

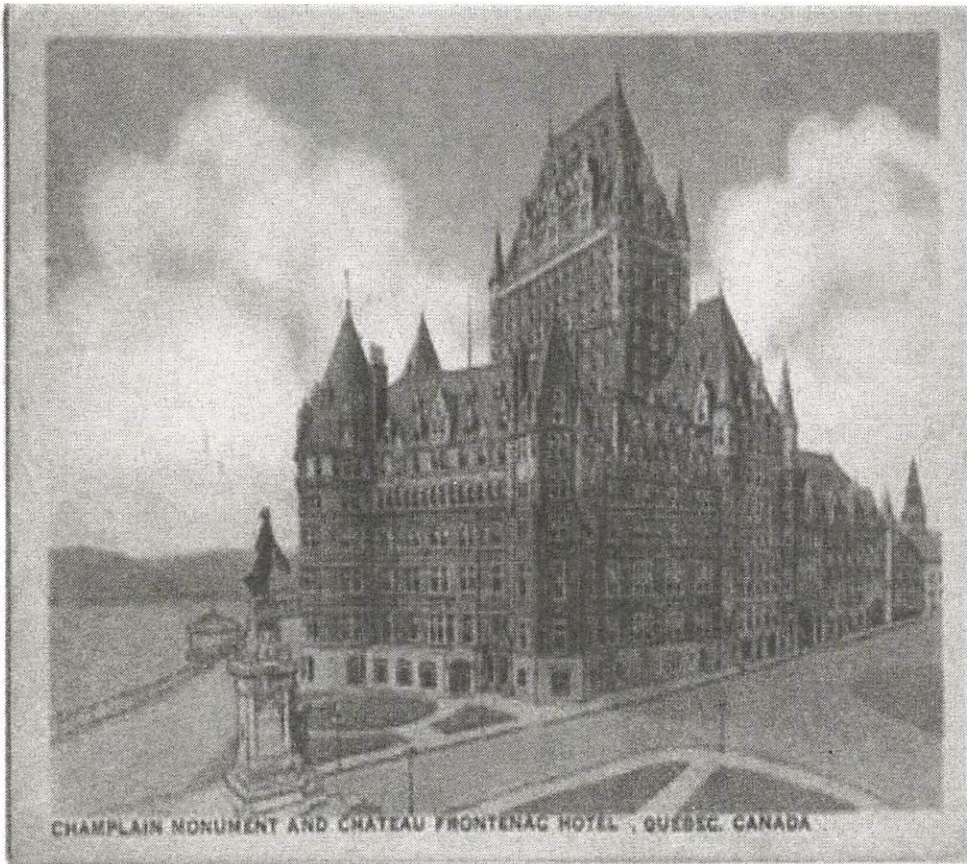
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## **THE COVER PHOTO: [ The Chateau Frontenac Hotel - circa 1945 ]**

In keeping with the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of the founding of Quebec City, to be held throughout 2008, I have chosen another postcard of that city for the cover of this issue of *Connections*. Anyone remotely familiar with Quebec City will recognize this world-famous landmark. *The Chateau Frontenac* is an impressive, castle-like structure built by the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1893 high on the cliffs of Cap-au-Diamant, overlooking the St Lawrence River in close proximity to the historic sites of Quebec's Citadelle and the Plains of Abraham. The monument in the photo is of Samuel de Champlain [c1567 - 1635], Founder of Quebec City in 1608.

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## **QFHS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2008 ~ 2009**

Are you interested in finding out more about your ancestors ?

The best way to do it is by being a member of a Family History Society !!

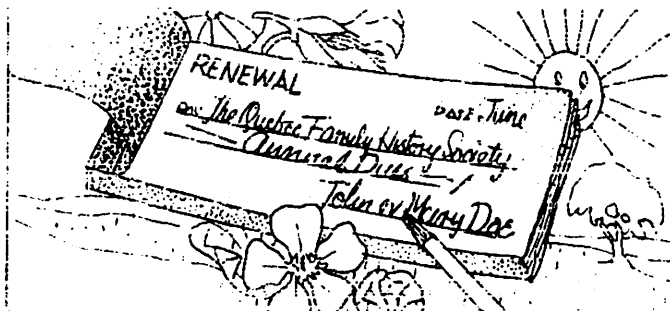
There are many resources now available on the internet - but this is only a portion of what is available to the serious family historian through a Family History Society. And, except for message boards there is no one to ask for help or advice.

*The Quebec Family History Society* has an enormous amount of information on computer, CDs, microfilm, microfiche, books and genealogical journals from around the world. We now have new digital imaging equipment to make excellent copies of anything you find. Also, if a resource is not readily available at the QFHS Library there is always someone to help in your search by suggesting the best ways to find what you are looking for. The QFHS quarterly journal, *Connections* always has interesting articles and current genealogical information. Free lectures are given throughout the year and numerous workshops and seminars are held at reduced rates to members. For the price of your annual membership ALL these resources are available to you. So, remember to renew your annual membership to *the Quebec Family History Society* before Aug 1st 2008. Do it now, before you forget !! And, try to convince a friend or relative to join - it's always more fun when you have a personal friend to discuss your latest findings with. The renewal form for 2008 ~ 2009 can be found as a pullout centerfold in this issue and a membership form can always be printed from the QFHS website at: [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca).

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**Please remember to renew your QFHS membership by August 1st**



The Membership Renewal Form for the year 2008 ~ 2009 will be found in the center of this issue of *Connections*

Dawn Ouellette

# From The Editor . . . . .

Finally, an end to a long, hard winter with more snow than Quebec, Ontario and most of the Eastern Seaboard have seen in over 60 years. As the snow melts away and the trees begin to bud we all look forward to the warm, pleasant days of summer. For those interested in learning more about genealogical research and how to document your information the QFHS has two interesting seminars planned this summer - details may be found on page 5

## In this Issue:

The articles in this issue of *Connections* are, once again, varied and extremely interesting.

Robert Wilkins submitted four pertaining to Montreal in the early twentieth century.

*New Kid On The Block: St James United Church* on page 6 is a brief history of that beautiful edifice. Built in 1887, it was nearly completely hidden from public view by other buildings until very recently - but Robert managed to find an old postcard of it, in all its splendor, circa 1906. *Automobile Mania* on page 7, extracted verbatim from the Montreal Star, discusses the maniacal driving habits of Montreal automobile owners in 1902 ..... some things never change, I guess !

In, *Remembering The Montreal Forum*, on page 8 Robert recounts many of his memories of Montreal's most beloved sports arena. He also includes a photo of the Montreal Maroons Hockey Team - circa 1930s. *Conditions in Montreal Schools in Late 1906* is an eye-opening account of Montreal schools as the new academic year began in 1906, as reported in Montreal Star. A unique look at a segment of social history of that era - especially interesting to anyone who had parents, grandparents, etc in the school system at that time. I can remember my Mother, Father, aunts and uncles discussing their schooldays of the late 1920s and 1930s and mentioning many of these same conditions.

Anne Joseph's two articles, on pages 20 and 21 delve deeper into the history of *Montreal - in Days Gone By*. *The City Centre of Old* takes us from a land purchase in the 1850s by a Montreal businessman on which he built his family home - Dorchester House; to a mega land deal in 1911; through the Depression Years; to the building boom of post World War II. Anne included a photo of the original home, now demolished and replaced by well-known Montreal landmarks. Her article, *Phoebe David [1736/37 - 1785]* recounts the hardships of life in the 1760s and 1770s, especially for a widow raising her young children alone. It also gives the names of the first Jewish birth and burial in Montreal.

*The Land Register of Quebec: Part I - The System* written by Sharon Callaghan will be found on page 17. This is an interesting and very informative explanation of the land registration system of Quebec. There is now an on-line, searchable database in which you can trace the history of any property in Quebec. But first you must understand the system. Sharon is an expert on this subject and kindly agreed to write this two-part article to help others understand what is available and how to glean the information. PART II of this article will be published in the Autumn issue of *Connections*. Anyone with Quebec connections would be wise to read these articles carefully and save them for future reference. After attending Sharon's seminar on this subject I was able, with her help, to find and print three family wills mentioned in the Land Register documents.

Remember that it is *your* articles, filler, and items of interest that make *Connections* a great genealogical journal. If you find something you think may be of interest to fellow QFHS members please send it to my attention - include where the information was found. I am also always looking for articles of genealogical interest. How did you find that elusive ancestor ? You can send all material to [admin@qfhs.ca](mailto:admin@qfhs.ca) titled: "For Connections" and Joan will forward it to me.

