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E.G. Bryson's Logging Crew in 1912 which I believe worked in the Sussex area. The foreman is identified with an asterisk as H. W. Nelson and he is on the far left holding an axe. The only other person I am able to identify is my Mom's uncle (her mother's brother), Alyre LeBlanc, sitting in the front row, fourth from the left, with an ink blot under his feet. (Alice Garner)

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inspire you to send me an article.*

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What's in a Name

By: Pennie (Quigley) Barbour

What's in a name – and not just “according to Shakespeare!!”



Captain John Gustave O'Neill
Ruben Gustaf Lennart Laxell
1887-1963

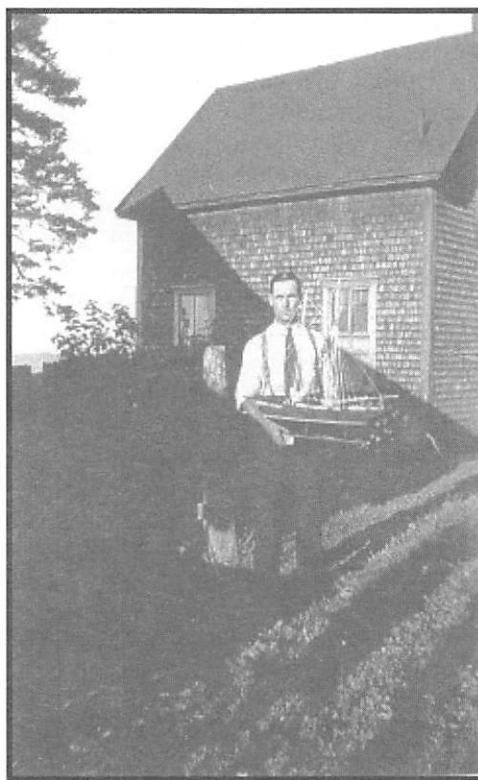
My Grandfather, John Gustave O'Neill married my grandmother, Laurretta Harquail on November 9, 1910 in Dalhousie, NB. Laurretta was a great-granddaughter of Edward Harquail of the Isle of Jersey, and one of the earliest settlers of Dalhousie.

Gus and Laurretta raised a family of nine children in Dalhousie:

1. Rueben 1911-1941, married to Alice Carter
2. Genevieve (Jennie) 1913-1978, married to Patrick Quigley (my parents)
3. Harry 1915-1917
4. Leonard 1916-2000, married Beatrice Daigle
5. John 1918-1982, married Mary Sheenan
6. May 1922-1956, married Ernest Wedge
7. George 1924-1997, married Eileen Groomsbridge
8. Carl 1926-1996, married Pearl Valdron
9. Ralph 1932- , married Dolly Battie

Ralph is the last surviving child and lives in Burlington, ON and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren now live in Hawaii, Oregon, Nevada, in US and British Columbia, Ontario and New Brunswick in Canada.

“Grandpa” was a seafarer but once settled on dry land and worked at many trades. During winters he fished the Restigouche River (by net) for smelts. He also worked as a Scaler in 1924 in the Quebec and New Brunswick woods readying logs for the spring log drives to the local lumber and paper mills. He was a fine craftsman as well and made many fine pieces of furniture and built several homes in Dalhousie. He also built several small schooners for his grandchildren.



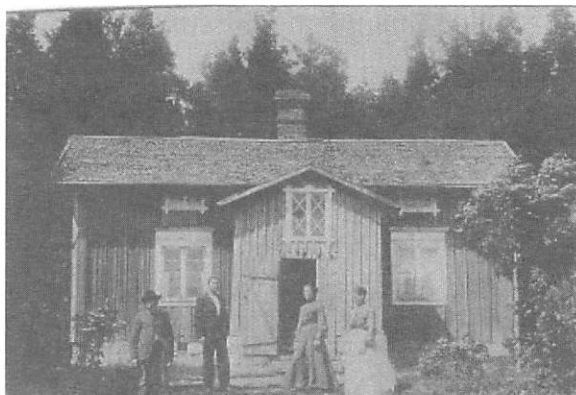
Grampa and his hand-crafted Schooner

He received his Captain's papers in 1922 and his love for water found him working as Captain on the tug boats – the “Chelsea”, the “26” and the “Rocket”, which were owned by the local paper company. The tugs would cross the Restigouche River to Quebec and boom the logs and haul them to the mill in Dalhousie to be processed. The tugs would also assist the river pilots in bringing ships into port.

Gramma and Grampa left Dalhousie in the early 50's and moved to Hamilton and Dundas, Ontario. However, they did return for their last years to live with my parents and are buried in the St John Bosco Catholic Cemetery overlooking the Restigouche River.

What's in a Name

As mentioned earlier, Granpa was a seafarer who left his native **Finland** at a very young age. He was born **Ruben Gustaf Lennart Laxell** on January 5, 1887 in Kimito, Finland to Karl Leander Laxell and Carolina Gustava Nordling. He was of Lutheran Orthodox religion and his papers say he sailed for America in 1906. He left his parents and two sisters – Anna Paulina and Ida Elvira, and a brother – Karl Valdmarr at home in Finland.



Laxell home in Kimito, Finland
Leander Laxell, Karl Valdmarr, Ida
Elvira, Carolina Laxell

In actual fact the name **Laxell** itself was not the original family name. In olden times a child got his last name from his father's first name. The son of Matts Anderson (1717-1771) was named Clas Mattsson (son of Matts), Clas Mattsson (1751-1821) son was named Clas Classon (1784-1848) (son of Clas). In the middle 1800's everyone had to take a real last name and that is why Leander Classon (1885-1855) (son of Clas Classon) took the name Laxell. He took this name about 1841.

When Granpa left Finland it was very popular to emigrate to Canada and the US. The living conditions in Finland were not good at the time and young men were being recruited for the Russian army to serve for a three year period. In 1903 Gus signed on as a cook on the schooner "Nyfart", for two trips to the North Sea and Chatham. In 1904 he signed on the schooner "Laura" as an able seaman. The ship was bound for Norrköping and Le Havre. In 1905 he signed on the schooner "Glennville" bound for New York. In 1907 he signed on the sealing schooner "Beatrice L. Corkum" headed for sealing grounds in the Antarctic. Records of this ship show that one of the boat steerers or seaman was Guss Laxell of Finland. Twelve original letters

from Gus to his family in Finland were saved over the years and last year these letters were translated into English by Karl Fredrik and Kark Patrik Laxell (two of my Finnish cousins).

I do not know what ship or what actually brought him to Dalhousie. I can only assume it must have been in connection with the shipment of lumber or fish. He was baptized in the Catholic faith in Loggieville, NB in 1909. His Baptismal Certificate indicate his father as "Charles O'Neill" and his mother as "Carolina Nordling".

When Grandpa came to spend his last years in Dalhousie with my parents, I had many an opportunity to sit and talk to him and to listen to his stories. When I asked him why he changed his name – he said that Charles O'Neill had befriended him on ship and was like a father to him. His son, Ralph, relates that his father told him he changed his name because it was easier to get a job not having a "foreign" name.

Thus our **O'Neill** heritage only began in 1909 and was especially created by my grandfather and as the title says "What's in a name?" My family is equally proud of our rather "new" O'Neill name and of our "older" Finnish **Laxell** name.

My grandfather did keep in touch with his family for many years, at least until war broke out and Finland was invaded by the Germans. Grampa died in 1963 and in 1985, contact was made once again when our Finnish relatives sent a letter to the Salvation Army Missing Persons Bureau in Toronto asking for information on Ruben Gustav Lennart O'Neill and his children Reuben O'Neill and Mary Genevieve Quigley (nee O'Neill). They forwarded a copy of the letter to our local newspaper, The Dalhousie News. I immediately wrote to Toronto and they forwarded my letter on to Finland to our new found cousins.

Since contact in 1985 communication between Finland and Canada has been ongoing. Karl Fredrik and his wife, Mirja, visited with relatives in Ontario and my Uncle George and his wife, Eileen visited in Finland. When Uncle George passed away in 1997, his ashes were taken to Finland to the place of his father's birth.

A name is a name is a name but when one finds a family behind the name, one is indeed lucky. We've been blessed!!!

1937: The Year the Fredericton Railway Bridge Was Swept Away

By: Marie F. Walpole PLCGS UE

Coming from the mailbox I glanced at the cover of the Summer issue of *Generations* and in a heartbeat was transported back in time seventy years to the one and only time I saw the McAdam Train Station. My family had come from Ontario first to Sussex and then to St. Stephen. My father worked as manager of the Selrite Stores and his function was to open, stock and staff their new locations. Ironically the store in Sussex was to be located in the old Sussex Mercantile building that had been owned in partnership by his father Murray Huestis and Walter and A. G. Mills. We then moved on to St. Stephen and once again he repeated the process. Upon completion of that he was transferred to Montreal but we did have a vacation time before we had to be in Montreal. He decided that we would visit his sister Nell who had married Raymond Parent and ran a dairy farm just outside Fredericton.

One day Uncle Ray decided to take my brother and me across the St. John River to the experimental farm to see a brand new litter of piglets. The river was frozen solid and the trek was long, cold and windy. I had borrowed a pair of rubber boots from my cousin Lewis, which were too large, and I had to stop and rest because of my blistered heels but it was worth it to see the piglets.

In the middle of the night I was awakened by my parents to come see all the rushing water and giant blocks of ice. That night the St. John River had broken up and the huge chunks of ice even brought the railway bridge crashing down. The fields were covered with water and Uncle Ray had to bring the cattle out from the barn and fasten them on the wrap-around veranda to keep them safe. Everything was washed away, roads, paths, everything.

Our vacation was up and it was time to leave, we had to get to Montreal, but how? Uncle Ray made arrangements for a young boy from the next farm to come over with a canoe and take us to the railroad tracks where a rescue train would come along and pick up those who needed to get away. It took two canoe trips to take us with our belongings to the side of the tracks. My father and my brother went on the first trip and my mother and me on the next. I remember my mother trembling the entire canoe ride she was so terrified not so much for herself but for my brother and me, especially having to navigate among the icebergs. It seemed forever while we sat on the gravel beside the track waiting for the train.

Finally the rescue train came into sight and it was filled with other evacuees and we headed for McAdam Junction, but that was as far as we got because the tracks beyond were washed out. Everyone had to stay overnight in the station, some sleeping on benches and others sleeping on their luggage on the floor. There was food but at ten I don't remember what it was except that we weren't hungry. The next day another train came and picked us up but the ordeal wasn't over yet. With the track out the rescue train had to back to siding and we proceeded to Saint John. There we stayed in a hotel until new travelling arrangements could be made. It was scary but made an excellent adventure tale to repeat to my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. They thought I had lived a very exciting life.

An added note: my father was Robert Murray Huestis a descendant of Lewis Huestis a Loyalist and my mother was Frances Bertha Henderson a descendant of Nathaniel Elijah Gorham Loyalist.

Florence (Syson) Clark

Contributed By: Carole Dick

Note: My grandmother was Caroline Hartt Syson that has passed along some of the stories. She came to Alberta as a teacher before it was a province. My mother passed Florence Syson Clark passed away August 8th and I have compiled a 100 page booklet on her life as a teacher. This is part one to continue Spring 2008.

OBITUARY OF FLORENCE (SYSON) CLARK December 27, 1913 - August 8, 2007

Early on the morning of August 8, 2007, Florence Pearl (Syson) Clark passed away in the Stettler Health Care Center after losing a courageous three-year battle with cancer. She is now in the presence of her Lord and Saviour, who she loved and served. She was born December 27th, 1913 on the Hartt homestead near Jacksontown, Carleton County, New Brunswick. When she was three months old, she came across Canada by train with her mother to join her father, Richard, and her brother, Thurston, on the homestead north of Stettler.

Florence attended Pilot Knob School where her mother Caroline was the first school teacher 100 years ago. At age 17, she attended Normal School in Camrose to become a teacher herself. For the next 70 years, she helped organize Normal School Class reunions and for 60 years a "round robin letter" between classmates was enjoyed.

Her teaching career lasted over 30 years. The schools she taught at were Lynx, Kinsella, Elk Point, Nevis, Pilot Knob, Blumenau, Cora Lynn, Stettler Elementary. She substituted at Botha, Waverly, Drake (Tees), Silver Prairie, Vimy Ridge, Fritz Hill, Wellsburg, Liberal, Lyncot. She made lifetime friendships with some of her pupils, who still came to visit and phoned after all those years.

Her parents were Charter Members of the Stettler Baptist Church so it was natural for Florence to enjoy attending Sunday School, Church and Young People's group. She accepted the Lord as her Saviour, was baptized, and joined the church in 1927. She was active in the church all her life. She served as the Church Historian, Sunday School teacher, Deaconess and Treasurer of the Western Baptist Missionary Society.

Florence had a lifetime membership in the Western Baptist Missionary Society, in the Alberta Teachers' Association, and in the Stettler Hospital Volunteer Society. She was active in the Pilot Knob Ladies' Club for many years. She was the co-editor of a community history book, "Red Willow Reflections." For 35 years, Don and Florence willingly volunteered at the Nursing Home where they compassionately helped and fed the elderly residents. One day Florence commented that "I just

don't know when I will be on the other end of this spoon!" Also, for 25 years they faithfully took their turn delivering Meals on Wheels to the shut-ins.

Florence married Don Clark on July 14, 1942 and they spent 61 happy years together. To this union three children were born. As Carole, John and Colleen grew, left home, got married, and began families of their own, Don and Florence joyfully moved into a new role of being grandparents. After they retired from farming and teaching, they moved into Stettler in 1989 where they had more time to enjoy each other. They had always shared a marvelous companionship and especially enjoyed traveling in their trailer. They had the privilege of touring the United States, United Kingdom and also Europe. After Don's "home-going," Florence moved into the Willow Creek Lodge in 2003 where she adjusted to a new life and made new friends.

Florence was the family historian and was always noted for her wonderful story telling. Don and Florence hosted an International Syson Reunion in 2001. New-found cousins came from England, Cyprus and three U.S. states. At 90, Florence still enjoyed meeting many cousins at three Hartt family reunions, one in New Brunswick and two in Alberta.

Florence has lived a good, full life. She was a gracious lady, always presenting herself with poise and dignity. More importantly, she had a kind and compassionate heart that led her into action to help others in need, whether it was with a kind word of encouragement, a pat on the back for a job well done, or simply a grateful smile or a whispered prayer. Although she worked hard for her money, she would generously share what she had to help someone in need. For example, she paid for a child to attend Bible camp and helped to pay tuition for a student to attend Bible School. She supported many missionaries and charitable organizations. In the late 50's, she lovingly opened her heart and her home to 13 year old Evelyn who needed a home while she finished out the school year. Florence seized that opportunity to be a strong, positive influence in the life of a young girl. At school, she was Miss Syson or Mrs. Clark to her many pupils who can attest to her caring guidance as a dedicated teacher.

Chapter Two Hartt Family

Florence will also be remembered for her hospitality as she enjoyed having company in her home. No matter the size of family, they were all welcome at her table. Other guests she especially looked forward to were the numerous missionaries who were home on furlough. The family enjoyed the many interesting and intriguing stories. Florence felt so blessed to have known so many dear friends from far and near.

Carole, John and Colleen are so thankful to have been raised by a Christian mother. She was truly interested in every family member and prayed for each one. She demonstrated daily an example of Christian love to her family and to all who had the privilege of knowing her. Our hope and prayer is that we will take what she has taught us about life and that it will make a big difference in the lives of others, just as she has done.

Florence was predeceased by her husband Donald (2003), parents Richard (1958) and Caroline (1945), brothers Gerald (1915) and Thurston (1979), sister-in-law Dorothy Syson (2001), and nephew Kenneth Syson (2006).

Florence will be lovingly missed by her children Carole (Eldon) Dick of Lousana, John (Dianne) Clark of Stettler, Colleen Newlove of Calgary; her grandchildren Lauren (Graydon) Smithers, Ronda (Matt) Tees, Brad (Amanda) Clark, Ryan Clark (Tanya), Shannon Clark (Darryl), Ryan (Jamie) Newlove, Brent (Brenda) Newlove; her great-grandchildren Kyle and Devon Smithers, Calvin Tees and Nathan Newlove. Also, niece Joy Syson, cousins Paul and Rose Hartt, Shirley Webb, Eileen (Bill) Erichson, Marjorie Lohr and Joyce Webb plus numerous other relatives and a host of wonderful friends.

Hartt Family

14th Century Irish poetry used the word "hart" to refer to a deer. In England and Scotland, the word for deer, "hart" was spelled with one "T". Our forefather, Isaac Hart came from Norfolk, England on April 11, 1636 on the ship "ROSE" for New England. His grandson Jonathan moved from Lynnfield, Massachusetts to New Brunswick in 1769. For some reason, Jonathan's children spelt their last name with a double "T". Hence we descend from the double "T" Hartt's of New Brunswick.

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FORE-FATHERS FROM NEW BRUNSWICK

REV. SAMUEL HARTT JR. (1799-1867)

Florence's maternal Great Grandfather

Samuel was the son of Samuel & Clarissa (Hammond) Hartt. He was born April 23, 1799 and died Jan 16, 1867 in Upper Brighton, N.B. He married Mary Elizabeth Estey, October 17, 1822. Mary was born Sept. 6, 1793 and died March 11, 1865. Mary Estey was brought up by her Aunt Ruth (Estey) Everett, daughter of John and Molly (Hartt) Estey.

This story of his conversion is very well known. It has been told down through the generations. Samuel had a miraculous rescue from drowning in the St. John River. He was crossing the river on

floating ice to care for his father's cattle that were on an island now known as Hartt Island. (This island is near Fredericton, N.B.) He fell in, and as he feared death was at hand. He cried to the Lord to save his life and he promised to serve God for the rest of his life. The Lord answered his need immediately by providing a rope, which was hanging in the ice. (The rope probably had fallen off some vehicle and had frozen there.) Anyway, he kept his promise and became a Baptist preacher. He was converted at 24 yrs of age and was baptized by his uncle Elder Lathrop Hammond in June 1829. Samuel was ordained in March of 1831.

Rev. Samuel Hartt had a great gift as a singer of the gospel. He wrote hymns and sacred songs. He was the author of one hymn that was once very much sung in the Free Baptist Churches in New Brunswick. Names of two hymns he composed are: "Glorious Light of Jordan" and "Down in Old Jordan's Stream" The influence of his songs affected the conversion of large numbers of people. Rev. Samuel was a clergyman and was by the testimony of everyone who knew him a man of wonderful force of character.

Family memories by Myrtle Mellen and Hazel Smith

I remember mother telling me that her grandfather, Rev. Samuel Hartt, (1799-1867) took every precaution so there would not be any gossip or rumors concerning him. When his children were young and his wife could not travel with him on his preaching tours, he drove a one-seated carriage.

Chapter Two Hartt Family

When his children were older and his wife could accompany him, he drove a two-seater carriage.

I remember mother telling me of the time her grandfather was holding meetings some distance from home. He had preached a fine sermon and given the invitation. Many had come forward to the altar. The service was going along fine when Rev. Hartt had the feeling that he should go home at once. The laymen working with him tried to have him wait. He insisted. When he arrived home he found his family had not a bit of food in the house. They had prayers and went to bed. In the morning they found a wagonload of provisions on their steps. They never found out who left the provisions, but thought a man in the neighborhood who did not go to church or take any interest in religion felt sorry for the preacher's children.

I remember mother telling me about grandfather Hartt, when he held baptismal services; people came from miles around, not only to witness the baptism but also to hear the evangelist sing. He had a wonderful voice. As he baptized the candidates, he sang a hymn.

In 1867, Rev. Samuel Hartt died while laboring in a revival at Upper Brighton, (Carleton County) January 16, 1867. He had Inflammatory Rheumatism.

Both Samuel and Mary Hartt are buried in Lower Waterville United Baptist Cemetery, founded 1840 and restored in 1988 in Waterville, Carleton County, New Brunswick. His gravestone is a very large white marble obelisk-shaped stone. Inscription on his stone reads, "Elder Samuel Hartt died Jan 16, 1867 aged 67 years. This monument was erected by the members and friends of the Free Christian Baptist Denomination in New Brunswick. The purpose of his life was to glorify God through Jesus Christ in the salvation of mankind. He was eminently----to his calling and his works follow him." Other side of gravestone reads "Mary Estey, beloved wife of the Rev. Samuel Hartt, died Mar 8, 1865 aged 64 years, faithful and affectionate wife, mother and friend. They rest from their labours."

Children of Mary (Estey) & Samuel Hartt

Thomas 1823-1885, William Dell 1826-1902, Samuel E. 1828-1897, Rev. John 1830-1904, Mary E. 1832-1879, Catherine 1834-1857, Judah 1836-1907, Clarissa 1838-1901, Caroline 1838-1873, Rev. Aaron 1841-1923, Rev. Henry 1844-1918.

REV. HENRY HARTT (1844-1918)

Florence's maternal Grandfather

Henry Hartt was born on March 31, 1844. He was the youngest of the eleven children born to Samuel and Mary (Estey) Hartt. Being the youngest, he knew the least about his family history. Henry married Phoebe Smith on February 9, 1871.

Henry received more education than his siblings as he was ruptured when a baby so was thought not able to do hard work. Henry had a small stature, half a head shorter than his wife, gray eyes, and his hair and whiskers were coal black.

He joined the Third Tier church in 1864, was licensed to preach in 1876, and was ordained at Woodstock on October 9, 1879. He preached every year more or less, and visited many churches, mostly small ones. He baptized some on Grand Mannan Island in the Bay of Fundy and in California Settlement, Victoria County, where he baptized a large number and organized churches. Henry joined the Primitive Baptist Body and, in 1915, he spent some time in the same place in Nova Scotia where his brother John had preached, years before. He preached as long as he was able and was remembered as a humble, peaceable man. He died March 30, 1918.

Phoebe was born on August 31, 1843 in Blissville, N. B. Canada. Her parents were Daniel and Phoebe (Hartt) Smith. Phoebe was a staunch supporter of women getting their vote. She was six-feet tall with auburn colored hair and had one pierced ear. One day, the hired man got caught in the threshing machine; Henry fainted dead away but Phoebe grabbed an axe and chopped the man free.

Phoebe was an outstanding personality in the church and community, always deeply interested in any work that was for the betterment of conditions. She was especially interested in the Women's Missionary Society of the Free Baptist Conference. She was a life-long worker in the Sunday school and taught her class until a few weeks of her death. She was a woman of strong faith and a sincere believer in the power of prayer. Phoebe joined her husband in glory on February 14, 1920. They both are buried at the 3rd Tier Cemetery along side the Trans-Canada Highway leading from Hartland to Woodstock.

Children of Henry and Phoebe (Smith) Hartt

Florence, 1872-1957, Caroline, 1873-1945, Harry 1874-1898, Nettie 1875-1878, Phoebe 1877-1904, Arthur 1879-1879, Bedford 1883-1969, Pearl 1885-1915

John Allan's Invasion of the St. John River - 1777

Contributed by George H. Hayward

Editor's note: This article, by Rev. William O. Raymond, was published 10 Apr 1895 in The Dispatch (Woodstock, N.B.).

John Allan, of whose doings on the river St. John in the summer of the year 1777 we are about to speak, was born at Edinburgh, Scotland, and when only four years of age came with his father to Halifax at the time that city was founded by Cornwallis. He was consequently about thirty years of age when the Revolutionary war began. He relied upon his personal influence and acquaintance with the Indians to bring them over to the side of the Americans. His estimate of Indian character is not particularly flattering. He says, "The Indians are generally actuated according to the importance or influence any one has who lives among them. They are credulous to a degree, will listen to every report, and generally believe it, and think everything true that is told them." At the same time, he says, "They think among themselves it is a great qualification to use deception, and employ every art to gain their ends. Where they perceive an opportunity to get something they will exert every faculty to obtain it." Allan used all his art to subvert the Micmacs, but they were too politic to commit themselves and we must admit that in their answer to his solicitations they had the best of it: "We do not comprehend," they said, "what all the quarrelling is about. How comes it that Old England and New England should quarrel and come to blows? The father and son to fight is terrible! Old France and Canada did not do so; we cannot think of fighting ourselves till we know who is right and who is wrong."

In the spring of 1777 Allan resolved to try his personal influence among the Maliseets in order to remove if possible the favorable disposition towards the English by Col. Goold's visit. Col. Goold, it may be observed, spent several weeks on the river in the early part of May, 1777, during which he succeeded in pacifying the Indians and securing the submission of the Maugerville settlers who, with the exception of three who fled to the States, took the oath of allegiance to the British crown.

On the 29th of May word was brought to Allan that Col. Goold had returned to Halifax. He accordingly left Machias the day following with four whale boats and four canoes and a party of forty-three men. The next day they arrived at the encampment of the Passamaquoddies where they were well received and proceeded onward reinforced by about a dozen more canoes manned by Indians. On the evening of June 1st they arrived at Musquash Cove, where they planned to surprise the settlers at Portland Point. Accordingly, Capt. West and sixteen

men started in the night for Manawagonish Cove, arriving there early the next morning. (This cove is about four miles to the west of St. John harbor.) They marched nearly three miles through the woods to South Bay above the falls crossing from thence in bark canoes to the east side of the river near what is now Indiantown. Proceeding on through scrubby woods and over rough limestone rocks they arrived at Portland Point undiscovered and made prisoners of William Hazen and James White. Leaving a strong guard at the mouth of the river under Capt. West, the remainder of the party proceeded up the river. Allan claims that the majority of the settlers despite their submission to British authority were still favorable to the Americans. Some, however, "were great zealots for Britain," and among them one Lewis Mitchell was particularly obnoxious, having been instrumental in bringing Col. Goold to the river. Gervis Say, one of the old Sunbury magistrates, was another loyal British subject, and is referred to by Allan as one of those who informed the Nova Scotia government of his arrival on the St. John. Lewis Mitchell was an active and zealous partizan, and Allan dreaded his influence because of his being "of an *insinuating* turn, particularly among the French and Indians." The Americans succeeded in surprising and capturing Mitchell at his house above Grimrose in much the same manner they had previously surprised and taken Hazen and White. Three weeks afterwards he effected his escape, a circumstance regarded by Allan as very unfortunate, and liable to be "of the worst consequence." His fears were more than verified as we shall shortly see.

On the 5th day of June the party arrived at Aukpaque where forty or fifty Indians, arrayed in their war paint and feathers, fired a *feu de joie* and received them with much ceremony. What followed in the course of the next few weeks bears out the truth of Allan's statement quoted at the beginning of this article, viz: that the Indians were generally actuated according to the importance and influence of anyone who lived among them. At first he found several were vastly fond of Col. Goold and seemed undetermined what to do. The inclinations of the two head chiefs were diverse. Ambroise St. Aubin favored the Americans, Governor Pierre inclined the other way. Allan, however, knowing well the weak points of the Indian character, flattered them, appealed to their capacity promising presents and supplies from the trading post he was about to establish, recalled the days when they regarded the French as their brothers, affirming he had come to do them justice with the same authority Monsieur Boisherbert had exercised in the French time. He was formally admitted into their tribe and as they had then no

John Allan's Invasion of the St. John River - 1777

resident priest at their village, the priest's house adjoining the chapel was placed at his disposal. There followed frequent formal conferences with the usual harangues, exchange of wampum belts, and other ceremonies, in all of which the American agent appeared to advantage. The several chiefs made quite a grand appearance at these conferences; Ambroise St. Aubin, for example, was attired in blue Persian silk coat, embroidered crimson silk waistcoat, scarlet knit breeches and gold laced hat with white cocade. Allan, during the intervals between the formal conferences, occupied himself in visiting the different wigwams exercising his powers of persuasion upon the Indians individually. Messengers were dispatched up the river to invite the attendance of delegates from Meductic and Madawaska, and they promptly responded, especially as it became known that Allan had a considerable quantity of supplies and presents at his disposal.

