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## From the Editor's Desk

My Generations report for 2015: I've now completed 5 years as Generations editor. I'm gratified by the continuing interest from our contributors who never fail to provide us with excellent material for the magazine (albeit sometimes with some pleading on my part!). Thank you to all of you!



Back in 2011 I stated that *Generations* would "contain a mixture of genealogical and historical material, some reprinted and some original.". This continues today, and I expect that to continue in the future.

Some of our more prolific contributors during my tenure have been Eldon Hay, Marianne Donovan, George Hayward, Barb Pearson, and Franklin Larson. A special thanks to them for their efforts to bring useful genealogical and historical information to our readers.

I note that Graeme Somerville had an article, *Restoration* of the Westmorland Road Cemetery in the very first issue of Generations in 1979 and he continues to provide excellent articles today.

Furthermore George Hayward provided a transcript of the Victoria Corner cemetery in the second issue and he is also continuing to provide high quality content.

We've published over 300 articles of cemetery transcripts over the 37 year history of the magazine. These are an important historical resource - which is now preserved on-line as all our back issues are on our website.

I appreciate the kind remarks that readers have provided over the past five years but also take seriously the suggestions for improvement that have been given.

Thank you to the NBGS Inc Board and the members for their trust and support over the years and hope to continue to receive that in the future.

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We're pleased to announce that our queries are now in the capable hands of our new Queries editor - Mary Rosevear. Her contact information is on page 54. Please send queries to her, either by email or by postal mail, to the address below. They can also be submitted through the website: http://www.nbgs.ca/cpage.php?pt=99

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# Annual General Meeting - NBGS Inc.

The Annual General Meeting of the New Brunswick Genealogical Society Inc. will be held on Saturday, May 28, 2016 at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, 28 Woolridge Ave., Riverview, NB.

Our guest speaker, Lawren Campbell, Heritage and Culture Co-ordinator of Resurgo Place, will talk on the Historical Buildings of Moncton.

11:00 AM- Executive Meeting

12.00 PM- Lunch

1:00 PM-AGM

2:00 PM-Speaker

Lunch will be provided, price to be determined

Directions to NBGS AGM hosted by Southeastern Branch on May 28, 2016:

From Route 2, take exit 446-Moncton center, Riverview, Fundy; go 6 km, at 2<sup>nd</sup> set of lights go through and take exit 15W on left-Moncton center, Riverview, Fundy, go to end, across causeway and take 1<sup>st</sup> right off ramp, keep right. Go up the hill on Coverdale Road to lights at Biggs Dr – continue past old Riverview Mall on left, past Trites Rd, past Wilson Rd, then at Woolridge you'll see the Anglican sign. Turn left onto Woolridge, church is at top of hill, parking at back and the meeting is at back in basement.

Coming from Route 11, take exit for Highway 15 to Moncton, at the Dieppe Rotary take Fundy/Riverview exit unto Main St. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> set of lights, just after the Police Station, turn left unto Assomption Blvd to end at Vaughan Harvey, turn left unto bridge, keep right and go right at end of bridge onto Coverdale Rd. Keep going on Coverdale Rd until you come to lights at Biggs Dr. Same directions as above.

# Book Announcement - The Nova Scotia Winchesters

contributed by Schani Biermann

The Nova Scotia Winchesters: Tracing the Descendants of Josiah Hill Winchester, third son of the "planter" Nathan Winchester

This compiled genealogy presents a genealogical history and story of the family and descendants of Josiah Hill Winchester, son of Nathan Winchester who arrived in Nova Scotia ca. 1760 from Framingham, Massachusetts. Descendants to the eighth generation, including those who settled eventually in New Brunswick, Maine and Massachusetts.

Visit my website for more information and sample pages from my book. A more detailed book description can be found on my website: <a href="http://novascotiawinchesters.weebly.com/">http://novascotiawinchesters.weebly.com/</a>

# Winchester Family Reunion

All Winchester descendants are invited to a Winchester Reunion at the Digby Pines, Digby, Nova Scotia, June 17-19, 2016.

A Genealogy and History will be available for the Nathan Winchester branch, a planter who arrived in Nova Scotia ca. 1760 from Framingham, Mass. Many of his descendants returned to Massachusetts in the second half of the 19th century. Nova Scotia welcomes all Canadian and American Winchester cousins. Contact Jim Greenwood at **thewinchesterreunion@gmail.com** or call Jim at 506 357 6611 or Theresa at 519 265 6094.

# Early Loyalist Deaths in Saint John NB

contributed by Graeme F. Somerville

The following data comes from pages 194 to 266 of American Loyalists to New Brunswick the Ship Passenger Lists (David Bell, Formac Publishing, 2015) and deals with Loyalists in Saint John in 1784. The overall heading in this part of the book is Victualing Musters. (Material from Mr. Bell's book is reused here with his permission.)

Mr. Bell quotes a five digit number for each family who arrived in 1783 as Loyalists and were in Saint John in 1784. Each digit has the following meaning:

first digit: number of adult males in household second digit: number of adult females in household third digit: number of children age 10 or older fourth digit: number of children under age 10 fifth digit: number of servants

A large number of Loyalists had servants with the family on arrival but many servants did not remain with the family for either the May 1784 or June 1784 listing. In any event the name of the servant is not given in Mr. Bell's book so no effort has been made to include them in the following list.

Until May 18, 1785 what we now know as Saint John was known as Parrtown in the County of Sunbury, Province of Nova Scotia. However, this article will use Saint John as the name of the community.

Pg. no.	Head of Household	Identity of De- ceased
195	Daniel Armour	adult male
196	Joseph Barnett	adult female
		one child under
		age 10
196	Simon Baxter	one child age 10
	<u> </u>	or over
198	John Boggs	one child under
		age 10
199	William Boyer	one child age 10
		or older
201	Seth Bryant	adult female
202	Josiah Burgis	one child under
		age 10
202	John Burns	adult female
203	Nicholas Callahan	adult male
204	Thomas Carle	one child age 10
		or over
204	Claudius Charles	One child under
		age 10
205	Robert Chillis	two children un-
		der age 10
205	James Clark Sr.	two children un-
		der age 10
205	Thomas Clark(e)	one child under
		age 10
207	Robert Conrad	adult female
	(Cunard)	
208	Robert Craig	one child under
		age 10
208	John Cromwell/	one child under
	Cornwall	age 10
209	John Darlington	one child under
	l	age 10

Pg. no.	Head of	Identity of De-					
	Household	ceased					
210	John Davi(e)s	one child under					
		age 10					
210	Cornelius Dennis	three children					
		under age 10					
211	Joseph Disbrow	adult female					
		one child under					
		age 10					
212	Uriah Drake	one child under					
		age 10					
212	Daniel Dunham	one child age 10					
		or over					
214	John Emmons Sr.	one child age 10					
		or over					
215	John Finch	four children					
		under age 10					
216	George Foucht	one child under					
		age 10					
216	Philip Force	two children age					
		10 or older					
216	Jacob Foster	adult female					
217	John (Black) Fran-	adult female					
	cis						
221	William Harding	one child age 10					
		or over					
		one child under					
		age 10					
222	Jacob Hauser	one child age 10					
		or older					
223	Conrad Hendricks	one child under					
		age 10					
223	Abraham Higgins	one child age 10					
		or over					
223	Philip Huestis	one child under					
	<u> </u>	age 10					

# Early Loyalist Deaths in Saint John NB

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	Household	ceased
224	Nathaniel Horton	two children age
		10 or older
		one child under
		age 10
225	Marmaduke Hut-	one child under
	chinson	age 10
226	Garret Jacobus	one child under
		age 10
226	Benjamin James	three children
		age 10 or older
226	Christopher Jenkins	one child age 10
		or older
		two children un-
		der age 10
226	Cloe (Black) John-	one child age 10
206	son	or older
226	John Jenkins	adult female
227	Eliphalet Jones	one child age 10
227	7 1 77 11	or older
227	John Kelly	one child under
	D 1 1 7 1	age 10
230	Ralph Lazenby	adult female
230	Jacob Lester	five children un-
222	1 1116	der age 10
233	Isaiah McCarty	one child under
222	David McDonald	age 10 one child under
233	David McDonaid	1
222	John McDonald	age 10 one child under
233	John McDonald	age 10
234	Duncan McLeod	adult female
236	Jane Maskline	one child age 10
230	Jane Maskine	or older
236	Caleb Merritt	one child age 10
230	Calco Merrit	or older
237	Thomas Miles	one child under
251	Thomas wines	age 10
237	John Mills	one child under
231	Com wills	age 10
237	Alexander Mont-	adult female
231	gomery Sr.	
238	Stephen Moody	adult female
238	John Mosely	adult female
		One child under
		age 10
239	Joel Murray	adult female
		four children age
		10 or over
239	Benjamin Myers	one child age 10
		or over
239	John Myers	adult male

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256	Michel Talbot	two children un- der age 10						
257	Henry Thomas	adult female						
257	Mary Thompson	one child under age 10						
258	Henry Traphager	one child age 10 or older						
260	John VanWinkle	two children un- der age 10						
260	Charles Vincent	one child age 10 or older						
260	Benjamin Walker	one child under age 10						
262	James Watson	one child under age 10						

Pg. no.	Head of Household	Identity of De- ceased
262	John Watson	one child under age 10
263	John Wheeler	one child under age 10
264	Jonathan Williams	one child age 10 or older
265	James Wood	one child under age 10
265	Gabriel Worden/ Warden	one child age 10 or older
266	George Young	one child under age 10

The total number of probable burials in the above list is 134.

The only newspaper in Saint John in 1784 was the Saint John Gazette (Vital Statistics from New Brunswick Newspapers, Vol. 1) and it has only two death notices. In the issue of Jul 8, 1874 it mentions the administration of the estate of Daniel Armor by his wife Mary Armor. Details of this estate are probably in the Probate Office in Halifax.

The Saint John Gazette of Jul 15, 1784 mentions the death of John Way of New Town, Long Island, New York. Apparently Mr. Way died in New Town.

\* Jesse Reynolds arrived at Saint John Aug 29, 1873 aboard the ship *Cyrus* (page 145) with his wife Elizabeth (nee Pine) and two children, Richardson and Pine, both under the age of 10. A third son was born to them on Feb 14, 1784 and named James Valentine Reynolds. James is my great-great-grandfather. The coded listing on page

246 should therefore read 11030 indicating three children under age 10. Instead it reads 11020 indicating a reduction in the number of children under age 10. Thus, either Richardson Reynolds or Pine Reynolds had died by May 1784. The family genealogy makes no mention of either Richardson or Pine so it must be that both died in their very early days in Saint John. As there was no other known burial ground in Saint John prior to the opening of the Loyalist Burial Ground in the fall of 1785 thus both boys are probably buried in the Lower Cove Graveyard. Jesse Reynolds died prior to the sale of his granted lot #961 on the north side of Queen Street just west of Wentworth (Feb 25, 1830) and Elizabeth died in 1844 and there is no indication either was buried in the Loyalist Burial Ground. It is therefore probable that both parents were buried with their two sons in the Lower Cove Graveyard along with the 134 listed above.

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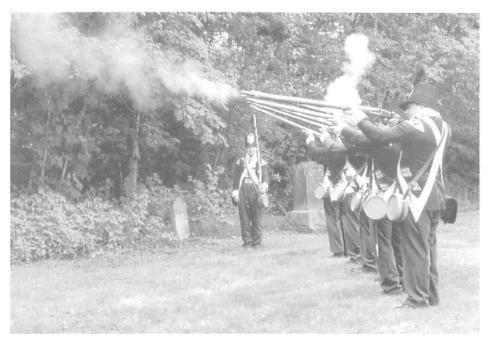
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# Private Henry Merritt: Veteran of the War of 1812

Submitted by Franklin Luke Lawson and Mori Hillman<sup>1</sup>

On Saturday 11 July 2015 more than eighty (80) descendants, dignitaries and others gathered to honour War of 1812 veteran private Henry Merritt and to unveil a plaque at his grave in the Union Cemetery, Grand Falls, New Brunswick. The Deputy Mayor of Grand Falls and the Member of Parliament for Tobique-Mactaquac delivered welcoming remarks, a military historian told of the Veteran of the War of 1812 Graveside Recognition Project, and another reviewed the impact of the War of 1812 on New Brunswick and Maine. One of Henry Merritt's descendants spoke of the man and his legacy. Several soldiers, some of them in 1812-era uniforms, marched and delivered a musket volley over his grave. Several members of the Royal Canadian Legion were present. Henry Merritt's family honoured him, a man who had quietly passed from this world more than 150 years ago. What had he done to warrant such recognition?



Henry Merritt was born c. 1794 in Stanton Parish, Wiltshire, England. His parents are unknown. He joined the British Army on 30 January 1812 at Newbury, Berkshire, England. At that time he was described as being an 18-year old labourer, 5 ft. 7½ in. tall, with a fair complexion, grey eyes, brown hair and a long face. A later Description Book states that he was 5 ft. 7½ in. tall, stout, with a round face, light brown eye brows, thick mouth, brown hair, stout arms and thighs, small feet, large head, hazel eyes, short light nose, short neck, square shoulders, small hands and stout legs. With such descriptions, it is fortunate that the military had no need to put up a "deserter wanted" poster for this soldier.

Private Henry Merritt came to New Brunswick in 1814.<sup>6</sup> His regiment was the 99th (Prince of Wales, Tipperary) which was renumbered the 98th in 1816.<sup>7</sup> He was in Company 3, stationed at Halifax,

Nova Scotia, from January to September 1816<sup>8</sup>, and on "detached duty" at Prince Edward Island from then until September 1817.<sup>9</sup> He was on detached duty at Saint John, New Brunswick from 25 October 1817 until 24 July 1818. On that date his regiment, (the 98<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot) was disbanded and Henry was released from the British Army after a service of 6 years and 236 days.<sup>10</sup>

Upon his release Henry Merritt was given a land grant of 100 acres of unoccupied crown land on the eastern side of the St. John River a short distance below present-day Perth-Andover. He was one of many military settlers placed along the St. John River, in the aftermath of the War of 1812, as part of a plan to safeguard a winter communications route between Halifax and Quebec. That plan was discussed by Quebec's Surveyor General, Joseph Bouchette, in an 1814 report that discussed the placement of other military settlers (including

David Anderson, who may have been Henry Merritt's future father-in-law) along the River St. John. <sup>12</sup> The New Brunswick Provincial Archives comments that (t)he populating of these lands was one of the most lasting consequences of the War of 1812 and the other British conflicts of the early 19th century. <sup>13</sup>

Between 25 November 1818 and 24 March 1819 he received provisions from the Commissary at Fort Presque Isle<sup>14</sup> which was located on the western side of the St. John River across from present-day Florenceville-Bristol. He also earned a government subsidy of 11 shillings in 1820 and 1 pound Sterling in 1821 for raising wheat and Indian corn on his newly cleared land.<sup>15</sup>

On 01 April 1822 Henry Merritt married Mary Emily Anderson. Officiating was the first English language clergyman on the upper St. John River, the Loyalist, Rev. Frederick Dibblee, Rector of Woodstock. The witnesses were the Rector's 20 year old son, Henry Dibblee and Henry Anderson who may have been a brother of the bride. <sup>16</sup>

At the time of her marriage Emily may have been living with her siblings and her widowed mother near the mouth of the Salmon River which enters the St. John River from the East, a few miles down stream from Grand Falls. (see accompanying article *Who was Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt?* by Mori Hillman)

Soon after the marriage of Henry Merritt and Emily Anderson a survey was conducted of the Military Settlement. It recorded that Henry was living on his grant, with one woman and no children. He had cleared 6 acres of land, had sown 3 bus. of wheat, 6 bus. of Indian corn and had planted 15 bus. of potatoes. He owned one cow and four pigs. 18

### Sproule's Blunder

The 550 acres just north of Henry Merritt's grant was supposed to be put aside for Church (of England) use. Unfortunately, the New Brunswick Surveyor General, Mr. Sproule, had made a mistake and had not left any land for the church. The Tobique Indian Reserve's southern boundary was originally Henry Merritt's northern boundary.

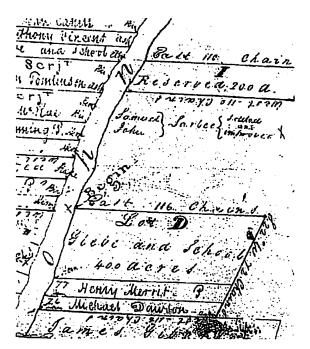
Within the last few years, a grant had passed of 550 acres of land to the Parish Church for a Glebe. By the grant-plan, the land appears to be bounded on the one side by the lower line of the Reserve, and on the other by a lot granted to Henry Merritt. On examination of the land, I

found that the lower line of the Reserve and the line of Merritt's lot, were one and the same line, and consequently no vacancy between. On enquiry at the Crown Land's Office, I found that the mistake had arisen from a Plan in that Office, exhibiting a vacancy, and that such plan was a Compilation made by the late Surveyor General Sproule.

A grant having passed the Great Seal, for Land which does not exist, the parties interested have seized upon the lower end of the Reserve, and claim to occupy it under their grant. As this may lead to serious difficulty, the matter should be enquired into and adjusted speedily, as an act o/justice to all parties.<sup>19</sup>

(A glebe is land belonging or yielding revenue to a parish church, ecclesiastical benefice http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/glebe)

Chip Gagnon, in his Upper Saint John River website states the Reserve simply shrank northward to accommodate the church and a number of squatters. Could Sproule's blunder have influenced Henry and Mary Emily's decision to relocate?



Henry Merritt was one of 145 settlers whose land grants were finalized in 1826. Two others, Michael Ferrin (or Furren) and Christopher Mellow (or Miller), both formerly of Royal West India Rangers<sup>21</sup>, were awarded side-by-side, 100 acre river lots, Lots 160 and 161, near present-day Limestone Siding/Grand Falls Lower Portage. We do not know when Henry Merritt first acquired these

properties but in 1844 he sold the rear portions of Lots 160 and 161 to Thomas Anderson who promptly conveyed them to Richard Randolph Hitchcock. <sup>22</sup>

At the time of the 1851 Census Henry was living at Front River Settlement (perhaps the front portions of Lots 160 and 161). In that census he declared that he owned 40 acres of cleared land and had grown 200 bushels of potatoes. He also owned 1 horse, 2 other neat cattle, 13 sheep and 4 pigs.<sup>23</sup>

Those portions of Lots 160 and 161 that had been conveyed to Richard Randolph Hitchcock in 1844 were later seized by the High Sherriff of Victoria County who conveyed it to the Bank of New Brunswick. In 1859 Henry Merritt purchased this land from the bank for 20 pounds.<sup>24</sup>



Henry Merritt's name appears on an 1861 list of qualified voters living in the Parish of Grand Falls.<sup>25</sup> However, the document which would have shown whether or not he actually voted and who he voted for is missing.

Henry is listed as a farmer living at Grand Falls Portage in Hutchison's Directory of 1861-1866.<sup>26</sup>

On 02 May 1864 Henry and Emily conveyed the front halves (next to the St. John River) of Lots 160 and 161 to their son, Charles. In return Charles agreed "to support and maintain the above named Henry Merritt and Emily Merritt his wife during the term of their natural lives in the manner they have heretofor been accustomed to live and at the time of their death cause them to be decently interred."<sup>27</sup>

On 01 August 1865 Henry and Emily deeded the back half of Lot 160 to their son James Merritt<sup>28</sup> and the back half of Lot 161 to their son William Merritt.<sup>29</sup>

Henry Merritt died 07 October 1866 and was buried in the Union Cemetery, Grand Falls.<sup>30</sup>

On 27 April, 1872 the heirs of Henry Merritt conveyed to his daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth (Merritt) Watson.<sup>31</sup>

Emily Merritt, widow of Henry Merritt, died 02 August 1889 and was buried beside her late husband in the Union Cemetery, Grand Falls.<sup>32</sup>

On Saturday 11 July 2015 Pvt. Henry Merritt was honoured with a Veteran of the War of 1812 Graveside Recognition Ceremony, held at the Union Cemetery, Grand Falls, New Brunswick. Participating were several members of the Royal New Brunswick Regiment, some in period uniforms. Approximately 80 descendants and other interested persons were in attendance.

Children of Henry Merritt and Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt included the following<sup>33</sup>:

William Merritt (18 June 1828-11 August 1911) married Mary Rideout, daughter of Jeptha Rideout and Ann Dixon (04 July 1851).

James Merritt (1832- 09 September 1897) married (1) Mary Jane Dyer, daughter of George Fields Dyer and Mary Dixon, and (2) Ruth Ellis.

**John Merritt** (04July 1834-06 November 1913) married Janette Whitehead-Watson, daughter of Alexander L. Watson and Susannah Whitehead.(08 November 1892).

**Thomas Merritt** (15 August 1836-1927) married Mary Tingley, daughter of John and Sophia Tingley (26 November 1860).

Charlotte Elizaeth Merritt (05 December 1837-21 April 1914) married Amos Aylmer Watson, son of Amos Amlee Watson and Mary Palmer (20 September 1853).

### Private Henry Merritt: Veteran of the War of 1812

**Charles Marshall Merritt** (1843-c. 1893) married Minnie Perkins, daughter of Joel and Emma Perkins (19 February 1870).

