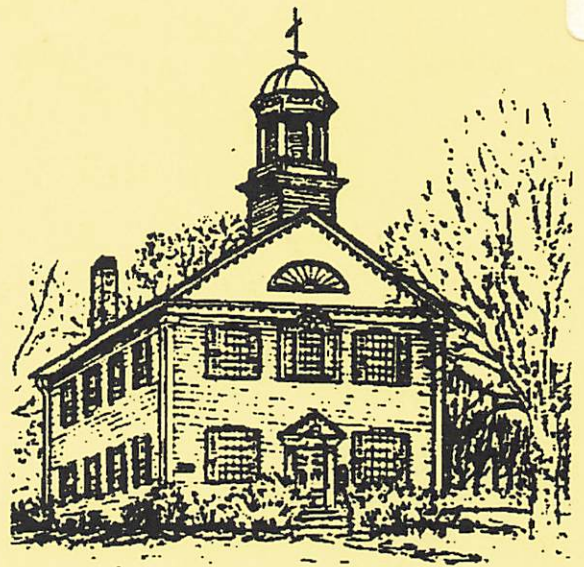
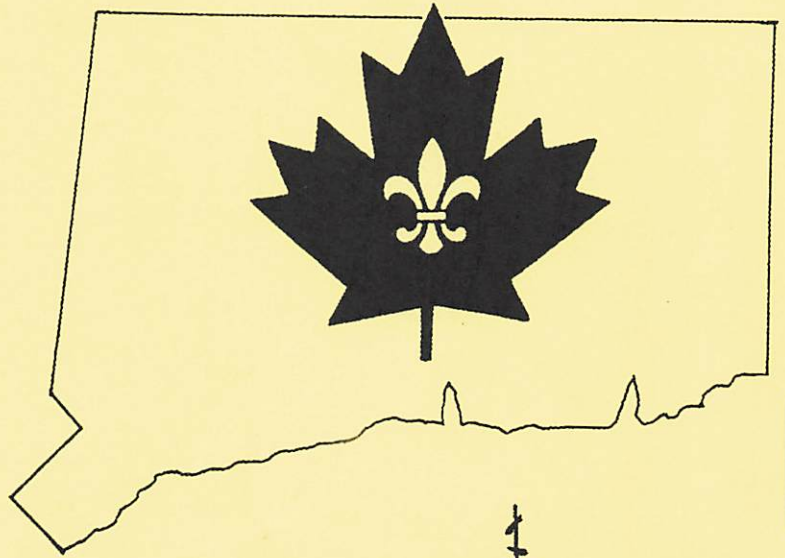


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By

Albert J. Marceau, #766

On the weekend of October 25 and 26, 1997, I attended the 56th Congress of the Union des Franco-Américains du Connecticut in East Hartford, Connecticut, and I was surprised to see five members of the French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut at the convention. Marcel Roy represented FCGSC, Pat Lausier represented the French Social Circle, Ben Simoneau represented Chevaliers du Columbe, Counsel 6119, Evelyn Sirois was the President of the Convention, and I simply attended. (I did not represent an organization.) Seeing that about one seventh of the people at the convention were from FCGSC, it demonstrated how important FCGSC is to Franco-Americans in Connecticut. The message I have from the convention is that FCGSC should strive to be the best that it can be. This message is all the more clear when Evelyn stated at the convention that there are about 50 Franco-American organizations in Connecticut, and that I know that no other Franco-American organization in Connecticut publishes a journal. Further, the last time there was a Franco-American publication in Connecticut was a seasonal French language newspaper called *Le Bulletin* that was published by Paul R. Campbell, and distributed for free to the parishioners of Ste. Anne's Parish in Hartford. According to Lucien Nadeau of West Hartford, who knew Paul

Campbell, the paper ceased around 1955. (There is only one known issue of *Le Bulletin* to survive, although it supposedly lasted seven years.) With this knowledge, being the editor of the only Franco-American publication in the State of Connecticut in over forty years is a great responsibility.

As editor, I have several goals. The first was accomplished one year ago in the Winter 1996 issue (Vol. 7, No. 4) where my subject index for the previous 14 years of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf* is published. While Paul Keroack was the editor, I was allowed to have the index in one issue, closing the first seven volumes of our journal. My next goal, the standardization of one font to be used in the *CML* began in the last issue, Summer 1997, is nearly achieved in this issue. Also in this issue, I have set a goal of a standardization of writing for the *CML*. Another goal, which is one that everyone at FCGSC would like me to keep is to have the Summer and Winter issues to be published on time. I will certainly try, and since FCGSC has purchased a computer to do the word-processing for the *CML*, I feel that such a goal can be kept. I think the next *CML* should be out by July, '98.

Among my goals is to use all of the space available in the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*. The reader will notice in this issue that the information about our library hours, telephone number, website, directions, and so forth are now on the inside back cover of the *CML*.

One new idea from Ivan Robinson, which began in the last issue, is to have a color scheme for the covers of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*. The issue number one of a volume will be light green, for Spring; number two, yellow for Summer; number three, light orange for Fall; and number four, blue for Winter. Another idea of his is the variance in the length of the articles, which appears in this issue.

Standardization of Article Submission

Since the *Connecticut Maple Leaf* comprises of reprints of articles from other journals and newspapers, I require that any future submission of reprints to have the original title, the author, the source of publication, the date of publication, and the pages in the publication. I feel that reprints of articles from newspapers is fine, since the history of Franco-Americans in Connecticut is so poorly known. My requirement of proper documentation is for the use of future researchers who will read the reprint in our journal.

As for articles from the membership, I would like to see more original articles to be written by members of the French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut, and I would like to see any quotations in them to be properly documented. This is standard practice in publications like *Heritage Quest: The Genealogy Magazine* and *Scientific American*. Again, this is for the use of future researchers who many want to check the original sources. Since I am the editor, I will hold back any articles that are not properly documented for a later issue, but I will talk to the author and show him or her how to document the article. (College level books on writing would have the necessary information on documentation.) This requirement is again keeping with my goal of good writing in the *CML*.

Reviews of books and videos must have the full title, the author, copyright date, the publisher, the number of pages, or length of video, the International Standard Book Number (ISBN) if there is one, the price and the reviewer's name. Since major bookstores

often do not carry books from small publishing houses, include the full address of where the book or video can be purchased.

I realize that not everyone has a word processor, so articles which are typewritten, will be accepted, but may be delayed because of the necessity to reform them into the requirements below.

Standardization of Page Layout

Each page in the *Connecticut Maple Leaf* should be in 11 or 12 point type, 12 preferred, in Times New Roman, singled spaced in 6 point leading. For example, the text on this page is in 12 point Times New Roman, singled spaced in 6 point leading, which is the normal setting in Microsoft Word. For comparison, see Ivan Robinson's article entitled "Quebec Square" which is in 12-point type with 3-point leading. The margins should be 1 inch, but $\frac{3}{4}$ inch margins can be tolerated. For example, the 1998 Library Schedule has a $\frac{3}{4}$ inch margin, but our printer prefers the 1-inch margin. Text should be justified on both the left and right sides, also called full line length, however, articles like "Waterbury City Directory..." edited by Paul Keroack, only need to be left justified. Headings should be centered, in bold face, typically in 12 point, with the author's name in plain face.

Because of the expense in printing, each page should be full of text. One practice in older issues that I cannot understand, is the allowance of a half or more blank space on a page. Although I have not seen this practice for several issues, I do not want to see again, which is borne from the economics of printing. The technical term for this space is "air," so, less air, more substance in the *CML*.

Five Generation charts and other genealogical charts will be accepted as is with modifications so as to fit into the minimum requirement of the $\frac{3}{4}$ inch margin.

Photographs and illustrations may increasingly be seen in future issues, but will be printed in accordance of standardized photo documentation and the limitations of our resources. The reader will note that this is the first issue in a couple of years in which photographs appear, so we are still in the testing stage.

Modifications of this standardization will occur in future issues, as the need arises.

Events for 1998

The **Spring General Membership Meeting** will be held on **Saturday, May 9**, and the **Fall General Membership Meeting** will be held on **Saturday, October 10**. Both meetings will begin at **1:30 PM**. Watch for the newsletter for topics to be discussed, guest speakers, and any additional information.

The French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut will attend the **Fifth New England Regional Genealogical Conference in Portland, Maine** from **October 22 to 24, 1998**. The conference will be held in the Holiday Inn on 88 Spring St., Portland, ME. Hotel phone – (207)-775-2311 or (800)-345-5050 for out of state or (800)-345-5070 for in state calls. Dianne Bordeaux Lenti will be a speaker at the conference on behalf of FCGSC. Watch for the newsletter in April for more information about rooms, topics, and so forth.

1998 FCGSC Library Schedule

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January

- 1 New Year Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED
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- 4 New Year Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED
- 8 LIBRARIANS' MEETING 7-9PM

February

- 12 LIBRARIANS' MEETING (Tentative) 7-9PM

April

- 11 Easter Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED
- 12 Easter Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED

May

- 9 General Membership Meeting 1PM
- 23 Memorial Day
- 24 Memorial Day
- 25 Memorial Day

July

- 4 July 4th Weekend
- 5 July 4th Weekend

September

- 5 Labor Day Weekend
- 6 Labor Day Weekend
- 7 Labor Day Weekend

October

- 10 General Membership Meeting 1PM

November

- 26 Thanksgiving Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED
- 28 Thanksgiving Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED
- 29 Thanksgiving Holiday LIBRARY CLOSED

December

- 26 Christmas-New Year's Holiday
- 27 Christmas-New Year's Holiday

Library Hours:

- M (beginning Feb.2, on a trial basis for two months) 1-4pm
- M 4-8pm
- W 4-8pm
- Sa 9am-4pm
- Su 1-4pm

In case of inclement weather, listen to WTIC Radio, 1080AM, or call the Library at (860) 872-2597 for closings.

FCGSC's 1997 in Review

Compiled by Ivan Robinson, #326

March 22 -- The society's Board of Governors (Executive Board and Board of Directors together) appoints Albert Marceau as editor of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*, replacing Paul Keroack, who resigned.

The board considers a proposal by member Evelyn Sirois for participating in a consortium of French organizations to acquire the abandoned Second North School in East Hartford for a French cultural center. It agrees to file a non-binding letter of intent with the town, indicating serious interest.

The board also hears a special committee report on how the society might upgrade its computer services through the use of the Internet, more powerful computers and genealogy software programs. It votes to pursue grants that may be available for such upgrading.

April 24 through 27 -- FCGSC takes part in the New England Regional Genealogical Conference in Cromwell, put together by 30 state and ethnic genealogical societies in New England. Library Director Maryanne LeGrow is on the program with a talk on "Problem Solving in Genealogy."

May 9 -- At a general membership meeting, Art Corbeil is appointed to the Board of Directors to serve out the term (1996-1998) of John Spaulding, who resigned.

Elizabeth Kelley is elected president for 1997-1999, succeeding Marcel Roy. Elected with her, also for 1997-1999, are Charles Pelletier, vice president; Chris Carpenter, recording secretary; Henry Lanouette, treasurer; Rolande Clark, corresponding secretary, and Maryanne LeGrow, library director. Elected to five open positions on the Board of Directors, to serve from 1997 to 1999, are Marcel Roy, Albert Marceau, Jeannette Erickson, Robert Casey and Dianne Keegan. All are to take office in September.

Directors continuing on in their terms until 1998 are Patrick Lausier, Ed Graveline and George Daigle, along with Corbeil filling in for Spaulding.

June 5 -- Thanks to the work of member Art Desrosiers, questions appear headed for resolution about the obligation of the FCGSC, although a nonprofit society, to charge the state sales tax on certain items. The Board of Governors votes to pay an estimated back tax liability of \$2,500. Henceforth, the society will charge tax on all items bought for resale, such as pedigree charts.

June 7 -- Library Director Maryanne LeGrow is a guest on Laura Bradley's morning radio show on WSUB in Groton, speaking with her about French-Canadian genealogical research.

July 15 -- The Baudreau-Graveline Genealogical Association holds its meeting at FCGSC.

Aug. 30 Elizabeth Kelley, president-elect, dies before taking office, leaving three sons and four grandchildren. She is 64.

Elizabeth had been the society's vice president and served as a volunteer librarian and a member of the research department. She had also served as chairperson for the society's Heritage Hall booth at the Brooklyn Fair.

A native of Putnam and former longtime resident of North Grosvenor Dale, Elizabeth was employed as a clerk for the Board of Finance in Sturbridge. She formerly was the office manager of the *Webster (Mass.) Times*. An active volunteer as well, she served for 25 years as a Girl Scout leader and five years as a Cub Scout den mother and taught sewing at St. Joseph's School, all in North Grosvenor Dale.

She became interested in genealogy about 10 years ago after one of her sons came home angry because he had discovered that he and his Saturday night date were cousins. That mishap prompted her to research her children's ancestry -- her married name was Faucher -- and that led her to the French-Canadian society. Once bitten by the genealogy bug, she immersed herself in research and ended up publishing three books tracing the family's lines back to the 1600s.

Sept. 13 -- Library Director Maryanne LeGrow represents the society at the fifth New England Regional Genealogical Conference planning meeting in Woonsocket, R.I.

Sept. 27 -- At a general membership meeting, Charles Pelletier, vice president-elect, is installed as president in place of the late Elizabeth Kelley. A moment of silence is observed for Elizabeth. A nominating committee for the 1998 elections is approved, consisting of Ivan Robinson, George Daigle and Richard Bourque. Member Pat Lausier reports that the move to the school in East Hartford is no longer a possibility since the town of East Hartford is negotiating with another organization to occupy the building.

October -- Family History Month is observed with seminars every Thursday evening during the month, organized by program chairman Albert Marceau. Subjects include a talk by members John Paul Boisvert and Albert Roy on "The New England Captives, the Deerfield Massacre and the Stebbins Family"; a Francois Truffault film, "L'Histoire de Adele H.," about the unrequited love of Victor Hugo's daughter for an English army officer stationed in Nova Scotia; "Land Record Searching for Genealogists," a talk by Society President Charles Pelletier; a 1984 Quebec film, "Marie Chapdelaine," based on Louis Hemon's novel about a young woman's dilemma over whether to stay in the Lake St. John region that she loves or pursue the American dream in the Franco-American community of Lowell, Mass.; and "Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor," a talk by member Dianne Lenti.

Oct. 18 -- The Board of Governors appoints Ivan Robinson as vice president to fill the spot left vacant when Charles Pelletier became president. Art Desrosiers is now on the Board of Directors, appointed to fill out the term (1996-1998) of George Daigle, who resigned.

Nov. 27 -- Dianne Keegan, head of the society's research department, reports responding to 89 requests for information during 1997 to date. About 30 requests were for research in Tolland or Connecticut, for which the society has no information and is unable to help. Nearly 20 requesters failed to send in the required research form or fee, and had to be reminded to do so. Another 10 sought only research advice. Work on the remaining requests (about 40) was completed, is ongoing or is pending additional information.

WATERBURY DIRECTORY

1910

ABBREVIATIONS

ab, above
adv, advertisement
agt, agent
asn, association
asst, assistant
av, avenue
bartdr, bartender
bdg, building
bds, boards
bel, below
bey, beyond
bkpr, bookkeeper
blk, block
blksmith, blacksmith
c, corner
carp, carpenter
clk, clerk
com trav, commercial traveler
condr, conductor
corp, corporation
ct, court
dept, department

do, ditto
elect, electrician
emp, employed
far, farmer
h, house
housekpr, housekeeper
ins agt, insurance agent
lab, laborer
mach, machinist
mech, mechanic
mfg, manufacturing
mfr, manufacturer
mgr, manager
mkr, maker
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pl, place
P O, Post Office
pres, president
prin, principal

prop, proprietor
r, rear
rd, road
rem, removed
res, residence
rms, rooms
sec, secretary
sq, square
steno, stenographer
supt, superintendent
tchr, teacher
tel opr, telegraph operator
ter, terrace
treas, treasurer
v pres, vice president
wid, widow
E, East
N, North
S, South
W, West
W S hill, West Side hill

A H Co, Apothecaries' Hall Co
Am Mills Co, American Mills Co
Am P Co, American Pin Co
Am R Co, American Ring Co
B Watch Co, Bannatyne Watch Co
B & B Mfg Co, Benedict & Burnham Mfg Co
B & J Co, Blake & Johnson Co
B & R Mfg Co, Berbecker & Rowland Mfg Co
C Coal Co, The Citizens' Coal Co
C L & C Co, The City Lumber and Coal Co
C R M Co, Chase Rolling Mill Co
Ct Co, The Connecticut Co
D B Corp, Diamond Bottling Corp
E A Mfg Co, Electrical Appliance Mfg Co
E B Co, The Eagle Brewing Co Inc
E J M Mach Co, The E J Manville Machine Co
F H K Co, Franklin H Kalbfleisch Co
H B Co, Hellmann Brewing Co
H L W Hosiery Co, H L Welch Hosiery Co
H P Co, Housatonic Power Co
L C W Co, L C White Co
M J D & Sons, M J Daly & Sons
M & W Mfg Co, Matthews & Willard Mfg Co
N E Eng Co, New England Engineering Co
N E W Co, New England Watch Co
N Mfg Co, Novelty Mfg Co

O Co, Oakville Co
P & A Mfg Co, Plume & Atwood Mfg Co
R-C Co, The Randolph-Clowes Co
R O Co, Rowbottom Machine Co
R & Bro, Rogers & Brother
R & H Co, Rogers & Hamilton Co
S E T Co, Standard Electric Time Co
S Mfg Co, Seovill Mfg Co
S S & Son, Seymour Smith & Son
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W L & C Co, Waterbury Lumber and Coal Co
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W R M Co, Waterbury Rolling Mills Co

Franco-American names extracted from the 1910 Waterbury city directory submitted by Paul R. Keroack #157 / Part 3

Charest, Dennis, carp h 66 E Liberty
" , Jean B, emp EJ Mach Co h 58 Central av
" , Rudolph J, bartdr 746 Bank h 677 N Riverside
Charpentier, Charles, emp W Buckle Co bds 953 Baldwin
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" , Eva E, emp WC Co bds 953 Baldwin
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" , Joseph, emp WS & J Mfg Co bds 953 Baldwin
" , Margaret wid Anthony, h 418 Mill
" , Mary L, emp W Mfg Co bds 953 Baldwin
" , Victoria wid Charles h 953 Baldwin
Charron, Louis H clk WC Co h 14 Sylvan av
" , Louis H Mrs, dressmkr h 14 Sylvan av
Chartier, Adolph, carp h 120 Walnut
" , Louise, steno 136 Grand bds 120 Walnut
Chasse, Leon, emp W Mfg Co h 110 Park av
" , Ovila, emp B & B Mfg Co h 185 Benedict
Chateauneuf, John Mrs, nurse res inq 115 Bank

Chateauf, John E, lab h 16 Fourth
 " , Joseph, emp W Brass Co h 1 Russell
 Chaussie, Albert, emp W Brass Co h 294 Mill
 Cheverette, Charles, bds Tudor n Cross
 " , Joseph, emp S Mfg Co h Tudor n Cross
 " , Moses, emp W Mfg Co h Tudor n Cross
 Chicoine, Albert J, condr Ct Co h 45 Colley
 " , Arthur, rem to Canada
 Choquette, Philip S, carp h Spring Lake rd
 Choinard, Valere, baker h 55 Luke
 Choynette, Philip S, carp h Spring Lake rd
 Clair, John Mrs, h 181 Walnut
 Coincon, Edmond, rem to Mass
 Collette, Henry, emp WFF & M Co h 290 Hill
 Comeau, Maxime, carp h 6 Frederick ct
 Comeaux, Maxime A, carp h 17 Cole
 Comiry, Adjudeur, carp h 301 Walnut
 " , George, emp WC Co bds 301 Walnut
 " , Kate, bds 301 Walnut
 " , William, bds 301 Walnut
 Convard, August P, clk 43 S Main h 23 Wall
 " , Augustine V wid Frank, nurse inq 115 Bank h 45 Frederick
 " , Joseph, emp WC Co bds 624 S Main
 " , Philomene wid August, h 624 S Main
 Cormier, Frank, emp TF Jackson bds 596 S Main
 " , Thomas, h 43 E Liberty
 Corriveau, Rosario, carp bds 444 S Main
 Cote, Albert, clk Sanderson & Son h 964 Baldwin
 " , Alfred, emp S & J Mfg Co bds 23 Third
 " , Frank, rem to Maine
 " , Joseph, pressman Mattatuck Press h 22 Lafayette
 " , Joseph Z, carp 82 Chambers h do
 " , Napoleon, emp WFF & M Co h 101 Wolcott
 " , Ovila, lab h 23 Third
 Coulombe, Frederick, carp h 37 Fuller
 Couquere, John B, emp WBG Corp h 276 S Leonard
 " , John B Jr, emp WBG Corp bds 276 S Leonard
 Courtmanche, Joseph A (Valcourt & Courtmanche) 416 S Main h Bucks Hill
 " , Leo A, rem to Scranton Pa
 " , Louis M, carp bds 71 W Liberty
 " , Touissant, h 71 W Liberty
 Couture, Celina Mrs, h 941 Baldwin
 " , George, emp P & A Mfg Co bds 941 Baldwin
 Crepeau, Leon A, drug clk bds 337 S Main
 Criblier, Paul E, chef bds 90 Wood

Crochet, Henry, emp B & B Mfg Co h 17 Third
 " , Peter, h 12 S Wilson
 Crochetiere, Harriet wid Theophile, h 1080 N Main
 Crosson, George W, janitor 108 Bank bds 30 Camp
 " , Martin U, plumber h 30 Camp
 " , Martin U Mrs, dressmaker 30 Camp h do
 " , William, clk 442 N Main bds 30 Camp
 Daigle, John D, teamster h 41 James
 " , Joseph N, emp S & J Mfg Co h off Union City rd
 " , Napoleon, emp S & J Mfg Co bds 53 Pratt pl
 Dalpe, Wilfred, watchman, bds 110 Park av
 Daniel, Alfred, carp and builder 50 Baldwin av h do
 " , Irving, carp bds 50 Baldwin av
 Dansereau, Napoleon, foreman Mattatuck Mfg Co h 1399 E Main
 D'Aoust, Joseph L, driver h 33 S Main
 Darre, Louis T, h 140 Cherry
 Daudelin, Alexander, engineer h 56 Grand
 Daunais, Edmour R, toolmaker h 83 Ridgewood
 " , Ernestine L, clk 37 S Main bds 62 Laurel
 " , Peter H, emp S Mfg Co r 154 ½ S Elm
 " , William, emp P & A Mfg Co h 62 Laurel
 Dauphenais, Eugene, fur cutter emp 150 Grand h 45 Pratt pl
 " , Louis, emp WBG Corp bds 35 Washington
 " , Nazaire, emp S Mfg Co h Geddes terr
 " , Samuel, emp J Draher h 35 Washington
 " , William, emp B & M Mfg Co h r937 S Main
 " , William, emp S Mfg Co bds Geddes terr
 DeBeaulieu, Philip H, engineer Engine Co No 2 rms 40 Scoville
 DeBussy, Francis J, cook h 244 Bank
 Dechand, Emma A, steno Am Mills Co bds 176 Walnut
 " , Helen, bds 150 Orange
 " , Louisa wid Louis, bds 150 Orange
 " , Otto, die sinker h 176 Walnut
 " , Otto Jr, plumber bds 176 Walnut
 Dechon, Helen, bds 43 Orange
 " , Margaret F, emp WC Co bds 43 Orange
 " , Mary wid Charles, h 43 Orange
 DeFayette, Alexis, rem to Hartford
 DeGrosse, Walter E, lab bds 487 Meadow
 Delage, Clement, emp W Mfg Co bds 32 Fuller
 " , Ephraim, emp WC Co h 32 Fuller
 " , Hormidas, grocer and meats 74 Kingsbury h 64 Park av
 " , Joseph J, emp W Wire Die Co bds 32 Fuller
 " , Wilfred, foreman 158 Meadow h 306 N Main
 Delage, Wilfred J, clk O Co rms 37 Holmes av

Delarue, Josephine E, clk The Kingsbury bds 220 Willow
 " , Louise D wid Philemon h 220 Willow
 Delavergne, Henry S, emp Mattatuck Mfg Co h Frost rd
 Delay, Albert, truckman excavating and grading 1263 Thomaston av Waterville h do
 Delevieuse, George, mach h 445 Washington av
 Delk, Napoleon, emp W Brass Co h 120 Park av
 Demarest, William R, mech h 19 Piedmont
 Demers, Alma, emp W Paper Box Co bds 33 W Liberty
 " , David, emp WC Co bds 327 N Main
 " , Frank E, foreman Tracy Bros Co h 33 W Liberty
 " , Fred, emp Tracy Bros h 48 E Clay
 " , Irene, emp W Paper Box Co bds 33 W Liberty
 " , James A, emp WFF & M Co bds 327 N Main
 " , John, emp LD Bouley bds r417 E Main
 " , Joseph, blksmith h 417 E Main
 " , Joseph T, painter etc 973 Bank h 64 Tracy av
 " , McGill, emp WC Co bds 327 N Main
 " , Napoleon, emp LD Bouley h 38 Fuller
 " , Peter, emp Franco American Coal & Wood Co bds 33 Fuller
 " , Philip, foreman CRM Co h 156 E Farm
 " , Theophile, painter h 327 N Main
 Demond, Frank, rms 51 E Liberty
 " , Louis, emp 16 Harrison av rms 52 State
 Denomme, John B, foreman 512 S Main h 328 Mill
 DeProut, Amon, emp Am P Co rms 1605 N Main
 DePue, Ernest H, grocer 147 Scoville h 260 N Main
 " , Sarah E wid John T, h 260 N Main
 Deregou, George N, clk S & J Mfg Co h 26 State
 " , Georgetta, clk Noera Mfg Co bds 26 State
 Derouin, Alfred, emp Mfrs Foundry Co h 31 Madison
 " , Arthur, emp O Co h 56 E Liberty
 " , Dinah Mrs, h 10 Porter
 " , Ernest D, emp P & A Mfg Co h 18 Galivan
 " , Gustave J, em p P & A Mfg Co h 14 Galivan
 " , Joseph, lab bds 10 Porter
 " , Joseph, em p P & A Mfg Co h 18 Galivan
 " , Urbain, lab n 18 Galivan
 Dery, Henry, emp Tracy Bros Co h Watertown rd n Irvington av
 Deschard, Samuel, painter bds Plank rd n Harpers Ferry rd
 Deschene, Anatole, rem to Bristol
 " , Diana, emp WC Co bds 40 E Liberty
 " , Henrietta wid Eusebe C, bds 40 E Liberty
 " , Isadore, emp WC Co bds 40 E Liberty
 " , John, emp S Mfg Co h 101 Fuller
 " , Joseph, woodcutter bds 101 Fuller

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**Obituaries of Franco-Americans
From Bristol, Connecticut,
Part Four**

Extracted by
Paul R. Keroack, #157

The Bristol Public Library has a card file of obituaries copied from local newspapers, of various but not consecutive years. The following pages contain extracts with French surnames within each listing in alphabetical sequence.

To finish the alphabet in the series will take a long time. If a reader desires to help continue these extractions for the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*, please contact the editor. To consult the files in the library, ask the librarian to retrieve the card file drawers from the stacks. This is installment number four of the series which began in volume 7, number 3, summer 1996.

Abbreviations

B – born	Hus – husband of	ME – Maine
Bur – buried	Son – son of	NB – New Brunswick
Ca - circa	Wid – widow of	NY – New York
Can – Canada	Wife – wife of	PA - Pennsylvania
Cem - cemetary	<i>Postal</i>	PQ – Quebec Province
D – died	CT – Connecticut	VA - Virginia
Dau – daughter of	MA – Massachusetts	VT - Vermont

Bleau, Agnes, 56, Wolcott, wife David Bleau, formerly of Bristol, d May 31, 1927; b Stanbridge, Can., dau John & Libbie Alexander; bur St. Joseph Cem, Bristol; May 31, 1927, p5c3.

Bleau, Nancy, 24, 205 Glendale Dr., d July 2, 1983; b Bristol, Oct. 22, 1958, dau Paul & Claire Bleau; bur July 5 1983, p2c1.

Boden, Otis D., 86, hus Margaret Walsh Boden, 99 Queen St., d Dec 24 1986; b Waterbury, July 30 1900, son Oliver & Clarise Rioux Boden.