The journal kept by the party during the expedition is printed in Kidder's military operations in Eastern Maine and Nova Scotia during the Revolution. It affords occasional glimpses of the general situation of affairs on the St. John river at the time and gives us some further insight into the customs and manners of the Indians. Allan describes the funeral of an Indian girl. The ceremony was a solemn yet simple one. The body was borne into the chapel, the bell tolling the while; after a short prayer they sang funeral hymns, that done some of the chiefs bore the coffin to the grave where there was another prayer followed by a funeral hymn. The coffin was then deposited in the grave and a handful of earth cast upon it by the relatives and friends of her sex. Immediately afterwards the family wigwam was struck and removed into the thickest part of the village that the parents might the better be consoled for the loss of their child.

Allan says that on the Sundays he was at Aukpaque a number of Frenchmen came to worship at the Indian chapel and that he and his prisoners, Messrs. Hazen and White, also attended. The bell of the chapel is probably the very same now in the chapel at the Indian village at Fredericton, which is inscribed with the *fleur de lis* of France.

Allan wrote to Boston that he needed an abundance of things sent him as he had been forced to be very lavish in his dealings with the Indians. Delegates arrived from the Meductic village and on the 20th of June three birch canoes arrived from Madawaska with seven chiefs and captains, one of whom had lately assumed the name of Washington. At the next conference an agreement was made that a truck house should be established by the Americans on the river St. John and good prices were promised for furs and peltry.

Thus far fortune had smiled upon the undertaking and all had gone swimmingly with John Allan but he was now about to undergo a very different kind of experience.

Information had already been sent to Halifax by Gervis Say and other Loyalists respecting Allan's expedition and Lewis Mitchell, after his escape, is said to have proceeded post haste to Fort Cumberland. Sir George Collier immediately ordered the warship *Mermaid* and the sloops *Vulture* and *Hope* to proceed to St. John where shortly after their arrival they were joined by a detachment from the garrison at Fort Cumberland under Major Studholme, accompanied by Col. Michael Francklin, the lately appointed superintendent of Indian affairs.

Allan had left Captain West and sixty men to defend the river. On the 30th June the English landed about 120 men at Manawagonish cove opposite the house of Mr. Samuel Peabody. They marched thence through the woods about two miles and a half and after a sharp battle near the falls in which several were killed on both sides, the Yankees beat a hasty retreat. Finding the British in hot pursuit, Capt. West and his men ascended the Oromocto, crossing thence to the head of the Magaguadavic where they descended to Passamaquoddy and so got back to Machias. They had little or no provisions with them and endured almost intolerable hardships on their way.

When tidings of this disaster reached Aukpaque all was consternation. Allan says in his journal the head chief came to him and begged he would write a letter to the commander of the British forces it being the desire of the Indians at Aukpaque to act in conjunction with the deputies from "Metawashcaugh" and Meductic. Allan now exercised all his diplomacy to prevent the savages from submitting to the English and not without effect. Pierre Tomah and several others were disposed to listen to the overtures of Michael Francklin but Ambroise St. Aubin and the majority were not so disposed. Tomah went on board the British sloop of war, which came up the river, and had an interview with Francklin. Evidently he was not indisposed to come to terms but the efforts of Allan seconded by Ambroise St. Aubin prevented his carrying his tribe with him. Finding that the British would in all probability follow him up the river, Allan persuaded the majority of the Indians to abandon their settlements and share his fortunes. He assured them this was but a temporary measure and that the Americans would shortly regain possession of the river. It certainly was not through lack of exertion on his part that they failed to do so.

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Who was the Wife of Jacob Treitz?

By: Les Bowser

(Editor's Note: This is the eighth part in a series on Monckton township.)

Despite all the research into the history of Monckton township over the past half century, precious little is known about the eleven settler families who landed at Hall's Creek in 1766. Vital statistics are useful, but what do they tell us about their characters, their attitudes, their outlook on life?

Most of our knowledge about Heinrich Stief comes from the Steeves family legends. His roots have been traced to Münsingen in south Württemberg where he was a brickmaker, but what does that say about his personality? A meager reference in the 1770 census give us a hint about Michael Lutz and Jacob Ricker who owned nine head of cattle, but nothing about their thoughts and beliefs. About Matthias Sommer we know little aside from his involvement in St. Peter's Lutheran Church at Barren Hill, PA. We know next to nothing about Charles Jones beyond the fact that he couldn't sign his name. Knowledge of Jacob Treitz isn't much different. Something happened during the signing of the Articles of Agreement in Philadelphia in 1766 that put his name and signature at variance with the other intending settlers. What happened is unknown. For the rest — Kopple, Wortman, Smith, Ackley and Reynolds — knowledge of their characters and background is a complete blank.

If the men on the sloop with John Hall are a puzzle, even less is known about the women. Their names appear occasionally in the contemporary records and always in conjunction with the names of their husbands. But the records reveal only what we would expect: that the women married, had babies, died. In some families, even the women's names are mere guesses. The wife of Jacob Treitz may have been one such guess.

In the previous installment in this series on the history of Monckton township, I suggested that identifying Jonathan Reynolds should be an easy task, what with all the genealogical resources available on the Internet these days. Nothing is known about Reynolds, one of the presumably-English settlers who came to the Petitcodiac River in 1766. Apparently Jonathan's wife died shortly after their arrival and he may have returned to Pennsylvania. But his possible relationship with John Hall could have implications for the continuing research into the ten other families who founded Monckton. Identifying Jonathan Reynolds might be important.

The biggest problem with genealogical research on the Internet today is not the lack of

information but the overabundance of it. I began my mini quest for Reynolds at the LDS Family History site, finding 144 possibilities who lived within the required timeframe. Jonathan Reynolds was listed in the International Genealogical Index (64 names), the Personal Resource File (71 names) and the Ancestral File (9 names). As would be expected, the lists include numerous variations on the name Reynolds: Renals, Runnells, Rennolls, Renols, Reynold, Renalds, Reinols... And the only Jonathan Reynolds living in Pennsylvania before 1766 died in 1758. The single possibility of any interest was a Jonathan Reinhold, christened 29 December, 1733, in Muehlhausen, Vaihingen, Neckarkreis, Württemberg. Vaihingen is 75 kms. from Münsingen where Heinrich Stief originated.

The commercial genealogy websites offer all things to all people, every site with 100 million names, each site promising to find any ancestor at the click of a mouse: Genealogy.com, Ancestry.com, OliveTree.com, etc, etc. The sites were no help at all — unless I wanted to spend \$49.99 to examine some 1850 US Census records from Tennessee. No thanks.

The giant RootsWeb site was free, but like the commercial sites it had too much information rather than too little, much of it repetitive, and no Jonathan Reynolds who emigrated from Pennsylvania to the Petitcodiac River in 1766.

Even my contacts at the Bridesburg Historical Society could offer nothing, even though the society is located in the same neighbourhood where John Hall's Wheatsheaf Inn once stood and where a Herbert Reynolds owned a farm in the mid-1800s.

Did I say the search "should be easy"? Famous last words. The elusive Jonathan Reynolds of Monckton must remain a mystery figure for the time being.

But the exercise was far from fruitless. Browsing through the massive RootsWeb site I took time to look for the names of the other Monckton settlers. It's not something I do frequently, but I wanted to see if anything worthwhile had turned up lately regarding the Pennsylvania Germans who founded Monckton township. I came across a gedcom site: "Weigel/Weaver/Hampton/Miller/Eppley and allied lines", one that named Jacob Trites who died in Moncton, Westmorland County, New Brunswick.

A good deal of the information was unrelated to Monckton township, but the site included the first Treitz family who came to the

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Petitcodiac River in 1766. Created by Kathie Weigel, a genealogist living in Reseda, California, the site also offered a ground-breaking detail: the name of Jacob Trites' wife, Christina Gmelin. (pronounced Gh-mell-in)¹

Local histories in New Brunswick give Jacob's wife's name variously as Elisina, Christiana or Christina. The name Elisina originates in a 1785 land transfer document between Jacob and his youngest son, Christian. In exchange for 1065 acres in the western half of the original Treitz grant, Christian was required to annually provide his mother and father with sustenance: "one hundred w[eigh]t of Meat half pork half beef Six Busshels of Wheat grinded into Meal six Cord of firewood laid at the Door and one Cow kept summer and Winter to be paid yearly and every year...." The indenture is signed by Jacob and Elisina Trites.²

It was a creative way to transfer land between people who had little cash, besides providing a fascinating snapshot of eighteenth-century life at the Bend. The transaction was simple but sufficient enough to keep Christian's parents fed and warm for the year.

Esther Clark Wright can be justly credited for finding this record of Elisina and bringing it to light in her 1945 book, *The Petitcodiac*. What Dr. Wright failed to mention, however, was that the document she found in the Westmorland County Registry office was a transcribed copy rather than the original deed. The document, including the names of the signers, had been created by a clerk who copied it into the county records. Secure today in the bound record book at Moncton, the transcription includes a little sketch of the wax seal on the original deed. (Who said government employees have no imagination?) The original, with its seals and the actual signatures of Jacob Trites and his wife, is not to be found.³

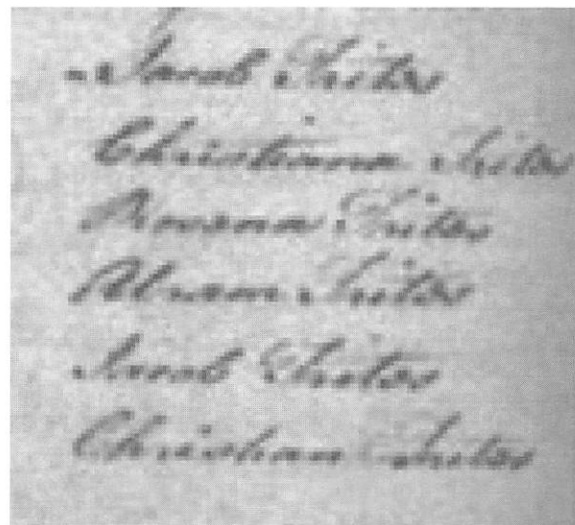
In 1970 author Edward Larracey picked up Dr. Wright's story of the Trites deed and dutifully reported it in *The First Hundred*, his imaginative (and sometimes over-the-top) tale of the early days on the Petitcodiac River. Since then, the name Elisina Trites has become a fixture in Moncton family lore. But Elisina was probably not her name. Kathie Weigel explains: "The name 'Christina' written in German handwriting could be very easily misread as something similar to 'Elisina.'" Experts have declared that Elisina is not a German name.

Five years after the first land transaction in 1785, Jacob and his wife deeded land in the eastern half of the property to Christian Steeves who had married their only daughter, Rosanna. This time, according to the county clerk, Jacob's wife signed her name Christina Tritz. As well, Justice Charles Dixon

Jr., who oversaw the proceedings, added a note at the bottom of the document: "Dorchester, November the 1st, 1790. Personally appeared Christiana Treitz she being examined separate and apart from her Husband acknowledged she signed the within deed of conveyance freely voluntarily and without compulsion from her Husband, before me Charles Dixon Jr."⁴

Further evidence of Mrs. Trites' name originates in the summer of 1766. On July 1, a month after the settlers' arrival at Hall's Creek, Cumberland trader John Huston recorded the names of every member of the five families sent to Monckton by John Hughes and Anthony Wayne. Huston names Jacob Trites' wife as Christiana. This important document was discovered in 2001 by Nova Scotia genealogist Allen Robertson at the Provincial Archives in Halifax.⁵

Huston's list can be accepted as an accurate account of the settlers' names and the birth order of the children. With only minor exceptions, the Somers, Stief, Lutz and Jones families agree with local family histories and verified dates. The order of the Trites family is: Jacob [father], Christiana [mother], Rosanna, Abram, Jacob, Christian.



A portion of the "Account of the settlers introduced to NovaScotia [now New Brunswick] by John Hughes and Anthony Wayne" certified by John Huston, July 1, 1766.

Whether or not the name Elisina was simply a clerk's mistaken interpretation, the facts nevertheless make it clear that Jacob's wife was named either Christiana or Christina.

Let us now return to Pennsylvania in the mid 1700s and the story of Christina Gmelin.

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Christina's father, Matthias Gmelin, was a well-to-do landowner and glazier (one who makes glass or glazes windows) who lived in Methacton, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, about 5 kms. from the Schuylkill River. On New Year's Day 1755, Matthias wrote his will. (He signed his name Matthias, although his tombstone reads Mathias.)⁶

Descended from a long line of notable Württemberg educators and churchmen, Matthias Gmelin was born in Vaihingen an der Enz, about 20 kms. north-west of Stuttgart on January 31, 1677, the son of Christina Zimmerman and Jeremias Gmelin, a carpenter. Matthias' grandfather was Jeremias Gmelin, Sr. who attended Tübingen University and was a prominent pastor in Auggen near Mülheim in 1651. The grandfather of Jeremias Sr. was Wilhelm Gmelin (1541-1612), a pastor of such renown that he is today the patriarch of the town of Gaertringen near Stuttgart. The sufferings of Jeremias Sr. and his family during the Thirty Year's War are recorded in the Gmelin family history which begins with the earliest known ancestor, Michael Gmelin (ca1510-1576). Throughout the chaos and violence of the seventeenth century, the Gmelin families and their descendants, from Michael to Matthias, lived mainly in the area between Stuttgart and Tübingen around the Neckar River valley.

Matthias immigrated to Pennsylvania as early as 1729, and purchased land in Worcester Township northwest of Germantown in 1734. In 1747, he advertised in Benjamin Franklin's *Pennsylvania Gazette* that his Negro servant, Jack Tross, had run away.⁷ By then, Matthias was established at Methacton Hill (today's Fairview Village north of Norristown) and rather prosperous.

Immigrating to Philadelphia from the same area of Vaihingen in 1750 was Gottlieb Mittelberger accompanying an organ for St. Michael's and Zion Lutheran Church. After four years performing his duties as organist and schoolteacher, Mittelberger returned to Württemberg, leaving for posterity an account of his tenure in America. His book, *Journey to Pennsylvania in the Year 1750* is prefaced by a certificate attesting to the author's background and good character. The testimonial is witnessed by Matthias Gmelin.⁸

Matthias and his wife, Maria Barbara, raised a family of one son and three daughters: Christian, Maria Christina, Rosina Margaretha, and Maria Sophia. All but Sophia were born in Germany. Possibly Matthias felt his end approaching when he wrote his will on January 1, 1755 feeling "under some Indisposition of Body." He died on April 17 the following year, and Maria Barbara succumbed shortly after. On May 14 their estates were "Blended together" and disbursed. Christian received the 190-

acre farm plus most of the tools and equipment. The three daughters were each given a legacy of £80. But when the account was disbursed by the executor, the legacies were paid to the husbands of the three women: John Epple for his wife Sophia; Peter Wentz for his wife Rosina; and Jacob Treitts for his wife Christina.



Tombstone of Mathias Gmelin, born January 31, 1677; died April 17, 1756, Methacton Mennonite Cemetery, Norristown, Pennsylvania. Photo courtesy of Joseph Eckhardt.

Jacob Treitts and Christina Gmelin were likely married sometime about 1750, shortly after the death of Christina's first husband, Gottfried Leibgeb, on July 17, 1749, who died "from injuries due to falling from a wagon."⁹ Christina had borne Gottfried two children — Matthias, born about 1740; and Sophia, born about 1745.

The only known church record in Pennsylvania naming Jacob and Christina is the christening of a son, Sebastian, in St. Michael's Church at Germantown on 7 Dec 1753. The parents are listed as Jacob Treuz and Christina Gmehlin. No further record of Sebastian has been found.¹⁰

The earliest known occurrence in Pennsylvania of the New Brunswick Trites family comes from the eldest son Abraham's tombstone on

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the Salisbury Road west of central Moncton. Abraham died November 29, 1810 "in his 59th year." In other words he was born sometime within the twelve months following Nov. 28, 1751. According to Huston's list of settlers, Abraham's sister Rosanna was born before him, probably in 1750 — all of which fits within the time-frame of the Treitts-Gmelin-Leibgeb data from Pennsylvania.

Are Jacob Treitts and Christina Gmelin the same couple who came to Monckton in 1766? Kathie Weigel, the creator of the Gmelin genealogy site at Rootsweb, is certain they are. Although the proof is not absolute, the preponderance of evidence is significant. "I think the circumstantial evidence is excellent," Kathie says. "We have a Jacob Trites emigrating from Philadelphia to Monckton with a wife Christiana, and we have a Jacob Treitts with wife Christina Gmelin also at Philadelphia just prior to that. We have no evidence that Jacob and Christina continued in the Philly area or nearby. One other thing worth looking at is onomastic evidence. Christina named her two children by her first husband after her father and her sister Sophia, so she obviously favored family names. In her second family she names a daughter Rosina (the anglicized variation being Rosanna) and a son Christian, the names of her other two siblings." Kathie is a descendant of Christina's sister Sophia.

The early Gmelin history was first uncovered by Dr. Richard S. Simpson and published

in *The Bulletin of the Historical Society of Montgomery County* in 2002 and 2004. Putting this information together with additional data offered by several Gmelin researchers on the Internet, Kathie was eventually able to connect the Philadelphia Treitts couple with the Jacob Trites of New Brunswick whom she saw described in the Lutz Mountain Heritage Museum website. The discovery was a collaborative and complicated effort that spanned three countries and several years.

For descendants of Monckton's Jacob Treitz the information presents a new field of exploration. Needless to say, new discoveries likely await the intrepid genealogist who wishes to delve into the history of the Treitz and Gmelin families of Montgomery County, PA. For doubters the confirming proof may yet be found.

For what kind of adventure is genealogy without discoveries? That is the question I put to anyone who is descended from the settler families that came to the Petitcodiac River in 1766, particularly if your genealogical research is feeling moribund these days. May I suggest you get away from your computer screen, go down to Pennsylvania, and scout around. It could be a fine adventure.

(To be continued...)

Notes:

¹<http://worldconnect.genealogy.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=zella&id=I1094>. or Google: RootsWeb, Gmelin, Trites. Much of the information in this article was gleaned from this website and from two papers by Richard S. Simpson, Ph.D., published in *The Bulletin of the Historical Society of Montgomery County*: "Was Rosina Gmelin the Wife of Peter Wentz?" (Spring, 2002; Vol. 33, No. 2); and "History of the Gmelin Family in Pennsylvania: A New Dimension for the Peter Wentz Farmstead" (2004; Vol. 34, No. 1). I am grateful to Kathie Weigel for providing most of the Pennsylvania background on the Gmelin family and for voluminous documentation. Also my thanks to Roland Deigendesch, Stadtarchiv, Münsingen for his advice.

² "Jacob Trites to Christian Trites entered 10 Nov. 1785," Westmorland County Registry, Moncton. Libro A-1, pp 37-9. See Wright, *The Petitcodiac*, p. 65; also *Samphire Greens*, p. 44. Monckton is misspelled Monkton, and the acreage reads 1065, rather than 1064 as is often reported. I am indebted to my brother in Moncton, Bob Bowser, for obtaining the Trites documents.

³ The deed was mentioned in Stephen Millidge's report of Westmorland, March 18, 1788, and first published in Moncton's *Daily Transcript*, Dec. 21, 1901: "Schedule of the Property of Moncton's First Settlers." There are curious differences between the transcribed deed and the Millidge/*Transcript*/Wright versions.

⁴ Jacob Treitz to Christian Steeve, Registered 16 April, 1791, Westmorland County Registry, Moncton. Libro A-1, pp. 298.

⁵ Huston's list of names has been reproduced in *The Search for Heinrich Stief* (Nimbus, 2001) where a brief description accompanies the list. The original list is in Book 7, p. 183 at the Nova Scotia Land Grant Records Office, Halifax. The list is also reproduced at New Brunswick Maps:

<http://www.ourgenealogy.ca/Canada/NewBrunswick/NewBrunswickMaps.html>

⁶ Matthias Gmelin's tombstone can be viewed online at Find A Grave. <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=Gmelin&GSfn=Mathias&GSbyrel=all&GSdyrel=all&GSst=40&GSntry=4&GSob=n&GRid=16157183&>

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⁷ Kenneth Scott, *Abstracts from Ben Franklin's Pennsylvania Gazette, 1728-1748* (Genealogical Publishing Co., 1975) p. 626. May 14, 1747.

⁸ Gottlieb Mittelberger, *Journey to Pennsylvania*, Oscar Handlin & John Clive, eds. (Belknap Press, 1960) The second witness was Henry Marsteller.

⁹ Christopher Sower's *Pennsylvanische Geschicht-Schreiber*, Aug. 16, 1749.

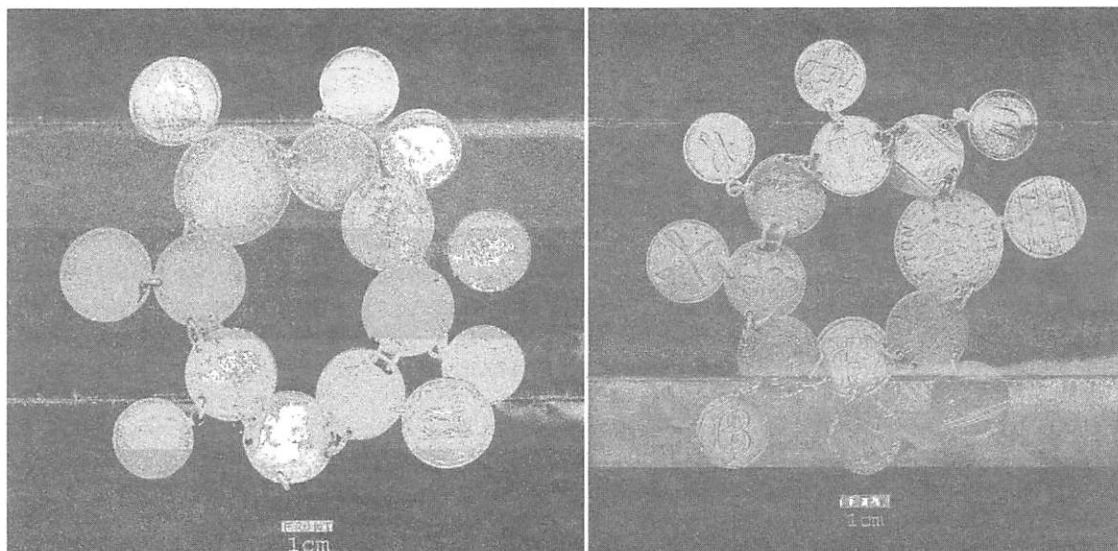
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    | | / Wilhelm GMELIN b: 10 OCT 1573 d: 1 NOV 1635
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    | | | \ Judith KARG b: 5 JAN 1576 d: 1 JUN 1619
    | | | | \ Johannes BUCK
    | | | | \ Sara BUCK b: 1534
    | | | | \ Otilia _____
    | / Jeremias GMELIN b: 3 AUG 1643 d: 16 DEC 1714
    | | \ Isaak FÖCKLER
    | | | \ Christoph FÖCKLER b: 1577 d: OCT 1634
    | | | | \ Lorenz GASSMAN
    | | | | \ Katharina GASSMAN b: 1555 d: JAN 1597
    | | | \ Catharine FÖCKLER b: 15 MAR 1606 d: 23 JUL 1658
    | | | | \ Lorenz CHERLER
    | | | | \ Paul CHERLER b: 1540 d: 9 AUG 1599
    | | | | \ Rebecca CHERLER b: 1576 d: OCT 1634
    | | | | \ Elisabeth BAUH b: 7 AUG 1547
    / Mathias GMELIN b: 31 JAN 1677 d: 17 APR 1756
    | | \ Mathias ZIMMERMAN b: 1616 d: 30 JUN 1687
    | | \ Christina ZIMMERMAN b: 15 JUL 1644 d: 12 APR 1707
    | | \ Anna _____ b: 1618 d: 28 NOV 1692
    / Maria Christina GMELIN b: ABT 1716 d: AFT 1792
    | \ Maria Barbara _____ b: 1691 d: 27 SEP 1756
  
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Pedigree chart of Christina Gmelin from "Weigel/Weaver/Hampton/Miller/Eppley
and allied lines."

Victorian Charm Bracelet



Above is a picture of a Victorian Charm Bracelet. It was found near the Old Doak Railway Station about fifty years ago by a friend of mine mothers. Maybe someone in the Society would be interested in tracing the descendants by means of census etc. There is no surname, only initials. You can contact me:

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New Brunswick Strays in Annapolis County, N.S., 1871

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Submitted by Robert W. Dunfield dunfield@tartannet.ns.ca. The following information is taken principally from the 1871 census for polling stations in Annapolis County, Nova Scotia for which the "Place of Birth" of individuals listed therein is reported as New Brunswick. The person's name listed below is generally followed by their age, their religious affiliation, their ethnic background and their occupation. The following codes are used throughout: RELIGION - A (Adventist), B (Baptist), CB (Calvinist Baptist), CE (Church of England), E (Episcopalian), FWB (Free Will Baptist), M (Methodist), P (Presbyterian), PLP (Presbyterian, Synod of the Lower Provinces), RC (Roman Catholic), RP (Reformed Presbyterian), WM (Wesleyan Methodist); ETHNIC BACKGROUND - Af. (African [Black]), Du. (Dutch), En. (English), Ge. (German), Sc. (Scot), Ir. (Irish), We. (Welsh); OTHER - d/o (daughter of), hh (household), h/o (husband of), s/o (son of), w/o (wife of). The spellings of all names are transcribed as understood in the original, hand-written census documents as read from microfilm.

MIDDLETON CORNERS

DODGE, Mehattable, 74, CB, En., w/o John Dodge, Farmer.

KIETH, Elizabeth A., 64, Widow, in hh of William Kieth, 45, Farmer.

KEITH, Elizabeth [Lizzie] A., 9, d/o William Kieth, 45, Farmer.

KIETH, Mary I, 14, d/o William Kieth, 45, Farmer.

KIETH, Pamela, 30, En., w/o William Kieth, 45, Farmer.

KIETH, William A., 45, B, Ir., Farmer, h/o Pamela Kieth, 30.

MARSHMAN, Galinda, 27, CB, En., in hh of Thomas Marshman, 74, Farmer

MARSHMAN, Laura, 21, CB, En., w/o John M. Marshman, 32, Seaman.

POMEROY, William N., 31, CB, Ir., Storekeeper.

REED, Granville, 59, CB, Ir., Farmer, h/o Sophia Reed, 39.

RIELY, Owen, 30, CB, Ir., Fisherman, h/o Eliza Riley, 36.

SMITH, William, 8, CB, Ir., Student, in hh of Thomas Wheelock, 72, Farmer.

WILSON, Hiram, 29, CE, Ir., Farmer, h/o Mary Wilson, 29.

MORSE ROAD

NEW CALEDONIA

BANTING, Joseph L., 25, CE, Physician (deceased).

CLARK, Ellen, 16, A, En., d/o Alex Clark, 45, Farmer.

COLLINS, Hinetta, 23, CB, En., w/o John Collins, 29, Shoemaker.

DEMILE, Julia, 35, CB, En., in hh of Isaiah Wallace, 45, Clergyman.

EDGETT, Joel, 56, CB, En., Carpenter, h/o Rachael Edgett, 63.

INGLIS, Eliza B., 31, WM, En., w/o Dermit Inglis, 40, Ferryman.

IRVINE, Hugh M., 27, WM, Sc., Shoemaker, h/o Martha Irvine, 27.

LYONS, Amelia, 10, WM, En., d/o John Lyons, 45, Shoe Manufacturer.

LYONS, Astella, 7, WM, En., d/o John Lyons, 45, Shoe Manufacturer..

LYONS, Elizabeth, 35, WM, Sc., w/o John Lyons, 45, Shoe Manufacturer.

LYONS, John, 45, WM, En., Shoe Manufacturer, h/o Elizabeth Lyons, 4

LYONS, William, 4, WM, En., s/o John Lyons, 45, Shoe Manufacturer.

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McFARLAN, John, 21, WM, Ir., Shoemaker.

McNEAL, Rebecca, 43, C E, Ir., w/o George
McNeal, 42, Shoemaker.

MOONEY, Richard, 29, RC, Ir., Seaman, in hh of
George McNeal, 42, Shoemaker.