Margaret Hannah Merritt (21 August 1846-1914) married Charles Chartus Gallagher (18 September 1862).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The co-authors are descendants of Henry Merritt as follows: Henry Merritt>Charlotte Elizabeth(Merritt) Watson>Franklin Oberon Watson>Gertrude Lois (Watson) Lawson>Franklin Luke Lawson and Henry Merritt>William Merritt>Charlotte Annie (Merritt) Hitchcock>Albert Victor Hitchcock>Charlotte (Hitchcock) Hillman>Mori Hillman.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Victoria Star, Perth NB 22 July 2015, p. 6, Graveside Dedication Ceremony Honours War of 1812 Soldier.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Attestation Register, 98<sup>th</sup> Reg't, microfilm B5508, vol. 549, p. 5, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa. <sup>4</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> WO25/548 Description Book, 98<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 1813-1818, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 1851 Census of New Brunswick, Victoria, Front River Settlement. Henry Merritt, M(ale), M(arried), (age) 57, (Race/Place of birth) English, (occupation) Farmer, (year entered colony) 1814; Mary Emily Merritt, F(emale), M, 45, English, 1807; William Merritt, M, S(ingle), 22, English, birth; James Merritt, M, S, 19, English, birth; John Merritt, M, S, 19, English, birth; Thomas Merritt, M, S, 17, English, birth; Elizabeth Merritt, F, S, 12, English, birth; Charles Merritt, M, S, 8, English, birth; Marget Merritt, F, S, 5, English, birth.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> "99th Foot - retitled the Prince of Wales' Tipperary 1811 renumbered 98th foot in 1816 disbanded 1817". See for example Messenger, Charles, *A History of the British Infantry: For Love of Regiment* (London, Leo Cooper, 1996), Vol. 2, 1915-1994, p. 258.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> WO.12/9731 Muster Rolls and Pay Lists, 98<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot, 1816, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> WO.12/9732 Muster Rolls and pay Lists, 98<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot 1817-1818, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> WO25/548 op. cit.

a) New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources, Fredericton, Map No. 72, Redrawn December 1977 and revised from 1976 photos. (PANB)

b) New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources, Fredericton. Maps accompanying Petition No. 949 of George Manzie and 144 others, Military Settlers, Parish of Kent, County of York, dated 31 December 1826.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Letter, Joseph Bouchette to Sir George Prevost, 30 June 1814, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> War of 1812 document exhibit, Provincial Archives of New Brunswick, page 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Presque Isle Commissariat Book, 1818-19, pp. 6, 19, 41-42, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa.

Schedule of Persons entitled to the Bounty for raising Bread Corn on New lands in the County of York in the years 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820 & 1821 under an Act of the General Assembly entitled "An Act to encourage the raising of Bread-Corn on new lands" and the Act in amendment explanation and continuation thereof, www.rootsweb.ancestry.com, Carleton County GenWeb.

- <sup>16</sup> Acadia, Canada, Vital and Church Records, (Drouin Collection), 1670 1946. New Brunswick, page 205:
- Henry Merritt of the Parish of Kent and County of York and Emily Anderson of the same Parish and County were married by Banns with consent of parents this First day of April in the Year one Thousand Eight Hundred and 22, by me, F. Dibblee Rector of Woodstock. This marriage was Solemnized between us Henry Merritt Emily Anderson In Presence of Henry Dibblee Henry Anderson Filed Reg'd 11 March 1823.
- <sup>17</sup> Bouchette, Jos., Surveyor General for Quebec, Nominal List of Non Commissioned Officers and Men of a Detachment Late of 10th Roy. Vet. Battalion on he Line of Communication to New Brunswick with the Number of their Families and Relations, Quebec, 3rd May 1817, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfolm C-3158. Vol. 621, pp. 18-25.
- <sup>18</sup> Grantees of Kent Parish 1822, The Actual State of the Military Settlement in the Parish of Kent on the River Saint John in July 1822. www.rootsweb.ancestry.com, Carleton County GenWeb.
- <sup>19</sup> Perleay, Moses Hnery, "Reports on Indian Settlents, &c, 12 August 1841, transcription by C. Gagnon, in: Report of Moses H. Perely on the Maliseet/Wulustukieg population of the St. John River valley, August 1841, http://www.upperstjohn.com/madawaska/perley.htm, accessed 11 August 2015.
- <sup>20</sup> Gagnon, C.: webmaster, Report of Moses H. Perely on the Maliseet/Wulustukieg population of the St. John River valley, August 1841, footnote 1, http://www.upperstjohn.com/madawaska/perley.htm, accessed 11 August 2015.

  <sup>21</sup> Hillman, Mori, His Majesty's Royal West India Rangers 62 Royal West India Rangers (RWIR) who settled in New Brunswick (now part of Canada) in 1819 http://rwir.angelfire.com/62RWIRrevised htm accessed 12 August

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New Brunswick Land Registry, Victoria County, (from) Central Bank of New Brunswick (to) Henry Merritt, (line) 3, (page) 457, (location) Grand Falls, (instrument) Deed #1159, (dated) 22 December 1859, (date of record) 27 August 1861.

<sup>23</sup> 1851 Census of New Brunswick, Reel no. C996, Division: Andover - Front River Settlement, page no: 14, Line 26, Dwelling 125. (on-line)

<sup>24</sup> See end note # 22 above.

<sup>25</sup> 1861 List of Qualified Voters, Victoria County, Grand Falls Parish, RS158 K 3 C, PANB.

<sup>26</sup> **Hutchinson Directories, Directory 1865-1866,** Merritt, Henry, Grand Falls Portage, Victoria (county), Farmer, PANB, (online)

New Brunswick Land Registry, Victoria County, (from) Henry Merritt and his wife, Emily, (to) C. Merritt, (line0 4, (page) 429, (location) Grand Falls, (instrument) mortgage, 1508, (dated0 02 May 1864, (recorded) 25 May, 1864.

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28 New Brunswick Land Registry, Victoria County, (from) Henry Merritt and wife, (to) James Merritt, (line) 5, (page) 262, (location) Grand Falls, (instrument) Deed #1790, (dated) 01 August 1865, (date of record) 08 August 1865.

<sup>29</sup> New Brunswick Land Registry, Victoria County, (from) Henry Merritt and wife, (to) William Merritt, (line) 5, (page) 264, (location) Grand Falls, (instrument) Deed #1791, (dated) 01 August 1865, (date of record) )8 August 1865.

<sup>30</sup> Gravestone inscription, Union Cemetery, Grand Falls, NB.

HENRY MERRITT
DIED
Oct. 23, 1866
Aged 73 years
MARY E.
DIED
Aug. 2, 1889
Aged 85 years

She watched beside the suffer's bed, The infant oft by her was fed. She soothed their pain with precious care, And breathed for you the mother's prayer.

<sup>31</sup> New Brunswick Land Registry, Victoria, (from) Heirs of Henry Merritt, (to) C E Watson, (line) 7, (page) 364, (location) Perth, (instrument) Deed /2818, (dated) 27 April, 1872.

<sup>32</sup> See End Note 19 above.

<sup>33</sup> Information on the children of Henry and Emily (Anderson) Merritt is largely taken from the following: Rideout-Cote, Anne, *Descendants of Henry MERRITT and Mary Emily Elizabeth Anderson*, self-published, Grand Falls, New Brunswick, 2015.

# Who was Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt?

contributed by Mori Hillman

We celebrated the military service of War of 1812 veteran Henry Merritt during a plaque ceremony this past summer. On 1 April 1822 Henry married Mary Emily Anderson. Except for Henry Anderson, a witness to the marriage, there was no mention within the marriage record of others with her family name, let alone parents<sup>1</sup>. Who was she?

As the Merritt family did not move far after their marriage, it is not much of an effort to accept that she is the same Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt of the 1851, 61, and 71 censuses, and of the Union cemetery gravestone inscription in Grand Falls where the muskets roared in honour of her husband's 1812 military service in 2015. Both she and her husband are named in each census until his 1866 death, and in their shared gravestone. But no single document by itself conclusively links her to a life before her marriage or by itself reveals who

her parents were. Yet we think we found her birth family.

### Another military family:

Among the families listed within a "Return of Men, Women, and Children of His Majesty's 10<sup>th</sup> R. V. Battalion Supposed to be Selected to go down the Country to Occupy a New Settlement – Quebec 1<sup>st</sup> May 1814" is the David Anderson family. (See 4th name in picture below). 54 year old Private David Anderson, a veteran of 26 years of military service, his wife Sarah Anderson, and six children, were part of Captain Turner's Company and early English-speaking settlers in this part of the province. Their third child was Mary Anderson, age 10 years and 7 months.<sup>2</sup> We will show that she grew up to be Henry's wife and plausibly was a local midwife.

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Like Henry Merritt, David Anderson and his unit were soldiers disbanded with much of the rest of the British Army in the peace that followed the War of 1812 and the Napoleonic wars. Selected soldiers of the 10th Royal Veterans' Battalion were placed at intervals along the Saint John River to provide a British presence along this vital transportation and communication route between Halifax and Saint John and Fredericton and Quebec<sup>3</sup>. The

Return of 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1814 describes some of these soldier settlers. Near this time much of the Saint John River was within Kent Parish, York County, New Brunswick, the place that both Henry and his new wife were "of" in 1822.<sup>4</sup>

David Anderson was probably settled at the mouth of the Salmon River with his family in 1814. This report doesn't say where each settler was placed, but Surveyor General Joseph Bouch-

ette explains to Governor General Sir George Prevost that he took the group of settlers, including the Andersons, downriver from Quebec and stopped at

"Salmon River<sup>5</sup>, which place I found highly advantageous for the settlers with a tolerable large clearing, which happens to have fortunately fallen to the lot of two large families + the most helpless ...".<sup>6</sup>

Mr. Bouchette had been the author of the Return of seven families of 1 May, and the Anderson family was the largest on this list. Unoccupied cleared lands along this river valley may have been difficult to find. Bouchette explains that he found the land belonged to a Mr. King, who had bought the land from 'an old [French] Canadian'.

"Upon enquiry I found he held no kind of title from Government, however, I made it a point to write to Mr. Sproule, Surveyor General at Fredericton [New Brunswick] on the subject and received no answer, Therefore in obedience to Your Excellency's Instructions I have to report that those two last families are settled on Government lands within the Province of New Brunswick...."

Another list of families from this battalion, this time showing who was settled at which point along this route, is dated 3 May 1817<sup>8</sup>. At the bottom of the list is 'Widow Anderson', who with her (now) seven children, is one of three families at Salmon River. David had apparently died since being chosen as one of the military settlers. He had been the second oldest at 54 when he first appeared in a list of prospective soldier-settlers in May 1814; still too young to be truly "old" in today's world, but perhaps not very young in 1814. If we knew where he was buried, David Anderson would qualify for a War of 1812 plaque.

Mr. Sproule did not blunder this time. Mr. King apparently had a valid land title after all —a large tract of land at Salmon River is marked "John King" in a cadastral map<sup>9</sup>. Later David's sons Henry and William Anderson had side by side land grants further south on the east bank of the Saint John River as part of the same large, omnibus land grant that Henry Merritt benefited from, suggesting that the Andersons had to move south from their original station at Salmon River. <sup>10</sup>

### A cumulative argument:

A cumulative argument can be made that Henry's new wife was the daughter of Private David Anderson of the 10th Royal Veterans Battalion and his wife Sarah Anderson. As before, this has to be a cumulative argument as no one single original document conclusively and by itself tells us who Henry's wife's parents were. But we find that when the available sources are brought together they fill in the gaps and establish very plausibly that Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt was the third child in the David Anderson family.

You remember that one of the witnesses at the wedding was a Henry Anderson? David and his wife also had a son named Henry. He was their oldest, born about 1800. It is not unreasonable that the oldest brother would be a witness at Mary's wedding, perhaps in place of their deceased father.

In the 1851 census<sup>11</sup>, Emily Merritt indicated that she had "entered the colony" in 1807, which is the year that the 10<sup>th</sup> Royal Veteran's Battalion arrived in Quebec<sup>12</sup>.

The birthdates are close. In 1851 Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt was a suspiciously round "45", which would make her birth year approximately 1806. The Mary Anderson of the 1814 list was 10 years, seven months old on 1 May 1814, making her birth year approximately late 1803. This is a gap of about three years between the birth year as implied in the earliest nominal census of New Brunswick, and as implied in the 1814 Return. Census takers were not above rounding ages to the nearest five years and rounding would explain the three year difference between the birth dates of David's daughter Mary and Henry's wife Mary Emily.

Her birth year as calculated in the various census returns drifted from 1804 to 1806, none of them far from the 1803 birth year we found in the 1814 Return. In 1861<sup>13</sup> she was 53 (born about 1808) and in 1871<sup>14</sup> she was 67 (born about 1804). We could not find an 1881 census entry for her.

Her gravestone inscription would bring us to an approximate birth year of 1804, again close to the late 1803 birthdate suggested by the 1814 list of the David Anderson family. The birthdates are close.

Another coincidence, holding no weight on its own, but adding to a cumulative argument for the two Marys being one and the same is the decision by William Anderson of Andover Parish, New Brunswick, and his wife Barbary Ann, to name their daughter, born 13 March 1835, Mary Emily Anderson. We note that David Anderson's second

oldest child was William, and would not find it unusual for William to name his daughter after his younger sister. 15

### Mary's mother: Sarah or Charlotte or Jane?

Initially we were concerned when we noted that Mary's mother appears to have been known by three different given names between 1814 and 1819. On 1 May 1814 she was Sarah Anderson, mother of a family of six children, all named, whose eldest son was Henry. On 3 May 1817 she was the widow Charlotte Anderson with seven unnamed children. And she was the widow Jane Anderson in 1819, with "Henry Anderson – Eldest Son" and six further unnamed children 16.

We can only surmise that either Sarah (or Charlotte or Jane) Anderson unaccountably gave different given names at different times, or that the military scribes were sloppy, or all names were hers but selectively given out, or some combination of the three conjectures. We come to this because the three Anderson families otherwise closely match each other in family size and location, and name of the oldest son, and there was no other Anderson family listed in the 1814, 1817, or 1819 documents. Despite the variability in the names the mother was known by, this is the same family.

We noticed that when Ernest Clarke discussed the "widow Anderson" in his publication, he omitted the widow's first name. This is perhaps understandable given the ambiguity<sup>17</sup>.

### A review for other Andersons

We have carried out a reasonably thorough search for other potential Anderson birth families within the Parish of Woodstock Anglican records of 1791 to 1838. This is the parish most likely to have a competing Anderson family. We found a Jeremiah and Elisabeth Anderson family who had children as early as 1794, but this cannot be her family as Mary Emily Anderson claims an 1807 entry into New Brunswick. Nor did the Jeremiah and Elisabeth family have any Mary within this

record. We found no other Andersons apart from William (mentioned above) and a parent Henry K Anderson who is apparently of the same generation as Mary and William<sup>18</sup>.

There were no other military Andersons found within the British North American records apart from four privates Anderson who settled in Upper Canada in about 1815 and appeared to have no connection to New Brunswick.<sup>19</sup>

### Midwife

Henry's wife Emily was a widow for the last 22 years of her life. During that time she served her family as a midwife as late as 1886<sup>20</sup>. She died three years later, on 2 August 1889 and was buried beside her late husband in the Union Cemetery, Grand Falls. It was possibly her service as a midwife, as well as her care to her own family, that inspired the epitaph that graces their shared grave marker:

She watched beside the suffer[er]'s bed
The infant oft by her was fed
She soothed their pain with precious care
And breathed for you the mother's prayer<sup>21</sup>

### Concluson

Through a consideration together of available sources we have shown a plausible link between the Mary Anderson of the David Anderson family of Salmon River and Quebec and the wife of early settler Henry Merritt. One of the earlier English-speaking settlers in the upper Saint John river valley, Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt was daughter of one soldier, and wife of another. Like many women of this time she would have assisted with the farm and home life of both her birth family at the Salmon River settlement and later in her matrimonial homes. Mother of her own family, she also may have been a midwife to others.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Acadia, Canada, Vital and Church Records, (Drouin Collection), 1670-1946. New Brunswick, page 205: Henry Merritt of the Parish of Kent and County of York and Emily Anderson of the same Parish and County were married by Banns with consent of parents this First day of April in the Year one Thousand Eight Hundred and 22, by me, F. Dibblee Rector of Woodstock. This marriage was Solemnized between us Henry Merritt Emily Anderson In Presence of Henry Dibblee Henry Anderson Filed Reg'd 11 March 1823.

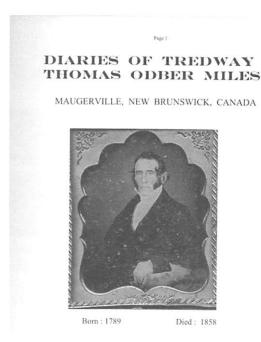
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Bouchette, Jos., Surveyor General for Quebec, "Return of Men, Women and Children of his Majesty's 10<sup>th</sup> R. V. Battalion Supposed to be Selected to go down the Country to Occupy a New Settlement – Quebec 1 May 1814", Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfilm C-3158. Vol. 621, p. 5

- <sup>3</sup> Letter, Joseph Bouchette to Sir George Prevost, 30 June 1814, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfilm C-3158, Vol. 621, pp. 18-25.
- <sup>4</sup> "Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council, and Assembly, That all that part of the County of York lying above the Parish of Wakefield, on both sides of the River Saint John, be, and the same is hereby erected into a Town or Parish, and to be distinguished by the name of the Town or Parish of Kent." An ACT to erect the upper part of the County of York into a Town or Parish. Passed the 20<sup>th</sup> of March, 1821 (CAP. XXII, 1) In: Fort Havoc (Wallace Hale), (website), Provincial Archives of New Brunswick, accessed 9 November 2015.
- <sup>5</sup> See detail of Bouchette's map, including the notation "RVB Settlers" at Chip Gagnon's 1815 Map of the route from Halifax to Rivière du Loup, via the St. John River valley (website) <a href="http://www.upperstjohn.com/maps/1815Bouchette.htm">http://www.upperstjohn.com/maps/1815Bouchette.htm</a> accessed 8 November 2015.
- <sup>6</sup> Letter, Joseph Bouchette to Sir George Prevost, 30 June 1814, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfilm C-3158, Vol. 621, p.21.
- <sup>7</sup> Letter, Joseph Bouchette to Sir George Prevost, 30 June 1814, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfilm C-3158, Vol. 621, p.21.
- <sup>8</sup> Bouchette, Jos., Surveyor General for Quebec, "Nominal List of Non Commissioned Officers and Men of a Detachment Late of 10th Roy. Vet. Battalion on the Line of Communication to New Brunswick with the Number of their Families and Rations, Quebec, 3rd May 1817". Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfilm C-3158. Vol. 621, pp. 18-25.
- <sup>9</sup> The name "John King" appears on a large lot adjacent to the Salmon River on a cadastral map found at Provincial Archives of New Brunswick, "Place Names of New Brunswick: Where is Home? New Brunswick Communities Past and Present" (website) http://archives.gnb.ca/exhibits/communities/Details.aspx?culture=en-CA&community=2928 search for "Ortonville", accessed 8 November 2015.
- <sup>10</sup> "George Mansie and 144 Others, Military Settlers, Parish of Kent, County of York", Crown Lands Office, New Brunswick, Vol. 9, No. 1949, Registered 3 Jan 1826. Accompanying map.
- 11 1851 Census of Canada, New Brunswick, Victoria, Front River Settlement. Henry Merritt, M(ale), M(arried), (age) 57, (Race/Place of birth) English, (occupation) Farmer, (year entered colony) 1814; Mary Emily Merritt, F(emale), M, 45, English, 1807; William Merritt, M, s(ingle), 22, English, birth; James Merritt, M, s, 19, English, birth; John Merritt, M, s, 19, English, birth; Thomas Merritt, M, s, 17, English, birth; Elizabeth Merritt, F, s, 12, English, birth; Charles Merritt, M, s, 8, English, birth; Marget (sic) Merritt, F, s, 5, English, birth.
- <sup>12</sup> George Stanley, War of 1812 Land Operations, (Toronto: Macmillan & National Museum of Man, 1983), p.430 <sup>13</sup> 1861 Census of Canada, New Brunswick, Victoria County, Grand Falls, Schedule one, sheet 30, line 1153, Emelia Merritt, Ancestry.ca, accessed 9 November 2015.
- <sup>14</sup> 1871 Census of Canada, New Brunswick, Victoria County, Grand Falls, schedule one.
- <sup>15</sup>Woodstock Anglican Parish records, 1791-1970, Provincial Archives of New Brunswick film F1094.
- <sup>16</sup> Presque Isle Commissariat Book, 1818-19, pp. 60. Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, R6253-0-1-E; http://data4.collectionscanada.ca/netacgi/nph-
- br?s1=Britain+Army+Commisariat&s2=&s6=&s10=&s11=&1=20&Sect4=AND&Sect1=IMAGE&Sect2=THESO FF&Sect5=MKDOPEN&Sect16=HITOFF&d=MIKA&p=1&u=http://www.collectionscanada.ca/archivianet/02012 302 e.html&r=5&f=G accessed 11 August 2015.
- <sup>17</sup> Ernest A. Clarke, The Weary, the Famished and the Cold The story of the Military Settlement on the Upper Saint John River, 1814-1821, (Carleton County Historical Society, 1981), p.6
- <sup>18</sup> Woodstock Anglican Parish records, 1791-1970, Provincial Archives of New Brunswick film F1094.
- <sup>19</sup> Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, microfilm C-3158. Vol. 621, index.
- <sup>20</sup> Vital Statistics from Government Records (RS141a1b), Provincial Archives of New Brunswick, http://archives.gnb.ca/archives/?culture=en-CA accessed 12 August 2015. Hitchcock, Mary Olive, was born in 1886, "the child's great grandmother officiating". (Mary Olive had four great grandmothers Celia Hitchcock (died after 1861), Rebecca Elizabeth (Yeomans) Dee (died after 1871), Mary Emily (Anderson) Merritt, and Ann (Dixon) Rideout (died after 1891). Only one has been described as a mid wife to this author's knowledge). Hitchcock, William Scott's birth was attended by "Mrs. Emily Merritt" in 1890, though she could not have, having passed away the year before.
  - <sup>21</sup> Gravestone inscription, Union Cemetery, Grand Falls, NB.

# Diaries of Tredway Thomas Odber Miles (part 3)

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The Diaries of Tredway Thomas Odber Miles were transcribed and assembled into book form in 2002 by Charles H. Miles, great-great-grandson of T.T.O. Miles. NBGS member Joyce Hinchey offered them for publication in Generations and her niece Susan Miles Warman provided permission for publication. The diary and associated material was delivered by Peter Briggs, Joyce's nephew. The diaries cover two periods: 1815-1818 and 1847-1855. Parts 1 and 2 were in the Fall and Winter issues. Most weather descriptions have been omitted. This issue contains the diary entries from October 27 1847 to Apr 20, 1848.