Boilard, Maria Riquier, 88, 73 Gridley St., Bristol, wife Emile A. Boilard, d Mar 30 1991; b in Lanoraie, PQ, dau of Joseph & Exilda Vegiard Riquier; bur St. Joseph Cem., Bristol; Apr 1 1991, p4c1

Boisvert, Diane, wid Edward Boisvert, 55 Gaylord St., d Mar 21 1986; b St. Guillaume, PQ, dau Anselme & Christine Vincent Boucher; Mar 22 1986, p2c3

Bolduc, Irene D., of Sherbrooke, Can., wid Hermenegilde Bolduc, d Apr 22 1988; formerly of Bristol; Apr 30, 1988, p4c1

Bolduc, Jean Gilles, 60 83 Mercier Ave., hus of Carmen Dubord Bolduc; b June 2 1935 in St. Ludger, PQ; Jan 20 1996, pA2:1

Bonin, Madelaine (Pelletier), 89, of Bristol, wid Ernest Bonin; b ca. 1905 in Yamaska, PQ; d Mar 25 1995 Bristol; Mar 25, A2:2

Bonneau, Gideon, 49, 441 West St., Bristol, d Dec 7 1926; bur Montreal, Can.; Dec 8 1926, p5c3

Bonneau, Theresa Gaudreau, 79, of 106 West St., Bristol; wid Ernest Bonneau; d Apr 8 1991; b N. Stanbridge, PQ Jan 12 1912; dau Octave & Marie Anne Metheg; bur St. Peter Cem., Vergennes, VT; Apr 8 1991, p4c1

Bonnenfant, Raymond J., 19, of 239 Brentwood Rd., Bristol; d Apr 5 1985 Larchmont, NY; b Sept 24, 1965 New Britain, son Real & Arlene Saucier Bonnenfant; Apr 8 1985, p2c3

Borkowski, Alma (Raboin), 73, Fair St., Forestville, wid Stanley G. Borkowski, Sr., b June 25 1921 in Compton, PQ, d June 3 1995

Bosse, Richard D., 4, 35 Hoyer St., Bristol, d. July 4, 1985; b Mar 16 1981 Bristol, son Donald R. & Teresa MacDonald Bosse; July 5 1985, p2c4

Bossie, Maynard R., 36, 25 Central St., Forestville, formerly New Britain, hus Eileen Mahoney Bossie, b June 28 1947 in Maine, son of late Ronald & Verna Saucier Bossie; Aug 31 1983, p2c1

Bouchard, Sr. Agnes, 75, St. Ann Convent, Jacob St., Bristol; d Aug 23 1987; b Nov 2 1911 St. Agatha, ME; dau Alphonse & Agnes Tardif Bouchard; Aug 24, 1987, p4c1

Bouchard, Anna B., 77, 510 Stafford Av., wid William Tortora & George Bouchard; d June 7, 1984; b Aug 18 1906 Italy; dau James & Christina Brunette; June 8 1984, p4c1

Bouchard, Cecelia M., 84, 77 Overlook Av., Bristol; d May 14, 1990 Bristol; b Nov 14 1905 Franklin, MA; bur St. Joseph Cem., Bristol; May 15 1990, p4c1

Bouchard, Charles B., 64, Curtis La., d Sept 14, 1921; b Apr 17 1857 St. Hycinthe, Can.; Sept 15, 1921, p1c7

Bouchard, Cleo J., 43, 66 Emmett St., Forestville, hus Daine Guimond Bouchard; d Aug 16 1992 Bristol; b Dec 2 1948 St. Francis, NB; son Edwina Michaud Bouchard of Ft. Kent, ME & late Noel Bouchard; bur St Joseph Cem; Aug 17 1992, p4c2

Bouchard, Eva Marie, 89, Andrews St., Bristol, wife of Fred Bouchard; d Aug 28 1927; b in 1868 in Mariah, NY and buried there; Aug 29, 1927, p6c1

Bouchard, Jeanette Mead, 82, 81 Andrews St., wid John Bouchard; d Mar 20 1984; b Mar 23 1901 Ticonderoga, NY; dau Grant & Netta Bullis Mead

Bouchard, Joseph Donald, 63, 602 Stafford Av.; hus Bonnie Lee Bellefleur Bouchard; d Dec 1 1992; Dec 7 1928 St. Agatha, ME; Dec 2 1992, p4:1

Bouchard, Loretta A. Jacques, 80, of Bristol, formerly Ft. Kent, ME; wid Gerard J. Bouchard; d Dec 3 1995 Plymouth, CT; b Aug 18 1915 Soldier Pond, ME; bur in Ft. Kent, ME

Bouchard, Robert, 59, of Bristol; d Jan 3 1989; b June 8 1929 Bristol; son Toussaint A. & Marianne Demers Bouchard; Jan 3 1989, p4c1

Bouchard, Robert G., 52, 77 Overlook Av; d Feb 5 1985; b June 7 1932 Waterbury, VT; son George E. & Cecelia LeValley Bouchard; Feb 5 1985, p2c4

Bouchard, Rock, 68, 432 Main St., Van Buren, ME, formerly Bristol; wid Catherine Doucette Bouchard; d June 15 1983; June 16 1983, p2c1

Bouchard, Roseanna C., 153 Vance Dr.; wid Roderick J. Bouchard; d Feb 10 1987; b June 19 1916 Portage Lake, ME; dau Adolphe M. & Mary Morin Cyr; Feb 11 1987, p4c1

Boucher, Allyson, 2, 58 Overlook Av.; dau Donald & Alice Kenisher Boucher; d Feb 5 1986; b June 18 1983 Waterbury, CT; Feb 6, 1986, p2c3

Boucher, Francis R.J. Sr., 55, 81 Field St.; d Jan 28 1989; b Oct 6 1933 Bristol; son Isadore & Mary Grady Boucher; Jan 30 1989, p4c1

Boucher, George J., 76, 102 Cypress St., hus Mary Mandi Boucher; d Aug 24 1991; b Sept 19 1914 Bristol; son Joseph & Hermine Lasnier Boucher; bur St. Joseph Cem; Aug 26 1991, p4c1

Boucher, Ginette, 44, 154 Emmett St.; b May 22 1951 Edmonston, NB; d Jan 11 1996 Hartford, CT; bur in Bristol; Jan 12 1996, A2:1

Boucher, Joseph Harold, 49, of Bristol, formerly Shelton, CT; d Feb 2 1995 Cheshire, CT; b May 11 1945 Ft. Kent, ME; bur Southington, CT; Feb 4 1995, A2:1

Boucher, Laurette Michaud, 72, 28 Judd St.; wid Lionel Boucher; d Aug 8 1992; b St. Francis, NB; dau Edward & Eglie (Levasseur) Michaud; bur St. Joseph Cem., Bristol; Aug 10 1992, p4c1

Boucher, Leo P., 77, formerly of Bristol; wid Frances Stone Boucher; d Apr 8 1985 in VA; b Sept 16 1907 Bristol; son Joseph & Herminie (Lasnier) Boucher; Apr 9 1985, p2c3

Boucher, Lionel J., 70, 28 Judd St.; hus Laurette Michaud Boucher; d June 15 1992; b Sept 27 1921 St. Francis, NB; son Theodore & Lucendy (Levesque) Boucher; bur Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill, CT; June 16 1992, p4c1

Boucher, May Rose "Mary," 85, of Waterbury, formerly of Bristol; wid Isadore Boucher; d Mar 17 1992; b Dec 19 1906; bur Cedar Hill Cem., Hartford, CT; Mar 18 1992, p4c1

Boucher, Norbert, 51, 561 N. Main St.; d May 24 1929; bur St. Thomas Cem., Bristol; May 25 1929, p1c3

Boucher, Yvette Fleury, 75, 284 N. Main St.; wid Leo Boucher; b Feb 12 1921 Lac Megantic, Can.; d Feb 19 1995; Feb 20 1995, A2:1

Boudreau, Philomaine, Mrs., 91, of 69 Wolcott St.; d June 20 1929; bur St. Thomas Cem, Bristol; June 21 1929, p5c2

Bouffard, Evelyn (Rasmus) Polletta, 45, 41 Willow La., New Hartford, CT; wid Mark Bouffard; d Apr 29 1989; b Apr 2 1944 Nanticoke, PA; dau late Anthony & Catherine Bedliecki Rasmus; bur St. Joseph Cem, Bristol; May 1 1989, p4c1

Bouffard, William J., 87, wid Rose Marie Guertin Bouffard, 45 Vance Dr.; b 1896 Ellington; son Peter & Ellen DeForge Bouffard

Boulier, Elizabeth B., 70, wife Frank E. Boulier, 4 Cottage St., Bristol; d Oct 8 1926 [sic]; bur West Cem., Bristol; Oct 9 1928, p5c5

Bourbeau, George E., 90, of 61 Bellevue Av.; hus Yvonne (Bourbeau) Bourbeau; d Apr 22 1988; b Apr 18 1898 Epping, NY; Apr 23 1988, p4c1

Bourbeau, Laurette P., 84, of 61 Bellevue Av.; wid Alfred Bourbeau; d Mar 29 1988; b June 25 1902 St. Felix de Kensey, PQ; dau Leopold Prince; Mar 30 1988, p4c1

Bourbeau, Yvonne (Bourbeau), 92, of 61 Bellevue Av., wid George Bourbeau; b Nov 29 1897 Kingsley, PQ; bur St. Joseph Cem., Bristol; May 11, 1990, p4c1

Bourgeois, Norman B., 81, of 500 Stafford Ave, hus Ann Meisinger Bourgeois; b Oct 24 1911 Gardner, MA, d Mar 8 1993; Mar 8 1993, p.4:1

Bourget, John E., 79, 571 Terryville Av., hus Mildred Landry Bourget, d Sept 10 1990; b June 24 1911 Grande Riviere, PQ, son John & Agnes Delarosbie Bourget; bur St. Francis Cem., Waterville, ME; Sept 11, 1990 p.4c1

JACQUES DEVOE & MARIE CHARLOTTE BOUCHER

by: Carlton Vincent Raymond

Chapter 4

Their Pedigree

JACQUES DEVOE, the son of THOMAS and JEANNE COUILLARD, was born in the parish of Saint Planchers, dioceses of Coutances, Province of Normandy, France. His date of birth and any information about his father and mother, if such exists, probably will be found when I make the necessary queries from France.

The following is my English translation of a French Canadian document as it appeared on a microfilmed record of a Notre Dame de Liesse church register of baptisms, marriages and burials in the parish of Riviere Ouelle, Kamouraska County, Province of Quebec, Canada:

"B. 3 Marie Charlotte Boucher (Pierre)

In the year one thousand seven hundred seven on the eighteenth day of January by me the undersigned priest and pastor of Notre Dame de Liesse was performed the ceremonies of baptism, to Marie Charlotte born the eighth of December 1706, daughter of Pierre Boucher and Marie Anne Michau his wife. The godfather was Adrien Thiboutot and the godmother Marie Madeleine Michau who declared they could not write or sign as required by ordinance.

Bernard De Requeleyne P.C."

MARIE CHARLOTTE BOUCHER, the daughter of PIERRE and MARIE ANNE MICHAUD, was born on December 8, 1706 and baptized on January 18, 1707, in the parish of Riviere Ouelle.

On November 10, 1740 JACQUES and MARIE CHARLOTTE were married in the parish of Saint Louis, Kamouraska, Kamouraska County, Province of Quebec, Canada.

The following is my English translation of a French Canadian document as it appeared on a microfilmed record of a church register of baptisms, marriages and burials in the parish of Saint Louis:

"6 Marriage of Jacques Deveau & M. Charlotte Boucher

In the year one thousand forty the tenth of the month of november after having published three banns in the parish record the first on the day of the feast of St Jude the second the sunday thirtieth of october and the third the day of all saints between Jacques Devos, son of Thomas Devos and Jeanne Couillard from St Planche' parish in the diocese of Coutances, of one part and Marie charlotte boucher daughter of deceased pierre boucher and Marie anne Michaud the father and mother from this parish of the other part and finding no objection to the marriage. I the undersigned priest and pastor of the parish of St Louis of Kamouraska having received their mutual consent to marry did give them the nuptial benediction with the ceremonies required by our mother the Holy Church In the presence of pierre and joseph hudon say beaulieu father and son and Augustin and joseph Labouliere say La plante and joseph boucher brother of the wife and francois

Albert her brother in law and pierre Michaud her uncle from this parish the witnesses who all declared with the husband that they could not write or sign as required by ordinance.

Auclair Pte Cure”

The following is my English translation of text as it appears, in part, on page 6 and 36 in the book SAINT-ANDRE de KAMOURASKA by the Comite des Fetes du Bicentenaire Saint-Andre 1991:

“Pierre Boucher, son of Jean-Galeran and husband of Marie-Anne Michaud was the first farmer of Riviere-des-Caps, at the extreme eastern edge of the future Saint-Andre parish (the present residence of Denis Michaud). The sons of Pierre Boucher, Pierre and Michel both inheritors of their father, each occupied one half of the paternal land. Their sister Marie-Charlotte, wife of Jacques Deneau (Devos or Deveau), occupied the land next to her brother Pierre; they were the first occupants of the land that now belong to Georges Laforest.....”.

“The first seigneur of Kamouraska, Olivier Morel, had opened in 1694 the kings road of Kamouraska up to Saint-Germain. In keeping to the custom of that era, the route measured twenty-four feet wide.

On the 23, 24 and 25 june 1746, the royal road made a reality by Olivier Morel that ran a short distance from the river was completed to the Riviere-des-Caps (the extreme northeast area of Saint-Andre) by the fifth seigneur, Louis Morel, son of Olivier. This route of about four leagues allowed access to the church of Kamouraska, the village and the mill. Those present at the verbal agreement were Pierre

Michaud, captain of the home guard, Pierre Desjardin, ensign, Michel and Pierre Boucher, Simon Dumont, Charles-Francois Le Marquis, Jacques Devos, farmers of Riviere-des-Caps,....”

JACQUES and **MARIE CHARLOTTE** had at least seven children. All born in the parish of Saint Louis.

Marie Charlotte Devoe, the first child, was born on July 9 and baptized on July 10, 1741. She died in October, at the age of 15, and was buried on October 22, 1756 in the parish cemetery.

JOSEPH CLEMENT DEVOE, the second child, was born on October 20 and baptized on October 21, 1742. He married **ROSE MICHAUD**, the daughter of **JOSEPH** and **MARGUERITE CORDEAU**, on February 27, 1775 in the parish of Riviere Ouelle. They had at least twelve children. The first eight (Marie Reine, Joseph Marie, Firmin, ANTOINE, Marie Zenobie, Rosalie, Marie Suzanne and Marie Theotiste) were born in the parish of Saint Louis. The rest (Marie Modeste, Michel, Ursule and Honore) were born in the same place which had now become the parish of Saint Andre, Kamouraska County, Province of Quebec, Canada. **JOSEPH CLEMENT** died, at the age of 63, on February 12 and was buried on February 13, 1806 and **ROSE** died, at the age of 70, on November 17 and was buried on November 19, 1826 in the parish cemetery of Saint Andre.

Jean Baptiste Devoe, the third child, was born on May 11 and baptized on June 29 1744. He died in July and was buried on July 19, 1744 in the parish cemetery of Saint Louis.

Marie Genevieve Devoe, the fourth

child, was born on May 18, and baptized on May 24, 1745. She married Jean Baptiste Belanger, the son of Ignace and Catherine Pepin, on November 24, 1777 in the parish of Saint Louis.

Marie Julienne Devoe, the fifth child, was born on April 9 and baptized on April 14, 1747. She married Jean Lavoie, the son of Augustin and Marguerite Michaud, on November 11, 1767 in the parish of Saint Louis. She died on March 28, at the age of 89 years and 11 months, and was buried on March 30, 1837 in the parish cemetery.

Francois Germain Devoe, the sixth child, was born on March 13 and baptized on April 3, 1752. He died in September and was buried on September 18, 1756 in the parish cemetery of Saint Louis.

Marie Madeleine Devoe, the seventh child, was born in 1755. She married Pierre LaForest, the son of Pierre and Louise Mignault, on August 19, 1771 in the parish of Saint Louis.

The following is my English translation of text as it appears, in part, on page 6 in the book SAINT-ANDRE de KAMOURASKA by the Comite des Fetes du Bicentenaire Saint-Andre 1991:

“On the afternoon of 16 april 1753, in the house of Michel Boucher, Joseph Michaud, Joseph and Alexandre Le Marquis, Pierre and Michel Boucher, at Riviere-des-Caps (the extreme northeast area of Saint-Andre) in the presence of Pierre Michaud, son, Andre Ouellet, Etienne-Emanuel Ouellet, Michel Dumont, Jean-Baptiste Michaud, Nicolas Cote, Jacques Devost, Simon Dumont, all farmers of Riviere-des-Caps, Riviere-a-Fouquette and l’Islet-du-Portage permitted Jean

Bonenfant, merchant from Riviere-Ouelle to build a saw mill in the fief of Verbois above the river Fouquette, to take wood of all species from their land except for the maples and utilizing one acre around the mill. In return, Jean Bonenfant promises that his mill will saw at half price all the wood that these farmers bring to the mill. Also he promises to give to the wife of the property owner, Pierre Boucher, a satin jacket, a ‘calamande’ floral petticoat, a pair of three wool stocking, a pair of beaver shoes. The road going from the river to the mill and from the mill to the “piniere?” the length of the river Fouquette will be built at half cost. All the farmers should fence off the road that goes to the mill. Bonenfant promises again to give to the wife of Pierre Boucher a jacket and a cotton floral petticoat because it was his land that the road would pass on. Alexis Nadeau and Etienne-Manuel Ouellet, farmers from Kamouraska (?) were present at the conclusion of this agreement. The notary Joseph Dionne invited Jacques Devost, Jean Bonenfant, Joseph Marquis, Pierre Boucher and Alexis Nadeau to sign the contract.

The following is my English translation of a French Canadian document as it appeared on a microfilmed record of a church register of baptisms, marriages and burials in the parish of Saint Louis:

“34 Internment of marie charlotte boucher wife of jacques devot:

In the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty six the twenty-first day of the month of september was interred in the cemetery of this parish the body of marie charlotte boucher wife of jacques devot age of about fifty years after having received

ceremonies and sacraments that is customary the said internment was done in the presence of augustin lavoie alexandre michaud eleazard morin and francois marquis who all declared that they could not write or sign as required by ordinance.

Trutault pre”

MARIE CHARLOTTE died in September 1756, at the age of 49, and was buried on September 21, 1756 in the parish cemetery of Saint Louis.

The following is my English translation of a French Canadian document as it appeared on a microfilmed record of a church register of baptisms, marriages and burials in the parish of Saint Louis:

“4 Marriage of jacques devots and angelique mignier:

In the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight on the sixth day of the month of february after having published three banns during three preceeding sundays between jacques devots widow of marie bouche farmer from this parish of one part and of marie angelique migne resident of this parish daughter of andre migne and deceased genevieve rousseau the father and mother farmer from the ste anne of the other part and finding no objection to the marriage I the undersigned priest and pastor of the parish of St Louis of Kamouraska having received their mutual consent to marry did give them the nuptial benediction with all the ceremonies required by our mother the Holy Church In the presence of francois raimond guillaume plourde andte migne andre migne pierre foucette jean Raimond who signed with me. francois Raymond jacque devoe Trutaut

JACQUES married Angelique Mignier, the daughter of Andre and Genevieve Rousseau, on February 6, 1758 in the parish of Saint Louis. They had two children together.

On February 14, 1759 Jean Baptiste Devoe, their first child, was born in the parish of Saint Louis.

On January 9, 1760, Charles Devoe, their second child conceived just before **JACQUES** died, was born in the parish of Saint Anne de La Pocatiere.

The following is my English translation of a French Canadian document as it appeared on a microfilmed record of a church register of baptisms, marriages and burials in the parish of Saint Louis:

“4 Internment of jacques Devots:

In the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine on the twenty-second day of the month the month of march by me the missionary priest pastor of the parish of st louis of Kamouraska was interred in the cemetery of this parish the body of jacques devots who died ????? suddenly after having received the sacraments the said internment was done with all the ceremonies that is customary ???.

Trutault pte.”

JACQUES died suddenly and was buried on May 22, 1759 at the age of ???, in the parish of Saint Louis.

Angelique married Charles Fortin on June 14, 1762 in the parish of Saint Louis.

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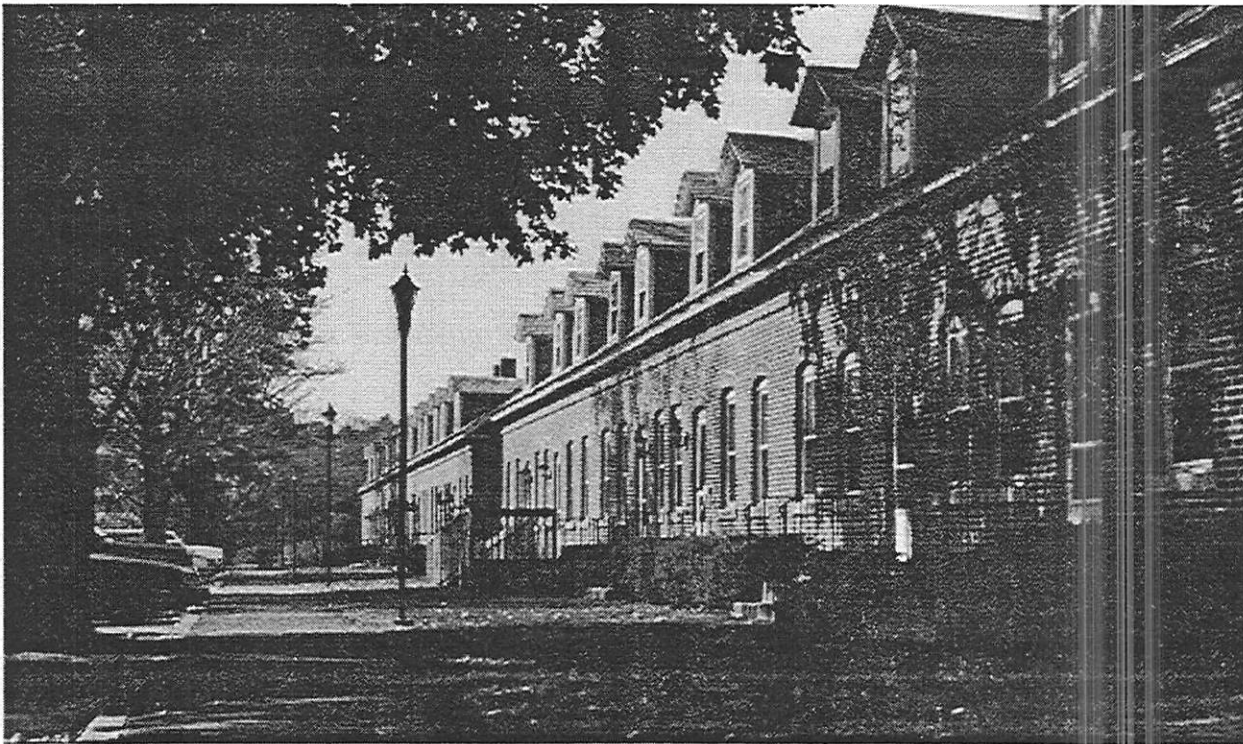
Quebec Square

A French-Canadian Mill Village in Brooklyn, Conn.

Story and Photos by Ivan N. Robinson, #329

Many people of French-Canadian ancestry live in Connecticut because their grandparents or earlier forebears were recruited from Quebec in the latter half of the 1800s and early 1900s to work in the textile mills here.

In Connecticut, these ancestors settled especially in northeastern mill villages along the Quinebaug River, which flows from the Massachusetts line to Norwich and provided water power for many mills.



Quebec Square's 1881 brick tenements have been restored by the town as low-income housing.

What was life like for these French-speaking immigrants from the poor farms and small villages of Canada, seeking a better life for themselves? That's the question for any descendant who wants to go beyond collecting names on a pedigree chart, who wants to flesh out the details of long-ago lives.

Many millworker houses have been swept away by rot and ruin. Others, saved by kinder hands, have been renovated and changed so much from their neighbors that their origins are hardly recognizable.

Luckily, a Connecticut mill village still exists in almost its original state and it's in a place called Quebec. Yes, believe it or not, a Quebec in Connecticut. Once a French-speaking enclave, it is a tiny section of Brooklyn in northeastern Connecticut, just off Route 6. In the center of this section is Quebec Square, a mill village that has been restored into low-income housing.

Although it's not a re-creation designed for visitors, it's still worth a quick detour if you're traveling through the area on Route 6. Look for South Main St. and follow that its eastern end, then take Tiffany Street on the right. Tiffany ends at the Square. You'll see how at least some

mill owners of the 1800s planned and built well for their workers and how conveniently close the village was to the mill — no commuting problems then. You may even have a chance to talk with residents, some with French names who have returned to where they grew up.

Quebec Square consists of six buildings, arranged in a U, of one-and-a-half story, brick, slate-roofed tenements embracing a huge grassy courtyard shaded by 100-year-old maple trees. Each building originally contained eight tenements in town-house fashion — that is, cheek by jowl with common walls separating them. In the old days, there were 48 tenements in all. In today's restored buildings, there are 57 apartments of one to four bedrooms each.

The Square was built in 1881 for workers at the Quinebaug Company's cotton mill, just a short walk away on the west bank of the Quinebaug River. Over the years, it was home to families with such names as Gagnon, Barbeau, Goulet, Gladu, Desjardins, Lambert, Langlois, Messier and Goudreau.

Those were the days when enlightened company owners valued their immigrant workers and went to great pains to ensure their welfare. Quebec Square was carefully planned to meet that end. The community was pretty much self-sufficient. Everything needed for daily life was close at hand. Neighbors spoke the same tongue. In addition, the company took care of the buildings. It whitewashed the tenement ceilings each year and painted and wallpapered the kitchens every three years.

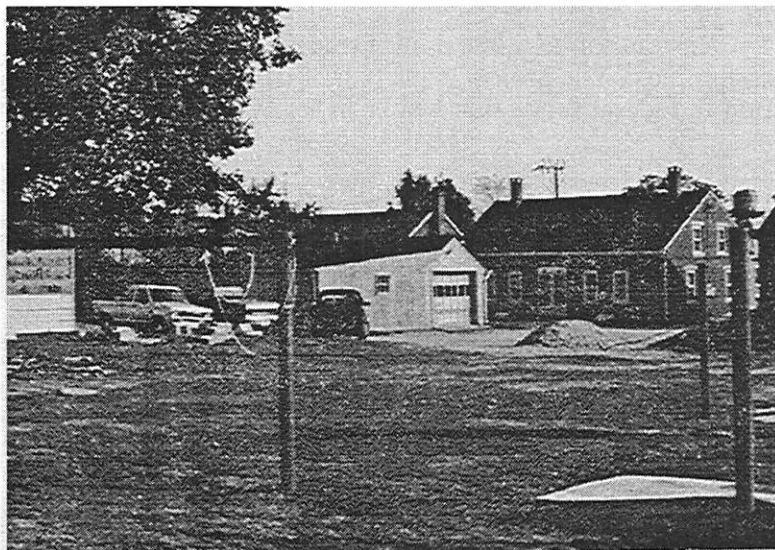
Each tenement had three rooms downstairs and three rooms in the attic area upstairs. The kitchens faced the courtyard. Water came through pipes from a nearby spring. Each family had a wood and coal stove for cooking and warmth. Until the 1920s, when the mill began to generate electricity, kerosene lamps were the chief source of light after dark.

The courtyard, a beautiful expanse of lawn today, was not always so. It once was lined with sheds for storing coal and wood. By the mid-1970s, when town officials began thinking of restoration, the courtyard had become cluttered with loose bricks, parked cars, broken bicycles and shattered glass. Many of the sheds were nothing but burned out skeletons, presumably set afire by children who played in them.

But in the early 1900s, life in Quebec Square was good. One resident, remembering back to 1914 when she first arrived, called it "a little paradise." It was not uncommon to be born in the square, grow up there, get married and settle in a tenement across the courtyard.

The square was surrounded by pastures, creating almost an idyllic setting for the French-Canadian families. The nearby Quinebaug invited swimming and picnicking in warm weather and ice skating in the winter. Quebec Hill to the north made an ideal place for sledding. Both grownups and kids found plenty of opportunities to get together — in the vegetable and flowers gardens that everybody had in the courtyard, on the front-door steps where they gathered in the evening to trade gossip, in the surrounding fields and by the river where children played.