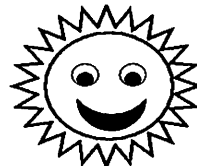
**HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER**

Dawn Ouellette / Editor

# QFHS NEWS AND NOTES

## QFHS LIBRARY & OFFICE - SUMMER HOURS:

The QFHS Library and Office *Summer Hours* will commence the week of June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2008  
**July & August: will be open ONLY on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
Last Wednesday evening open June 18<sup>th</sup> / Last Sunday afternoon open June 8<sup>th</sup>  
Closed: Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> - St-Jean Baptiste  
Closed: Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> - Canada Day  
Closed: Monday, Sept 1<sup>st</sup> - Labour Day  
Closed: Week of August 25<sup>th</sup>



**Regular hours will recommence on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2008**

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## QFHS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:

★ **Please remember to renew your QFHS Membership before August 1<sup>st</sup> 2008.** ★  
The QFHS Membership Renewal form will be found in the center of this issue of *Connections*.  
This form may be used when renewing by mail or in person - with cheque or money order.  
You may also pay by VISA. The Quebec Family History Society now offers you the capability to renew your membership on-line using our partnership with PAYPAL. Visit the QFHS website at: [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca) and click on *Membership* to use this service.

Do you have friends who wants to join QFHS ?  
New members can also join QFHS using our on-line membership service with Paypal.

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## QFHS FREE PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

Held each month September to November and March to May  
Due to the possibility of inclement weather conditions no lectures are held in January or February.  
**Location:** St. Andrew's United Church 75 - 15th Ave., Lachine, QC  
**For Dates, Time and Directions:** visit the QFHS webpage at: [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca)  
and click on "*Happenings*" then "*Lecture Series*".

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## THANK YOU SANDY:

*QFHS E-mail Correspondent*, Sandy Brown has decided to step down. Sandy has been an avid QFHS volunteer since September 2000 - first in Public Relations and for the past few years as *E-mail Correspondent*. Thanks Sandy for a great job.

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## WELCOME JACKIE:

Long-time QFHS member and volunteer, Jackie Billingham has taken on the job of *E-mail Correspondent* and will be keeping you up to date on all QFHS events. To ensure that you receive all QFHS correspondence please send any changes in your e-mail address to: QFHS Secretary, Joan Benoit at: [admin@qfhs.ca](mailto:admin@qfhs.ca) with a copy to Jackie at : [jbillingham@sympatico.ca](mailto:jbillingham@sympatico.ca) Also, if you are not receiving e-mails about upcoming QFHS events and wish to please contact Jackie at the above e-mail address.

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**Deadline for the Autumn issue of CONNECTIONS is: JULY 15TH**

# QFHS NEWS AND NOTES

## RBC VOLUNTEER GRANTS PROGRAM:

*The Quebec Family History Society and Heritage Centre gratefully acknowledges and thanks Royal Bank for recent gifts and ongoing support through employee involvement in the RBC Volunteer Grants Program. We are also appreciative of the synergy between our members Susan Gingras Calcangi and Bruce Henderson, both Royal Bank pensioners, and Royal Bank for past and potential future support.*

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## QFHS RESEARCH RESOURCES:

### THE DROUIN COLLECTION:

The Quebec Family History Society Library now has the complete *Drouin Collection of Church Registers*. This collection consists of the Digitized version of the 2,366 Microfilms that contain the Church Registers of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials both Catholic and Non-Catholic from 1621 to 1941 for the entire province of Quebec. There are certain Catholic parish registers for the Western sections of Quebec that extend into the 1960's as well as various registers for selected parts of Ontario and the United States as well as various items of genealogical interest

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### ON-LINE DATABASES

Quebec Family History Society *ON-LINE DATABASES* are now available for QFHS members. To access visit the QFHS webpage at: [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca) And click on "Databases" then enter your *Member Number*, *User Id*: [ email address ]; *Password*: [Postal Code - (All letters in Caps and No spaces)]

With a successful login you will be taken back to the Main Menu. Then click on *Surname / Forename* details to enter the system. If you are having trouble contact:

Bob Dunn at: [trdunn@sympatico.ca](mailto:trdunn@sympatico.ca) OR Derek Hopkins at: [derek.hopkins@sympatico.ca](mailto:derek.hopkins@sympatico.ca)

Copies of birth, marriage and death records can be acquired from the QFHS Library for a fee of \$ 2.00 per record. Write or e-mail: stating the name(s); event; church name; year; folio number.

QFHS also announces the publication of our *Marriage Index* - now available for individual Montreal churches .... coming Soon *Quebec City Protestant Churches*. QFHS church repertoires are more than an Index - every record has been checked against the church register.

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### RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY LINEAGE IN FRANCE

This year marks the 400<sup>th</sup> hundred anniversary of the arrival of Samuel de Champlain in Quebec City in 1608 – *Quebec Family History Society* has assembled a team of professional researchers in order to carry out detailed family searches of your French Canadian Family Lineages from Quebec to France – We can find your French Canadian marriages, births, burials as well as any organizations in Quebec, we know where to research and how to research. In most cases we can take you back to France with two or three generations to the early 1600's and in some cases to the mid 1500's – Try-us, you will be surprised – Our *French Canadian Research Fee* is a flat \$50. per search, the majority of these searches will take three to four hours in order to satisfy our team of professional researchers –

In your request, just indicate "*French Canadian Search to France*"  
Please include your email address, so that we can contact you

# QFHS NEWS AND NOTES

## VISITORS to the QFHS LIBRARY:

We welcome visitors to the QFHS Library ~ Visitor Fee is \$10.00 a day.

Any person is welcome to come in and ask for a tour or look around - and No Fee will be charged.

A visitor wishing to use the QFHS facilities: computers, microfilm/fiche machines, books, etc will be asked to pay the \$10.00 a day fee. This fee includes friends of members and members who have not renewed their membership.

Joan Benoit, Secretary

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## INTER-LIBRARY LOANS: - *Canadian National Library and Archives*

Members are able to borrow books, newspaper films, census for the Province of Quebec and other provinces of Canada, church registers on films for other provinces, military records - from the Canadian National Library and Archives. Loan requests may be submitted by e-mail to the QFHS or in person at the QFHS library. All material must be read in the Quebec Family History Society Library. Postage fee is: \$3.00 for 1 to 3 microfilms; \$5.00 for 4 to 6 microfilms

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## ONTARIO PUBLIC ARCHIVES: - *The Ontario Archives offers inter-library loans.*

Ontario Archives has provided the Quebec Family History Society with a binder describing all research material that can be borrowed: *i.e.* wills, pre-1869 church registers.

All material must be read in the QFHS library. Postage fee: 1 to 3 films \$3.00, 4 to 6 films \$5.00

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## QFHS ON-LINE LIBRARY CATALOGUE

You can now search the QFHS Library Catalogue on-line - just click on "databases", then "search catalogue". Members may borrow three books and / or five periodicals for up to three weeks.

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## QFHS WEBSITE and EMAIL ADDRESS

*The Quebec Family History Society* now has a new domain name.

Please update your bookmarks and address list

To reach our web site, the URL is: [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca)

To reach the QFHS offices the email address is: [admin@qfhs.ca](mailto:admin@qfhs.ca)

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## IN DEPTH RESEARCH - by the hour

The QFHS can conduct in depth research for a fee of: \$20.00 per hour.

We will search records within the Q.F.H.S. library as well as resources at outside centers.

To obtain this service just fill out the "*In Depth Research Request form*" found on the QFHS website [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca) and mail it with your payment and request to:

Quebec Family History Society  
P.O. Box 1026, Pointe Claire, QC, H9S 4H9, Canada  
Please write "**ATTN: Research**" on your envelope

All research requests must be sent by regular postal mail with payment included.

As payment must accompany all search requests e-mail requests for research will not be processed. Please allow a minimum of 6 to 8 weeks for delivery of your research.

We also have a list of outside researchers who may be able to help you.



## SUMMER SEMINARS ~ 2008

### LEGACY FAMILY TREE SOFTWARE – A GENEALOGICAL PROGRAM

This version of the Legacy course will discuss some of the more advanced features of the program. We will also discuss the new version of Legacy if it is out before the course ... Version 7.0 was due to launch towards the end of February 2008. A free copy of the basic Legacy program on CD will be available for each attendee, thanks to the generosity of Millennia Corporation, developers of *Legacy Family Tree*. Tips on how to download your family tree from your current program to *Legacy*, even if you just want to try it out, will be repeated for this course.

