929.3713, circulates.
- National Index of Parish Registers: Essex, England, Anthony Wilcox, 1993 929.341 V.9 pt. 4 reserved.

# Highlights from journals in the AFHS library

by Helen Backhouse and Maureen Houlgate

#### **AUSTRALIA**

Genealogical Society of Victoria, vol 22, no 4, summer 1994

- · Public transportation in Ireland: the Italian connection
- Sunshine Railway disaster

The Heraldry and Genealogical Society of Canberra OZ, Ancestral Searcher, vol 14, no 4, from Bill Mumford

#### **CANADA**

Canadian Federation of Genealogical and Family History Societies vol 7, no 2, Dec 1994

Photoworks/Pictures on Disk

Lost in Canada, vol 17, no 3, summer 1994

- · Lower Canada Claims from the Rebellion, Part 5.
- Checklist of published Ontario Indexes

#### **Alberta**

AGS, Edmonton, vol 23, no 1, Feb 1995

- English Marriage Laws and Customs
- Trech Emigration 1815-1850
- · Genealogical resources in the Edmonton area

AGS Grande Prairie and Dist. vol 17, no 4, Dec 1994

AGS Lethbridge and District, vol 11, no 3, vol 12, no 1

AGS Medicine Hat and District vol 15, no 3, Sep 1994

- Etzicom Cemetery, NWQtr, Sec.24, twp 6, Ran. 9, W4
- Using the Ontario Vital Records on Microfilm

vol 15, no 4, Dec 1994

- Pleasant Plains (Pendaut d'Oreille) Cemetery
- Valleyview Cemetery
- Pakowki Cemetery
- Ebenezer-Salem Cemetery

#### **British Columbia**

British Columbia Genealogist, vol 23, no 4, Dec 1994

 Finding aid to Land Assignments for B.C.Railway Belt, GR 436

· Firemen's Benefit Association of Vancouver BC, 1925

Kelowna and District Genealogical Society, vol 11, no 2, Dec 1994

- · Parish Register Acts, England and Wales
- Glenrosa surnames, cont'd

#### Manitoba

Manitoba Genealogical Society, vol 19, no 4, Dec 1994

- Practicing effective long-distance genealogical research, Brian Hutchinson, C.G.
- 1901 Census of Stoney Mountain **Penitentiary**

#### Mennonite

Mennonite Genealogical Contacts, 1994 The Mennonite Heritage Centre Archives Slavic Collection: A resource for studying the Russian German Experience

Mennonite Historian, vol XIX, no 4, Dec 1993 and vol XX, no 1-4, 1994

#### Metis

Neva Powagans, XXVII, Jan 1995

- Turtle Mountain Reservation, North
- · More good books for Metis research

#### **Nova Scotia**

Nova Scotia Genealogical Association, vol XII, no 3, fall 1994

- Index to surnames in vol XII
- Vital Statistics from "The Weeks Doings" and "Londonderry Times"

#### Ontario

Ontario Genealogical Society, vol 34, no 1, Feb 1995

- Forgery and Deception in Genealogy
- Criminal Assize Clerk: Indictment Case Files 1835-1929

Bruce County OGS, vol 6, no 1, Feb 1995 **Bruce County Historical Society** 

Elgin County OGS, vol XIII, no 4, Dec 1994

- Weather and Emigration
- R.S. Williams and Sons

Halton-Peel OGS, vol XX, no 1, Feb 1995

- Region of Peel Archives
- Name or Nickname?

Huron County OGS, vol 16, no 1, Feb 1995 Names being researched

Kawartha OGS, vol 19, no 4, Dec 1994

Leeds and Grenville OGS, vol 20, no 6, Dec/Jan 1994/95

- Town of Prescott Census, June 27,
- Wiltse Burial Ground, Wiltsetown, **Leeds County**

London and Middlesex County OGS, vol 22, no 1, Feb 1995

- Middlesex County Honour Roll 1914-1918
- Middlesex references from The Amhurstburg Echo 1894-1899

Ottawa OGS, vol XXVIII, no 1, Jan/Feb

- List of locations of Emigrants at the Land Board, Bathurst District 1823-1825
- Upper Canada Petitions and Grants