There was a company grocery store in the older Upper Village where families could buy everything from food to furniture. Someone from the store went around in a wagon in the morning taking orders and delivered them in the afternoon. In addition, each end of the courtyard had a little store run by residents where people stopped to buy candy or tobacco and to chat.



Upper Village area, still unrestored, contains sheds, clothesline poles and other clutter once seen in Quebec Square.

Sundown on Saturdays was the signal to crowd together in one home or another to dance, sing and listen to French-Canadian music. There was a party somewhere every Saturday night.

On special occasions, children walked into Danielson for movies and a plate of ice cream and to ride on the trolleys. On summer Sundays, families took the five-cent trolley ride to Alexander Lake in Dayville for a day of swimming, dancing and picnicking.

All the good times came, of course, in return for hard work. Often, whole families worked in the mill — father, mother and children over 16. Some children lied about their ages to get a job and help out their families.

In the 1890s, the Quinebaug Mill was the largest employer in the Danielson area, keeping 750 people busy making 28 miles of cloth a day in buildings specializing in winding, spinning, weaving and other operations. Just before World War I, workers were earning about \$10 a week and paying around one dollar a week for rent.

In the 1850s, company records show, the workforce was about evenly divided between people of Irish and Yankee heritage. By the late 1860s, French names began to appear on the company payrolls, usually misspelled. By the 1880s, the workforce was almost entirely French Canadian.

The mill, like most of New England's textile industry, declined in the 1930s as manufacturers went south, looking for cheaper labor and closer proximity to raw goods. By 1975, Quebec Square was deemed a blighted area and a trouble spot for police and firefighters.

Things came to a head when new sewer lines were extended into the area and some tenements, now owned privately, were in danger of being torn down by owners who didn't want to pay the hookup costs. The town, through a newly created housing authority, bought the complex and launched its restoration project in 1978 with \$2 million in state and federal funds. The 44 families then living in Quebec Square were relocated. Four years later, with restoration completed, people began moving back in again.

Restoration continued until recently on the hill above the square in the Upper Village, an older complex. The project came to a stop after the budget-conscious Congress withdrew the \$3.5 million in federal funds that had been set aside for continuing the project. Future work is uncertain.



The Upper Village houses are also made of brick but they are free-standing and smaller. In the unrestored area, sheds still abound, as well as cluttered yards. If you visit, you'll find them a vivid contrast to what you will see in the fully restored Quebec Square — where hard-working French-Canadians spent some happy days working hard and raising their families.

Quebec Square's central courtyard, shaded by venerable maples.

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Introduction to the WPA Ethnic Survey Reports
Written by William J. Flynn and Morris Krug about
Societe St-Jean Baptiste de Willimantic

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William J. Flynn and Morris Krug reported on a total of twelve French-Canadian organizations in their work for the Federal Writers' Project in Willimantic, Connecticut. Along with Societe St-Jean-Baptiste, they wrote reports on Union des Franco-Américains du Connecticut, Ladies of Ste. Anne, St. Mary's Parish, Enfants de Marie, Ladies of St. Anthony, Counsel Florimond No. 74 of Union St-Jean Baptiste, Counsel Ste-Cecile No. 113 of Union St-Jean-Baptiste, (both of which they initially confuse with Societe St-Jean-Baptiste), Ligue du Sacre-Coeur, Garde Sacred Heart, and the Franco-American Civic and Social Club. The entirety of their work will be reprinted in the *Connecticut Maple Leaf* through installments since the French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut is the only Franco-American organization in Connecticut primarily concerned with the history of Franco-American families (genealogy) and Franco-American communities (local history).

In this issue of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*, the first of two reports on Societe St-Jean-Baptiste is reprinted. The earlier version is stamped with the date of January 16, 1937 by the Willimantic Office of the Federal Writers' Project. It is eleven pages in the original including the bibliography. For whatever reason, the essay and the bibliography are regarded as separate units, each with its own identification number, 924 and 925 respectively. The later version is dated February 1, 1937 by Flynn and Krug. It is fifteen pages in the original but is missing the page of bibliography. Of the two reports, the earlier version seems to be complete until the last sentence in the bibliography is read: "Note: Mr. Krug attended a meeting and consulted several members whose names I do not know. Since Mr. Krug has been ill, I have been unable to consult him in this matter." From Mr. Flynn's note, it can be assumed he is the sole author of the January 16, 1937 version, and it may be the reason a second report was written, which is the sole instance two reports were written about a society. Despite the conjecture, the only fact we have is that the January 16, 1937 version is incomplete by admission, and the February 1, 1937 version is incomplete by loss of the page of bibliography.

As established in the series which began in the last issue, the documentation used by the Connecticut State Library so as to find the original is given in bold-face at the beginning of the reprint. The next six lines give the information as to the name of the file, the authors, the date the authors wrote the report, the date the Willimantic Office of the Federal Writers' Project stamped the report, and the essay number of the report. In this report, Flynn and Krug did not date the report, and for unknown reasons, the report and its bibliography have separate essay numbers. The use of the essay numbering system is from the Federal Writers' Project cataloging system, and can be used as a cross-reference in the file entitled "List of Persons Interviewed" which is found in WPA – Ethnic Group Survey, Record Group 33, Box 94.

The line that reads "The Life of the Group as Revealed by Its Institutions" but in capitol letters, is found on the report as a headline. The second version of the report does

not have this headline, nor does any other report by William J. Flynn and Morris Krug. Although the use of a headline in all capitol letters may seem naïve, it does have a great deal of truth in it, since Societe St-Jean-Baptiste preceded the other eleven organizations. Also, Societe St-Jean-Baptiste lasted until eight or nine years ago according to Alfred R. Cote of Willimantic, the society's last recording secretary, in a telephone conversation I had with him on Monday, February 2, 1998. It is remarkable that a parish-wide, mutual benefit organization without ties to a national organization could last for about 110 years.

Notation

It is obvious some modern improvements have been used in the typesetting of the reprint. The title of the report, "St. Jean Baptiste Society: A Fraternal and Mutual Aid Organization" is simply centered in upper and lower case type in the original. The three part subheadings, "I. Rise of the Organization," "II. Development," and "III. Functioning," originally appear with underlines, and not bold-face. The two books in the bibliography are not underlined, not italicized, in the original. The notations in the original are in parenthesis, but handwritten in the margins on the pages, so it is my judgement as to which sentence they belong. My notes are numbered consecutively and are in sub-case. Words, or portions of words which appear in brackets, [brackets], mean that I have made an emendation to the original. Errors which were corrected by an editor in the original are reprinted with a double-strike. Errors which I have found are retained, but the correction is found next to it in brackets.

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The French Canadians of Willimantic

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THE LIFE OF THE GROUP AS REVEALED BY ITS INSTITUTIONS

St. Jean Baptiste Society A Fraternal and Mutual Aid Organization

I. Rise of [the] Organization.

The St. Jean Baptiste Society, a local fraternal and mutual aid organization, is the oldest French Canadian society in the town of Windham. (1) "La Societe de Bienfaisance de Willimantic," as it is known in French, was founded on May 30, 1880. (4) The date, that of Decoration Day₁, is significant, for as it is consecrated by the United States to the heroic dead, so too did the local French founders consecrate their society to their homeland and this country. Feeling also that this organization would result in a closer

unification which would help them remember Canada and help them give greater service to the United States, they adopted the motto: "S'aider les uns les autres."²

The society was founded by a group of twenty-eight men, who consisted of several merchants and skilled tradesmen, and a majority of mill workers.³

Difficulty was experienced in obtaining authentic details of the early years of the organization, for the original records have been lost and we were forced to rely on the uncertain memories of the few living first members.

The initiative to organize cannot be traced to one man. A group, closely allied because of identical language, customs and church affiliations, assembled, and actuated by a desire for the strength which unity affords, they formed their organization. Membership was limited to French Canadian men above twenty-one years of age. At that time, the immigrant group of French Canadians numbered about 1,400.⁴

The aims and objectives are expressed in its constitution: (4)

"The friends of the French Canadian nationality of Willimantic, keenly impressed with the advantages of association in general, and wishing to give to their countrymen far from the country of their birth, the chance to conserve a lasting memory in order to conform to the motto of the Province of Quebec, "I remember," have founded a Society of Beneficence destined to reunite them under the same fraternal laws.

"This act of acknowledgment will not stop them from recognizing and defending with loyalty the flag of the Great Republic, which is now their protector, and from striving to make their members as many as possible citizens of the United States.

"The Constitution and Rules of the Society dedicate themselves in a firm and solid manner, through the means of an entrance fee and certain monthly dues, to the principles of philanthropy and nationality contained in the preamble."

The society was patterned after a similar organization in Canada, also called Societe St. Jean Baptiste. The latter was founded by Ludger Duvernay, who was aided by Sir George Etienne Cartier; and it first came into existence in the Province of Quebec.⁵ This society was for the advancement of French Canadians on all foreign soils and an inspiration for them to found similar organizations in their various settlements. In the transfer the local prototype retained all the ideals and principles of the parent organization, but was, of necessity, begun on a very humble scale. It lacked a meeting home; its dues were smaller; it could make no immediate provision for the payment of benefits; and it was not incorporated.

Apparently, as far as is known, no local organizations served as a model. St. Jean Baptiste was patterned exclusively after the original in Canada. (4)

At first, meeting places were held in any available building. For the most part, private dwellings were used, but occasionally, a local hall was hired for larger affairs. The organization eventually acquired a permanent home of its own, when St. Mary's Parish was formed in 1903. Then the auditorium of the church was made available for meetings. (3)

II. Development

The organization has been in existence for fifty-seven years. This existence has been continuous; the society has never been disrupted, even for a short period. (2)

Present heads of the organization differ from those of the past in that they are chosen, not only by the virtue of their fraternal interest and seniority, but because, in addition, they may be outstanding in local civic affairs. There has been evinced a tendency in late years to elect to the executive post of the society men who have had experience in local civic affairs and who are noted for their leadership in social and church affairs. Merchants and businessmen who are members, it has naturally ~~has~~ been decided, are generally more capable of administering the financial matters than those less experienced in such matters. Accordingly, although no rigid set of rules require definite qualifications in society officers, those who have a natural bent for leadership and who have demonstrated their capabilities through experience are generally elected to offices. It would seem that this system does not differ in principle from that of the early days of the organization. Men elected to offices then were leaders of the small French element in town and were experienced in the ways of the home organization in Quebec. Then, too, former officers were of Canadian birth, while those of the present day have been born in the United States, although of French Canadian parentage. (3)

Present day members do not differ on age from those of the past. Twenty-one was the minimum age limit for those wishing to join, and it remains so today. Members now, however, do differ in education, background, wealth, and experience. In 1880, when the organization was formed, its members were practically all mill workers, with a very small, almost negligible minority of merchants and tradesmen. (3) They were, as a result, poor tenants of the mills who worked for small wages. Today, however, members show a greater degree of prosperity and education. The majority are property owners of the sons of such; and the society contains, as well, among its members, several of the local priests, civic leaders, and professional men. (1) They represent a group, not striving to gain a foothold in a strange land as was originally the case, but one which has already established itself in the community. The forming of a parish some thirty-four years ago has given to them an even greater strength, and a wise councillor [counselor] in the form of their pastor. (5), This, too, has resulted in a higher average of educated members, for the establishment of a parochial school evoked an added stimulus for education and culture. Like their fathers, they still cling to their language, traditions, and customs of their homeland.

There has been a change in the form of an increase in the number of members. This increase was a gradual and normal one from 1880 until 1926 when an intensive membership campaign was started. Evening parties and small public parades were held.

As a result, the membership rose above two hundred. The present membership is three hundred and ten.⁸ (4)

Various constitutional changes have been effected through the years. Although remaining unchanged in principle [principal] and general purpose, amendments have been made in regard to incorporation and payment dues. The first articles of incorporation were granted in 1897.⁹ Incorporated for \$10,000, the society wished to increase the amount of incorporation to \$20,000. This request was granted, June 14, 1913.¹⁰ Until the first of October 1919, the society had followed its old custom whereby a contribution of seventy-five cents a month was charged each member and the proceeds turned over to a general fund. The need was felt, however, to amend the constitution so that it would harmonize with that of more modern associations. Therefore, according to an amendment, the funds were divided into three classes: mortuary, beneficiary, and administrative, with a new monthly contribution from each member of eighty-five cents. Of this amount, thirty-five cents was given to each of the first two classes, mortuary and beneficiary, and fifteen cents to the administrative class. Under these regulations, the society has done well, paying three hundred dollars upon the death of a member, and paying sums of equal amount for sick benefits. (4)¹¹

Comparing conditions of the organization in the past to those prevailing at present, one finds a greater smoothness and order in the ~~conduction~~ of meetings, a more strict [stricter] adherence to parliamentary law. This, of course, is but natural, since in 1880-85, when the organization was founded, its components were unlearned men, and were ignorant of correct parliamentary procedure.¹² Then, too, the meeting place, St. Mary's Hall, offers more facilities than did the small dwellings where the first meetings of the society were held. (1)

The organization has not been forced to form separate branches for the youth. Neither has it any branch organizations. Its affiliation with the mother organization is rather unusual, for in some ways the connection is close and others remote. Unlike another French society, L'Union St. Jean Baptiste, a national organization, this particular St. Jean Baptiste is not bound to a mother organization nor is it a branch organization. Instead, it is merely patterned in principle, tradition, and constitution after the original St. Jean Baptiste society in Quebec; no payment of national dues or any such material tie exists between the two. And the same holds true for the various St. Jean Baptiste societies which exist in various American communities. Occasionally, they send delegates to a joint meeting and celebration, but they are not considered by the French as branches of a huge national organization. It must be emphasized that this society should not be confused with the similarly named, but younger and a national organization, L'Union St. Jean Baptiste. (2)¹³

Improvements in meeting facilities were brought about by the formation of St. Mary's Parish and the building of St. Mary's Hall, which houses and serves as a meeting place and social gathering point for the various societies of Willimantic.

III. Functioning.

A member of St. Jean Baptiste Society stated that the attitudes of his organization toward American life and institutions is expressed in their constitution. (2) They are first and last loyal American citizens, cognizant of the opportunities offered by the United

States, and [are] wholehearted in their admiration for their adopted country. This attitude is reflected in the careers of several outstanding local French Canadians. Many have been aldermen, member of the schoolboard, and have held various civic positions in town. Pierre Laramee,¹⁴ is the present mayor of Willimantic, and a state senator; the local tax collector is also a French Canadian, and a member of this society.¹⁵ And all have performed their respective duties in an excellent and unimpeachable fashion. Although the members of this society saw fit to organize at an early date, manifestly for political and social reasons, they have never been clannish. Many of them are local merchants, but the others do not confine their patronage to them for this reason. American born businessmen obtain fully as much of their trade as do the French Canadian storekeepers. Then, too, they have served in the World War¹⁶; they belong to the local National Guard unit; and they join enthusiastically in the celebration of American holidays. From all accounts, it can be stated that these society members are one hundred per cent American.

On the other hand, they are not forgetful of their native country. They persist in clinging to their language, customs, traditions, and legends. Their parish parochial school is taught by French nuns,¹⁷ who endeavor to instill these ideals in the young, while at the same time, they teach them to be loyal Americans. St. Jean Baptiste Society feels that a knowledge of the language is desirable since it is theirs. Several members interviewed maintain that French should be taught to the youth before English because it must be learned first in order to be properly spoken and understood. As to the observance of their own national holidays, they celebrate those of religious significance. Canadian civic holidays are not observed. (1, 2),¹⁸

Note: In many ways, the attitude of all French societies toward the aforementioned topics are similar, for the church is the fulcrum of their daily affairs. All of their lives appear to revolve around it, and around the pastor who is regarded by them as an all-wise director and adviser.

Concerning social gatherings the society runs an occasional dance, an annual New Year's Eve social, plays for benefit purposes, summer picnics, and aids the parish in holding weekly "Bingo" nights. Following is the reproduction of the program of the society's fiftieth anniversary, which is typical of their larger and more infrequent formal celebrations: (4),¹⁹

Monday, June 16, at Salle Al-Pierre

Amusements

- 8:00 Ouverture by the orchestra --- Morceaux Canadians
- 8:30 Amusements by the troupe, Ace Amusements of Providence. Six acts.
- 9:15 Dance
- 10:30 Intermission. Refreshments. Ice cream, cookies, etc.
- 10:45 Amusements by the troop, six acts.
- 11:15 Dance
- 1:00 End of evening's entertainment.

One such auspicious occasions, the day is opened by a mass, which is largely attended and which is replete with all the color and pageantry of the French Catholic Church.

The following is a banquet program:

	Master of Ceremonies -- Rev. H.C. Belec ₂₀
Orchestra	America
Hymn to St. [Jean] Baptiste	By the Assemblage
Prayer	Rev. J.J. Papillon ₂₁

Presentation of the first speaker, the Mayor of Willimantic (not a French Canadian), by a society member.²² Reply to the mayor and consequent exchange of courtesies by another society member.

Address of welcome by the president of the society. There follows then several visiting speakers of note, for the most part, French Canadians, who have made their mark in the literary, civic, and professional worlds. In conclusion, the history of the society was delivered by a member.

The objectives of such a gathering, aside from social aims, is to cement the ties between French Canadians by enabling them to recall their customs, traditions, legends, etc.

Present programs differ from those of the past, largely because of increased prosperity, greater acquaintance with the United States, and the broader views which have come with modern times. A present day dance, for example, is for more informal than one of the early part of the twentieth century. Young people mingle more freely; there is less restriction and chaperonage; and the dance steps, in particular, are entirely American. The music, too, is American jazz, instead of the old folk tunes which were formerly danced to.²³ In addition, more peoples of other nationalities are in attendance at present day affairs. (1)

Generally speaking, it is difficult to differentiate between the various aspects which are peculiar to the different societies' functions. The social affairs of the different French Canadian organizations have much in common and the individual dances, plays, etc, do not vary to any great extent.

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- Note: Mr. Krug attended a meeting and consulted several members whose names I do not know. Since Mr. Krug has been ill, I have been unable to consult him in this matter.

Notes to the report stamped January 16, 1937
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1. Decoration Day is now better known as Memorial Day, and is currently celebrated on the last Monday in May.
 2. “S’aider les uns les autres” translates into English as “To help one another.”
 3. It is unfortunate that William J. Flynn and Morris Krug did not list the names of the 28 men who founded Societe St-Jean-Baptiste in 1880. Although city directories for Willimantic date as early as 1873, the first reference to Societe St-Jean-Baptiste is found in the 1888 Willimantic city directory. In it, A.D. David is listed as president, Tancrede DeVillers as secretary, and Theodore Potvin as treasurer. By looking under their names in the 1888 Willimantic city directory, Adelard D. David is listed as a druggist for A.D. David and Co., Tancrede DeVillers is a grocery clerk for C.E. Carpenter and Co., and Theodore Potvin is a barber at Potvin and Vegiard Fashionable Shaving and Hair Dressing Rooms.¹ So, in 1888, Societe St-Jean-Baptiste was lead by two professional businessmen and one paid laborer.
- The only extensive list of founders for Societe St-Jean-Baptiste is from the articles of incorporation, dated May 5, 1897.² The list of 19 men who are mentioned in the articles of incorporation are listed below, along with the information about their jobs and their employers from the 1897 Willimantic city directory.³ Notice that there is only one mill worker, Louis Levesque, in the founding officers’ list below. Also notice that Hormisdas Dion, who owns a bakery, may have had an advantage in the organization in voting since two of his employees, Alphonse Chagnon and Simon Sevigny, are on the board. Lastly and most importantly, notice that a doctor, A.D. David, is among the founding members, a fact not even hinted at in the report.
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- | • Name | Job and place of employment |
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| • Napoleon Bacon | Dealer of coal & wood on 57 Moulton Court |
| • Aldege Beaulieu | Carpenter |
| • Joseph A. Belcourt | Clerk at the Boston Store on 699 Main St. – dry goods |
| • A.N. Bertrand | Employed by Delphis Boucher Saloon |
| • Octave Blanchette | Owner of Blanchette’s Domestic Bakery on 44 Church St. |

- Alphonse Chagnon Clerk at H. Dion Bakery on 36 Ash St.
 - A.D. David Physician and surgeon, owner of A.D. David & Co.
 - Hormisdas Dion Owner of H. Dion Bakery on 36 Ash St.
 - Joseph Dumas Carpenter
 - Alphonse Gelinas Owner of the livery stable and undertaker on 53 Centre St.
 - Arthur Girard Clerk at Samuel Chesbro Apothecary on 745 Main St.
 - J. Godfrey LaPalme No listing of employment.
 - Louis Levesque Employed at Windham Linen Co.
 - George Marrotte Baker employed at Michael Todt Bakery on 31 Church St.
 - Ephraim Monast Clerk employed at S.E. Amidon Grocer on 877 Main St.
 - Honore Paulhus Employee on New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad
 - Theodore Potvin Barber, owner of barber shop on 765 Main St.
 - Rudolph Racicot Clerk employed at Henry Levin Grocer on 495 Main St.
 - Simon Sevigny Clerk employed at H. Dion Baker on 36 Ash St.
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On these pages, Thomas F. Connolly clearly states that Rev. Florimond DeBruckyer founded the parish in his will, but his cousin, Rev. Arthur DeBruycker became the first pastor in 1903. As for the page reference in their footnote number 5, Flynn and Krug correctly give the page number for the first page of Chapter VI: Town of Windham, which begins on page 82 and ends on page 163. However, the article within the chapter entitled "The French-Canadians in Willimantic" is found on pages 127-130. Source: Lincoln, Allen B., ed., *A Modern History of Windham County Connecticut* (Chicago, IL: The S.J. Clarke Publishing Co., 1920), volume 1, pp: 127-130, 621-625.

7. The following brief description of St. Mary's Parish is taken from *Guide Officiel des Franco-Américains 1938*, pages 22-23 in the Willimantic, CT section. Translation by Albert J. Marceau.
 - Willimantic, Conn.: Parish of St. Mary. This parish was founded February 1, 1903. The Rev. Joseph Ubald-Jean Papillon is the current pastor; the school is under the direction of the Sisters of Charity of Tilbourt, Holland; there are 760 students and 20 religious; the population is approximately 3, 800 souls. The value of the properties is approximately \$286,000.
 - Rev. Joseph Ubald-Jean Papillon, son of Ubald Papillon, farmer, and of Marthe-Anna Lacroix, is born in Sainte-Anne-de-la-Perade, Quebec, July 4, 1866; entered the seminary at Nicolet in 1878; ordained August 17, 1890 by his Greatness Monsignor Elphage Gravel, bishop of Nicolet; named vicar at Saint-Monique de Nicolet on September 1, 1890; came to the United States [on] October 1, 1892, where he was named vicar for the church of Sainte-Anne in Waterbury, Conn. In the month of June 1899, [he became] pastor of Voluntown and Glasgow; pastor of Willimantic in 1910.
8. William J. Flynn and Morris Krug state the current membership of Societe St-Jean-Baptiste is 310, but in their "Memorandum of all Ethnic Survey Field Workers – St. Jean Baptiste Society," they state the "size of membership is 190." Which amount is correct is currently unknown.
9. Notice that the organization came into existence in 1880, but is legally incorporated in 1897. The entirety of the act of incorporation is reprinted below from *Special Laws of Connecticut, Volume 12, 1895-1897*, page 984. Also notice there are 19 officers listed in Section 1, but Section 3 states there are 15 officers.
 - Source: Connecticut General Assembly, "Incorporating the Societe de Bienfaisance St. Jean Baptiste de Willimantic." In *Special Laws of Connecticut, Volume 12, 1895-1897*. Hartford: Case, Lockwood, and Brainard Co., 1897, p: 984.
 - Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution No. 70
 - INCORPORATING THE SOCIETE DE BIENFAISANCE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE DE WILLIMANTIC.
 - *Resolved by this Assembly:* Section 1. That Alphonse Chagnon, J. Godfroy Lapalme, Agenard J. Belcourt, Simon Sevigny, Ephrem Monast, A.D. David, Arthur A. Girard, Theodore Potvin, A.N. Bertrand, George Marotte, Rodolphe Racicot, Horore Paulhus, Alphonse Gelinas, N. Aldege Beaulieu, H. Dion, Octave Blanchette, Napoleon Bacon, pere, Joseph Dumas, Louis Levesque, and such other persons as are now associated in The Societe de Bienfaisance St. Jean Baptiste, de Willimantic, et des

environs, or may hereafter be associated with them, be and they hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of The Societe de Bienfaisance St. Jean Baptiste de Willimantic, for promoting among its members, unity, friendship, and Christian benevolence, by raising or acquiring property or a fund of money, the same to be extended and used in relieving and assisting any sick members of the association and by aiding and assisting in burying members of the association, and by rendering pecuniary aid to the beneficiaries of members, and shall have all the powers and privileges and be subject to all the duties, liabilities, and restrictions set forth in all general laws which now are or may hereafter be in force relating to such corporations. The beneficiaries shall be specified only in the following order, viz.:-

(a) To such person or persons of the immediate family of said members as may by him be designated. (b) to such person or persons, in default of such family, or the relatives of such member as may by him be designated. (c) In default of any designation by said member, or out of the order named, except by the permission of the society for cause shown, then such aid shall be rendered by said corporation to such family or relatives, who are heirs at law of such members in the manner above set forth, upon their proof of being such family, or such heirs at law.

- Sec. 2. Said corporation shall have power to render aid and assistance to its sick and disabled members; to promote such social and intellectual intercourse among its members as shall be desirable and proper, and by such lawful means as to said corporation shall seem best; to establish, accumulate, and maintain a reserve or other fund in such manner as it may determine to an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars.
 - Sec. 3. The fifteen persons first named in the first section of this resolution shall constitute the managers until others are elected in their places.
 - Approved, May 5, 1897.
10. The entirety of the amendment is reprinted below. Source: Connecticut General Assembly, "An Act Amending the Charter of the Societe de Bienfaisance St. Jean Baptiste, de Willimantic." In *Special Laws of Connecticut, Volume 16, 1911 and 1913*. Hartford, State of Connecticut, 1914, p: 1020.
- House Bill No. 1121
 - AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE SOCIETE DE BIENFAISANCE ST. JEAN BAPISTE, DE WILLIMANTIC.
 - *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:*
 - Section two of a resolution incorporating The Societe de Bienfaisance St. Jean Baptiste, de Willimantic, approved May 5, 1897, is hereby amended to read as follows: Said corporation shall have power to render aid and assistance to its sick and disabled members; to promote such social and intellectual intercourse among its members as shall be desirable and proper, and by such lawful means as to said corporation shall seem best to establish, accumulate, and maintain a reserve or other fund in such manner as it may determine to an amount not to exceed twenty thousand dollars.
 - Approved, June 4, 1913.