PULSIVER, Albert, 5, CB, En., s/o William Pulsiver,
30, Carpenter.

PULSIVER, George, 7, CB, En., s/o William
Pulsiver, 30, Carpenter.

PULSIVER, William, 30, CB, En., Carpenter, h/o
Catherine Pulsiver, 25.

SHERWOOD, Sarah, 20, CB, En., in hh of Alfred
Longmire, 33, Farmer.

WALLACE, Francis, 40, w/o Isaiah Wallace, 45,
Clergyman.

WALLACE, Isaiah, 45, CB, En., Clergyman, h/o
Francis Wallace, 40.

WALLACE, James, 13, CB, En., s/o Isaiah Wallace,
45, Clergyman.

WALLACE, Mary, 12, CB, En., d/o Isaiah Wallace,
45, Clergyman.

WELCH, Catherine, 8., RC, Ir., in hh of Maurice
Welsh, 39.

WELCH, Edward, 14, RC, Ir., in hh of Maurice
Welsh, 39.

WELCH, William, 17, RC, Ir., Shoemaker, in hh of
Maurice Welsh, 39.

WRIGHT, Martha, 33, CE, En., w/o Harris W.
Wright, 33, Blockmaker.

WRIGHT, Minie, 61, WM, En., w/o Edward Wright,
65, Blockmaker.

NICTAUX

DUNN, Hanna, 5, RC, Ir., d/o Michael Dunn, 32,
Farmer.

FOSHAY, Frank, 22, CE, En., Farmer, in hh of
James Foshey, 59, Farmer.

FOSHAY, Harriet, 49, CE, En., w/o of James
Foshey, 59, Farmer.

FOSHAY, Hetty, 21, C E, En., d/o James Foshey, 59,
Farmer.

FOSHAY, James, 59, CE, En., Farmer, h/o Harriett
Foshey, 49.

FOSHAY, Shurlot, 24, C E, En., Farmer, d/o James
Foshey, 59, Farmer.

FRANKS, Sarah, 22, M. En., w/o Norman Franks,
24, House Joiner.

PARKER, Ruth, 36, CB, En., w/o Andrew Parker,
47, Farmer.

STEVENSON, Andrew, 44, CE, En., House Joiner,
h/o Barthaba Stevenson, 39.

STEVENSON, Andrew, 7, CE, En., s/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Barsheba, 39, CE, Sc., w/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Clarissa, 6, CE, En., d/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Emilaline, 10, CE, En., d/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Mary J., 13, CE, En., d/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Margaretia, 17, C E, En., d/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Richard, 15, CE, En., s/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, Sarah, 12, CE, En., d/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

STEVENSON, William, 4, CE, En., s/o Andrew
Stevenson, 44.

WHITMAN, Rebecca, 51, WM, Scot., w/o Oldham
Whitman, 49, Farmer.

WILMOT

BISHOP, Aime, 54, CB, En., w/o James Bishop,
Shoemaker.

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BROWN, Dorothy, 89, CB, (deceased).

BROWN, Phillip, 49, CB, Lumberman at I. R. Spinney Sawmill, h/o Iona Brown, 39.

BROWN, Randolph, 23, CB, En., Shoemaker, h/o Leah I. Brown, 20.

FALES, Harriett, 25, WM, Ir., w/o Edward Fales, 30, Farmer.

CRABTREE, James D., 22, RP, Ir., s/o Joseph Crabtree, 50.

CRABTREE, Joseph, 50, RP, Ir., Labourer, h/o Sarah Crabtree, 48.

CRABTREE, Sarah, 48, RP, Ir., w/o Joseph Crabtree, 50.

KAY, Mary I., 67, CB, En., Widow.

LUN, Samuel J., 45, WM, En., Fisherman, h/o Emma Lun, 26..

McNEIL, Hugh, 35, WM, Ir., Blacksmith, h/o Lavinia McNeil, 32.

PATTERSON, John, 42, WM, En., Shoemaker, h/o Mary Ann Patterson, 42.

PAYSON, Edward, 48, WM, En., Farmer, h/o Eleanor Payson, 47.

READING, George M., 18, CB, En., Servant, in hh of James S. Brown, 31, Farmer.

STEWART, Maggie, 32, RP, Sc., w/o Rev. Robert Stewart, Clergyman.

TAYLOR, Dorcus, 25, Cal. Bapt., Eng., w/o George Taylor, 24, Labourer.

TILLY, Anna, 13, CB, En., d/o Samuel Tilly, 62, Farmer.

TILLY, Ella, 15, CB, En., d/o Samuel Tilly, 62, Farmer.

TILLY, Herbert, 23, CB, En., Farmer, s/o Samuel Tilly, 62, Farmer.

TILLY, Maria 30, CB, En., d/o Samuel Tilly, 62, Farmer.

TILLY, Samuel, 62, CB, En., Farmer, h/o Ann Tilly, 53.

WHITE, Amy, 45, CE, En., w/o Charles White, 60.

WHITE, Charles, 60, WM, En., Tinsmith, h/o Amy White, 45.

Book For Sale

History of the Short family that settled in New Jerusalem, New Brunswick in 1817 has been published and is now available.

Descendants Of John & Hannah Short— 1764-2007

The book contains over 4000 names of John and Hannah's descendants and related kin. It includes:

- The history of the first three generations: their life in Yorkshire, their journey to the new world, and their activity in New Jerusalem.
- The birth, marriage, death and burial information for other descendants who have died,
- And, the names of all known living descendants.
- A chapter for the descendants of each grandchild of John and Hannah
- An index with individuals' names and related places.

The book is Glossy Paperback, Perfect bound, printed on acid-free paper, 8 ½ x 11 inches, 250 pages. The cost is:

Canada C\$35.00, includes shipping & packaging

U. S. US\$35.00, includes shipping & packaging

Payment can be made by check in your country's currency. Please send your payment to "Al Short" with order to: 133 Cherry St., Middleboro, MA 02346 USA. Be sure to include your full name and postal address.

Questions? Call 508-947-0208 or E-mail short52aljoan@verizon.net

Angus & Dundee Roots New Website

16th October 2007

For Immediate Release

Press Release

New website helps trace Angus & Dundee roots

Tourism agencies in Angus & Dundee have launched a new website to help people with ancestors from the area to trace their roots.

www.tayroots.com has been developed as the first port of call for people looking to research their family roots in the Angus & Dundee area. The site contains information about, and links to, detailed local family history research sources, archives offices, locally-based genealogists and others who can help with the family history search. Those planning a visit to walk in the footsteps of their ancestors will also find plenty of information and tips to help plan a visit, as well as information on events taking place across Angus & Dundee which will give a real feel for the places where their ancestors lived and their way of life.

Project Manager Gillian Harrower said, 'The launch of the Tayroots web portal is an exciting development and the first in a series of initiatives designed to make the process of researching ancestors in Angus & Dundee easier. Rather than having to access a number of different websites and sources, budding family historians can now find all the information they need in one easy-to-use site which will signpost them to more detailed sources of information, both on the ground and online'.

'The site will be expanded over the coming months to include new archive material and video footage which will really help bring the ancestral research process to life'.

Those seeking to get a taste of their ancestors' lives in Angus & Dundee are being encouraged to visit during the area's inaugural Roots Festival from 6th – 13th September 2008. This week-long programme of events will give a real flavour of Angus & Dundee's rich heritage and culture for visitors from across the globe.

For more information go to www.tayroots.com

Further information from Gillian Harrower, Angus & Dundee Ancestral Tourism Project Manager,
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New Brunswick Genealogical Society Inc.

NBGS AGM May 26th 2007

NBGS AGM was held May 26, 2007 at the Royal Canadian Legion, 3843 Main Street, Belledune, NB. Continued from Fall issue this report was given at the AGM.

Capital Branch

The year 2006 was an interesting one for the Capital Branch. Our membership for the year was reported as 156. However, attendance at meetings does not reflect the number of members who live within the Capital region. This is a disappointment, as the programs being offered are varied and interesting.

Our Annual General Meeting was held in January. Those elected were:

President – Carol Brander
Vice-President – (vacant)
Secretary – Shirley Graves
Treasurer – Andrew Gunter
Membership – Ralph Graves
Librarian – Victor Badeau
Telephone – Robert Dickinson
Program – (vacant)

Elected as Directors were: Carol Brander, Victor Badeau and Andrew Gunter

Our speaker at this meeting was Daniel Taylor of the New Brunswick Scottish Cultural Association.

Allen Doiron of the New Brunswick Provincial Archives was our speaker in February. His talk was a continuation of our November meeting, and included a tour of the new section of the archives.

In March, members of our Branch spoke on Genealogy Software. This included different programs our members are using, and the pros and cons of each. Valuable discussions followed.

Lawrence Farrell from Grafton was our guest in March. His topic was "Irish Family History".

The May meeting hosted Bill Acheson, a member of the Board of Directors of the York Sunbury

Historical Society. He spoke on the work of the Society.

Capital Branch does not have a formal meeting in June. Instead, we enjoy each other's company while having a pot luck supper.

We also do not have formal meetings during the months of July and August.

September's meeting was a discussion of the proposed fee structure of the N.B.G.S.

A mini Genealogy Fair – "Displays of Finished and Unfinished Family History" provided our program for the month of October.

Member Frank Morehouse, Archivist for the Anglican Diocese of Fredericton, was our speaker in November. Frank has been photographing churches in the Diocese, including interiors, exteriors, windows, furnishings, brass and silver. He showed us many of these churches from many parts of the Diocese. We plan on seeing more in the future.

Our final meeting of 2006 featured Jean Belding, a local War Bride, who spoke about her experiences beginning a new life in Canada, and contributions the War Brides have made to our country.

In addition to our regular meetings, several of our members participated in other events.

Some members attended the Live and Learn Fair as part of the Golden Games in Fredericton in June. Five of our Branch along with two from Saint John participated in Canada Day events in McAdam where we had our own room in the historic train station. We were also given our own private tour of the station by the Mayor, Frank Carroll. Later in July, some of us had a table in the Genealogy tent at the New Brunswick Highland Games. This, as usual, was a very positive experience.

Our biggest problem at the moment seems to be finding bodies to fill all the slots on our executive, particularly that of programs.

Respectfully submitted, M. Caroline Brander, President

Book For Sale

The cemeteries project of the Southeastern Branch NBGS has been very busy. As a follow-up the first three volumes, we have just published the newest and largest volume of cemetery transcriptions to date. *Cemeteries of Westmorland County: Sackville Parish*, published by the Southeastern Branch NBGS. ISBN 978-0-9782223-3-8. Comb binding, 421 pages fully indexed by surname and maiden name (if available). It lists 13 cemeteries or burial grounds throughout Sackville Parish. Price is \$42.00 + \$12.00 shipping and handling. The books are available at Southeastern Branch meetings or by mail at Southeastern Branch NBGS, P.O. Box 7102, Riverview, NB E1B 4T8; for further ordering details email: falkjare@nbnet.nb.ca.

Passenger Lists to New Brunswick

Contributed By: Mary Rosevear

Editor's Note: These Passenger list were taken from "Passengers to New Brunswick: The Custom House Records – 1833, 34,37 & 38" published by Saint John Branch, P.O. Box 2423, Saint John, N.B., E2L 3V9

ship **Caledonia** sailed from Liverpool February 23rd 1833 / arr. April 10th 1833

Customs House Liverpool - List of Passengers on board the **Caledonia** of St. John, N.B., burthen 497 tons navigated with 19 men including David McLag the Master bound to Saint John, N.B.

No. Names (Male Adults)	Age	Occupation
1 Robertson, Peter	42	none
2 McFoyle, William	19	none
3 McMaine, James	18	none
4 Wrighton, James	30	none

bark **Charlotte Lungan** sailed from Liverpool March 22nd 1833 / arr. April 29th 1833

Customs House Liverpool - List of Passengers on board the **Charlotte Lungan** of St. John, N.B., burthen 543 tons navigated with 23 men including Richard Lawrence the Master bound to Saint John, New Brunswick.

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Forman/Farmer?, Ann	28	none
2 Murphy, Ann	18	none
3 Bradey?, William	44	Farmer
4 Murphy, Martin	40	Engineer
5 Read, James	38	Engineer
6 Murphy, John	19	Engineer
7 Crookshank, Robert	50	Seaman

(ship) **Percival** sailed from Plymouth April 6th 1833 / arr. May 1833. A list of passengers per the **Percival**. The passengers were embarked "under the Sanction of His Majesty's Government."

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Nash, Edward	28	gentleman
2 Nash, C.	24	his wife
3 Nash, John	2	child
4 Nash, William	1	child
5 Hampton, Edward	21	gentleman
6 Gee, Soloman	31	Labourer
7 Gee, Mary	29	his wife
8 Gee, Soloman	7	child of the above
9 Gee, Mary	4	child of the above
10 Gee, Robert	2	child of the above
11 Rowe, Mary	21	spinster

ship **Branches** sailed from London May 2nd 1833 / arr. June 18th 1833. A List of Passengers on board the ship **Branches**, George Forsyth(e) Master, 452 30/94 tons, for Saint John, New Brunswick.

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Power, Robert	38	gentleman
2 Power, Maria	34	his wife
3 Power, Maria junior	9	child
4 Power, Louisa	7	child
5 Power, Thomas	6	child
6 Power, Jane	5	child
7 Power, John	3	child
8 Thorne, Jane	28	Servant
9 Thorne, Sarah	24	Servant
10 Carey, Thomas	18	Servant
11 Wallace, Sarah	22	Servant
12 Davies, John	37	Carpenter

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13 Oliver, John

25 Mariner

Legatus sailed from London April 1833 / arr. June 1833

A list of passengers per **Legatus** William Ord Master, for Saint John, N.B

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Roberts, C.S	32	gentleman
2 Roberts, Louisa	22	wife
3 Roberts, Charles William	3	child
4 Cranfield, John	26	gentleman
5 Dyer, Mary	24	spinster
6 Hunt, Margaret	40	widow
7 Hunt, Jno.	16	child
8 Hunt, S.	15	child
9 Hunt, E.	13	child
10 Teesdale, J.	50	Pensioner - did not embark
11 Teesdale, M.A.	44	wife - did not embark
12 Teesdale, H.	17	child - did not embark
13 Teesdale, Jno.A.	15	child - did not embark
14 Teesdale, T.	12	child - did not embark
15 Teesdale, W.	8	child - did not embark

ship **Caledonia** sailed from Liverpool July 1st 1833 / arr. August? 1833

Customs House Liverpool - List of Passengers on board the **Caledonia** of St. John, N.B., burthen 497 tons navigated with 19 men including David McLag the Master bound to Saint John, N.B.

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Parry, John	35	Blacksmith
2 Parry, Jane	7	none
3 Parry, Charles	5	none
4 Parry, Daniel	3	none
5 Parry, Hannah	6mo	none
6 Parry, Ann	35	none
7 Miller, Margaret	35	none
8 Miller, James	9	none
9 Miller, Mary Ann	7	none
10 Miller, Sarah Elizah	20mo	none

brig **Retrench** sailed from London July 2nd 1833 / arr. August 1833

A List of Passengers imported on the **brig Retrench** Samuel Turny, Master, bound for Saint. John, New Brunswick..

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Mulcom, Osmund	-	34th Regiment
2 Playford, Arthur	-	gentleman
3 Wallap, M.A.	-	gentleman

Mary Ann sailed from Belfast July 20th 1833 / arr. September 1833

Port of Belfast - A list of the names, ages, professions or occupations of all and every, the Passengers (and crew) on board the **Mary Ann**, John Everitt, Master, with the name of the port and place which he, the said Master hath contracted to land each of the said passengers. - St. John, New Brunswick

No. Names	Age	Occupation
1 Lison, Charles	23	Farmer
2 Hagan, Patrick	25	Labourer
3 Clarke/Clark, William	28	Labourer
4 Clark/Clarke, John	30	Labourer
Crew Members		
1 Everett, John		Master
2 Hartwell, Thomas		Mate

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3 Callet, George	Mate
4 Curtis, George	Seaman
5 Thomson, William	Seaman
6 Parker, Thomas	Seaman
7 Anderson, James	Seaman
8 Wilson, William	Seaman
9 Moore, John	Seaman
10 Aikins, James	Seaman
11 Morris, John	Seaman

bark **Sarah** sailed from Bristol August 14th 1833 / arr. September 1833

A list of passengers about the embark in the **Sarah**, Joseph Hamen, Master, for Saint John, N.B. The passengers were embarked "under the Sanction of His Majesty's Government."

No.	Names	Age	Occupation
1	Ruel, Edward	48	Officer of Marines
2	Ruel, Mary	42	lady
3	Ruel, John	16	their family
4	Ruel, James	15	their family
	4 children under 14 years of age		their family
	3 children under 7 years of age		their family
5	Harris, Mrs.	56	lady
6	Thomas, Mrs.	35	lady
7	Lillyman, Mr.	40	Draper
8	Lillyman, Mrs.	35	lady
	3 children under 7 years of age		their family
9	Nichols, Mr.	30	Shoemaker
10	Nichols, Mrs.	30	his wife

brig **Thomas Hanford** sailed from Cork August ? 1833 / arr. September 28th 1833

Manifest of the Cargo on board the **Thomas Hanford**, John Bell, Master, from Cork, of the Burthen of 228 tons by the Register. - for Saint John, N.B.

No.	Names	Age	Occupation
1	Mills, Lillie	22	spinster
2	Roynan, Fanny	21	spinster
3	Hall, Robert	26	Farmer
4	Hall, Mary	25	wife
5	Hall, Robert	3	child
6	Murray, Mary	30	spinster
7	Murray, Patrick	32	Labourer
8	Pratt, Mary	33	spinster
9	Connoly, Patrick	32	Labourer
10	Connoly, Michael	22	Labourer

ship **Bolivar** sailed from Plymouth September 5th 1833 / arr. October 1833

Port of Plymouth - A list of passengers shipped on board the **Bolivar** of Plymouth, 356 tons, with 17 men. Thomas Richards, Master, for Quebec [sic Saint John, N.B.] The passengers were embarked "under the Sanction of His Majesty's Government." (*these passengers landed at Saint John, it is unknown whether this ship continued to Quebec.*)

No.	Names	Age	Occupation
1	Vincent, William	45	Husbandman
2	Vincent, Mary	38	his wife
3	Vincent, W[illiam] junior	11	children
4	Vincent, T.	9	children
5	Vincent, Edward	7	children
6	Vincent, Susan	4	children

LETTERS TO HOME, Edward Weyman

Contributed By Barb Pearson

The Early Free Will Baptist Ministers of New Brunswick, Their Lifestyle and Sacrifices. Biographical Profile of Rev. Edward Weyman

Edward Weyman was born Jan. 9, 1800 in Sussex Parish, Kings Co., N.B.

His parents were Henry Weyman born New Jersey, USA, and Elizabeth Foster of Lower Millstream, Kings Co., N.B. Henry began Baptist activities in the Millstream after leaving the Baptist church in Sussex unhappy with some of the teachings. He died a young man in 1807. His widow, Elizabeth, then married Robert McLeod of Lower Millstream in 1811. The son, Edward, married Mary Colpitts on 21 April 1824, daughter of Elder Robert Colpitts and Rachel Steeves of Midland. They had nine children and settled to farm on the Millstream. Edward took up his father's cause, and was ordained 12 Aug. 1833, at the Free Will Baptist Church in Lower Millstream. He became the first resident minister of this early church built on a knoll in the now Lester Cemetery.

Edward became very zealous in his work, and traveled to many points in the province, wherever he felt he could help the people. He was a workaholic and always stayed away longer than he promised his poor wife Mary and his family. Edward had some doubting moments about his work in the early days, but gave strength to his family through his letters HOME, from 1837-1880.

These letters survived 150 years and were found by a Weyman descendent in a table drawer in the barn of a Weyman property in Hampton, Kings Co., N.B.

They give us a realistic picture of what life was like for the Ministers and their families in these times of religious turmoil, and pioneer life.

One feels almost embarrassed reading the innermost feelings of the Weyman family, but happy to have met the family.

Rev. Edward, Mary, and some of their children rest in Lester Cemetery in Lower Millstream.

“ From Edward to Mary “

Mrs. Edward Weyman

Kings County

Parrish of Sussex

Millstream

Wakefield May 16, 1837

My Dear Companion in tribulation. I take this days opportunity to write to you.

The Lord has blest me with health excepting four days I have been Confined with Sickness. I now enjoy a good degree of health. I hope that you and the family are well.

I expect that you have been much tryed because I have not wrote before as well as for staying so long from home when I could have wrote to you. I thought I should be home

before you might receive a letter. It has been a great trial for me to stay from you so long

and if I could have felt myself clear before the Lord I should have been home before this time. I am sorry that I did not write before. It might have been a satisfaction to you and my dear friends but such a sacrifice as this I never made before. I do not no as I shall be home till in July. I trust my feeble labour has not been in vain in the Lord. My dear child

I hope the Lord that has brought you hath borne you up under all your trials. Dear Brother Hart I expect will write unto you which will give you more satisfaction concerning my journey into this part of the country that I can give you.

I remain your husband and brother.

Edward Weyman

Genealogical Information Session and tour of archival storage to be held at the Archives & Research Library, New Brunswick Museum, 277 Douglas Avenue, on January 19th at 10:30 AM; and February 14th and March 20th at 1:00 PM. Admission is free but please register as space is limited. To register please call 643-2349.

Some Miscellaneous Burial Records – Saint John NB

Contributed by Frances McKellar

1. Burials in Alms House Cemetery performed by Rev. George Schofield Anglican Church.
Simonds 1872-1882

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Given Name</u>	<u>Date of Burial</u>	<u>Age</u>
Adams	James	January 25, 1879	61
Allan	Hugh	October 30, 1879	77
Allan	William	January 29, 1879	71
Bailey	Robert	April 9, 1875	6
Burns	Hannah	January 25, 1879	83
Burns	Mary A.	February 3, 1876	78
Chambers	Isabella	April 8, 1873	37
Coleman	David	May 20, 1874	88
Fenwick	Martha	March 10, 1879	51
Gordon, Mrs.		January 28, 1874	
Harrington, Mrs.		February 16, 1882	
Hensel	Elizabeth	May 21, 1873	
Howes	Minnie	September 15, 1875	1 y 10 m
Kelly, Mrs.		December 5, 1873	
Kerr, Mrs.	Margaret	June 14, 1876	
Kingston	Jane	July 11, 1873	26
Kottie	David	May 18, 1877	84
Lafferty	Letitia	April 20, 1878	64
Logan	Mary Jane	June 25, 1873	
Maclean, Mrs.		December 9, 1872	
McKnight	Margaret	April 18, 1872	
McPherson	Robert	December 31, 1872	
Miller	Allawson	March 25, 1873	72
Nelson	Whitfield	May 9, 1877	40
Nichols	Sarah	April 24, 1876	78
Quartermain	Samuel	May 11, 1878	25
Scott	James	February 17, 1879	69
Sellick, Mrs		September 14, 1873	
Smets (?)	Jeremiah	December 31, 1872	
Smith	Alfred	December 31, 1872	2 y 3 m
Sprague	Serena	April 25, 1874	
Thompson	Catherine	March 17, 1874	49
Weatherall, Mrs.		May 18, 1877	44
Welly	Isaac	February 5, 1873	47
Williams	John	June 26, 1877	68

Some Miscellaneous Burial Records – Saint John NB

Source: from photocopy of Simonds Records at Family History Center of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Saint John. N. B.

2. Additional Burial Records for the Church of England Cemetery. Thorne Ave.

Burials performed by Rev George Schofield Rector of Loch Lomond Church 1859 - 1893

Area covered - Loch Lomond and Black River

<u>Surname</u>	<u>Given Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
Ambrose	Thomas	June 28, 1864	West Beach	72
Arthurs	James	August 19, 1875	Simonds	4 m.
Arthurs	Thomas S.	September 16, 1891	Loch Lomond	5 m.
Braydon, Mrs.	.....	March 26, 1868	Loch Lomond	60
Churchill	Marion	February 18. 1899	Silver Falls	4 w.
Farrell, Mr.	(teacher)	February 9, 1866	Little River	52
Holstead, Mrs.	.....	March 26, 1868	Simonds	60
Jones	David	October 2, 1864	St. John	13
Lawton	Oliver	December 8, 1891	Blk River Rd	22
McBrine	Robert	November 15, 1885	Golden Grove	52
Perry	Mary P.	August 11, 1874	Little River	5 m
Pihney	Selina	September 7, 1875	Simonds	32
Tipper, Mrs.	.....	February 1, 1875	Moose Path Rd	27

Source: From Simonds Anglican Church Records. Photocopy of records at Family History Center of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Union Advocate

Contributed By: Dianne Mullin

Died: ARSENEAU: Georgina, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Arseneau of Red Bank died last Friday at the home of Mr. James McEVOY at Williamstown at the age of 14. She leaves a father, mother, three sisters and three brothers. Interred at St Thomas Cemetery, Red Bank.

Union Advocate: 24 May 1905

Died: David BETTS. age 71, of Doaktown, son of the late Samuel Betts, one of the first settlers on the Miramichi. He leaves behind a widow, four sons and two daughters. He was laid to rest in the old Baptist Burial Ground by Rev Belyea. *Union Advocate: 19 May 1909*

Died: Miss Jane BETTS, burned to death at her home in Millerton. Miss Betts lived alone in a small house. She had been at John Betts for tea on Wednesday afternoon and went home about 6 o'clock. Soon after she entered the house, volumes of smoke were seen pouring out of the place. A man names FAILES ran to the house but found the front door locked. Later he secured an axe and broke down the door. The place was full of smoke and it was so dense that as often as he tried to enter, he was forced back. It was some time before the fire could be put out and the smoke cleared away enough to allow anybody to enter but by this time Miss Betts was dead. Her body was found not far from the stove and it is supposed that while trying to light the fire, her clothes caught and she was burned to death. *Union Advocate: 16 May 1906*

MARRIED: Captain John BARBERIE, skipper of the steamer *Comet* was married to E M PALLLEN, daughter of William Pallen of Dalhousie last Tuesday evening at St James Church, Newcastle by Rev H G Clinton. *Union Advocate: 9 December 1903*

Early History of Kent County

By: W. C. Milner, retyped by Bruce Leavitt

Editor's Note: This is part seven of a series of articles published in the "Moncton Transcript" starting September, 1924. They are very hard to read but we did our best. They can also be found at the Provincial Archives (MC3 #340).

Early Methodist Preachers at Richibucto in 1832. – Churches built a Buctouche and Rexton. – Senator Wark, a Prominent resident of Kent, was employed at "The Bend" when a young man

Methodist Church

Rev. Watson Smith in his history of Methodism says: "Amongst the early preachers of Methodism at Richibucto were Enoch Wood and Henry Daniel the former preached in the Court House in 1822 and the latter two months later visited Richibucto and formed a class of 12 members. Near the end of 1838 monthly visits 10 Buctouche were commenced and a year or two later a fresh impulse was given to the work by the erection of a church at Richibucto"

About the year of 1835 or 1836 the first Methodist preacher to Kent used to come and preach in the Kent Country Court House. It is said he came from Chatham, N.B., and preached in the Court House for a year or two and others followed, preaching occasionally until in the year of 1839 when the Church was built and opened for public worship in March 1840. The minister in charge was the Rev. Frederic Smallwood. Some few years after that a church was built at Buctouche, N.B., and in 1845 a church was built at Rexton, N.B. and quite a number of years later still another church was built at Moulis River on the Richibucto Circuit. In the year 1890 the Circuit was divided, one called the Richibucto, and the other Buctouche Circuit. The Richibucto Circuit had the following appointments, Richibucto, Rexton, West Branch, Moulis River, and Pine Ridge. Buctouche Circuit has the following appointments, Buctouche, Little River, Coatsville, Notre Dame and McLean's Settlement. The following are preachers that have been stationed on Richibucto Circuit since the church was opened. The church is eight years old and the same church still stands in fair state of preservation.