Perth County OGS, vol 11, no 1, Feb 1995

- · Perth County Villages, Millbank, **Mornington Twp**
- Manhood Suffrage Voters additions,

Quinte OGS, vol 14, no 4, Dec 1994

- Pioneer Life Recalled
- · James Copeland, a Bellville Pioneer

Sudbury OGS, vol 16, no 4, Dec 1994

 Sudbury and District Teacher Lists (some) 1911-1920

Toronto OGS, vol 26, no 1, Jan/Feb 1995

- · Genealogy "summer camp"
- Places of Worship

#### **Prince Edward Island**

Prince Edward Island Genealogical Society, vol 19, no 1, Feb 1995

Overview of Public Archives Record

Group 19, Vital Stats (PEI)

 Some early Malpeque-New London area records

#### Quebec

Quebec Family History Society, vol 17, no 2. Dec 1994

- Scotland and France
- Ontario Vital Statistics

Société Généalogique de l'ést du Québec, no 52. Oct-Nov 1994

- Décès et sépultures de Rustico (I.P.E.)
- · Corrections au répertoire des décès et sépultures [...]

Société Généalogique Canadienne-Français, vol 45, no 4, Winter 1994 Nos origines ailemander 1766-1825 (Mariages protestants)

Société de généalogique de Québec, vol 21, no 5, Jan 1995

- · La Petite histoire des Jersaia et de Guernesiais dans la Grande Région de Québec
- Martin Giboire dit Lamothe vol 21, no 6, Feb 1995
- Gilbert et Jean Dupuis dit Gilbert
- · Guillaume Couture et ses descendants

#### Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, vol 25, no 4, Dec 1994

- Barr Colonists came 90 years ago
- Moosomin Goal, 1908-1957 minus 20 vears

#### **ENGLAND**

Birmingham and Midland Society for Genealogy and Heraldry vol 10, no 10, Dec 94

- . Down "The Cut" boatmen
- Rolleston-on-Dove Parish Council 100 Years ago

Buckingham FHS,

vol 18, no 2, June 1994

- The straw plaiters
- The British Lying-In Hospital 18, no 3, Sep 1994
- · Lesser Known Ladies of the Lamp
- · A rare gene in a family from Bledlow Ridge

vol 18, no 4, Dec 1994

- · Churchwarden's Accounts; Pitstone (Pichlesthorne)
- More on the First Fleet

Calderdale FHS

no 64, Nov 1994

- The Ancient Parish of Halifax
- · Sources for the family historian in

Calderdale no 65, Dec 1994

· Names of men killed in explosion at Maypole Colliery

Channel Islands FHS no 63, summer 1994

- Tracing a Chelsea Pensioner Ancestor: the story of William Curren in Guernsey.
- · Jersey surnames of French origin: Part 1

no 64. October 1994

Members's Interests and Index Issue

Derbyshire FHS, no 71, Dec 1994

- Poll Book, Heage Derbyshire 1767
- Derbyshire people in Manchester

Devon FHS, no 72, Nov 1994

- The Scipis/Luxton connection
- Devon Bankruptcies, 1811

East Surrey FHS, vol 17, no 4, Dec 1994

- Southwark: Industries and Commerce
- Leatherhead marriage licences 1849-

East Yorkshire FHS, no 61, Jan 1995

- The Trinity House Petitions an example
- The Mercia Voyage

Family Tree Magazine vol 11, no 2, Dec 1994

- Irish Probate Records
- The wandering tribe in Middlesex vol 11, no 3, Jan 1995
- Probate records: Scotland, Isle of Man. Channel Islands
- The last rebellion, "The Chartists Rebellion"

Felixstowe FHS, vol 9, no 4, Dec 1994

- The Great Storm of 1881
- London's Weekly Bill of Mortality, 1757

Huntingdonshire FHS, no 19, Oct 1994

- The Hunts Cyclist Battalions
- The Descou letters

vol

Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies, vol 17, no 142, Jan 1995

- . Mr. Fawcett's clerk; the notebook of John Lambert
- The Wheelers of Whitstable

Northumberland and Durham FHS, vol 19, no 4, winter 1994

- The Burradon Mining Disaster, 1860
- Colliery Personnel Records in Durham **County Record Office**

Ormskirk and District FHS, no 8, autumn

- Ormskirk Freemasons 1799-1803
- · Index of Member's interests

Shropshire FHS, vol 15, no 4, Dec 1994

Tracing Welsh Ancestors

Shropshire Jurors and their trades

Westminster and Central Middlesex FHS, vol 14, no 1, Nov 1994

- Millstone dressing
- Harrow Weald

West Middlesex FHS, vol 12, no 4, Dec

- Drowned in the Northfleet
- Did your ancestors help to build St. Paul's Cathedral?