11. The national minimum wage was established in 1938 under the Fair Labor Standards Act and was set at \$0.25 per hour.¹ As of August 2, 1996, the national minimum was set at \$5.15 per hour.² Thus, the 1996 minimum wage is 20.6 times greater than that of 1938. Using the differences in minimum wage as a guide, the death benefit would be \$6,180.00 today. Sources: ¹Paul L. Burgess, "Minimum Wages," *World Book Encyclopedia*, 1994 Edition, volume 13, page 573. ² "August, 1996 – National," *World Almanac and Book of Facts*, 1997, page 63.
12. It would be interesting to know who were the founders of Societe St-Jean Baptiste de Willimantic in 1880, for we could decide how "unlearned" and "ignorant" they really were. The problem of course is the lack of written records. There is no reference to the society in the clubs and associations section of the Willimantic city directories for 1880, 1881, 1885, and 1887. The only record of the beginning of the society is in the first paragraph of the article by the *Willimantic Daily Chronicle*, entitled "St. Jean Baptiste Society's Jubilee," (Sat. June 24, 1905).¹ It states that Jules Archambault was the first president, Joseph Martin was the first vice-president, Godfrey LaPalme was the first recording secretary, and Theodore Potvin was the first financial secretary. As shown in the chart below, we see that Jules Archambault was a businessman with his own grocery store, Godfrey LaPalme possibly was a salesman, Joseph Martin was a carpenter, and Theodore Potvin was a barber. Although the dates of their arrival in Willimantic may be questioned (Godfrey LaPalme is not listed until 1885 in the city directory, so how could he be the first recording secretary?), as well as the directories themselves (Joseph Martin disappears in the 1885 directory.), the one thing that can be concluded is that they may not have been men with higher education, but they were small businessmen who had knowledge of handling money, and lived with the necessity of negotiation so as to conduct business. Further, I suspect there is a subtle point of view in the report that ethnicity equals ignorance and assimilation equals education and learning. For example, in the 1888 Willimantic city directory, Dr. Adelard D. David,² is listed as president of Societe St-Jean-Baptiste de Willimantic, but there is no mention of him in the report, nor in the article in the *Willimantic Daily Chronicle* entitled "St. Jean Baptiste Society's Jubilee."¹ A biography of Dr. A.D. David is reprinted in this issue of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*, and he is an example of a well-educated French-Canadian who is an immigrant.³ Also, in *Histoire et Statistiques des Canadiens-Américains du Connecticut*, a book which has been on the shelves of the Connecticut State Library since July 14, 1914, Theodore Potvin was "first elected, in 1884, as president of Societe Saint-Jean-Baptiste de Willimantic, he then became the treasurer for the next ten years, and afterwards he was elected the new president."⁴ The importance of the quote is that a businessman, Theodore Potvin, was elected president of the society during the period of 1880-1885, when the report gives the reader the impression that it was struggling under the yoke of ignorance. In all fairness to Mr. Flynn and Mr. Krug, some of the bias may have come from the men they interviewed who may have wanted to make the present look better than the past.

- 1880,
- Archambault N. Jules, h. Main below Mansfield ave

- LaPalme Godfrey – no listing
 - Martin Joseph – no listing
 - Potvin Theodore – no listing
 - **1881₆**
 - Archambault N. Jules, h. Main below Mansfield ave
 - LaPalme Godfrey – no listing
 - Martin Jos., builder, h. 4 Meadow
 - Potvin, Theo., hairdresser, bds. O. Blanchard
 - **1885₇**
 - Archambault J.N. & Co., groceries, etc., 227 Main
 - Archambault J.N. (& Co.), h. Main bel Mansfield ave
 - LaPalme Godfrey, carpenter, h. Walnut
 - Martin Joseph – no listing
 - Potvin Theodore, barber, Card's blk Main, h Walnut nr Main
 - **1887₈**
 - Archambault J.N. & Co., groceries, a full line of general merchandise, etc., 227 Main
 - Archambault J.N. (J.N. Archambault & Co.) h. West Main below Mansfield ave
 - LaPalme Godfrey, employed by Lincoln & Boss [dealers in builder's materials]
 - Martin Joseph, baker for Louis Bonin
 - Martin Joseph, carpenter, h. Meadow
 - Potvin Theodore, barber, Card's block, Main, h. 33 High
 - Sources: ¹Willimantic Chronicle, "St. Jean Baptiste Society's Jubilee," *Willimantic Daily Chronicle*, 24 June 1905, p:1, cols. 1-2. ²R.S. Dillon & Co., *Willimantic Directory for 1888 and 1889* (Willimantic: R.S. Dillon & Co., 1888), p: 131. ³Willimantic Journal, *The Willimantic Journal Souvenir Edition* (Willimantic: Willimantic Journal, 1894), p: 27. ⁴Congres Nationaux des Canadiens-Americains de l'Etat du Connecticut, *Histoire et Statistiques des Canadiens-Americains du Connecticut* (Worcester : Imprimerie de l'Opinion Publique, 1899), p: 236. The cataloging date can be found on the inside front cover of the edition owned by the Connecticut State Library. ⁵R.S. Dillon & Co., *Willimantic Directory for 1880-81* (Albany: R.S. Dillon & Co., ca. 1880), p: 25. ⁶R.S. Dillon & Co., *Willimantic Directory for 1881-82* (Albany: R.S. Dillon & Co., ca. 1881), pp: 34, 72, 79. ⁷Hanks, Wilber F., ed., *Killenburger's Willimantic Directory 1885 – 1886* (Willimantic: Wilber F. Hanks, 1885), pp: 54, 87, 100. ⁸R.S. Dillon & Co., *Willimantic Directory 1887-88* (no place of publication given: R.S. Dillon & Co., ca. 1887), pp: 26, 61, 66, 75.
13. At the time of the report, there were two counsels of Union St-Jean Baptiste d'Amerique in Willimantic – Counsel No. 74 Florimond, founded on December 31, 1903 and Counsel No. 113 Ste-Cecile, founded September 14, 1904. The national organization, Union St-Jean-Baptiste d'Amerique, was founded on May 7, 1900 and still exists today with its headquarters in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, although it is now a subsidiary of Catholic Family Life Insurance, which is based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. A further history of Union St-Jean-Baptiste d'Amerique and its two

counsels in Willimantic will be examined in the reports by William J. Flynn and Morris Krug in a future edition of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*.

14. The following obituary of Pierre J. Laramee is from the *Willimantic Chronicle*, Willimantic, Connecticut, Thursday, October 20, 1960, page 1, columns 2-3. Reprinted without photograph. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.
 - **Former Mayor Laramee, Retired Grocer, Dead**
 - Pierre J. Laramee, 78, of 147 Valley St., died Wednesday at Windham Community Memorial Hospital which he had entered Saturday after being stricken at his home.
 - A Democrat, he served as mayor of Willimantic from 1935 to 1941; represented the 29th district in the state senate and the Town of Windham in the lower house. He was also a former member the Windham Board of Education and was once a member of the Board of Aldermen.
 - He was a director of The Willimantic Trust Co., and a past president of the Garde Florimond which he served as treasurer.
 - He was a member of the St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church; Council Florimond, Union of St. Jean the Baptist of America; St. Jean the Baptist Society; San Jose Council and Assembly, Knights of Columbus; the Loyal Order of Moose and the French Naturalization Society in addition to being a charter member of Willimantic Lodge 1311, BPOE.
 - A native of Georgeville, R.I., he was born May 13, 1882, the son of Mitchell and Catherine L. (Crepeau) Laramee. He married the former Emma Martin May 1, 1905.
 - Although he learned the machinist trade, Laramee entered the grocery field. In 1907, after working three years as a clerk in the Mullen and St. Onge store, he opened the Trudeau – Laramee grocery store with a partner. He later became sole owner of the business which he expanded into one of the largest in the city. He had been retired for several years.
 - Survivors include his wife, three daughters, Mrs. James A. Buckley, Mrs. Earl D. Segar, both of Willimantic, and Miss Dolores Laramee, serving with the United States Diplomatic Service in Ghana, Africa; six grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Catherine Roy and Miss Yvonne Laramee, both of Willimantic; one brother, George Laramee of Willimantic; and several nieces and nephews.
15. According to the 1938 Willimantic city directory, Pierre J. Laramee is listed as Mayor and Arthur L. Clark is listed as Collector of Taxes and Assessments.¹ Arthur L. Clark is certainly not French-Canadian, since he “was born in Hebron, July 10, 1902, son of Frederick and Martha (Webster) Clark...²” and “was a prominent member of the First Congregational Church and identified with the Masonic fraternity...³” In none of the articles about his death by the *Willimantic Daily Chronicle* is there a mention of Societe St-Jean-Baptiste de Willimantic.⁴ Obviously, William J. Flynn and Morris Krug are in complete error as the ethnic identity of Arthur L. Clark, the Collector of Taxes and Assessments in Willimantic at the time.
 - Sources: ¹Price and Lee Co., *Willimantic Directory 1938* (New Haven, CT: Price and Lee Co., 1938), p:9. ²Willimantic Daily Chronicle, “City Clerk Clark’s Death Saddens All,” *Willimantic Daily Chronicle*, 13 May 1948, p:1, col. 7. ³Willimantic Daily Chronicle, “City Clerk Arthur L. Clark Dies at Home This Afternoon,”

- Willimantic Daily Chronicle*, 12 May 1948, p:1, col. 2. “Willimantic Daily Chronicle, “Obituary - Arthur L. Clark,” *Willimantic Daily Chronicle*, 15 May 1948, p:4, col. 6.
16. According to *Guide Franco-Americain 1921 : Les Franco-Américains et La Guerre Mondiale*, edited and published by Alert A. Belanger, there were 115 soldiers and sailors from Willimantic who were Franco-American and fought in World War One. See the article, “Noms des Soldats et Marins Franco-Américains qui ont pris a la Grande Guerre 1914-1918” which is based upon Albert A. Belanger’s list, is reprinted in this issue of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*.
 17. It is curious that the order of nuns is not mentioned by William J. Flynn and Morris Krug, especially since they conducted the interviews, and they used Allen B. Lincoln’s *History of Windham County* where it is written, “The teachers of the school since its organization [St. Joseph’s School] have been from the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy from the mother house in Tilburg, Holland. There are only four convents of the order in this country, Taftville, Baltic, and St. Joseph’s and St. Mary’s in this city [Willimantic].”, Because Mr. Flynn and Mr. Krug wrote “French nuns,” one would assume their order would have been from France, Belgium, or Canada.
 - Source: ‘Thomas F. Connolly, “St. Joseph’s School,” in *A Modern History of Windham County Connecticut*, ed. Allen B. Lincoln (Chicago, IL: The S.J. Clarke Publishing Company, 1920), vol. 1, p: 618.
 18. To reword this statement, the French-Canadians in Willimantic do not celebrate Dominion Day, which is July 1, but the feasts of Roman Catholic saints, like St. John the Baptist (June 24) or Ste. Anne (July 26).
 19. The report by Mr. Flynn and Mr. Krug does not give the reader a sense of the magnitude of the 50th anniversary of the society. The report about the anniversary in the *Willimantic Chronicle* for Tuesday, June 17, 1930 has the headline of “400 Attend Dance of French Society,” and in the next day’s report by the *Chronicle*, it states that 600 people attended the banquet. See the two reports from the *Willimantic Chronicle* entitled “400 Attend Dance of French Society,” (June 17, 1930) and “St. Jean Baptiste Society Concludes Celebration,” (June 18, 1930) which are reprinted in this issue of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*. I also urge the reader to note that the three articles of the 25th anniversary and the one article of the 75th anniversary are also reprinted in this issue. Since I could not find an article on the society’s 100th anniversary, I am amazed at the neat, mathematical progression of the articles – 25th anniversary, 3 articles; 50th anniversary, 2 articles; 75th anniversary, 1 article and the 100th anniversary, no article – which demonstrate the forces of assimilation.
 20. The following obituary of Fr. Hormisdas Belec is from the *Catholic Transcript*, Hartford, Connecticut, Thursday, April 18, 1957 page 1, column 1 and page 9, column 1. The eulogy by Father Messier, which is not reprinted here, continues in the original for six more columns of text. (The obituary below has the more concise history of Fr. Belec’s life.) Also not reprinted is a photo of Fr. Belec. The text below is reprinted courtesy of the *Catholic Transcript*.
 - **Funeral Mass For Fr. Belec Held In Occum**
 - **Occum** – A solemn funeral Mass for Rev. Hormisdas C. Belec was held Wednesday morning in St. Joseph’s Church here where he had served as pastor for more than 18

years. Father Belec, who had been in ill health for several years was stricken with a heart attack last Sunday morning, April 14, after he had finished the solemn blessings of the palms and was about to begin Mass. Taken to the sacristy he was pronounced dead by an attending physician. Father Belec was 62.

- Father Belec is the second priest of the Norwich Diocese to die within a week. On Tuesday, April 9, Rev. Francis J. Finn, pastor of St. Mary's Church, New London died. Before Father Finn's death it had been over 15 months since a priest in the Norwich Diocese died. On December 21, 1955, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Frederick H. DesSureault, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Taftville, succumbed.
- Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan of Norwich was the celebrant of the funeral Mass for Father Belec. He was assisted by Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Reilly, V.G., of Norwich as archpriest. The deacons of honor were Rev. Francis X. Chicone of Wauregan and Rev. Ernest J. Boileau of Plainfield.
- Other officers of the Mass were: deacon, Rev. Clement C. Shea of Occum; subdeacon, Rev. Edward F. Frigault of Taftville; thurifer, Rev. Bernard L. McGurk of Norwich; acolytes, Rev. Anthony J. Caron of Jewett City and Rev. Alfred J. Mathieu of North Grosvenordale; masters of ceremonies, Rev. Paul J. St. Onge and Rev. Michael D. Fox, both of Norwich; mitre bearer, Rev. Leo S. Sutula of Jewett City; book bearer, Rev. Roger M. Comtois of Moosup; and candle bearer, Rev. A. Michael Gajewski of Norwich.
- The eulogy of preached by Rev. Rene D. Messier of Taftville. There were more than 40 priests present including four monsignors.
- On Tuesday night Father Belec's body was escorted from the rectory to the church, where priests of the Norwich Diocese chanted the Office of the Dead.
- Burial was in the priests' plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Willimantic.
- **Father Belec** was born in Danielson September 13, 1894 and received his early education in St. Joseph's School, North Grosvenordale. Later he attended St. Hyacinthe's in Canada. He graduated from St. Thomas Seminary, Hartford, in 1914 and was ordained by Bishop John J. Nilan on May 21, 1921, in St. Joseph's Cathedral, Hartford.
- Bishop Nilan assigned Father Belec to St. Sulpice Seminary in Issy, France in 1914, but because of World War I the appointment was cancelled and he pursued his studies in philosophy and theology at the Grand Seminary of the University of Montreal.
- Father Belec's first assignment was as an assistant at St. Mary's, Willimantic. Later he served in the same capacity at Sacred Heart Church, Taftville; All Hallows, Moosup; and St. Ann's, Hartford. He was named pastor of St. Joseph's here January 19, 1939.
- During his pastorate, Father Belec directed many improvements of the parish property, including the renovation and redecoration of the church and rectory.
- He is survived by two sisters, Miss Mary Louise Belec of Worcester, Mass.[.] and Mrs. Rosanna Tessier of Drummondville, Canada; two brothers, Joseph of Worcester, Mass., and Henry J. Belec of North Providence, R.I.; and several nieces and nephews.

21. The following obituary of Msgr. Papillon is from the *Catholic Transcript*, Hartford, Connecticut, Thursday, March 4, 1965 page 18, columns 1-2. Reprinted without the photograph of Msgr. Papillon. Reprinted courtesy of the *Catholic Transcript*.
- **Dies at 98 : Msgr. Papillon Was Willimantic Pastor**
 - **Odanak, Canada** – Bishop Albertus Martin of Nicolet, Quebec, Canada, will celebrate a Pontifical Mass of Requiem for Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph U.J. Papillon, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's Church, Willimantic, Conn., who would have observed the 75th anniversary of his ordination in August, in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Nicolet, on Friday, March 5, at 9:30 a.m. Msgr. Papillon was 98 years old and was pastor of St. Mary's for 48 years.
 - **Msgr. Papillon** died March 1, in Odanak where he had been living in retirement since 1958 with his nephew, Rev. Remi Dolan.
 - He had served as pastor of St. Mary's from 1910 until 1958.
 - A delegation of priests from the Diocese of Norwich will attend the funeral.
 - Burial will be in Canada.
 - **On Monday**, March 8, Bishop Vincent J. Hines of Norwich will celebrate a Pontifical Mass of Requiem for Msgr. Papillon in St. Mary's Church, Willimantic, at 10:30 a.m.
 - Officers of the Mass will be Rt. Rev. Msgr. Paul J. St. Onge, V.G., of New London, assistant priest; Rt. Rev. Msgr. Paul F. Auclair of Putnam and Rev. Alfred R. Landry of Willimantic, deacons of honor; Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis A. Murphy of Willimantic, deacon of the Mass; Rt. Rev. Msgr. Vincent D. Murphy of Jewett City, sub-deacon; Rev. Raymond J. Jean of Putnam, thurifer; Rev. Edward F. Frigault of Occum and Rev. Phillippe E. Millette of Moosup, acolytes; Rev. Thomas C. LaFleur of New London, book bearer; and Rev. Russell L. Boisvert of Waterford, bugia bearer.
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 - **Msgr. Papillon** was born in St. Anne de la Parade, Quebec, Canada on July 4, 1866. At the age of 12 he entered the preparatory seminary in Nicolet, Quebec, and later completed his studies for the priesthood at the Grand Seminary in Montreal. He was ordained at Nicolet on August 17, 1890, by Bishop Elfege Gravel of Nicolet.
 - He served as curate in the parish of St. Monique, Nicolet, for two years before coming to Connecticut in 1892. His first appointment in this state was as assistant at St. Ann's, Waterbury.
 - In 1899 he was appointed pastor of St. Thomas, Voluntown. Subsequently he was pastor of St. Joseph's, Dayville, and Immaculate Conception, Baltic.
 - On September 24, 1910, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's Willimantic, a post he was to hold for the nearly 50 remaining years of his active ministry. Under his direction the parish church was completely renovated and rededicated in 1950.
 - Three years later a fire destroyed the parish school. A new school was completed and dedicated in 1955.
 - The veteran Willimantic pastor was made domestic prelate with the title Right Reverend Monsignor by Pope Pius XII in 1939.

- He also served as county treasurer before county government was eliminated several years ago when the state took over these functions.
- Returning to politics in 1945 he was elected alderman-at-large on the Democratic ticket headed by former Mayor Andrew J. Carey Sr. He was re-elected to the post in 1947 and in 1949 when Carey decided not to run for a third term and Bergeron led the Democratic ticket.
- He was reelected in 1951, 1953, 1955, 1957 and 1959. During his early years as mayor he was instrumental in implementing the mutual aid fire alarm system which is based at Bank St. Headquarters. This was started during the years he served as alderman when he was chairman of the fire committee.
- While he was mayor he suffered a heart attack but returned to his official duties after a period of convalescence.
- Always interested in better fire protection for the community and the area he had a close relationship with all of the fire associations in the state and was held numerous honorary memberships.
- Apart from the political and governmental life of the community he found time to be active in all of the organizations associated with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of which he was a member.
- He served for 35 years as president of St. Jean de Baptiste and held the post at the time of his death. He was also a past president of the Federation of French Societies of Connecticut.
- He was also a member of L'Union Ste. Jeane de Baptiste, Conseil Florimond 74, a past officer of the League of the Sacred Heart and past president of the Franco-American Civic and Social Club.
- Former Mayor Bergeron was a member of St. Mary's Parochial School Alumni Association, San Jose Council 14, Knights of Columbus, and Willimantic Lodge 1311, B.P.O. Elks.
- He was born in Willimantic Oct. 23, 1898, son of Romuald and Adeline (Payeur) Bergeron and operated his own tinsmith business at the corner of Church and Valley Sts. for many years.
- Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Florina (Dubreuil) Bergeron; two daughters, Mrs. James M. Carey, East Hartford; and Mrs. James J. Agro, Thompsonville; one grandson; two sisters Mrs. Yvonne Champagne Lawrie and Mrs. Rose B. Gagnon, both of Willimantic; two brothers, Philibert Bergeron of Groton and Zephir J. Bergeron of Willimantic; and several nieces and nephews.
- ◆ The following obituary of Florimond Bergeron is taken from the *Willimantic Chronicle*, Monday, December 14, 1964, page 1, columns 4-8. Reprinted without the two photos which accompany the article, but the text of the caption is reprinted at the end. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.
- ◆ **Dempsey Attends Bergeron Funeral**
- ◆ Gov. John N. Dempsey headed the mourners from state, city and town governments who attended the funeral of Former Mayor Florimond J. Bergeron in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church this morning.

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 - Msgr. Vincent Murphy will preach the eulogy.
 - **Msgr. Papillon** was born in St. Anne de la Parade, Quebec, Canada on July 4, 1866. At the age of 12 he entered the preparatory seminary in Nicolet, Quebec, and later completed his studies for the priesthood at the Grand Seminary in Montreal. He was ordained at Nicolet on August 17, 1890, by Bishop Elfege Gravel of Nicolet.
 - He served as curate in the parish of St. Monique, Nicolet, for two years before coming to Connecticut in 1892. His first appointment in this state was as assistant at St. Ann’s, Waterbury.
 - In 1899 he was appointed pastor of St. Thomas, Voluntown. Subsequently he was pastor of St. Joseph’s, Dayville, and Immaculate Conception, Baltic.
 - On September 24, 1910, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary’s Willimantic, a post he was to hold for the nearly 50 remaining years of his active ministry. Under his direction the parish church was completely renovated and rededicated in 1950.
 - Three years later a fire destroyed the parish school. A new school was completed and dedicated in 1955.
 - The veteran Willimantic pastor was made domestic prelate with the title Right Reverend Monsignor by Pope Pius XII in 1939.

- Msgr. Papillon resigned his post as pastor of St. Mary's for reasons of health and advancing age on August 21, 1958, becoming pastor emeritus. He subsequently returned to his native Canada, where he lived in retirement in recent years.
 - He is survived by three sisters, including Sister Mary Ann of the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy, Baltic, and three brothers including Rev. Emile Papillon, S.J., of Mont Laurier, Canada.
 - Note from the editor: For further reports about Msgr. Papillon, see the editorial entitled "Msgr. Papillon" in the *Catholic Transcript*, Hartford, CT., Thursday, March 4, 1965, page 4, column 1. Also, see the following reports in the *Willimantic Daily Chronicle* – "Msgr. Papillon, 98, Dies in Canada," Tues. Mar. 2, 1965, p: 1, cols. 1-2; "Bishop Hines Celebrates Pontifical Mass Monday," Fri. Mar. 5, 1965, p: 4, cols. 1-3; and the photo and caption "Pontifical Mass..." Mon. Mar. 8, 1965, p: 1, cols. 2-4.
22. The mayor at the time was Walter R. King. Note the implication that there were many French-Canadians who were in the city government of Willimantic at the time as shown in the chart below from the 1930 Willimantic city directory.
- Willimantic Governmental Directory - City Officers.₁
 - Mayor – Walter R. King.
 - Aldermen-at-Large – Cyril A. Lamoureux, William E. Webber, Herbert I. Sanderson.
 - Aldermen – First Ward, Robert A. Hanna; Second Ward, John P. Carlsen; Third Ward, Louis C. Vegiard; Fourth Ward, Eugene B. Lewis.
 - President Board of Aldermen – Cyril A. Lamoureux.
 - Clerk and Treasurer – Arthur L. Clark.
 - Sheriff – Ralph J. Lussier.
 - Assessors – Gerard E. Loiselle, Charles R. Cone, Joseph F. Gaudreau.
 - Corporation Counsel – William A. King.
 - Acting City Engineer – John F. Collins.
 - Inspector of Plumbing – Theodore A. Marrotte.
 - Collector of Taxes and Assessments – Arthur L. Clark.
 - Superintendent of Streets – Edwin O. Sumner.
 - Superintendent of Water Works – Henderson S. Moulton.
 - Superintendent of Pumping Station – Willard N. Bowen.
 - Superintendent of Sewers – Edwin O. Sumner.
 - City Health Officer – Dr. W.P.S. Keating.
 - Source: Price & Lee Co., "Willimantic Governmental Directory... City Officers," in *Willimantic City Directory 1930* (New Haven: Price & Lee Co., 1930), p: 11.
23. It is unfortunate that William J. Flynn and Morris Krug did not report further on the music of the Franco-Americans in Willimantic because it is surprising to read that the Franco-American youth at the time liked jazz music. If we were to judge solely on the article, "St. Jean Baptiste Society Concludes Celebration," in the *Willimantic Chronicle* 18 June 1930, we would conclude that classical music was the music of preference.
24. The following report about the death of J.D. LaBelle is from the *Willimantic Chronicle*, Thursday, October 17, 1957, page 1, column 3. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.

- **J.D. LaBelle, Former Store Operator, Dead**
- Joseph D. LaBelle, 71, died this morning at his home, 27, Union St. In his younger days, he was a cigar maker and later operated a clothing store at 946 Main St. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church and was a member of the League of the Sacred Heart. For many years, he was president of Conseil Florimond No. 74, l'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique and was also a member of the old St. Jean Baptiste Society. He was born in Montreal, Canada, July 1, 1886, son of Charles and Cordelia (St. Germain) LaBelle. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Parmelia (Bacon) LaBelle; three sisters, Mrs. Yvonne Dieumegarde, Mrs. Alice Potvin and Miss Germaine LaBelle of Montreal; and several nieces and nephews. He was also a member of the Franco-American Civic and Social Club.
- ◆ The following obituary of J.D. LaBelle is from the *Willimantic Chronicle*, Monday, October 21, 1957, page 6, column 3. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.
- ◆ **Obituary – Joseph D. Labelle**
- ◆ The funeral of Joseph D. LaBelle was held from 71 Prospect St., this morning followed by a solemn requiem high mass in St. Mary's Church at 9. Rev. Roland A. Guilmette was celebrant; Rev. Paul J. Rivard, deacon; and Rev. John Grigonis, sub-deacon. Rev. Edward Frigault of Taftville was seated in the sanctuary. A delegation from the League of the Sacred Heart with Omer Trahan as banner bearer escorted the remains to the sanctuary. Others in the delegation were H.A. Lizee, Alphonse D'Auteuil and Frank Gouin. Delegations from the St. Jean Baptiste Society, Conseil Florimond N. 74, l'Union St. Jean Baptiste D'Amerique and the Franco-American Civic and Social Club attended. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Gaudreau were choir director and organist, respectively. Soloists were Mrs. Lodia Fryer, Mrs. Rita Trudeau, Heliodore Boutin, Otis Berard, Edward Rochville and Alfred Cote. Father Guilmette officiated at a committal service in the family plot of St. Joseph's Cemetery. Bearers were Mayor Florimond J. Bergeron, Street Supt. Alexis Caisse, Water Supt. Leopold J. Paradis, Omer Lafontaine, Norbert C. Girard and Joseph Godin.
- 25. The following report of the death of Florimond Bergeron is the *Willimantic Chronicle*, Thursday, December 10, 1964, page 1, columns 5-6. Reprinted without photo. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.
- **Former Mayor Bergeron Served City Six Terms**
- Former Mayor Florimond J. Bergeron, 66, who served six terms as the city's chief executive, died this morning at The Windham Community Memorial Hospital.
- Former Mayor Bergeron attended a meeting of the Windham – Willimantic Democratic Town Meeting Wednesday night and was stricken at his home early this morning. He was taken to the hospital in the Bank St. Fire Headquarters ambulance.
- His death followed by a little more than 12 hours that of former Mayor Walter R. King.
- Bergeron's political career was spread over his lifetime and included one term as alderman in the third ward, long a stronghold in Democratic politics. He also served on the Windham Board of Assessors and represented the Town of Windham in the General Assembly.

- He also served as county treasurer before county government was eliminated several years ago when the state took over these functions.
- Returning to politics in 1945 he was elected alderman-at-large on the Democratic ticket headed by former Mayor Andrew J. Carey Sr. He was re-elected to the post in 1947 and in 1949 when Carey decided not to run for a third term and Bergeron led the Democratic ticket.
- He was reelected in 1951, 1953, 1955, 1957 and 1959. During his early years as mayor he was instrumental in implementing the mutual aid fire alarm system which is based at Bank St. Headquarters. This was started during the years he served as alderman when he was chairman of the fire committee.
- While he was mayor he suffered a heart attack but returned to his official duties after a period of convalescence.
- Always interested in better fire protection for the community and the area he had a close relationship with all of the fire associations in the state and was held numerous honorary memberships.
- Apart from the political and governmental life of the community he found time to be active in all of the organizations associated with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of which he was a member.
- He served for 35 years as president of St. Jean de Baptiste and held the post at the time of his death. He was also a past president of the Federation of French Societies of Connecticut.
- He was also a member of L'Union Ste. Jeane de Baptiste, Conseil Florimond 74, a past officer of the League of the Sacred Heart and past president of the Franco-American Civic and Social Club.
- Former Mayor Bergeron was a member of St. Mary's Parochial School Alumni Association, San Jose Council 14, Knights of Columbus, and Willimantic Lodge 1311, B.P.O. Elks.
- He was born in Willimantic Oct. 23, 1898, son of Romuald and Adeline (Payeur) Bergeron and operated his own tinsmith business at the corner of Church and Valley Sts. for many years.
- Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Florina (Dubreuil) Bergeron; two daughters, Mrs. James M. Carey, East Hartford; and Mrs. James J. Agro, Thompsonville; one grandson; two sisters Mrs. Yvonne Champagne Lawrie and Mrs. Rose B. Gagnon, both of Willimantic; two brothers, Philibert Bergeron of Groton and Zephir J. Bergeron of Willimantic; and several nieces and nephews.
- ◆ The following obituary of Florimond Bergeron is taken from the *Willimantic Chronicle*, Monday, December 14, 1964, page 1, columns 4-8. Reprinted without the two photos which accompany the article, but the text of the caption is reprinted at the end. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.
- ◆ **Dempsey Attends Bergeron Funeral**
- ◆ Gov. John N. Dempsey headed the mourners from state, city and town governments who attended the funeral of Former Mayor Florimond J. Bergeron in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church this morning.