Ministers

Rev. Frederic Smallwood, Rev. Humphrey Pickard, Rev. Robert Chesle, Rev. Stephen Heurtis, Rev. Geo. B. Payson, Rev. Duncan D. Currie, Rev. Thomas B. Smith, Rev. Douglas Chapman, Rev. John Cassidy, Rev. Cranswick Jost, Rev. William Tweedie, Rev. Joseph Coffin, Rev. Richard Weddall, Rev. James A. Duke, Rev. Isaac Parker, Rev. Isaac Howie, Rev. Wm. J. Kirby, Rev. Silas James, Rev. Joseph Seller –

Circuit was divided in his time. Rev. John S. Allan, Rev. Alex D. McLeod, Rev. Hibbard R. Barker, Rev. John F. Estey, Rev. John B. Young, Rev. Thomas Pierce, Rev. Arthur Whiteside, Rev. B.O. Hartman, Supernumary Rev. Thomas Pierce.

Rev. George Osman, our present minister, who is a supernumary but preaching and filling most of the appointments and doing good work on this Circuit. Scarcity of ministers in the regular work is the cause of some of the Superannuated ministers being placed in some of the circuits to supply as best they can.

Mr. Robert W. Beers, who has furnished the above data, adds: "I cannot give you the dates of a good many of the ministers that have given their work on this circuit but have given them from an old record book. I have them down as they were sent here by the Conference. A large number have finished their work on this side of the grave and now rest from the labours and their works do follow them, and have received there welcome: "Well done, good and faithful servant enter in the joy of the Lord."

Distinguished Men of Kent

Hon. Senator Wark many years ago gave an account of his early life, of which the following are extracts:

"I was born in County Donegal, Ireland, on the 19th of February, 1804, of Scottish parentage, and was the youngest of a family of three sons and three daughters. My father was a farmer. After the war of 1812, emigrants to British America from Ireland flourished. Every spring several ships sailed from Irish ports to St. John and Quebec, and in May, 1825, I took passage on the Liverpool ship James and Henry Cumming, along with 452 other emigrants. I had received a good education in the schools of Londonderry and had expected to fill a clerkship on my arrival in St. John. On reaching the city, however, after an uneventful voyage of 35 days, I was destined to be disappointed, as positions of the kind I sought were scarce indeed. I secured work in one of the numerous shipyards then so common along the harbor front of St. John.

St. John was even then a town of very considerable importance. The British government, after the close of Napoleon's career, had protected the pine timber trade much in the interest of British America, and in the year, 1825, 114,000 tons of timber were shipped from the city. The city itself was of course very crude in appearance as compared with the present day. The streets were hilly and rough and exceedingly muddy; the buildings small and rough, but the community was a busy one, the chief industry being that of shipbuilding and lumbering. Among the leading

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citizens were Robert Raukine, representing the Glasgow house of Gilmour, Rankine and Co., Hugh Johnson, Hugh Johnson, Jr., the Nevers brothers, large shipbuilders; Ward Chipman, chief justice, and Robert and Neville Parker.

I worked at shipbuilding in St. John until the spring of 1826, when I went to Dorchester to work for a Mr. Gilbert, but shortly afterwards went to the Bend, now Moncton, where I entered the employ of Mr. J.M. Kelly, whose son was Hon. William M. Kelly, at one time commissioner of public works for the province, first as a ship carpenter and afterwards as a clerk in the store, where I remained two years. Then the school at Bend became vacant and I was appointed master, which position I retained for the same period. Hearing of a vacancy in the school of Richibucto, then a much more important place than the Bend, I applied and was appointed to the position. This I held for six years, and when I retired to enter mercantile life I had between 70 and 80 scholars.

In 1836, I went into business, opening a general store at first, but afterwards going into the timber trade in which I engaged for upwards of thirty years.

My first entrance in politics was in 1842, when along with the late Hon. J.W. Weldon I successfully contested Kent County, for the legislature, and my first vote in that body was for my colleague as speaker. We were honored with some great minds in the legislature at that time. On the conservative or Tory side were Hazen and Partelow of St. John and End of Gloucester; and on the Liberal side were such men as Wilmot Fisher of York and Hill of Charlotte. Party lines were not strictly drawn, however, I was re-elected in the general election of 1846, and sat in the house until 1851, when Sir Edmund Head, governor of the day appointed me to the legislative council.

While in the legislature I associated myself with Hon. L.A. Wilmot to secure reforms in matters of education, agriculture and the post office department, being on the latter committee for several years. At

that time there was only one class of teachers in the province, all receiving a grant of £20 per annum. We succeeded in having them classified according to their merit, changing their allowance. We also introduced a system of school inspection and other **features**, many of which are found in the educational system of today. At the time Kings College, now the University of New Brunswick was an Episcopalian institution, and I associated myself with Hon. Mr. Wilmont and Hon. James Brown in successful effort to reorganize the institution on a non-sectarian basis. The every member of the senate and every professor was obliged to the thirty-nine articles. This disability was removed as regards the faculty and every religious boy was represented on the senate, thus stripping it of its denominational character.

Henry O'Leary

Amongst the latter arrivals in Richibucto in the hey day of its prosperity was Henry O'Leary, born at Castledown, **Barehaven**, Cork, in May, 1832. He speedily took a prominent place in lumbering, shipping and commercial life of the county and became a member of the legislature. He died in 1897. He left a fine record for personal honour and integrity. His family is amongst the distinguished in the county; one is a Bishop of the R.C. Church. Another an Archbishop. A third son, Richard O'Leary is among the commercial magnates of the province.

Mrs. Janet Patterson was born in the Parish of Kirkmichael, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, in 1801. In 1833 she emigrated to Canada with her husband, James Patterson in the ship "Isabella." Capt. Carruthers, Master, Thomas Jardine came in the same vessel. She lived the strenuous life and endured the hardships of pioneering for many years. She raised a large family who lived at Kouchibouguac, her maiden name was Potter. She died, April 2, 1900, aged 100 years.

Notice of death: Patrick, Janet Meryl

A valued and sadly missed friend and member of our International Glasier Family Research Group, Janet Patrick, 54, died in a car crash September 20, 2007 in Victoria, Australia.

Friends and members:

Ted, Isabel, and Matt Tilley, Saint John, NB

Judy Vautour, Miramichi, NB

Bob Glasier (dec.) Ft. Lauderdale, FL. USA

Helen Duplex, Port Fairy, Victoria, Australia

Matt & Nicky Patrick, Bairnsville, Victoria, Australia

Pioneer Families of New Brunswick

By: E. C. Wright, retyped by David Rand

Editor's note: There were over forty families in this series that were printed in the Telegraph Journal in 1943. Irene Keleher of Saint John, N.B. contributed them to the magazine.

Dingee

In September, 1783, a fleet was ready in New York harbor to sail for Nova Scotia, and a list of the passengers embarked was prepared by the British authorities at New York. It is the only list of the kind available in the papers and accounts in the Manuscripts Department of the New York Public Library, but there are occasional references in Sir Guy Carleton's correspondence to similar lists which had been sent forward to Governor Parr, and it is to be hoped that such lists are preserved in the Public Records Office in England and will be available after the war.

In this list of passengers occurs the name of Solomon Dingee, a Long Island carpenter, with wife, two children, and one servant. Solomon Dingee received a grant of Lot 16 on Maquapit in 1784 but settled at Gagetown where he had lots F 1, 2, 5, and K 1, 3, 5, 6, when the list for the Gagetown grant was drawn up on March 31, 1792.

On Feb. 17, 1790, the rector of Gagetown baptized Solomon Dingee and wife Hannah, who had been Hannah Corey, and three of their children, Robert, Sarah, and Louis Corey. On May 6, 1792, he baptized a daughter, Elizabeth, and on Oct. 3, 1794, a daughter, Mary Hannah.

Robert Dingee married Mary Black.

Louis Corey married Amy, daughter of Thomas Creighton.

Sarah married Ebenezer Scribner.

Elizabeth married James Akerley.

Mary Hannah married George Knox.

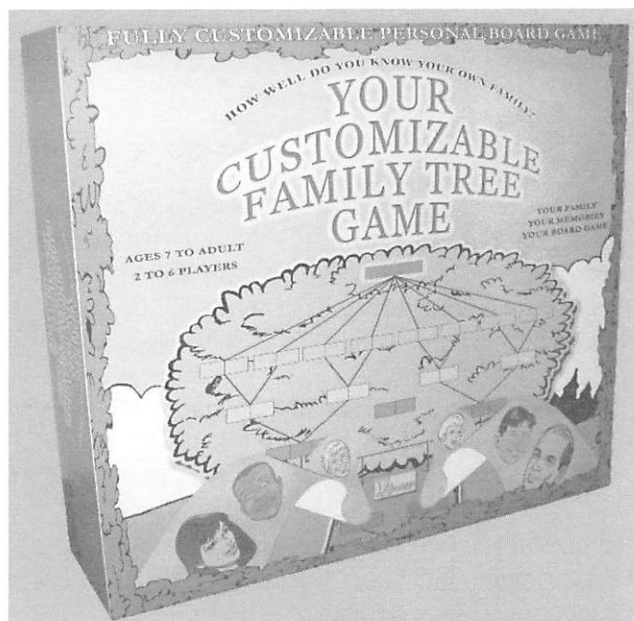
Solomon Dingee had served for a time with the New York Volunteers in Captain Bernard Cain's Company. Although he is mentioned as a Long Island carpenter, he seems to have belonged previously on Courtlandt Manor on the Hudson, and, like many of the New York State families, was of Huguenot descent.

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Fernhill Cemetery Saint John

By Dr. James Hannay 1908, Contributed by: Harry MacDonald Website: <http://www.oldsaintjohn.com>

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In memory of William Nixon died Nov 5th 1900
aged 67 years

James McClary died Sep 27th 1873 aged 46 years

Capt J T Quick died Dec 4th 1887 aged 81 years

In memory of Kate Huggan wife of Robert Melrose
died Aug 24th 1875 aged 54 years
Mary Armand wife of Robert Melrose died Feb 7th
1909 aged 79 years

In memory of William Duncan born Sept 21st 1825
died Feb 24th 1896

In memory of Andrew Mulholland a native of County
Tyrone, Ireland died 19th Nov 1865 aged 52 years
His son William died 25th Dec 1855 aged 21 years

Mercy wife of George Ball died April 23rd 1860
aged 76 years

George Ball died June 5th 1860 aged 75 years

In memory of Joseph Ball died 29th December 1856
aged 41 years

In memory of John Smith Esq died Sep 8th 1874
aged 75 years
His wife Jane died Dec 28th 1874 aged 79 years

George Blacklock died Jan 1st 1866 aged 66 years
and 2 months
His wife Louisa died March 24th 1897 aged 68 years

In memory of Calvin Rainnie born at Aberdeenshire,
Scotland 1797 died Oct 21st 1854
His wife Jean Whitehead born at Stirling, Scotland
April 19th 1805 died Oct 5th 1892
Robert Rainnie died May 18th 1905 aged 66 years
Mary J Rainnie died March 23rd 1903 aged 72 years

In memory of Charles Reid died March 20th 1886
aged 57 years
His wife Eliza died June 24th 1897 aged 60 years

In memory of Isabella Ann wife of Elias S Flagler
died 8th of June 1863 in the 34th year of her age

Elizabeth Scott a native of Dumfrieshire, Scotland
died Jan 11th 1863 aged 78 years

In memory of John Turnbull died 15th July 1856
aged 53 years a native of Roxburyshire, Scotland
His wife Isabella died 30th Nov 1862 in the 57th year
of her age.

William Montgomery died Nov 18th 1806 aged 20
years

Daniel Usher 1818 – 1903
Jennie Usher 1820 – 1896

Sacred to the memory of Mary Ann the beloved wife
of Thomas Simpson of Saint John, who died July
22nd 1875 aged 60 years

Sacred to the memory of An wife of Richard Fuller
who departed this life February 16th 1861 aged 75
years

In memory of John Kennedy who departed this life
14th May 1856 aged 48 years a native of County
Monaghan, Ireland

In memory of Elizabeth the beloved wife of John
Kennedy who departed this life 12th February 1855
aged 52 years

In memory of Samuel Gordon a native of County
Ballymana, Ireland who died September 1st 1852
aged 38 years

Sacred to the memory of Thomas Davis a native of
Ireland who died Aug 3rd 1857 aged 32 years

Erected to the memory of my mother Mrs Ann
Lindsay who died Aug 10th 1954 aged 53 years

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Joseph Stackhouse born February 12th 1816 died
March 10th 1891

In memory of Andrew J Rice died March 4th 1875
aged 79 years

To the memory of George S Foster aged 47 years a
native of Newcastle, England who was drowned in
Foshay's Lake, Cambridge, Queens County on the
10th day of September AD 1875.
This stone is erected by his friends.

In memory of my Mother Ann Holland died March
13th 1883 aged 54 years

In memory of James G Godsoe died September 24th
1852 aged 84 years
Martha his wife died 17th June 1852 aged 69 years

In memory of Sarah Sime who departed this life on
the 1st of September 1874 in the 47th year of her age

In memory of Mary Durham died 10th May 1864
aged 74 years a native of Sterlingshire, Scotland

In memory of William Bryden a native of Glasgow,
Scotland who died Dec 17th 1849 aged 34 years

In memory of John W Clarke a native of
Lincolnshire, England who departed this life August
20th 1862 aged 26 years

In memory of Ella Ann wife of Mitchem died Feb
12th 1872 aged 86 years

In memory of Catherine Hurley died Oct 23rd 1870
aged 40 years

Sacred to the memory of our beloved mother, Susan
Watson, who departed this life September 15th 1871
aged 56 years

Elizabeth Melick born April 12th 1807 died Aug 7th
1883

In memory of John Hay died Mar 30th 1860 aged 55
yrs
His wife Huldah died Jan 18th 1887 aged 78 years

In memory of Austin P Faunce died 17th June 1874
aged 89 years

Amelia Riddle aged 81 years.
A good wife, mother and friend died 1866

George McAuley died Aug 28th 1881 aged 56 years

His wife Lilly Ann died Jan 14th 1858 aged 57 years

In memory of John Kennedy who died 6th Aug 1854
aged 35 years

In memory of Ann wife of WW Belyea who died
Mar 3rd 1857 aged 50 years

In memory of Martha wife of James McOliver died
March 3rd 1889 aged 65 years
James W McOliver died Sep 2nd 1899 aged 66 years

WP Whire died May 31st 1875 aged 54 years
Maria A his wife died Aug 15th 1904 aged 81 years

Thomas McKinlay died Sep 24th 1875 aged 82 years
His wife Christana Laird died Oct 5th 1887 aged 83
yrs

George McKinlay died Apr 7th 1887 aged 50 years

Sarah Morrell wife of A McL Seely died Nov 19th
1848 aged 35 years

Alex McL Seely born Feb 18th 1912 died July 10th
1882

Father – Thomas Ranton born October 16th 1824
died June 16th 1871
Mother – Frances C Ranton born Aug 24th 1824 died
Dec 30th 1868

John Bridge died 26th Jan 1874 aged 58 years
His wife Elizabeth died 1st Aug 1856 aged 30 years

John Lord aged 57 years died March 30th 1843
His wife Sophia aged 55 year dies Aug 6th 1848

In memory of Elizabeth wife of Thomas Proud died
Sep 16th 1867 aged 57 years

In memory of Susannah Pentleton wife of George
Taylor born Jan 16th 1767 died May 27th 1850

Cerusha Andrews wife of Thomas McHenry and
daughter of the late John D Masters of Bath, Maine
formerly St Johns, Newfoundland died April 28th
1850 aged 28 years

Our Mother – Martha wife of WH Estabrooks died
February 6th 1867 aged 68 years
WH Estabrooks died February 13th 1875 aged 84
years

Emily L wife of J Chaloner died 23rd February 1862
aged 31 years

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John McAlpine died May 18th 1865 aged 78 years
Sarah Gray beloved wife of John McAlpine died
December 18th 1862 aged 75 years
Charles McAlpine died March 8th 1872 aged 42
years beloved son of John and Sarah McAlpine

In memory of David McAlpine born 19th Oct 1823
died 11th May 1902
Jane beloved wife of David McAlpine died March
19th 1900 in the 69th year of her age

Sacred to the memory of Ellen Barry wife of the late
Rev William Smith born in Liverpool, NS died Mar
4th 1885 aged 78 years

In loving memory of William S Bailey died June 6th
1838 in his 49th year
Elizabeth Scobie his wife entered into rest April 23rd
1885 aged 87 years

In memory of Adelaide T Bailey died May 15th 1908
aged 75 years

In memory of Martha Ann wife of the Hon Acalus L
Palmer born Jan 28th 1825 died Nov 27th 1882

In memory of the Honorable Aculus Lockwood
Palmer A Justice of the Supreme Court and the first
Judge in Equity in New Brunswick 1879 – 1894 born
Aug 28th 1820 died Aug 15th 1899

Hannah the beloved wife of Rev John S Addy died
October 26th 1866 aged 61 years

In memory of William J Morrison died Nov 30th
1902 aged 78 years
His wife Sarah A died Jan 12th 1884 aged 54 years

In memory of Isabella wife of Robert Mahony died
18th April 1855 aged 23 years
In memory of Catherine wife of Robert Mahony died
Feb 20th 1865 aged 31 years

Francis Mahony 1827 – 1905

Rev JW Titus died April 16th 1872 aged 35 years

Mary wife of William Lewis died Dec 27th 1882
aged 50 years

Samuel Sharp died May 4th 1876 aged 65 years
His wife Ann Hicks Sharp died Jan 28th 1890 aged
77 years

In memory of Nancy Brewer youngest sister of Rev
Joshua Bunting died Dec 22nd 1881 aged 83 years

In memory of Rev Joshua Bunting whose remains are
buried at Hopewell Cape, Albert County born Sep
10th 1796 died Oct 22nd 1869

Here lies buried the body of Elizabeth Gerow
Bunting born Nov 17th 1785 died Jan 5th 1855

William Franklin son of Joshua and Elizabeth Gerow
Bunting died Jan 14th 1897 aged 72 years

In memory of Eliza Golding Harding born Jan 19th
1816 died March 23rd 1851

Albert J Lordly May 15th 1826 – Oct 11th 1904
Martha Louisa Sep 4th 1827 – Feb 19th 1878

In memory of H Robertson died July 26th 1874 aged
54 years
His wife Elizabeth died Aug 12th 1897 aged 76
years

Charles Brown died 13th Oct 1854 aged 50 years

Elizabeth Gilbert died June 1874 aged 85 years
George McLean died April 9th 1866 aged 74 years

Capt Thomas Edward Jones late of HM's 97th
Regiment of Foot died at Toronto, Ontario Feb 1876
aged 48 years

In memory of Elizabeth Whiting wife of JML
Whiting born 3rd Nov 1833 died 30th March 1900

Thomas Pettingil died July 14th 1860 aged 63 years
His wife died Aug 18th 1877 aged 68 years

John Waring died Oct 30th 1867 aged 59 years a
native of Liverpool, England
His wife Jane died Sep 23rd 1892 aged 79 years a
native of Londonderry

In memory of Julius Legendre Inches died at
Fredericton Aug 19th 1900 aged 76 years

His wife Frances Jane Everett died Aug 19th 1901
aged 78 years

Alex Mackenzie Inches died Jan 1st 1864 aged 34
years

In memory of James Inches native of Dunkeld,
Scotland died Aug 12th 1847 aged 62 years

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His wife Janet of Strath-Ardle, Scotland died April 29th 1865 aged 73 years

In memory of John Harkness died 6th June 1874 aged 55 years

His wife Margaret died Dec 7th 1907 aged 84 years

In memory of Elizabeth Burnside died Feb 13th aged 79 years

Arthur Everett born in Suffolk, England Oct 4th 1827 died Oct 21st 1902

Annie M Everett Feb 20th 1908 aged 75 years

In memory of David Johnston a native of Londonderry, Ireland who died 16th Mar 1861 aged 60 years

WHA Keane born at Rede, Isle of Wight, England Mar 11th 1804 died Sep 30 1876

Lucy A widow of WHA Keane died Nov 29th 1889 aged 82 years

In loving remembrance of M Douglas Austin born Jan 1st, 1830 died Oct 19th 1904

His wife Phoebe Caroline daughter of Robert Robertson Esq Aug 9th 1830 – May 9th 1909

Affectionaely dedicated to the memory of my Father and Mother James and Eliza Agnew
James died Nov 27th 1850

Eliza died Jan 10th 1867

Letitia L Agnew widow born Sep 14th 1824 died Feb 6th 1885

In memory of John Ansley died May 6th 1867 aged 53 years

Robert Bruce Aitken born in Fifeshire, Scotland Jan 23rd 1832 died in St John, New Brunswick July 1874

In loving remembrance of David W Vanwart died May 26th 1897 in the 74th year of his age
His wife Jemima died July 19th 1899 in the 73rd year of her age

In loving memory of William Smith died June 27th 1861 aged 46 years
William Smith Age 33 Interred Apr 11, 1883
His wife Margaret died Jun 10th 1877 aged 27 years

Elizabeth Stewart died Dec 26th 1905 aged 77 years

In memoriam Mary Williams died March 6th 1900 aged 74 years

Erected by Mary Williams and Jane Stewart in loving memory of their mother Margaret Stewart who was interred in the Church of England Burial Ground Feb 1851 aged 44 years

Beneath this marble repose the earthly remains of Abigail relict of the late Thacher Sears Esq died April 20th 1861 aged 74 years. Erected by her sons in a tribute of their regard.

Capt William Hamly 1827 – 1899

In memory of Rebecca wife of James Dunnian died 15th Apr 1865 aged 49 years a native of Belfast, Ireland

Erected by her son Robert Dunnian

In memory of Simon Akroyd died Jan 19th 1870 aged 38 years

In memory of Mary beloved wife of JS Verner died April 27th 1867 aged 35 years

Sarah I Verner died 30th Dec 1873 aged 42 years

Robert Dalton died Aug 11th 1900 aged 78 years
His wife Margaret J died Mar 7th 1905 aged 72 years

In memory of Donald A Cameron died Feb 8th 1858 aged 59 years

Sacred to the memory of Edward Batchelor seaman of HMS Faun who departed this life Feb 11th 1867 aged 37 years.

Sacred to the memory of John Rungiman native of Edinburgh, Scotland born AD 1819 died June 29th 1881 aged 61 years. Erected by his sister Janet.

Sacred to the memory of William Walker who died on board The Yacht Osprey RYS Aug 19th 1870 aged 37 years. He was for 15 years the faithful servant of L. Beiney Petre, Esq of Westville House, Norfolk, England by whom this stone is erected.

In memory of Capt Thomas C Masters native of Newport, NS aged 32 years who departed this life on board the Barque Palestine at Partridge Island, 18th Sep 1849

Robert Thompson born at Dumfries, Scotland Feb 1st 1816 died at Rothesay, NB Mar 23rd 1890
His wife Janet Grey Scouller born at St John, NB Nov 25th 1815 died at Rothesay, NB June 2nd 1890
In memory of John Thompson died 26th Jan 1840 aged 63 years

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His wife Jessie Cowden died 25th Jan 1867 aged 70 years native of Dumfries, Scotland

In memory of Stephen Hambert Esq died 16th Jan 1849 aged 83 years

In memory of Margaret wife of William McAuley who died 9th July 1853 aged 37 years
Jean wife of William McAuley died July 5th 1868 aged 57 years

In memory of James Martin Haley born 11th Dec AD 1816 died 27th June aged 34. He was for many years first clerk in the Post Office Dept in this city the duties of which situation he discharged in a manner which merited and obtained the confidence of the public and the esteem of a large number of friends

In memory of Joseph Hopley Sr born AD 1788 in the County Wexford, Ireland and died in St John, NB 3rd Oct AD 1845 aged 57 years
John Gabriell Hopley born 11th Dec 1816 in St John, NB and died at San Francisco, California March 15th 1852 aged 35 years

William Kilpatrick died Sep 8th 1899 aged 81 years
Margaret wife of William Kilpatrick died Oct 5th 1897 aged 69 years

In memory of Robert Seely born 25th Nov 1809 died 9th Feb 1872

In memory of Mary Ann Stevenson wife of Richard Seely born 26th May 1809 died 5th June 1876

Sacred to the memory of William Welsh Sr who died 3rd July 1854 in the 46th year of his age a native of Glargin, Scotland

Sacred to the memory of Janet wife of James Marshall who died Dec 1st 1859 aged 53 years

Sacred to the memory of Thomas Daley who departed this life Jan 31st 1858 aged 39 years

John Fotherly born at Wakefield, Yorkshire, England Dec 11th 1812 died at St John, NB Feb 18th 1866

In memory of Henry Fotherly born at Wakefield, Yorkshire, England December 12th 1814 died at St John, NB Aug 15th 1866

David Smiler died 19th March 1893 aged 63 years
His wife Annie M died March 10th, 1896 aged 62 years

In memory of Christopher Smiler Jr died 21st June 1857 aged 35 years
Also Samuel Smiler died 22nd Nov 1859 aged 33 years

In memory of Christopher Smiler who departed this life 14th March 1852 aged 83 years
His wife Charlotte died 7th Jan 1868 aged 77 years
Caroline Hill died 6th March 1868 aged 32 years

In memory of Samuel C Smiler who died 22nd March aged 56 years
His wife Martha M who died 10th Oct 1888 aged 80 years

William J Bookout died 12th June 1873 aged 55 years
His wife Phoebe E died Oct 14th 1886 in her 59th year

Sarah Bookout died 10th June 1874 aged 79 years

John Sutton died May 9th 1857 aged 66 years
Rebecca his wife died Aug 24th 1877 aged 83 years

In memory of Jonathan Sutton died May 30th 1895 aged 55 years
AC Brown born AD 1822 died AD 1857

Sacred to the memory of Benjamin J Underhill died June 17th 1873 aged 68 years
His wife Ann Day born Feb 12th 1809 died Aug 24th 1884

James E McDonald died July 20th 1864 aged 64 years
His wife Margaret Day died Jan 29th 1875 aged 75 years

William J McDonald died at Nacada City July 11th 1856 aged 31 years
Sarah Jane wife of Jacob D Underhill died Aug 13th 1869 aged 41 years

In loving remembrance of our Mother Anna wife of Wesley Thompson died April 16th 1880 in the 50th year of her age

Caroline wife of Samuel Gardner and daughter of Benjamin and Isabella Stanton born April 24th 1824 died Aug 13th 1854

In memory of James Jamieson died 3rd May 1857 aged 42 years
Thomas Jamieson died Feb 2nd 1870 aged 88 years a native of Strotingshire, Scotland

The African Methodist Episcopal Church Woodstock, New Brunswick

By: Lawrence Farrell

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On its 20th anniversary in 1913, the pastor of the A. M. E. Church was W. H. Jones. From an item in **The Dispatch**, November 5, 1913, Pastor Jones announced that a special sermon commemorating the church's 20 years of existence would be given on November 9th and a special concert would be held on the Tuesday following. The article reads, "20th Anniversary of the dedication of A. M. E. Church to be observed Sunday Nov. 9th by special sermon at 7 p. m. Tuesday evening Nov. 11th an Old Folk's Concert. A special invitation is extended to the friends who assisted at the dedicatory service 20 years ago."

Walter Neal, an octogenarian presently living in Oak Mountain and formerly from the St. James Street area of Woodstock, related that Nat McIntyre was the minister during the First Great War. He recalls that Mr. McIntyre was a good singer and that the church provided great music. In his younger years Mr. Neal had been a lone white person to attend church services there.

After Rev. Nat McIntyre served as pastor of the A. M. E. Church, it appears that Rev. A. H. Raynor continued in that capacity. Rev. Raynor worked tirelessly at raising funds to pay the debt incurred in building the St. James Street structure. In **The Press**, an article dated April 12, 1921, "Rev. A. H. Raynor, pastor of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Woodstock, is in the city (Fredericton) soliciting subscriptions on behalf of his church and is meeting with favorable response." - Fredericton Mail.

From 1893-1921, the church was dogged in its endeavors to reduce and pay off its debt. One such venture to meet its financial obligations is found in a March 11, 1914 news item in the local weekly newspaper. The article entitled, **FANCY SALE**, follows: "The members of the Sewing Circle of the A. M. E. Church will hold during Easter week, April 14, a food and fancy sale. The ladies will make a house to house canvas for pieces suitable for children's aprons, patch work, etc.