**Presenter:** Lorraine Gosselin  
**Date:** Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008  
**Time:** 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the QFHS Library.  
**Fee:** \$25 for members of the QFHS and \$30 for non-members.  
Please reserve early – contact the Library or Susan Sanford.

**Note:** if you have specific topics or questions you would like included in the course,  
E-mail Lorraine at **computree 'at' yahoo.com** preferably a month before

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The Quebec Family History Society has Introduced a new series of *one day intensive seminars* given by experts. These seminars examine various facets of genealogical research within a given country or province including the latest databases available at the QFHS and on the Internet. This summer a *one day intensive seminar* will be given on how to use websties and digitized databases more proficiently

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### A GENEALOGICAL DAY ON THE INTERNET

Ancestry.com and Find My Past.com contain billions of Family History Records: How do I use these Websites in the Most Proficient Way. This Seminar will also Examine what new Digitized Databases will be available on other websites. There will be time in the afternoon to plot Individual Internet Strategies. Are *Your Ancestors Hiding on the Internet ?*

**With:** Gary Schroder and Others  
**Date:** Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ~ at the QFHS Library  
**Fee:** \$30.00 Members // \$40.00 Non-Members

There will be Time in the Afternoon  
to ask your specific genealogical questions and seek research guidance

We will stop one hour for Lunch ~ Please Bring a Lunch

Please Remember that Space is Limited to 15 Persons for Each Seminar  
The First 15 for each Seminar who pay are guaranteed a Seat

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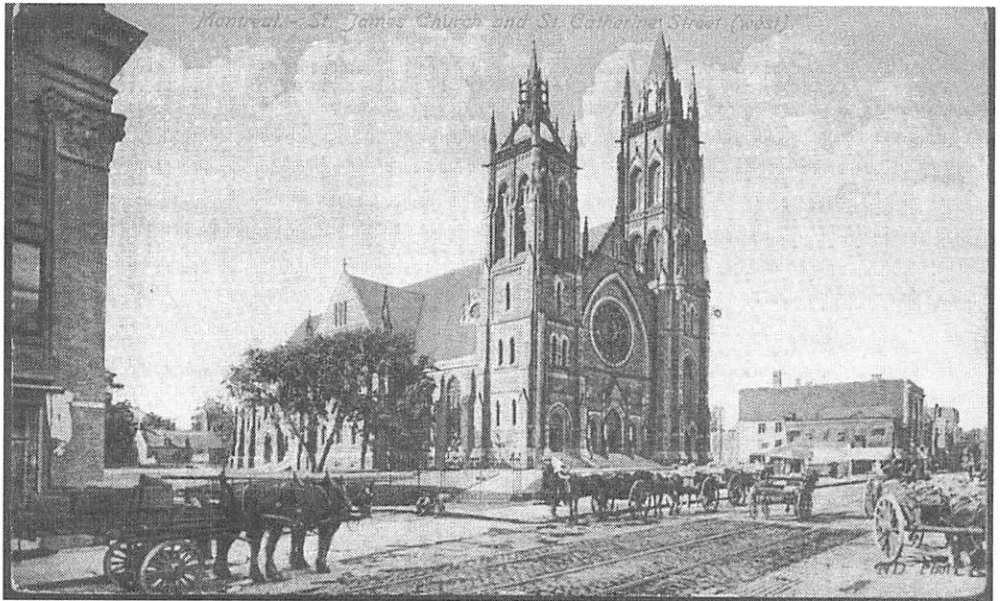
**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS ON ALL SEMINARS  
PLEASE CALL SUSAN SANFORD  
AT: 514-482-3418**

**NEW KID ON THE BLOCK:  
St. James United Church**  
by Robert N. Wilkins

It would appear that the novelty has not yet worn off. It's been nearly three years since the St. Catherine Street shops hiding the magnificent facade of St. James United Church were demolished, and still people stop to gaze at what is seemingly yet a divine unveiling. In fact, it is not infrequent that Montrealers linger for five or ten minutes sharing with one another their thoughts about this stunning and relatively recent revelation. Indeed, it is difficult to imagine that the better part of this grand cathedral had been hidden from public view since 1927. In fact, over the years, I myself would occasionally walk behind the church in order to appreciate its full French gothic grandeur.

Constructed in 1887 as St. James Methodist Church, it was considered at the time to be the largest place of worship of that particular religious sect anywhere in the world. St. James, however, very quickly ran into financial difficulty such that it was later decided to rent out the valuable St. Catherine Street land in front of the ecclesiastic structure. Thus, there are very few Montrealers who remember the majesty of the building before it was obscured from public view all those years ago.

The church, which replaced an earlier temple of the same name on St. Jacques Street, was the work of Canadian architect Alexander F. Dunlop. It seats a remarkable 2,000 people. St. James even had its own state of the art bowling alley in its basement, reflecting the general desire of the clergy of the day to keep its fold off the intemperate streets of the city ( today the lanes are used for church storage ).



**ST JAMES METHODIST Church - circa 1906**

Many people of importance have spoken within its walls, not the least of whom was Booker T. Washington the great black American educator. Little known even within the church circle itself, Booker T. Washington spoke in Montreal's "cathedral of Methodism" on the afternoon of February 7, 1906. For more than an hour, the formidable and impressive Washington electrified the 2,000 individuals who crowded the nave of the church. The event was sponsored by McGill University and nearly half the people present were students from that institution. That the illustrious Washington chose to speak there was not a surprise to most as St. James Methodist Church was at the vanguard of the anti-slavery and suffragette movements in this city. The abolitionist Harriet Beecher Stowe also addressed the congregation on another occasion.

So the next time you walk by, take a gander at this marvel of Montreal architecture and social history. You might even pop inside to appreciate the surroundings in which Booker T. Washington spoke. Very little has changed.

## AUTOMOBILE MANIA

editorial extracted verbatim from The Montreal Star, August 29, 1902

Submitted by Robert N. Wilkins"

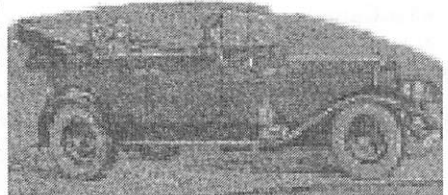
Scarcely a day passes but some serious automobile accident is recorded, and nearly all the disasters are directly attributable to the folly of the owners. It would be interesting to know what is the essential connection between an automobile and a fool. Do automobiles make fools of their owners or do only fools buy automobiles?

Anyway the two together make a most dangerous and offensive combination. A man who would never dream of driving a horse at full speed along a public highway no sooner becomes the owner of an automobile than he is afflicted with a mania to show how fast he can drive the infernal machine. He dashes along public roads as though they were his private property; frightening horses, raising tornadoes of dust, and imperiling the lives of men, women and children.

He may have a notion that he represents a heroic spectacle; but that is not the way in which he is generally described.

The fact that more automobilists than pedestrians are killed in automobile accidents is satisfactory so far as it goes; but it does not go far enough. Because a man is willing to jeopardise his own life in driving furiously is no justification for his imperiling the lives of more sensible people.

It seems a great pity that a useful invention should be brought into disrepute by this foolish misuse. Driving an automobile calls for as much intelligence and infinitely more care than driving a horse. Few drivers of horses realize to what an extent their own intelligence is supplemented by the intelligence of their horses. A horse will instinctively avoid any obstacles; an automobile left to itself will not turn out of the way or pull up for a steam roller or a hay-stack. It therefore becomes important in the interest of the public safety that no man with less gumption than a blind horse should be allowed to drive an automobile. Before granting a license to drive an automobile the applicant should of course be examined to find out whether he knows the rudder of his machine from the brake. Afterwards he should be examined at frequent intervals by medical experts to find out if he is developing the speed mania which characterizes his class."



## REMEMBERING THE MONTREAL FORUM

[ previously published in *The Westmount Examiner* ]

by Robert N. Wilkins

I suppose it was only appropriate that the first goal I ever saw tallied at the old and venerable Montreal Forum was by the Rocket himself. Rapidly approaching the end of his illustrious hockey career, Maurice Richard initiated the scoring cycle that terminated the evening in a 5-3 Montreal victory over the luckless (as I remember them) Boston Bruins. It was Saturday, February 6, 1960 and I was all of twelve years old. "Programmes, get your lucky number programmes," the youthful vendors called out lustily as you entered the acclaimed building. Little did I know that my love affair with hockey and "The Forum" (as it was more simply known) had just begun.