Wednesday [October] 27th — Woody & Coleman cut turnips & worked in back swamp. Alek to work for himself. I went with horses & big waggon to clear off the burying ground at the Church. Duncan went with me. Tommy Perley came after dinner, then Geo Harding, W. Covert, Jms. Brown Jun. - Robert Smith after we quit work at the yardwe took the tombstone for Mrs. Hubbards grave from Gain Taylors and placed it at the head of her grave - it was quite dark before we got done - Mr. Stirling lamented the loss of the poplars very much. Mr. R. Smith & Duncan wished to have them cut & cut them with the help of G. Hardinghad a rough ride home - slept but little this night, in much pain.

Thursday 28th –Woody goes to island for calves-Alek & Coleman plough in back swamp - I am not well – Mr. Stirling has Cate to Fredericton leaves Norah - cold night.

Friday 29th – Alek & Woody & Coleman plough in back swamp. I burn stumps & brush - and take a cold.

Saturday October 30, 1847 - Woody Alek & Coleman plough in front swamp forenoon & back swamp afternoon. I am at sundry jobs - all day busy - not very well.

Sunday 31st - ...attend Church afternoon and add to my cold. Dr. Woodford stops with us this night-Sally & children stop above.

Monday November 1st 1847 – not well today confined to the house- Woody takes Dr. Woodford up & brings Sally & children home @ 2 o'clock. Alek works in swamp.

Tuesday 2nd - Some better - work all day about the garden. Woody ploughs, Alek gathers potato tops, Coleman in swamp.

Wednesday 3rd – Woody goes to Pickards milland brings 200 brick @ 4/ - a Hlvd [sic] lime 8/6 and rolls Pd. for carding & 2/6 for Tom's. Alek to town, Coleman works for me. Set out some apple trees. Cherry & Tamarack - & held a court - 2 trials. Settled with G.H.N. Harding - Caroline goes to Edward McNeals stops all night.

Thursday 4th –Alek hawls out manure with Cate. Tom & Coleman help Odber load a wood boat – with lath wood - Woody & I work in garden. Mr. Jaffrey & Mr. Carman dine with us - want help to finish their Church.

Friday 5th – Alek, Tom & Coleman same as yesterday - Woody works in garden forenoon – Ann goes with me to Betsy's & I go to John Christys. Odber sets out for St. John evening steamer NB.

Saturday 6th – Violent rain storm all day. Not much done, Ann at Betsy's - I am studying Law & writing.

Sunday 7th – at home all day - not well - Woody goes to Church & brings Ann home – goes to Church afternoon & to the funeral of Thomas Peppers.

Monday November 8, 1847 - Woody & Alek banking house, draw sand from Fred Ladd's - I go out with Owen McKinney to look out a spot for building near Priestlys line below Tom.

Tuesday 9th - Woody repairs the barn yard - Alek ploughs for himself on the Walker Lot in front - I put in a sore day with a headache- rains in evening much.

Wednesday 10th - Woody to town - Alek in swamp. I write letters for Mr. Carman.

Thursday 11th – Alek ploughs on the Walker Lot for himself. Stephen Carman puts on two latches and helps to pry up the shop. Woody assists. I work rather too much today. Owen has my oxen to hawl logs for a house. Bil How helps him.

Friday 12th – Alek ploughs 1/2 day and hawls swamp earth 1/2 day - has his brother with him-Woody paints his sleigh. I work at the shop door forenoon and walk around the farm afternoon. Owen lays up the logs for his house.

Saturday 13th – Alek hawls swamp earth & manure for himself - his brother helps him - Woody banking the lower side of the house forenoon and boiling potatoes afternoon - I had a court forenoon & sundry jobs afternoon. Paid Mr. For 3 cedar logs 6/-.

Sunday 14th – afternoon - at home all day. Woody at his Mothers.

Monday 15th – Alek & myself preparing for hog killing. Woody gets home about sunset. Owen & Bil put the roof on Owens house.

Tuesday 16th, 1847– Odber, Woody, Alek, Tom & John How butchered 5 pigs and 2 old hogs - all good. Pretty fair sleighing. Woody Carman & Maria Perley go to town cross by water. Mr. Stirling starts for town-calls at our place & returns home - lent him my plastering trowel. Paid Woody Carman 11/7 1/2 in full for shote [sic] - sent Betsy a cask of lime.

Wednesday 17th – some drive sleighs & some waggons - not much snow - Alek 7 Woody hawl cedars from Odbers place. I had court nearly all day - little Sarah is very sick - Samuel Smith & wife to tea – 4 gentlemen to dinner.

Thursday 18th – Woody goes to town for medicine & returns after dinner - we cut up the old hogs afternoon. Mrs. Carman to tea - Alek hawls manure & mud.

Friday 19th - Finished cutting up the hogs - they weighed as follows:

1 Barrow 18 months old 408 lbs.

TOTAL 1616 lbs.

The hams weighed 318 lbs. Alek saws wood-Woody helps me.

Saturday 20th – put away wheel carriages & get out sleigh - put up the snow box - Alek & Tom hawl manure & mud. Bil How helps 1/2 day-Woody helps part of the day. I put pickle on meat & take care of cattle. Betsy & Elijah spends the evening with us. The Steamer Carelton went down today.

Sunday 21st – Went to Church forenoon in sleigh. Woody & Sally went above afternoon to Mr. Jaffreys Church.

Monday 22nd 1847 – Four men hawling mud & manure. I got Jenny shod by McEwin, paid 2/6-gave to Mother her money from the bank say £12 & saw Richard Carman pay her six pounds on acct to be endorsed on his note. I paid to Mr. Stirling 20/ on acct of Church took no receipt.

Tuesday 23rd – Alek hawls manure with horses-Bil & Tom hawl swamp mud with oxen on the Walker Lot- back swamp - Woody assists them afternoon; forenoon with Alek. I clear the road - & work hard all day pretty fair sledding yet - not much snow. Ice remains in the river in places - does not run none in front of our place.

Wednesday 24th – Alek & Tom thresh oats-Woody to work at sled runners - I am at sundry jobs - Sledding done - snow all gone, no ice to be seen at our place.

Thursday 25th – Alek & Tom thresh oats - I repair outer pantry - Woody at sled runners 1/2 day & getting battens.

Friday 26th - Woody & Alek, Bil & Tom, with the oxen & Odber & Coleman with his oxen hawling out logs - forenoon and the same with Sam & Button in addition afternoon. George A. Treadwell agrees to give 70/ for every hundred logs we hawl out - hawled about 100 today - I worked with them 1/2 day.

Saturday 27th – Woody, Alek & Bil with oxenand Odber & Coleman and 2 yoke of oxen hawl from 9 till 2 o'clock - & finish - have about 150 altogether. Tom cleans up 32 bushels oats & makes compost with hen dung & night soil & banks the porch. I put pickle on the hams, take care of cattle & sundry small jobs - river clear of ice. Cloudy, with spitting of snow - very warm. Young cattle

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staid out last night & appeared very willing to stay out tonight - could do very well without hay.

Sunday 28th – Roads bad – at home all day. Woody goes to town on horseback.

Monday 29th – Put in the outside windows. Tom & Alek cover the cellar doors and bank the windows. Woody gets home about 3 o'clock. Mr. Stirling calls.

Tuesday November 30, 1847 - Woody helps Odber to run the line between the Sewell Lot & Ridout Lot. Mr. Hatheway is the surveyor - Stephen Carman & Coleman make up the party - Alek helps Tom & Owen to make a bridge near Tom's barn. I agree with Bil How to cut and clear all the bushes & wood of every description from the upper line of the Walker Lot, along the ridge, where John had oats last year down to a marked white birch & thence through the swamp to the centre ditch to be well piled up for burning for which I am to give him 40/-.

Wednesday December 1st 1847— Woody & Alek clearing out wood road. I worked at Owen's house. The ice runs wild in the river today-it is pretty thick & the water high-makes tough work. Bil How to work at his job.

Thursday 2nd – The ice keeps moving in the river but not so fast - much jammed together and very rough. Alek saws wood & tends cattle. Woody & I are all day in the shop he making a wash stand and I am making a clothes horse for the Rector. Bil does nothing at his job today - continues to rain fast at 9 o'clock pm.

Friday 3rd – Alek threshes barley, Woody at his wash stand - I finish the clothes horse.

Saturday 4th – Alek at sundries. Woody finishes his wash stand. Stephen Carman begins a clothes closet for Sally - I batten the barn - not much ice in the river.

Sunday 5th – At home all day - all of us.

Monday 6th – no frost in the ground - the river clear of ice except along shores. Alek repairing his house. Bou't a cow & a bull from Odber for £10. Woody tended the cattle & worked in the barn. Bil How assists us for fun & his grub.

Tuesday December 7th – Alek & Bil How with Woody & myself repair the bridge & road on the Flat at Portobello. Tom works 1/2 day - the snow is about one foot deep & no ice in the river. T. Perley & wife, Miss DeVeber, Louisa & Stephen to tea.

Wednesday 8th – Woody, Alek, Tom & Bil repairing Road - near the bridge-Stephen Carman to work at the wardrobe - Louisa Perley at our place making wedding cake for Maria her sister.

Thursday 9th - Alek, hawls wood for himself - has Bil 1/2 day - Stephen goes away after breakfast. Begins to rain about 6 evening - rains all night - Louisa goes home evening, done her cake.

Friday 10th – Alek chopping wood for himself. Bil hawls wood with oxen for Tom. Stephen works at the wardrobe - Woody tends cattle & repairs hog pen. I am at sundries forenoon & write two deeds afternoon - rains at night.

Saturday 11th – not a particle of snow to be seenno ice from McGills down except along the shores. Some persons have crossed on ice at Fredericton on foot but considered dangerous. Alek threshes some barley. Stephen & Woody to work all day at the wardrobe - Odber dines with us - we look over his acct afternoon & stops to tea. Stephen & Woody work evening in the shop- Rains good part of the day - 1D & 1T

Sunday 12th – Woody goes above - the rest at home all day. Ice clears out from Fredericton & runs off.

Monday 13th – Mr. Stirling calls on his way to town leaves Cate & takes Sam - gets back at dusk-Woody gets home at 7 evening - Alek threshes barley part of the day - I have a Court - Bartlett vs. Chase which occupies great part of the day - no difficulty in crossing by water at town to day-might go to St. John by water, if necessary - no ice to interfere, the grass appears quite green and has grown considerably, the sheep are doing well on it and the cattle would do without hay if allowed to run on the meadows, but they are soft - the water rises fast, runs in Hardings Creek. 6D & 1T[Ed: ??]

Tuesday December 14, 1847 - Woody to work at a sled for Kirlin - Stephen comes before dinner(say noon) & works at the wardrobe the afternoon. Alek tends cattle & threshes. I make stops to fasten up windows.

Wednesday 15th – Woody at the sled & Stephen wedges & pins the doors of wardrobe and goes to U. Samuel's - I go to Mr. Stirlings - meet Mr Hatheway & examine 3 applicants for School License. - take acknowledgement of deeds. Tommy Perley & sisters call at Mothers - got home at 8 - Alek threshes etc. John How has Sam and Bil work for him. the water rising fast, over the hubs of the

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forward wheels of waggon in Hardings Creek - a steamer, said to be the Ferry Boat from St. John goes to Fredericton this morning & returns in the evening - no ice in the river - no snow.

Thursday 16th – ground frozen but no ice in the river - Woody to work at the sled - Alek threshes barley - Bil finishes his job as he says - but on examination about 1/2 done. I work in the shop at sundries - George Treadwell married to Maria Jane Perley - pretty large wedding.

Friday 17th – ice running in the river, rather rough. Water falls. Woody, Alek & Bil clearing roads and hunting cedar - I hew out a birch plank for the work bench & dress it up - feed the cattle-looks like snow - rec'd an invitation from Mrs. Allen (about noon) to the home coming this evening-too late - can't go - ground froze hard.

Saturday 18th – Alek goes to help his friend cut bushes. Woody tends cattle – I work in the shop - 2 Miss Carmans, Miss Scott miss Jaffrey & 3 Mr. Carmans to tea.

Sunday 19th – roads bad, at home all daysnows afternoon, ice running in river yet.

Monday 20th – ice continues to run yet - very rough - about 3 inches snow very light - Woody and Alek clearing roads in the woods - I work in the shop & tend cattle at night - clear day.

Tuesday December 21, 1847 - Alek cleans up barley & saws wood. Woody goes to woods for sled timber forenoon - hews out the tongue afternoon. Ann & I go to Betsy's afternoon - spend the evening- George Harding there, Mother pays him £50 - can't find his order to McManimam - Ice running yet.

Wednesday 22nd- Ice stopt in the river - very rough-water across the road in Hardings Creek - Alek saws wood & Woody at the sled - Ann & myself at Mr Jms DeVebers to tea - not cold road not good wants more snow.

Thursday 23rd- Alek hawls wood for himself with oxen. Woody at the sled. I do some small jobs, not much - killed two turkeys & 2 young roosters.

Friday 24th – a good many sleighs pass todayfor town they cross from Mrs. Smiths to Mr. Parkers on ice on foot - Ward Brown drove his horse over, they are crossing at the upper ferry in the boat - Alek saws wood - Woody at the sled & I help him 1/2 day- nearly done - all but the raves put them on at night. Saturday 25th – Christmas - went to Church forenoon - home to dinner - dull day.

Sunday 26th – Went to B Meeting forenoon. Dined at Betsy's - and attended Church afternoon-five Baptist Ministers at Betsy's to dinner - they are attending a Quarterly Meeting. W. Easty & daughter are there & James Estabrooks to dinner-Ann & myself & Caroline-Louisa Perley.

Monday 27th - Went with Ann to Mr. Stirlingsto dinner and attended a meeting at the Churchpresent - the Rector & Wardens C. Currie, D. Stirling, T.O. Miles Jun., R. Carman, Thos. Perley the first six signed 20/ each towards & R. Carman
10/ towards removing the old pulpit - getting a new
one with reading desk & stove. - the Quarterly
Meeting breaks up at 9 evening - Alek cleans up
barley & saws wood. Woody puts up 9 bushels
buckwheat & 6 of barley for the mill & bores the
Stake holes in the sled.

Tuesday December 28, 1847 - Woody goes to mill. I went to Fredericton with Mr. Stirling-agreed with Mr. Aitken to make a pulpit & desk for the Church in Maugerville of Butternut wood for £8 with steps of same wood if required. I am to let him know this week if we conclude to have them done - Bought a stove from Samuel Akerly for 50/ to be paid for when taken away - for the Church - left my coat with Wellner to be altered - to be done next week - Alek threshes oats.

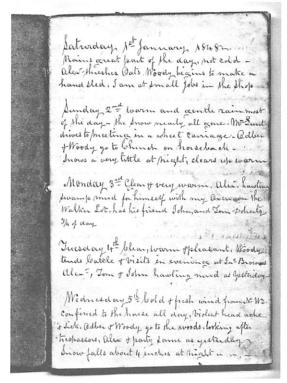
Wednesday 29th – Spent the most of this day in getting subscriptions for a stove & alterations in the Church. Alek threshing oats. Woody visits afternoon - hawls a load wood from Toms - dry hemlock.

Thursday 30th – A clear warm pleasant morningwith a little fog at times and the eves dropping water - put two benches in a sled for Mr. Stirling - & one rave & dressed out stuff to repair the windows in the Church. Alek threshes oats - Woody & Sally to town.

Friday 31st – went to Church with Stephen Carman, repaired windows, doors - took a load of wood for the Church & took Mr. Stirlings sled home. Woody to town. Alek takes care of cattle and hawls swamp mud for himself with my oxen – the travelling is very hard for horses - snow nearly gone in the road, thaws all day. Paid Sally Buchannan for sugar got by Elijah Miles for me 5/ & for 3 gallons molasses 5/6.

[From back cover] – About the month of June Slit your apple - Trees - & white wash – put sand about the roots but no manure near the tree in the fall.

### T Thomas Odber Miles Diaires 1848



**Saturday January 1st, 1848** - Alek threshes oats- Woody begins to make a hand sled. I work in the shop all day- small jobs. Thos. Perley leaves me with £2-12-6 toward paying his note to McKinney.

Sunday 2nd – snow nearly all gone. Mr. Lunt drives to meeting in his carriage. Odber & Woody goes to Church on horseback- the rest of us at home all day- snows a very little at night- clears up warm.

Monday 3rd — not very hard sledding today-Alek hawling swamp mud with my oxen on the Walker Lot- has his friend with him & I send T. Doherty to help him 3/4 of the day- this mud is for himself. Woody tends cattle & battens the barn. I make a trough for the sheep. Duncan hawls 4 loads stone to the causeway & small ones too.

Tuesday 4th – Alek same as yesterday- has Tom all day. Woody tends cattle & visits evening- I stake out the lower line through the back swampjoining the Clowes lot in order to cut a ditch and get mud for the Rector- Paid to Mr. Stirling being the balance due Burton Church for ground rent to

October last- paid to do for Stephen Carman for his subscription to Church Society 5/ - to be paid in work repairing Church when wanted. Pd. Sally 5/borrowed last week- Alek & his party got out 14 loads mud.

Wednesday 5th – Confined to the house all day. Violent headache & sick. Woody & Odber go to the woods to look after trespassers in the log way. Alek & Tom same as yesterday. Snow falls about 4 inches at night.

Thursday 6th – keep house all day- Woody tends cattle & works at sled. Alek & party same as yesterday. Attend a meeting held at Odbers- and get up a Petition to the Grand Scribe of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of the province of New Brunswick – signed by 14 persons.

Friday January 7, 1848 - Tom cleans up oats 22 1/2 bushels- black- Alek to town. John begins to hawl mud for Mr. Stirling with my oxen- Woody tends cattle & works at his handsled- Mr Magee with us all day – I write some- not much. Mr. & Mrs. Magee stop the night with us.

Saturday 8th – Woody hawls wood- Alek saws wood & John hawls manure from swamp for Mr. Stirling- 8 loads- Cloudy afternoon- looks like snow.

Sunday 9th – Woody & Sally go to Church afternoon- the rest at home all day- clears up at night and freezes hard.

Monday 10th – Woody & I went to town. Brought Betsey Malone home with me. Rec'd. £20 from Bedell for Copperthwaites order £15.7.9 1/2 of this sum for John Hazen, the balance £4.12.2 1/2 on acct of Copperthwaite Note to Estate of E. Miles- Paid to Mr. Gaynor Hazens money for order & paid the balance say £4.12.2 1/2 to Mr. Gaynor on my own acct- pd L. Akerley for a stove for the Church 50/- Alek & Thos. Doherty threshes oats white.

Tuesday 11th – Tom & John thresh oats. Alek saws wood- Woody sundries- I attended Court. Rec'd. from C. Foster 10/- for Church repairs-George & Jane comes to our place. Geo. not well.

Wednesday 12th – Attended Court, committed Jas. Wetmore for contempt, ordered his discharge before Court adjourned- Alek Tom & John same as yesterday.

Thursday 13th – attended Court- & stop at Betsy's all night. Alek, Tom & John same as yesterday- Woody above.

### Diaries of Tredway Thomas Odber Miles

Friday 14th 1848– attended Court again. Mother, Betsy, Eliza and daughter Sally, George, Jane & Emily- Odber, Nancy & 5 children- with Elijah, George, Charlotte & Frederick & Louisa Perley, dined at our house, rains some at dusk- I leave the Courthouse about seven & meet our company going home- Alek saws wood. Tom & John absent too warm to thresh. Woody hawls wood for his mother.

Saturday 15th- Snow gone travel on the ice- attended Court again all day. Alek same as yesterday- no threshing today. Tom talks of cutting bushes on Portobello flat. Woody repairs his sleigh lining.

Sunday 16th – all went to Church forenoon except Sally- went on the ice which is so softened by the wind & sun that the runners cut into very considerable depth.

Monday 17th – Worked part of the day repairing Brother Edwards sleigh- Woody to work for George at sleigh pole. Alek saws wood & tends cattle- Mr. S. Carman & Mr. Gill to tea- paid to Mr. Carman 37/5 – collected for Estate of R. Milner.

Tuesday 18th — more like April weather than middle of winter. Ann & myself went to Mr. Stirlings got dinner there, comes on to snow fast we got home before dark- Alek & Owen clean up 56 bushels white oats with winnowing machine. Woody assists them & tends cattle- weather clears up in evening & becomes fine not cold.

Wednesday 19th – Legislature meets Woody goes with me. Alek at home with Tom Cleans up Bushels white oats. Jas. Donnahue was killed by a blow on the head in falling a tree.

Thursday 20th – Alek helps to butcher a cow. Tom threshes oats.

Friday 21st – Alek & Tom attended funeral of Jas. Donnahue in Fredericton. Woody at home.

Saturday 22nd – Alek at sundries. Tom threshes oats- Woody comes for me. Sunday 23rd- Clear & cold- All go to Church afternoon except myself-not well.

Monday January 24, 1848 - Monday 24th - at home all day. Mr. Stirling with us nearly all day-Settled with George H. N. Harding and took up Mothers note- paid in full- Alek saws wood. Tom threshes oats. Woody cuts up the beef. I write in evening for Odber- R. H. Carman stops with us all night.

Tuesday 25th – Went to Fredericton and attended to duty in House.

Wednesday 26th – 28th in the House at duty.

Saturday 29th – ditto & came home

Sunday 30th – at Church

Monday 31st- Went to town.

### Tuesday February 1st 1848 – Snow storm

Wednesday 2nd – all day at duty in House

Thursday 3rd – ditto – Charles I. Peters- Attorney General died- not much snow yet- great running to Government House among lawyers- all looking for promotion.

Friday 4th – Woody comes up for me – we take N. Campbell the GWP and James Brown PWP down with us- Lunch and go on to the Courthouse, and there open the Sunbury Division No 23 of the Sons of Temperance. Many of the Brothers from Fredericton, Sheffield & Canning are there- 24 of us are initiated we gave all hands a good lunch and got home before twelve o'clock.

Saturday 5th – Violent snow storm- went to Fredericton with my two friends- attended to duty in the House.

Sunday February 6, 1848 - Attorney General buried. I did not turn out.

Monday 7th – attended to duty- visited S of T in the evening.

Tuesday 8th- attended to duty- sent £5-2-6 by GWP Campbell for our emblems- Books will cost 46/6.