- ◆ Governor Dempsey, a close personal friend of Former Mayor Bergeron, was accompanied by State Adjutant Gen. E. Donald Walsh.
 - ◆ Members of the Willimantic Police and Fire Departments were at attention as the funeral procession filed into the church. On hand with them were members of the school crossing guards who supervise traffic at the city schools.
 - ◆ The Rev. Alfred R. Landry, pastor, was celebrant of the solemn requiem high mass; the Rev. Roger M. Comtois, deacon; and the Rev. Henri C. Gigon, sub-deacon.
 - ◆ Seated in the sanctuary were Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis A. Murphy, pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church; the Rev. Leo Monette, O.M.I., director of the Immaculata Retreat House; and the Rev. Phillippe Millette, a native of Willimantic.
 - ◆ In the funeral procession were Mayor Leo P. Carey and members of the Board of Aldermen, representing the City of Willimantic; and First Selectman Ralph R. Crosthwaite, representing the Windham Board of Selectmen.
 - ◆ Delegations were also present from St. Mary's parish organizations of which the late Mayor was a member. There was also representation from the Franco-American Civic and Social Club and Willimantic Lodge 1311, B.P.O. Elks.
 - ◆ Mrs. A. Louise Buckley was organist for the musical program and Aime Marrotte was banner bearer for the League of the Sacred Heart.
 - ◆ Soloists were Alexis J. Caisse, Edward Rocheville, Heliodore Boutin, Mrs. Eva Aubin, Mrs. Rita Trudeau, Donat Aubin, Arthur J. Roy and Ernest John.
 - ◆ Active bearers were: William Sayers, Raymond Goss, Sr., Hector Bergeron, Leo Lebeau, Oscar Lebeau, and Gerard Champagne.
 - ◆ Burial took place in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the Rev. Fr. Comtois conducted the committal service.
 - ◆ [Caption] **Governor at Rites** – Willimantic police and firemen, above, stand at attention outside St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church this morning as body of Former Mayor Florimond J. Bergeron is borne into church. At left Gov. John N. Dempsey and State Adjutant General E. Donald Walsh arrive at church. Governor Dempsey was a close personal friend of Former Mayor Bergeron and was Mayor of Putnam while Willimantic's late chief executive served here.
26. The following obituary of Alexis Caisse, Sr., is from the *Willimantic Chronicle* Monday, December 7, 1942, page 1, column 4, and page 5, columns 4-5. Reprinted courtesy of the *Willimantic Chronicle*.
- **Alexis Caisse, Sr. Removed by Death: Retired Contractor Former City and Town Official**
 - Alexis Caisse, Sr., 75, of 27 Chestnut street, one of the city's most widely respected residents, died early yesterday morning at the Hartford Hospital after a brief illness. He had undergone an operation last Tuesday morning.
 - Mr. Caisse had been a building contractor here for a period of 30 years, his retirement taking place a decade ago. He was an alderman-at-large for two terms, serving in that capacity during mayoralty administrations of the late Daniel P. Dunn. He was for many years a town assessor and also served as a member of the board of relief for several years. He and Mrs. Caisse celebrated their golden wedding anniversary June 13th of last year.

- He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alexina Caisse; five daughters, Mrs. Rose Noel, Mrs. Anna Nelson, Mrs. Eva Beckwith and the Misses Leda and Alexina Caisse of this city; three sons, Postmaster Arthur J. Caisse of South Willington, Street Superintendent Alexis Caisse, Jr. and Alfred Caisse of this city; and nine grandchildren.
- He was a charter member and president for 26 years of the St. Jean Baptiste Society, which honored him a few years ago for his veteran and faithful membership. He was also a member of Conseil Florimond No. 74, l'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique, served as president and member of the executive committee of l'Union Franco-Americains of Connecticut, and was a charter member and one of the founders of the Franco-American Civic and Social Club.
- A devout member of St. Mary's church, he was also affiliated with the League of the Sacred Heart of the parish and the Federation of French Societies.
- Politically, he was a Democrat. Possessed of an amiable and charitable disposition, he acquired a host of friends during his long residence here.

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Connecticut State Library has the volume for 1873, while the Windham Textile and History Museum as well as the Willimantic Public Library have the volume for 1885. (The two libraries in Willimantic have duplicate sets.) As for the other years, all three libraries have the same volumes. Following the index is a list of the three libraries that have extensive collections of city directories for Willimantic.

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1875	Price, Lee & Co.	none	Norwich
1877	Brainerd Co.	none	Hartford
1880	R.S. Dillon & Co.	none	Albany, circa 1880
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FRENCH SOCIETIES PARADE TOMORROW.

Big Celebration Planned for St. John's Day.

Bands and Drum Corps to Furnish Music.

Mass to be Celebrated and a Sermon Preached at St. Mary's Church.
- Addresses in the Evening in Town Hall.

Tomorrow will be St. John's Day and the various French societies of this city are to celebrate by a parade in the morning, religious services at St. Mary's church, and an entertainment in the evening at the Town Hall. The celebration really begins this evening at Washburn Hall, where there will be a dance and other entertainment for the members of St. Jean Baptiste society and their friends.

Tomorrow morning the members of all the French societies in the city will meet at the St. Jean Baptiste Hall in the Holmes block at 7:30 sharp. The parade will start from the hall at 8:40. The line of march will be down Main to Union, Union to Jackson, Jackson to Valley, and to the church. At the church Rev. Arthur DeBruycker will celebrate a high mass and will deliver an appropriate sermon.

After the mass the parade will form on Valley street, right resting on Jackson. The line will then be made up as follows: -

Captain E.H. Richmond and squad of police.
Marshal, J.B. Paulhus.
Aides: Roderique Lariviere, Roderique Dion,
Ulric Rivard, Alphonse Chagnon, Napoleon Bacon.
Jones's American Band.
Representatives of French societies mounted.
First Division of St. Jean Baptiste Society,
Joseph Delude, commander.
Float, "St. Jean Baptiste,"
Master Remi Lusier representing St. John.
Hilltop Fife and Drum Corps.
Boys of St. Mary's School.
"Les Artisans" and "St. Louis" societies, Pierre Fournier, commander.
L'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique, Heliodore Trudeau, commander.
Court of St. Mary, F. of A., Napoleon Bacon, jr., commander.
Taftville Band.
Second Division St. Jean Baptiste society, Arthur Berthrand, commander.
Float "New England States."
Officers of St. Jean Baptiste society.

Carriages containing guests.

The line of march from the church will be: Down Valley to Jackson street, Jackson to Union, Union to Main, Main to Ives, Ives back to Main [,] Main to Ash, Ash to Adelbert, Adelbert to Willowbrook, Willowbrook to Main, Main to Church, Church to Valley, Valley to Windham, Windham to Main and down Main to the rooms.

Tomorrow evening at the Town Hall there will be a gathering for the French people at which Dr. J.R. Gayer of Southbridge, Mass., will deliver an address. The clergy of St. Mary's church will also speak and remarks will be made by officers of the various societies. A musical program will also be carried out, both instrumental and vocal.

A feature of the parade will be the review of it by the members of the Venerable Club, who will have their annual meeting at the Hooker House tomorrow. The review will be from the sidewalk in front of the hotel. A halt will be called and Jones's American Band will play "Auld Lang Syne," which the "Venerables" and paraders will sing together.

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ST. JEAN BAPTISTE SOCIETY'S JUBILEE.

French Societies Celebrate it with a Big Parade.

Appropriate Services at St. Mary's Church.

High Mass Celebrated and a Sermon on St. Jean the Baptiste Preached.

- **Long Line of March Carried Out by the Paraders.**

The St. Jean Baptiste society of this city last evening began the celebration of its silver jubilee. Twenty-five years ago, May 30th, the society was organized in what is now St. Mary's hall on Valley street. It had at first a membership of twenty. Jules Archambault, now dead, was instrumental in organizing the society and was its first president. Alderman Joseph Martin was its first vice president. Godfrey LaPalme, trustee of St. Mary's church, was recording secretary and Theodore Potvin the financial secretary. For a few years the society made little progress, in fact it seemed as though it would not live. At one time the membership had decreased to twelve and these twelve were nearly on the point of giving up the idea of keeping the society in existence. But after much discussion, at a meeting which lasted long into the night, it was decided to keep on. The members worked hard and tried to get more to enter the ranks. They at last succeeded and today have one of the largest of its kind in Connecticut. This society was the pioneer in establishing state conventions of French societies and the first was held in

this city. Fourteen years later another was held here and was the most successful of all conventions. The society now has a membership of about two hundred and has over \$6,000 cash in its treasury. It is a benefit society, paying a weekly benefit to its sick members. At death \$250 is paid the widow and \$40 additional for funeral expenses.

Dance Last Evening.

Last evening a dance was held in Washburn hall which was well attended. There was a concert from 8 o'clock until 9, when the grand march took place. The march was led by Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Gingras and there were about ninety couples in the line. Tucker's orchestra of nine pieces played and Octavien Dubrueil was prompter. Napoleon Gingras was floor director and had as his aides Napoleon Bacon, jr., Adelard Beauchemin and Jacob Lariviere. Refreshments were served during the evening.

At 9 o'clock this morning the St. Jean Baptiste society, accompanied by all the French societies of the city that had offered to help in celebrating the anniversary, left the rooms at the Holmes block and marched to St. Mary's church. Following the procession was an open carriage with Mayor Oscar O. Tanner, Councilman-at-large Dion and Alexis Caisse, President of the St. Jean Baptiste society.

At St. Mary's Church.

At St. Mary's church was gathered a large crowd of people when the parade arrived. The American Thread Company's mills having closed for the day, added to the attendance of the French people at the services. A high mass was celebrated and there was a special musical program, the choir being assisted by an orchestra. Rev. Arthur DeBruycker preached a brief but appropriate sermon. His remarks related to St. Jean Baptiste, the saint whose feast is celebrated today. He said that St. John was a great saint, not great as recognized in the world, for that greatness depended only upon chance, but great before God and God had pronounced him such. St. John was the predecessor of the Messiah. He was the greatest of men. He was born without sin and miracles surrounded his birth. He occupied himself only in the glory of his God. He sought nothing for himself in this world but to fulfill his mission. He not only preached but practiced the doctrines he placed before the people. He had the purity of a virgin and walked through life fighting its battles and won the crown of angels.

Rev. Father DeBruycker called upon the people to remain faithful to the example of St. John and on this day of joy to elevate their hearts to God and endeavor to follow their patron to the joys of heaven.

After mass, at about 10:30, the societies fell in line for the parade, which was over an extensive line of march, covering the greater portion of the city. J.P. Paulhus was marshal. Following him came Captain E.H. Richmond and a squad of policemen. The aides of the marshal followed and were Roderique Lariviere, Roderique Dion, Ulric Rivard, Alphonse Chagnon and Napoleon Bacon. Jones's American Band was next in line, after which came representatives of the various French societies mounted. Under command of Joseph Delude, the first division of the St. Jean Baptiste society then followed. The members wore their regalia and made a good appearance. Then came a decorated float in which was Master Remi Lusier with a lamb, representing St. Jean Baptiste. The little boy was dressed as St. John is often pictured, with a skin over his shoulders.

A fife and drum corps of boys escorted about two hundred boys from St. Mary's school, carrying American and French flags. It was a gala day for the boys and they all

seemed in happy spirits at the opportunity of being in the parade. The next societies in line were "Les Artisans" and the Knights of St. Louis, under command of Pierre Fournier and the Independent Order of Foresters and Court St. Mary, Foresters of America, under command of Napoleon Bacon, jr.; then l'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique under command of Heliodore Trudeau.

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Saturday evening the St. Jean Baptiste society brought to a close the celebration of its silver jubilee, by an entertainment in the town hall which was largely attended, several hundred people being present. Previous to the entertainment the members of the society and many member of other French societies assembled at the hall in the Holmes Building and at 8 o'clock marched to the Town Hall, Jones's American band leading. At the end of the procession were two open carriages. In the first were Mayor Oscar O. Tanner, Rev. Arthur DeBruycker, Rev. Louis Baud and Dr. J.R. Gayer of Southbridge, Mass. In the second were Alexis Caisse, president of St. Jean Baptiste society, Hormisdas Dion, Joseph LeClaire of Southbridge, Mass. and D.P. Comtois.

When the parade reached the hall the marchers opened ranks and the carriages passed through. The guests and officers marched into the hall, followed by the marchers in the hall, followed by the members and many others. The hall was soon filled. Tucker's orchestra began to play as the crowd surged in. The entertainment, which was a very pleasing one, opened with an orchestral selection, after which Hormisdas Dion introduced Mayor Tanner. The Mayor was greeted with applause as he arose to speak. He stated that the celebration of the day had been a magnificent one and it was the pride of the city of Willimantic to have such an organization in its midst. The French people in the city were the best of any he had seen. They were conservative, moral and upright and factor in the affairs of the city. Whenever any of them were elected to city office they worked hard for the interest of the city. His remarks evoked much applause.

Alphonse Chagnon sang "A Hymn to St. Jean Baptiste" and the following joined in the chorus: D.P. Comtois, Alfred Handfield, Louis J. Matte and Rev. Louis Baud.

Alexis Caisse made brief remarks of welcome, after which Miss Rose Blanchette rendered a difficult violin selection. Her sister, Miss Albina Blanchette, acted as accompanist. After playing the selection Miss Blanchette received an ovation and for an encore played a selection from memory. A quartet composed of Rev. Louis Baud, D.P. Comtois, Alfred Handfield and Adolph Duval sang the selection "My Country" with Mrs. D.P. Comtois as accompanist. After the selection, the orchestra played and refreshments were served. While the refreshments were being served one of the selections played by the orchestra was "La Marseillaise" and those on the platform sang the words. This selection brought forth great applause.

Dr. J.R. Gayer, of Southbridge, Mass., was then introduced. He delivered a fine address. He opened by speaking of the fatherland and told how the brave Canadians had left it to come to this country to seek their fortune. They were brave French-Canadians who felt proud of the additional title of subject of this grand and glorious country. He called on the people to become naturalized and take an interest in the great questions of the country. He asked them to preserve their language, the most charming language, the language of diplomacy, the language which the Americans feel proud to learn. He paid a high compliment to Miss Rose Blanchette, in speaking of the young French people and their talents. The French societies should never be neglected, he said, and first of all, every one should remain firm in his faith. Rev. Arthur DeBruycker was the next speaker. He stated that he was happy to be among the people after so glorious a day. He was proud to say that they had shown they were worthy of their noble race. The nice words

of the Mayor should be very much appreciated and they should show themselves worthy in the future as in the past of the compliments paid them. Inste[a]d of being content with whatever success they might have had, they should try to go still higher. Everyone should be ambitious to get as high as possible. It was good to love their fatherland, but they should love this glorious country and its flag. Then speaking in English, he addressed Mayor Tanner and especially thanked him for the kind words he had given them. They were appreciated, he said. If the Canadians loved the flag of their birth, they also loved the flag of their country by adoption.

Rev. Louis Baud was then called upon and he began by making humorous remarks that caused applause. He said that the custom of celebrating St. John's day had been taken from France, where there were many parishes under the saint's patronage, especially the one where he was from. He congratulated the people on their celebration and wished them many more.

Judge Henry H. Hunter, who was among the guests on the platform, was next called upon. He said that he was pleased to participate in the festivities of the day and was glad to see the interest the people took in the society and the patriotic manner in which they celebrated. One thing in the parade which particularly appealed to him was the school children with the emblems of freedom in their hands, joyfully waving them as they marched down Main street.

Judge Hunter received such applause that he had to arise and thank the people.

Alfred Handfield sang "The Soldier" and was encored. Refreshments were again served and at midnight the entertainment came to an end and all present were unanimous in declaring that it had been a very enjoyable one.

The committee in charge of the day's celebration was: Alexis Caisse, Ephrem Monast, Adolphe Vaillant, Joseph Delude, William Dube, Napoleon Gingras, Zephirin Coutu, Xavier Caisse, Alphonse Chagnon.

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400 ATTEND DANCE OF FRENCH SOCIETY

Fiftieth Anniversary Banquet to be Held This Evening

The fiftieth anniversary celebration of the St. Jean Baptiste Society got under way with a dance and entertainment at the Al-Pierre Tabarin last evening for members and their friends. About 400 were in attendance. The entertainment was from Providence, R.I. Both modern and square dancing was enjoyed. The Ramblers furnished the dance music and refreshments were served.

Tonight, a banquet will be held in the state armory on Pleasant street at which about 500 are expected to be in attendance. Rev. H.C. Belec, assistant pastor of St. Mary's parish, will be toastmaster of the evening. The dinner will be served by the Elite

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Mayor Walter R. King, the opening speaker, paid high compliment to the society and its activities and also referred in glowing terms to the memory of Rev. Father Florimond DeBruycker, deceased. In addition, he extended the felicitations of the city upon the occasion of the anniversary.

Attorney Harry S. Gaucher, responding to the address by Mayor King, remarked complimentingly upon the business efficiency of the present municipal administration and said the chief executive is a staunch believer in the "pay as we go" policy of government, having at the heart at all times the financial interests of the city.

President Alexis Caisse was the next speaker and in connection with his talk the presentation to Mr. Belair took place. Acknowledgement was also made of the gift of a beautiful basket of flowers from Mr. and Mrs. Aime J. Martineau to the society officers.

The dinner was an excellent one and was served by the Elite Restaurant. The menu follows:

Olives a la Reine Noies Cassees
Celeri Petits Pains Buerre
Coquetel
Soupe a la Gibelotte au Poulet et
Au Riz
Poulets rautis --Farce
Patates fromagees
Tomates Salades
Concombres
Gateaux aux Fraises
Creme a la glace
Cafe noir

The program of the orchestra and Miss Guerney follows for which Sylvia Langman was accompanist: --

Hayden Symphony "Militaire" in G. Major
Adagio
Allegro
Allegretto
Menuetto
Presto

Bemberg, Hindu Chant
Martini, Plaisir d'Amour
Delibes, Les Filies de Cadiz
Thomas, Me voici dans son boudoir (Mignon)
Celia Guerney

Mendelssohn, Selections from "Elijah"
Leonar, Scenes Humoristiques
The Donkey and the Driver
Cat and Mice

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Woonsocket, R.I., general secretary of the order, Rev. U.O. Bellerose of Putnam, Joseph Lefebvre, representative in the state legislature, Sylva C. Lachapelle of New York City and Alphonse Chagnon who gave an interesting history of the local society. These were delivered in the French language.

The anniversary committee comprised Alexis Caisse, chairman; Alphonse Chagnon, vice-chairman; Louis C. Vegiard, secretary; Cyrille Jubin, assistant secretary; Florimond J. Bergeron, treasurer; H. Loiselle, A. Cartier, A. Bertrand, O. Delude, E. Manseau, J. Lariviere, A. Lagace, G. Lamontagne, J. Moore, O. Lafontaine, A. Samson, E. Beaulieu, A. Cote, E. Sylvestre, H. Lussier and F.X. Caisse. Rev. Father Belec was honorary members of the committee.

The officers of the society are Rev. J.J. Papillon, chaplain; Alexis Caisse, president; F.J. Bergeron vice-president; Hector Lussier, recording secretary; Cyril Jubin, assistant recording secretary; Edmond Sylvestre, financial secretary; Arthur Samson, assistant financial secretary; Alphonse Chagnon, treasurer; Arthur Cartier, corresponding secretary; Joseph Moore, Cyrille Jubin, F.J. Bergeron, Hector Lussier and Louis C. Vegiard, trustees; comd. ord., Joseph Lariviere, Arthur Bertrand and Alfred Cote; sick visiting committee, Hector Lussier, Homer Lafontaine, Aldege Beaulieu, Arthur Cartier, Alfred Legace, Gaudias Lamontagne and Ovila Delude.

It was ascertained this morning that another charter member of the society is Appolinaire Fontaine now residing in Montreal, Canada. He came here for the celebration and was presented with a \$50 gold piece such as had been given to Honore Belair, the other charter member. It was said this afternoon that the records of the organization had been destroyed and for that reason the committee in charge was under the impression that there was only one charter member.

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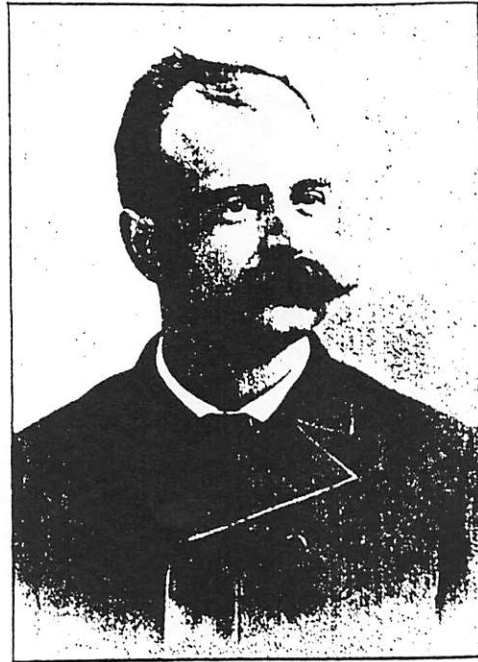
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Rev. Roland A. Guilmette, assistant pastor, who has served as spiritual advisor of the society for 22 years, traced the history and progress of the organization. He said that the group organized in 1880 at St. Joseph's church, but was transferred to St. Mary's 51 years ago.

Members of the society held a banquet in St. Mary's school Saturday evening, with 150 members and guests attending. Mayor Florimond J. Bergeron, who is serving his 25th consecutive year as president of the society, was in charge of the brief program.



J.O. Blanchette

The large baking establishment conducted by Mr. Blanchette is the outgrowth of one which for many years was conducted in the basement of the old Brainard House. It was a comparatively small affair when he took it, some fourteen years ago, and at that time one man could easily attend to its demands. Under his management it has been greatly developed, its business many times increased and at present the services of eight people in addition to his own are required. It might be said there is no cessation from work, as tow sets of help, one for day work, the other for nights, are employed, and the bakery is in operation night and day.

Twelve years ago, Mr. Blanchette moved to his present quarters. There he has an attractive, neatly kept sales room, while in the rear is the bakery proper. The latter is thoroughly equipped with all of the necessary paraphernalia for rapid and satisfactory work, and everything in the line of bakers' productions are made, both in large quantities and of excellent quality. It would be well nigh impossible to enumerate the many and one things in the line of staple and fancy bakers' goods produced; they embrace everything in pies, cakes, bread and pastry for which there is demand, and in their manufacture only the purest of ingredients and best of stock is used. The best of skilled help is employed; Mr. Blanchette is prepared to furnish at short notice weddings, picnic parties or social gatherings of any kind with whatever they may desire in his line, and anything in way of confectionery, etc., can be made to order.

Mr. Blanchette has been in the States some twenty-seven years, the last fourteen in Willimantic. He has developed a large business which is steadily growing; his transactions are at both wholesale and retail, covering all near-by places as well as Willimantic, and in this city keeps two teams in constant use.



Dr. A.D. David

Dr. Adelard D. David was born in Canada in May 1863. He is the son of Dr. Samuel David, who graduated from Victoria College, Montreal, in the class of '46, came to Willimantic about 1880, for nearly a dozen years enjoyed a large practice in this vicinity, and in 1891 returned to Canada. Dr. A.D. David was educated at Sorel College and by private tutors in Montreal, after which he for two years studied medicine. He also attended the University of Vermont at Burlington, later entering Dartmouth College, and was graduated from the latter with the degree of M.D. in the class of '89. He repaired to this city immediately, engaged in professional work, and succeeded to much of his father's practice when the elder David retired. His practice has been in general and is steadily growing.

Dr. David is a registered pharmacist as well as physician, and while yet a medical student he established the pharmacy at number 875 Main street, having as partner in the business Dr. Omer Larue of Putnam. For the past two years he has been a member of the school board, and he is one of the assessors of the new city. He is a member of the county and State medical societies, and since December, 1893, has been on the United States pension examining board for this district.

A Note from the Editor: I would like to thank Beverly C. York, Director of the Windham Textile and History Museum for taking the time to photocopy the two photographs that appear in the original edition of the *Willimantic Journal Souvenir Edition*. Although the museum has a photocopy machine, it does not work and cannot be repaired due to lack of funds. (When I visited the Willimantic Public Library the same Saturday in January 1998, its photocopy machine was in disrepair as well.) Beverly C. York took the time to drive to the local gasoline station and then photocopy the pages for me. – Albert J. Marceau, Editor of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*. (The addresses and hours for the Windham Textile and History Museum and the Willimantic Public Library appear on page 163.)

Hiring a Pro

By Ivan Robinson, #326

Eventually, every amateur family historian wonders: Would it be a good idea for me to hire a professional genealogist?

Maybe you've already reached this point for any of several reasons. You've hit an impasse in your own research and none of the FCGSC resources or experts can help. Or you find you'll never have enough time to do everything. Or the records you need to look at are in a distant Quebec parish. Or the answers you seek would take several days of combing through one collection after another in the National Archives in Canada.

I reached that point earlier this year. I had been doing my own research for more than 10 years and felt pretty competent at it, filling nearly all the slots in my 15-generation chart. But, try as I might, I couldn't completely answer the question that got me into genealogy in the first place -- how did my Robinsons ever become French-Canadians?

I had gotten back to 1806, when my ancestor, James Robinson, married Marie-Archange Bohemier in a Presbyterian church in Montreal. I knew that the couple came from Mascouche, just north of the city, where they soon settled to farm and to raise all their children as French-speaking Catholics.

So I knew that my Robinsons had been French-Canadians -- by my definition, at least -- for nearly 200 years. But now I was stuck on the origin of James Robinson. Was he a Scot, an Englishman, an Irishman, perhaps even a Scandinavian? My research pointed to all possibilities.

I had planned to travel to the Mascouche area last summer to talk to people, check out records and prowl graveyards. But those plans were torpedoed by medical problems that ended up with major surgery. Knowing I wouldn't be going to Canada, I decided to get a professional up there to help. My experience turned out well. I think it holds lessons for others.

How did I look for a professional genealogist? As a lot of amateur genealogists do today, I did my research on the Internet. Many genealogical societies in Canada have their own web sites. I checked out several, looking for lists of members willing to do research for fees. (This could be done by regular mail, of course.)

Eventually, I settled on the Quebec Family History Society, which specializes in English-name genealogy. Its web site had a list of 13 individuals and three historical societies offering their services for a fee. All listed their geographical areas of interest. From these, I was able to pick out seven individuals who might be able to help me. The web site cautioned: "All arrangements are made independently with the researcher. The QFHS does not guarantee researchers' qualifications or search results." So I mailed a query to each of the seven.

What did my initial letter say? I mentioned the lines I needed help with -- Robinson and another one, Dutilly -- and briefly what I had found on my own, promising more extensive details later on if needed. I mentioned the records I had consulted. And I concluded with this important sentence: "I would appreciate your letting me know about your background and qualifications and also how you believe you may be able to help me and what the cost might be."

Three of those are obvious things to ask for -- qualifications, background, cost. The fourth may not be -- how the genealogist believes he or she can help you. But it proved crucial. It helped me choose the right researcher for me.

What kind of replies did I get? They varied considerably. Some researchers asked for payment in U.S. funds. Others didn't specify. One researcher said she would put in extra time to account for the currency difference.

Fees ranged from \$12 to \$20 an hour. Requested advances went from \$30 to \$100, with most in the \$50 to \$60 range. In all but one case, photocopying and postage were added costs.

Almost all cited 10 or more years in genealogical research among their credentials. Three mentioned teaching genealogy at the college level and giving seminars for genealogical and historical organizations.

One seemed to be a novice. He said nothing about his experience. He thought my Dutilly line would be easy to trace because it was French. Ha! He questioned my statement that I had found Robinsons in the 1831 census. He believed that the 1851 census was the earliest I could have seen. (There is definitely an 1831 census, not to mention an 1824 census.)