Without doubt, each and every person in this city over the age of twenty remembers Montreal's most famous of all arenas. Constructed in only five months in 1924, the stadium provided, for the first time, local professional hockey teams with the luxury of artificial ice. Prior to that, games frequently had to be cancelled due to mild weather and poor skating conditions. In fact, in 1923, the Canadiens' opening home game had to be moved to Hamilton due to unseasonably mild conditions in Montreal.

The first event ever held at the newly-completed city edifice was, appropriately enough, a game between the Canadiens' and the Leafs. It was November 29, 1924 and the Habs inaugurated the structure with a 7 - 1 victory over their Toronto counterparts, who proved to be no match (at least on that occasion) for the Flying Frenchmen. A remarkable history of achievement in sport was thus launched. Happily, that tradition of accomplishment endured well into my time.

I waited another two hockey seasons before returning to that memorable amphitheatre, the home of the famous "S" line of the Montreal Maroons, as an equally-smitten uncle once proudly told me. The interval was worth it, however, for every Saturday night of the 1961-62 NHL calendar, at the tender age of fourteen, my sidekicks and I found ourselves within the walls of this Montreal sports temple. In those pre-subway days, no fewer than three municipal busses were involved before we ultimately found ourselves shivering in the cold before the outdoor wicket on Atwater Street just below St. Luke. That minuscule yet beautiful ticket window dispensed last minute admission fares to kids and other dyed-in-the-wool Hab supporters. With limited resources, we always chose the least expensive option - standing-room tickets located high in the terraces of that historic building. Cost: \$1.25

After the game, we would inevitably gather outside the Forum's popular celebrity exit on St. Luke street, the opening through which our athletic heroes would eventually appear before us in the winter weather. With pens and hockey programmes in hand, we would enthusiastically call out for autographs, and all would succumb to our unconditional loyalty and wide-eye innocence.

As time went by, however, I came ever more to realize that earlier (and ostensibly good) hockey players had performed in a Forum of erstwhile times. That same beguiled uncle regularly recounted to me the exploits of Howie Morenz, Aurel Joliat, and even Georges Vezina from the 1920's. Of course, I listened to him attentively and observed the enthusiasm with which he spoke about those players, but never for a moment did I even contemplate the possibility that these earlier Canadiens' could have been of the same mould as the Beliveau's, the Geoffrion's, the Harvey's and the Plante's who composed my Montreal hockey team. Had they not, après tout, just recently emerged from a sequence of five consecutive Stanley Cups ?

My experiences at the Montreal Forum were, understandably, not just limited to hockey. Even before my first NHL game, I had been shepherded there on more than one occasion to see events such as the Ice Capades or the Big Top, surely a young child's longing. Even so, in good time,

as I grew older (and seemingly more mature), other interests presented themselves, which caused me to return regularly to my all-time favourite arena. With my twenties and the 1970's essentially overlapping, I travelled again and again to that ageing landmark of the city's skyline to savour the melodic renditions of Cat Stevens, Bob Dylan, Elton John, the Bee Gees, as well as the totally unforgettable gymnastic performance of Romania's Nadia Comaneci in the Olympic Games of 1976. All left their footprints in the remarkable chronicle of the Montreal Forum.

But, for all of the above, it was hockey and its conquering tradition, almost unique to this city, that helped consummate Montrealer's love affair with the arena. From the infamous Maurice Richard Riot of 1955 to the capturing of the Canadiens' last Stanley Cup before adoring fans on June 9, 1993, le Forum de Montréal was, for the longest time, one of the centrepieces of sports stories and achievement in North America.

These days, whenever I walk by the re-incarnated yet seemingly solitary structure, I inevitably muse on those cold winter evenings and wistfully look in vain for that tiny outdoor wicket in front of which my friends and I stood quivering all those years ago. Even so, in deep deliberation, we all the same enter the bustling building amidst the shrill cries of the sports magazine hawkers: "Programmes, get your lucky number programme!"



**MONTREAL MAROONS - N. H. L. HOCKEY TEAM circa: 1930s**

## CONDITIONS IN MONTREAL SCHOOLS IN LATE 1906

submitted by Robert N. Wilkins

In the autumn of 1906, the Chief Medical School Inspector for the Montreal area conducted a systematic investigation into the general conditions found at that time in the city's schools. What follows is an extract from an article which appeared in the *Montreal Star* on November 9, 1906. It deals with his report which was issued, it must be remembered, less than four months before the infamous Hochelaga School Fire in which sixteen students and their teacher, Sarah Maxwell, died. In that connection, note well the data with regard to fire protection.

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### From *The Montreal Star*, November 9, 1906:

"The city's Chief Medical School Inspector, Dr. J. E. Laberge, will present to the Hygiene Committee today a report in regard to the condition of the schools and the scholars that is truly astonishing.

The report states that out of 43,241 children attending the schools, no less than 20,622 are found to be suffering from some infection more or less necessitating medical treatment.

Among other things found by the inspectors is that many schools are badly ventilated; that a large number of scholars have vermin in the head; that skin diseases are rampant, etc.

<u>Conditions</u>	<u>Numbers</u>
Badly nourished	931
Inflammation of the glands	1699
St. Vitus' dance	22
Heart trouble	62
Lung trouble	108
Skin diseases	379
Deformity of the vertebral column	160
Deformity of chest	110
Deformity of limbs	155
Defects of vision	1023
Defects of hearing	417
Conjunctivitis	311
Tracoma	9
Difficulty in nasal breathing	877
Decayed teeth	9393
Enlarged tonsils	2107
Adenoids	922
Diphtheria	4
Scarlet fever	2

<u>Conditions</u>	<u>Numbers</u>
Measles	7
Whooping cough	7
Mumps	8
Chicken pox	1
Erysipelas	13
Lice	1091
Scabies	97
Impetigo	49
Ring worm	53
Pemphigus	11
Head ache from study	395
Children dismissed on account of uncleanliness	126
Readmitted to school on doctor's certificate	60

**Condition of the Schools and General Appearance of Schools**

111 schools good; 10 in poor condition; 2 mediocre; and 1 bad

Ventilation: 16 schools good; 93 ventilated by windows on 1 side; 15 schools ventilation bad  
 In 99 schools. The tables and chairs : are adapted to the pupils' height; in 24 schools this system is not followed; 1 school is very poorly equipped in this connection. Seventy-two schools have good clothes rooms while 52 are poorly equipped. Water Closets in Schools: 108 in good condition, 13 in bad condition, and 3 very badly ventilated. Wash Rooms: 121 in good condition, and 3 in a bad state. Drains: 121 in good condition, and 3 in a bad state. Accommodation for Cleanliness: 92 schools satisfactory, and 32 unsatisfactory. Nuisances in Vicinity of Schools: 93 schools satisfactory in this connection, and 26 unsatisfactory. Noises in the Vicinity of Schools: 114 schools are quiet, while 10 are disturbed by noises. Bad Odours in Schools: 91 schools satisfactory and 33 unsatisfactory. Fire Protection: Schools with fire extinguishers 11, and without fire extinguishers 113. Sweeping of Schools: In 16 schools the sweeping is done by the dry system; in 102 schools the sweeping is satisfactory; in 6 schools the sweeping is very defective. Flooring of Schools 121 in good condition, and 3 in bad condition. Hours of study average 5 ½ hours a day. Recreation in schools: averages 20 minutes. Number of classes: 362. Average cubic feet in each class 1960. The number of children in the various classes average from 8 to 165. Cubic feet of air per pupil: from 11 to 800 feet. Average age of scholars from 3 to 19 years."