Wednesday 9th – attended to duty in the House & a meeting of the Church Society in the evening.

Thursday 10th –attended to duty- the Training School opened- attended another meeting of the Church Society, much done.

Friday 11th – attended to duty forenoon & went home afternoon for a deed for F.W. Hatheway, returned and attended as meeting of the Executive Committee of the Church Society.

Saturday 12th – attended to duty, dined at Government House.

Sunday 13th – attended Church fore & afternoon and Baptist meeting in evening.

Monday 14th – attended to duty- & S of T in evening.

Tuesday 15th – attended to duty- & went home and attended a meeting of Sunbury Division S of T- at Geo Barkers- WA absent-

### Diaries of Tredway Thomas Odber Miles

Wednesday 16th – attended to duty in the House, Woody took me up.

Thursday 17th – attend to duty & a meeting of the Bible Society evening.

Friday 18th – on duty- met with Sons of T. in evening.

Saturday 19th – on duty- went home afternoon & att. a meeting of our Division at Geo. Barkers.

Sunday February 20, 1848 - went to Church afternoon, Maugerville.

Monday 21st- went to town; on duty. Attended S of T evening- Brunswick Division & acted as PWP – initiated Brother Smith & 7 others in that Division.

Tuesday 22nd - on duty in House.

Wednesday 23rd – Same as yesterday- Woody takes a load of Hay to Williams and gets a Franklin stove for one price one ton hay 35/- & 5 Bushels of potatoes 12/6- on duty in House.

Thursday 24th – on duty all day. Departmental Government discussed Page

Friday 25th – on duty - Revenue Bill paid to John C Allen Esq. For Jas. A. Miles for order 200/.

Saturday 26th – on duty all day - and went home evening. Sister goes down with me.

Sunday 27th – went to Church morning - left Sister at Betsy's.

Monday 28th – Went to town - on duty - went home evening- pd for horse keep 7-

Tuesday 29th – attended Court at Burton as witness for F.W. Hatheway - pd. for dinner & horse 3/- Judge Carter presided & finished the business.

Wednesday March 1st 1848 – Woody takes me to town- bad roads - on duty.

Thursday 2nd & 3rd – on duty all day.

Saturday March 4, 1848 - on duty. Stop in town-roads bad- can't come home-

Sunday 5th - attended at the old Church forenoon. Arch Deacon preached and DeVeber read the morning service except the Gospel which was read by Mr. Ketchum- only three persons employed to do ones duty - 7-

Monday 6th – on duty in House- the remains of Miss Sophia DeVeber buried today in Maugervillevery bad travelling.

Tuesday 7th - on duty all day-

Wednesday 8th – on duty – sent a barrel of corn meal to McLean for Burton poor- Hayward sent a barrel of flour to John Mitchell for Lincoln poor.

Thursday 9th – on duty- snows at night.

Friday 10th – on duty- Anthony attends a party at F.W. Hatheways. I can't go.

Saturday 11th – on duty all day till 5 o'clockwarm debate on Grant for Expenses of Riot at Woodstock. Come home with Woody. Sister comes home.

Sunday 12th – I was at home all day- the rest went to Church at Miss Stirling's.

Monday 13th – went to see Mother- she is very sick- attended a meeting of our Div S of T at Mr. Harrisons.

Tuesday 14th – Woody goes with me to town- on duty- Woody brings a load of dry hemlock about 7 feet- for Sister or myself.

Wednesday March 15, 1848 - on duty- Mr. Burpee pays me on acct of notes to Est. of E. Miles £15-. Woody brings a load of dry hard wood 7 feet. Driscoll pays for the calf 20/- by Mr. Payne.

Thursday 16th- on duty- Dined at L. C. Wilmotsvery pleasant party- paid Gaughings 40/- from John Hazen Esq.

Friday 17th – St. Patricks- on duty- the Bishop leaves Fredericton for England.

Saturday 18th – on duty- last of the soldiers leave for St. John- Alek comes up for me –(gave John Killian 5/- burnt out)

Sunday 19th – went to Burton Church forenoondined at Betsy's & attended Maugerville Church afternoon. Mother very sick-

Monday 20th – left with Ann for my son George £10 – being for money borrowed from him. Went to town. Took little George & came home in evening- & had a meeting of our Div. at my housevery harmonious.

Tuesday 21st – Woody goes up with me – on duty- News of Revolution on France – 500 said to have been killed. King Louis Phillip leaves for England, his property confiscated by the French.

Wednesday 22nd – gave to Miss Turner 5/- for Baptist Chapel- on duty- Pd. F.W. Hatheway for flour & meal £4-19-6-

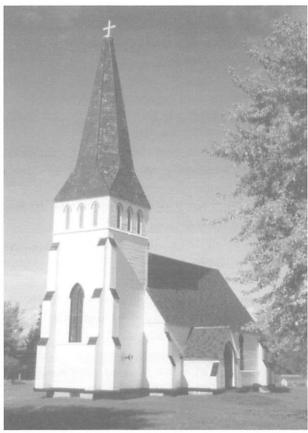
Thursday 23rd – Woody comes up for his Mother. I send down 6 lb. Tea. Spent the evening at F.W. Hatheways, large company.

Friday 24th – on duty- St Andrews Railway Bill passed- majority of 2- House divided on receiving Report equal. Speaker decides in favor of receiving Report - bad decision.

Saturday 25th – on duty- Woody brings his mother home & comes for me.

Sunday March 26, 1848 - went to Church forenoon, Sister & Anthony comes to Church & returns home afternoon.

Monday 27th - went to town, took Sally- on duty- went home evening- our Div met at my house. Balloted for officers for next Quarter- & initiated Calnick, Dow & John Hazen Jun. Major & Sm. Carman stop all night.



Maugerville Anglican Church (Near Col. Elijah Miles Home)

Tuesday 28th – Woody goes up with me – on duty- till 1/4 before 7- adjourned till 8- met again & sat till eleven at night.

Wednesday 29th – House met at 9- adjourned after 11 to open next day at the Courthouse in St. John – Governor Colebrooke sick in St. John.

Thursday 30th – Rec'd from the Central Bank for 72 days attendance at Legislation @ 15/- per day -

+ 2 days travelling fees @ 15/- £55-10- Paid to Mr. Gaynor £20- on acct- to Mr Hogg for the Reporter newspaper- 25/- in full and to Mr. Phillips for the Headquarters on Acct 40/-. John How moves to John Hardings – paid to Sister the 40/- borrowed some time ago. Came home with Bil How on the sled.

Friday 31st – Went with Ann to see Mother, returned afternoon, found Mr. & Miss Raymond, Col. Carman, three Miss Carmans, three young Mr. Carmans- Miss Susan Carman and my son George at our house.

**Saturday April 1st 1848**— Very bad travellingat home all day- the Col & Miss Susan Carman with us- Alek has my oxen hawling wood to the Walker house 1/2 day.

Sunday 2nd- at home all day.

Monday 3rd 1848 - Woody & Odber hawl up two loads hay given by George to Woody- then they go to Pickards Mill for Odbers grist this evening S.D. McPherson and Brailey GC come down and install the Officers of Sunbury Division No. 23- we have a very pleasant evening- all appear well satisfied the Brothers from Fredericton stop the night with us.

Tuesday 4th — Odber & Woody hawl bark for Odber. Our Deputation return to Fredericton & I set out to install Officers of Sheffield Div No. 13-the ice is very weak from the head of Majors Island, took Wood Carman along with me had George's mare & sleigh- got dinner at H Treadwells about two- Attended their meeting at 1/2 past 7 — installed three Officers- & received many thanks returned to Treadwells where we staid all night- with Odber Miles & R.H. Carman.

Wednesday 5th – breakfasted at Treadwells- paid and set out for home, got on the ice below Tilly's-mare fell through near Gilberts, pulled her out ourselves and came on to Betsy's from there George brought us home. Aunt Betsy and Wood Carman came with us- where we found the Misses Sarah Ann & Elizabeth Carman, Louisa Perley all dined with us- 3 tea'd and all went home.

Thursday 6th – Alek hawls hemlock cord wood to Tom's clearing. Woody rides up to town with Odber- I go to Town- take Ann to U. Sam's. Bought a plough from Sylvester Wood pd- 45/- for it. Paid F.W. Hatheway in full to this date 70/11 1/2 - pd. Oliver Smith ditto 35/10 1/2 and left with Jas. Beck the Quarterly Return and percentage 23/1

of Sheffield Division to be sent on to G. [Ed:G. Div. ?] got a number of things from Mr. Gaynor today, not paid for- left with him Mothers Certificates and Bills for one Quarter pension to 1st April 1848- if he sends them on he is to pay the Amt, with such premium as othes give at that time. Woody rides down with us to US. I stop there for Ann and get home at dusk. Mr Barnard Brown brings down my plough to Odbers Landing.

Friday 7th – George goes to town, gets some coffee for us at Mr. Gaynors 4 lbs. & peppermint from Brailey and smelling bottle for Mrs. Miles- has cash 2/6 to pay with. Odber & Nancy goes to town- paid to Odber on account of my subscription towards Temperance Hall 60/- in cash. Alek goes to town for self. I am writing all the forenoon-Sally sick.

Saturday April 8, 1848 - Saturday 8th – Alek & myself with oxen assist to Scantling for Temperance Hall. Odber & horses & Coleman- John Hazen Jun., Geo Nevers Archibald Shields, Stephen Carman, Wood & Jas. Carman, two Harrisons, & 1pr. horses & Elijah Miles & horses-Woody about the shop & barn- 4 dinners, TH [Ed: Temperance Hall ?].

Sunday 9th - Jane Miles, the wife of George, has her second daughter about three o'clock morning-he [Geo] comes up to our place on the ice for the last time this spring.

Monday 10th – Alek hawls out Scantling with oxen for TH & I hawl 2 loads with horses- Woody takes a bed stead & plough etc to his Mothersgoes over to town & returns on horseback-attended meeting of S of T at Geo Barkers.

Tuesday 11th – Alek throwing over manure etc. MacNamara worked yesterday & half of today taking the sand from the house this afternoon at the manure. Woody making small harrow for himself-I mend wheel barrow- no travelling on the ice.

Wednesday 12th – Alek & Mac at the manure. Woody helping to hew frame for Institute with many others- 2 dined with us. I worked about the barn, garden & shop. Old Ammon Hubble buried today. Ice bad, could not cross.

Thursday 13th – Alek at the manure. Woody helping to hew the frame with many others. I am at sundries.

Friday 14th – made a hot bed. Alek & Mac at the manure. Woody at the frame.

Saturday 15th – Woody went above with cart. Alek & Mac at manure. Steamer Fredericton comes up the Oromocto. Ice remains above that Stationary- put cucumbers & squash in hot bed & tomatoes & Early Yorks.

Sunday April 16, 1848 - At home all day. Ice starts a few rods at our place, water very low.

Monday 17th – Alek to work in front swamp and Owen & Mac in back swamp. Woody above yet. Bil How drives my oxen with two loads of frame timber. Archies son & oxen is with them. J. Harrison & Edward Miles hawls with 2 pr horses before a waggon. Some others help. Lost a fine shoat today & a lamb. Woody comes home.

Tuesday 18th – Alek sundries- Mac at manure again. Woody & Odber have Dolly & Button & waggon at the Temperance Hall. Ice gone along our shore but remains on the other side of the River- water very low – another lamb to day- 6 now alive.

Wednesday 19th – Woody helping to frame. Alek & Mac clearing & burning. I am at sundries. Cucumbers up.

Anglican Church Above County Line at Lower St. Mary's.



TTO Miles & Wife and Many Carmans Buried Here.

Thursday 20th – Alek & Mac clearing – Woody goes above afternoon. I attend a Special Sessions at the Courthouse, when the £200 given by the Province for the relief of poor was divided as follows viz. Burton £75- Sheffield £50-Maugerville £25- Lincoln £25- Blissville £25- Mr. Priestly was against our having more than £25 and Thos. Gilbert opposed the amount to Burton as being too much- the ice goes off this afternoon gently.

Woodstock, N.B., Anglican Church Records contributed by George Hayward

Introduction: Before Carleton County was set off from York Co., in 1832, Woodstock and the Parishes of Northampton and Southampton were in York County whereas Woodstock and Northampton were in Carleton and Southampton in York Co. after 1832. In addition to christenings, these records contain a few marriages and a few burials.

- 1792, 12 Jun, Else, b. 26 Jun 1790, d/o Wm. & Ester **Huggins**.
- 1792, 12 Jun, George, b. 15 May 1792, s/o Wm. & Ester **Huggins**.
- 1792, 13 Jun, Thomas, b. 20 Nov 1791, s/o Peter & Martha Newton.
- 1792, 24 Jun, Elizabeth, w/o Johthn \_\_?\_\_.
- 1792, 24 Jun, Mary, b. 19 Feb 1791, their dau.
- 1792, 24 Jun, Elizabeth, b. 11 Apr 1791, their dau.
- 1792, 24 Jun, Frederick Redden, b. 21 Jul 1790?.
- 1792, 9 Jul, Peter, b. 12 Oct 1790, s/o Christian & Caty Fero.
- 1792, 10 Jul, Michael, b. 12 Sep 1789, s/o Michael & Mary Lenentine.
- 1792, 10 Jul, Abraham Brown, of age.
- 1792, 15 Jul, Mary Lette, b. 20 Dec 1790, d/o Jacob & Mrs. **Tompkins**.
- 1792, 15 Jul, Betsey Barbara, b, 6 Apr 1792, d/o Jacob & Mrs. Tompkins.
- 1792, 22 Jul, Robert, b. 18 Jan 1790, s/o Sam=l & Elizabeth Woodard.
- 1792, 5 Sep, Mary Hester, b. 25 (Dec?) 1790, d/o John & Elizabeth **Brown**.
- 1792, 5 Sep, Adam Boyle, b. 14 Sep 1789, s/o Alexander & Hester Sharp.
- 1792, 5 Sep, Hester, b. 25 Jun 1792, d/o Alexander
   & Hester Sharp.
- 1792, 5 Sep, John, b. 17 Feb 1780, s/o Tammerlane & Hester Cammel.
- 1792, 5 Sep, Tammerlane, b. 18 Aug 1782, s/o Tammerlane & Hester Cammel.
- 1792, 5 Sep, Robert, b. 11 Aug (1785?), s/o Tammerlane & Hester Cammel.
- 1792, 5 Sep, Alexander, b. 4 Nov 1788, s/o Tammerlane & Hester Cammel.
- 1792, 13 Sep, Andrew Dickenson, of age.
- 1792, 19 Aug, was admitted into the Holy Order of

- Priest by the Right Rev'd Charles, Bishop of Nova Scotia, at Christ Church of Saint John.
- 1792, 27 Sep, Nanna, b. 4 Dec 1790, d/o Alexander & Mary Remington.
- 1792, 27 Sep, Hanah, b. 3 Jun 1792, d/o Alexander & Mary Remington.
- 1793, 24 Feb, Robert, b. 12 Jan 1774, c/o Mathew & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 24 Feb, Sarah, b. 4 Jan 1776, c/o Mathew & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 24 Feb, Calep, b. 2 Feb 1778, c/o Mathew & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 24 Feb, Thomas, b. 7 Jun 1780, c/o Mathew & Mary **Phillips**
- 1793, 24 Feb, Charlotta, b. 7 Jul 1784, c/o Mathew & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 24 Feb, Lydda, b. 15 Dec 1785, c/o Mathew
   & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 24 Feb, Martha, b. 19 Jul 1789, c/o Mathew
   & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 24 Feb, David, b. 5 Oct 1790, c/o Mathew & Mary Phillips
- 1793, 17 Mar, James, b. 26 Feb 1793, s/o Alexander & Margaret **Boon**.
- 1793, 12 May, David, b. 27 Jul 1792, s/o Christain & Caty Fero.
- 1793, 12 May, Simon, b. [date not entered], s/o Henry & Elizabeth Cronkhite.
- 1793, 12 May, Jabez Lockwood, b. 17 Mar 1793, s/o Henry & Elizabeth Cronkhite.
- 1793, 3 Jun, Wm. Jones, of age.
- 1793, 3 Jul, Abigail, b. 9 Feb 1791, d/o John & Abigail Tompkins.
- 1793, 21 Jul, Nathaniel, b. 5 Jun 1793, s/o Sam=l & Elizabeth Woodward.
- 1793, 29 Jul, Nancy. b. 1 Apr 1793, d/o Peter & Martha Newton.
- 1793, 11 Aug, Michael, b. 25 Sep 1790, c/o Wm.
   & Catherine (G\_?\_).
- 1793, 11 Aug, Ruth, b. 4 Sep 1792, c/o Wm. & Catherine (**G**?)
- 1798, 14 Oct, Maria, b. 7 Mar 1796, c/o James & Polly Craig.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Christopher, b. 10 Apr 1798, c/o

- James & Polly Craig.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Levina, b. 20 Nov 1794, c/o Mr. & Mrs. Ginson.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Alexander, b. 7 Mar 1797, c/o Mr. & Mrs. Ginson.
- 1799, 1 Mar, Thomas Baker, b. 26 Feb 1799, s/o Thomas & Hannah Hanley.
- 1799, 28 Jun, Charity, b. 17 Dec 1798, d/o Christian & Caty Fero.
- 1799, 28 Jun, George Fields, b. 21 May 1799, s/o James & Margaret **Dyer**.
- 1799, 28 Jun, Epinetus, b. 29 Jan 1799, s/o George & Elizabeth Miller.
- 1799, 21 Jun, Thomas Salter, b. 10 May 1795, c/o Jonathan & Elizabeth Roberts.
- 1799, 21 Jun, Comfort Lendeneton, b. 2 Jun 1796, c/o Jonathan & Elizabeth Roberts.
- 1799, 21 Jun, Jonathan, b. 19 Jun 1798, c/o Jonathan & Elizabeth Roberts.
- 1799, 4 Aug, Susannah Sarah, b. 7 Mar 1790, d/o Jacob & Mary **Tomkins**.
- 1799, 9 Oct, Elizabeth Catharine, b. 12 Mar 1799, d/o Edward & Polly Collard.
- 1799, 25 Dec, Mary Hester, b. 15 Sep 1798, d/o Andrew & Sarah **Dickenson**.
- 1799, 25 Dec, Alexander Sharp, b. 9 Oct 1799, s/o John & Elizabeth **Brown**.
- 1799, 26 Dec, William Richard Howe, b. 5 Jul 1786, c/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1799, 26 Dec, George Horatio Nelson, b. 19 Dec 1788, c/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1799, 26 Dec, Peter Duncan, b. 3 Oct 1791, c/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1799, 26 Dec, Cadvaller Jsrvis, b. 10 Feb 1795, c/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1794, 25 Jul, Maria, b. 31 May 1794, d/o Christain & Catharine Fero.
- 1794, 30 Oct, Magdalana, b. 8 Jun 1794, d/o Jacob & Mary **Tomkins**.
- 1794, 30 Oct, Mary Margaret, b. 15 Mar 1791, d/o John & Julian Hillsgrove
- 1794, 30 Oct, Ana Purdy, b. 14 May 1794, d/o Gabriel & Abigail Davenport.
- 1794, 25 Dec, married, John Stanley & Hanah Barker, by Banns.
- 1795, 14 Feb, Martha Coleby, of age.
- 1795, 19 Feb, married, John **Dunlap** & Martha **Coleby**, by licence.
- 1795, 14 Feb, two, but lost the register.

- 1795, 15 Feb, two, but lost the numbers.
- 1795, 3 May, Sarah Benitt, b. 28 Mar 1795, d/o Peter & Abigail Grant.
- 1795, 10 May, Henry, b. 10 Mar 1795, s/o Alexander & Hester **Sharp**.
- 1795, 10 May, Jacob, b. 5 Sep 1794, s/o Robert & Sally McKeen.
- 1795, 15 Jul, Rosana, b. 17 Sep 1793, d/o Dr. & Mrs. Larle.
- 1795, 25 Jul, Maria, b. 31 May 1795, d/o Christain & Caty Fero.
- 1795, 24 Aug, married, William Hatray? [Ratray?] & Mary Sheen, by licence.
- 1795, 24 May, Sarah Barker, b. 5 Oct 1794, d/o John & Elizabeth Brown.
- 1793, 21 Jun, brought from Woodstock Parish, Charlotte Jane, b. 15 Nov 1792, d/o John & Elizabeth **Brown**.
- 1795, 4 Nov, married, William Grant & Anna Maidstone Hillman, by Banns.
- 1795, 10 Nov, baptized to date: children 53; adults 5; married 6; buried 1.
- 1796, 3 Jan, Thomas, b. 20 Nov 1794, s/o John & Hannah Stanley.
- 1796, 26 Jan, married, Jeremiah **Thompson** & the widow **Woodard**, by Banns.
- 1796, 25 Jul, Sarah, b. 27 May 1796, d/o Christian & Catherine Fero.
- 1796, 25 Jul, Phebe Chase, b. 9 Jun 1796, d/o George & Elizabeth Miller.
- 1796, 14 Aug, James, s/o William & Mary Slatery.
- 1796, 21 Aug, s/o Jacob & Mary Tomkins.
- 1796, 11 Sep, Mary, d/o Robert & Sally McKeen.
- 1796, 11 Sep, two children from Mr. Cunard.
- 1796, 6 Oct, Edward Tompkins, of age.
- 1796, 6 Oct, James, b. 6 Aug 1794, s/o Edward & Eunice **Tomkins**
- 1796, 30 Oct, John, b. 30 Sep 1796, s/o Peter & Abigail Grant.
- 1796, 8 Nov, Ann Angel, b. 26 Sep 1796, d/o Wm.
   & Ann Maidstone Grant.
- 1796, 8 Dec, married, Sam'l McKeen & Susanna Larle, by licence.
- 1797, 9 Jan, married, Wm. Burns & Elizabeth Salter, by Banns.
- 1797, 9 Jan, Marg't Elizabeth, b. 22 Oct 1796, d/o Jeremiah & Elizabeth **Hopkins**.
- 1797, 21 Feb, John King, b. 7 Jan 1796, s/o John & Martha Dunlop.