Finished articles for fancy table will be gratefully received. Those canvassing will wear a badge with A. M. E. printed on it. We hope that the friends will respond liberally in helping the little church on the hill, which is in the face of great difficulty in trying to keep the work moving on."

Another fund raising campaign under the leadership of Rev Raynor is mentioned in **The Press** on

April 19, 1921. The article reads: **AME Church** "Under the supervision of the trustees, there will be a lecture at St. James AME church April 24th at 3:30 pm, in aid of the building fund. Theme: Hygiene in its various branches. All are asked to be present as the instruction concerns old and young alike. Silver collection at the door. Lecturer, Rev. A. H. Raynor. Evening service at 7:30 pm, at which time all dollar money envelopes are requested to be brought in.

By permission Rev. Dr. Raynor, after ten months, will begin his annual campaign for the up-keep of the above named church. Friends and sympathizers that I may not reach will be good enough to forward their donations to Dr. A. H. Raynor, 301 Main Street, Woodstock, NB."

From the following article in **The Press**, issued June 7, 1921, I learned that the St. James Street A. M. E. Church held its final building fund rally on June 12, 1921 under the direction of the church's pastor, A. H. Raynor. From April of 1893 until June of 1921, almost three decades, 28 years to be exact, the church faithfully raised funds to finance the cost of the building. "The final building fund rally of St. Jas A. M. E. Church will be held Sunday, June 12th. All members and friends kindly help a great effort to uplift the Spiritual work here. Service at 7:30 pm. Rev. A. H. Raynor, Pastor"

Who followed Rev. Raynor as its pastor is unclear. Speaking with Althea (Johnson) McCarthy, one of the church's last trustees, she says that circumstances required the persons among the congregation to conduct services. She said that she does not recall ministers at the A. M. E. Church when she was a young girl, but she does recall that some of her family members were involved with church activities. The active church of the 1890's and the early 1900's seems to have died sometime in the first half of the 20th century, probably in the late 1940's or early 1950's.

In spite of its short history, the A. M. E. Church played a vital role in the spiritual and moral development of the people which it served during this period in Woodstock. In addition to being an essential part of the moral fibre of the black community it was also part of its cultural life. Althea McCarthy relates that during the 1930's and the 1940's that a Women's Club comprised of black ladies quilted in the church building. Pauline Forrest recounts the story of her

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refusal to allow her daughter, Carol, to attend the "Milo Club" in the 1950's at the A. M. E. Church. She says that her daughter had been invited by black children to attend the youth group, but she felt that it was wise not to grant her permission to accompany her black friends.

It was not socially accepted at that time for blacks and whites to mingle.

It has been difficult to determine the names of those families who attended the A. M. E. Church over the years of its existence. However, family names of black persons living in the Woodstock area at the time and who might have had an affiliation with the A. M. E. Church are the following: Adams, Bynum, Corneilson, Dubois, Dymond (Diamond), Francis (Frances), Fraser, Gross, Hamilton, Harris, Hart, Hopewell, Hoyt, Johnson, Jones, Kersey (Kussey?), McCarthy, McIntyre, Nelson, Norton, Raynor, Smith, Walker, Watters, Wheary, and Winslow.

Actual numbers of attendants have also been difficult to obtain. However, a reasonable "guess" of the numbers who attended the A. M. E. Church came from the Dominion of Canada Census Records of 1921 as a review of the population statistics of the town of Woodstock from 1891 through 1921 was made. Feeling that the 1901 enumerators had made no apparent effort to get a correct census, the town of Woodstock was reported to have had a population of 2,984, less than the population reported in 1891 of 3,288. An outcry over the 1901 report resulted in an immediate religious census taken by the town's churches. This religious census in 1901 stated that the number of attendants of the African Methodist Episcopal Church was thirty. In 1911 the review indicated that the A. M. E. Church had but 7 attendants, all in the Wellington Ward of Woodstock. None was indicated in either Kings or Queens' Wards. (**The Press**, Woodstock, NB, Tuesday, June 14, 1921)

From these numbers, it can be seen that to keep the doors of the A. M. E. Church open would have been a difficult task. It is therefore no surprise to learn that the church soon met its demise in the early part of the 20th century.

When I asked a lady who was researching her roots in Woodstock, Mrs. Marion Taylor (née Nelson), a sister to the renown Woodstock athlete Timmy Nelson, originally from Jacksonville and currently residing in Quebec, if she had attended the A. M. E. Church, she explained that, as a girl, she and her family had attended the United Baptist Church on Main Street. She also told me that she and her husband had been married in the Baptist church prior to their moving to Quebec. At the time of her having lived in Woodstock, it suggests that the A. M. E. Church was no longer holding services. However, an news item from **The Dispatch** on July 27, 1898 indicates that the Nelson

family from Jacksonville had indeed attended the A. M. E. Church during the last years of the 19th century. *"The death of Ed. Nelson occurred at his father's home on Saturday last. He was 32 years, and had contracted lung trouble while on the drive last spring. Deceased was a prominent member of the A. M. E. Church. The funeral took place on Sunday, Rev. T. Bynum officiating. The remains were buried at Jacksonville. During Mr. Nelson's illness, his neighbors at Jacksonville helped him put in his crop, and gave him assistance in other ways."*

When the A. M. E. Church closed its doors, congregants made their way to other local churches. For example, some went to the Advent Church whose building sat on the lot directly behind the present day Medical Clinic on Chapel Street, across the street from the former Woodstock Jail House. As with Marion (Nelson) Taylor, a number of Woodstock's black families never did attend the A. M. E. Church. From my research, I have found that the A. M. E. Church was a vibrant and significant part of the lives of the Woodstock community during the latter part of the 19th century and the early part of the 20th century.

The Black Community

An interest in the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Woodstock which served the black community from the early 1890's until the mid twentieth century evolved into a lengthy period of research. As the search for information took place, more and more bits of interesting material about the black population itself in Woodstock caught my attention. From word of mouth tales to written articles in the local newspapers of the time, a number of enjoyable stories are worth recounting.

One colorful story regarding a dispute between brothers from Upper Woodstock took place in March of 1896. **The Dispatch** of March 25, 1896 recorded the quarrel in the following way:

"He Could Dodge the Bullets"
TWO COLORED GENTS HANDLE PISTOL AND
GUN

One Gets a Sore Head and the Other Nearly a
Punctured Body - A Youngster with a Propensity to
Shoot - Such Should be Disarmed

"Pistols and guns figured in an exciting quarrel that occurred near Upper Woodstock one day last week, and two youths are more or less damaged, although none of the shots, fired, took effect. One of these young men - they are both colored - it appears

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has something of a mania for not only carrying a revolver, but also for firing it off upon occasions when his wrath is aroused. His name is Humphrey Deboice.

Hitherto he has been unsuccessful, but the little community would do well to recollect the words of the celebrated stave.

"A raw recruit might chances to shoot Great General Bonapart-y."

It seems that on this occasion these two brothers got into a fight over another youngster. Humphrey Deboice introduced a pistol and pointed it at his brother; thereupon the latter rushed into the house and produced a gun, with which he struck Humphrey a stinging blow over the head. Then the revolver came into play. A couple of shots were fired at Abner, but they did not take any effect. An amusing feature of the affair was that when Abner came to tell the police magistrate of the affair, he said, "At first I run, but when he commenced to fire I stopped running, for I knew I could dodge the bullets."

The musketeer has considerably injured the pistoller, the latter's head being in a severely damaged condition. Abner Deboice who wielded the musket gave himself up to authorities, and after examination it was decided to discharge him. Humphrey has made himself scarce.

Not long ago THE DISPATCH reported a somewhat similar shooting case, between here and Upper Woodstock. Youths who flourish revolvers must be unarmed, and the law about selling firearms should be strictly enforced. They may not be so deadly a thing as cigarettes, - but the evil effect is likely to be more sudden, and shocking to sensitive nerves."

The "Deboice" brothers most likely were from the "Dubois" family, the ancestral name of the maternal grandfather of Timmy Nelson. Timmy remains an athletic legend in the town of Woodstock. From all who knew Timmy Nelson, it is apparent that he endeared himself to them. His athleticism was of a high calibre despite his short stature. His prowess as an athlete has been acknowledged by the town with a spot on the Sports' Wall of Fame at Woodstock's Civic Centre. Timmy loved hockey and baseball, it is said. Even his work was centered around sports as an employee (caretaker) of the Woodstock Golf and Curling Club.

Another athlete who attracted attention for being particularly good in his field was the boxer, Reuben Johnson. The local Woodstock newspaper of August 26, 1932, *The Sentinel*, provides a photo of Reuben with an accompanying write-up touting his success as a boxer. The write-up indicates that Johnson had recently defeated O'Neill Soucy of Edmundston who had previously beaten Johnson by a technical

knockout. Johnson was to appear in the feature bout of the boxing card at the Vogue Theatre the following week. Local historian Wallace Hale says that Reuben's son, Robert Johnson, whom he knew personally, was also a good boxer.

Another well known name among Woodstock's black population noted for his association with sports was Rankin Wheary. Rankin, the son of Wellington Wheary, a black Loyalist who came from the United States, and Jessie McCleary, a lass from Glasgow, Scotland, was involved with baseball. In 1913, at the age of 18, he served as an umpire for the school baseball league and by 1914 he was pitching for the Woodstock Federals team. In 1915 he played with the Federals on Island Park and was described as a "spirited and enthusiastic player who was highly regarded by the townspeople."

Rankin attended the Old College School from 1901 until 1910. It appears that at the death of his father in 1911, he left school to look after the family. Rankin, born December 10, 1895, would have been only 16 at that time.

Rankin entered World War I and was found fighting in January 1917 on the war front and later in April 1917 at Vimy Ridge. Rankin Wheary, along with two other men, died on October 17, 1918 in France from an explosion of a German artillery shell. Other blacks to join the armed forces from Woodstock were Randolph Winslow, Myles Dymond, Nathaniel McIntyre, Clyde Dymond and James Earl Dymond.

Myles (variant spelling, "Miles") S. Dymond was another individual who was highly esteemed in Woodstock. As the town celebrated its 150th anniversary of incorporation in 2006, among the 150 people who had influenced life in Woodstock one was Mr. Dymond.

From his obituary found in *The Press* on September 27, 1933, we find that *Miles S. Dymond died sometime between Friday night and Saturday morning on his farm in Northampton, a few miles from Woodstock. On Friday evening one of his horses got loose and ran into the oats. Miles started after it to drive it back to the stable. Not returning for some time his family thought that he had started for Woodstock, and retired for the night.*

Sidney Adney, a hired man, discovered the body lying in the field Saturday morning, and immediately summoned a doctor who said he probably died of a heart attack.

He enlisted August 8, 1914 and left Woodstock August 18th and served under Lt. Col. W. W. Melville and Maj. Vince with the 1st Field Co. Brighton Engineers and sailed from Valcartier, Que. with his Unit. After training in England he proceeded to France and served faithfully with his Unit from the

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Battle of Ypres until sent home in 1918.

Mr. Dymond is survived by his widow, three sons, Miles, Jr., Charles and James, four daughters, Mrs. R. H. Johnson, Inez, Ypres and Ada, One sister, Mrs. C. Ranford Talbot of Bangor, Me. And one brother, Clyde also of Bangor, and 4 grandchildren.

Of particular interest is the announcement of the engagement of Miss Mary Matilda Winslow of Woodstock to a Mr. F. P. McAlpine of Birmingham, Alabama. Miss Winslow was the first black lady to attend a New Brunswick university. She entered the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton in 1901. She graduated with honours from UNB in 1905 and won the Montgomery-Campbell prize.

The engagement found in the November 9, 1908 edition of **The Press** reads: *"The engagement is announced of Miss M. M. Winslow, B. A., to Mr. F. P. McAlpine, of Birmingham, Alabama. Miss Winslow is the first colored lady graduate of the University of N. B. and has had a brilliant career as a student and later as a teacher of Classics in Madison City College, Ala. Mr. McAlpine is in the Post Office Department at Birmingham, and is one of the few colored men holding Government positions in Ala. The wedding will probably take place this month."*

In a later November edition, 1908, the marriage of Miss Winslow and Mr. McAlpine was announced. This article reads: *"McAlpine-Winslow - At the residence of the bride's parents, Nov. 10th, by Rev H Goring Allder, F. P. McAlpine of Birmingham, Alabama, and Miss Matilda M. Winslow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fairfax Winslow of Woodstock."*

An article from **The Dispatch**, June 12, 1907, relates a humorous, but true story of Sammy Hudlin, a former Woodstock resident. Hudlin was undoubtedly a relative of Timmy Nelson as Timmy's mother was Ethel Hudlin who married Hubert Nelson. *"SAMMY HUDLIN, a nigger, was sent up for trial last week for chewing s few pieces out of Dave Slipp's face. The police magistrate would not accept bail because Hudlin had eaten a man's finger off a year or two ago and showed no signs of repentance. Having been allowed the freedom of the outer corridor, on Friday night he dug enough bricks out of the wall to allow him to escape and made his way to Houlton. He is a bad pup. He has been living in the United Sates for his health."*

Townsfolk have mentioned the name of Arthur "Doc" Watters who lived in the St. James Street area of Woodstock. A current resident of the area, Floyd Stairs, says that "Doc" Watters lived in a small house and he did have a penchant for drink. On one occasion, it is related that Mr. Watters spent the night in the open air in his yard because of this penchant for drink.

When Floyd was a boy, he said that he

attended Park Street Pentecostal Church and he recalls a black community member, Warren McIntyre, who also attended the church. Wallace Hale says that Warren drove the team hauling coal for Babkirks. Mr. Hale describes Warren as a black, freckled redhead who had either a mother or a grandmother who was a white Scottish lassie. It would appear that Warren McIntyre was a grandson to Jessie/Annie Wheary, the delightful redhead from Scotland. His grandfather was the black "slave" from the United States who, according to Pauline Forrest, had worked on her great grandparents' farm (the Leonard Slipp farm) in Northampton.

Another family name among the black people of Woodstock frequently mentioned with fondness is that of Norton. In the early part of the 20th century, the Norton family operated a steam laundry in down town Woodstock. Many local residents recall the huge quantity of firewood near the establishment used to fuel the furnace to boil the water to run the steam laundry. Bill Norton, husband of Ypres Diamond Norton, was one of the persons involved in the operation of the business. Bill and Ypres lived in the parsonage of the A. M. E. Church prior to its demolition in the 1960's. Bill was noted for being quite a weight lifter.

Marie Norton, daughter of Cecil and Frances Norton, and Ypres Norton, served as Trustees of the A. M. E. Church prior to its sale to the IOOF organization. Marie who died on February 15, 1997, attended the Woodstock Wesleyan Church. Likewise, Ypres attended the Wesleyan Church until she moved to Halifax, Nova Scotia to be with family. Elaine, daughter of Marie, still attends the Wesleyan Church.

Eliza (Liza) Frances was one of the most colorful members of Woodstock's black community. According to persons who knew her, she was a huge woman with dark skin. One individual said that she was a big lady who liked men. She walked with two canes and although she loved kids, she would whack them with a cane if they crossed her. Liza lived on the west side of Main Street, just below Stiles Motel in Woodstock. She was a gaudy dresser, said another individual who knew her, and she had a love for large, colorful hats, he added. Her dresses were big and flowing (full) . . . voluptuous said one acquaintance. As she was an excellent seamstress, she made her own dresses.

Liza frequently visited the Burpee home in Jacksonville on Burpee Lane just below the present day Co-Op Store. She brought treats to the Burpee children and Joyce (Burpee) Mason remembers that Liza had made a plaid tartan skirt for Joyce's older sister. Joyce said that when her brother would take Liza home after a visit with the Burpee family, Liza would have him go into the house before she went in to check under the beds to see if anyone might have entered while she was

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away. Her brother related that the only intruders he ever found were lots of "dust bunnies" and a dead cat on one occasion. One trip home from the Burpees was made on the back of a dump truck. Liza was seated on a chair wrapped in a patchwork quilt. She was unable to ride in the cab of the truck. No car was available on this particular visit, so the truck served as the pragmatic replacement.

Liza had a nativity scene in her home at Christmas time. She used straw as part of the scene. Joyce Mason recollects on a visit to Liza's home that the straw began to move. Cause? One of Liza's cats of which she was fond was curling up in the straw to have a nap.

One anecdote related by one of Woodstock's oldest community members tells the story of a delivery boy in his teens who took groceries to the Frances' home. Liza invited the young man inside. Once inside, Liza locked the door behind him. The young man grew alarmed for fear of what might happen to him. The tale ends with the lad escaping "with nothing more than a story to tell".

Another colorful tale about Eliza Frances involves her culinary skills and an entrepreneurial venture. Liza had made a beautiful cake and sold "lottery" tickets on it to make some money. Time passed and no one who had purchased tickets on the cake had learned who had held the winning ticket. When asked who the lucky ticket holder had been, Liza announced unabashedly, "Mother!"

Liza had a son, Guy, but whether Liza married Guy's father is not known. Mary Lou Frances, a daughter, was renown for her singing voice and became a radio personality not only in Woodstock, but also in the United States.

An anecdote related by Pauline Forrest about Allie Frances, often called "Alley Oop" follows.

Apparently, "Alley Oop" was a lover of bicycles. When he finally owned one, he'd hop on his bike and ride all over town. Some of the town's boys used to ask him if they could have a ride on his bike and he would reply, "No, you can't (with a cuss word added for emphasis)."

When one young lad was refused a ride on Allie's bike, the young fellow told him to stick the bike up his "butt". (Euphemistic word for "ass".) "Alley Oop" responded with, "I can't put it up my rear, what would I do with the wheels?"

Another black family mentioned was the Walker family, Dorothy and her daughter, Daphne (Mitchell), who lived on Esterbrooks' Mountain, and Dot's brother, Doug Walker. Doug was allegedly driven out of town because of his fascination with white women.

Tales abound about the black families in Woodstock. These are but a few. From New Brunswick Census records, the surnames of black families who lived in the town and its surrounding communities during the time period of the A. M. E. Church's existence were (previously listed on page 8) the Adams, Bynums, Corneilsons, Diamonds, Dubois, Frances, Frasers, Gross, Hamiltons, Harris, Harts, Hoyts, Johnsons, Jones, Kusseys (Kerseys?), McCarthys, McIntyres, Nelsons, Nortons, Raynors, Smiths, Walkers, Watters, Whearys, and Winslows. This list may not be a comprehensive one, but it does suggest that there are many stories that wait to be told and undoubtedly many that will remain untold.

Did all of these families have an attachment with the A. M. E. Church? The obvious answer is "no", however, from the information gathered, it would seem that all knew that the church was there for them if they felt the desire to become a part of it.

Two new websites for genealogists:

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<http://www.oldnewsbios.co.nz> - birth, marriage and death notices from newspapers with over 13,000 names

<http://www.honeastindiaco.com> - Hon East India Company - includes some birth, marriage and death notices

Please pass this along to those interested.

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d 3 April 1863 Carleton,NB (Saint John West)
m 1 Oct 1804 Queensbury, York Co.,NB by
Rev. Fred Dibblee

Mary HUTCHINSON b 1784 ("of UEL
descent")
d 26 Nov 1860 Saint John, NB

Children

1. Elizabeth "Betsy" m. Thomas Flewelling
2. William E. m. Millicent HAMM
3. James P. m. Susan NICE
4. Levi m. Mary HAMM

5. John m. Phoebe CLARK
6. Susannah H. m. Charles HAMM
7. Robert ?
8. Mary ?

Need parents of both and any related info. The
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Hill

JAMES¹ HILL immigrated to St. Andrews, New Brunswick, with his wife ELIZA (____) HILL from Kilkeel, County Down, Ireland perhaps by 1833, but certainly prior to the baptisms of their daughters Jane and Mary at Greenock Presbyterian church on 29 August 1836.¹ James died in 1845 in St. Andrews.² He may have been the James Hill who married (2) JANE FEE in St. Andrews on 16 December 1841.³

A James Hill with James McBride witnessed the marriage of Francis Bellencourt and Margaret Hill in St. Andrews on 19 November 1833.⁴ James Hill was on the tax list for the Commons, St. Andrews in 1841.

Children of James and Eliza (____) Hill:

- i. ROBERT² HILL, b. Ireland 1829; d. Sydney, Australia, August 1918; m. AGNES KIRKPATRICK, daughter of Thomas Kirkpatrick. Robert immigrated with his family to St. Andrews circa 1833. In the 1840's he went to sea; by the late 1850's Robert had settled in Victoria, Australia, where he was a miner. He then with partners operated a store, first in Young, New South Wales, Australia, and later in Grenfell, Australia. Robert was long-term elder of the Presbyterian Church and a member of the hospital committee in New South Wales.⁵ Adopted child of Robert and Agnes (Kirkpatrick) Hill: 1. *Agnes Hill*.⁶
- ii. MARGARET HILL, b. probably Kilkeel, County Down, Ireland, 2 Feb. 1831; d. St. Andrews 15 June 1880;⁷ m. St. Andrews 13 Nov. 1850 JAMES MCKINNEY,⁸ b. possibly County Down, Ireland, 24 April 1824; d. Calais, Maine, 4 Jan. 1914.⁹ (See McKinney Family).
- iii. JANE HILL, b. probably St. Andrews 25 June 1833; bp. St. Andrews 29 Aug. 1836;¹⁰ d. Lubec, Washington County, Maine, 25 Nov. 1875;¹¹ m. St. Andrews 26 March 1858 JOHN MCBRIDE,¹² b. perhaps Moran, County Down, Ireland, 12 May 1829, son of James and Mary (Chestnut) McBride.¹³ John d. Lubec 9 Feb. 1916.¹⁴ John McBride m. (2) Lubec 2 Sept. 1883 widow ELLEN (MCBRIDE) WILCOX¹⁵ b. Ireland Oct. 1834; d. Lubec 24 Sept. 1906.¹⁶ Ellen McBride m. (1) JAMES WILCOX.¹⁷ John and Jane McBride are buried in Mowry-Lamson Cemetery

¹ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms, p. 30. (This is the first record of James Hill in New Brunswick and the only record of his wife Eliza). Location in Ireland from his daughter Margaret's obituary. (Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 53:2410 from the *Bay Pilot* of 18 March 1880.) Eliza's maiden name may have been Gordon as this was the name given to two of her grandchildren, Gordon Sheraton McKinney and Robert Gordon McBride. Several of Eliza's descendants of later generations were also given the name Gordon.

² James Hill's probate is listed in the Charlotte County Probate Index but there is no probate document. The 1845 Tax List for St. Andrews (original St. Andrews Tax Lists at Provincial Archives of New Brunswick) notes that James Hill's income in 1845 was 20 pounds and that he died in that year.

³ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Marriages, p. 11.

⁴ All Saints Anglican Church records, St. Andrews, p. 17 #56.

⁵ Obituary from *The Messenger* (Sydney, Australia) of 23 August 1918 citing *The Centennial History of New South Wales* published in 1888. Clipping in possession of the author.

⁶ Robert's daughter's name from family records.

⁷ Birth date from family records. Possible birth location from obituary Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 53:2410 from the *Bay Pilot* of 18 March 1880, "d. 15th inst., of consumption, Margaret McKinney, age 49, w/o James McKinney, merchant tailor. Deceased was eldest d/o late James Hill of Kilkeel, County Down, Ireland; left husband, eight children." See also Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 51:2044 from the *Daily News* of 27 March 1880. There are five other newspaper references to the death of Margaret (Hill) McKinney. Greenock Presbyterian church records, Deaths. Although on some census records and vital records Margaret's children indicated that their mother was born in New Brunswick, no baptism for her has been found, suggesting that Margaret was indeed born in Ireland.

⁸ Greenock Presbyterian church, Marriages; Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 13:833 from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 20 Nov 1850.

⁹ Birth date from family records. Birth location of County Down from death certificate of son Robert, Maine Vital Records. James' age at death was 90 years and 9 months per his death certificate. James own death certificate incorrectly lists his place of birth as New Brunswick.

¹⁰ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms, p. 30. Jane's birth location, St. Andrews, from Maine Vital Records, marriage certificates of son Robert Gordon (2) and John Chestnut.

¹¹ Kenneth Willey, *Vital Records From the Eastport Sentinel (i.e. Sentinel) 1818-1900*, (Camden, Maine: Picton Press, c. 1996), 287 from 56:52 (25 November 1875).

¹² Charlotte County Marriage Register, C:83. Date of 25 March 1858 given in Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Marriages.

¹³ Birth information from Mrs. Donaghy's records (see footnote 33). Mother's maiden name from Greenock Presbyterian Church records, baptism of Ellen McBride 19 March 1842.

¹⁴ Maine Vital Records.

¹⁵ Willey, *Vital Records From the Eastport Sentinel*, 362 from 64:44 (26 September 1883).

¹⁶ Ellen's maiden name, Maine Vital Records, death certificate. 1850 U.S. Census, Lubec, Washington County, Maine, p. 188, Ellen McBride was age 16 living with Frances McBride age 63, Patrick McBride age 15 and Timothy McBride age 35.

¹⁷ Townsend, *Vital Statistics of Lubec, Maine*, 57 (birth of Susan to Ellen and James Wilcox), 220 (death of a child of Ellen and James Wilcox).

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in Lubec with their children Mary Elizabeth and James Ebenezer.¹⁸ John McBride was a farmer living in St. Andrews with his mother, three siblings, his wife Jane and their daughter in 1861.¹⁹ During the years 1865-1868 he listed as a ship carpenter living in the Ledge, Charlotte County, N.B.²⁰ Later John was a ship carpenter in Lubec where he operated a ship yard on Water Street and is credited with building the schooner Lunnette. John was naturalized.²¹ Children of John and Jane (Hill) McBride:²² 1. *Mary Elizabeth McBride*, b. St. Andrews 2 May 1859, d. Lubec 11 Nov 1877. 2. *James Ebenezer McBride*, b. St. Andrews 4 Feb. 1862, d. "on the passage from Grand Manan" 12 Oct. 1885. 3. *Robert Gordon McBride*, b. St. Andrews 14 May 1864. 4. *John Chestnut McBride*, b. Eastport, Washington County, Maine, 31 Aug. 1866. 5. *William Ker McBride*, b. Maine 28 Jan 1869.

iv. MARY HILL, b. probably St. Andrews 19 April 1835; bp. St. Andrews 25 Aug. 1836.²³

Child of James and Jane (Fee) Hill b. St. Andrews:

v. ELIZABETH JANE HILL, b. 26 May 1842; bp. St. Andrews 2 Sept. 1842.²⁴

McKinney

JAMES¹ MCKINNEY was born possibly in County Down, Ireland, on 18 April 1824 and died in Calais, Washington County, Maine, on 4 January 1914.²⁵ He married in St. Andrews, New Brunswick, on 13 November 1850 MARGARET HILL,²⁶ who was born probably in Kilkeel, County Down, Ireland, on 3 February 1831, daughter of James and Eliza (____) Hill. Margaret died in St. Andrews, New Brunswick of consumption on 15 March 1880.²⁷ James, Margaret and their children, Elizabeth and Gordon Sheraton McKinney are buried in an unmarked grave in Lot 106A of St. Andrews Rural Cemetery.²⁸

James was the son of James McKinney and (____) (Morrison) McKinney.²⁹ Although there were both Morrison and McKinney families living in Charlotte County prior to James' immigration in 1848, no connection has been established.

James was a tailor or merchant tailor living in St. Andrews probably from the time of his immigration in 1848 until at least 1894.³⁰ On 19 April 1858 James purchased land at the corner of William Henry and Parr Streets in St. Andrews from Rose McCarty, widow of John McCarty, a tavern keeper. Four days later James and his wife Margaret obtained a mortgage from John Doherty, tavern keeper of St. Andrews, for a portion of the purchase price. On 12 February 1863 James and Margaret sold the property to Mr. Doherty.³¹ On 11 June 1879 James purchased from his son-in-law Thomas McCracken land on the west side of Water Street in St. Andrews which had been the site of John Breen's shop. After the death of his wife, on 2 July 1881 James received a mortgage on this property from Harris Hatch; Mr. Hatch transferred the

¹⁸ Visit of the author 16 August 1996.