Mr. Wilkins is a retired Montreal-area high school teacher. He is currently indexing deaths which appeared in the now defunct *Montreal Star*. The data base now contains over 64,000 death announcements or references to deaths which took place in the time period 1900 - 1906. This activity is furthered described at:

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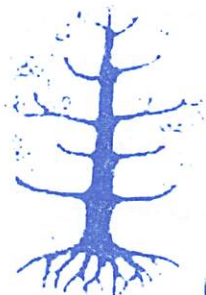
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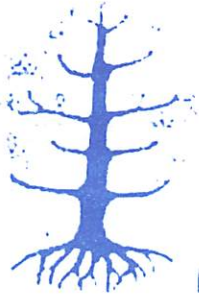
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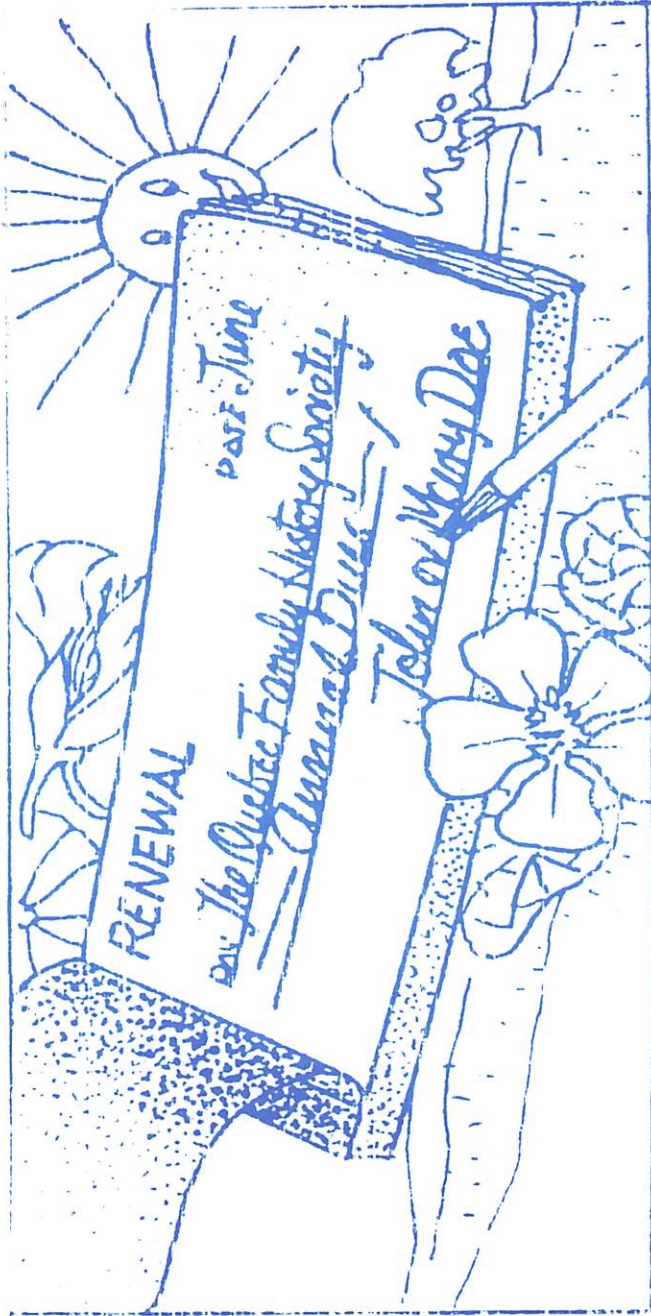
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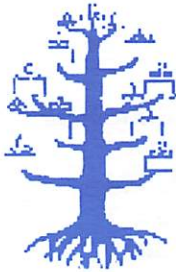
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<b>Births</b>	<b>9,635</b>	<b>90,754</b>
<b>Deaths</b>	<b>15,971</b>	<b>69,477</b>
<b>Witnesses</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>380</b>
<b>Census</b>	<b>19,312</b>	<b>199,765</b>
<b>Land Grants</b>	<b>7,362</b>	<b>34,481</b>
<b>Seigneuries (Owners)</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>327</b>
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### Library Staff:

It gives me great pleasure to thank the library "staff", who tirelessly spend most Saturdays helping out at QFHS. **Cecilia Karowski** joined us about 12 years ago, and has ably kept the library computer up to date, became proficient at repairing books, and now spends countless hours entering cemetery lists onto the computer, over and above her regular chores. **Jane Atkinson** has been with us for at least 10 years, and it was a happy day for the library, (and for Cecilia and me) when Jane joined us. Any problems received, (that we don't know how to deal with) – Jane will always find a solution. Further, ( though all these ladies take this role very seriously ), Jane reminds me of everything that I forget to do!! **Sharon Callaghan** took over the task of organizing the Norma Lee Collection four or five years ago. This collection is very impressive, especially, but not exclusively, for anyone researching in Quebec City. It has required many hours of work, but Sharon has met the challenge, with a smile, and anyone visiting QFHS now reaps the benefits of her labours. **Jackie Billingham** joined us about 1½ years ago to our great delight. Jackie is adept with computers, and is presently organizing the Guignion Collection, along with Rita. **Rita Cloghesy** worked with us in the past, had to leave for awhile, but happily is now back with us. It is an absolute pleasure to work with this warm, friendly, helpful and knowledgeable group.

~ THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU ~

Pennie Redmile

# LAND REGISTER OF QUEBEC

## PART I - THE SYSTEM

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No matter how long you may have been doing genealogy in Quebec, you've probably searched records of birth, marriage and death. More than likely you have also discovered that not all your questions can be answered in those records. There are many other sources that are not often consulted – such as notary and court documents. However, here I shall present information concerning yet another, which is rarely searched – the *Registre Foncier du Québec* [ Land Register of Quebec ]..

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In this issue, the first of a two part article appears, all of which is a follow-up to a talk I gave at Roots 2007 last June and a seminar at QFHS last November. This first part serves as an introduction to the land registration system for Quebec, which includes an online database. I provide an explanation of the development of the register for the Quebec Cadastre and what's needed to search it. To have a better understanding of the system, which stands to this day, some historical perspective would help.

Under the French Regime, the Seigneurial System was initiated. Various government officials would grant seigneuries (about 220), usually to those of higher social status. The owners, seigneurs, would then allow use of their land by colonists who made requests. These censitaires (inhabitants) would in turn have to pay a redevance (form of rent) to the seigneur. The seigneurial system did continue until 1854, at which time it was abolished. The law provided that, if they wished, censitaires could then pay off the remaining capital to the seigneur in order to gain full rights to the land. As a matter of fact, a commission was set up (yes, even then) to determine the extent and value of each lot so that seigneurs could be accurately compensated for their losses. Volumes with these listings are available for consultation at the QFHS Library under REF AD 156.4 1863.

Another land division, known as the Township System, began in the 1760s under the English Regime. Government instructions were given to establish townships and introduce the granting of land with rights. Surveying began in order to set up these townships, which were divided into ranges and lots. Originally consisting of 28 lots in 11 ranges, they eventually conformed to 62 lots within 10 ranges. This work continued as colonization took place and settlers were ceded the land without any question of redevances. A binder of alphabetical land grant listings can also be consulted at the QFHS Library, under REF GS 150.4 Q4 2005.

The land divisions under both the Seigneurial and Township Systems formed the basis of the current Cadastre System. However, lot numbers that evolved from the former systems do not apply to the Cadastre System or its land registers.

Quebec's cadastre is different from other land division systems in North America. It began with registers being created in the 1830s, in which were recorded any transaction affecting land rights and ownership. By 1841 it became mandatory to deposit these legal documents in a land office for registration. It is important to understand that only the legal documents and plans, which are deposited, confer land rights - not the register itself. From the beginning these registers have been open to the public, so there would be no question or dispute over land.

In order to have a valid representation of land ownership, surveyors were assigned to number lots, describe them and draw up cadastre plans for some 700,000 immovables at the time. Quebec was separated into circonscriptions (divisions), within which cadastres (districts) were created with their series of lot numbers. For the most part, a circonscription could be equated to larger urban centre or rural county names. By the same token, a cadastre generally relates to urban wards/parishes or rural townships.

A time consuming project indeed, with large areas to cover; it was underway by the 1860s and by the 1890s all cadastres were fully established across Quebec, replacing the former land division systems.

Currently there are 73 land offices across Quebec, each referred to as a Bureau de la publicité et des droits – BPD (office of publicity and rights). Staff will retrieve documents etc for you, when provided with a cadastre and lot number. Some offices are self-serve, so costs will vary. Because the registers were in place early on, land offices could even hold transaction entries that occurred prior to the actual cadastre lot number being assigned. These BPDs are responsible for the maintenance of cadastre registers in the circonscription. As such, they are concerned with land lot identity and not the identification of people.