- 1797, 23 Apr, Benjamin, b. 15 Dec 1794, s/o Sylvanus & Polly **Tidd.**
- 1797, 23 Apr, Jesse Bartlet, b. 13 Aug 1796, s/o Sylvanus & Polly Tidd.
- 1797, 11 Jun, Maria, b. 1 Aug 1796, d/o Arden & Sally **Dickenson.**
- 1797, 8 Sep, a son of Mr. Cronkhite.
- 1798, I Jul, Sophia Lockwood, b. 27 May 1798, d/o Peter & Abigail Grant.
- 1798, 1 Jul, Elisabeth, b. 18 Jun 1798, d/o Wm. & Ann Maidstone **Grant.**
- [1798], 1 Jul, married, James **Dyer** & Margaret **Field**, by Banns.
- [1798], 7 Jul, a son of Anthony & Esther Baker.
- 1798, 20 Jul, Elizabeth, b. 7 Mar 1798, d/o John & Martha **Dunlap**.
- 1798, 28 Jul, Alexander, b. 18 Sep 1794, s/o Mr. & Mrs. Bates.
- 1798, 28 Jul, Robert, b 1? Mar 1797, s/o Mr. & Mrs. Bates.
- 1798, 9 Aug, buried, Thomas Hinley, s/o John Henly, drowned [Hanley?/Stanley?]
- 1798, 13 Aug, returned account to date: children 14; adults, 1; married 3; buried, 1.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Ruth, b. 7 Oct 1798, d/o Sylvanus & Polly Tidd.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Maria, b. 7 Mar 1796, d/o James & Polly Craig.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Christopher, b. 10 Apr 1798, s/o James & Polly Craig.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Levina, b. 20 Nov 1794, d/o Mr. & Mrs. Ginson.
- 1798, 14 Oct, Alexander, b. 7 Mar 1797, s/o Mr. & Mrs. Ginson.
- 1798, 17 Nov, married, Joseph Woolverton & Jane Larle, by licence.
- 1799, 1 Mar, Thomas Baker, b. 26 Feb 1799, s/o Thomas & Hannah Hanley.
- 1799, 5 Jun, married, Joseph Morrison & Letty Nye, by licence.
- 1799, 28 Jun, Charity, b. 17 Dec 1798, d/o Christian & Caty Fero.
- 1799, 28 Jun, George Fields, b. 21 May 1799, s/o James & Margaret Dyer.
- 1799, 28 Jun, Epinetus, b. 29 Jan 1799, s/o George & Elizabeth Miller.
- 1799, 21 Jul, Thomas Salter, b. 10 May 1795, s/o Jonathan & Elizabeth Roberts.
- 1799, 21 Jun, Comfort Lendeneton, b. 2 Jun 1796,

- d/o Jonathan & Elizabeth Roberts.
- 1799, 21 Jun, Jonathan, b. 19 Jun 1798, s/o Jonathan & Elizabeth Roberts.
- 1799, 4 Aug, Susannah Sarah, b. 7 Mar 1790, d/o Jacob & Mary **Tomkins.**
- 1799, 9 Oct, Elizabeth Catharine, b. 12 Mar 1799, d/o Edward & Polly Collard.
- 1799, 9 Oct, married John Castles & Hannah Newman, by licence
- 1799, 25 Dec, Mary Hester, b. 15 Sep 1798, d/o Arden & Sarah **Dickenson**.
- 1799, 25 Dec, Alexander Sharp, b. 9 Oct 1799, s/o John & Elisabeth **Brown.**
- 1799, 26 Dec, William Richard Howe, b. 5 Jul 1786, s/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1799, 26 Dec, George Horatio Nelson, b. 19 Dec 1788, s/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1799, 26 Dec, Peter Duncan, b. 3 Oct 1791, s/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1799, 26 Dec, Cadvalder Jarvis, b. 10 Feb 1795, s/o George & Nancy Bull.
- 1800, 5 Jan, Phebe, (two days old), d/o Jacob & Mary Tomkins.
- 1800, 2 Feb, Emily Caroline, b. 25 Dec 1799, d/o (Pte.) Michael & Phebe Smith.
- 1800, Jun 1, Jacob McShaffery, b. 23 May 1800, s/o James & Polly Craig.
- 1800, 3 Jun, Jeremiah Maxwell, b. 26 Jan 1800, s/o Charles & Polly Connell.
- 1800, 3 Jun, Elisha Spine, b. 13 Apr 1800, s/o Mr. & Mrs. Shea.
- 1800, 12 Jun, Elizabeth Margaret, b. 28 Aug 1799, d/o Joseph & Jenny Wolverton.
- 1800, 12 Jun, Phebe Sophia Hillman, b. 30 Jan 1800, d/o Wm. & Ann Maidstone **Grant.**
- 1800, 22 Jun, William Sanford, b. 28 Apr 1800, s/o Jabez & Polly Lockwood.
- 1800, 3 Aug, two children of Gabriel & Mrs. **Davenport**.
- 1801, 1 Mar, Hannah Kelly, b. 28 Jan 1801, d/o John & Hannah Hanley.
- 1801, 16 Mar, d/o Silvanus & Polly Tidd.
- 1801, 16 Mar, David Miller, an orphan bound to Mr. Lennantine.
- 1801, 16 Jun, Elizabeth, b. 19 Apr 1801, d/o Christian & Caty Fero.
- 1801, 17 Jul, Mathew Davis, b. 23 Mar 1801, s/o Robert & Elisabeth Phillips
- 1801, 16 Aug, William, b. 23 Feb 1797, s/o

- Edmund & Mary Tompkins.
- 1801, 16 Aug, Tristram Winslow, b. 6 Oct 1800, s/o Tristram & Mrs. Hillmam.
- 1801, 16 Aug, James, b. 29 Mar 1801, s/o James & Mrs. Dver.
- 1801, 16 Aug, Thomas Porter, b. 11 Jul 1801, s/o Titus & Mrs. Way.
- 1801, 23 Aug, James, b. 21 Jun 1801, s/o George & Lydia McGee
- 1801, 23 Aug, Caleb Gilbert, s/o Mr. & Mrs. Carvel.
- 1801, 20 Sep, Rosanna Westwaters, b. 30 Apr 1801, d/o Arden & Sally **Dickinson.**
- 1802, 28 Mar, Levina Slason, b. 7 Dec 1790, c/o Mr. Camber & his wife Nancy Chamber.
- 1802, 28 Mar, Olive (Sander), b. 23 Oct 1800, c/o Mr. Camber & his wife Nancy Chamber.
- 1802, 3 May, James **Woolverton**, eighteen years of age the 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. of this year.
- 1802, 4 Jul, Harriet, d/o Anthony & Hester Baker.
- 1802, 2 Aug, Susannah, b. 13 Jun 1802, d/o Edmund & Mary **Tomkins.**
- 1802, 23 Aug, William, b. 12 May 1799, s/o Peter & Martha Newton.
- 1802, 26 Sep, Samuel, b. 15 May 1802, s/o Jabez & Polly Lockwood.
- 1802, 12 Oct, Richard, b. 2 Jun 1792, s/o Jeremiah & Elisabeth **Tompkins.**
- 1802, 23 Oct, Jenny Lydia, b. 20 Aug 1892, d/o Jacob & Mary Tomkins.
- 1802, 28 Dec, Margaret Gates, b. 24 Aug 1801, d/o Susannah McKeen.
- 1803, 27 Feb, Mary Lucretia, d/o Robert & Mrs. Phillips.
- 1803, 27 Feb, James Tumon, s/o Caleb & Jan Phillips.
- 1803, 21 Jul, Thomas Thatcher, s/o Josepg & Jane Woolverton.
- 1803, 31 Jul, Samuel [Huddenot?], s/o Sarah & John Larle.
- 1804, 6 Feb, Hetty Ann, b. 2 May 1798?, d/o Darius & Mary **Dickenson.**
- 1804, 6 Feb, Sarah Ann, b. 16 Feb 1798?, d/o Darius & Mary Dickenson.
- 1804, 6 Feb, Samuel, b. 24 Nov 1802, s/o Darius & Mary Dickenson.
- 1804, 18 Mar, Amos, b. 17 Nov 1803, s/o Titus & Mrs. Way.
- 1804, 18 Mar, Catharine, b. 4 Mar 1803, d/o James

- & Mrs. Dyer.
- 1804, 8 Jul, Jane Phillips, b. 4 May 1804, d/o Joseph & Jane Woolverton.
- 1804, 2 Sep, Elisha, s/o Anthony & Esther Baker.
- 1804, 22 Oct, Elizabeth, d/o John & Martha **Dunlap.**
- 1804, 22 Oct, Mary Ann, d/o John & Martha **Dunlap.**
- 1804, 22 Oct, James McFarlene, s/o John & Martha **Dunlap**.
- 1805, 17 Mar, James Platt, b. 31 Jul 1803, s/o Jabez & Mary Lockwood.
- 1806, 2 Mar, Mary Maidstone, b. 6 Jul 1803, d/o William & Ann Maidstone Grant.
- 1806, 2 Mar, William, b. 17 Aug 1805, s/o William & Ann Maidstone **Grant.**
- 1806, 10 Mar, Lucy Rachel, b. 12 Aug 1802, d/o Darius & Mary **Dickinson**.
- 1806, 10 Mar, Sally, b. 18 Feb 1806, d/o John & Sally Larle.
- 1806, 12 Jul, Charlotte Sarah, b. 30 Aug 1804, d/o Robert & Mrs. Phillips.
- 1806, 12 Jul, Robert, b. 28 Apr 1806, s/o Robert & Mrs. **Phillips.**
- 1806, 14 Jul, Henry, s/o Henry & Abigail Cronkhite.
- 1806, 14 Jul, Joseph, b. 18 Jun 1806, s/o John & Mary Gray.
- 1806, 17 Aug, George Alemon, b. 21 Feb 1806, s/o Jabez & Polly Lockwood.
- 1806, 17 Aug, Hezekiah, b. 18 Feb 1806, s/o David & Elisabeth Betts.
- 1806, 20 Aug, William, b. 15 May 1795, s/o Sam=l & Nancy **Bishop.**
- 1806, (5 Oct?), Aron, b. 1 Sep 1806, s/o Jacob & Elisabeth **Tompkins.**
- 1807, 28 Mar, Caroline, b. 11 Apr 1806, d/o Anthony & Hester Baker.
- 1807, 20 Apr, Mary (Funzia/Fanyia?), b. 23 Mar 1802, d/o Edwin & Mary Collins.
- 1808, 30 May, Temprance, b. 11 May 1804, d/o Temprance & George Hillman.
- 1808, 30 May, Catharine, b. 17 May 1806, d/o Temprance & George Hillman.
- 1808, 3 Jul, Edwin, b. 26 Mar 1808, s/o Jabez & Polly **Lockwood**. [Christened before he was born]
- 1808, 21 Aug, Mary (G..rier?), b. 5 Oct 1806, d/o James & Margaret Day.

- 1809, 4 Jan, Mary Bell, (4 yrs. old), d/o Joseph & Jane Woolverton.
- 1809, 9 Jul, Betsy Ann, b. 11 May 1809, d/o William & (Josphe?) Gole.
- 1809, 1 Apr, Sarah Elisabeth, b. 12 Sep 1809, d/o Michael & Jerusha Lennentine. [Christened before she was born]
- 1810, 15 Sep, Alonzo, s/o Jabez & Polly Lockwood.
- 1811, 10 Mar, Tammelene Nelson, b. 20 Feb 1808, c/o Anthony & Hester **Baker**.
- 1811, 10 Mar, Hugh, b. 4 Aug 1810, c/o Anthony & Hester Baker.
- 1811, 17 Mar, d/o Michael & Hester Lennentine.
- 1811, 8 Jul, Isabella, b. 18 May 1810, d/o Sylvanus & Mrs. **Tidd.**
- 1811, 8 Jul, Charles, b. 20 Jul 1810, s/o Mr. & Mrs. Dyer.
- 1811, 24 Sep, John & Sarah Jane, c/o John & Nancy Larle.
- 1812, c/o Joseph & Sylvia Bedell
- 1812, 18 Nov, Mary More, b. 2 Aug 1812, d/o Michael & Mrs. Lennentine.
- 1814, 29 Mar, Mary, b. 10 Jan 1810, d/o Joseph & Jane Woolverton.
- 1814, 29 Mar, Joseph, b. 8 Jan 1811, s/o Joseph & Jane Woolverton.
- 1814, 29 Mar, Catharine, b. 26 Jun 1813, d.o Joseph & Jane Woolverton.
- 1814, 19 Jun, William Tyler Jarvis, s/o Joseph & Sylvia Bedell.
- 1814, 30 Jun, Henry, b. 2 Aug 1805, c/o Charles & Mrs. Connell.
- 1814, 30 Jun, Maria, b. 20 Sep 1807, c/o Charles & Mrs. Connell.
- 1814, 30 Jun, Charles, b.17 Nov 1809, c/o Charles
   & Mrs. Connell.
- 1814, 30 Jun, William, b. 26 Nov 1811, c/o Charles
   & Mrs. Connell.
- 1814, 30 Jun, Joseph, b. 30 Mar 1814, c/o Charles & Mrs. Connell.
- 1814, 17 Oct, James Alpheus, b. 15 Apr 1809, c/o Robert & Mrs. Phillips.
- 1814, 17 Oct, Lydia Jane, b. 15 Feb 1811, c/o Robert & Mrs. Phillips.
- 1814, 20 Oct, Stephen Ferril, b. 24 Mar 1814, s/o Michael & Mrs. Lennentine.
- 1838, 28 Oct, Clarissa Hellen, b. 3 May 1838, d/o John D. & Jane **Beardsley**.

- 1838, 2 Dec, William Henry, b. 19 Aug 1838, s/o
   A.S. & Frances B. Carman, merchant, Parish of Woodstock.
- 1838, 3 Dec, Letia Ellen, b. 23 Nov 1838, d/o John & Allice **Doyle**, labourer, Parish of Woodstock.
- 1838, 16 Dec, Susan Amelia Adelaide, b. 17 Jun 1834, c/o Peter C. & Mary Ann Emerson, yeoman, Woodstock.
- 1838, 16 Dec, Delia & Clarence Herbert, twins, b. 27 Oct 1838, c/o Peter C. & Mary Ann Emerson, yeoman, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Feb, Hannah Curry, b. 8 Dec 1838, d/o Hugh & Mary Russell, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 3 Mar, John Arthur, b. 20 Jan 1839, s/o
   William & Elisabeth Lindsay, farmer,
   Wakefield.
- 1839, 18 Mar, Sylvester Franklin, b. 30 Aug 1838, s/o Benjamin Franklin & Jane Lyon, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 23 Mar, Sarah Jane, b. 2 Aug 1838, d/o Samuel & Nancy **Hemphill**, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Mar, Charles, b. 22 Jul 1838, s/o James & Elisabeth Carter, mechanic, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Mar, Isabella, b. 13 Sep 1838, d/o Ebenezer & Eliza (Prince) Valentine, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Mar, William Henry, b. 23 Sep 1837, s/o James & Katherine **Rush**, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Mar, Elisabeth, b. 4 \_?\_ 1839, d/o Sam=l & Nancy **Bagley**, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Mar, Mary, b. 20 Oct 1837, c/o William & Elisabeth Story, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 24 Mar, Fanny, b. 13 Jan 1838, c/o William & Elisabeth Story, farmer, Woodstock. [b. only 3 mos after her sister.]
- 1839, 31 Mar, Matilda Ann, b. 25 Jan 1839, d/o Charles & Margaret Emery, farmer, Wakefield.
- 1839, 25 Apr, Charles Perley, b. 28 Jul 1838, s/o Joseph & Esther Scott, farler, Woodstock.
- 1839, 25 Apr, Lotrop Hammond, b. 12 May 1836, s/o Israel & Harriet **Dow**, farmer, Woodstock.
- 1839, 25 Apr, Judah Dickenson, b. 31 Jan 1834, natural child of Alonzo Lockwood & Thankful Dickenson, Woodstock.
- 1839, 5 Jul, Mary Jane, b. 5 May 1838, d/o
   William & Sarah Blackmore, farmer,
   Woodstock.

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### Miramichi Branch

Miramichi Branch meets for regular monthly meetings on the fourth Tuesday of January through June and September through November at the Chatham Public Library at 6:15 PM. Our membership numbers remained fairly stable in 2015 as has attendance with an average of 15-20 members at monthly meetings.

During 2015 the Branch held eight meetings. The January meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. In February we had a regular business meeting and discussions on plans for the coming year. March was also a regular business meeting. Thanks to program chair, Judy Vautour, we had a number of special programs at our spring meetings.

At the April meeting, branch member Mary Anne Riordon-Barry captivated the group with her presentation on the genealogy tour of Ireland in the fall of 2014. Not only was it a trip to historic and scenic locations in Ireland for the 20 participants, but she had organized a bus trip to visit all the towns and cities where those families had originated. The maps, articles and items she brought to the meeting were so interesting that only the dimming of the library lights to remind us it was closing time brought the meeting to an end!

At the May meeting, we were pleased to have a presentation by local high school teacher, Brandon Savage. We had all heard and seen on TV the events of the Liberation of Holland, May 1945, so the timing was right for this presentation. Two years ago, Brandon took students from Newcastle, Chatham and **Bathurst** to Holland Remembrance Day. A great deal of work went into the planning of this. Each student researched a 'fallen' soldier from the North Shore (NB) Regiment and each made an eulogy at the gravesite. Each student came away with an appreciation for the sacrifice of our veterans.

In June, we held a regular business meeting as well as an organizational meeting to plan our summer activities and line up volunteers for the events in which the branch participated.

We participated in three major community events during the summer. First was the Miramichi Heritage Weekend held in late June at the Miramichi Eco-Centre. We had a booth at the event which was manned by volunteers on Friday evening and all day Saturday. Although attendance at the event was down this time around, we did have some traffic at our booth and we did our best to assist them with their inquiries. In July, we participated in the annual Miramichi Irish Festival held again this year on the Chatham Waterfront. Anna MacDonald coordinated our participation at the event and our volunteers assisted those who dropped by to browse our publications and do research. In August, we attended Tabusintac Old Home week for two days. This was our first time participating and we were well received and had a number of people visit our room and seek our assistance. Thank you to all our members who volunteered at all three of these events!

In September, we held our annual meet and greet and we were thrilled to have two of our "from away" members, Rita Brown and Randall Biddle, join us all the way from California. After our regular business meeting, Randall gave an interesting summary of the research he is conducting that brought him to Miramichi and his keen interest in shipbuilding history. Randall is a nationally recognized builder of model ships to scale and was interested in the shipbuilding legacy of Miramichi. He was impressed with the written material available on our shipbuilding history and indicated this area had done a much better job than most in recording our nautical history. At our September meeting, we have traditionally recognized one of our members for his/her contribution to the organization. This year the recipient of our Certificate of Appreciation was Branch Secretary, John Fogan. John has been an active member since joining in 2003 and, in addition to his secretarial duties, is also our website guru. In October, we had a regular business meeting. November was our annual meeting and election of officers. All incumbents agreed to another term in office with the following elected by acclamation:

President: Faye Baisley
Past President: Calvin Stewart
Vice President: Marshall Gaston

Secretary: John Fogan Treasurer: Elsie Stefanyk

Membership Chair: Judy Vautour

Directors: William Donald, Donna Kelly, Dianne

Mullin

Provincial Reps: Marilyn Creamer-Fowler and

Carolyn Harris

All officers and members were thanked for their volunteerism without which the branch could not survive.

Miramichi Branch, courtesy of funding received through both provincial and federal government grants, employed two students this summer to assist with ongoing branch projects. provincial grant went to a 3<sup>rd</sup> year university student while the federal grant went to a high school student. They were both hired to work typing obituaries from the Ben Donovan Collection and the North Shore Leader which will be added to the obituary books as well postings to the website. The total number of obituaries that were typed over the summer was in the range of 700 for each grant. They also assisted in working at "The Gathering" and "The Irish Festival." We thank member Donna Kelly who coordinated the summer student program this year.

We published three newsletters during the year – winter, spring and fall. The editor position is still vacant and the last several publications were a joint board effort. We remain optimistic that a member will step forward this year to assume this position.

Our major focus during the last half of 2015 was getting our web site operational again after encountering problems with several of our data bases. Thanks to the efforts of members John Fogan and Penny Creamer it appears we are back in business. The number of e-mails and inquiries we received during the "down' period showed how many members use the resources on our site in their research.

We continue to receive e-mails and queries which we strive to respond to. Members are available to go to both the Chatham and Newcastle Public Libraries to assist visitors in search of their Miramichi connections.

Submitted by: Faye Baisley, President

### Restigouche Branch

The year 2015 was definitely one of unexpected events and changes for our Branch.

As previously mentioned about 2 years ago, our future did not look very promising and we had planned to dissolve in February 2015 if the situation didn't change. Since our local Branch was to turn 33 years in May, we decided to wait a

few months so we could at least celebrate the anniversary.

At our last meeting of February 8, 2015, it was voted by the membership that in order to reduce our finances before we folded we should buy as many books & documents as possible. Many genealogical or historical societies and groups were contacted to obtain lists of books for sale. Some were bought from private authors as well or from some villages celebrating centennials. We do have an impressive inventory!

We held our regular Open House of the archives room at the Library during Heritage week in February. Word got around about our possible dissolution and we were contacted for two telephone interviews with local French newspapers L'Acadie Nouvelle & L'Écho de la Baie/L'Aviron giving us exposure with their articles. It eventually snowballed with a television interview with CHAU-TV in Carleton, /Quebec on March 10<sup>th</sup>. These brought us a few new members and lots of questions & comments.

We had more visitors this year than normal; queries are flowing as well from all over. We also received many book donations.

As the saying goes, life has a way to change our plans and send us curve balls as May came and went as President Suzanne Blaquière was away due to family matters and returned with health issues till late June. Since it is not a good time to meet in the summer as too many people are away, the executive decided to wait till the fall and attend the last NBGS meeting at the end of September to get further directives concerning the possible dissolution.