Wiltshire FHS, no 56, Jan 1995

- Boarded-out children from Poor Law **Unions 1869**
- Village of Wiltshire-Easterton and its legends

#### **EUROPE**

East European Genealogist, vol 3, no 2, Dec 1994

- Slovak research
- Galician genealogical organizations

Nase Rodina (Czechoslovakia) vol 6. no 3. Sep 1994, from Rosemary Lyons

#### **IRELAND**

Irish Genealogical Society International, vol 14, no 1, from Bill Mumford

The Irish Genealogist, vol 9, no 1, 1994

- · Memorial Inscriptions of Irish interest from Somerset
- Faulker's Dublin Journal 1766, Births, Marriages, Deaths

The Irish Genealogical Research Society Newsletter, vol 2, no 7, Nov 1994

- Connaught voters, 1836
- The Foxhunter's Ball-Kilkenny 1840

#### **NEW ZEALAND**

**New Zealand Genealogist** vol 25, no 230, Nov/Dec 1994

- · In pursuit of your naval ancestors
- Friendly Societies vol 25 Index
- vol 26, no 231, Jan/Feb 1995 Emigration to New Zealand
- · Names extracted from "Gallipoli to the Somme"

#### **SCOTLAND**

The Scottish Genealogist vol XLI, no 4, Dec 1994

- Handfast marriage in Scotland
- The Clan Mackellar

The Scottish Genealogist; Index of volumes

#### XXXVII-XL

Aberdeen and North East Scotland FHS no 53, Nov 1994

- The grain of truth in the family legend
- The fortunes of an 18th century Aberdeen Miller

#### **UNITED STATES**

American-Canadian Genealogical Society, vol 20, no 2, fall 1994

- Lewis Barttro: a Vermont Franco-American in the Civil War
- Is there truth in old family legend?

Genealogical Association of Utah vol 23, no 3, 1944

- Genealogical Research in Slovakia
- Native American Research: Cherokee Rolls
- Finding Your Mexican War Veteran Ancestor
- Cumberland County Maine, Marriages 1763-1793

#### **WALES**

Gevent FHS, no 38, 1994

Mining on Llanelly Hill

 Snipits from the Monmouthshire Merlin 1830

Glamorgan FHS, no 36, 1994

- Who were The Good Templars?
- Hollyman Bros: The Bakers of Corporation Road and the events of January 2nd, 1941

Dyfed FHS, vol 5, no 2, Dec 1994

- The Rebecca Riots
- The 1670 Hearth Tax of Llanllwchaearn and some Contemporary Wills

# Welcome to these new members who returned the names of their research interests:

#### Number Member

	· ·
892	Blake, Gordon, 6819 Dalmeny Gate, Calgary, T3A 1T5, 286-7147
893	LeBlanc, Phil, 4320-19th Ave., Calgary, T3E 0G9, 242-7667
894	Horwood, Alison, 89 Riverview Pointe, Calgary, T2C 4H8, 720-0136
895	Ralph, Mr. and Mrs., 49 Edelweiss Point, Calgary, T3A 3N5, 239-3579
896	Bishop, Barbara, 140 Cedarpark Green, Calgary, T2W 2J9, 251-1713
898	Barge, Judith, 4 Dalton Bay, Calgary, T3A 1H8, 286-0525
899	Wawro, Ken and Sandra, 14 Scenic Glen Cl., Calgary, T3L 1H5, 239-9889
900	Braun, R. and V., 3100 Portage Ave., Winnipeg MB, R3Y 0Y3, 885-9888
902	McKenzie, Margaret, 136 Gateway Place, Calgary, T3E 4J2, 249-9835
903	Dicken, Wendy, 2908 19th Street, Calgary, T2M 3V8, 282-7700
906	Terriff, Florence, 919 Raynard Cres., Calgary, T2A 1X8, 272-0234
907	Poole, Roberta, 2241-4th Avenue, Calgary, T2N 0N8, 270-0918
909	Coulter, Donna, Box 1232, Nanton AB, T0L 1R0, 646-5902
910	Todgham, James, Box 1401, Jasper AB, T0E 1E0, 852-4574
911	Lamison, Robert, 11411 SE 182nd St., Renton WA, USA 98055, 255-0998
912	Chambers, Doug., Box 268, Jasper AB, T0E 1E0, 852-4287
914	Edwards, Mildred, 817-7th Street, Calgary, T1V 1B2, 652-2014
915	Dyck, Peter, 2931-12th Avenue, Calgary, T2N 1K9, 282-3204
916	McKenzie, B.and J., 1434 Varsity Estates Dr., Calgary, T3B 3E2, 247-6244
917	Kerslake, Lois, 216-78th Avenue, Calgary, T2H 1C4, 252-9597
918	Jepson, Gordon, 3608 Utah Drive, Calgary, T2N 4A7, 289-7609
921	Forsythe, Kim, 631 18th Avenue, Calgary, T2M 0T9, 284-1813