Only two really answered my request to let me know "how you believe you may be able to help me." That put them at the top of my list.

Which one did I choose and why? I chose the genealogist whose letter convinced me she would do her best to help me. Her credentials seemed good, her plan of attack was detailed and sensible. She had some good ideas and asked some good questions. And her reimbursement demands were reasonable -- \$15 an hour (currency not specified), \$30 in advance, no charge for copies or postage. My second choice would have been the only other genealogist who spelled out his ideas for helping me. The time these two genealogists took to figure what needed to be done for my benefit made a crucial difference.

The results? The pro I chose has already come through for me. Although she didn't ask reimbursement for postage, she sent me a heavy bundle of material that cost her \$8.55 to mail. It contained a wealth of material mentioning Robinsons.

The material included a copy of pages from a book about a family begun by a possibly related Robinson, cemetery lists from Anglican churches, town histories of Mascouche and Sorel, photocopies of fiches of Robinson marriages, copies of pages from a book about Irish migrants to Canada, copies of census returns.

Most important, she sent me copies from a history of the parish of Sainte-Anne-des-Plaines, which is near Mascouche now and seems to have been part of Mascouche in earlier days. One page contained information I had been seeking for 10 years. In French, it said of a Louis Gauthier-Genevieve Robinson marriage: "Genevieve Robinson was the daughter of James Robinson, come from England (*Angleterre*) a Protestant and died a Protestant. Genevieve was born in England with her brother, James Jim ; in Canada she had two brothers, Jean and Georges, and a sister named Marie. . . The brother of Genevieve, called James Jim or Jacques like his father, married Archange Bohemier and was baptized around the age of 56 at St-Henri [in Mascouche].

"James Jim" was definitely the ancestor I was looking for, married to a Bohemier. I knew he had converted to Catholicism at 56. The parish records I had seen on microfilm listed him as James, Jacques or "Jèmes" (the umlaut over the first "e" presumably was the recording priest's way of getting the sound of "Jim" to come out in French).

My genealogist reported spending six hours in research so I owed her \$60 more, allowing for the \$30 check I had already sent her. I felt bad over her obviously huge expenses for photocopies and postage, so I sent her a check totaling \$80, in U.S. funds.

Was it worth it? You bet. Thanks to a pro and her fine work, I had information I had been seeking for a long time plus extra details such as those about James Jim's father and his brothers and sisters. I recognized some of the sibling names and already knew quite a bit about their own progeny. Now I had confirmation of their links to James Jim. I've asked the genealogist to do more work for me, committing myself up to a set amount. There are a few details to be filled out. For example, both she and I question whether *Angleterre* really means England or could it mean anywhere in the British Isles, such as Scotland. That's one thing she will be looking into, as well as seeking other records for more facts.

I expect that she will continue to be well worth her money, especially compared to the expense of traveling to Canada and doing the kind of work she is doing for me.

How-To

Breaking the PRDH Code

By Ivan Robinson, #326

As a regular volunteer at the FCGSC library, I sometimes meet patrons who have been reluctant to use the PRDH because they can't figure out the coding system in the indexes. This, typically, is what they see:

B 451 1659-12-20 §1 01 2

"It's too much trouble to figure out all this stuff," they say. That's when I introduce them to Robinson's Rule of Keeping Things Simple.

The rule says "Remember only the last number and the first." The last number refers you to the appropriate volume (Vol. 2). The first number will take you to the parish (code number 451) in which the event was recorded.

With only these two numbers, you will have in your hands the volume you need and, having checked the markings in the top corner while thumbing through the pages, you will be looking at the right section (**B**) of the right parish (**451**).

You're in the right church, literally. Now it's a question of finding the right pew.

You do that with the date. Entries are listed chronologically. What was that date again? If you're as smart as you look, you jotted it down. If not, you have two choices. You can refer back to the main index you were looking at -- you did leave it open nearby, right? -- or you can look up your subject again in the specific index that sits at the end of parish 451 in Vol. 2. Each parish has its own specific index.

However you do it, you'll come up with **1659-12-20** -- that is, Dec. 20, 1659. The PRDH's system is to put the year first, then the month and finally the day of the month.

That's it. Volume, parish, date. What more do you need to know?

Nothing, I say. The entry will explain itself. You'll see that **B** is a baptism. You already know **451** is the parish and **1659-12-20** is the date. You'll see in the numbered list of those present at the baptism that **01** is the baby being baptized. Others who were present will have their own numbers, which will begin to make sense after a while.

As for that **§1**, you'll hardly ever see it but so many people ask about it that it's worth an explanation here. It means that there was another event of the same kind recorded earlier on the same day in the same parish register. The first event has no designation at all (in effect, it's **§0**) so **§1** is really the second one.

After looking at several different kinds of entries, you'll quickly start catching on to the coding in the index. Then you'll find yourself saving some time.

For instance, **01** in a baptism is always the child being baptized. The father is **02** and the mother is **03**, usually followed by the godparents. So, if you're looking for the baptism of Jean Gagnon, look for a **B** listing in which a Jean Gagnon is **01** and forget those in which the Jean Gagnons are **02** or higher.

In marriages, the groom is **01** and the bride is **02**. The groom's parents are **03** and **04**, the bride's are **05** and **06**. If you want to see how many children Jean Gagnon married off later in life, you would look for **M** listings in which Jean Gagnons are **03**.

In a burial, 01 goes to the guest of honor, the deceased. The widow or widower is usually 02. Often, especially if a person has died old, 02 is a child or even a friend.

One word of caution: Just make sure at the beginning that you're looking at the correct index. There is no major index for all the volumes. Instead, there's a sub-major index for each of four time periods -- 17th century, 1700-1729, 1730-1749 and 1750-1765. Use the index for the time period you're interested in.

A final word. If you haven't tried the PRDH, you're missing a good bet. For the period up to 1765, it is the most complete and most reliable resource there is. Besides listing, for example, the bride and groom and their relatives and friends appearing at their marriage, it also reports names of people from baptisms, burials, censuses, confirmations, hospital rolls, marriage contracts, abjurations (conversions to Catholicism) and immigrant lists. It even shows those who had their marriages annulled.

By the way, PRDH stands for Programme de Recherche en Demographie Historique. That's the University of Montreal research program that produced the 45 main volumes plus two supplementary ones. The official name of the collection is *Répertoire des Actes de Baptême, Mariage, Sépulture et des Recensements du Québec Ancien*. You can see why everyone just refers to it as the PRDH.

U.S. Federal Census at the Hartford Public Library

By Albert J. Marceau, #766

Although the Connecticut State Library has the wonderful History and Genealogy Unit, its hours of operation are the normal business hours of 9-5, Monday to Friday, which make access to their resources impossible to get to for most working people. An alternative is the Hartford Public Library, which has the entire U.S. Federal Census on microfilm for the State of Connecticut from 1790 to 1880, and 1920. As for the 1900 and 1910 Censuses, it only has the Federal Census for Hartford County. (Nothing remains of the 1890 Federal Census for Connecticut because of the fire at the Department of Commerce in January 1921.) In addition to the Federal Census, the Hartford Public Library has Hartford City directories from 1880 to 1988. Lastly, the Hartford Public Library has the only publicly available index to the *Hartford Times* from 1950 to the time it folded in October 1976, and indexes to the *Hartford Courant* from 1950 to the present.

The address is Hartford Public Library, 500 Main St., Hartford, CT 06103-3003. The library is open 9 AM to 8 PM on Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 5 PM on Friday and Saturday, and 1 to 5 PM on Sunday, October to May. There are two parking lots in back of the library, on Sheldon St., which is free, and Arch St., which has meters. The main phone number is (860)-543-8628. For more information, visit the website at <http://www.hartfordpl.lib.ct.us/>.

The Connecticut Military Census of 1917

By Dianne Bordeaux Lenti, #533

Available on microfilm at the
Connecticut State Library, 231 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Conn.,
And at your nearest LDS Family History Center.

Are you searching for someone who may have been living in Connecticut in 1917, when World War I was about to begin? Do you wonder if the person became a citizen of the United States? If they had ever served in the military in another country? Their marital status? Their occupation? Any physical disabilities? Could they ride a horse, drive a motorcycle, or understand telegraphy? These are only some of the questions that can be answered by viewing the Connecticut Military Census of 1917. The person you

are searching for was a male over the age of sixteen, or a female whose occupation was "nurse," then you are like to find them listed here.

I not only found my father, Wilfred Bordeaux, in this census, but also my grandfather, Leander Bordeaux, age 64 years. Having never known my grandfather, I learned that, although born in Canada, he was an U.S. citizen. He was described as 5' 9" tall, weight 150 pounds, able to ride a horse, handle a team and was a good swimmer. Both my father and grandfather were enumerated by Arthur S. Pease on 20 February 1917 at their home in Somers, Connecticut. Are you missing someone in your research? Maybe you will find them here!

This census, unique to Connecticut, evolved in February 1917, when the Connecticut General Assembly directed the Governor to obtain information relative to "men and materials available for use in the event of war." Today, this is an informative tool for the genealogist, as it is essentially a census of all male inhabitants over the age of sixteen taken in 1917-1918.

The census index is arranged by town and alphabetically by surname within each town. To use the index, you will need to look at the town that you believe the person was living in at the time. Scan the alphabetical list of names until you find the appropriate person. Once you have located the correct entry, you will need to write down the person's name, address, and form number. The form number, printed on each enumeration sheet, is the key to obtaining the correct microfilm copy of the enumeration you are interested in.

There were approximately 502,549 individual enumeration sheets completed by the Military Census Agents. Each enumeration is on a separate sheet in numerical order on microfilm at the Connecticut State Library. You must have a valid archives pass, and fill out a call slip, in order to retrieve the microfilm of the enumeration. This is well worth the time it takes to fill out a request for an archives pass and submit the proper call slip to the reference librarian on duty. You will find the personnel at the Connecticut State Library History and Genealogy Unit to be very helpful, and willing to answer questions regarding the collection of materials held at the library.

Source: Finding Aid, "An Introduction to the Connecticut Military Census of 1917;" prepared by Dr. Mark H. Jones, State Archivist, Connecticut State Library. Revised: November 1996.

A note from the Editor: Since Dianne Lenti mentions the Archives Pass in her article, I wish to pass on the following advice. The History and Genealogy Unit of the Connecticut State Library has two retrieval times for its archival material – 10:30 AM and 2:00 PM. If you do not already have an Archives Pass, and wish to request archival materials the same day, you should arrive at the library when it first opens at 9:30 AM. Go to the History and Genealogy Unit, read the "Rule and Procedures for Researchers Using Archival Records and Secured Collections Materials." Fill out the application for an Archives Pass, after which you will go to Security to have your picture taken and your pass made. Once you have the pass, return to the History and Genealogy Unit, and show it to the person on duty. Request slips for archival materials must be turned-in at least 15 minutes before the retrieval times. The time it takes for the process of obtaining an archives pass takes about 20 to 30 minutes. If you miss the retrieval time, the request slip then goes for the next retrieval time, which could be the next day. The telephone number for the History and Genealogy Unit is (860)-566-3692 and the website for the Connecticut State Library is <http://www.cslnet.ctstate.edu/>.



State of Connecticut
 REC'D FEB 26 1917

By direction of an act of the Legislature of Connecticut, approved February 7th, 1917, I am required to procure certain information relative to the resources of the State. I therefore call upon you to answer the following questions.

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MARCUS H. HOLCOMB,
 Governor.

TOWN or CITY Somers DATE Feb 21 11
 FULL NAME Seanda Boudreau
 POST OFFICE ADDRESS Somers P.O. D. 181
(Street and Number or Rural Free Delivery Number)

1. What is your present Trade, Occupation or Profession? farming
2. Have you experience in any other Trade, Occupation or Profession? carpenter
(State which.)
3. What is your Age? 64 Height? 5-9 Weight? 150
4. Are you Married? Single? or Widower? married
5. How many persons are dependent on you for support? 1
6. Are you a citizen of the United States? yes
7. If not a citizen of the United States have you taken out your first papers?
8. If not a citizen of the United States, what is your nationality?
9. Have you ever done any Military or Naval Service in this or any other Country? no
 Where? _____ How Long? _____ What Branch? _____ Rank? _____
10. Have you any serious physical disability? no If so, name it _____
11. Can you do any of the following: Ride a horse? yes Handle a team? yes Drive an automobile? no
 Ride a motorcycle? no Understand telegraphy? no Operate a wireless? no Any experience with a steam engine? no Any experience with electrical machinery? no Handle a boat, power or sail? no
 Any experience in simple coastwise navigation? no Any experience with High Speed Marine Gasoline Engines? no Are you a good swimmer? yes

I hereby certify that I have personally interviewed the above mentioned person and that the answers to the questions enumerated are as he gave them to me.

Arthur S. Pease
 Military Census Agent.

**Introduction to the Series,
« Noms des Soldats et Marins Franco-Américains,
Qui ont pris part à la Grande Guerre 1914-1918 »**

By

Albert J. Marceau, #766

The names of the Franco-Americans who served in World War I are taken from the book *Guide Franco-Américain 1921 : Les Franco-Américains et la Guerre Mondiale* published by Albert A. Belanger in Fall River, Massachusetts. The book is divided into three sections. The first section is a collection of brief histories of the Franco-American communities of numerous states in the United States, along with very short biographies of the prominent leaders - priests, doctors, lawyers, businessmen - in each community. The second section is entitled «Noms des Soldats et Marins Franco-Américains, qui ont pris part à la Grande Guerre 1914-1918,» which I use as the title of the reprint series. This section is 106 pages long in the original, and is divided as follows: Chapelains, Connecticut, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont. The third section of the book is entitled, « Noms, Adresses et Annonces des Franco-Américains en affaires, » which, like the first section of *Guide Franco-Américain 1921*, will not be reprinted in the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*. The *Guide Franco-Américain 1921* ends on page 579, but has only 499 pages. The second section begins on page 214 and ends on page 319. The next page is numbered 320-400, and the third section begins on page 401. The only reason I can postulate for page 320-400 is that Albert A. Belanger intended to have more names in the second section.

The list by Albert A. Belanger will be reprinted by state within a given region of the United States. Thus, the first region will be Southern New England, then Northern New England, and lastly the Great Lakes Region. The reason I begin the series with the listing of chaplains is because Albert A. Belanger began the list with the chaplains, which is revised in the 1922 edition of *Guide Franco-Américain*. Unlike the original, all the surnames will be reprinted in alphabetical order, which displays possible errors Albert A. Belanger made over 70 years ago since duplication of names is apparent in the reprint. It is the job of other researchers to determine whether Mr. Belanger made errors in name duplication, or they were servicemen with the same name. Also, today's researchers will notice surnames that are clearly English, Greek, or Polish in Mr. Belanger's list. This is evidence of various degrees of Anglicization of French surnames, as well as intermarriage with other ethnic groups which occurred both among the French-Canadians and the Franco-Americans, which Mr. Belanger probably saw everyday of his life. This fact is largely ignored today since many people think of French-Canadians and Franco-Americans as having only French surnames. Thus, I feel that Albert A. Belanger's list of Franco-Americans who served in World War One to be the most comprehensive list of its type today. However, it is not a complete list. For example, the *Willimantic Daily Chronicle* reported the following in its article, "The Flag Day Parade Was a Great Success" for Saturday, June 15, 1918, with the sub-heading of "Fifth Division."

The fifth division was made up of entirely of the French Federated Societies of St. Mary's Parish. Aime J. Martineau was marshall of this

division. The Foster Band of Columbia was at the head of the division and as they swung by the review stand the martial strains of "The Double Eagle" march were heard. The large American flag of the organization was carried by eight young ladies of Garde Ste. Cecile with Miss Dora Gin[g]ras captain. The service flag of the parish containing 146 stars was carried outspread by eight other members of Garde Ste. Cecile. A banner with the words "146 young men in the U.S. service from St. Mary's parish" was carried by Joseph Durand. Then followed the officers of the old Ste. Jean Baptiste with the members of the society following. Then came Union Ste. Jean Baptiste and the Artisans and just behind St. Mary's court, Independent O[rd]er of Forresters. This division made a most excellent showing, marching with military precision and with each organization in regalia and members carrying flags. The general appearance was highly commented on.

The reader will note that the *Chronicle* states that the Franco-American parish of St. Mary's in Willimantic had 146 servicemen, but Belanger's list has 115 Franco-American veterans from Willimantic. What happened to the other 31 veterans? Another example can be found in the *Hartford Daily Times* in the article "War Decorations For Hartford Men" for Friday, June 14, 1918, under the subheading of "Private Dion," we read,

Private Edward L. Dion, the third Hartford soldier to be decorated, is a member of Company C. He was born in Biddeford, Maine. He enlisted in Company H, First Regiment, in 1916, saw service at the Mexican border, and went abroad in 1917 as a member of Company H, 102d United States Infantry. He was later transferred to Company C. Before his departure he lived at No. 21 Francis avenue with his mother, Octavie Dion, wife of the late Joseph Dion. He was employed by the Hartford Machine Screw Company.

As shown in the reprint, there is no listing of Franco-American veterans from Hartford, but, on page 7 of the first section of *Guide Franco-Americain 1921*, Albert A. Belanger states that 78 Franco-Americans from Hartford took part in World War One. This is further evidence that Albert A. Belanger envisioned a much larger list than what he printed.

As for the sources Albert A. Belanger used, the only clue to be found in his book is on page 301, on which he writes the following about his list for Somersworth, New Hampshire, « Note : Apres beaucoup d'efforts, il nous a ete impossible de se procurer les noms soit du cure, du secretaire de la ville, ou des journaux, les responses etaient que les listes sont detruites ou perdues. » This translates as "Note: After much effort, we have found it impossible to procure the names either from the pastor, the town clerk, or the newspapers, the responses being that the lists are destroyed or lost." Thus, Mr. Belanger contacted the pastors of Franco-American parishes, the offices of town clerks, and newspapers for his lists.

Albert A. Belanger intended that his list of Franco-American veterans of World War One to be used by historians so as to prove how loyal they were to the United States,

which is evident in the introduction to the *Guide Franco-Americain 1921*. (Translation of the introduction by Albert J. Marceau.)

The World War has supplied for the Franco-Americans a splendid occasion to display, not only in the United States, but to the entire world, the purity of patriotism.

At the call of the President, approximately 100 thousand brave men were raised for the defense of liberty in the countries threatened with slavery.

Many hundreds have reposed on the field of battle, and many thousands have returned wounded. Honor to all these brave men!

In past wars, the Franco-Americans have always supplied thousands of soldiers and sailors, sadly they have never been recognized. This time, we believe that in the present volume, with the information which it contains, will help to prove that the Franco-Americans, as always have made their obligations, for the American cause is theirs, and that they are not foreigners in this country.

We hope that they will know to recognize the Franco-American is industrious, sober, honest; that he is dutiful to the law, and that we find him in all classes of society. Without being demanding, he only asks to preserve his beautiful mother tongue. Whatever he succeeds at, he will always be prepared to shed his blood, and to give his life for the defense of his Country.

One historian who has used Albert Belanger's data is Robert Rumilly in his book, *Histoire des Franco-Américains*, in which he questions the amount of Franco-Americans who fought in World War One. (Translation by Albert J. Marceau. Text quoted from page 308 of *Histoire des Franco-Américains* by Robert Rumilly, published by Union St-Jean-Baptiste d'Amérique in Woonsocket, RI, 1958.)

The *Guide Franco-Americain*, published by Albert A. Belanger, writes: "100 thousand brave men...." The estimate of one hundred thousand volunteers as well as forty thousand during the Civil War, does not rest on any precise basis. But if the number is difficult to state precisely, the quality is not doubtful. *L'Opinion Publique* published a list of 18 non-commissioned officers, corporals, and Franco-American soldiers of Worcester, mentioned in the general orders of the 26th division of their conduct under fire during the offensive of the Marne at Aisne. The newspapers of many Franco-American centers were able to publish a brilliant honor roll. The 103rd American Infantry Regiment attacked at Riaville within the sector of Saint-Michel on the 26th September 1918. Lieutenant William H. Jutras, of Manchester, rushed over a land swept by German machine-guns, to command a squad to retreat. Mortally

wounded, he accomplished his mission before collapsing into a shell crater. The Distinguished Cross of Service would be granted to him on the 6th of December, a posthumous title. Army chaplain Osias Boucher would receive the French Croix de Guerre and many American decorations.

Robert Rumilly, in the next paragraph, then compares the mortality rates of World War One against that of the Spanish Influenza, with the flu killing more Americans.

Since this is a work in progress, each installment will have a list of suggested books that may help the researcher. For those of you who have a complete set of the *Connecticut Maple Leaf*, I suggest the articles "Memorial to the Veterans of Sacred Heart Parish, Wauregan, CT who served in World War One" in volume 6, number 4, pages 304-5, (VI, 4, 304-5); "Memorial to the Veterans for St. Joseph Parish, North Grosvenordale, CT..." in II, 2, 207-8; and "Franco-American World War One Veterans from Connecticut" by Lee DeRagon #8 in II, 2, 142-62, II, 3, 242-64, II, 4, 353-371, and V, 3, 203. Since Lee DeRagon based his articles on the following work, I suggest the researcher to view the three volume set, *Service Records – Connecticut Men and Women in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War I – 1917-1920* by the Office of the Adjutant General, State Armory, Hartford, 1941. For veterans from Massachusetts, I suggest *The Gold Star Record of Massachusetts* edited by Eben Putnam and published by The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boston, 1929. (This is volume two of the *Report of the Commission on Massachusetts' Part in the World War.*) Lastly, I also suggest the three volume set, *Soldiers of the Great War*, compiled by W.M. Haulsee, F.G. Howe, and A.C. Doyle, and published by the Soldiers Record Publishing Association, Washington, D.C., 1920. This three volume set contains photographs of the servicemen who were killed in action, died of disease or wounds, or were wounded in action.

The following reprint of the Chapelains, Connecticut, and Massachusetts sections cover pages 214-220 and 224-227 of the original. Since only ten pages of the one hundred in the original are reprinted here, I would estimate this series would last for the next ten issues. Both the Chapelain and Connecticut sections are reprinted in their entirety in this issue, but the Chapelain section is a combination of the listings from the 1921 and 1922 editions of *Guide Franco-Americain*, the only section to be printed twice with some changes, as evident in the eight names from the 1922 edition, as well as the differences in the locations, and some minor name spelling changes. For whatever reason, only Rev. Ambrose A. Dore of Boston, Mass., is listed only in the 1921 edition. (See pages 263-4 of *Guide Officiel des Franco-Américains 1922* publie par Albert A. Belanger, Fall River, Mass.) As for the Massachusetts section, only four of the 49 pages in the original are reprinted in this issue.

The reprint has changed the order of the states the list is printed in, as written earlier, states by region, but the groupings by town within the state have remained the same. The majority of the groupings by town are not in alphabetical order, which is corrected in this issue, and will be through the series. For example, both the Waterbury and the Willimantic groupings are in alphabetical order in the original, but Baltic, Bridgeport are not. The reprint has no spelling changes from the original, nor have the repetition of names been deleted.

**Noms des Soldats et Marins Franco-Américains,
Qui ont pris part à la Grande Guerre
1914 – 1918**

Complie et publie par
Albert A. Belanger, Fall-River, Mass.

Dans

Guide Franco-Américain 1921 : Les Franco-Américains et La Guerre Mondiale

Chapelains Franco-Américains Durant La Grande Guerre

Rev. Baron, S.-F., San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. Bernier, F.-C., Dubuque, Iowa.
Rev. Beaudette, Walter-A., Superior, Wis.
Rev. Blais, J.-M., Ogdenburg, N.Y. [1922 - Plattsburg, N.Y.]
Rev. Boisvert, Donia-W., Boston, Mass.
Rev. Boucher, Osias, New-Bedford, Mass. [1922 – Ocean Grove, Mass.]
Rev. Bouffard, I.-J., Providence, R.I.
Rev. Boutin, Jos.-H., Leominster, Mass.
Rev. Carpentier, Geo.-R., Springfield, Mass.
Rev. Cayer, Arthur-J.-B., Springfield, Mass. [1922 – Holyoke, Mass.]
Rev. Chataignon, M.-S., Galveston, Texas.
Rev. Coupal, F.-P.
Rev. Croissier, Ernest, Duluth, Minn.*
Rev. Darche, H.-A., Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Delaire, Jos., S.M.
Rev. Delaux, C.-N., Washington, D.C.
Rev. Dore, Amb.-A., Boston, Mass.
Rev. Gagnon, Jos.-P.A., Fall River, Mass.
Rev. Gamache, P.-C., Manchester, N.H.
Rev. Gauthier, P.-H., Springfield, Mass.*
Rev. Girard, Art.-L., Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Lacasse, A.-J.-H., M.S.C.
Rev. Lacombe, Geo.-L., San Francisco, Cal.
Rev. Lambert, G.-I., Providence, R.I.
Rev. Landry, John-H., Plainfield, Conn.*
Rev. Laviolette, L., Willimansett, Mass. [1922 – « ...L.-E.... »]
Rev. Lecuyer, George-E., Enosburg Falls, Vt.*
Rev. Leduc, Paul, Cohoes[N.Y.]
Rev. Lemay, Art.-A., Rochester, N.Y.
Rev. Lemieux, G.-J., New Bedford, Mass.*
Rev. Leveer, A.-J., Randolph, Vt.*
Rev. Levesque, H.-P., Cohoes, N.Y.*
Rev. Martin, J.-A., Holyoke, Mass.
Rev. Mayotte, Ans., Hartford, Conn.
Rev. Moisant, J.-F., C.S.V.

Rev. Phaneuf, Louis, Ogdensburg, N.Y.
 Rev. Piette, J.-B., Webster, Mass.*
 Rev. Ramsay, L.-A., Berlin, N.H.
 Rev. Remy, H., Holyoke, Mass. [1922 – «...J.-H.... »]
 Rev. Rochefort, J.-E., Buffalo, N.Y.
 Rev. Sauvageau, E.-E, Superior, Wisc.
 Rev. Tugas, J.-G., Helena, Mont. [1922 – « Tougas.... »]

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Etat du Connecticut

BALTIC – CONN., 77 soldats et marins.

Allard, A.	Douville, L.	Lavallee, E.
Allard, Jos.	Dumais, Nap.	Lemoine, Alf.
Arpin, O.	Fontaine, H.	Lemoine, Jos.
Arsenault, A.	Fournier, Armand	Lemoine, W.
Bernier, Alf.	Fournier, D.	Masse, H.
Bessette, Jos.	Fournier, Josaphat	Monnette, W.
Bibeault, W.	Fournier, P.-J.-Bte.	Morin, Eloi
Bouchard, Art.	Fournier, Pierre	Nault, J.-A.
Bouchard, W.	Fournier, W.	Neault, O.
Boucher, F.	Gauvin, F.	Papineau, John
Cadorete, O.	Hepathy, W.	Patenaude, N.
Cardin, W.	Herard, Leo	Paul, J.-B.
Caron, Alf.	Herard, Simon	Paul, Jos.
Caron, Elz.	Holmes, S.	Peloquin, A.
Charron, C.	Houle, A.	Poirier, H.
Charron, J.-B.	Jodoin, R.	Raymond, E.
Charron, J.-B.	Joubert, P.	Riel, E.
Chartier, Jos.	Lacroix, H.	Robitaille, Jos.
Chartier, W.	Lacroix, Wilfred	Rocheleau, Georges
Clacher, A.	Lafleur, L.	Roy, L.
Cote, M.	Lambert, L.	Sevigny, Alph.
Couillard, A.	Lambert, R.	Tessier, Art.

BRIDGEPORT – CONN., 48 soldats et marins, 2 morts

Allaire, Harry	Dolbec, Georges	Fortin, Joseph
Allaire, Joseph	Dube, Georges	Gaboury, Albert
Amiot, Arthur	Felix, Adolphe	Gagnon, Edward
Audette, Ernest	Felix, Ernest	Gendron, Georges
Audette, Eugene	Felix, Hubert	Germain, Albert-E.
Audette, Hereny	Fisher, Raymond	Germain, R.-J.
Boceley, Emile	(Poissant)	Goyette, Narcisse
Brunell, Edward	Fortin, Archie	Hebert, Frank
Cadarette, Eudore	Fortin, Arthur	Jacob, William
Descheneaux, William	Fortin, Frederic	Joslyn, Victor

Labrecque, Alfred
Lacourciere, Ernest
Lacourciere, Leipold
Lebeau, Walter
Lebourdais, Joseph-W.
Leger, Fred.
Lucier, Herman-U.
Menard, Hector-N.