Therefore, in order to look for land records of your ancestors, it is first essential to acquire the lot 'name' where they lived. This is a prior research much as you would have to do to discover the locale of BMD records. It involves locating their domicile and using sources, such as maps, atlases, addresses, documents etc, to narrow down the cadastral lot number. With a valid address, for example, the municipality responsible for evaluations in the area can be contacted for the lot number and cadastre. Once lot details are known, anyone can obtain (for a fee) copies of items from these public land registers. These could include indexes, deeds, maps and even personal data.

Original cadastre lot numbers can vary in length, such as one to four digits - for example Lot 346. Many lots were also subdivided and sold as such – for example 346-5, which is subdivision 5 of original Lot 346. In the early 1990s Quebec undertook a project of cadastral reform, under which lots (and subdivided lots) would be reviewed and assigned a new seven digit number like 1234567. When completed, the approximate three and a half million lots across Quebec will be under one consecutive number sequence, with one cadastre name.

No matter the assigned numbers, which one land lot might have had, all transactions back to a lot's original cadastral establishment still exist in the land register. However, to do a search on one piece of land it might be necessary to look under more than one number. An example would be – you obtain an index for Lot 1234567, for which the effective date is the year 2003. But, you want to check earlier entries. Well, the newer index, which you would have in hand, will in fact refer back to the previous number, for instance 346-5. You can then locate an index under that lot number, back to when it was subdivided. To go even further, you could get the index with 346 as the lot number. You can, therefore, be referred back in time, or even forward, by checking the notes on the index sheets.

These indexes will provide you with all transactions processed against the cadastral lot. So, they are easily the best place to start your research. You may ask yourself if details of your ancestor's land are that important to your family tree. Well, I can tell you that not only will you find lot descriptions, but land records can provide a wealth of genealogical data.

The preceding should provide you with a good idea of the land registration system of Quebec, with which you would be dealing. You can review this and more, including tariff charts and office locations, at: [www.mrnf.gouv.qc.ca/english/home.jsp](http://www.mrnf.gouv.qc.ca/english/home.jsp). That is the English home page of the *Department of Natural Resources and Fauna*, which is responsible for lands. Once the screen appears, select '**Land Survey**' from the list of choices and go through the various web pages.

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**Part II of this article,**

in the next issue, will include some examples of amazing genealogical clues that were unearthed in the *Land Register of Quebec*. I will also cover the online database, which can be accessed at a distance, and give a review of its search procedure. Remember, to do a search, with either a land office or the online database, you must have a cadastre and lot number. So, that is the starting point on your way to digging up some gem or unraveling some family mystery, which is just waiting in the cadastral land records.

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**SUMMER SEMINARS:**

Remember to book early for the *QFHS Summer Seminars* - details can be found on page 5 of this issue of *Connections*. The first one, given by Lorraine Gosselin, on May 31<sup>st</sup> will discuss some of the more advanced features of the *Legacy Family Tree Program* with tips on how to download your family tree from your current program to *Legacy*, even if you just want to try it out. A free copy of the basic Legacy program on CD will be available for each attendee. The second, all day seminar, will be given by QFHS President, Gary Schroder and others, on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. This intensive seminar will teach how do I use genealogical websites in the most proficient way. There will be time in the afternoon to plot Individual Internet Strategies. Bring a lunch and join the fun.

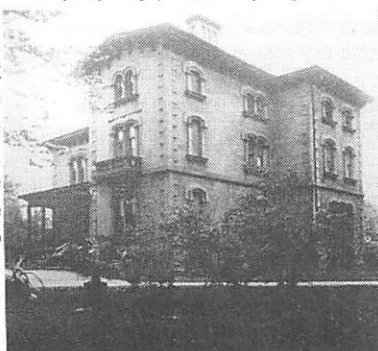
## Montreal – In Days Gone By The City Centre of Old by Anne Joseph

At one point in the 1850s, a Montreal businessman bought a large tract of land encompassing most of the district bounded on the north by Cathcart, on the east by St. Monique, on the south by Lagauchetière, and on the west by Mansfield, with Dorchester intersecting east to west, for £4,800. St. Monique Street has disappeared, and been replaced – roughly – by University Street. After selectively selling about half the land, this man built a home for himself on a chunk of the still large plot south of Dorchester. The man's name was Jacob Henry Joseph, and he called his new home Dorchester House.

In 1860, the family moved into their new home. By now Jacob and his wife, Sara, had two sons, four daughters, lots of cats and dogs, and a suitably large household to care for them all. The irregularly shaped house stood, for the most part, three stories high over a basement, with a wing two stories high jutting out westward. Trees and flower beds could be seen from Dorchester Street through the railings, but more than three-quarters of the garden was behind the house. Scattered throughout were many majestic trees, as well as several varieties of fruit trees. There was a vinery, a vegetable garden with every known, and many then unknown, vegetables, a paddock for a cow, a hay field, a tennis court and plenty of flowers. There were croquet parties in the early years, and then tennis, all of which made this garden a most enjoyable place.

Jacob died at Dorchester House on 28 February 1907. Sara had died three years earlier, and their elder son took over the house, but not for long. The gigantic real estate deal that culminated in the destruction of this home was about to begin. By 1911, the Canadian Northern Railway was planning to bring its tracks into the heart of the city. The idea was to bring tracks into Montreal from the north, through a tunnel under Mount Royal, emerging into a terminal at the heart of the downtown district. Initially the plan was to buy the block just north of Ste Catherine Street, but news leaked out with the inevitable result that speculators drove property prices sky high.

This glitch led the planners to turn their attention towards another site extending southward from Cathcart down to Lagauchetière between Mansfield and St. Monique. The first big deal was when Jacob's son sold the property to the Mackenzie and Mann syndicate. There are two reports of the selling price, one at \$2.60 per square foot, and another at a total of \$300,000. Melding these reports would put the size of the plot – maybe – at 115,385 square feet. The uncertainty surrounding this estimate is that the reports do not specify how the value of the house entered the picture. Remember, the house itself was scheduled for demolition. The family moved out of Dorchester House in 1913.



Postscript: the grandiose plans of Canadian Northern sank into insolvency, and the railroad company disappeared within Canadian National Railways. The site known locally as “the big hole” remained through the Depression years. Decades passed before a revision of the initial project took shape. Work on the Central Station complex began in 1943, the Queen Elizabeth Hotel was added in 1958, and Place Ville Marie was first occupied in 1961.



**Montreal in Days Gone by**  
**Phoebe David [ 1736/37–1785 ]**  
by Anne Joseph

Overnight on 11-12 April 1768 there was a fire which destroyed the homes of 75 to 80 families in Montreal, including that of Lazarus and Phoebe David and their four children ranging in age from 5 years to 6 months. Fires occurred frequently in those days, and because firefighting was difficult, they tended to become conflagrations of spectacular size and devastation.

Welsh born Lazarus David and English born Phoebe Samuel were married in Rhode Island in 1761. They had a daughter in May 1762 in New York and soon afterwards the family moved to Montreal. When their son arrived on 8 December 1764, he became the first Jewish child to be born in Montreal. They named him David David. Two more sons and another daughter were added to the family over the next six years.

Fires and floods in this harbourfront community were ever-present horrors throughout those days which, added to all the other difficulties of pioneer living, was very frightening. But for Phoebe worse was to come.

Lazarus died on 22 October 1776, leaving Phoebe alone to raise her five children, by then ranging in age from 14 down to 6. There being no Jewish cemetery in Montreal, Lazarus had fortunately had the foresight to buy land for this purpose, and he became the first to be buried there.

Phoebe herself carried on her husband's business, which had been successful in his lifetime. But sadly people sometimes took advantage of a widow, and Phoebe sensed that this happened to her. Life was not easy. At a time of particular stress, she felt the need to petition Governor Frederic Haldimand for help. Even though Phoebe's eldest son David was only 11 when his father died, he did his best to help his mother, and as time went by, he became singularly successful.

Phoebe died in her late forties, just nine years after her husband. She had done very well in the difficult task of raising her children as a single parent within what was still the pioneer generation of the post 1760 era. She lived long enough to see her children mature into productive and helpful adulthood, and hopefully this gave her some sense of satisfaction and comfort. Her sons and daughters continued to make significant contributions towards the advancement of both the business and social community in Montreal.

For the most part, the men of the pioneer generation worked wonders, but we should never lose sight of the exceptional stamina and skill demonstrated by the pioneer women, especially the widows, as they both literally and metaphorically kept the home fires burning.