¹⁹ 1861 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 35.

²⁰ *Hutchinson's Directory 1865-1866, 1867-1868* online database: archives.gnb.ca. (The Ledge was part of St. Stephen until 1873) (www.rootsweb.com/~nbcharlo/village.htm).

²¹ Ryerson and Lois Johnson and the Lubec Historical Society, *200 Years of Lubec History, 1776-1976* (1976), 107 (Sketch by Margaret Donaghy); 1880 U.S. Census, Lubec, Washington County, Me, p. 244A; 1900 U.S. Census, Lubec, Washington County, Maine, p. 24A; 1910 U.S. Census, Lubec, Washington County, Maine, p. 1A.

²² Birth dates of Mary Elizabeth, James Ebenezer, Robert Gordon and William Ker from Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms (no surname or parents for Robert Gordon). William Ker's birth location from 1900 U.S. Census, Lubec, Washington County, Maine, p. 14A. Deaths of Mary Elizabeth and James Ebenezer from Townsend, *Vital Statistics of Lubec, Maine*, 234, 239. Robert Gordon's date and place of birth confirmed by Maine Vital Records, marriage certificates and death certificate; John Chestnut's date and place of birth from 1900 U.S. Census, Lubec, Washington County, Maine, p. 14B (August 1866) and Townsend, *Vital Statistics of Lubec, Maine*, 87 [born Eastport 31 (month and year missing)].

²³ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms, 30.

²⁴ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms.

²⁵ Birth date from family records. Birth location of County Down from death certificate of son Robert, Maine Vital Records. James' age at death was 90 years and 9 months per his death certificate. James' own death certificate incorrectly lists his place of birth as New Brunswick.

²⁶ Greenock Presbyterian church, Marriages; Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 13:833 from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 20 Nov 1850.

²⁷ Birth date from family records. Possible birth location from obituary Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 53:2410 from the *Bay Pilot* of 18 March 1880, "d. 15th inst., of consumption, Margaret McKinney, age 49, w/o James McKinney, merchant tailor. Deceased was eldest d/o late James Hill of Kilkeel, County Down, Ireland; left husband, eight children." See also Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 51:2044 from the *Daily News* of 27 March 1880. There are five other newspaper references to the death of Margaret (Hill) McKinney. Greenock Presbyterian church records, Deaths. Although on some census records and vital records Margaret's children indicated that their mother was born in New Brunswick, no baptism for her has been found, suggesting that Margaret was indeed born in Ireland.

²⁸ St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records.

²⁹ Maine Vital Records, death certificate of James McKinney.

³⁰ 1851 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 27; 1861 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 12; 1871 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 4; 1881 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 30. James is not found in the 1891 Canadian Census. The obituary of John Breen indicates that at the time of John's death 21 January 1894, James McKinney's tailor shop was located on Water Street in St. Andrews where earlier John had operated his shoe business. (Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 92:2468 from the *St. Andrews Beacon* of 25 January 1894.)

³¹ Charlotte County Deeds, 5:223, 232; 10:76 (Lot 4, Block Letter L, Parr's Division).

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mortgage to Leonard G. Chase on 15 August 1892. The mortgage was paid on 8 September 1892 when James sold the property to his son William who was of Woodstock.³²

James was active in the Greenock Presbyterian Church, serving as a Trustee in 1857.³³ He was also a volunteer in the Fenian Rebellion.

Sometime after 21 January 1894 James moved to Calais, Maine, where he lived with his daughter Ann Jane (McKinney) Elliott and her family until his death.³⁴

Children of James and Margaret (Hill) McKinney all born St. Andrews:³⁵

- i. ANN JANE² MCKINNEY, b. 17 Aug. 1851; bp. 21 March 1852; d. Calais, Maine, 14 Oct. 1833;³⁶ m. St. Andrews 22 Sept. 1873 GEORGE EDMUND ELLIOTT,³⁷ b. N.B. circa 1848, son of Samuel and Ann () Elliott,³⁸ d. Calais 29 Sept. 1912.³⁹ In 1881 Ann Jane and George Elliott were living in St. George, N.B., where George was employed as an engineer.⁴⁰ Circa 1882 George and Ann moved to Calais where George was naturalized and worked as a machinist. After the death of George, Ann Jane continued to live in Calais with her son.⁴¹ Ann Jane and George Edmund Elliott are buried in Block 99 of Calais Cemetery with their son James Hazen, daughter Georgia Hill, Ann Jane's brother Robert McKinney and other family members.⁴² Children of George Edmund and Ann Jane (McKinney) Elliott:⁴³ 1. *Ann Elliott*, b. N.B. 28 Oct 1874; d. N.B. 14 June 1876. 2. *Georgia Hill Elliott*, b. St. Andrews 25 March 1877. 3. *Walter Vernon Elliott*, b. N.B. Nov. 1878; d. St. George 10 April 1880. 4. *James Hazen Elliott*, b. N.B. January 1882.
- ii. ELIZABETH MCKINNEY, b. 8 July 1853; bp. 3 June 1855; d. St. Andrews 11 March 1876.⁴⁴ Elizabeth is buried in St. Andrews Rural Cemetery, Lot 106A in an unmarked grave with her parents and brother Gordon Sheraton.⁴⁵
- iii. CATHERINE MCKINNEY, b. 20 Oct. 1855; bp. 28 Sept 1858; d. St. Stephen, N.B., 25 June 1933;⁴⁶ m. St. Andrews 1 March 1877 Thomas Delhi McCracken,⁴⁷ b. St. Andrews circa 27 Oct. 1852 son of William and Mary (O'Hara) McCracken. Thomas d. St. Andrews 13 Jan. 1908.⁴⁸ (See McCracken Family)
- iv. JOHN JAMES MCKINNEY, b. 8 Nov. 1857; bp. 25 March 1858; d. Calais, Maine, 28 Aug 1843;⁴⁹ m. St. George, N.B., 20 June 1888 ANNIE WINDSOR O'BRIEN,⁵⁰ b. Oct. 1866⁵¹ daughter of James and Statice () O'Brien.⁵² John James immigrated to Calais about 1881 or 1882 and was naturalized in 1884. He was a machinist who made his home on Downes Street.⁵³ John James "and family" are buried in Block 81 of Calais Cemetery.⁵⁴ Children of John James and Annie (O'Brien) McKinney all presumably born in Calais:⁵⁵ 1. *John Morton*

³² Charlotte County Deeds, 29:477; 31:599 (photocopy in possession of author); 46:568.

³³ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, 1867 List of Subscribers; Undated (circa 1868) List of Families. Melville N. Cockburn, *A History of Greenock Church St. Andrews, New Brunswick from 1821-1906*, 47.

³⁴ 1900 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 19B; 1910 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 7B.

³⁵ Births and baptisms from Greenock Presbyterian Church records.

³⁶ Maine Vital Records, death certificate.

³⁷ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 34:1902 from the *St. Croix Courier* of 25 September 1873 and 34:296 from *The Daily Telegraph* of 23 September 1873.

³⁸ 1851 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B. p. 44. George's death certificate gives his age at death at 65 years, 9 months and 27 days.

³⁹ Maine Vital Records.

⁴⁰ 1881 Canadian Census, St. George, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 14.

⁴¹ 1900 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 19B; 1910 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 7B; 1920 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 8A; 1930 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 3B.

⁴² Calais Cemetery records communicated to the author by Sharon Howland.

⁴³ Ann's birth date calculated from age at death, Johnson, *Vital Statistics* from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 14 June 1876. Georgia Hill's birth, New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca. Walter Vernon's birth date calculated from age at death, Johnson, *Vital Statistics* from the *Bay Pilot* of 15 April 1880. James Hazen's birth date and place from 1900 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 19B.

⁴⁴ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 40:1408 from the *St. Croix Courier* of 16 March 1876.

⁴⁵ St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records.

⁴⁶ *St. Croix Courier* of 6 July 1933, newspaper clipping in possession of author.

⁴⁷ Charlotte County Marriage Register, C:470.

⁴⁸ 1901 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 19 which gives a birth date of 27 October 1853; St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records record Thomas' age at death as 55 years, 3 months and 17 days, i.e. a birth date of September 27, 1852; New Brunswick Cemeteries online database: archives.gnb.ca, Thomas' dates are 1852-1908; *St. Andrews Beacon* of 16 January 1908.

⁴⁹ Maine Vital Records.

⁵⁰ New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca; Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 71:1756 from the *St. Croix Courier* of 28 June 1888 and 69:3475 from *The Daily Telegraph* of 30 June 1888.

⁵¹ 1900 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 13B.

⁵² 1881 Canadian Census, St. George, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 12.

⁵³ 1900 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 13B; 1910 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 5B; 1920 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 9A; 1930 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 8B.

⁵⁴ Calais Cemetery records. Visit of the author 20 April 2007.

⁵⁵ Birth dates of Evelyn M., James Gordon and Ernest D. from the 1900 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 13B. Birth year of Margaret E. from the 1910 U.S. Census, Calais, Washington County, Maine, p. 5B.

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- McKinney*, b. 1 Nov. 1889, d. Calais 16 July 1896.⁵⁶ 2. *Evelyn M. McKinney*, b. July 1891. 3. *James Gordon McKinney*, b. June 1894. 4. *Ernest D. McKinney*, b. Jan. 1900. 5. *Margaret E. McKinney*, b. 1903.
- 1 v. ROBERT HILL MCKINNEY, b. 15 Feb. 1860; bp. 8 May 1863; d. Calais, Maine, 29 Nov. 1936;⁵⁷ m. circa 1886 MARY A. WALTER, b. N.S. Oct. 1865; d. before April 1930. Sometime around 1880 Robert immigrated to Brooklyn, Kings County, N.Y., where by 1900 he had become captain of a steamer. Robert was naturalized.⁵⁸ About 1928, perhaps following the death of his wife, Robert began dividing his time between Brooklyn and Calais.⁵⁹ In 1935 Robert was retired and living with his nephew James Hazen Elliott in Calais.⁶⁰ Robert is buried in Block 99 of Calais Cemetery with his sister Ann Jane (McKinney) Elliott and her family.⁶¹ Children of Robert Hill and Mary A. (Walter) McKinney probably born Brooklyn, Kings County, N.Y.:⁶² 1. *William H. McKinney*, b. June 1887. 2. *Bertha E. McKinney*, b. April 1889. 3. *Agnes R. McKinney*, b. March 1891. 4. *Edith M. McKinney*, b. July 1892. 5. *Annie McKinney*, b. July 1899. 6. *Child McKinney* (given name unknown) who died prior to 1900.
 - 1 vi. WILLIAM ALEXANDER MCKINNEY, b. 2 Oct. 1862; bp. 8 May 1863; d. Chamcook, St. Andrews, 14 May 1939;⁶³ m. (1) St. Andrews 25 Oct. 1888 EVA MAY CRAIG,⁶⁴ b. 3 Feb. 1869.⁶⁵ Eva d. St. Andrews 24 Jan. 1921.⁶⁶ William Alexander m. (2) Chamcook, St. Andrews, 6 June 1926 ELIZABETH GLADYS ELTHIER PARKER,⁶⁷ b. Acton, York County, Maine, 8 Sept. 1895; d. Brantford, Ont., 5 Sept. 1988. Elizabeth Gladys Elthier was the daughter of Christopher and Emeline (Rankine) Parker.⁶⁸ William Alexander and Eva May (Craig) McKinney are buried in St. Andrews Rural Cemetery, Lot 154A.⁶⁹ After a few years "following the sea" in 1881 William Alexander joined the employ of the N.B. and Canada Railroad.⁷⁰ Later he was an engineer for the Canadian Pacific Railroad working on the runs between Montreal and St. Andrews. He lived in Woodstock, N.B., during the summer and spent winters in St. Andrews.⁷¹ He was also a member of the Greenock Presbyterian church.⁷² Children of William Alexander and Elizabeth Gladys Elthier (Parker) McKinney both born St. Stephen, N.B.:⁷³ 1. *Margaret Emaline McKinney*, b. 3 Dec. 1927. 2. *Marion Hill McKinney*, b. 16 May 1929.
 - 1 vii. SARAH HENRIETTA MCKINNEY, b. 13 May 1865; bp. 30 Oct. 1868; m. Eastport, Washington County, Maine, 31 March 1892 BENJAMIN F. ESTES who was "of Boston."⁷⁴ In December of 1890 a newspaper notice stated that "Miss Etta McKinney, Canton, Ohio, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T.M. McCracken."⁷⁵ Sarah Henrietta was listed in the census of St. Andrews in 1891 living with her sister Catherine McCracken and her family.⁷⁶ Another newspaper notice in May of 1895 announced that B.F. Estes "has sold out his effects at Campobello and talks of going to Australia."⁷⁷ Family records have not preserved a tradition that Sarah Henrietta moved to Australia. However, no further record of her has been found in the United States or Canada.

⁵⁶ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 72:3684 from the *Saint Croix Courier* of 7 November 1889 (birth), 102:1724 from the *St. Andrews Beacon* of 23 July 1896 and 102:1772 from the *St. Andrews Beacon* of 6 August 1896 (death). (*Beacon* of 23 July 1896 gives the date as 17 July) Also Willey, *Vital Records From the Eastport Sentinel*, 553 from 78:32 (29 July 1896).

⁵⁷ Maine Vital Records, death certificate.

⁵⁸ The maiden name of Mary A. (Walter) McKinney is from family records. 1880 U.S. Census, 2nd Ward, Brooklyn, Kings County, N.Y., p. 215A (Robert may be the Bob McCune, laborer, boarding with Sabina Riley); 1881 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 30 (Robert is a mariner living with his father and siblings); 1900 U.S. Census, 6th Ward, Brooklyn Boro, New York City, Kings County, N.Y., p. 38; 1910 U.S. Census, 8th Ward, Brooklyn, New York City, Kings County, N.Y., p. 103; 1920 U.S. Census, Brooklyn, New York City, Kings County, N.Y., p. 205.

⁵⁹ Robert's death certificate indicates he had been a resident of Calais for eight years at the time of his death. However he listed as a widower and watchman living as a lodger with the family of John E. Kelly in Brooklyn in 1930. (1930 U.S. Census, Brooklyn, Kings County, N.Y., p. 17B)

⁶⁰ 1935 *Calais Directory* online database at ancestry.com.

⁶¹ Calais Cemetery records.

⁶² 1900 U.S. Census, 6th Ward, Brooklyn Boro, New York City, Kings County, N.Y., p. 38

⁶³ New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca.

⁶⁴ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 70:881 from *The Daily Telegraph* of 29 October 1888; New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca. William was of Houlton, Maine and Eva was of Chamcook at the time of their marriage.

⁶⁵ 1901 Canadian Census, Woodstock, Carleton County, N.B., p. 19.

⁶⁶ St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records.

⁶⁷ New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca.

⁶⁸ Personal communication from Margaret Fanjoy.

⁶⁹ St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records.

⁷⁰ Newspaper obituary clipping dated 17 May 1939 in possession of the author.

⁷¹ Personal communication from William Allan McCracken. *McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory*, 1896, p. 542; 1901 Canadian Census, Wellington Ward, Woodstock, Carleton County, N.B., p. 19; 1911 Canadian Census, Subdistrict 22, Woodstock, Carleton County, N.B., p. 6.

⁷² Newspaper obituary clipping dated 17 May 1939 in possession of the author.

⁷³ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms. Personal communication from Margaret Fanjoy.

⁷⁴ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 82:2043 from the *St. Andrews Beacon* of 14 April 1892; online database: www.maine.gov/sos/arc/, Maine State Archives.; Willey, *Vital Records From the Eastport Sentinel*, 481 from 74: 15 (6 April 1892) (Benjamin "Kates.").

⁷⁵ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 76:493 from the *St. Andrews Beacon* of 11 December 1890.

⁷⁶ 1891 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 19.

⁷⁷ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 97:426 from the *St. Andrews Beacon* of 2 May 1895.

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- viii. JAMES ALEXANDER MCKINNEY, b. 6 April 1869; bp. 24 Sept. 1869; d. San Diego, San Diego County, Calif., 7 Aug. 1948.⁷⁸ James Alexander was unmarried. He left St. Andrews about 1885, but was never naturalized in the United States. He is found in the Censuses of 1900, 1910 and 1920 living in Los Angeles County, Calif., and employed consecutively as a tinsmith, tinner in a canning factory and mechanic.⁷⁹ By 1930 James Alexander had moved to San Diego, Calif., where he worked as a mechanic in a cannery.⁸⁰
- ix. GORDON SHERATON MCKINNEY, b. 14 Sept. 1871; bp. 11 Jan. 1872; d. St. Andrews 5 June 1884.⁸¹ Gordon Sheraton is buried in St. Andrews Rural Cemetery, Lot 106A in an unmarked grave with his parents and sister Elizabeth.⁸²

O'Hara

HUGH¹ O'HARA was born probably in Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland, circa 1792 and died in St. Andrews, New Brunswick, on 12 April 1867.⁸³ Hugh married in Ireland say 1815 GRACE GILMORE who was born in Ireland circa 1794 and died in St. Andrews on 20 February, 1835.⁸⁴

Hugh O'Hara was resident in St. Andrews by 13 January 1821 when he, called yeoman, purchased land fronting on Montague and Edward Streets from David Conahie.⁸⁵ On 13 April 1821 Hugh O'Hara, identified as grocer, purchased land fronting on Queen Street and originally granted to Benjamin Milliken, from Gordon Gilchrist.⁸⁶ In 1822 Hugh was taxed by the town of St. Andrews on assets worth £250.⁸⁷ On 8 December 1822 Hugh sold the land he had purchased from David Conahie to Christopher Scott.⁸⁸

Hugh O'Hara appears in early Charlotte County probate records three times. On 12 May 1826 Hugh was one of three men appointed to appraise the estate of Henry MacEleavey of St. Andrews. Hugh was a witness to the will of Robert Stevenson of St. Andrews on 24 September 1828. The inventory of the estate of Thomas Spence of St. Andrews who drowned in 1829 was presented to the court on 16 September 1831 by Hugh O'Hara and two other men.⁸⁹

On 24 August 1829 Hugh purchased a town lot on Carleton Street in St. Andrews from William Patterson and his wife Jane.⁹⁰ This was sold by Hugh with the consent of his wife Grace to the Justices of the Peace of Charlotte County on 22 July 1830.⁹¹ In 1831 Hugh was taxed by St. Andrews on real estate worth £500 and personal assets of £250.⁹²

On 1 November 1831 Hugh O'Hara, called trader, purchased fifteen acres of land known as lot #19 in Chamcook along the road from St. Andrews to Saint John from Richard and Jane Hannah Hasluck. On the same date Hugh and his wife Grace obtained a mortgage from the Haslucks.⁹³ On 3 December 1835 Hugh, now known as innkeeper, sold one half of the "Chamcook Estate" to Hugh McGrath, painter of St. Andrews. On 14 June 1836 Hugh O'Hara, called yeoman, sold the other half of the "Chamcook Estate" to John McLaughlan, merchant of St. Andrews.⁹⁴ On 12 June 1846 Hugh purchased part of lot #21 in Chamcook from John Maxwell⁹⁵ and 6 January 1847 Hugh, yeoman, and Mary Maxwell, wife of John Maxwell of St. Andrews, sold the south half of lot # 21 in Chamcook containing seven and a half acres to John McDonald, blacksmith of St. Andrews.⁹⁶

On 16 November 1839 a judgment was entered in "her Majesty's Supreme Court of Indenture of the Province of New Brunswick wherein James W Street is Plaintiff and Hugh O Harah is defendant for the sum of eighty pounds sixteen shillings against the said defendant..."⁹⁷

Between 1841 and 1845 Hugh O'Hara was taxed by St. Andrews as a "non-resident" with assets of £250. In 1847 and 1849 Hugh was apparently again a resident of St. Andrews as he was taxed on real estate worth £150, personal assets of £50 and an annual income of £20.⁹⁸

⁷⁸ California Death Index 1940-1997, online database: ancestry.com.

⁷⁹ 1900 U.S. Census, Wilmington Township, Los Angeles County, Calif., p. 330; 1910 U.S. Census, Los Angeles Assembly District 70, Los Angeles County, Calif., p. 4A; 1920 U.S. Census, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Calif., p. 3A.

⁸⁰ 1930 U.S. Census, San Diego, San Diego County, Calif., p. 4B.

⁸¹ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 61:1360 from *The Daily Telegraph* of 16 June 1884.

⁸² St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records.

⁸³ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 25:1738 from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 17 April 1867.

⁸⁴ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 6:215 from the *New Brunswick Courier* of 14 March 1835. *St. Andrews Standard* of 5 March 1835. Grace's maiden name from family records.

⁸⁵ Charlotte County Deeds, F:347 (Lot #1, Block Letter G, Parr's Division).

⁸⁶ Charlotte County Deeds, J:493 (Lot #3, Block Letter F, Bulkeley's Division).

⁸⁷ St. Andrews Tax List.

⁸⁸ Charlotte County Deeds, H:168.

⁸⁹ R. Wallace Hale, ed., *Early New Brunswick, Canada Probate Records 1783-1835* (Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, 1989), p. 277, 434, 426.

⁹⁰ Charlotte County Deeds, J:524 (Lot #1, Block Letter M, Bulkeley's Division).

⁹¹ Charlotte County Deeds, K:255.

⁹² St. Andrews Tax List.

⁹³ Charlotte County Deeds, Q:39; L:313.

⁹⁴ Charlotte County Deeds, P:71; Q:393.

⁹⁵ Charlotte County Deeds, U:9.

⁹⁶ Charlotte County Deeds, U:177.

⁹⁷ Charlotte County Deeds, R:659, T259.

The Ancestry of James Herbert McCracken: 1880-1949

Hugh was listed as a weaver living in St. Andrews with his daughter Grace in a frame two-story home in 1851. In 1861 his occupation was weaver and he lived with or near his two daughters, Mary and Grace and their families. In 1865 Hugh was still a weaver living in St. Andrews on Queen Street near Edward, possibly on the land he had purchased on 13 April 1821.⁹⁹

Hugh was active in the Greenock Presbyterian Church His name is found on the list of Greenock Pew Holders in 1829¹⁰⁰ and his service as a Trustee was recorded in 1863.¹⁰¹

Hugh, calling himself weaver of St. Andrews, made his will on 22 March 1867. Hugh left \$40 to his daughter Mary McCracken, wife of William McCracken; the water lot in St. Andrews, presently occupied by James Conley, to his grandson Robert Shaw; the clock in his room to his granddaughter Grace Gilmore Shaw and the residue and remainder of his real and personal property to his daughter Grace Shaw, wife of Robert Shaw. Robert and Grace (O'Hara) Shaw were executors of Hugh's will. Witnesses to the will were Benjamin R. Stevenson and A.D. Stevenson. The will was entered into probate on 20 April 1867 and recorded and registered by H.H. Hatch, Register on 1 May 1867.¹⁰²

Hugh and Grace (Gilmore) O'Hara had five daughters who were living at the time of Grace's death, birth order uncertain:¹⁰³

- i. MARY² O'HARA, b. Ireland between 1816 and 1818; d. St. Andrews 5 Feb. 1869;¹⁰⁴ m. St. Andrews 10 Feb. 1837 WILLIAM MCCracken,¹⁰⁵ b. Ireland between 1809 and 1815; d. St. Andrews 5 Nov. 1873.¹⁰⁶ (See McCracken Family)
- iii. ANN O'HARA, m. St. Andrews. 12 March 1838 JOSEPH McDONALD both "of St. Andrews." Witnesses to the marriage were Hugh O'Hara and Robert McKee.¹⁰⁷
- ii. (probably) ELIZA O'HARA, m. St. Stephen, N.B., 16 May 1848 BARTHOLOMEW MCCONACHIE.¹⁰⁸ Eliza and Bartholemew may have moved to Wisconsin.¹⁰⁹
- iv. DAUGHTER. O'HARA, given name unknown.
- v. GRACE GILMORE O'HARA, b. St. Andrews 17 March 1825; bp. St. Andrews 20 May 1825;¹¹⁰ d. St. Andrews 1 March 1895;¹¹¹ m. St. Andrews 26 May 1852 ROBERT SHAW,¹¹² b. St. Andrews 10 Feb. 1827, bp. St. Andrews 3 April 1828, son of Robert and Catherine (____) Shaw.¹¹³ Robert d. St. Andrews 18 April 1908.¹¹⁴ Grace and Robert Shaw are buried with their daughter Maria in St. Andrews Rural Cemetery Lot 70B.¹¹⁵ In 1851 Robert was a mariner living with his family in St. Andrews.¹¹⁶ In the St. Andrews censuses from 1861 through 1901 Robert's occupation was either carpenter or ship carpenter.¹¹⁷ Children of Robert and Grace Gilmore (O'Hara) Shaw all born probably St. Andrews:¹¹⁸ 1. *Robert Shaw*, b. 22 June 1853. 2. *Annie Shaw*, b. 1 Sept. 1854. 3. *Catherine Shaw*, b. 14 Oct. 1856. 4. *John Shaw*, bp. 31 Jan. 1860. 5. *Grace Gilmore Shaw*, bp. 25 May 1864. 6. *Maria Shaw*, bp. 29 May 1868.

⁹⁸ St. Andrews Tax Lists.

⁹⁹ 1851 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 45; 1861 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 29; *Hutchinson's Directory 1865-1866*, online database: archives.gnb.ca.

¹⁰⁰ Greenock Presbyterian Church records.

¹⁰¹ Cockburn, *A History of Greenock Church*, 48.

¹⁰² Charlotte County Probate, 3:226; Charlotte County Deeds, 14:128.

¹⁰³ *St. Andrews Standard* of 5 March 1835. Mary was the eldest daughter. (Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 7:116 from the *New Brunswick Courier* of 25 February 1837.)

¹⁰⁴ 1861 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 29 age 43; Johnson, *Vital Statistics* 27:629 from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 10 Feb. 1869, age 53 at death.

¹⁰⁵ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Marriages, p. 8; Charlotte County Marriage Register, A:851; Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 7:116 from the *New Brunswick Courier* of 25 February 1837.

¹⁰⁶ 1861 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 29, William Taylor McCracken, age 46; 1871 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 22 age 62; St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records, age 52 at death (the latter is probably in error as he would have been age 15 when he married); Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 34:2037 from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 12 November 1873, age 62.

¹⁰⁷ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Marriages, p. 9; Charlotte County Marriage Register, A:833; Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 7:858 from *St. Andrews Standard* of 17 March 1838 ("Anne O'Hara" and "Joseph McDonnell").

¹⁰⁸ Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 12:1232 from *St. Andrews Standard* of 24 May 1848, (m. 16th inst., by Rev. Skeffington Thompson, Bartholemew McConachie, St. Stephen (Charlotte Co.) / Miss Eliza O'Hara, St. Andrews.)

¹⁰⁹ 1850 U.S. Census, Columbus, Columbia County, Wisc., p. 124; 1860 U.S. Census, Beaver Dam, Dodge County, Wisc., p. 12.

¹¹⁰ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms, p. 2.

¹¹¹ New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca.

¹¹² Johnson, *Vital Statistics*, 13:2814 from the *St. Andrews Standard* of 2 June 1852.

¹¹³ Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms, p. 8.

¹¹⁴ New Brunswick Vital Statistics, online database: archives.gnb.ca.

¹¹⁵ St. Andrews Rural Cemetery burial records.

¹¹⁶ 1851 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 17.

¹¹⁷ 1861 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 29; 1871 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 74; 1881 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 21; 1891 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 9; 1901 Canadian Census, St. Andrews, Charlotte County, N.B., p. 6.

¹¹⁸ Birth of Robert, Annie and Catherine, Greenock Presbyterian Church records, Baptisms; baptisms of John, Grace Gilmore and Maria, All Saints Anglican Church records, p. 76 #601, p. 93 #744, p. 108 #863.