At our Annual General Meeting of December 13, 2015, the members accepted the 2015 Financial Report as presented from January 1 to December 10, 2015. Following discussion and with much regret, the members of the NBGS Inc. Restigouche Branch came to the conclusion that there was no other alternative but to dissolve our Restigouche Branch due to the lack of volunteers to replace positions on the executive. The President and Treasurer were given the responsibility to pay the rest of the bills following the meeting and to send our 2015 financial report to the NBGS provincial body as soon as possible once our account was closed at the Dalhousie Credit Union.

We encouraged our members to join through another Branch or through NBGS itself in order to

continue to remain active, have access to the website and receive the *Generations* magazine.

The afternoon ended with a **Wine & Cheese** and sharing some good times.

We are fortunate that our archival material and documentation will remain at the Dalhousie Centennial Library - in **The Hynes / Young Research Room** - as a conditional gift for a period of 5 years as per the NBGS Constitution to allow the reactivation of the Restigouche Branch by other individuals within that time limit. The Library Board agreed to keep our holdings in their building as long as it does not increase their staff's workload. The ladies at the library have been a wonderful help to us and were always ready to lend a hand.

Next Spring we will try to form a small group to help out in the Archives Center so we can continue to assist visitors who want to do research.

I hope everyone will understand our dilemma; our population has aged in the last 33 years, some have health issues, others have deceased, our area population has depleted as well. Many people now use the internet to do their research. It has become too hard for a few people to hold the reins despite our efforts. Genealogy will remain a part of us and we will continue to help researchers as best we can.

We want to take this opportunity to thank all the members for their support, kindness and patronage throughout our 33 years as NBGS Inc., Restigouche Branch, we wouldn't have existed without you.

A dissolution letter was sent via internet or by post to all members to inform them of our status.

If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to email Suzanne Blaquière at irene@nb.sympatico.ca

Genealogically Yours, Suzanne Blaquière, RGS Past President

### Saint John Branch

**Programme:** Our January and February 2015 meetings were cancelled due to snowstorms.

March 25, 2015: Ruth Lesbirel & Don Flewelling shared, after several decades of genealogical research, one of their most interesting finds: "Who

was Phebe Robertson Keiffer". A short AGM followed the program.

April 29, 2015: Margaret Findlay & Willis Walker, volunteers at the Family History Center, spoke on the diverse array of genealogical resources found at the Center located in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Saint John West

May 27, 2015: Christopher Osborne shared his large collection of photographs which showcase the working waterfront/harbour of Saint John from the 1900's to present day.

June 10 2015: Field trip to visit the Family History Centre at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, located at 177 Manchester Ave, Saint John.

Sep 30, 2015 - Linda Hansen - Branches, Roots, and Leaves: Identifying New Sources for Genealogical and Historical Research (and Using Familiar Sources in New Ways)

Oct 28, 2015 Dave Laskey - Loyalist Burial Site Project UELAC NB Branch to identify every NB cemetery that is known to contain the remains of an original Loyalist and to place a plaque at the entrance of each of these cemeteries.

Nov 25, 2015 - Xmas treats and social at Loyalist House followed by a short presentation by Kathy Wilson on Loyalist House.

**Publications:** In 2015 we had a busy year in publications. We published Burial Permits for the years 1904 through 1908. We also sent publication notices about our new books and existing books to several archives and libraries and this resulted in large orders from Allen County Public Library, Mid-Continent Public Library, and the DAR Library. We sold 77 books in all, and donated 15 to PANB, Saint John Regional Library, and New Brunswick Museum.

Microfilm Project - we reactivated the Microfilm memorial project. SJ will order additional microfilm for the SJ Regional Library in memory of members, former members, and close family members that have passed away over the past few years.

In 2015, we were saddened by the death of longtime member Charlie Kee, and former members Audrey Hanson and Patricia Calvin.

Genealogy Fair - Saint John branch held a Genealogy Fair on Sep 19, 2015 at the Market Square Atrium in Saint John. It was an enjoyable day for all. This was the first time we had held a

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fair in a public place (previous ones were in church halls or school cafeterias), so we got a lot of passer-bys checking our displays, in addition to the people who specifically came to the Fair. Thank you to the exhibitors, volunteers, and attendees for a successful day!

### **Executive for 2016:**

President: David Fraser
Secretary: Beverlee Gregg
Treasurer: David Laskey
Membership Secretary: George Sabean

Members-at-large:

Mary Chisholm
Janet Cunningham
Irene Keleher
Ruth McQuinn
Joan Pearce

Sandra Clark
Sue Ewing
Lynn Kinsella
Elaine Moyer
Mary Rosevear

Karen Urquhart

NBGS Directors: George Sabean

Beverlee Gregg

Respectfully Submitted
David Fraser - President

### Southeastern Branch

Southeastern Branch meets the third Saturday of the month at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church in Riverview with the exception of June, July, August and December.

This year at the Branch Annual Meeting in May we elected another full slate of officers with one new face, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Peggy Vasseur

President: Thelma Perry 1<sup>st</sup> Vice: Heather Fraser 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice: Peggy Vasseur

Recording Secretary: Jeff Deloughery

Treasurer: Linda Deloughery Membership: Stan Balch

Program Coordinator: Heather Fraser

House Chair: Tom Pollock News & Notes: Heather Fraser

Publicity: Leslie Gogan

This year we have eliminated most of the business content, had a meeting survey, asking what kind of programs are you looking for which resulted in a wide variety of suggestions.

Thelma Perry and Jeff and Linda Deloughery worked on putting our holdings on the NBGS website which I'm pleased to say is completed.

Our programs for 2015 were:

**January:** Members were asked to bring a document, photo or object to share and discuss with the members.

**February:** Members were invited to meet at Resurgo Place (Moncton Museum) for a tour of their facilities.

**March:** Heather Fraser spoke on the history of the Canadian Gypsum Mill of Hillsborough, NB

**April:** Donald Alward from the Albert County Museum gave an update on the museum happenings and also "Preservation & Storage tips for documents and photographs.

**May:** Katherine Barnes and Betty Lutes gave a very interesting talk on "Moncton's Permanent Settlers who are celebrating their 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2016.

**September:** A representative from the "Association of N. B. Cemeteries told of their efforts to have "forgotten cemeteries" looked after by the government.

**October:** We had two speakers, Thelma Perry spoke on our holdings which are housed in the Moncton Public Library and now on the NBGS web site.

Heather Fraser spoke on the information found on a cemetery stone and how this information can help you in your research.

**November:** Sharron Steeves from the "Waterside Community Association" gave an informative talk on the Church's history and how they have been able to make it into a memorial site after the fire a few years back.

In June, a genealogy kiosk was set up at the Moncton Highland Games with reference books, pedigree charts and information on Southeastern Branch.

Respectfully submitted, Thelma Perry, President

The remaining reports will be published in the Summer issue of *Generations*.

# Genealogical Resources at the Acadia University Archives

contributed by Stephen Davidson

Any excuse to visit the Annapolis Valley is a good one, but when you can make it the destination for a genealogical quest, what could stop you from going? Be sure to stop in Wolfville long enough to visit the Acadia University Archives. Open between ten and four each business day, the archives feature a number of resources that are especially valuable to those with ancestors who were Baptists or Acadia alumni.



Founded by the Baptists of Atlantic Canada, Acadia University has been a centre for denominational records since 1845. So even if your ancestors attended a small Baptist Church in New Brunswick's Queens County at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, there is a chance that there is some helpful genealogical information to be found in the university's archives.

The archives have some published genealogies in its special collections as well as indexes to the *Christian Messenger*, a Baptist newspaper that served the Maritimes, for marriages and deaths. The most important thing to remember is that Baptist church records are not as helpful for genealogists as those of other denominations. Since Bap-

tists do not practice infant baptism, local congregations did not keep birth records. Registers for marriages and deaths were not a standard denominational practice and depended very much on the particular congregation. Therefore, in many cases the most detail you can expect to find on an ancestor will be his/her name on a church membership list. Sometimes the membership lists are just bare bones; while others may include when an individual was baptized (as an adult) and if he/she transferred his/her membership to another church.

See the following list for what you can expect to find if you were to visit the Acadia University Archives. The archival staff is very friendly and helpful. It will be a day well spent! To get to the university's archives, travel along Wolfville's Main Street until you see Wolfville Baptist Church. Turn up Highland Avenue and then turn at your first right onto Acadia Street. The Vaughn Memorial Library is the first brick building on your right (#50 Acadia Street) and has meter parking. The archives are located within the university library.



### Acadia University Archives On-Site Genealogical Resources

### Archives:

- Student records: convocation programs, student scrapbooks
- Unpublished community histories: e.g. "Greenwich As I Remember it in 1850" by Gustavus Bishop

### Genealogical Resources at the Acadia University Archives

- Unpublished genealogies: e.g. The Eagles family genealogy
- Individuals/family papers: e.g. Antoft family accession, Crockett and Rood family accession
- Photographs: Acadia photo collection, Baptist Photo Collection
- Baptist church records: Membership lists, church minutes, bulletins
  - \*Disclaimer\* Baptist records are often not a good source of genealogical information as they rarely kept vital statistics. Their minutes most often record the business dealings of the church, and the membership lists provide little other information than dates of membership and dates of baptism. As the Baptists practiced adult baptism, these are not a good source for determining birth information.
- Planter records: http://library.acadiau.ca/archives/find/planter.html
  - e.g. Horton Township accession, Township of Cornwallis, Town Clerk accession, Ernest Lowden accession

### **Special collections:**

- Student and alumni records: e.g. Yearbooks, alumni listings, student newspaper (*The Athenaeum*), alumni newspaper (*The Bulletin*)
- Local newspapers: e.g. Berwick register, The Wolfville Acadian
- Baptist and other denominational newspapers: e.g. The Maritime Baptist, Christian Messenger
- Published genealogical works: e.g. Shaw family in Nova Scotia, History of the Family of Morse
- Family Association newsletters: e.g. Bishop Family Association newsletter, Bishop bulletin
- Published community histories: e.g. *The History of Kings County* Arthur Wentworth Hamilton Eaton
- Published Planter works:
  - o e.g. Planters and Pioneers by Esther Clark Wright
  - o Land and Families in Horton Township, N.S. 1760-1830 by Debra Ann McNabb

### **On-line Genealogical Resources**

http://archives.acadiau.ca/about http://openarchive.acadiau.ca

http://archives.acadiau.ca/genealogy

# Websites, Blogs, and Announcements (part 1)

This is a list of a few websites, blogs, and event announcements that have come across my desk - editor.

### Forces War Records Canada contributed by Louise Josey

Forces War Records Canada, <a href="https://ca.forces-war-records.com">https://ca.forces-war-records.com</a>, have over 8 million records including Canadian Military records, allowing customers to search for the service records of family members and friends. This site is mostly UK focused and you can sign up for a free account.

### Blog - New Brunswick History and Other Stuff

John Wood's blog, New Brunswick History and Other Stuff, is at https://johnwood1946.wordpress.com/author/johnwood1946/

You can sign up to receive his blog posts via email, approximately one a week.

# John Hayward and Chloe Strange

By George H. Hayward

Introduction: The author is a descendant of John Hayward's father, George Hayward who immigrated from England in 1763, and from John Hayward's brother George Hayward, but is not a direct descendant of this John Hayward.

John Hayward was born about 1766 in Sunbury Co., N.B., son of George and Ann (Derley) Hayward who immigrated from England to Maugerville in 1763. He married 3 Jan 1791 in Maugerville, Sunbury Co., N.B., Chloe Strange, born about 1770, died 17 Mar 1861 in the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B. John died 17 Jan 1860 in the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B.

Elizabeth S. Sewell, *Sunbury County New Brunswick Marriages*, 1766-1888, Vol. 1, Ref. #D0032: John Hayward and Chloe Strange, 3 Jan 1791.

When John Hayward was about 14 years old his parents moved from Maugerville across the Saint John River to the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B., where he lived the remainder of his life. He is referred to as Capt. John Hayward in some old documents. He was likely in the local militia, as was his son, Col. George Hayward. His main occupations were farming and lumbering. He was also a carpenter. A sleigh bed, built by him and passed down to his daughter, Charlotte True, and passed down by her to her daughter, Charlotte Palmer, wife of Bradford Palmer of Carleton Co., N.B., was donated in the 1960s by the Palmer family to the Carleton County Historical Society and was on display in its museum, the old court house building, in Upper Woodstock at that time. Also, in 1984 John Hayward in Fredericton, a descendant of Capt. John's brother George, had an old musket that once belonged to Capt. John, as well as andirons that came from the old Hayward house in Lincoln where Capt. John lived.

The names of Chloe's parents have not been identified by the author with certainty, but in 1795 she sold four lots of land on Long Island in the Saint John River in Queens Co., N.B., "that fell to her by the decease of her brother John Strange in the Township of Hampstead in Queens County," to Lot Strange of the City of Saint John. A Loyalist named Lot Strange, a mariner from Massachusetts, came in 1783 on the ship *Symmetry* from New York to Saint John with his wife and two children over ten years old and settled in Saint John. Per-

haps he was father (or grandfather) of Chloe and her brother John Strange.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS92, Queens County Registry Office Records, Book C, p. 85 (microfilm F5454):

13 Feb 1795, John and Chloe Hayward of the Township of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B., for 25 pounds, grant, bargain and sell unto Lot Strange of the City of Saint John, N.B. a parcel of land known as lots 27, 28, 29 & 30 on the east side of an island in the River Saint John commonly called Long Island in the Township of Hampstead, Queens Co., N.B.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS92, Queens County, N.B., Registry Office Records, Book C, p. 61 (microfilm F5454):

12 Nov 1795: Chloe Hayward of the Township of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B., for 5 pounds, 10 shillings, grants, bargains and sells to Lot Strange of the City of Saint John, N.B., "certain lots of land that fell to her by the decease of her brother John Strange in the Township of Hampstead in Queens County" known as lots 27, 28, 29 and 30, on Long Island. Witnesses, William Boone & Henry Boone.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS95, Sunbury County Records, Book H, p. 230 (microfilm F5545):

16 Aug 1814: John Hayward and Chloe Hayward, to George Hayward Jr.\*, for the sum of 300 pounds, the westerly half of Lot 4, beginning at Lot 5 property of John Hayward, along the Heil Camp lot to the lot of Daniel Bliss, containing 300 acres.

\* George, son of John and Chloe Hayward.

Provincial Archives of N.B., microfilm F1096, *Anglican Church Records, Maugerville*: Baptized, Chloe Hayward, 28 Jun 1798.

Provincial Archives of N.B., Sunbury County Records, Book N, p. 51 (microfilm F5546):

22 Mar 1820: George Hayward Sr.\* and John Hayward Sr. and his wife Chloe, of Lincoln Parish, Yeomen, to William Boone\*\* of Burton Parish, do sell for the consideration of 50 pounds, Lot C on the Oromocto River consisting of 258 acres.

- \* George Hayward, brother of John Hayward.
- \*\* William Boone, brother-in-law of John Hayward & George Hayward Sr.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS95, Sunbury County Records, Book K, p. 10, 31 Jul 1823, excerpt:

## John Hayward and Chloe Strange

John Hayward of the Parish of Lincoln in the County of Sunbury and Province of New Brunswick, Yeoman, and Chloe his wife, and Daniel Hayward, son of George Hayward Sr. of the same place, Yeoman, witnesseth that the said John Hayward and Chloe his wife for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which he the said John Hayward hath and beareth for the said Daniel Hayward, being a nephew of him the said John Hayward, and also for and in further consideration of the sum of 100 pounds paid by the said Daniel Hayward, have granted and sold to Daniel Hayward the lower or south easterly half of the lot of land in the Parish of Lincoln beginning at the north east corner of a lot formerly William Baker's, afterward James Glennie's and now in possession of widow Maria Glennie mother of the said James Glennie, thence running north westerly up the River St. John 37 rod, thence south west four miles and a half, thence south east 37 rod, thence north east four and a half miles to the place of beginning, the lot being part of a tract described in a deed bearing date the 15th day of July, 1790, from George Hayward, the father of the said John Hayward, to the said John Hayward the said half lot or part containing 500 acres or thereabout.

> John Hayward Chloe Hayward

Witnesses:

J.W. Bliss and George Hayward

(Note: This deed establishes that John Hayward and George Hayward were brothers, sons of George Hayward who, with William Baker, purchased the lower half of the Charles Morris Jr. grant, 5000 acres in the Parish of Lincoln.)

The Headquarters (Fredericton, N.B.), 18 Jan 1860:

"At his residence, Lincoln, County of Sunbury, at the advanced age of 94 years, John Hayward Esq., universally regretted. Mr. Hayward was born on the farm on which he resided at the time of his death and was the first male child of English parents born in the Province. His widow still survives him with whom he has lived for the long period of 70 years. His remains will be interred on Friday next at 10 o'clock from the late residence."

[Note: It is unlikely John's parents were living in Lincoln at the time of his birth. It was probably about ten years after 1766 when they removed from Maugerville and built the homestead in Lincoln where John lived at the time of his death. And it is reasonably certain he was not the first male child of English parents born in the Province. James, son of Hugh and Elizabeth Quinton, is re-

corded as having been born at Saint John, N.B., 28 Aug 1762, about four years prior to the birth date we have for John Hayward. Also, William O. Raymond, in his book *The River St. John*, p. 165, says "we have every reason to believe that the population of the Township (of Maugerville) continued steadily to increase (after 1763) and when some three years later, December 16, 1766, a census was made for the government of Nova Scotia, there were in the township 77 men, 46 women, 72 boys and 66 girls, a total of 261 souls; and it may be added that 17 new settlers had arrived and 14 children were born during the year, while the number of deaths were but three."]

The Headquarters (Fredericton, N.B.), 30 Jun 1860:

All persons having any legal demands against the estate of the late John Hayward, Esq., will render the same duly attested to the subscriber within three months from this date, and all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to George Hayward, sole Executor, Lincoln, N.B., June 30, 1860.

The Headquarters (Fredericton, N.B.), 27 Mar 1861:

At Lincoln, on the 24th\* inst., Chloe, relict of the late John Hayward, Esq., age 91, leaving children, grand and great grandchildren. Her end was peace.

[Note: The grave stone in Lincoln records her death date as 17 Mar 1861, seven days earlier than the date reported in the newspaper.]

B. Joan Davis and Janice Seeley, Sunbury County Happenings, p. 16, from the Religious Intelligencer (Saint John, N.B.), 5 Apr 1861:

Died - At Lincoln, Sunbury Co., on the 24th ult., Mrs. Hayward, relict of Mr. John Hayward and mother of Hon. George Hayward, age 91 years.

Gravestone (Lower Lincoln Cemetery, Sunbury Co., N.B.):

In memory of John Hayward who died Jan. 17, 1860, aged 94 yrs. Also, Chloe, wife of John Hayward, died Mar. 17, 1861, aged 91 yrs.

### Children of John & Chloe Hayward

I. Mary Ann Hayward, born about 1791 in the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B. She married George Phinehas Nevers, born about 1790 probably in the Parish of Burton, Sunbury Co., N.B.,

(son of Samuel A. Nevers and Isabell Howard) died 28 Aug 1857 in the Parish of Burton, Sunbury Co., N.B. Mary died 26 Sep 1871 in the Parish of Burton, Sunbury Co., N.B.

Provincial Archives of N.B., Anglican Church Records, Maugerville, Sunbury Co., N.B., microfilm F1096: Baptized, 21 Jul 1791, Mary Ann Hayward.

Provincial Archives of N.B., York County Records, Vol. 12, p. 57, microfilm F5620:

6 Jan 1821, Samuel Nevers Jr. of the Parish of Burton and Elizabeth his wife, for 400 pounds, to George Nevers of the same place, Lot #20 in Block 2 in the City of Fredericton. [Samuel Nevers Jr. was George Nevers' brother].

Provincial Archives of N.B., York County Records, Vol. 14, p. 230, microfilm F5621:

6 Aug 1824, George Nevers of the Parish of Burton, Sunbury Co., N.B., and Mary Ann his wife, for 200 pounds, to Samuel Nevers Jr. of the Parish of Portland, County of Saint John, N.B., Lot #20 in Block 2 in the Town Plat of Fredericton, signed George P. Nevers, Mary Ann Nevers.

1851 Census, Parish of Burton, Sunbury Co., N.B., p. 1, PANB microfilm F1591:

George Phinias Nevers, husb, 61, Anglo American, farmer, born in colony; Mary Ann, wife, 60, Anglo American, born in colony; George Charles, son, 37; Eliza Ann, dau, 23; Frances Augusta, dau, 20; Thomas Bliss, 29, lodger, barrister at law; Donald Bliss, 22, lodger, deacon; Edward Toner, 65, Irish, pauper, infirm, entered colony in 1818; Bridget Cain, 16, Irish, servant, entered colony in 1846.

Daniel F. Johnson, Vital Statistics from New Brunswick Newspapers, Vol. 16, #2587:

Died, Burton (Sunbury Co.) Friday, 28th Aug., George P. Nevers, age 66. Member of Maugerville Baptist Church. [New Brunswick Reporter, (Fredericton, N.B.) 25 Sep 1857]

Daniel F. Johnson, Vital Statistics from New Brunswick Newspapers, Vol. 30, #626:

Died, Burton (Sunbury Co.), 26th ult., Mrs. Mary Ann Nevers, age 80. (*Christian Visitor*, Saint John, 12 Oct 1871)

Gravestone (Lower Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B.): George P. Nevers, d. 28 Aug 1857, ae 67 yrs.; Mary Ann, wife of George P. Nevers, d. 26 Sep 1871, ae 81 yrs.; Frances A., d. 13 Sep 1857, ae 27 yrs.; Mary Ann, d. 25 Feb 1824, ae 12 yrs.;

Isabella, d. 6 Jan 1842, ae 20 yrs.; Hannah S., d. 20 Sep 1848, ae 21 yrs.

Carleton County Registry Office, Woodstock, N.B., Vol. 30, p. 90,. No. 690 - 18 Jul 1865:

Mary Ann Nevers to George H. Perley and Amos Perley True: Know all men by these presence that I Mary Ann Never of the Parish of Burton in the County of Sunbury widow for diverse good causes and considerations thereto me moving and also for and in consideration of the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings to me in hand well and truly paid by George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True both of the Parish of Lincoln in the County of Sunbury Esquires the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have remised and by these presence do remise confirm and forever release unto the said George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True their heirs and assigns all my right and title of every kind and description present or future to all and every the real and personal estate owned by the late Hon. George Hayward. To have and to hold the said real and personal estate and all my claims present or future therein or thereto unto the said George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True their heirs and assigns forever. Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of July A.D. 1865.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of Mary A. Phillips (Signed) Mary A. Nevers.