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Anne Joseph is a member of the *Jewish Genealogical Society of Montreal*  
and Editor of their quarterly publication, *MONTREAL FORUM*

In upcoming issues of *CONNECTIONS* I will be reprinting some of Anne Joseph's articles  
about "Montreal - In Days Gone By"

You can visit the *Jewish Genealogical Society of Montreal* at: <http://www.jgs-montreal.org>  
Click on MONTREAL FORUM and read these and other interesting articles from past issues



The Computer Page is researched and edited from your queries and suggestions by QFHS member Lorraine Gosselin (E-mail [computree@yahoo.com](mailto:computree@yahoo.com))

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### **CANADIAN SHIP LISTS PRIOR TO 1865**

Nearly 17,000 new records were added to the inGeneas data base - [www.ingeneas.com](http://www.ingeneas.com). This includes passenger lists, immigration and marriage records. The passenger lists include those for 23 ship arrivals at eastern Canadian ports between 1738 and 1864.

### **500+ ENGLISH WEB SITES**

This comprehensive site comes from Mike Howlett. A group of professional genealogists in Salt Lake City recently released a list of its 500+ favourite English web sites used to solve family history riddles titled Expert Links: English Family History and Genealogy. Enjoy at: [www.pricegen.com/english\\_genealogy.html](http://www.pricegen.com/english_genealogy.html).

### **FAMILY SEARCH LABS**

If you are curious about what Family Search is doing, or what new tools they will be releasing, check out their blog at [labs.familysearch.org/blog](http://labs.familysearch.org/blog). Don't forget to check the "Archives" list at the right.

### **IRISH CENSUS 1911 NOW ON LINE**

The National Archives of Ireland are putting the 1911 census on line. You can read all about the project for 1901 and 1911 data and search the census for the city of Dublin at: [www.census.nationalarchives.ie/about/index.html](http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/about/index.html).

### **IRISH WILLS**

Heather LeBlanc forwarded this site from the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, where you can search for wills. Lists of freeholders are also available. See their site at [www.proni.gov.uk/index/search\\_the\\_archives/will\\_calendars/wills\\_search.htm](http://www.proni.gov.uk/index/search_the_archives/will_calendars/wills_search.htm).

### **ENGLISH AND WELSH SCHOOLS**

Rosemary Jones sends this site listing information about industrial and reformatory schools in England and Wales (with Scotland to come). A great amount of information, with many lists. It may be quite helpful for those searching for information about home children. Consult this very interesting site at [www.missing-ancestors.com](http://www.missing-ancestors.com).

### **MONTREAL AND SUBURBS LOVELL DIRECTORIES**

Carole Baldwin has found that the "Annaires Lovell de Montreal 1842-1999" have been very useful for her long distance search from Calgary. There is an alphabetical name and street index for each year during that period. See [bibnum2.bnquebec.ca/bna/lovell/index.html](http://bibnum2.bnquebec.ca/bna/lovell/index.html). If you are interested in more recent periods, Laval and the South Shore are also available.

**DID YOUR ANCESTORS WALK WITH CHAMPLAIN ?**

My cousin, Barbara Whitaker Filion, sent an article about the Northern New York's American-Canadian Genealogical Society's celebration of the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Champlain's arrival in the area, which will take place on 2009. Their web site, [www.nnyacgs.com](http://www.nnyacgs.com), has a list of people who lived in Quebec and Acadia at the time of Champlain and family trees of many of their descendants, including Maurice Richard and Jean Beliveau. Check if your ancestors are there.

**SCOTTISH ANCESTORS**

Visit *The St. Andrew's Society of Montreal* web site at: [www.standrews.qc.ca](http://www.standrews.qc.ca) for a searchable database of Scottish immigrants who passed through their home between 1857 and 1904. There is also a searchable database of burials by The Society at Mount Royal and Hawthorn-Dale Cemeteries between 1857 and 1985. You can scroll down the lists or you can click on "edit" and "find" on your toolbar and type in the surname you are looking for, then click "next". There is also a brief history of the Society's burial sites, which is extremely interesting.

**QFHS "Hot LINKS"**

The Quebec Family History Society web site at: [www.qfhs.ca](http://www.qfhs.ca) has many "Hot Links" to internet sites mentioned in *Computree*. These links are listed as a service to QFHS members so that you can click on the ones of interest rather than having to type them. The paragraph titles are the same and appear in the same order as in *Connections*. Simply go to "site map" click on *Computree*, then click on the year and the issue in which the site was mentioned.

**NOTE:** Web addresses may change from time to time. If a site has disappeared try starting from the root of the site or try searching for it in Google.

**SUGGESTIONS AND REQUESTS**

Please continue to send in any suggestions for subjects or sites. If there is a specific subject for which you cannot find a site, another member could probably help you, so send in requests for this as well. If you use regular mail or drop a note in my mailbox at the QFHS library, please include your name and a telephone number or e-mail address.

Note also that not all material can be used, and that we reserve the right to edit submissions. Please accept my apologies if I forget to give credit to a contributor: in the three-month period between issues, it is easy to forget the source of the contribution.

Note that mention of a product or a web site on the Computer Page  
does not imply endorsement by the Society

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## GENEALOGICAL SOFTWARE

By Lorraine Gosselin

Write to: [computree@yahoo.com](mailto:computree@yahoo.com)

if you want to submit questions or suggestions

This is a new column grouping information about various genealogical software programs. It will include news, Web addresses, and questions not answered at courses or answered at one session but not asked nor answered at another

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### CHARTING SOFTWARE

If you upgraded to FTM 2008 and miss the charts you used to have, a charting software program can replace it. It also works with Legacy and other genealogical software. See *Charting Companion* for Family Tree Maker, Legacy Family Tree and others at:

[www.progenygenealogy.com/FTM-Charting-Companion-charts.html](http://www.progenygenealogy.com/FTM-Charting-Companion-charts.html).

### LEGACY FAMILY TREE

Version 6.0.0.179 has been released. This consists of minor revisions and corrections.

No additional news was found on Version 7.0, which was expected sometime in February.

### TEMPLATES FROM MICROSOFT

If you use Word, Microsoft has some free templates that you can download. Search with the words 'family' or 'tree' to see such items as a Family Book, and other items of genealogical interest. Suggestions on how to complete them are included in the templates.

[office.microsoft.com/en-us/templates](http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/templates).

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### ROOTS 2007 – PHOTOS IN CONNECTIONS

Would the people photographed with Lorraine Gosselin at the ROOTS 2007 Banquet [ pictured below ] please send me a note at: [computree@yahoo.com](mailto:computree@yahoo.com) and I will forward copies of the colour originals to you. Unfortunately, the tiny slip of paper on which your e-mail address was given was misplaced.

Thank you,  
Lorraine



**CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN, MONTREAL 1818**

These death records were copied from *Christ Church Anglican, Montreal 1818*  
by Joan Benoit

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Joseph Elliot, an Emigrant, died on the eighteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and was buried at the expense of the Protestant Episcopal Church, on the twentieth following by me. John Leeds, Curate.

Witnesses James Bruce Prince ( clerk ); Wm. Harrison

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Joseph Asley (or Ashley) an African, died on the twenty second of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and was buried at the expence of the Protestant Episcopal Church, on the twenty fourth following by me. Jon Leeds, Curate

Witnesses: I. Prince ( his mark ); James B. Prince, ( Clerk )

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Thomas Pearce an Emigrant, died in the Recollect barracks on the tenth day of February 1818 and was buried on the twelfth following by me, John Leeds, Curate.

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Copied from Christ Anglican Church, Montreal 1817

A woman found on the highway near the cross foot of St. Marie Crescent supposed to be frozen to death was buried on the nineteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen by me John Leeds, Curate

Witnesses are James Jams and James B. Prince who have here unto signed their names.

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**CAN YOU HELP ?**

The Q.F.H.S. gets numerous requests for help in finding elusive Quebec ancestors or family members. Can anyone help with this following request ?

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**A Genealogy Query from the UK**

I have been trying to find out what happened to my grandmother and her son Adam who supposedly emigrated to Quebec in the 1920's after her marriage to her 2nd husband, *Andrew Kinniburgh* (a widower with 4 daughters, first wife also called Margaret). Margaret or Maggie as she was known (adopted daughter of *Adam Turnbull*, married *Robert Thomson* who died in 1910, then she remarried an Andrew Kinniburgh in 1916). They came from Scotland and Maggie left a son (James) behind from her first marriage and never kept up any contact with him. James was my father and I would love to know what happened to the rest of my family, so if anyone has any information about them I would be delighted to hear from them. I do have a photo of Maggie and some of her family if that would help in identifying her.