Nolin, Ernest
Nolin, Herman-F.
Nolin, Raymond-H.
Patenaude, Pravate-F.
Piquette, Joseph
Proulx, Joseph
Ricard, Lucien
Richard, Louis

Roberge, Neil-A.
Stuart, William
Thibeault, Hector

MORTS

Fortin, Archie
Menard, H.-N

PLAINFIELD, CONN.

Comprenant les arrondissements de : Central Village, Moosup, Plainfield, et Wauregan.
- 178 soldats et marins.

Allard, Clifford-P.
Arpin, Peter
Beaudry, Louis-N.
Beauregard, Harry
Beausoleil, Joseph-M.
Bedard, Oscar
Belanger, Joseph
Bellavance, Albert T.
Bellavance, Exsec.
Benoit, Arthur-J.
Berger, Aime
Berger, Georges-J.
Berger, Henry
Bigonnesse, Harry-D.
Bilodeau, Edward, Jr.
Block, Raymond-L.
Bodo, Felix
Boucher, Adelard
Boucher, Louis-L.
Bouley, William
Bourque, Edward
Brochu, Alfred-J.
Brunet, Charles-A.
Brunet, Lewis
Carnegie, Hector
Caron, Joachim
Caron, Joseph
Caron, Nicolas
Caron, Victor-G.
Chabotte, Samuel
Champagne, Eudore-A.
Champagne, Ovide
Chaput, Alfred-F.
Charon, Ovila

Comtois, Alcide
Corbeille, Josaphat
Cote, Emile
Cote, John-F., Jr.
Cotnoir, Elzear
Courchaine, Alphonse-C.
Cournoyer, Hormisdas
Cournoyer, Joseph-O.
Couture, Alvin-E.
Couture, Camille-L.
Davignon, Saul
DeForge, Albert-C.
DeForge, Ernest-L.
DeForge, Leandre
Demers, Arthur-J.
Denno, Frank
Denomine, Joseph
Desaulnieds, Leo-H.
Desautels, O.
Desautels, Ovila
Desfosses, Albert
Despathy, Alfred-R.
Despathy, Wilfred
Desrosiers, Georges
Dion, Edward-T.
Dore, Adelard
Doyon, Arthur
Dragon, Robert
Dupont, Olias-F.
Dupras, Louis-J.
Dupuis, Adona-E.
Dupuis, Lionel-L.
Eno, Archie-H.
Faucher, Alfred

Fontaine, Edward
Fournier, Henry
Frechette, Deus-J.
Frechette, Louis
Gagnon, Fred., Jr.
Gagnon, Henry-P.
Gagnon, Joseph
Gagnon, Philippe
Gamache, Leo
Gardner, George-L.
Gauthier, Leo-H.
Gazette, Henry
Gervais, Ovila
Gervais, Stanislaus
Gobeille, Edgar-C.
Godreau, Ernest
Godreau, Joseph-M.
Gosselin, Joseph
Gott, Allan
Graveline, Fred.
Graveline, J.-Homer
Greenwood, Nelson
Grenier, Arthur
Grenier, Eleodore-J.
Hebert, David-C.
Jacques, Joseph-A.
Jarvis, Adolphus-J.
Jarvis, Arthur
Jette, Claude-Z.
Jette, Ellerton-M.
Jileau, Adelard-J.
Kerouack, Aime-J.
Kerouack, Arthur-L.
Labrecque, Joseph

Labou, John
Lacourse, Joseph-P., Jr.
Lacross, Joseph-L.
Lafleur, Arthur
Landry, Lt. John-H.,
(Chaplain)
Langevin, Armond
Langevin, Charles-A.
Laperle, Henry-I.
Laroche, William
Larock, Wilfred
Latour, Elphege
Lavallee, Albert-F.
Lavallee, Louis-J.
Lebeau, Dolor
Lebeau, Ernest
Lehoux, Louis-P.
Lepeck, Charles
Mahew, George-A.
Marcaurele, Leon
Marcaurele, Lucien-A.
Marcaurele, Victor
Marriott, Albert
Marriott, Frederick-K.
Marshall, Frank
Mathieu, Adelard-A.
Maynard, Leo
Messier, Albert-L.
Messier, Arthur-C.
Messier, Henry-J.

Messier, Joseph-A.
Messier, Lionel-F.
Migneault, Louis-A.
Monty, Art.
Moquin, Raoul-L.
Moreau, Wilfred-X.
Morissette, Edward
Nettleton, Floyd
Nightingale, Burgess
Nightingale, Gordon-T.
Nolan, William-C.
Nugent, Edward
Nygren, B.-Frank
Nygren, Edward
Nygren, Harward-E.
Ouimet, Walter-J.
Ouimette, Eugene-J.
Paquin, Joseph
Paul, Dona
Paul, Edmund
Peloquin, Leo
Peltier, Napoleon-J.
Piche, Alfred-J.
Plankey, Edward
Poirier, Herve
Potvin, Albert-T.
Potvin, Antoine-J.
Potvin, Richard-F.
Potvin, Valmor-I.
Poudrette, Joseph-O.

Roberge, Henry
Robert, Fred.
Robert, William-H.
Robitaille, Charles-F.
Robitaille, Leandre
Rocheffort, Adelard
Rock, Louis-F.
Seguin, Georges-D.
Senecal, Homer
Senecal, Louis-A.
St-Jean, Georges-D.
Stone, Raymond-O.
St-Rock, Joseph-W.
Sullivan, Lieut. John-F.
Sunn, Rupert-M.
Sweet, Charles-H.
Tavernier, John
Tavernier, William
Tetrault, Edmund
Tetrault, Ernest
Thaler, Louis
Thomas, Francis-R.
Tillinghast, Albert-C.
Tyler, Howard-A.
Vanasse, Adelard
Vanasse, Joseph-A.
Vandale, Frank
Vincent, Alfred
Vincent, Charles
Vincent, Felix

MERIDEN, CONN., 115 soldats et marins.

Amyot, Arthur
Anctil, Omer
Archambault, Eloi
Arseneault, Joseph
Arseneault, Napoleon
Auclair, Louis
Audette, Eugene
Audette, Hlaire
Audette, Louis
Baillargeon, Amedee
Baraby, Antonio
Barcelou, Flavien
Barnabe, Jean-Baptiste
Barbabe, Joseph

Barre, Alban
Bastille, Henri
Bazinet, William
Caisse, Albert
Cadrin, Aime
Cantin, Cleophas
Canuel, Adelard
Canuel, Adhemar
Delisle, Alfred
Deneault, Adelard
Deneault, Phileodore
Deneault, Raoul
Denicourt, Frank
Denicourt, Frederic

De Pontbriand, Orille
Desautels, Wilfrid
Deschenes, Alphonse
Durette, Paul
Durette, Philippe
Dussault, Albert
Dussault, Raoul
Emond, Albert
Emond, Albert-Joseph
Emond, Jean
Emond, Oscar
Fecteau, Albert
Ferland, Alfred
Fillion, Denis

Fiola, Alfred
 Fontaine, Armand
 Fontaine, Ernest
 Gagnon, Jean-Raoul
 Gagnon, Joseph-H.
 Gagnon, Joseph-M.
 Gamache, Alfred
 Gamache, Henri
 Gamache, Louis-P.
 Gamache, Raoul
 Garand, Wilfrid
 Gaudreau, Alphonse
 Gaudreau, Charles
 Hochu, Roland
 Houde, Joseph
 Huard, Leopold
 Hughes, Hugh
 Jean, Albert
 Jean, Joseph

Jean, Joseph-H.
 Jean, Napoleon
 Jean, Olivier
 Jean, Theodore
 Jodoin, Wilfrid
 Lacoursiere, Royal
 Lafex, Arthur
 Lafleur, Alfred
 Lafleur, Joseph
 Laforest, Eugene
 Lafrance, Napoleon
 Lafrance, Wilfrid
 Lagasse, Antonio
 Lagasse, Henri
 Lagasse, Pierre
 Maynard, Joseph-E.
 Maynard, Napoleon
 Maynard, Wilfrid
 McRedmond, Joseph

Melancon, Armand
 Nadeau, Joseph-Exeas
 Nadeau, William-A.
 Noiseux, Felix
 Ouellette, Adelard
 Ouellette, Alfred
 Ouellette, Arthur
 Ouellette, Auguste
 Potvin, Joseph
 Proulx, Henri
 Proulx, Joseph
 Racicot, Eugene
 Ratte, Nap.-Jos.
 Raymond, Philippe
 Renaud, Roland
 Richard, Arthur
 Richard, Georges

TAFTVILLE, CONN., 68 soldats et marins.

Adam, Delse
 Auclair,
 Belval, L.
 Bernier, F.-A.
 Bernier, Hector
 Brodeur, F.
 Bazinet, L.
 Belair, Jos.
 Benac, S.
 Benoit, Alfred
 Benoit, Alfred
 Benoit, H.
 Benoit, Jos.
 Benoit, Nap.
 Bissonnette, C.
 Brault, W.
 Cadorette, Alf.
 Caron, Alf.
 Caron, Victor
 Champagne, E.
 Chancerelle, O.
 Chenette, U.
 Cormier, C.

Cormier, Jos.
 Davignon, Art.
 Davignon, H.
 Desmarais, E.
 Dufour, Art.
 Dupont, C.
 Frechette, E.
 Frechette, J.
 Gladu, Alf.
 Goyette, Ade
 Jacques, L.
 Jodoin, A.
 Labarre, Alf.
 Labbe, L.
 Lamothe, H.
 Langlois, N.
 Lavallee, Eug.
 Leblanc, A.
 Legare, Ar.
 Legare, J.
 Lemieux, P.
 Lurette, F.
 Lurette, I.

Lurette, J.
 Lurette, P.
 Malo, R.
 Martin, E.-J.
 Mercier, E.
 Molleur, A.
 Molleur, L.
 Mullen, M.-E.
 Normand, Alf.
 Normand, C.
 Peltier, G.
 Pepin, Jos.
 Pepin, N.
 Robert, J.
 Rondeau, Jos.
 Rousseau, H.
 Stone, G.
 Tanguay, E.
 Tellier, C.
 Tellier, Emile
 Thout, Nap.
 Tremblay, H.

PUTNAM, CONN., 220 soldats et marins, dont 10 morts

Archambault, W.	Brassard, Alfred	Favreau, H.
Auger, Albert	Brassard, Alph.	Favreau, W.
Auger, Arthur	Breault, A.	Foisey, P.
Auger, Avila	Breault, Albert	Forcier, A.
Auger, Helica	Breault, E.	Fortin, W.-A.
Auger, Louis	Breault, Eud.	Frenier, F.
Auger, Phil.	Breault, Jos.-H.	Gagne, Chas.
Bardier, E.	Brizs, W.	Gagne, Edm.
Baril, Jos.	Brodeur, Arthur	Gagne, Jos.-A.
Beaudoin, Jos.-N.	Brodeur, Jos.	Gagne, Phil.
Beaudreault, C.	Brunelle, Alfred	Gahan, J.
Beaulieu, Arthur	Byrn, Isabell	Giard, L.
Beaupre, Eug.	Carroll, D.	Gilbert, W.
Beausoleil, R.-Jos.	Champagne, W.	Gigney, R.
Bedard, O.	Champeau, F.	Girard, L.
Belair, A.	Chapdelaine, E.	Gosselin, J.-C.
Belair, C.	Chapdelaine, E.	Goyette, H.
Bellerose, E.	Chapdelaine, L.	Gregoire, Alb.
Bennett, Fred.	Charbonneau, Jos.-E.	Grinsell, G.
Benoit, A.-dore	Charron, J.	Grinsell, H.
Benoit, Georges	Chase, M.	Guerin, Leon
Benoit, Jos.	Cordier, Alph.	Guertin, O.
Benoit, Nap.	Cordier, Jos.	Guilbault, A.
Benoit, Wilf.	Corners, J.	Hamel, F.
Benpit, Alf.	Cournoyer, Adelard	Huff, L.
Benpit, Nap.	Cournoyer, O.	Jarvis, A.
Bergeron, Z.	Cournoyer, P.	Jarvais, W.
Bernier, Fred.	Courtemanche, Eug.	Jodoin, H.
Berthiaume, Jos.-E.	Daigle, M.	Kempf, Arthur
Bertrand, A.	Delisle, D.	Kempf, L.
Bibeault, A.	Delisle, Leo	Koustancy, G.
Bibeault, Ademard	Demers, W.	Labonte, H.
Bibeault, Albert	Donahue, C.	Labonte, H.
Bibeault, Alph.	Drodeur, Eugene	Labrie, A.
Bibeault, O.	Dumas, A.	Lachapelle, G.-A.
Blanchette, H.	Dumas, Eug.	Lacroix, W.
Boissonneault, R.	Dumas, H.	Lafontaine, A.
Bonin, L.	Durand, Daniel	Lafortune, A.
Boulay, N.	Durand, Ernest	Lagrandeur, A.
Bourgeois, A.	Durand, Fred.	Laman, W.
Bourgeois, E.	Durand, M.	Lamarche, P.
Bousquet, Wilf.	Duricher, A.	Lambert, H.-J.
Bouthillette, Eud.	Farley, H.	Laperle, A.-J.
Boutin, A.	Favreau, A.	Lapointe, Alph.

Lapointe, E.
 Latour, E.-A.
 Latour, J.-Bte.
 Lavigne, A.
 Lavigne, E.
 Lebeau, E.
 Lebeau, W.
 Leclair, Alph.
 Leclair, F.
 Leclaire, Pierre
 Ledoux, R.
 Leger, L.
 Levesque, E.
 Levesque, G.
 Levesque, L.-J.
 L'Heureux, H.
 Lucier, E.
 Lussier, A.
 Magnan, H.
 Magnan, P.
 Maheu, J.
 Marquis, Wm.
 Martineau, Jos.
 Martineau, W.
 Mayotte, A.
 Mayotte, L.
 McEvoy, V.
 Menard, A.
 Menard, Leo
 Millier, Eug.
 Monti, Jos.

Morin, A.
 Morin, O.
 Murray, J.
 Paquin, L.-J.
 Pelland, V.
 Piche, Leo
 Piette, A.
 Pigeon, A.
 Plante, A.
 Plante, L.
 Proulx, A.
 Provencal, A.
 Racicot, A.
 Reel, G.-H.
 Reel, H.
 Reeves, A.
 Rene, E.
 Renshaw, A.
 Rice, H.
 Riendeau, O.
 Rinfret, H.
 Robillard, Z.
 Robitaille, O.
 Roy, C.
 Roy, G.
 Roy, Jos.
 Ryan, C.-A.
 Ryan, E.-J.
 Ryan, J.-F.
 Ryan, J.-F.
 Ryan, J.-W.

Salvas, E.-J.
 Sears, A.
 Somisky, J.
 Sullivan, Jos.-D.
 Talbot, L.
 Tetrault, A.
 Tetrault, D.-J.
 Tetrault, Doris
 Tetrault, Francois
 Tetrault, T.
 Therrien, W.
 Toine, C.-A.
 Trahan, C.
 Vadnais, F.
 Vanasse, N.
 Veilleux, D.
 Viens, A.-J.
 Vigeant, T.

MORTS

Belair, C.
 Breault, Albert
 Demers, William
 Dumas, Adelard
 Favreau, H.
 Guerin, Leon
 Maillot, A., Rev., Lt.
 Monti, Jos.
 Pelland, V.
 Veilleux, T.

WATERBURY, CONN., 216 soldats et marins.

Adams, Gaston
 Adams, Hampton
 Adams, Henry
 Adams, Leon
 Allard, Georges
 Allard, Joseph-C.
 Altiere, Joseph
 Arcand, Andre
 Archambault, James
 Aubertin, Charles
 Aubertin, Oswell
 Auray, Adelbert
 Auray, Hector

Ayotte, Anthony
 Ayotte, Georges-J.
 Ayotte, Georges-L.
 Ayotte, Louis
 Balthazar, Georges-A.
 Balthazar, Irving-E.
 Balthazar, Joseph-E.
 Barbeau, Georges
 Baribeault, Joseph
 Baudriau, Ernest-J.
 Beaucage, Peter
 Beauregard, John
 Beland, Eliodore

Beland, Joseph-H.
 Bernard, Napoleon
 Bernier, Ernest
 Bernier, John-L.
 Bertrand, Edward
 Bertrand, Henry
 Bertrand, Lucien
 Bienvenue, Raymond
 Bilodeau, Frank
 Biron, Ernest
 Biron, Joseph
 Blais, Oscar
 Blanchard, Albert-J.

Blanchard, Arthur
Blanchard, H.
Blanchard, Paul
Blondeau, Ernest-J.
Blondin, Georges-L.
Boucher, Richard
Boudreau, Eugene
Bouffard, Afred-A.
Bouffard, Napoleon-E.
Bouillon, Elie-T.
Boulanger, Arthur
Bouley, Francis
Bourque, Joseph-H.-O.
Brindamour, Omer
Brodeur, Clarence
Brodeur, Frank
Brodeur, Louis-P.
Brodeur, Philippe
Brouillette, Georges
Bruneau, Aime
Bruneau, Vincent
Cabana, Aine-L.
Caouette, Wilfrid
Cardinal, William
Castonguay, Louis-J.
Champagne, Wilfrid-J.
Charbonneau, Leo-L.
Charon, Evariste-E.
Charoux, Israel
Charpentier, Joseph
Chartrand, Walter
Corriveau, Rosario
Cossette, Maurice
Cote, Theodore
Cote, William-G.
Couture, Georges
Daudelin, Georges-A.
Dauphinais, Lazare
Delage, William
Demers, David
Demers, Louis-A.
Demers, Samuel-A.
Derouin, Georges
Descoteaux, Adelard-J.
Desmarais, Romeo
Dessureault, Alfred

Dessureault, Henry
Dextraze, Napoleon-E.
Dreyer, Xavier
Drolet, Joseph
Dube, Henri
Dubois, Denis
Dufour, N.-R.
Dufresne, Arthur
Dugay, Stephen
Duhamel, Charles-E.
Dumas, Georges
Dupont, William-C.
Dupre, Arthur-J.
Dupre, Henri
Dupre, Henry
Forbes, Raymond-L.
Fortier, Alphonse
Fournier, Frank
Fournier, Henry-A.
Frazer, Frank-N.
Gagnon, Frank
Gagnon, Rolp.
Gamache, Rudolphe-E.
Gelinas, Frank
Gerard, Jules-T.
Gilbert, Ray.-E.
Gingras, Arthur
Gingras, Eusebe
Grace, Edward-E.
Greenwood, Henry-J.
Grenier, Henry-J.
Guilbeault, Arthur-J.
Guirard, Octave
Gilbert, Alva-J.
Hamel, Edward
Hebert, Damase
Hebert, Raymond
Hebert, William
Hirbour, Georges-J.
Hudon, Ernest-J.
Joslin, Percy-A.-E.
Labelle, Arthur
Labrecque, Joseph
Lachance, Albert
Lachance, Alfred-J.
Lachance, Arthur-J.

Lachance, Charles-H.
Lachance, Georges-J.
Lachance, Henry-J.
Lachance, Wilfrid
Lachapelle, William
Lacroix, Roland
Laflamme, Louis-L.
Lalanne, Lucien
Lambert, Edward-J.
Lambert, Walter
Lamoureux, Leo-R.
Lamoureux, Walter-L.
Landry, John-R.
Langlois, Joseph
Lanouette, Henri-J.
Laplante, Edward
Laplante, Frank-X.
La Plante, Henry-J.
Lapointe, Emile
Laroche, William
Latendresse, Louis-J.
Laurencelle, Louis-A.
Lavallee, E.-M.
Lavallee, Joseph
Lavallee, Louis
Lavallee, Oscar
Laverdure, Philippe-N.
Lavigne, Jerome
Lavigne, Leandre
Lavigne, Simeon
Leblanc, Placide
Lecomte, Emile
Lecomte, Joseph
Lecomte, Oscar
Lecuyer, Walter
Lecuyer, William
Lemieux, Joseph-R.
Lord, Arthur
Lord, James-E.
Lord, Louis-J.
Loyal, Edmond
Loyal, Frank-X.
Marcoux, Georges
Martel, Clarence-S.
Martel, Henry-J.
Massicotte, Emile

Massicotte, Frederic
 Massicotte, Raymond
 Mathon, Albert
 Morency, Henry-J.
 Nobert, Emile
 Ouellette, Jean-Baptiste
 Parent, Philippe
 Parent, Philippe, Jr
 Payeur, Amedee-J.
 Pelletier, Archie
 Pelletier, Sinai-David
 Perreault, Joseph-C.
 Perreault, Lucien-E.
 Poulin, Georges

Pronovost, Georges-E.
 Pronovost, Leo-L.
 Pronovost, Raoul-A.
 Racicot, James-P.
 Racicot, Walter-J.
 Rainville, Frederic-E.
 Regnier, Louis-T.
 Rochon, Philippe-J.
 St-Denis, Adelard
 St-Martin, Leandre-S.
 Theriault, Charles-L.
 Theroux, Omer
 Theroux, William
 Theroux, William

Thibault, Elzenore
 Thibault, Thomas-R.
 Thibodeau, Albert-J.
 Thibodeau, Alph.-J.
 Thomas, Charles
 Trepanier, Octave
 Valteau, Charles-L.
 Veillette, Paul
 Verrier, Georges
 Vigeant, Conrad
 Vigeant, Henry
 Villerand, Donat

WILLIMANTIC, CONN., 115 soldats et marins.

Beauchemin, Anthime-Arsene
 Beauchemin, Clement
 Beauchemin, Georges
 Beauchemin, Henri
 Beaulieu, Alfred
 Beaulieu, Henri
 Beaulieu, Theodore
 Belanger, Eugene
 Beliveau, Rodolphe
 Benoit, Wilfrid
 Berard, Albert
 Berard, Ernest
 Berger, Alfred
 Berger, Wilfrid
 Bernier, Alderic
 Bernier, Alfred
 Bernier, Auguste
 Bernier, Emile
 Caron, Joseph-D.
 Caron, Louis
 Caron, Oscar
 Caron, Raoul
 Carrier, Evariste
 Carrier, Joseph
 Castilloux, Louis
 Castonguay, Pierre
 Caya, Alfred
 Chabot, Georges
 Dion, R.-G.

Duperre, Arthur
 Duperre, Ernest
 Duperre, Georges
 Duperry, Francois
 Dupont, Adrien
 Dupont, Albini
 Dupont, Edmond
 Dupont, Theodore
 Gagnon, Arthur-Jos.
 Gagnon, Gerard
 Gagnon, Herve
 Gagnon, Israel
 Gagnon, Jean-B.
 Gagnon, Joseph
 Hebert, Aristide
 Hebert, Arthur
 Hebert, Hipolyte
 Hebert, Louis
 Heon, Alfred
 Heon, Calixte
 Hochu, Alonzo
 Laliberte, Joseph
 Lalumiere, Arthur
 Lambert, Alfred
 Lambert, Arthur
 Lambert, Edouard
 Lambert, Henri-J.
 Lambert, Joseph
 Lamothe, Adrien
 Lamothe, Joseph

Landry, Elzear
 Landry, Gaston
 Morissette, Joseph
 Morissette, Napoleon
 Morissette, Roland
 Nadeau, Cleophas
 Nadeau, Etienne
 Nadeau, Joseph
 Nadeau, Joseph-E.
 Roy, Albert
 Roy, Armand
 Roy, Raoul
 Roy, Romeo
 Ruest, Joseph
 Salva, Napoleon
 St-Amant, Alfred
 St-Amant, Ovila
 St-Amant, Paul
 St-Germain, Albert
 St-Germain, Omer
 Teer, William
 Tessier, Valmore
 Tetreault, Amedee
 Therrien, Albert
 Thibault, Athanase
 Thibodeau, Arthur
 Tremblay, Henri
 Tremblay, Paul
 Trottier, Albert
 Turcotte, Georges

Turcotte, Joseph-Misael
Turgeon, David
Turgeon, Joseph
Vadeboncoeur, Joseph

Vaillancourt, Leo
Vaillancourt, Napoleon
Vallee, Wilfrid
Vandal, Henri-L.

Vandal, Josaphat
Verronneau, Cyrille

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ADAMS. - 158 soldats et marins, dont 5 sont morts.

Barlot, A.
Barriere, V.
Barthe, L.
Bazinet, Theo.
Beaudin, H.
Beaudin, H.-Paul
Bechard, J.
Bechard, S.
Bedard, P.
Besancon, E.
Besner, Art.
Besner, N.-J.
Besse, G.
Bessette, E.
Blanchard, F.
Blanchard, F.
Boucher, Art.
Boudreau, L.
Brodeur, A.
Brousseau, H.
Bush, H.
Bushey, E.
Bushey, Jos.
Cardonel, O.
Caron, A.
Caron, H.-J.
Catman, W.
Caya, E.
Charbonneau, A.-A.
Charbonneau, Arthur
Charbonneau, Georges
Charbonneau, L.
Charbonneau, Will.
Charron, L.
Choiniere, E.
Choiniere, Jos.
Choquette, R.
Claermont, J.
Claudel, E.

Cloutier, A.
Cormier, P.
Courtot, E.
Cross, A.
Cyr, L.
Daunais, E.
Davis, H.
Decelle, Leo
Deguire, A.
Demers, H.
Denault, A.
Desorey, J.
Dionne, A.
Dubuc, R.
Ducharme, B.
Faivre, J.
Foisy, A.
Fortier, G.
Fortier, H.
Fortier, J.
Gagne, Edm.
Gamache, E.
Giroux, Art.
Giroux, N.
Goyette, F.
Gravel, O.
Guerin, A.
Guerin, W.
Guilmore, L.-L.
Hamel, I.
Hamel, L.
Hebert, F.
Henser, J.-C.
Jette, A.-E.
Lacroix, Fred.
Lacroix, H.
Lamoureux, A.-P.
Lamoureux, J.
Lamoureux, O.

Langlois, Dr. Elie
Lapierre, J.
Laporte, V.
Larriviere, V.
Lauzon, H.
Lavigne, Arthur
Lavigne, Z.
Lefebvre, A.-E.
Lemieux, D.
Lemoine, C.
Lemoine, F.
Lemoine, O.
Lizee, H.-J.
Lussier, G.
Major, F.
Malloy, J.-B.
Marceau, Leo
Marchessault, L.
Martin, Alcide
Martin, H.
Martin, Leon
Martin, Robert
Mercier, Leo
Methot, Arthur
Methot, H.-J.
Methot, W.
Milette, J.
Ouellette, E.
Ouellette, Leo
Paradis, Albert
Paradis, W.
Pare, E.
Patenaude, D.
Perrault, E.
Perrault, Ernest
Perrault, Francis
Perrault, Joachim
Petit, N.
Picard, G.

Picard, W.
Pinsonneault, O.
Pinsonneault, W.
Poirier, F.
Prud'homme, Arthur
Racette, P.-F.
Reeves, Isidore
Reeves, J.
Remillard, D.
Remillard, Elf
Riel, D.
Robert, Louis
Rolland, A.

Rolland, Isidore
Rousseau, A.
Rousseau, Albert
Rousseau, Ed.
Rousseau, Fred.
Roy, O.
Singer, Albert
Singer, C.
St-Hilaire, A.
Surprenant, V.
Tanguay, P.
Therrien, Alex.
Trottier, F.

Trudeau, C.
Trudeau, H.
Turgeon, A.
Viens, L.
Vigiard, W.
Vincellette, W.

MORTS

Cormier, P.
Caron, A.
Decelle, Leo
Hamel, L.
Maloy, J.-B.

AGAWAM, MASS. - 26 soldats et marins, dont 1 mort.

Angers, H.-F.
Beauchaine, E.
Bourdon, A.-I.
Cayer, A.-E.
Davignon, A.-C.
Duclos, F.-E.
Fortier, F.-J.
Gagnon, M.
Gagnon, V.
Geoffrion, G.-A.

Geoffrion, H.-E.
Geoffrion, J.-L.
Geoffrion, L.
Labonte, H.-M.
Lafleur, F.-W.
Lafleur, L.-E.
Lamontagne, W.-A.
Letellier, U.-V.
Letendre, A.-J.
Menard, F.-J.

Menard, H.-G.
Menard, L.-J.
Paro, E.-I.
Reeves, E.-P.
Rousseau, M.
St-Denis, H.