II. George Hayward, born about 1792 in the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B. He married 27 Jan 1814 in Sunbury Co., N.B., Charlotte Upham Perley, born about 1793, (daughter of Israel Perley and Elizabeth Mooers) died 9 Jan 1953. George died 26 Sep 1862 in the Parish of Lincoln.

Provincial Archives of N.B., Anglican Church records, Maugerville, Sunbury Co., N.B., microfilm F1096: Baptized, 11 Nov 1793, George Hayward.

Elizabeth S. Sewell, Sunbury Co., N.B., Marriage Records, 1766-1888, Ref. C0026: George Hayward of the Parish of Lincoln and Charlotte Upham Perley of the Parish of Maugerville were married 27 Jan 1814 by James Bisset, Rector of Maugerville, in presence of Samuel Nevers Jr. anf Mehetabel D. Perley.

George and Charlotte Hayward lived in Lincoln. He engaged in farming and lumbering. He took an active interest in the local militia and held the rank of Colonel. He was a Justice of the Peace; a Justice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for Sunbury County; a member of the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly for several years, and in Sept. 1852 was sworn in as a member of the Executive Coun-

cil of N.B., and received the appointment of Minister Without Portfolio in the administration of Hon. J.R. Partelow; appointed a director of The Central Bank of New Brunswick, March 22, 1834; appointed a member of The Sunbury Steam Factory Company, a company formed for the purpose of erecting Steam Mills and necessary works for the manufacture of agricultural and other implements, May 1, 1854; and he had other interests.

George and Charlotte Hayward were interred in the Lower Lincoln Cemetery. In his Last Will and Testament, which is a lengthy and interesting document, George reserved from the farm on which he lived one acre and a half "where the burial ground now is" as a burial ground for the river district in the Parish of Lincoln. The funeral cortege therefore had only a short distance to travel from the house in which he lived to the burial site.

They had no children.

On the 12th of May, 1836, George and Charlotte Hayward sold, for 72 pounds, 5 shillings, 10 pence, by quick claim deed to George Morrow, Lot #1, 100 acres, mill and buildings, the William Smith grant on the Nerepis Road.

Daniel F. Johnson, Vital Statistics from New Brunswick Newspapers, Vol. 14, #1047:

Died, Sunday eve., Charlotte, w/o Hon. George Hayward and youngest daughter of late Israel Perley, Esq., age 60. [N.B. Courier, Saint John, 15 Jan 1853.]

Carleton County Registry Office, Woodstock, N.B., Vol. 30, p. 168, George Hayward to Israel Perley:

Know all men by these presence that I George Hayward of the Parish of Lincoln in the Co. of Sunbury and Province of New Brunswick, Esquire, for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred pounds of lawful money of said province to me in hand paid at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presence the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have revised released and forever quit claim and by these presence do revise release and forever quit claim unto Israel Perley of the Parish of Lincoln [should be "Parish of Simonds] in the County of Carleton and Province aforesaid, farmer, all that certain piece parcel farm and lot of land premises situate lying and being in the said Parish of Simonds in the County and Province aforesaid known and distinguished as part of the Daniel Perley land and bounded as follows, to wit, fronting on the highway road as at present laid out joining land on the lower side owned and occupied by Joseph Birmingham and on the upper

side by land now owned by Joseph \_\_\_\_\_, being the land on which the said Israel Perley now resides containing by estimation two hundred acres more or less with all and singular the fences, ways, buildings, improvements thereon being and all the appurtenances there unto belonging. To have and to hold the same to the said Israel Perley his heirs and assigns to and for the purpose and benefit of him the said Israel Perley his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27th day of October in the year of our Lord 1859. Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of W.H. Needham. (signed) George Hayward. Registered 6 Apr 1886.

Provincial Archives of N.B., Probate Court Records, RS-72, The Last Will and Testament of George Hayward:

In the Name of God, Amen. I George Hayward of Lincoln in the County of Sunbury and Province of New Brunswick Esquire, being of sound mind memory and understanding Praise be to God for it and considering the certainty of Death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and to the end that I may be better prepared to leave this World whenever it shall please God to call me hence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say:

First and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator hoping for free pardon and remission of all my sins and to enjoy Everlasting happiness in His Heavenly Kingdom through the sole merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour; My body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named. And as to such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to intrust me I dispose of the same in the following manner, that is to say:

Imprimus, My Farm in Monticello, State of Maine in the United States of America, I give and bequeath to my Brother John Hayward (being the Farm on which he now resides) to be held and enjoyed by him during his natural life and after the death of the said John Hayward to his wife Martha Hayward during her natural life should she survive him and after the death of both the said John Havward and Martha his wife, I give and bequeath the said Farm to Bradford Davis Hayward the son of the Said John and Martha Hayward his Heirs and assigns forever on condition that the said Bradford Davis Hayward do pay to his three sisters the sum of Two hundred dollars (\$200) in manner following, that is to say to Charlotte Hayward Fowler wife of Gabriel Fowler the sum of seventy dollars, to Mary Ann Hayward and Cordelia Hayward Sixty five dollars each payable in three years after the

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death of the said John and Martha Hayward in three equal payments with Interest from the death of the said John and Martha and I do hereby charge the payment of the said sum of Two hundred dollars upon the said Farm.

Item, I give and bequeath to my nieces Charlotte True Isabella True and Annie True the land I bought from my Father off the lower part of the farm lately owned and occupied by him fronting on the River Saint John twenty Rods in width from the river back to the present Highway and Fifteen Rods in width from the said Highway to the rear to have and to hold to them the said Charlotte, Isabella and Annie True their Heirs and assigns forever.

Item, I give and bequeath all that part of the farm on which I now reside lying between the upper line of land conveyed by me to Edward Long and a small white maple tree standing between my upper Gate and the house I formerly lived in together with all Buildings and Improvements thereon unto George H. Perley (son of Moses H. and Jane Perley) his heirs and assigns forever, saving and excepting out of this devise one acre and a half of land where the Burial Ground now is which I reserve as a Burial Ground for the River District in the Parish of Lincoln: I also give and bequeath unto the said George H. Perley his Heirs and assigns a Lot of land on the Oromocto Island adjoining the eleven acres together with one half the Barn on the adjoining Lot.

Item, I give and bequeath unto John H. True his heirs and assigns all the remainder of the Farm on which I now reside Extending from the White Maple Tree above named to the Elm Tree on the front upon the following conditions, namely upon condition that the said John H. True do convey by deed of Bargain and Sale unto his Father Amos Perley True and his two Brothers George True and Charles True all his right and title to the Farm of the late John Hayward and do pay unto his three sisters Charlotte, Isabella and Annie True the sum of Fifty pounds each in four years after my decease by equal annual Installments of Twenty five percent each year.

Item, I give and devise to Albert True his Heirs and assigns my upper Farm in Lincoln lying between Lands owned by John Mitchell and the Farm of the late John Hayward upon condition that he do convey by deed of Bargain and Sale unto his Father Amos Perley True and his two Brothers George True and Charles True all his right and title to the Farm of the late John Hayward and do pay to his sisters Charlotte, Isabella and Annie True the sum

of Fifty pounds each in four years after my decease by four equal annual payments.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my Sister in Law Sarah Perley the sum of Twenty pounds per annum during her natural life the same to be paid her by my Executors hereafter named and my will is that all the expenses attending the funeral of the said Sarah Perley after her decease be paid out of my Estate by my said Executors.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the following persons namely George H. (son of Moses H. and Hepzibah Coburn), George H. (son of Thomas O. and Nancy Miles), Charlotte H. (daughter of George A. and Hannah Perley) and Charlotte H. (daughter of John and Martha Hayward), the sum of seventy five pounds each payable in equal annual Installments in one two three and four years after my decease or sooner if possible.

To Sophia Helen and Alice Perley (daughters of George A. and Hannah Perley), the sum of fifty pounds each payable as above.

To Clarissa O'Leary (daughter of Daniel and Augusta O'Leary) ten pounds per annum for Five years.

To Annie Taylor (Daughter of my late esteemed friend James Taylor Esquire) the sum of Twenty five pounds.

To Augusta and Isabella (Daughters of Daniel and Amy Hayward) Twenty pounds each payable in four years by Equal annual Installments.

To Mary wife of Robert Johnston, To Mary wife of Edward Long, To Augusta wife of Daniel O'Leary and to Fanny Banks widow of the late George Banks, the sum of Fifteen pounds Each payable in Two years after my decease.

To Julia and Adiana daughters of Thomas O. and Nancy Miles the sum of fifty pounds each payable in four years by equal annual Installments.

To Elizabeth McSheffery a faithful Servant Girl now living with me the sum of ten pounds, a Cow and a feather bed.

I also give and bequeath unto Sarah Ann Nevers Widow of the late Charles Nevers during the term of her natural life the Lot of Land with the buildings thereon situate on the corner of Brunswick and Northumberland Streets in the City of Fredericton now held by me under Lease from the Corporation of Christ Church Fredericton.

I further give and devise unto George Hayward Perley of the City of Saint John and Amos Perley True of Lincoln aforesaid my Executors hereinafter appointed their Heirs and assigns all the rest resi-

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due and remainder of my Estate both Real and Personal to be by them sold and disposed of for the purpose of paying the Legacies and Bequests hereinbefore mentioned and also for the purpose of raising and investing in some secure manner the sum of one hundred pounds (100) in the name of Trustees to be for that purpose nominated by the said Executors, the interest of which said sum shall be applied and Expended annually in the Education of poor children in the river District of the said Parish of Lincoln and also for paying to a Resident Minister in the said River District of the Parish of Lincoln the sum of Ten pounds a year for five years.

I also give and bequeath unto Francis A.H. Straton of Fredericton Esquire the sum of Ten pounds to be paid out of the proceeds of the said property by my said Executors.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint the said George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True the Executors of this my Will hereby revoking all former Wills by me made and I declare this to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty one.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said George Hayward in presence of us:

T.R. Wetmore & Henry B. Robinson

I make and publish this Codicil to my foregoing Will Namely - I give and bequeath unto George C. Nevers whatever Balance may be due on his Mortgage which I now hold. I also give and bequeath unto Samuel A. Nevers whatever Balance may be due on his Bond dated this Twelfth day of April A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty one.

Signed and published in presence of us George Hayward T.R. Wetmore Henry B. Robinson

[Proved October 3, 1862, at Burton in Sunbury Co., N.B., before William J. Gilbert, Judge of Probate for Sunbury County.]

The Headquarters (Fredericton, N.B.), 1 Oct 1862:

Last Friday Colonel Hayward died at his residence, Lincoln, County of Sunbury, having completed the allotted term of three score and ten years. It is not our purpose to give a biographical sketch of one who has for such a length of time been familiarly known to thousands in the Province. His death will leave a blank in the community which

will never be filled, for Colonel Hayward was one of those men of marked individuality of whom it may be said, "Take them for all in all, we ne're shall look upon their like again". It is not likely his memory will soon die in York and Sunbury, but pleasant recollections of the kind friend, good neighbour, and kindly humorist will long survive. Colonel Hayward was first elected to serve in the House of Assembly in 1827, and as a member for his County of Sunbury, where he always lead the polls, sat until his defeat in 1856, a period of nearly thirty years. The funeral of Colonel Hayward took place on Sunday forenoon, the 28th ult., when great numbers from all parts of the surrounding country, from Fredericton to St. John, attended the body from the house of the deceased to the burial place.

Gravestone, Lower Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B.:

Hon. George Hayward, died Sep. 26, 1862, aged 70 yrs.; Charlotte Upham, wife of Hon. George Hayward, died Jan. 9, 1853, aged 60 yrs.

III. John Hayward, born about 1799 in the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B. He married Martha Langen, born in 1803 in Maugerville, Sunbury Co., N.B., died in 1871 in Monticello, Aroostook Co., Maine.

John and Martha lived in Maugenille, Sunbury Co., N.B., where they owned Lot 61, originally granted to Nicholas Rideout, and Lot 60, originally granted to Thomas Lawton. In 1833, they removed to a farm in Monticello, Maine, which was owned by John's brother, Hon. George Hayward, and when Hon. George died in 1862, he left the farm in his will to John and Martha, and after their death to their son, Bradford Davis Hayward.

George H. Collins, "History of Monticello," *The Observer* (Hartland, N.B.), 24 Mar 1955 among the early settlers, William Cowperthwaite came from N.B. in 1831, and John Hayward in 1833.

The 1840 census of Monticello, which named only heads of households, showed that John and Martha had 8 children living with them at that time, two girls under 5 years, and six other children between 5 and 20 years, a total of 4 girls and 4 boys. The names of four children are given in Hon. George Hayward's will. Two others have been located in the Aroostook County census returns, Samuel and George. There appears to be little doubt but that Samuel was John and Martha's son. He was enumerated in Monticello in 1850 and Littleton in 1860, born in New Brunswick, with a

common Hayward name back home in Sunbury County. George Charles Hayward's death certificate, located in the Maine State Archives, lists his parents as John Hayward and Martha Langen.

In the quit claim, given in 1865 by John to George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True (see below), he was referred to as "formerly of Monticello in the State of Maine, which suggests he might not have been living there at that time. But the census records of Monticello show him living there in 1840,1850, 1860 and 1880. So, if he left, it was probably temporarily.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS95, Sunbury County Records, Book K, p. 16 (microfilm F5545), 3 Sep 1823, extract:

John Hayward, of the Parish of Maugelville in the County of Sunbury, N.B.. and Martha his wife, for 50 pounds, sell to Andrew Rogers, of Maugerville, Lot No. 61 in Maugerville, bounded on the SE by Lot No, 62 now owned by the heirs of the late Gabriel DeVeber and on the NW by Lot No. 60 owned by the said John Hayward, 600 acres more or less. Witnesses Thomas 0. Miles & George Hayward Jr.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS95, Sunbury County Records, Book K, p. 142 (microfilm F5545),

Deed, John Hayward to Samuel Nevers, el. al., 30 Aug 1825, extract: John Hayward Jr., of Maugerville, Sunbury Co., N.B., yeoman, and Martha his wife, for 50 pounds, sell to Samuel Nevers Sr., George Nevers and Charles Hazen of Burton, same county & province, Lot No. 3 in the second range in Burton, 300 acres more or less. Witnesses, George Hayward Jun'r & John Hazen.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS95, Sunbury County Records, Book 3, p. 186 (microfilm F5543):

Deed, John Hayward Jr. to Samuel Nevers Jr., 3 Sep 1825, extract: John Hayward Jr., of the Co. of Sunbury, N.B., farmer, and Martha his wife, for 350 pounds, sell to Samuel Nevers Jr., of the Parish of Portland, Co. of St. John, N.B., merchant, land in Maugerville known and distinguished on the map or plan thereof by No. (blank), bounded on the NW by Lot No. (blank) owned by V.W. Clows, on the SW by Lot No. (blank) owned by Andrew Rogers, and on the SW by the River St. John, the same being originally granted to (blank), containing 500 acres more or less.

1840 Census, Monticello, Maine, film #M707-136: John Hayward, head of household; males, 5 to

10 yrs, 2; males 15 to 20 yrs, 2; males 40 to 50 yrs, 1; females, less than 5 yrs, 2; females, 5 to 10 years, 1; females, 10 to 15 yrs, 1; females 30 to 40 yrs, 1.

1850 Census, Monticello, Maine film #M432-248: p. 186, John Hayward, 51, farmer, born N.B.; Martha, 48, born N.B.; Bradford D, 18, farmer, born N.B.; Thomas, 14 farmer, born N.B.; Mary Ann, 14, born Monticello; Cordelia, 11, born Monticello; John Jr, 2, born Monticello.

Provincial Archives of N.B., RS72 *Probate Court Records Sunbury Co.*, N.B., Last Will and Testament of Hon. George Hayward, made 17 Feb 1857, proved 3 Oct 1862, excerpt:

"my farm in Monticello, State of Maine in the United States of America, I give and bequeath to my brother John Hayward (being the farm on which he now resides) to be held and enjoyed by him during his natural life and after the death of the said John Hayward to his wife Martha Hayward during her natural life should she survive him and after the death of both the said John Hayward and Martha his wife, I give and bequeath the said farm to Bradford Davis Hayward the son of said John and Martha Hayward his heirs and assigns forever on condition that the said Bradford Davis Hayward do pay to his three sisters the sum of two hundred dollars in manner following, that is to say to Charlotte Hayward Fowler wife of Gabriel Fowler the sum of seventy dollars, to Mary Ann Hayward and Cordelia Hayward sixty five dollars each payable in three years after the death of said John and Martha Hayward in three equal payments with interest from the death of the said John and Martha and I do hereby charge the payment of the said sum of two hundred dollars upon the said farm."

1860 Census, Monticello, Maine, film #M653434: p. 24: John Howard, 61, farmer, born N.B.; Martha, 58, born N.B.; Davis, 29, born Maine; Cordelia, 20, born Maine.

Carleton County Records, Vol 30, p. 90 (Carleton Co. Records Office, Woodstock, N.B.), Quit Claim, John Hayward to Georg Perley, et. al.: 18 Jul 1865 -

Know all men by these presents that I John Hayward, formerly of Monticello in the State of Maine, farmer, for diverse good causes and considerations to me thereunto moving and also for and in consideration of the sum of 10 pounds to me in hand well and truly paid by George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True both of the Parish of Lincoln in the County of Sunbury Esquires the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have remised

### John Hayward and Chloe Strange

confirmed and forever release and by these presents do remise, confirm and forever quit claim unto the said George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True their heirs and assigns all my right and title of every description and kind present and future to all and every the real and personal estate owned by the late Hon. George Hayward, save and except the farm willed to me by the late Hon. George Havward, to have and to hold the said real and personal estate of all my claims present and future therein or thereto save and except the said farm willed as aforesaid to me by the late Hon. George Hayward. Unto them the said George Hayward Perley and Amos Perley True their heirs and assigns forever. Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of July AD. 1865. Signed sealed and delivered in presence of John Hayward, John Touchbourn.

1880 Census, Monticello, Maine, film #T9-477: p. 9, John Hayward, 81, widower, born N.B., father born N.B., mother born N.B., farmer; Lilly Merser, 40, born N.B., house keeper.

Gravestone, Community Cemetery, Monticello, Maine: Martha A., wife of John Hayward, 1803-1871.

IV. Charlotte Upham Hayward, born about 1815 in Sunbury Co., N.B. She married 2 Jan 1839 in Sunbury Co., N.B., Amos Perley True, born 4 Feb 1818 in Sunbury Co., N.B., (son of Samuel True and Phebe Black) died 25 Jun 1892 in Sunbury Co. Charlotte died 4 Feb 1860 in Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B.

Thomas O. Miles Diary (UNB, microfilm FC A1 No. 73): 4 Feb 1818, Samuel True's first son, Amos, born.

Elizabeth S. Sewell, Sunbury County New Brunswick Marriages, 1766-1888, Vol. 1 (Fredericton, N.B.: 1987), #C0626: Amos Perley, son of Samuel True, of the Parish of Lincoln and Charlotte Upham, daughter of John Hayward, of the same place were married 2 Jan 1839 by Thomas O. Miles, J.P., in presence of H. Mitchell & George Miles Jr.

Amos and Charlotte True lived all of their married lives in the Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B. He was a farmer, and they probably lived with her parents in the old Hayward house which was built in the 1700's.

1851 census, Parish of Lincoln, Sunbury Co., N.B. (PANB, microfilm F1591), pp. 19-20: John Hayward, 83, farmer; Chloe, 78, wife; Amos P. True, 33, farmer; Charlotte True, 34, wife; John H True, 11; Samuel A True, 10; Charlotte True, 8; L. Isabella True, 6; George True, 4; Charles True, 3; James McGraw, 28, servant; Ann Soul, 17, servant; Mary Sullivan, 20, servant.

Daniel F. Johnson, Vital Statistics from New Brunswick Newspapers, Vol. 18, #1056:

Died, Lincoln, 4th inst., Charlotte Upham, w/o Amos P. True and youngest d/o late John Hayward Esq., age 45. (*Head Quarters*, Fredericton, N.B., 8 Feb 1860)

Daniel F. Johnson, Vital Statistics from N.B. Newspapers, Vol. 24, No. 1119:

Married, 23rd inst., by Rev. E. McLeod, A. Perley True, Esq., Lincoln (Sunbury Co.) and Miss Almarine Ann Brown, St. Mary's (York Co.) [Religious Intelligencer, Saint John, 29 Jun 1866]

Provincial Archives of N.B., Family Histories Collection, MC 1, p. 12: R.W. Manzer, "Honor Thy Father and Thy Mother, A Genealogy of Sorts", Woodstock, N.B.: typescript, 1972: Almarine Ann, daughter of David and Margaret (Gilmore) Brown, married 23 Jun 1866, A. Perley True, 1818-1892.

Daniel F Johnson, Vital Statistics from N.B. Newspapers, Vol. 82, No. 939:

A. Perley True died at the Douglas boom this morn. about 9 o'clock. He had gone to work in his usual good health, but had not been at work very long when he was seized with violent pains and vomiting. Medical aid was at once summoned but before the doctor arrived he had breathed his last. Paralysis is said to have been the cause of death. Mr. True was born at Maugerville (Sunbury Co.) and when quite young removed to Lincoln where he ran a large farm for a number of years. About fifteen years ago he removed to St. Mary's where he kept the St. Mary's Hotel for a number of years. He leaves a wife, four sons and one daughter, all of whom reside at Lincoln. He was in his 75th year. [The Gleaner, Fredericton, N.B., 25 Jun 1892]

Gravestones, Lower Lincoln Cemetery, Sunbury Co., N.B.:

Amos P. True, d. 25 Jun 1892, ae 74 yrs; Charlotte Upham True, wife of Amos P, d. 4 Feb 1860, ae 45 yrs. ♣

# Chapman's Corner Church: Caught on Canvas by Rod Mattatall - in 1993

submitted by Eldon Hay

Chapman's Corner, according to *Place-Names of New Brunswick* (PANB), is located on Little Shemogue Harbour, 9.27 km north of Port Elgin, in Botsford Parish, Westmorland County. The Chapman families - father Frederick and son Bowden - came to the venue in 1855 from Point de Bute, where William Chapman had earlier settled in 1775. William Chapman was a Yorkshire Methodist: his name, and that of John Wesley, are on the 1788 deed of the Point de Bute Methodist chapel, reputed to be the first in mainland Canada.