This Query appeared in the Winter 2007 issue of *Connections* - but there was a mistake in the e-mail address. Annlyn Thackwray has since sent a correction.

*Thank you for the winter issue of Connections. I was very pleased to see my letter published. Unfortunately I printed my e-mail address wrongly, mixing up the n's of Annlyn.*

*My correct E-mail address is [annlyndenis@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:annlyndenis@yahoo.co.uk)                      Regards Annlyn Thackwray*

**May 21<sup>st</sup> "Old Canadian Cemeteries: Places of Memory"**  
**Illustrated talk and book signing at the McCord Museum by author Jane Irwin**

The Friends of the Mount Royal Cemetery invites you to join us at 10 a.m.,  
Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008 in the Theatre J. Armand Bombardier of the McCord  
Museum, 690 Sherbrooke Street West, [ at McGill Ave ] Montreal, Qc.

This is a must for anyone interested in Canadian history. Dr Jane Irwin presents a richly illustrated  
lecture on Canada's historic cemeteries, showing national contexts for interpreting and  
appreciating the special qualities of Mount Royal Cemetery.

Jane Irwin earned her doctorate in English Literature, as a mature student, at Cambridge  
University and taught nineteenth and twentieth century literature at Trent University. She has  
always been very interested in the history of art and architecture. Her most recently published  
book is *Old Canadian Cemeteries: Places of Memory*, with photographs by John de Visser.

Irwin has done a masterful job of retelling Canadian graveyard history; and she has given us an  
outstanding compendium on topics ... that have long delighted and intrigued her.  
John Bentley Mays THE GLOBE & MAIL

Presents a coast-to-coast tour of Canada's most striking and historical burial grounds. Jane Irwin  
is articulate and passionate in recounting the stories that underlie these haunting photos.  
Louise Abbot THE OTTAWA CITIZEN

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**Please contact Andrew W. Sarrasin**

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**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY IS MOVING**

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**New e-mail address [effective January 24<sup>th</sup> 2008]:**

**[saskgenealogy@sasktel.net](mailto:saskgenealogy@sasktel.net)**

**All mail is to be sent to: PO Box 1894, Regina SK S4P 3E1**

**All parcels are to be sent to the new street address.**

**Information on our move is available on our web site at [www.saskgenealogy.com](http://www.saskgenealogy.com)**

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**DEADLINE FOR THE AUTUMN EDITION OF "CONNECTIONS"  
is JULY 15<sup>th</sup> 2008**

**Anyone wishing announcements to appear in this issue  
must submit the material before the deadline date**



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**250th Anniversary of the Battle of the Plains of Abraham  
Quebec City September 13, 2009  
Patronymic Descendants Rally**

Dear Member of the Quebec Family History Society,

The intent of this letter is to inform you about a project that the National Battlefields Commission intends to organize as part of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of the Plains of Abraham, on September 13, 2009. As a matter of fact, to commemorate this event that changed the fate of North America, the Commission wishes to organize a gathering event.

*What is the National Battlefields Commission?*

Created on March 17, 1908, the National Battlefields Commission is an organization within the Government of Canada which mandate is to preserve and develop the Battlefields Park that incorporates, among others, the Plains of Abraham and Des Braves Park. The Battlefields Park is among the most prestigious city park in the world.

True lung of the City of Quebec, this city park is also a historic site of outstanding value. Almost 250 years ago, the site was the scene of two important confrontations of the Seven Year War: first, the battle of the Plains of Abraham, on September 13, 1759, when the French Army led by *Marquis de Montcalm* fought against the British Army led by General James Wolfe; and then, the Battle of Sainte-Foy, on April 28, 1760, when these same armies fought again. This time, the armies were respectively conducted by *Chevalier de Lévis* and General James Murray.

Recognizing the importance and the historic consequences of these events, the Commission has been working for a long time, through educational activities, exhibits or particular events, to honour the memory of combatants who took part in these conflicts.

*September 13, 2009: a gathering event*

As 2009 will mark the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this decisive battle, the Battle of the Plains of Abraham, the Commission would like to commemorate this event in various ways. This is why the Commission intends to organize a Patronymic Descendants Rally, gathering the descendants of the soldiers who were part of the French and British armies, and also the descendants of militiamen and Amerindians who fought, as allies, beside these armies.

In the olden time, the Plains of Abraham were a warpath; 250 years later, they become a gathering place and it is in this spirit that the Commission intends to hold these commemorations. Therefore, we are glad to invite you to this great Patronymic Descendants Rally.

*To participate to the Rally on September 13, 2009*

If you are one of these patronymic descendants, and if you are interested by this project, we should be thankful if you fill in the reply form and return it by May 1, 2008. Please note that this reply form is available at [www.ccbn-nbc.gc.ca/en/2009](http://www.ccbn-nbc.gc.ca/en/2009). Once we have received your registration, we will send you, as soon as they will be finalized, all the details regarding this great event.

Join us on the Plains of Abraham on Sunday, September 13, 2009!

Michel Leullier, Secretary

**Note:** to learn more about the National Battlefields Commission, visit us at [www.ccbn-nbc.gc.ca](http://www.ccbn-nbc.gc.ca)

## **SEARCH OF THE MONTREAL NON-CATHOLIC MARRIAGES INDEXES**

**The QFHS has the most up-to-date, correct version of this index.  
This complete cross-referenced index cannot be found anywhere else**

Search of the Non-Catholic Marriage Indexes for the Montreal Judicial Region Parishes will be carried out for the years 1760 through 1925 for a specific surname ( male or female ). The search will be made on both partners of a marriage (i.e. Husband's Surname and Spouse's Surname), for the requested Surname and all matching entries will be given (this will include both maiden and current names for widows and for alias names when they were given). Variant of any surname is considered a new surname ie: McDonald / MacDonald; McCormick / McCormack; White / Whyte

If you do find an entry of interest we can supply photocopies of the actual entries at a cost of \$3.00 for Members; \$5.00 for non-members for each entry. If you have an E-Mail address please provide for a faster response. Only Negative findings will be e-mailed. Proof of findings will be sent by regular mail.

**FEE FOR MEMBERS: \$ 5.00 PER SURNAME**

**FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS: \$ 8.00 PER SURNAME**

Membership Number		E-Mail Address	
Members Name		Requested Surname	
Address		Additional Name 1	
City		Additional Name 2	
Province / State		Additional Name 3	
Post Code / ZIP		Additional Name 4	
Country		Additional Name 5	

## **ONTARIO VITAL RECORDS SEARCH**

We have obtained Indexes of Civil Registrations of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the Province of Ontario for the following years:

**Births: 1869-1906**

**Marriages: 1869-1921**

**Deaths: 1869-1931**

A volunteer will search the Indexes for a stated five (5) year period for a given Birth, Marriage or Death

**The Fee for a search of the appropriate index is:**

**Members: \$ 5.00 per surname**

**Non-members: \$ 8.00 per surname**

**NOTE: NO refunds for entries NOT found.**

Please write **Ontario V.R.S.** on the envelope



## CEMETERY INSCRIPTION – SEARCH REQUEST

A search for **Specific Surnames** can be requested in one or more of the many Cemetery Listing holdings of the QFHS Library.

### COST:

**Members: \$ 5.00 per SURNAME per CEMETERY**

**Non-Members: \$ 8.00 per SURNAME per CEMETERY**

whether or not there is an entry found for the desired Surname/s is to be paid in advance. Each variant Surname spelling is considered a separate request. All data recorded will be included in our reply to your request.

( Please print in Capital Letters )

(If Known)

SURNAME	NAME	DATE of DEATH	AGE
1. _____	1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	4. _____	_____	_____

NAME OF CEMETERY 1. \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN/TOWNSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY/PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_

RELIGIOUS DENOM. \_\_\_\_\_

REQUESTED BY: MEMBER ID \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Send your prepaid Cheque or Postal Money Order  
and a Self-Addressed-Stamped Envelope (SASE) to:  
THE QUEBEC FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY  
Attention: "CEMETERY GRAVE LISTS"

Indicate your preference of a response by email.

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ENTRY #	SURNAME	PERIOD	COUNTRY	COUNTY / PROV / STATE / TOWN
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1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				
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12.				

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Full name and county must be stated for a search to be made.

Fee: Members \$5.00 per name (one spelling).

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N.B: Does not include certain lands held under Seigneurial Tenure.

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