# Surname interests of new members

Surname	Period	Locale	Mem. no
ADDISON		England - Burlington Ont	909
ARCHER		Ontario	921
ASHBAUGH, Daniel	1800-1890	Ohio and Indiana	911
BARGE	1600 - 1900	Sussex and Dorset England	898
BARNES	pre1880	Ecclesal Bierlow Sheffield Yk Eng	918
BARRETT, John Thomas	18 <del>44</del>	Box, Wilts., England	894
BARTLETT	1900 +	Ontario	903
BOROSKI (Borowski)	All	Volhynia	900
BOUDREAU		Maritimes and Ontario	899
BOVINDON		England	896
BOZYK, Michael	1883 ?	Poland	915
BRADT	1800	England - Burlington Ont	909
BRAUN	All	Russia	900
BROWN	pre 1900	Sheffield, Yks., England	918
BRYANT, Maria	1838	Cornwall, England	894
BUTLER	1890 +	Leamington, Ontario	910
CHAMBERS, George	Nov18, 1881		910
CHAMBERS, John	1848	Yorkshire, England	912
CHRISTENSEN, Perry Thomas Ja		•	896
CICOT	1649	Kishd, Vibry, Denmark France	
			895
COPLIN	pre 1900	Aldbourne Wilts., England	918
CURNEW, Jacob	1874	Cornerbrook, Nfld., Swift Current, S	
D'ARCY	1060	Gallway, Ireland	906
DALGARNO	1860	Aberdeen, Scotland	892
DAYKIM	1860	England	892
DENNIS		Ontario	921
DICKIN	1800 +	Shropshire, England	903
DULDER	Pre 1914	Poland	900
DUNMAN, Iona	1800 - 1900	Ohio and Missouri	911
DUNSTAN, Ann Marie	Jun 1838	Stepple Ashton, Wilts. England	896
DYCK	All	Russia	900
DYCK, Peter	1749	West Prussia	915
EDWARDS, Elif	18 <del>4</del> 9	Telemark, Norway	914
EHLERT		Saskatchewan	899
FARTHING		England	921
FLETCHER, Samiel	1821-1890	Langley Green, Worchester, Eng	894
FORTIN		Quebec	899
FRANCE		England	921
GAIRE	1800	England - Burlington, ON	909
GILLESPIE	1857	Ballymena, Ireland - Peel Co., ON	909
GORDON	1860	Aberdeen, Scotland	892
GOULDEN	bef. 1900	Lancashire, England	916
GOWLING		. 0	909
GRATER	1900	Iowa, USA	892
GRIFFITHS	1800 +	Perth, Scotland	902
HAMMOND, Alice	1860	Marr, Yorkshire (Rotherham)	894
HARTWICH (Hartwig)	All	Poland and Russia	900
HAYES, Isaac	1780-1850	Virginia, USA	911
HAZARD	1818-1864	Iniskillin, Ire/Gwillimbury Twp. ON	
HEIN	Pre 1920	Volhynia	900
HEPWORTH, Fanny	Apr 20,1885	Worksop, Co York, England	912
HESKINS, Mary Ann	1838	Horsley, Glouchester, England	894
HILLIS	1857	Ballymena, Ireland	909
HOBBS, Rosina	1877	London, England	916
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HORWOOD, Walter John	1841	Cambridge and Stroud, Glouc. Eng.	894
HOWE	pre 1880	Ecclesal Bierlow Sheffield Yks Eng.	918
INCE		England, Wales	906
JAMES	1905	South Africa	892
JECKS	1842	England	895
JEPSON	pre 1880	Ecclesal Bierlow, Sheffield, Yks, Eng.	918
KEMPT, William	1790-1849	New Hills, Aberdeen, Scotland	894