MORT

St-Denis, H.

ALDENVILLE, MASS. - 72 soldats et marins.

Allen, A.
Allen, Hector
Bachand, A.
Beaulieu, H.
Bergeron, H.
Berube, I.
Beuche, A.
Blais, M.
Blais, Will.
Boisvert, F.
Bolduc, G.
Boucher, E.
Breault, O.
Breault, Omer
Carignan, V.
Courtemanche, R.
Croteau, A.
Daigle, G.
Dauphinais, L.

Desmarais, C.
Desrochers, E.
Dubois, H.
Durocher, A.
Durocher, H.
Durocher, H.
Gadbois, A.
Gariepy, A.
Gimbel, Alf.
Gimbel, Edw.
Gosselin, A.
Hebert, A.
Hebert, H.
Henault, C.
Labonte, A.
Labonte, H.
Labonte, O.
Lachapelle, L.
Lafond, A.

Laroche, A.
Lavallee, A.
Mailloux, U.
Menard, A.
Metras, H.
Mitchell, F.
Morin, A.
Normand, Jos.
Patenaude, P.
Pion, Louis
Prunier, P.

LIEUTENANT

Chretien, Frs
Garon, H.-A.

SERGEANT

Benche, E.
Boisvert, H.

Carignan, W.
Croteau, G.
Gromard, G.
Langevin, L.
Rainville, G.

Wespiser, A.
CAPORAL
Boisvert, A.
Lavoie, A.

Lussier, A.
Remy, C.
Reindeau, L.

AMESBURY, MASS.

EGLISE DU SACRE-COEUR. – 92 soldats et marins.

Arseneault, Edouard
Arseneault, Georges
Arseneault, William
Beaudoin, Antoine
Bedard, Theodore
Bibaud, Adjutor
Blanchard, Georges
Blanchard, William
Blanchette, Edouard
Blouin, Joseph
Boudreau, Alfred
Boutin, Ernest
Brisson, Pierre
Brunette, Leon
Campeau, Georges
Carden, Joseph
Carden, Pierre
Caron, Delvida
Caron, Georges
Chantigny, Joseph
Chapdelaine, John
Charron, Albert
Charron, Arthur
Charron, Henry
Clement, Joseph
Collette, Francis-H.
Cote, Albert
Cote, Armand
Cote, Earl
De Serres, Raoul
Deladurantaye, Albert

Deslauriers, Emile
Dubois, Joseph
Duclos, Albert
Dupont, Alfred
Durand, Harry
Forest, Louis
Forest, Paul
Fortin, Edouard
Fortin, John
Fredette, Emile
Gagnon, Andre
Gaudette, Alfred
Gill, Eutrope
Gill, Theobald
Gosselin, Arthur
Gosselin, Georges
Gosselin, Jean
Gosselin, Joseph-M.
Gosselin, Louis
Gosselin, Thomas
Grandin, Philippe
Grandin, William
Houle, Francis-D.
Jeanette, Frank
Jerome, Georges
Laguerre, Gedeon
Landry, James
Landry, Napoleon
Landry, Pierre
Lariviere, Hector
Larocque, James

Larocque, Joseph
Larocque, Joseph
Lavoie, Albert-H.
Lavoie, Ernest
Lecuyer, William
Lemire, Ulric
Letourneau, Arthur
Letourneau, Xavier
Lussier, William
Marrier, Samuel-L.
Michaud, Amedee
Millette, Charles
Moisan, William
Ouellette, Lazare
Ouellette, Victor
Plante, Joseph
Roger, Antoine
Roy, Charles
Roy, Edouard
Roy, Harvey
Sicard, Harry-E.
St-Onge, Arsene
Theberge, Wilfrid
Thibault, Olivier
Tousignant, Jean
Vaillancourt, Chester
Vaillancourt, William
Yell, Edouard
Yell, William
Ziehler, Edouard

ATTLEBORO, MASS. – '82 soldats et marins, dont 4 sont morts.

Albany, M.	Fonteneau, P.	Messier, R.
Allard, E.	Frechette, O.	Michaud, Jos.
Allard, Jos.	Fredette, R.	Milot, Dr. Wil., Lt.
Antoya, Albert	Frigon, J.	Nolin, C.-E.
Antoya, Miss Rose, Nurse	Frigon, Jos.	Paul, Jos.
Antyal, Jos.	Gagnon, Arthur	Paul, L.
Arsenault, N.	Gagnon, Ferdinand	Pelletier, Albert
Ayotte, H.	Gagnon, Theo.	Pelletier, Henri
Beland, Art.	Gaudreau, Louis	Pelletier, L.
Benoit, Leo.	Gauvin, H.	Pion, Alex.
Boivin, O.	Gingras, Jos.	Poirier, Joseph
Boudreau, E. Lt.	Godefroi, Jos.	Poirier, Louis
Breault, Alf.	Godefroi, Rene	Poisson, N.
Brousseau, A.	Houle, Albert	Quintin, S.
Burton, R.	Houle, Noe	Sabourin, L.
Caron, O.	Jacob, Jos.	St-Georges, N.
Charlebois, E.	Jolicoeur, E.	Tetrault, Eddie
Cote, A.	Joubert, G.	Tetrault, Israel
Cote, E.	Lacourse, J. <i>Brigadier</i>	Tetrault, N.
Cote, O.	Lalibert, Albert	Tetrault, Victor
Daignault, E.	Laliberte, Alfred	Tetrault, Wilfrid
Daignault, E.	L'Ange, Alf.	Watson, Henry
Davignon, O.	L'Ange, D.	
Desaulniers, Ed.	Larosee, Ubald	<i>MORTS</i>
Desaulniers, William	Lauzier, Gedeon	Boivin, O.
Desmarais, L.-Clovis	Lefebvre, H.	Larosee, U.
Doucette, G.	Lemarié, Ed.	Poirier, Jos.
Dupuis, F.	Lepage, Adelard	Quintin, S.
Fonteneans, W.	Lessard, Georges	
	Maclanne, N.	

BROCKTON, MASS. – 127 soldats et marins, dont 1 est mort.

Alarie, J.-.	Bousquet, L.	Courteau, C.
Beliveau, A.	Brousseau, P.-F.	Courteau, P.
Bernard, A.	Buisson, Jos.	Dacier, E.
Bilodeau, J.-A.	Cadieux, Leo	Dalpe, Jos.
Bilodeau, Jos.	Cardin, H.	Deneault, W.
Blette, F.	Comeau, Leo	Desrosiers, Alf.
Boisclair, A.	Comeau, T.	Desrosiers, O.
Bonnette, H.	Cormier, A.	Dubois, R.
Boucher, C.	Cormier, A.	Ducharme, A.
Boudreau, A.	Cormier, C.	Dufault, A.
Boudreau, H.	Cote, A.	Dufault, A.-C.
Bouselau, A.	Cote, N.	Dufaut, A.

Dumais, M.
Duquette, E.
Durand, P.-P.
Emard, G.-D.
Emery, G.
Emery, V.-A.
Eymard, E.
Faucher, A.
Forest, A.
Forest, H.
Fortier, A.-A.
Fortier, O.
Gagnon, F.
Gaudet, G.
Gaudet, O.
Gelinas, G.
Giard, F.
Giguere, E.
Giguere, J.-H.
Gilbert, A.
Girouard, C.
Girouard, G.
Goyette, A.
Goyette, F.
Grandmont, A.
Guertin, R.
Labossiere, J.-A.
Labossiere, Jos.
Laliberte, Em.

Laliberte, N.
Laliberte, P.
Lamontagne, C.
Landry, Alex.
Langlois, R.
Lariviere, O.
Larue, Eug.
Larue, I.
Lavoie, W.
Leblanc, B.
Ledoux, A.
Ledoux, Alf.
Lemoine, Art.
Lemoine, Jos.
Lepine, C.
Lepine, G.
Lottinville, H.
Lousignan, R.
Lozeau, L.
Lucier, A.
Lupien, N.
Major, P.-A.
Major, W.
Major, W.
Mandeville, E.
Martin, F.
Megor, P.
Menard, F.
Monjeau, H.

Moreau, G.
Nault, I.
Neulaville, A.
Ouellette, J.
Paradis, N.
Pelletier, Jos.
Peloquin, H.
Perreault, W.
Perreault, W.
Phaneuf, L.
Picard, A.
Piche, N.
Plouf, Alf.
Precourt, G.
Robillard, L.
Rousseau, L.
Roy, C.
St-Denis, E.
St-Martin, F.
Simoneau, C.
Simoneau, C.-A.
Simpson, G.
Simpson, V.
Thuotte, Leon
Veilleux, A.
Woodland, E.-P.

MORT

Girouard, G.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS. – 135 soldats et marins.

Amelotte, R.
Arel, A.-J.
Arel, L.-J.
Arsenault, A.
Aubin, Art.
Aucoin, C.
Authier, Art.
Belanger, Albert
Belanger, J.-P.
Bellehumeur, H.
Bennette, Agonia
Bennette, Albert
Bennette, Georges
Benoit, Alfred
Benoit, John

Boisvert, J.-W.
Bolduc, P.
Bolduc, R.
Boudreau, J.
Boutin, E.
Bouvier, E.
Bradette, D.
Breton, Elz.
Breton, Romeo
Briand, Jos.
Brouillard, F.
Broussard, J.-F.
Bulger, J.-.
Champoux, F.
Chiasson, C.

Chiasson, T.-P.
Comtois, L.
Cormier, Alf.
Cote, Art.
Coupal, G.
Couture, C.
Crepeau, A.
Crepeau, Fred.
Crepeau, Orville
Crepeau, Will.
Daigneault, G.
David, H.
Desolier, A.
Devaux, L.
Dewchenes, O.

Dion, Albert
Dion, Georges
Drolet, Art.
Duquesnel, E.
Dusseault, A.
Dusseault, John
Dusseault, Phil.
Forest, C.
Forest, H.-H.
Forest, Thomas
Fredette, Arthur
Gilbert, E.-W.
Gilbert, F.
Giron, A.-B.
Giron, E.-F.
Giron, H.-G
Giron, L.-N.
Hebert, A.
Hetu, H.
Jean, E.
Labrecque, A.-A.
Labrecque, Louis.
Lacroix, A.
Laferriere, Jos.
Lafrance, Alph.
Lafrance, Phil.
Landry, Leo
Lange, O.
Lange, P.
Langlois, J.

Langlois, Jos.
Laroche, F.
Larue, L.
Laurent, P.
Laurin, Ed.
Leblanc, A.
Leblanc, J.-D.
Leblanc, Joseph
Legros, A.
Lepage, Ed.
Loison, O.
Mailhot, A.
Marchand, Isaie
Marchand, .-O.
Marchand, Walter
Masse, Homer
McDonald, A.
Meunier, W.
Noel, Arthur
Noel, L.-A.
Ouellette, F.
Paradis, A.
Paradis, I.-F.
Paradis, N.-J.
Pelchat, M.-J.
Pelland, A.
Pelletier, Arthur
Pelletier, Emm.
Pelletier, Henri
Peters, C.-N.

Petit, J.-B.
Petit, Joseph
Petit, Pas.-C.
Phaneuf, A.
Poirier, D.
Poirier, L.-J.
Poirier, Ozoel
Poirier, Theo.
Proulx, H.
Racine, H.
Robichaud, J.-R.
Robillard, L.
Robillard, Victor
Rochon, R.
Rock, Fred.
Rock, Viateur
Roy, Joseph
St-Coeur, Alph.
St-Martin, A.
Theriac, F.
Tremblay, A.-J.
Tremblay, Delphis
Tremblay, Jos.-F.
Tremblay, Joseph
Valliere, A.-W.
Valliere, Jos.
Verrier, R.
Voisine, A.
Voisine, E.-L.

The next installment in the series will reprint the names of Franco-American Veterans of World War I from the following towns in Massachusetts.

Chelsea - 77 veterans
Chicopee - 119 veterans
East Hampton - 139 veterans
Fall River - 1,668 veterans

..... +PAUL RICHARD
..... 8 MARC RICHARD
..... 7 LEO-PAUL LEBLANC 1941 -
..... +LEA BOUDREAU
..... 8 CAROLINE LEBLANC
..... 8 ANNE LEBLANC
..... 6 GUILLAUME CORMIER 1900 - 1918 d: 1918
..... 6 MELESSEE
..... 5 DOMETHILE CORMIER 1858 -
..... +JOSEPH GAUDET m: 1876 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 5 ELISABETH ISABELLE CORMIER 1859 -
..... +DAMIEN BOUDREAU m: 23 October 1877 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 5 PHELIAS CORMIER 1861 - 1902 d: 1902 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 5 LUCIEN CORMIER 1863 -
..... +MARIE-ANNE LEBLANC m: 11 January 1885 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 5 MARCELINE CORMIER 1865 - 1867 d: July 1867 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 GENVIEVE CORMIER
..... 2 JOSEPH CORMIER 1740 - 1795 d: 05 August 1795 in OPPOLUSAS, LA. USA
..... +MARGAURITE SAULNIER m: 1759
..... *2nd spouse of JOSEPH CORMIER:
..... +ANN MICHEL m: 25 April 1771 in PT.COUPPEE,LA.USA
..... 2 MICHEL CORMIER 1740/41 - 1790 d: 30 December 1790 in OPPOLUSAS,LA.USA
..... +ANN SAULNIER m: 1769
..... *2nd spouse of MICHEL CORMIER:
..... +CATHRINE STELLY m: 1775
..... *3rd spouse of MICHEL CORMIER:
..... +MADALINE BREAU m: 10 February 1789 in ST, MARTINVILLE,LA.USA
..... 2 MARY JOSEPH CORMIER 1742 - 1825 d: 07 January 1825 in MEMRAMCOOK,N.B.,CANADA
..... 2 CHARLES CORMIER 1744 -
..... +JESSIE ROY m: 05 September 1774 in RESTIQUUSHE,QUE,CANADA
..... 2 MARIE CECILE CORMIER 1745 -
..... +P.FRANCOIS CHOUNARD m: 18 February 1765 in ST.T.DE MONT,Q.,CANADA
..... 2 JACQUES CORMIER 1746 -
..... +MARGAURITE OSITE POTHIERE m: 24 January 1770 in KING CLEN, FREDRICKTON,N.B.,CAN.
..... 3 JACQUES CORMIER 1771 -
..... 3 MARIE CORMIER 1773 - 1819 d: 02 January 1819 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +JEAN-BAPTISTE BOUCHER 1776 - 1837 m: 1799 d: 15 January 1837 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 JEAN-BAPTISTE BOUCHER - 1800 d: 05 November 1800 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 MARIE-ANNE BOUCHER 1801 -
..... +JOSEPH COLLET 1799 -
..... 4 MARIE-MADELEINE BOUCHER 1803 - 1890 d: 26 November 1890 in COCAGNE, N.B.
..... +JOSEPH dit BRISTOL WILLIAMS
..... 4 GERMAIN BOUCHER 1807 -
..... 3 MARGUERITE CORMIER 1774 - 1818 d: 26 December 1818 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +JOSEPH-MARIN dit BOB GIROUARD 1767 - 1861 m: 1793 d: 04 April 1861 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 MARIN GIROUARD 1794 - 1894 d: 29 June 1894 in STE-MARIE, N.B.
..... +SUSANNE DOUCET
..... 5 [44] JUDITH GIROUARD
..... +[43] MAXIMIN CORMIER 1830 - m: 15 November 1852 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 MARIE-ROSE GIROUARD 1797 - 1885 d: 01 September 1885 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +ABRAHAM CHASE m: 21 August 1820 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 JEAN-LOUIS GIROUARD 1799 - 1880 d: 24 April 1880 in STE-MARIE
..... +EDESSE ROY m: 31 October 1831 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
..... 4 [48] MARIE-LUCE GIROUARD 1802 - 1832 d: 22 August 1832 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
..... +[47] DENIS CORMIER 1787 - 1871 m: 25 August 1823 in ST. LOUIS d: 24 July 1871 in BOUCHTOUCHE,
..... N.B.
..... 4 MARIE-URSULE GIROUARD 1804 - 1819 d: 30 November 1819 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 JEAN-BAPTISTE GIROUARD 1806 - 1818 d: 30 November 1818 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 FRANCOISE GIROUARD 1808 -

- +THOMAS RICHARD m: 14 November 1843 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B.
..... 4 DOMITHILDE GIROUARD 1810 - 1812 d: 08 October 1812 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 DOMITHILDE GIROUARD 1812 - 1877 d: 04 May 1877 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +FELIX LEBLANC m: 1840
..... 4 AGATHA GIROUARD 1815 -
..... +ETIENNE CAISSIE m: 09 October 1834 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B.
..... 4 FABIEN GIROUARD 1818 -
..... +MARCELLINE ALLAIN m: 26 October 1840 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B.
..... 3 MARIE-ROSE CORMIER 1779 - 1861 d: 23 January 1861 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +PIERRE PAUL GIROUARD 1775 - 1858 m: 1796 d: 22 January 1858 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 PIERRE GIROUARD 1797 - 1825 d: 08 March 1825 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +MARIE ALLAIN 1802 - 1876 m: 25 February 1822 in ST. LOUIS, N.B. d: 23 March 1876 in BOUCTOUCHE,
..... N.B.
..... 4 MARIE GIROUARD 1799 -
..... +BENONI LEBLANC m: 01 May 1820 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
..... 4 JOSEPHdit JOS ROSE GIROUARD 1801 - 1885 d: 28 March 1885 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +JUDITH DOUCET m: 13 October 1828 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
..... 4 MARGUERITE GIROUARD 1801 - 1819 d: February 1819 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 HENRIETTE GIROUARD 1805 -
..... +LOUIS ALLAIN m: 03 October 1826 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
..... 4 HILAIRE GIROUARD 1807 - 1881 d: 11 April 1881 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +GENEVIEVE ALLAIN 1805 - 1877 m: 25 January 1830 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE d: 04 August 1877 in
..... BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 5 [42] SCHOLASTIQUE GIROUARD
..... +[41] LAURENT CORMIER 1824 - 1860 m: 29 January 1850 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B. d: 16 November
..... 1860 in STE MARIE
..... 4 SCHOLASTIQUE GIROUARD 1810 - 1850 d: 22 November 1850 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +SIMON ALLAIN 1807 - m: 1830
..... 4 [29] GERTRUDE GIROUARD 1811 -
..... +[30] MICHEL CORMIER 1802 - m: 20 October 1831 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
..... 4 AIME GIROUARD 1813 - 1824 d: 1824 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 OSITE GIROUARD 1815 - 1816 d: 07 April 1816 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 APOLLINE GIROUARD 1817 -
..... +THOMAS ROY m: 1837
..... 4 [40] ELISABETH GIROUARD 1818 -
..... +[39] DAVID CORMIER 1809 - m: 09 July 1838 in RICHIBOUCTOU- VILLAGE
..... 3 FRANCOISE CORMIER 1782 - 1868 d: 31 March 1868 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +[35] JOSEPH STANISLAS COLLET 1776 - 1843 m: 02 November 1801 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B. d: 17 May 1843 in
..... BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 [31] EMMANUEL COLLET
..... +[32] MARIE CORMIER 1808 - 1866 m: January 1833 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE d: 18 February 1866 in
..... BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 [33] JEAN COLLET
..... +[34] COLETTE CORMIER 1817 - 1855 m: 09 February 1835 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B. d: 05
..... September 1855 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 PIERRE COLLET
..... +APOLLONIE BASTARACHE 1809 - 1885 m: 22 November 1830 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B. d: 15
..... February 1885 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... *2nd spouse of FRANCOISE CORMIER:
..... +[35] JOSEPH STANISLAS COLLET 1776 - 1843 m: 02 November 1801 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B. d: 17 May 1843 in
..... BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 3 UN AUTRE CORMIER 1783 -
..... 3 HUBERT CORMIER 1784 - 1853 d: 28 February 1853 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... +PELOGIE GIROUARD 1787 - 1870 m: 1804 d: 02 April 1870 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 SYLVAIN CORMIER 1809 -
..... +URSULA COLLETTE m: 1831
..... 5 OLIVIER CORMIER 1833 -
..... 5 MICHEL CORMIER 1836 -
..... 5 THADDEE CORMIER 1844 -

..... 5 ANSELME CORMIER 1846 -
..... 4 PIERRE CORMIER 1810 -
..... +BRIGITTE PETITPAS 1812 - 1870 m: 19 November 1832 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B. d: 23 March
1870 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 ETIENNE CORMIER 1813 -
..... 4 LUC CORMIER 1816 -
..... 4 AIME CORMIER 1823 -
..... +JUDITH DOUCET
..... 5 ONESIME CORMIER 1845 -
..... 5 JOSEPH CORMIER 1849 -
..... 5 MAGLOIRE CORMIER 1851 -
..... 5 J. BAPTISTE CORMIER 1854 -
..... 5 HUBERT CORMIER 1856 -
..... 5 CALIXTE CORMIER 1860 -
..... 4 JOSEPH CORMIER 1825 -
..... 3 CHARLES CORMIER 1784 -
..... +ANGELIQUE GIROUARD 1780 - m: 09 November 1802 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 JOSEPH CORMIER 1804 -
..... 4 URBAIN CORMIER 1808 -
..... 4 EUSUBE CORMIER 1811 -
..... 4 MARIN CORMIER 1813 -
..... 4 THADDEE CORMIER 1818 -
..... 4 MARIE-EUPHEMIE CORMIER
..... +REGIS ROBICHAUD
..... *2nd spouse of MARIE-EUPHEMIE CORMIER:
..... +OLIVIER ditBOULEAU DOIRON 1793 - 1883 m: 14 September 1846 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B. d: 22 January
1883 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
..... 4 APOLLINE CORMIER
..... +JOSEPH PETITPAS 1804 - m: 18 August 1834 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE, N.B.
..... 4 MARIE CORMIER
..... +RIGIS ROBICHAUD - 1836 m: 23 February 1824 in ST. LOUIS, N.B. d: 01 August 1836 in BOUCTOUCHE,
N.B.
..... 3 MADELEINE CORMIER 1785 -
..... +BENJAMIN GIROUARD 1784 - 1872 m: 09 January 1804 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B. d: 08 July 1872 in STE MARIE
..... 2 AMAND CORMIER 1747 - 1786 d: 1786
..... +JOSEPHE (JOSETTE) ROY m: 1774
..... 3 JEAN BAPTISTE CORMIER 1775 - 1847 d: 05 October 1847 in GRANDE-DIGUE
..... +ADELAIDE BOURQUE 1782 - 1861 m: 1800 d: 18 March 1861 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 THADDEE CORMIER 1801 - 1892 d: 02 May 1892 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... +MADELEINE GAUTREAU m: 28 November 1826 in MEMAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 MARIE CORMIER 1802 - 1875 d: 10 June 1875 in ST. ANSELME
..... +SIMON GAUVIN m: 18 November 1823 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 FRANCOIS CORMIER 1804 - 1869 d: 18 April 1869 in GRANDE-DIGUE
..... +ROLASIE POIRIER m: 18 February 1828 in BARACHOIS
..... 4 FRANCOISE CORMIER 1806 - 1824 d: 10 December 1824 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 APOLLONIE CORMIER 1807 - 1870 d: 12 May 1870 in ST ANSELME
..... +MICHEL GAUVIN m: 23 September 1834 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 JEAN CORMIER 1809 -
..... +REBECCA LEWIS m: 31 July 1832 in SACKVILLE, N.B.
..... 4 MARC CORMIER 1811 -
..... +MARGUERITE POIRIER m: 04 November 1847 in RICHIBOUCTOU- VILLAGE
..... 4 ANDE CORMIER 1813 - 1902 d: 1902 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
..... 4 ANSELME CORMIER 1815 - 1817 d: 22 November 1817 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
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1884 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
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..... +UKN m: 1839
..... 5 JOHN EVERETT,SR. CORMIER

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 - +MARYANN MITCHELL m: 23 September 1846 in COMTE DE KENT
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 - +MARY HARRINGTON m: 09 June 1861 in RICHIBOUCTOU-VILLAGE
 - 4 MADELEINE CORMIER 1823 - 1892 d: 15 February 1892 in CAP PELE, N.B.
 - +MAXIMIN LEGER m: 18 January 1847 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 MARGUERITE CORMIER 1825 - 1914 d: 1914 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - +JOSEPH GAUTREAU m: 29 January 1845 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 3 FRANCOIS CORMIER 1777 - 1853 d: 08 June 1853 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
 - +MARGUERITE LANDRY 1785 - 1856 m: 1804 in BOUCTOSHE, N.B.,CAN. d: 22 September 1856 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
 - 4 LOUIS CORMIER 1804 - 1890 d: 03 July 1890 in STE MARIE
 - +MARGUERITE LEBLANC m: 20 July 1830 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 [36] FRANCOISE CORMIER 1806 - 1883 d: 08 February 1883 in ST ANSELME
 - +FRANCOIS LEBLANC 1806 - m: 01 September 1828 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
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 - +[37] ANDRE OUELLET m: 06 November 1855 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
- *3rd spouse of FRANCOISE CORMIER:
 - +[38] HIPPOLYTE BOURGEOIS 1798 - 1888 m: 15 January 1867 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B. d: 29 February 1888 in ST-ANSELME, N.B.
 - 4 MARGUERITE CORMIER 1808 - 1894 d: 04 February 1894 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - +SIMON GAUTREAU 1799 - 1871 m: 28 January 1828 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B. d: 01 February 1871 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 [39] DAVID CORMIER 1809 -
 - +[40] ELISABETH GIROUARD 1818 - m: 09 July 1838 in RICHIBOUCTOU- VILLAGE
 - 4 ANNE CORMIER 1811 - 1832 d: 26 October 1832 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 APOLLINE CORMIER 1813 - 1860 d: 02 November 1860 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - +OLIVIER LEBLANC m: 09 July 1832 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 DENIS CORMIER 1815 - 1881 d: 30 January 1881 in STE MARIE
 - +MARGUERITE LEGER m: 10 August 1855 in BOUCTOSHE,N.B.,CAN
 - 5 ALEXIS CORMIER 1859 -
 - 4 JOSEPH CORMIER 1815 - 1873 d: 22 June 1873 in STE- MARIE
 - 4 MARIE CORMIER 1817 -
 - +JACQUES-MICHEL DEVARENNES m: 04 November 1839 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 DOMINIQUE CORMIER 1819 - 1874 d: 21 May 1874 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - +MARIE GAUDET m: 29 April 1841 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 HIPPOLYTE CORMIER 1822 -
 - +MADELEINE DESPRES m: 24 November 1846 in COCAGNE, N.B.
 - 4 [41] LAURENT CORMIER 1824 - 1860 d: 16 November 1860 in STE MARIE
 - +[42] SCHOLASTIQUE GIROUARD m: 29 January 1850 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
 - 4 ANONYME CORMIER 1828 - 1828 d: 09 November 1828 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
 - 4 [43] MAXIMIN CORMIER 1830 -
 - +[44] JUDITH GIROUARD m: 15 November 1852 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
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 - +MARCELLINE RICHARD m: 20 January 1862 in BOUCTOUCHE, N.B.
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- +MADELEINE LANDRY 1779 - 1857 m: 1802 d: 10 October 1857 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
- 4 MARIE-ANNE dit O'NEILL CORMIER
- +JEAN-BPT dit PETIT JEAN LANDRY 1813 - 1877 m: 05 February 1834 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B. d: 02 July 1877 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B.
- 5 [45] MADELEINE LANDRY 1852 - 1938 d: 21 April 1938 in SOMERS, CONN.
- +[46] ONESIME LEBLANC - 1877 m: 01 February 1870 in MEMAMCOOK, N.B., CANADA d: 26 March 1877 in MEMRAMCOOK, N.B., CANADA
- 3 MARIE CORMIER 1780 - 1866 d: 08 November 1866 in BARACHOIS
- +FRANCOIS THIBODEAU 1781 - 1838 m: 1803 d: 27 August 1838 in BARACHOIS
- 4 MARGUERITE THIBODEAU 1804 -
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- +OSITE CORMIER m: 1808 in CAP PELE,N.B.,CAN.
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- +BARBARA BOURQUE 1810 - 1885 m: 06 March 1832 in CAP PELE, N.B.,CAN d: 20 October 1885 in CAP PELE, N.B.
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- +ANNE ALLAIN 1795 - m: 18 October 1813 in GRANDE-DIGUE
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