Clarke: A Story of Three Clarkes

Contributed By: Eldon Hay

Jean Houston Sommerville, "Clarke: A Story of Three 'Clarkes'," written for a little boy whose name is also Clarke." Saint John, 1936. The original is in the Maritime Conference archives, Sackville, NB.

Jean Houston Sommerville (1898-1982), a granddaughter of Rev. William Sommerville, was born in Saint John, N.B., educated there, taught school; in 1922 entered the Presbyterian Church in Canada service, served as a missionary in China. In 1925, she entered the United Church, continuing to work in China. Later she worked in Trinidad.

Foreword by Eldon Hay

Rev. Alexander Clarke (1794-1874) [*the FIRST CLARKE*] came as a Covenanter missionary from Ireland in 1827, lived in Amherst. Rev. William Sommerville (1800-1878) was also a Covenanter missionary from Ireland coming to the new world in 1831, living in Grand Pre/Horton, then near Berwick, N.S.

Rev. William Sommerville had a large family of boys and girls. In Rev. William and (second wife) Jane Sommerville's family there were four children, among them, Thomas Houston Sommerville and the youngest child, Joseph Clarke Sommerville [*the SECOND CLARKE*]

In the Thomas Houston and Annie Sommerville family, of Saint John, NB, there were five children, among them, Jean Houston Sommerville, the eldest, then Joseph Clarke Sommerville [*the THIRD CLARKE*] then Robert ("Bob") Sommerville.

In the Robert ("Bob") and Elizabeth Sommerville family, of Toronto, ON, there was a girl and a boy; the boy's name was Robert Clarke Sommerville.

In the Robert Clarke and Dorothy Sommerville family, of Cobourg, ON, there are three children, two daughters and a son. The son is the eldest, his name is David Clarke Sommerville.

Once upon a time, more than a hundred years ago, over in Ireland there lived a young man whose name was Clarke - Alexander Clarke. He was a preacher, and he loved to teach people and help them. Now there were a lot of preachers in that country, so Mr. Clarke thought he would move to a place where preachers were scarce, where the people had no church to which to go, and no one to help and teach them. Mr. Clarke decided to preach in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. So he told Mrs. Clarke, and they got all ready for their long trip in a sailing ship. Nowadays, it takes only a few days to travel from Ireland to Canada, but Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and their two little girls were on that sailing ship for ten whole weeks. They certainly were glad when they

reached Saint John, and could walk on solid land once more.

Very soon Mr. Clarke began to travel through the country, holding church services in barns or in homes, anywhere where a group of people were willing to listen and learn. In those days the homes were very far apart, and there were no good roads. In some parts there were no roads at all, just narrow paths through the thick woods. Once when Mr. Clarke was riding along on horseback, the branch of a tree caught his coat - his good Sunday coat - and tore it so badly that he had to borrow a coat to wear to church.

Often Mr. Clarke had to wade through swollen streams, and then preach his sermon with water dripping from his trousers and oozing from his shoes. One cold day, his horse fell through the ice of a river, and though he tried and tried, Mr. Clarke could not get him out. At last some men came to help, but the poor horse died.

One Sunday in spring-time, Mr. Clarke had an especially hard time getting to church, so, when he had finished his sermon (and a good long sermon it was too), he told the people that he was afraid he wouldn't be able to come the next Sunday, as the roads were getting worse, so he would give them an hour to rest and then preach them another sermon! They ate their lunches in the churchyard, and then went back into the church for another two hours! Nowadays we wouldn't sit still and listen for so long, but those people were so lonely, and so glad to have a minister to teach them, that they did not mind long sermons.

They couldn't pay their minister very much money, so Mr. Clarke had to do some farming to get enough for his family to eat. He got very tired of the heavy work, and the long hard trips. A friend in the United States wrote him a letter, inviting him to move over there where life would be easier. Mr. Clarke almost decided to go; but one evening, after dark, he rode up to the little log house of some people he knew, and as he was standing on the doorstep, he heard a voice inside. Someone was praying; so Mr. Clarke waited outside until they should finish their prayer, and what do you suppose he heard? He heard the man praying for him, thanking God for sending them such a good minister, and asking God to keep him safe and well, so that he could keep on helping them. After that, Mr. Clarke decided that he couldn't go away when these people needed him so; and for many many years he travelled about among the little churches.

When the folks back home in Ireland heard how much work Mr. Clarke had to do, they sent out another preacher to help him. This man's name was

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William Sommerville. At first Mr. Sommerville and Mr. Clarke worked together, then one took one part, and the other took another part of the country. Mr. Sommerville lived in Grand Pre, and if you visit Grand Pre some day, you will see the little old church where he used to preach. Afterwards Mr. Sommerville moved to a place near Berwick, N.S. He had a big family of boys and girls, and the very youngest boy was named Clarke, in honour of his father's friend, Mr. Clarke.

This little boy had another name too. His whole name was Joseph Clarke Sommerville. His big brother Tom was very fond of him, and often took him out with him. One cold winter day, when Clarke was seven years old, he went out to play with his sled. Tom took him for a long ride. They had such a good time that they did not notice how cold it was; but that night Clarke began to cough, and the next day he got worse instead of better, and in a few days he died.

His mother and father felt very badly, and so did all his big brothers and sisters, especially Tom. Tom never forgot his little brother, and when Tom grew to be a man, and had a home of his own in Saint John, his very first baby boy was named Clarke - Joseph Clarke Sommerville. When this little Clarke started to school he learned his lessons very quickly; they were no trouble to him at all. He loved to read. He liked to play games too. When he was about eleven, he went on a summer camping trip, and learned to swim and dive, and to paddle a canoe. He liked it so much that after that he went camping every summer. When he was in High School he played football and basketball, and ran races, and jumped the high-jump. After High School he stated to go to college, to U.N.B. in Fredericton.

Now those were the years of the Great War, and many of Clarke's friends had gone to France as soldiers. Clarke felt that he must go too, so he enlisted as a gunner, although he was only seventeen, and all the soldiers were supposed to be eighteen at least. So Clarke began to wear a khaki uniform, and his mother and father and brothers and sisters all thought he looked fine, but they were very sorry that he had to learn to fight and go to war.

Do you know where Partridge Island is? It is that little island across the mouth of the Saint John Harbour. Well, it was on Partridge Island that Clarke and a lot of other soldier boys lived for many months, learning to be good gunners. He went to Halifax for a while, to take a course in P.T. (that means Physical Training). After that he was made a corporal, and used to drill a bunch of the other soldiers. At last the time came for Clarke and the others to cross the Atlantic Ocean to England. From England they soon moved to France, where the

fighting was. Clarke's family were always watching for the letters which he wrote, telling what he and the other soldiers were doing. Then at noon one day, when the war was almost over, Clarke and his friends were standing by the cook-house, waiting for their dinner, when a bomb came over, and exploded right where they were standing. Eighteen of the boys were hit. Clarke was killed.

Clarke's mother and father felt very badly. His brothers and sisters missed him too, especially his brother Bob. Bob never forgot his big brother who went to France and did not come back, so when Bob grew up and had a home of his own in Toronto, his little baby boy was named Clarke. This little boy's whole name is Robert Clarke Sommerville, and now that he is going to school, I hope he will soon be able to read for himself this story about the other three "Clarkes".

Afterword by Eldon Hay

This is a delightful story, told by Rev. William Sommerville's granddaughter. It's also fascinating because Alexander Clarke and William Sommerville, who were once colleagues and friends, had a falling out; they seemed to go separate ways. But in the Sommerville family, there obviously was an admiration for Rev. Alexander Clarke; Rev. Sommerville named his last born son, Clarke. And the name, Clarke, was used in succeeding generations. Would the stories associated with the first Clarke also go along with the name?

When Jean Houston Sommerville told her story in 1936, she had in mind a nephew who had just started to school. That boy was Robert Clarke Sommerville, born in 1930, so six years of age when the story was written. This Robert Clarke Sommerville died in 1997, in Cobourg, Ontario.

In July 2007, I had a telephone conversation with Robert Clarke's widow, Dorothy Sommerville. After some mutual introduction I asked first, 'Do you know why your husband was called Clarke? She responded immediately, "he was named after an uncle who had been a soldier and died just at the end of World War I." I followed with another question about her own children. She told me that she and her husband had had three children, now grown: a son, who was the eldest, and two daughters. I asked for the name of the son, 'he is called David Clarke Sommerville'. Certainly a key part of the story has been kept alive in the family tradition.

DeWolfe in Sheep's Clothing

Contributed By: Shirley O'Neil

The Story of Doctor Edward DeWolfe , his Three Wives and his Eleven Children

The DeWolfees were planters, that group of New England Protestants who were invited by Governor Lawrence to come to Nova Scotia. They were to take up the good farmlands that had been vacated by the Acadian farmers due to their forced expulsion in 1755.

Planter was an Elizabethan term meaning colonist. The term came to Nova Scotia to designate the settlers of the townships of Cornwallis, Horton, Falmouth, and Newport. (Planters and Pioneers, Wright, E., 1967). Governor Lawrence's Proclamation of 1758 invited Protestant settlers with a promise of 100 acres of land to every "master of a family" and 50 acres for every other man, woman, and child. The DeWolfe family came to Horton Township in 1764. The head of this family was Nathan DeWolfe, who was born in 1720 in Saybrook, Connecticut. He married twice and his children were Lucilla, Edward, Loran, Elisha, Nathan, Gurdon, Sarah, and Jonathan. Nathan Senior died 21 March, 1789 in Nova Scotia. (LDS Records)

The line being followed is that of his first son Edward, born 1752, died 1796
He married Sarah Brown and had the following children:

- Lavinia born 1774
- Thomas born 1776
- Stephen Brown born 1779
- Sarah born 1781 – died 1810
- Elizabeth born 1783
- Jacob born 1785
- Edward born 24 January, 1788 – died 29 January 1874
- Joseph born 28 February 1790-died 29 December 1826
- Abigail born 1792-died 1875
- Charles Brown born 1794-died 1879
- Elisha born 1796-died 1879

(The History of Kings County, Nova Scotia, Arthur Wentworth Hamilton Eaton, 1910)

When his son Edward, the subject of the story, was eight years old (1796) his father Edward died at the age of 44 leaving his wife Sarah with the responsibility of the children. Eight year old Edward was apprenticed to Charles Dixon, a master carpenter, a contract which would last until he reached his 21st birthday. This would assure his mother that he would be fed, clothed, receive a basic education including religion, and above all, a useful trade. Other sons were probably similarly placed, but we have no proof of this. The doctor's obituary states that Charles Dixon was a relative from Onslow, N.S.

The DeWolfees placed a high importance on education.

Even though young Edward hated the trade of carpentry, he fulfilled the terms of the contract until he was 21. He filled his evenings in reading everything he could lay his hands on including the sciences and languages. Gradually, he came to prefer the study of medicine and at age 21, when he left Dixon's home, he went to Liverpool to work under Dr. Webster. He is also said to have studied in New York and Edinburgh.

About 1820, he was practicing medicine in St. Andrews, New Brunswick. He was made surgeon of the 2nd Battalion Charlotte County Militia in 1820. (The New Brunswick Militia Commissioned Officers List 1787-1867 , David Facey-Crowther, Capital Free Press, Fredericton, 1984), He began courting Maria Pagan, an adopted daughter of Robert and Miriam Pote Pagan. Maria was actually Robert Pagan's niece. Edward and Maria married in All Saints Anglican Church in St. Andrews on 28 June, 1822. (Anglican Church Records)

Maria and Edward DeWolfe had five children in all, but only one survived babyhood. They were as follows:

1. An unnamed stillborn daughter on 2 May 1823 (tombstone St. Andrews.)
2. Robert Pagan DeWolfe who was baptized on 1 August 1824 but who died at age 15 months on 15 September 1825 in Horton, Nova Scotia (newspaper obituary Acadian Recorder, 1 October 1825)
3. Edward DeWolfe, born and died on 25th December 1825, buried at St. Martin's-in-the-Woods at Shediac Cape. (PANB Film # 1674 Anglican Church Records)
4. Susan Maria Pagan DeWolfe born in 1827 in St. Andrews who lived to the age of 47, and died in 1874 in a boarding house in Milltown, Maine. Buried in St. Stephen Rural Cemetery.

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5. George Edward DeWolfe born 31 December 1828 in St. Andrews, died the next day 1 January 1829, and was buried with his mother who succumbed to childbirth fever.(Anglican Church Records of St. Andrews, NB)

Dr. DeWolfe continued to practice medicine in St. Andrews. It is believed that he and his small daughter Susan resided at 44 Queen Street as the deed from that address states that Dr. DeWolfe owned it from 1824 to 1835. (This was an inheritance to Susan from her grandfather, Robert Pagan, who died in 1821). The house appears to have had an upstairs family apartment with a downstairs front room as his clinic with its separate entrance.

6. George Gordon Byron DeWolfe, born 15 February, 1835- died 1871

The sixth child of Doctor Edward DeWolfe was born 15 February 1835 in St. Andrews, N.B., (baptism record, Holy Trinity Church, Digby, N.S.) Having exhausted all local records in a vain attempt to confirm the birth of this son for a New Hampshire researcher, more than a year passed before the proof was found.

This was partly due to the fact that the doctor was not married to the boy's mother, Hester or Esther Linniken, daughter of William Linniken of St. David, and partly because the proof lay in Digby, N.S., where the baptism took place when the child was 5 months old, on 15 July, 1835. He was given the names George Gordon Byron DeWolfe, possibly because the doctor was an admirer of Lord Byron, a famous Romantic poet of the early 19th century. His descendants quote him in saying that when he was 7 years old his parents brought him from Nova Scotia to Saint John, New Brunswick. It is believed that he had been cared for by relatives in Nova Scotia from 1835 to 1842.

Not much is known about his boyhood except that he was sent away to boarding school in his early teens to the New England area. In his later years of writing poetry, George Gordon Byron DeWolfe writes of his boyhood days in Saint John and on the Kennebecasis River. (Rev. Dr. Albert H. LeDoux in PA)

The following quote (courtesy of Rev. Albert LeDoux,) is part of a poem entitled

The Wandr'ng Poet's Address

I shall tell you of my travels-studying from Nature grand
From the forests of New Brunswick, to the sunny Southern land.
Young was I my teens commencing, when I left my Eastern home,
Studying in Nature's College, here and there I've chanced to roam.

By the dear St. John I've wander'd, and the beautiful St. Croix,
Clamber'd up the great Katahdin (then indeed a happy boy),
Sailed upon the blue Penobscot, Kennebec and Saco bright,
Worshipping the friendly muses, morning, afternoon and night.

(final verse)

Have I made a tedious story where I thought to make a brief,
Reading from the book of Nature, yet I must turn many a leaf.
Mountains high await my climbing, valleys wait for me below,
Now I thank you for attention-let the Wandr'ng Poet go !

The second wife of Dr. Edward DeWolfe was Sarah Catherine Hazen, daughter of the Honourable William Hazen, a prominent businessman in Saint John, New Brunswick. There were no children by this marriage. The wedding was at Trinity Church, Saint John, on June 8, 1838. Sarah Catherine DeWolfe died 29 June, 1851 and was buried in the Hazen family lot in Fernhill Cemetery, Saint John, NB. (Saint John Morning News, 2 July 1851.) leaving Dr. Edward, his son George Gordon Byron, and Susan.

Dr. Edward married for the third time on 26 May 1854 at the Anglican Rectory, Ann Mount, St. Stephen, NB, to Miss Maria Woodward Moore, daughter of John Warren Moore, master cabinetmaker. In all three marriages Dr. Edward managed to wed daughters of prominent men. She was only 19 (he was 66) and her parents were not happy about this marriage. Maria was a schoolteacher and fairly independent in her thinking for the times. The same year, 1854, his son George Gordon Byron DeWolfe, in his own words, "left home, never to return". His words might suggest a clash of opinions between father and son as it is known that the doctor's will did not mention the son's family.

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Children from the union of Dr. Edward and his third wife were:

7. Edgar Osmond DeWolfe born 8 July 1855 at St. Andrews, died 11 October 1864 of diphtheria at St. Stephen. Buried in St. Stephen Rural Cemetery aged 9 years 3 months.
8. Leila Maude DeWolfe born 9 January, 1859, at St. Stephen, married at Trinity Church 30 June 1880 to Thomas Andrew DeWolfe, died 3 May 1886, Wolfville, NS. Buried there.
9. Edward Harold Egbert DeWolfe born 21 March 1865 married 25 December 1890 at Grace Episcopal Church, Lawrence, Mass. to Annie Hood Anderson, Lawrence, Mass.
10. Rosamund Ethel DeWolfe born 21 October 1868 in St. Stephen; died 7 August 1947 aged 78.(unmarried)
11. Edward Osmond DeWolfe born 12 May 1871.

The DeWolfe family was living at 27 Hawthorne Street in St. Stephen at the time of the doctor's death on 29 January, 1874. (St. Croix Courier, 5 February, 1874).

The following obituary was written by David Main, editor, and good friend of the doctor.

Dr. Edward DeWolfe

Dr. DeWolfe was born at Horton, NS, on the 16th of January, 1788. His father dying at an early age, he was taken by his mother to Onslow, NS, where he was apprenticed to a relative, Mr. Charles Dickson, to learn the carpenter's trade. From the first he had a great dislike for the trade, but it was his mother's wish, and like a dutiful son he obeyed.

During his apprenticeship he read all the books within his reach. In his leisure moments he pursued the study of ancient languages and French, and read such theological, legal, and medical works that he could get his hands on. He was a close observer of passing events, and gathered from observation more or less of practical knowledge. He was not contented with his occupation but served his apprenticeship with as much patience as possible until he reached his majority in 1809.(21 years old)

He then determined upon pursuing his studies for the medical profession and first studied under Dr. Webster of Liverpool, NS, with much diligence and success. In 1812, he visited St. John, Fredericton, and Woodstock and finally settled in Miramichi where he pursued the practice of medicine for a time. Though his pecuniary prospects were good there, he was desirous of perfecting his education for a professional life, and left Miramichi going to Halifax where he served some time in the Naval Hospital under Dr. Rowland, the superintendent of that institution. Leaving Halifax, he spent some time in Cape Breton and Prince Edward Island and then went to Newfoundland where he spent four years in the practice of his profession.

In his rambles around the country he acquired a great deal of information which is not found in print and the experiences and incidents of his sojourn in Newfoundland which he has often related in our hearing, were of the most interesting character. At that time, Newfoundland was not recognized as a colony of the Kingdom, but was considered to be a plantation or settlement. It had a governor and subordinates, and a naval officer went around by water to visit the principal harbours. He took the doctor with him on these visits who prescribed for the sick, and for this service each family among the fishermen was taxed yearly one pound sterling, whether they had sickness or not.

After leaving Newfoundland he went to New York to complete his medical studies and remained there through three college sessions. In 1819 he made a trip to Europe where he had additional opportunities of fitting himself for the practice of his profession. He then settled at St. Andrews, NB, where he practiced medicine for twenty-five years.

After that he removed to St. John where he resided thirteen years, and for the last sixteen years he has been a resident of St. Stephen, NB.

We are sorry that in the brief limits of a newspaper notice, we are unable to give additional particulars and incidents in the life of one who was, as it were, a connecting link between the past and present generations. He was a man of varied information and of more than ordinary mental grasp. He was warm and true in his friendships and enjoyed the esteem and confidence of a large circle of friends. He was a firm believer in a governing and superintending Providence but did not accept any of the creeds in their entirety. He was a kind husband and

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affectionate father, a faithful friend, a good citizen and an honourable man. The bereaved widow and family have the sympathy of the community in the loss they have sustained.

(St. Croix Courier Volume IX- 19. Issue of February 5, 1874)

The executors of his will were John Warren Moore, his father-in-law, and Clement B. Eaton and James G. Stephens, the younger. His will gave his property in trust to his sons until they were 21, allowing his wife to live there, provided that she remained unmarried. He also stated that his wife Maria might not contest the will in any way, the penalty being that she would get nothing, not even the home, and in addition, she would lose the guardianship of her children to the executors. For some unstated reason her parents brought up the children until their majority. Maria W. DeWolfe, his widow, seems not to have become reconciled to her parents as they did not keep her in their household.(census of 1880). Family letters that went back and forth between mother and children attest to that fact. The children referred to their grandparents Moore as Mother and Father, and to their mother as Ma. In one letter Leila tells her Ma that she has received her second class teaching licence and will shortly be earning money and that she would then help her financially. At this time Maria was working her board at the Franklin Family School in Topsham, Maine. Another letter of 18 November 1877 quoted here in part....

"My dear Ma,

We are all so glad that you have got into such a nice family and seem contented. From your description it must be a very pleasant boarding school. I should think it would be better for you to stay there this winter and work for your board, that is, if they would keep you on that condition. I am sure it would be a thousand times better than wandering round from place to place. Father spoke about it and wished me to say so to you.

A letter the week before also from Leila indicates that she wrote regularly to her mother

"My dear Ma,

Dear little Rosamond is better now, thanks to Aunt Fanny's good nursing. Hal and Ned are well and blooming. Ned is a smart boy. He is only six now and expects to enter a higher school in the spring.

Leila

"Dear Ma,

I hope you will do your very best, wherever you are. You must not expect too much of people. They will be kind to you for a short time and then take up with someone else. At least that is the way of a great many. I see everyday that it is best for you to be away at least for this winter.

Several have enquired after you very kindly. I hope that your health keeps good. Send for your winter things in time. Ma, you ought to be very thankful that your children are so well taken care of for they do indeed receive the very best of care. They are all fitted out with complete sets of flannel underclothing and new mittens all around.

Mother wrote, I suppose that I have received my teaching licence.

A fortune teller said I would marry well, plenty of money. Good news for you, Ma, if it comes true, for in that case I will be able to help you.

Leila

It would seem that Leila, the eighteen year old daughter, is writing to her mother, giving HER advice and helpful suggestions each week much the same as if their positions were reversed. She tells her mother that Ned (Edward) the baby of the family, is six years old. Surely the mother would be aware of the age of her youngest child. This might suggest that for some reason the doctor's widow is incapable of living independently or with her own children, but there is no proof, only hearsay. The following paragraph tells an interesting fact about her husband, the doctor's, habits.

In one letter in 1864 Dr. DeWolfe wrote to his wife Maria, telling her near the beginning of his letter that his handwriting may be difficult to read because he had just finished "smoking". He goes on to say that he must give up that evil habit. The evil habit refers to the smoking of opium, a practice that was fairly common in that time period by those who could afford it. (F#0225 Moore/DeWolfe Collection of Family Letters)

After the death of Dr. Edward DeWolfe, the widow and children had a hard time financially due to the harshness of his will. There is no proof for the reason that the children were taken over by their maternal grandparents and their mother was left to fend for herself. The doctor's first daughter, Susan Maria Pagan DeWolfe, died a few months after her father in a boarding house in Calais, Maine, at the age of 47. She was interred in the Moore lot in the St. Stephen Rural Cemetery in an unmarked grave. His widow Maria survived her husband for a span of more than forty years and died in 1920 in a boarding house in St. Stephen, NB. When her mother, Mary Louisa Moore's will was probated in 1890, it read "To my daughter Maria Woodward Moore DeWolfe, I leave nothing. We brought up her children so she has received more than her share." (Will of Mary Louisa Moore 1890)

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Even though the doctor fathered eleven children, his descendants are few in number. The only child from his first marriage, Susan, did not marry nor have children. There is a veiled rumour in one of the Moore /DeWolfe letters that she may have been a victim of an addiction to laudanum, a derivative of opium. The doctor's natural son, George Gordon Byron DeWolfe, became one of those "Wandering Poets of New Hampshire". He wrote mostly about the Civil War. He died at the young age of 37 in 1871 in New Hampshire. He was married to Eliza who was born in NH. They had Albert born 1862, Annie born 1863, and Martha born 1866 (1870 census Nashua, NH) The daughter above, named Annie DeWolfe, married a physician, Andrew Watt, and they had children : Andrew R. born c. 1891, Gordon H. born c. 1892, and Nigel V. born c. 1893.(1900 census of Providence, RI)

The last mentioned child, Nigel V. Watt, grew up to marry and have a son Nigel, who also had a son Nigel. The third Nigel is presently a pianist of note in New Hampshire. (Watt genealogy information given by the pianist to the writer 2007)

From the doctor's third marriage to Maria Moore, his daughter Leila married Andrew DeWolfe and they had three children, none of whom survived to adulthood. Leila herself died at the age of 27. Edward Harold DeWolfe married Annie Hood Anderson in Lawrence, MA. It is not known if there were children. Rosamond Ethel did not marry and died at the age of 78. The last son Edward Egbert was called Neddy, and nothing is known of him after the death of his grandmother, Mrs. Moore, in 1890.

The only known descendants were those of the doctor's natural son, George Gordon Byron DeWolfe.

Saint John Biweekly Globe (Saturday, July 11, 1925) Provincial News

Contributed By: Marie Chapman

Moncton – July 5, 1925 – St. Bernards Church masses celebrated by Rev. Charles J. Carroll and Rev. Fr. Cahill

Chatham Gazette – Mrs. Donald Fraser attended the National Convention of the Catholic Women's League, held in Hamilton. Ont.

Barkers Point – John Sears has received word his son Joseph W. Sears, Rhodes Scholar, has successfully passed all examinations in both Arts and Law. Will sail for home in a few days.

Moncton – July 5, 1925 – Mrs Percy O'Brien and L. Perigny were knocked down by a car driven by H. R. Hauch

Fredericton Gleaner – Joseph Wilby, owner of Peoples' Benefit Store, Westmorland Road, fractured both arms as result of fall off a horse.

N. B. Doctors passed examinations in various cities: A. Clark, Newcastle; J. Cruikshank, Saint John West; J. W. Dobson, Hillsboro; L. Fitzmaurice, Campbellton; L Fitzpatrick, Wirral; J Sullivan, Saint John; and D. Thurber, Millerton. All qualified as L.M.C.

June 25, 1925 (Fredericton Mail) Miss Millett Bebbington, d/o Mr. & Mrs. Bebbington, Jr. Has returned from Newport, Mass. Where she graduated from Newport Hospital after three years nurse's training.

Divorces

July 7, 1925 – Plaintiff Louis Franklin Gunter, Fredericton, vs Alma Gunter Harvey Station

July 8, 1925 – Samuel Hollis vs Jennie Edna Knox, both residing in Lorneville. Stephen Walter Maguire named as co-respondent. RG McNerney was proctor.

Alice Bacon vs Wellington Bacon. G. Earle Logan Proctor

Minnie B Pickard, Woodstock, vs Westley Pickard, Dumfries, York Co.

Stanley Steeves vs Amy Steeves, Moncton

Cemeteries of Dufferin Parish Ledge Road

Contributed By: Glenna Johnston

This small private cemetery is located
on the south side of the Ledge Road.

Large stone in center –

Front- BROWN/

RICHARD P. BROWN/ 1803-1881 / HIS WIFE

ELMIRA JANE / 1823-1887

Not lost but gone before.

Left- AVERY

MUSOEVER / 1833-1914 /

EARL AVERY / 1886-1920 /

IRENA PAVER / 1847-1930 /

Right- McLAUGHLIN

WILLIAM JOHN / 1858-1941 /

HIS WIFE / MERCY ELLA / 1869-1943

Back- BROWN

EDWARD C. / 1845-1876 /

HANNAH / 1849-1864 /

DANIEL / 1853-1854 /

JENNETTE M. / 1856-1861

2. FATHER
3. MOTHER
4. MALCOLM 1805-1880
5. EARL
6. IRENE P.
7. AMOS
8. JEANETTE
9. DANIEL / SON OF RICHARD &
ALMIRA J. / BROWN / DIED / NOV 17, 1858 /
AE 11 mos & 17 days
10. HANNAH
11. EDWARD
12. MOTHER
13. FATHER

This is located at the end of the Donald Road, near
the River.