KRENTZ (Krenz)	All	Volhynia	900
KUHN (Kuehn, Kihn, Kiehn)	pre 1846	Radom, Poland, Volhynia, Russia	900
KURP (Kurpinski),Theodore	Apr 1879	Poland and Guelph, Ontario	896
Le BLANC, All	1600- pres.	Nova Scotia, New Brunswick	893
LONGSON	pre 1880	Ecclesal Bierlow Sheffield Yks Eng.	918
MacARTHUR		U.S.A., New Brunswick	899
MAIER (Meyer)	All	Lotz, Radom Poland areas	900
McCELLAND	1850	Ireland and Ontario	909
MILLER	1906 +	Olds, Alberta	911
MILLER, Alex. A.	1800-1910	Antrim Ireland/U.S.A.	911
MILLER, Ira-Jesse-Arthur	1895-1950	U.S.A./Canada	911
MILLER, Theodore	1900-1970	Washington, U.S.A. /Canada	911
MILNE, George	1790s	Aberdeen, Scotland	894
MOONEY, Robert	1776 - 1830	Northern Ireland	914
NEACQUEN	1905	South Africa	892
PALMER	pre-1900	Aldbourne Wilts, England	918
PATTERSON (Paterson)	1827-1900	Glasgow, Scotland/Listowel, ON	917
PATTERSON (Paterson)	1861-1900	Stratford ON/Ossowo, MB	917
PEAKE	1830 - 1849	Ireland	909
POOLE		Anywhere	907
POWELL, James B.	1800-1890	Virginia and Missouri	911
PURTON	pre-1900	Wilts., England	918
PURTON	pre-1900	Berks, England	918
REYNOLDS, John Scott	1826	London, England	915
RICHARDS	1880 +	Bowmanville, Ontario	910
ROY	1000 1	Maritimes	899
ROYLE	bef. 1900	Manchester, England	916
RUSSELL, Enid Graham	Del. 1700	•	907
	1844	Quyon, Quebec	894
SAMBELL, Benjamin J.W. SANDY	1758	St Germans, Cornwall, England	892
		Virginia	
SAULNIER SAUNGER (Consen)	1600- pres.	Nova Scotia	893
SAWYER (Sayer)	pre-1900	Aldbourne Wilts., England	918
SCHIBILZCKA, Marie (Minnie)	1707	TAZant Dungaria	896
SCHROEDER, Isaak	1737	West Prussia	915
SINGER, Alexander	1800	Fintray, Aberdeen, Scotland	894
SMEATON, John	1820	Sheffield, England	916
STEPHEN, Mary Jane	1878	Scotland and Swift Current, SK	907
STOKES	1840	Lambton Co, ON	892
THACKER, John William	1850-1928	Billingsboro, Linc, England	894
TODGHAM	1850	Darlington Township, Ontario	910
TODGHAM	1750 /1850	Isle of Wight, England	910
TOPP, Mary	1828	New Machar, Aberdeen, Scotland	894
VALIENT	bef. 1825	London, England	916
WAWRO		Saskatchewan	899
WEIR	1800 +	Perth, Scotland	903
WHEATLEY, Elizabeth	1850	Co York, England	912
WHEELER, Theophilus	1877	London, England	916
WILLIAMS	1838	Lanreath, Cornwall, England	894
WISLER	1720	Switzerland	895

# What's happening and where...

by Ruth Duncan



1995 Genealogy Computer Show Gensoft 5 was again a success. Coordinator Allan Cole

and his able assistants managed to provide a good range of programs that seemed to provide something for everyone. Exhibits included the following:

PAF (DOS) — Blair Barr and Colin Dick

PAF (Utilities) — George Lake PAF (MAC) — Wyn van der Schee CD-ROM, Genealogy and Mapping Elizabeth Rodier

Family Roots — Wes Johnson and Alan Peers

Family Tree Maker — Judith Rempel Family Scrapbook — Dick Trostem Brothers Keeper — Larry McCool and Terry Bunce

FT4W (Family Tree 4 Windows) — Gavin Jacobs

Roots IV — Brian Hutchinson Reunion (DOS) — Janet Morgan Reunion (MAC) —Ruth Duncan and Tom Colbens

Scanner and WP — Sandy Irvine Photographs — John Moore

Modems — Doug Stobbs, Marlene Roy, Joyce O'Brien, Marianne Wilkat Seminars —

Choosing a Family History Program Bill Mumford

Internet — a live demo — Bill Mumford

Genealogy Supplies — Genealogy Plus - Adrienne Anderson McGinnovation — Computer Courses (DOS) — Jim McGinn

Thanks to the exhibitors who provided demonstrations of their programs and who were available throughout the day to share their expertise. Other AFHS members contributed to the success of the show by looking after the information table (Joan Armstrong and Geoff Burtonshaw), the registration table and coffee (Janet Morgan and helpers), and by performing the many tasks that make a successful undertaking.

#### Germans from Russia

This summer Calgary will be the setting for a genealogical conference that promises to be very exciting in terms of size, library resources and choices for delegates. For those of us who are not very knowledgeable about research pertaining to the large group of Germans who emigrated from Russia, perhaps the following will help just a little.

Two parent organizations represent Germans from Russia:

1. American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, based in Lincoln, Nebraska, focuses mainly on the Volga Germans. President of the local group is Martha Nielson, 284-0654.

2. Germans from Russia Heritage Soci-

ety, based in Bismark, North Dakota, focuses mainly on the Black Sea Germans. President of the local group is George Dorscher, 275-2868. These two organizations have collected a wealth of resource materials which are housed at their headquarters. In addition to these two libraries, the Institute of Regional Studies at North Dakota State University (Fargo) houses what is probably the largest collection of materials pertaining to Germans from Russia in North America.

The Calgary chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia will host the 26th annual International Conference from July 23 - 30, 1995. The complete library of this group will be transported to Calgary in very large vans. What an opportunity to peruse the collection which contains family histories, over a half million obituaries, ancestral village cards, church records, passenger lists, census records, journals, etc.! Between 1500 and 2000 people are expected to register for this event. The programming and scheduling chairperson for the conference is Marlene Michel, 293-4137.

#### **Family History Center**

Print materials recently placed on the shelves include:

#### U.S. and Canada

• Marriages de Saint Francois Xavier du Sault Saint Louis Caughnawaga Kahnawake-Quebec marriages by

Fairbault - Beauregare, Martha 1735-1972 971.427 K29f

- Maytum Family History by McNaughton, Ann and Spencer, Tony 1906 - 1929 929.271 MG13Mc
- Governmental Records Collection in Alberta Archives 971.23 J59g
- Major Alpin's Ancestors and Descendants by Anderson, P.J., includes Grant, Anderson, Cameron, Fraser, MacKay, Nicol and Stevenson 929.2 D4 PAM
- Annual BYU Family History and Genealogical Research Seminar 929.1
   B768
- Fundamentals of Genealogical Research by Jaussi, Laureen R. 929.1 J327f1972
- Genealogy Fundamentals by Jaussi, Laureen R. 929.1 J327j1994
- A Basic Course in Genealogy by Gardner, David E. 929.1 G172b V.2
- Eleventh Annual Priesthood Genealogy Seminar 929.1 P933
- James and Mary Young Family History by Young, Fern T. Includes Young, Dailly, Leowen, Martin, Noonan, Orchard, Stone 929.271 Y85y
- The First Tunstall's in Virginia by Morris, Whitmore 929.273 T836m
- The Canadian Genealogical Handbook by Jonasson, Eric 971 D27j 1978
- Canadian Railway Records by Douglas, Althea 971 U3d
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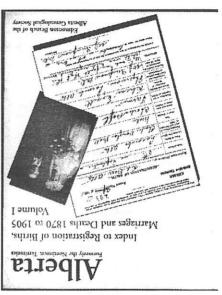
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