CLIFTON W. DONALD / 1872-1872

ZELA V. DONALD / 1851-1872

DIED OF SMALLPOX

(This is known as 'NELLIE'S GRAVE')

DONALD ROAD CEMETERY – LEDGE

Series 1 –

1. WILLIAMS- Back NASON
2. HENRY WILLIAMS / SON OF / C. K. &
FLORA WILLIAMS / 1909-1910

3. CLIFTON K. WILLIAMS / 1877-1911

4. ELOISE WILLIAMS / WIFE OF / JOHN A.

NASON / 1872-1917

Series 2-

5. HANNAH / MILES S. HANNAH /

1840-1903 /

SARAH B. 1841-1928

Series 3-

6. ELIZA ANN / dau of Sidney S. &

Cyrena /

ROBINSON / DIED / Sept. 3, 1857

Series 4-

7. WILLIAM NASON / 1851-1909 /

AUGUSTA HILL NASON 1855-1933

8. HILL / ELIZABETH HILL / 1841-1918 /

ALMA HILL / 1857-1920

Left- WILLIAM HILL / Died Aug. 24, 1866 / Ae
88 yrs 9 ms. /

ELIZABETH HILL / Died Mar 28, 1868 /
Ae 84 yrs /

WILLIAM / Son of W. & E. HILL / Died
Nov 19, 1836 / Ae 15 yrs 9 ms.

Right- GEORGE HILL / Died Aug 17, 1892 / Ae
73 yrs 11 mos /

MARTHA D. HILL / Died Sept 10, 1882 /
Ae 67 yrs 10 mos.

Back- ZELA / Died Oct 6, 1850 / Ae 7 mos 24 ds. /
OLIVE / Died June 21, 1868 / Ae 16 yrs 4
mos. /

Children of G. & M. D. HILL

9. J. T. SMITH / DIED AUG 30, 1916 / Ae 75
YRS.

Series 5-

10. SMYTH / Sacred to the memory of /
SUSAN / Wife of James Smyth / & second
daughter of / the late William and Elizabeth Hill / of
St. Stephen, N. B. / Died April 7, 1870 / Ae 61 yrs 10
mos 21 dys.

11. In memory of / ROBERT H. HANNAH /
entered into rest / Oct 16, 1878 / Ae 79 yrs 6 mos.

12. In memory of / SOPHIA / Beloved wife of /
Robert H. Hannah / Died Aug 24, 1853 / Ae 41 yrs &
3 mos.

13. JOSHUA YOUNG / Died in California /
Mar 7, 1852 / Ae 27 / EMILY / his wife / Died Mar
8, 1859 / Ae 37 There are no partings in Heaven.

14. DANIEL / Died Sept 26, 1837 / Ae 6 yrs 3
mos.

WILLIAM / Died Feb 11, 1842 / Ae 4 yrs 10
mos.

DANIEL / Died Jan 16, 1845 / Ae 3 yrs.

ARCHIBALD / Died Jan 26, 1845 / Ae 1 yr 10
mos

GEORGE / Died Feb 16, 1847 / Ae 3 days

Cemeteries of Dufferin Parish Ledge Road

- FREDERICK / Died Oct 28, 1848 / Ae 6 mos.
 ANNA M. / Died Apr 15, 1851 / Ae 2 days
 Children of David & Anna Hill
15. HILL
 16. In memory of ANNA HILL / Died Oct 4, 1871 / Ae 52 yrs 2 mos.
 17. DAVID HILL / 1803-1886
 18. A. H.
 19. CLINDININ / ANDREW CLINDININ / DIED JAN 26, 1883 / Ae 59 yr 7 ms.
 SALOME / 1835-1922
 Left- HARRY C. CLINDININ / 1859-1886
 Right- SOPHIA H. 1854-1918
 20. HANNAH / FREDERICK G. 1845-1929 / SARAH E. 1849-1923 / EDNA 1871-1914 / LILA 1877-1879
 Series 6-
 21. LEVI W. YOUNG / 1835-1902 / HIS WIFE ELIZABETH A. / 1838-1895 / GEORGE T. / 1858 1889 / EFFIE / 1865-1882
 22. In memory of / SALOME / WIFE OF / JAMES PULK / Died Aug 16 / 1874 / Ae 15 yrs 13 dys.
 23. AMELIA M. / dau of James & Salome PULK / Died / Mar 20, 1853 / Ae 15yrs 13 dys
 24. A. M.
 Series 7-
 25. YOUNG / JAMES M. / 1835-1920
 HENRIETTA / WIFE OF / JAMES M. YOUNG / DIED / OCT 16, 1890 / Ae 51 yra
 JEFFERSON / AGED 19 YRS.
 FREDDIE / AGED 1 YEAR
 Left- WILLIAM C. / COSSABOOM / 1851-1924
 ETHEL M. / 1870-1923 CLINTON W. 1896-1916 / DIED IN ACTION.
 Right- CYRUS F. GOOD / 1863-1937
 HELEN H. GOOD / 1866-1951
 TOM G. GOOD / 1891-1892
 Back- ANNIE H. / MARTIN / 1859-1928
 26. NELLIE
 27. CYRUS
28. ANNIE
 29. CAPT. CHARLES M. MARTIN / 1857 – 1930
 30. YOUNG / IN MEMORY OF / CHARLES RODNEY YOUNG / MAY 6, 1863 – APR 19, 1928
 HIS WIFE ANNIE B. / SEPT 6, 1866 – JUNE 26, 1954
 31. YOUNG / CHAS. C. YOUNG / DIED / APR 9, 1894 / Ae 76 yrs.
 MARK M. YOUNG / DIED NOV 1, 1897 / Ae 43 yrs
 Left- ELIZA A. / Wife of / CHAS C. YOUNG / DIED / JULY 11, 1880 / Ae 55 YRS/
 32. KENNEDY / JOHN KENNEDY / BORN JUNE 28, 1842 / DIED JAN 18, 1910 / Ae 67 yrs 7 mos.
 HIS WIFE / SARAH H. / 1847-1914
 33. HANNAH / JOHN HANNAH / DIED OCT 6, 1875
 SARAH HANNAH / DIED / SEPT 3, 1889 / Ae 84 YRS 9 MOS.
 Left-ALBERT J. / DIED / FEB 27, 1861, Ae 27 YR 10 mos.
 34. CYRENE ROBINSON
 35. ELIZABETH ROBINSON
 36. THOMAS ROBINSON
 37. ELBRIDGE C. ROBINSON
 38. YOUNG / STILLMAN A. YOUNG / 1839-1914 ADDIE YOUNG / 1844-1931
 (cement fence)
 Series 8-
 39. YOUNG / JOSHUA COTTRELL YOUNG / AUG 19, 1958-NOV 7, 1927
 HIS WIFE ANNIE ELIZA / FEB 14, 1861-SEPT 21, 1947
 NELLIE ELIZA YOUNG / JULY 24, 1888-OCT 16, 1933
 40. KEITH / MORRIS WALLER / AUG 26, 1923 / NOV 26, 1925 / SON OF / J. G. & J. M. WALLER

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Contributed By: Marie Chapman

Wedding

Libby – McCavour – on June 30, 1925, at the Manse, St. Stephen, N.B., by Rev. C.R.F. MacLellan, Annie McCavour, daughter of Mrs. David McCavour, Lorneville, and Harry A. Libby, St. Stephen.

Book Review

Reviewed by Mary T. Chisholm

"The Nine Lives Of Charlotte Taylor"

by Sally Armstrong Random House 2007

"The Nine Lives of Charlotte Taylor" is \$34.95. It is available at the UNB Bookstore and likely all other bookstores.

Those of us interested in genealogy so often hear "It is not the dates -- births, deaths, marriages -- that are important but the stories that make the history of our families come alive." The story of the first woman settler of the Mirimichi, "The Nine Lives of Charlotte Taylor" by Sally Armstrong, Charlotte's great, great, great, granddaughter is such a story.

In this book there are elements of fiction intertwined with well researched facts. Through Sally's eyes we visualize the land as it was in the 1700's and early 1800's from Bais des Chaleurs to the southwest Mirimichi. Through Sally's ears we hear the tales of the seafarers, the legends of the Mi'kmaq, the everyday interactions of the people as they struggle through difficult times and celebrate achievements. Through Sally's pen we capture the spirit of our ancestors brought to life by her vivid descriptions and the realism of Charlotte's diary. We experience sixty-six years in the life of one of the earliest woman settlers in the Northeast and feel the strength of her character as she blazes the trail as pioneer, lover/wife, mother, teacher and nurse.

Whether or not your ancestors are from Mirimichi, have English, Scottish, Irish, Acadian, Loyalist or Mi'kmaq roots, or you just enjoy a very well written book "The Nine Lives Of Charlotte Taylor" is a MUST READ.

Book Comments By: Stephen Davidson

What happens if your genealogical research unearths so many interesting stories that you realize your discoveries deserve a wider audience? In my case, New Brunswick family research became the basis for two books.

John and Hepzibeth Lyon were among the passengers to sail on the UNION, the first ship to bring loyalist refugees to New Brunswick. As I traced their story from Redding, Connecticut to Kingston, NB, I also collected information on the people they knew in their hometown, their fellow loyalists in a Long Island refugee camp, their fellow passengers on the UNION, and those who helped found Kingston. In the end, I had stories on over one hundred loyalists, including an annotated passenger list for the UNION.

This research resulted in a history e-book, "The Burdens of Loyalty: Refugee Tales from the First American Civil War". (Now the top-selling e-book for Trinity Enterprises, Inc. of Saint John.) When this was read in manuscript form by the head of the Kingston Peninsula Heritage Society, the suggestion was made to turn the Lyons' story into a young adult novel. In June, "Letters for Elly" was published, retelling the Lyon

family story from the perspective of seven siblings who experienced firsthand the trials of being loyalists in the American Revolution.

Both books have been favourably reviewed by The Loyalist Quarterly, and The Lyon's Tale (publication of the Lyon Families Association of America). I thought that NBGS members would be interested in learning about these two books that grew out of New Brunswick genealogical research.

The Burdens of Loyalty: Refugee Tales from the First American Civil War

By: Stephen Davidson

Those with Loyalist ancestors will enjoy this account of the refugee experiences of the Redding, Connecticut family of John and Hepzibeth BETTS LYON. The author traces the family's flight from Connecticut in 1776 to a Long Island refugee camp, to their journey away from the new United States of America. It ends with them founding Kingston, New Brunswick in 1783. During their journey, the LYONS met revolutionary war refugees from many parts of New England. More than 100 of these Loyalists' stories are told, some for the first time. Of special interest is the annotated passenger list of the "Union," the first ship to bring Loyalists to modern day New Brunswick--including the first Black Loyalists to enter the province. This e-book is available for \$5.25 from:

<<http://www.loonielink.com>> By visiting this site, you can download the opening pages of the book for free to see the chapter headings as well as the names of those whose stories have been researched.

Letters for Elly

Fifteen-year-old Elly Kent has to spend the summer of 1991 with her great-aunt and uncle on the Kingston Peninsula. Their idea of a good time is visiting graveyards and researching the family tree. It looks like Elly is doomed to have the most boring summer of all time until she leans against an ancient tombstone in a church cemetery and begins to receive letters from the past on her laptop computer. Are they really from seven siblings who lived through the American Revolution? Using local archives, the Internet, and tombstone data, Elly attempts to unravel the mystery. At the core of this novel are the true stories of the Lyon family of Redding, Connecticut. Suitable for inspiring young genealogists or helping students learn about the loyalist experience, this illustrated young adult novel is available for \$15.00 at the Carter House Tea Room in Kingston or online <www.carterhousetearoom.com>

Have you read any good genealogy books lately? If so please let me know. I am sure our readers would love to hear about them.

Mary Rosevear, Editor

Queries and Answers

Contributed by Joan McLeod

Genealogical queries and selected answers are published in *Generations* as a service to those who may wish to exchange data with other researchers. Queries should be brief and to-the-point. There is no longer a charge for queries. Submit as many as you wish but they may not all be printed in the same issue as space is limited. Please send queries on a separate page and be sure your name and address is on the page with your queries. Sent to the Queries editor or typing. Send queries to the queries editor:

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If you respond to a query, kindly send a copy of your answer to the Editor of *Generations*, indicating and noting any references you consulted (giving author, title, date of publication if any), manuscript (at what library, family tradition, etc.). While NBGS will not verify your family history, certified genealogists will review responses and selected answers will be published so that others who may be researching the same lines may benefit from the exchange.

Q4928 - BURNS/MURRAY – Researching Mary **Burns/Murray** who was b. in Ireland c1817 and immigrated to Canada in 1825. She marr. Edward **Murray** May 27, 1836 at Trinity Church in Saint John, NB. This was a second marr. For Edward and he and Mary went on to have a large family together. James **Murray**, who was b. in 1840, was my gr. grandfather. Mary d. in 1890 in Saint John. Looking for any info on the location in Ireland of Mary's birth and of any descendents of Mary **Burns** and Edward **Murray**. Thank you, *Kerry & Mary Coventry*, Email: *coverntrykm@sympatico.ca*.

Q4929 - CAMPBELL – I am looking for info on any of the following: Ellen G. **Campbell**, b. c. 1800 in Ireland and d. 1882 in Saint John, NB. Who was her husband? Were there other children? Ephraim **Campbell** #1 b. 1834 to Ellen. When did he die? Who was his father and what are his particulars? Elizabeth **Quigley**, w/o Ephraim #1, what are her dates, etc? Their children were: William J. b. 1853; Joseph b. 1855; Elizabeth b. 1856; Ephraim #2, b. 1857 and d. Dec. 6, 1917; Jessie Campbell **Ward** b. 1859 and d. 1891?; Ellen Campbell **Burns** b. 1861; Sarah Campbell **Tennant** b. 1861; George b. 1866; Thomas b. 1867; Colin/Collin b. 1869; and Robert b. 1872. They lived on Carmarthen St., at one time as well as on Brussels St. Most of the men were

blacksmiths. Ephraim **Campbell** #2 moved to Somerville, Massachusetts in the mid 1880's. He marr. Louisa Mae **Beckett** and they had one son, Ephraim J. **Campbell** and four daughters, Annie, Grace, Stella and Jennie. Grace was the mother of my father. Ephraim #2 D. in Dec. 6, 1917 and I was told that he was shipped back to NB for burial but he is not buried with his wife who is in the **Beckett Cemetery** in Gagetown. Can any shed some light on these folks? Thanks. *Rev. Barbara J. Silk, 357 Delaware Ave., Albany, NY 12209 or Phone: 518-432-9929 or Email: revbarbaraj@aol.com.*

Q4930 - HARMON – I am trying to find info on my gr. Grandfather, George Ichabod Harmon. The records I have show he was b. in NB, Canada around 1865. The 1910 US census show he came to the US in 1885. He marr. Ana Jane **McAloney** in Anoka, Minnesota (date unknown – their first child, Sarah **Harmon** was b. in 1889). Other than census records, I can find nothing on this man. I believe he d. or left the family around 1920 as my mother remembers him only as a small child. Any information will be greatly appreciated. Thank you, *Linda Yukda, 6300 Clarice Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89107 or Phone: 702-878-5744 or Email: amnilsfan@cox.net.*

Q4931 - KENNEDY – Looking for info on Eliza **Kennedy**. I know she was from NB and she marr. Alvin **Bolster**, and had my grandpa, Herman Alvin **Bolster** in Dover-Foxcroft 1909. I have been unable to verify the following: she was b. Victoria or Carleton Co., NB; her parents were Alex **Kennedy** b. 1851 and Elizabeth **Buckingham**. Any info about this family would be appreciated. Thank you, *Diana Davidson, 2801 Humboldt St., Bellingham, WA 98225 or Email: dianai_davidson@comcast.net.*

Q4932 - MERSEREAU – Violet **Mersereau** was born in 1892 in New York City and became an American silent movie star. Her sister, Claire **Mersereau**, was also an actress, two years younger. Wanted: genealogy tying these two cousins back into the Staten Island **Mersereau** line. *John Wood, 62 Hawkwood Blvd., N.W., Calgary, AB, T3G 2R9; or e-mail: jasjwood@telus.net.*

Q4933 - MERSEREAU – The **Mersereau** Manufacturing Company of Brooklyn, N.Y. made a variety of products, but is best remembered for the lithographed tin containers which they produced under contract for many products in the late 1800s. Wanted: The identity of the founder of The

Queries and Answers

Mersereau Manufacturing Company and genealogy tying this cousin back into the Staten Island **Mersereau** line. *John Wood, 62 Hawkwood Blvd., N.W., Calgary, AB, T3G 2R9; or e-mail jasjwood@telus.net.*

Q4934 - **RICKER**, Moss **Gains** married Annie Helen **Farrow** of Amherst, NS 1912-12-04. Interested in corresponding with people who can provide information on either the **Ricker** or **Farrow** Family. My wife is related to the **Farrow** family of Amherst, Nova Scotia. Believe that Moss **Gains Ricker** was son of Gilbert **Moss** and Alice (Moss) **Ricker**. Thank you, *George Cull, 19 Wishingwell Rd., St. John's, NL A1B 1G4 or Email: george.cull@nf.sympatico.ca*

Q4935 - **SCOTT** – My name is Joseph **Scott** and I am the grandson of Joseph Patrick **Scott** and Mary **McDonald** both of the Saint John, NB area. They immigrated to Milford, Massachusetts shortly after my father was born in Nov. 1924 or probably about 6 months after. Thus far, I have not been able to find any birth records of his but I have found census records for my grandfather and grandmother and also those of grandmother's parents Stephen **MacDonald** and Isabella **Williston**. According to what I have found, that my grandfather was b. in 1800, he was adopted by a family named **Conlon**, according to the 1911 census. I'm hoping to find out more about his origin, parentage, etc. Can you suggest any sources, perhaps specific newspapers covering Saint John and Moncton from the years 1890 – 1925 that may provide some info? I realize that answers to this inquiry may require research beyond the range, time and interest of the person reading it, so any clues or pointer in the right direction would be most appreciated. While my grandparents were still living in Canada they had three children, Joseph Francis, my father and Alice and Mary (Margaret) my aunts. Thank you, *J. Scott, Email: joseph.scott23@verizon.net.*

Q4936 - **SIMS** - I am researching my family tree and having obtained a copy of gr. Grandfather's Birth certificate, I have discovered that his father was William Thomas **Sims**, b. c 1833 in Saint John, NB. I'm aware that there is a St. John's Church in New Brunswick, New Jersey, but there is a rumor that our family had a French-Canadian connection. The only other info I have on William is that he at some time prior to 1853, traveled to England and marr. Caroline **Cox**. They emigrated to NSW, Australia, some time before 1863. William d. in 1902 and was buried in the Rookwood Church of England Cemetery, Sydney NSW. I am finding it very difficult to trace

any evidence of William's existence in Canada, given that I am in Australia. So I am contacting as many Saint John, NB genealogy sites as I can find and hoping that someone will be kind enough to help in any any way. Thank you, *Kay Slodecki, Email: kaynkev@bigpond.com.*

Q4937 - **SMITH** – Looking for descendants of John Richard **Smith** and his wife Sarah Jane (nee **Dobson**) who immigrated from East Yorkshire, England to New Brunswick in 1910 and in 1911 census were found in Lower St. Mary's, York County. Their eldest daughter, Ethel, b. 1903 believed to have married Graham **Hedley** at Woodstock, Carleton Co., in 1924 and their younger daughter, Lily (aka Tilly) b. 1906 believed to have married Albert Charles **Edwards** at Douglas, York Co., in 1925. Any help would be greatly appreciated. John Richard **Smith** was a brother to my maternal grandmother. Thank you, *Julia C. Woods, Email: foxwoods@infotelecom.es.*

Q4938 - **THORNTON** - I am researching Capt. Matthew **Thornton** and his family. He was b. Dec. 6, 1746 in MA and d. in 1824 at The Ledge, Dufferin Parish, Charlotte Co., NB. He marr. Mary **Crawford** on Mar. 30, 1768 in NY. She was b. Oct. 17, 1750 in NY and d. in St. Andrews, NB in 1842. They moved to NB about 1782. Is there a will and /or probate available for purchase for Matthew **Thornton**? Any other info that is available would be greatly appreciated. Please let me know the costs and how to send the money to you. Thank you, *Eunice Franklin, 111-1 Upper Bluffs Drive, Port Townsend, WA 98368, or Email: rfranklin@cablespeed.com.*

Q4939 - **TRUESDEL** - I would like to find info about a family in the NB area dating back to the 1800's. My husbands grandmother was Isora **Truesdell** who marr John **West**. I would like to find out about Isora's family. Isora was b. around 1869. I would appreciate any help you can give me. Thank you, *Mrs. Joan Naylor, Email: jdnusa@sbcglobal. et.*

Q4940 - **UNDERWOOD**, John – A loyalist from Rhode Island to NB in 1783. He was granted Lot 3 in Kennebecasis, Kings Co., NB. Thank you, *Mrs. R. Ellis, 872 Cromwell St., Woodstock, ON N4S 5B3 or Email: ruthilene.ellis@sympatico.ca.*

Q4941 - **UNDERWOOD**, Dute/Duty – A loyalist from Rhode Island to NB in 1783, granted Lot 4, then to Upper Canada about 1800. Any info helpful. Thanks, *Mrs. R. Ellis, 872 Cromwell St., Woodstock, ON N4S 5B3 or Email: ruthilene.ellis@sympatico.ca.*

Queries and Answers

Query Answer

Attached is a copy of my answer to the Thornton query on pg 52 of Generations Fall 2007. For more information contact: Joanne Cowdrick, email: jcowdrick@nctv.com

Matthew THORNTON

First Generation

1. Matthew THORNTON was born on 6 Dec 1746 in Massachusetts. He died in 1824 at the Ledge, Dufferin Parish, Charlotte Co, NB.
Matthew married Mary CRAWFORD on 30 Mar 1768 in NY. Mary was born 4 on 17 Oct 1750 in NY. She died in 1842 in St Andrews, NB.

They had the following children:

2 F i. Jane Livermore THORNTON was born in Thornton, Grafton, NH. She died on 18 Aug 1850 in Princeton, Washington, ME.

Jane married Capt Eli SPRAGUE son of Abiel SPRAGUE and Martha BRYANT. Eli was born on 4 Nov 1766 in Machias, Washington, ME. He died on 18 Aug 1850 in So Princeton, Washington, ME. He was buried in Aug 1850 in Vanceboro Cem, Vanceboro, Washington, ME.

+ 3 M ii. Joseph THORNTON Sr was born on 9 May 1772. He died on 5 Mar 1864.

4 F iii. THORNTON .
THORNTON married Abiel SPRAGUE son of Abiel SPRAGUE and Martha BRYANT. Abiel was born in 1766 in Machias, Washington, ME.

Sources

1. Generations, Fall 2007,pg 54.
2. Generations, Fall 2007,pg 54.
3. Generations, Fall 2007,pg 54.
4. Generations, Fall 2007,pg 54.
5. Generations, Fall 2007,pg 54

Second Generation

3. Joseph THORNTON Sr (Matthew) was born on 9 May 1772 in Thornton, Grafton, NH. He died on 5 Mar 1864 in Washington, ME. He was buried in Mar 1864 in So Princeton Cem, Princeton, Washington, ME.

Joseph married Lydia BAYLEY on 9 May 1797 in ME. Lydia was born on 23 Jan 1772 in Bakerstown Plt, Androscoggin, ME. She died on 12 Oct 1826 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.

They had the following children:

5 F i. Sarah THORNTON was born in 1799 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.
6 M ii. William A THORNTON was born in 1801 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.
7 M iii. Joseph THORNTON was born in 1804 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.
8 M iv. Samuel THORNTON was born in 1808 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.
9 M v. Nathaniel THORNTON was born in 1810 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.
10 M vi. Eli THORNTON was born in 1813 in Baileyville, Washington, ME.
+ 11 M vii. Abiel THORNTON was born on 3 Nov 1815. He died on 6 Mar 1887.

Muster Roll, Major Joshua Upham's Troop of the Kings American Dragoons

Camp Ireland Heights, Sept. 17, 1782

Contributed by George H. Hayward

Major	Joshua Upham	Absent - Aid de Camp to Commander in Chief	30	John White	
			31	James Taylor	
Lieut.	Isaac Tomlinson		32	Charles Conner	
Cornet	Stephen Jones	Recruiting at York	33	Daniel Southwick	
Q Master	Edward Sands		34	John Martin	
1	Serjeant Peter Galloway		35	Patrick Madden	Recruiting Kings Bridge
2	Serjeant John Underwood		36	Gabriel Wrigth	Recruiting Lloyds Neck
3	Serjeant Benona Card		37	William Stephenson	With Adj. Gen. Barrge
4	Cop=l Daniel Bostwik	Deserted 4 th Sept.	38	Daniel Kenny	
5	Cop=l Jonathan Owen	Duty Brooklyn	39	John Kenedy	
6	Cop=l Nicholas Spink	Sick	40	Robert Dean	Recruiting at York
7	Trump=r John Frederick		41	Edward Bebee	Recruiting Lloyds Neck
8	Farrier Jonath=n Clay		42	Horatio Hamson?	Confined
9	Vol. Lamuel Tarbulla		43	Ralph Austen?	
10	James York		44	Jacob Nawes	Deserted 4 th Sept.
11	Hezekiah Mark		45	Will=m Butler	Claimed by Navy 28 Aug
12	Thomas Tucker	Sick in hospital			
13	William Osser		46	Francis Benno	Deserted 4 th Sept.
14	Samuel Sturdevan		47	Ezra Smith	Deserted 4 th Sept.
15	Israel Abot	Duty Brooklyn	48	Josiah Buckbee	Deserted 4 th Sept.
16	John Ellis	Duty Brooklyn	49	Josiah Concklin	Dead 10 Aug >82
17	Seth Bebee		50	Alexander Nerd?	Deserted 15 th Sept.
18	Samuel Skegg	Duty Brooklyn	51	John Mayo	Inlisted 18 Sep by Cornet Jones at York
19	Nathan Deforest				
20	John Nodden		52	Sam=l Stringham	Inlisted 14 Sep by Lt. Tomlinson
21	Samuel Bebee	Sick			
22	Solomon Austen				
23	Mathias Johnson				
24	Henry Marrow?				
25	Daniel Rowland				
26	Daniel Terry				
27	Nath=l Coleman				
28	Henry Reynolds	Recruiting Lloyds Neck			
29	John Williams				

We hereby certify that the Commissioned Non Commissioned Officers & Private men were effective at the times within set against their respective names, and that the true and proper reasons are herein assigned against the names of those who are at this time absent.

Isaac Tomlinson, Lt.

Allison School Errata:

I have three things to correct in the article on the Allison School in the Fall 2007 Generations:

- Credit should be given to Jane Wood for providing the 1905 photo.
- Douglas, Gerald and Ronald Steeves are from a different branch of the Steeves and not descended from the John W. Steeves family.
- The train still does blow its whistle at the Jones Siding crossing. One just has to listen.

Thanks for the opportunity.

Sincerely

Catherine Cox

Saint John County New Brunswick

Elector List 1861

Contributed By: Marion J Dunphy, MEd.

Editor's Note: The following information is from the book "Saint John East, N.B. 1861 The Year of the Missing Census" by Marion J. Dunphy. This is the last part of a four part article

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 STAPLES, RICHARD
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 STARR, WILLIAM F.
 STARR, WILLIAM J.
 STARRETT, ALFRED
 STAVLEY, REV. A.M.
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 STEEN, ALEXANDER
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 STEVENS, DOUGLAS B.
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VAUGHAN, IRA
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VROOM, WILLIAM

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WYMOND, WILLIAM

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YEARS, JOHN
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YOUNG, WILLIAM

Volunteers Go to Heaven

**Many will be shocked to find.
When the day of judgement nears,
That there's a special place in Heaven
Set aside for volunteers.
Furnished with big recliners,
Satin couches and footstools,
Where there's no committee chairman,
No group leaders or car pools,
No eager team that needs a coach,
No bazaar and no bake sale:
There will be nothing to staple
Not a thing to fold or mail.
Telephone lists will be outlawed,
But a finger snap will bring
Cool drinks and gourmet dinners,
And rare treats fit for a king.
You ask, "Who'll serve these privileged few,
And work for all they're worth?"
Why all those who reaped the benefits
And NOT ONCE volunteered on Earth!**

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