Again, *Place-Names* notes that there was a Chapman post office from 1873-1913 with Bowden Chapman as postmaster. In 1898, Chapman was a farming settlement with 1 post office, 1 sawmill, 1 grist mill, 1 church and a population of 200.

Whatever his Methodist background in Point de Bute, Frederick and his wife Susanna Chapman became Covenanters; moreover, they sold a corner of their farm in Chapman's Corner for the building of a Reformed Presbyterian (or Covenanter) church (Westmorland County Registry, Book C-3, p. 437). The buyers were Covenanters Moses McMorris, Robert Lamb and Bowden Chapman.

Bowden Chapman had married in 1853. His wife was Anna Maria, daughter of the famed Covenanter clergyman-missionary, Rev. Alexander Clarke. Among the six children born to Bowden and Anna Maria were two sons who became clergymen, John Carritte Chapman and William Young Chapman.

The building of the small new church at Chapman's Corner gained only moderate local coverage. The 11 August 1870 issue of the *Chignecto Post* reported: "A new Church is being built by the Reformed Presbyterian body at Chapman's Corner, Botsford. Somers Bros. have the contract. A Tea Meeting is to be held to raise funds to complete it." The following spring, 9 March 1971, the *Post* confirmed the matter: "A new church was opened at Botsford." Burns adds: "Early in 1871, the church was dedicated by Rev. Samuel Boyd, assisted by Rev. Alex. Clarke, D.D." (A History and Story of Botsford, 43).

Just three years after the opening of the Chapman's Corner church, the wider Covenanter

community was saddened by the death of Alexander Clarke in 1874. This death greatly weakened the Covenanter cause in the region. A further challenge occurred with the formation across the country of the new national Presbyterian Church in Canada. The Covenanter denomination was not involved in the new church; but it was to have an effect on Covenanter fortunes in Chignecto.

In 1876, a group of Chignecto Covenanters broke away and joined the new denomination - building their own Presbyterian Church, Zion Presbyterian church, at Oultons Corner.

The schism affected and even split families: Among the former Covenanters who joined the Presbyterians at Zion was Frederick Chapman. Son Bowden Chapman and his wife Maria remained in the Covenanter denomination, and continued to worship at Chapman's Corner.

The shift in denominational allegiances also affected the Chapman clergy sons. Oldest son, John, born in 1854, joined the Covenanter church, studied theology in the Covenanter seminary in Philadelphia, spent the early part of his career as a Covenanter clergyman (1878-1888). But he then joined the Presbyterian Church in the USA and served until his death in 1936. Younger son, William, born in 1859, joined the Covenanter church, but soon left, becoming a member of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Educated at Mount Allison and Princeton Theological Seminary, William ministered in the Presbyterian Church in the USA from his ordination until his death in 1926.

In 1905, together with remaining Covenanter congregations in Chignecto, Chapman's Corner passed from being a Covenanter to a Presbyterian church. Then, in 1925, unlike the earlier 1876 schism, Chapman's Corner Presbyterian quickly and easily became a United Church of Canada congregation.

Murray Road native, Samuel Crothers Murray (1857-1945) lived through much of the period. He gives an insightful overview of these times, and distinguishes the 1876 and 1925 church situation. Born into a Covenanter home and appreciative of

it, Murray nonetheless opted for new possibilities - in both 1876 and 1925 unions. He writes:

Dr. Clarke died in April '74. Up to the time of his death the congregation he had organized remained loyally in the covenanting fold, but immediately after his death there was a movement in favor of uniting with the Presbyterian Church of Canada, and in '76 reached [the] Shemogue [region]. When Rev. Samuel Boyd who had ministered to the [Covenanter] Shemogue congregation for eleven years, accepted a call to a Nova Scotia [Presbyterian] congregation. There was a long and bitter strife, which required 30 years to heal. When about fifty years later, the question of Organic Union between Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalist, was causing discussions in many places, these once loyal Covenanters, passed quickly into the United Church of Canada without the formality of a vote. They had had their fill of fighting. Such was the background of my own religious life. I realized that one's religion required a foreground as well as a background. The Reformed Church had grown weak, and at this time was carrying on no Foreign Mission work. If I remained with the Covenanters, I cut myself off from missionary work in a Foreign land. Such limitation was counter to the Master's commission. I decided that I should be identified with an expanding church. The Covenanters had done a great work. We should cherish their memory. They addressed themselves with heroic determination to the problems of their own day. They had won the battle for the spiritual freedom and independence of the church, and I came to the conviction that we could best honour their memory, by using what they had won, for the solution of the problems of our own day. The past was glorious, forward be our watchword ["A Biography". 1940: United Church archives, Toronto].

Much more recently, a significant service of dedication and memorial was held in Chapman's Corners United church, 13 June 1948

A large congregation attended the service.... The main lighting of the church and a tablet in memory of Ernest W. Somers who was born at Chapman's in 1884, and who had received his early Christian training in the church Sunday School and Bible Class, were the gift of Mrs. Agnes Somers Maxwell of Nakusp, British Columbia, in memory

of her brother, whose death occurred last year. Rev. E. Lockhart, B.A., D.D., officiated at the dedication. Rev. George Somers, a brother of the late Ernest W. Somers, gave an inspiring memorial address, and Rev. F.E. Archibald, D.D., of Moncton, gave the historical address. ["Early History Is Recalled At Special Services Held Chapman's Cor. Church" (Moncton Daily Times, 15 June 1948, 3].

[A photograph of Rev. Somers, Rev. Dr. Lockhart and Rev. Dr. Archibald, taken on the above occasion, is held by the Archivist, Maritime Conference Archives, Sackville, NB].

In 1961 the United church at Chapman's Corner ceased being used as a place of worship (*United Church of Canada Year Book* [1961], 282).

For a time, the church building was owned by John Houtsma of Sackville; by the 1990s, it was becoming somewhat derelict in appearance. In 1993, local life-long artist Rod Mattatall (1936-2008) was commissioned to paint a water colour of the church.



The photo accompanying this article portrays Mattatall's fine work. (also see cover)

In the early 2000s, the building was taken down, and the church lot turned over to Stephen Becker, the present owner of the original Chapman farm; according to an unofficial understanding - if the church ever stopped being used, the land would revert back to farm land.

Rod Mattatall's 1993 water colour of the Chapman's Corner church is held by the Archivist, Maritime Conference Archives, Sackville, NB.

# My Kitchen Relations and the Great War

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In July of 2015, my family and I had the chance to visit Northern France and the Flanders region of Belgium. A trip I had long wanted to take, my original intention was to trace over some of the ground that my grandfather, Percy Floyd Kitchen of Chatham, New Brunswick, had covered between October 1917 and November 1918 as an infantryman in the Royal Canadian Regiment (RCR). While researching my grandfather's war service I discovered that he was not the only Kitchen from New Brunswick to serve in the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF), but rather one of 15. Being a genealogist I was intrigued. Census of Canada, New Brunswick vital statistics' records and Service Files of the First World War, held by Library Archives Canada, confirmed what I had expected, that at least 10 were related. This side trip to France and Flanders took on new meaning.

An old New Brunswick family with roots going back to the New Jersey-born loyalist Henry Kitchen, the family had grown to an extended clan by the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. Through Loyalist Henry's two sons Henry and William, Kitchens could be found up and down the St. John River as farmers. By the time of the 1871 census, the centre of Kitchen settlement was the York County Parish of Prince William. It was there that the third generation Kitchens—Henry and Hannah, William and Mary, Samuel and Catherine, John and Sarah, and the widower James—and the fourth generation—Nathaniel and Mary Jane—worked the land like the generations before them.

By the time of the 1901 and 1911 censuses the Kitchens had spread further afield from Prince William, and could be found in Upper Gagetown, Fredericton, Kingsclear, Bull Lake, in Wakefield Parish in Carleton County, and across the province in Chatham. Enumerators from those censuses recorded some of the men as farmers but there were also a painter, a shoe maker, a woodsman, and labourers. Just a few years later, Great War attestation papers recorded the occupations of the Kitchen men as carpenter, printer, street railway conductor and university student, in addition to farmer.

Of the 15 New Brunswick Kitchens who served, this is the story of four: Percy, Curtis Raymond, Thomas, and Stewart Edward. These four Kitchen relations were descendants of the Loyalist Henry Kitchen through his Prince William grandsons Henry, Samuel and John.

Percy's father Ira Franklin Kitchen was born in Prince William to Nathaniel Kitchen and Mary Jane Kitchen in 1872. Nathaniel and Mary Jane were cousins. Percy served as an infantryman in the RCR.

Curtis Raymond Kitchen, was Ira's cousin, the son of Nathaniel's brother Abram and his wife Marion of Prince William. Trooper Curtis Kitchen served with the Canadian Light Horse - Canadian Corps Cavalry Regiment.

Private Thomas Kitchen who served with the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles Battalion was the son of Mary Jane Kitchen's brother Solomon Kitchen. Thomas Kitchen's aunt was Percy's grandmother.

Gunner Stewart Edward Kitchen, of the Canadian Field Artillery, Second Brigade, was the son of Harry Kitchen of Prince William and his wife Susan Porter. Harry was the son of John and Sarah Kitchen and a first cousin to Percy's grandfather Nathaniel.

Like the other 27,000 young New Brunswick men who enlisted, these four Kitchen cousins no doubt had their reasons for doing so: a sense of overseas adventure, patriotic duty to their country, and perhaps even peer pressure.<sup>2</sup> At the time of their enlistments, the four ranged in age from 18 to 28. Of the four, only Percy returned home. Thomas, Curtis Raymond and Stewart Edward were all killed in action in 1916, before their cousin Percy had even enlisted.

Before being sent overseas in 1916, six Mounted Rifle Regiments had been dismounted and reorganized as four infantry battalions as part of a larger effort to form the Third Canadian Division.<sup>3</sup> The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifle Battalions were grouped with the 8<sup>th</sup> Trench Mortar Battery as the 8<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade.<sup>4</sup> The 8<sup>th</sup> Brigade with their Mounted Rifle (infantry) Regiments would go on to see action at some of the bloodiest battles of the Great War: the Somme, Vimy, Hill 70, and Passchendaele. But before collecting any battle honours, the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles (CMR) had lost many men; one of them was Thomas Kitchen.<sup>5</sup>

His attestation papers show he was born in Old Town, Maine on September 14, 1890, and that he

was 25 when he enlisted at Camp Sewell, Manitoba on August 11, 1915. His next of kin was listed as his Uncle Nevers Kitchen of Burden, York County. Through census and vital statistics records, Thomas can be traced back as a grandson of Samuel and Catherine Kitchen of Prince William.

Whatever the circumstances, by the time he was 25 his life had taken him from Maine to Prince William to Manitoba. By enlisting there, it makes sense that he was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> CMR; Brandon was where that regiment was first mobilized.

Piecing together Thomas' story in the war required a scan of both the 8<sup>th</sup> Brigade and the 1<sup>st</sup> CMR Official War Diaries. We know from these first-hand accounts that the 1<sup>st</sup> CMR were in training in Bailleul, France for most of January of 1916, but that by early March they had been moved across the border to the Ypres front in Belgium. There in the front line trenches stretching from Hooge to Sanctuary Wood, near the present day town of Ieper, they faced frequent enemy snipers, machine guns and near-constant shelling. Dug into their trenches, the 8<sup>th</sup> Brigade's task was to hold the high ground, known as Mount Sorrel, and protect the British front in the salient.

The diaries for April 1916 record the 1st CMR holding their trenches and facing an "enemy showing great activity in shelling Sanctuary Wood," and a life of daily trench repairs, sniping and shelling. The 8<sup>th</sup> Brigade diary for April 16 notes that the weather was "dull and cold," and locates the 1st CMR in the Zillebeke dugouts where shellingand now aerial bombardment—was constant throughout the day. The Battalion Diary reveals only slightly more detail, and in matter-of-factfashion, that at 12:15 a.m. "I O.R. (other rank) killed when in working party on trench line T60." That 1 O.R. was Thomas Kitchen. The specific details of his death are described in the First World War Circumstances of Death Register: "While on duty in the front line trenches at Sanctuary Wood, he was hit and instantly killed by enemy machine gun bullets."8

Driving to the Canadian monument dedicated to the Battle of Mont Sorrel, near Ieper, we drive past Maple Copse Military Cemetery, one of the many cemeteries managed by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC). We think of Thomas. Commonwealth War Graves Commission records show that he was buried here in 1916, although today his grave is not marked. Later that evening we attend the ceremony at the Menin Gate in the town of Ieper. Before a large crowd standing under the memorial's arches, trumpets play the Last Post and a choir sings, all in memory of the 53,393 men of the British Empire whose names are engraved on panels covering the memorial. Thomas Kitchen is remembered here, on Panel 30 along with the other 1st CMR soldiers who were killed and their bodies never identified.

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CANADIAN	MOUNTED RIFLE
PRIVATE	PRIVATE
GALVIN F. L.	JAMISON J.
GAMBLE W. J.	JOHNSON A.
GAMBRELL A.	JOHNSON W. H.
GARDNER H. L.	JOHNSON W. L.
GARRADH, R.	JOHNSTON J. W.
GEARY W.	JONES H.
GEEN A	JONES O.
GERMAINE W. T.	JONES R. H.
GERRY R. P.	JONES W. H.
GIBBINS IH.	JOWETT R. N.
GIBSON A.	KALFAS A.
GIDDYE W. C.	KEITH P. C.
GLENNIE W. J. S.	KELLOW R. T. M.
GOODMAN A. H.	KENNEDY F. W.
GOODWIN W. H.	KEYNEDY J. R.
GOTT H.	KERR M.
GOUDIE J. A.	KILEY J. E.
GOULD H. J.	KIMPSTON A.
GOURLEY W.	KING W. H.
GOWDEY R.	KING W. J.
GRAHAM J.	KITCHEN T.
GRANT E.	LACKEY E.W.
GRANT G. A.	LAMMON AS G.

Figure 1: T. Kitchen, Menin Gate (Photo credit: Richard Porter)

Thomas is also remembered by Veterans Affairs Canada on their Canadian Virtual War Memorial and is commemorated on page 114 of the First World War Book of Remembrance in Parliament's Centre Block in Ottawa. His family remembered his memory with his name engraved on a tombstone in Prince William Cemetery that also includes the names of Samuel and Catherine Kitchen, Nevers Kitchen, and Mary Jane Kitchen.

Curtis Raymond Kitchen wasted little time in signing up for duty. With Canada entering the war, as part of the British Empire, on August 4, 1914, he enlisted on September 23, 1914 at Val Cartier, Quebec. A carpenter by trade and living in Prince William as a bachelor, Curtis Raymond was probably like many of the first wave of volunteers: single men seeking adventure in a European war

they figured would be over by Christmas. Of course, it was not, and for Curtis there would be no returning to Prince William. He was killed in France almost exactly two years to the day that he enlisted; like Thomas his remains were never identified.

Curtis was assigned to the Canadian Light Horse, Canadian Corps Cavalry Regiment. When war broke out there was an expectation that cavalry would play a pivotal role much as it had in the Boer War. But the reality was that trench warfare meant an almost stationary struggle where a horse was of limited use in battle. Cavalry units saw little action early on, but unlike the CMR, the Canadian Corps Cavalry Regiment was never dismounted; instead its horsemen were often loaned-out or detailed as work companies. So it was for Curtis in September of 1916; a detail that would prove fatal.

The Canadians Corps, including the Canadian Light Horse, arrived in the Somme region of France in August of 1916 in preparation for a broad sweeping mid-September offensive against the Germans. The assault began on September 15 behind a rolling barrage. Initial gains came quickly, including the taking of the village of Courcelette, but at a cost of 714 Canadian lives. The deaths continued over the next two weeks as the Canadians continued their advance from Courcelette toward the German position known as Regina Trench.

On September 25, the Canadian Light Horse war diary records that B Party under Lieut. Ferris, Lieut. Woodman & Lieut. Robinson with 120 O.R. reported to 3<sup>rd</sup> Canadian Infantry Brigade to be used as "*stretcher bearers*" until relieved. We know from later diary entries that Curtis Raymond was one of the 120 O.R. in B Party under Lieut. Ferris.

According to the diary: "These parties will proceed unarmed but will carry water bottles (filled) haversack and smoke helmet. Each officer and O.R. will wear a white band on the left arm above the elbow. Each Officer and O.R. will carry two days' rations."

A day later, on September 26, the war diary notes that B party was still with its respective Brigade. But the entry made at noon on the 27<sup>th</sup> records the inevitable:

"Casualties from 4:00 p.m. 25<sup>th</sup> to 12 Noon of 27<sup>th</sup>.

4 O.R. killed

12 O.R. severely wounded 20 O.R slightly wounded."

The fate of Curtis Raymond Kitchen, along with his fellow Light Horse troopers, and the circumstances of his death are detailed in Lieut. Ferris' reports appended to the War Diary for September 1916: "I regret to report the following casualties – killed – Ptes Jarvis, Dickinson, Lang, Kitchen, Hardwick – wounded – Ptes Gavin, McCurdy, Stacey, Clarke, McRoberts .... Currie.... Signed D.N. Ferris, Lieut. Of "B" Party."

A further report by Ferris notes the "splendid conduct, self sacrifice and devotion to duty of officers, N.G.O's and men under my charge who were detailed to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cdn. Inf. Bd as stretcher bearers," and that "Parties of our bearers at the commencement of the Infantry attack followed the first wave of infantry and were engaged in clearing "no mans land" before the second wave had time to clear the trench." <sup>11</sup>

Adanac cemetery is half-way between the villages of Miraumont and Courcelette in the Somme. The cemetery named Canada backwards is another of the CWGC cemeteries we visit. Of the 3,186 buried here, 1,478 are Canadians. Some of the stones are simply marked "A Canadian Soldier of the Great War." Could one of these mark Curtis' grave? It is possible.

Two days later we visit the Canadian National Vimy Memorial. We know that Curtis Raymond is listed here, one of 11,285 names inscribed on the ramparts of the Memorial—the names of those whose remains were never identified. But where exactly we do not know. Approaching the monument from its iconic front, we walk up the steps and work our way to the northeast, or back of the monument, where the names of the missing and presumed dead are suddenly before us. Within seconds my head turns right and my eyes down. There, right in front of me, is the name C.R. Kitchen:



Figure 2: C.R. Kitchen, Vimy National Memorial (Photo credit: Kevin Kitchen)

Like Thomas, Curtis Raymond is remembered in Prince William Cemetery, on a tombstone with his father Abram and mother Marion. He is also commemorated on page 114 in the First World War Book of Remembrance, in Parliament's Centre Block in Ottawa.

A student at the University of New Brunswick, 20 year old Stewart Edward Kitchen signed his attestation papers in Fredericton on December 2, 1914. His papers reveal that he had already spent three years in the cadet corps. Perhaps it was this experience coupled with his university education that led to his being assigned as a Gunner in the Canadian Field Artillery (CFA).

Like Curtis Raymond, Stewart Edward saw action in the Battle of the Somme where he too paid the ultimate price. Stewart Edward was with the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Division's 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Canadian Field Artillery. The Brigade was comprised of the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> Field Batteries and the 48<sup>th</sup> Howitzer Battery. As an artillery gunner Stewart was at least spared the atrocious conditions of life in a trench, but he was not spared the weather. From the end of September 1916 constant rains had turned the battlefields of the Somme into a sea of mud, making it difficult to move the guns into position, let alone bring up the necessary shells. 13

By November 1916, the Battle of the Somme was into its final stage. 14 The CFA on November 1 was in action northeast of Courcelette. The Brigade's dairy for that day notes that "four officers are in hospital" and that the "Brigade is understrength with many men in hospital due to the poor weather and the ... long period we have been in action without a rest." Trouble for the artillery was recorded in this entry from the same day: "the roads are practically impassible for wheeled traffic and as a result of continual packing the horses are losing condition." On the morning of November 6 the weather was "fine and generally clear," but the enemy "ranged on batteries throughout the morning and shelled them continuously throughout the day. The 6th Battery having a gun hit and the sergeant and 3 gunners killed and one wounded." 15

Bapaume Post Military Cemetery is two kilometres north-east of the town of Albert, on the D929 to Bapaume. A busy road with cars and trucks moving people about their daily routines, what impresses us is that this little cemetery is so close to the road and impossible to miss with its red brick wall and straight rows of clean white

grave markers. Sixty-four of the 229 stones have a stylized maple leaf on them. One of them is for Stewart Edward. Entering the cemetery's back entrance, near the great cross, his stone stands third from the left, second row:



Figure 3: S.E. Kitchen, Bapaume Post Military Cemetery (Photo credit: Kevin Kitchen)

Stewart Edward Kitchen is also remembered in Fredericton on the Fredericton War Memorial, by Veterans Affairs Canada on their Canadian Virtual War Memorial and, like Thomas and Curtis Raymond, on page 114 of the First World War Book of Remembrance.

The cost of the Battle of the Somme was staggering. More than 1.2 million men from both sides were counted as casualties, of which 400,000 were fatalities. For the Kitchens of New Brunswick, the cost was Curtis Raymond and Stewart Edward.

Percy Floyd Kitchen's reasons for enlisting would have been different from those of his cousins. Any sense of adventure had long since ended, as the war was going badly, and the grim reality that one might never return had set in, as local newspapers regularly printed the names of the dead and wounded. It is likely too that he was aware that his father's cousin, Curtis Raymond, had been killed.

With high casualties, the CEF was desperate for young men like Percy, and he obliged, enlisting in Toronto just two months after his 18th birthday, in November 1916. Originally assigned to the Canadian Army Service Corps (CASC) he arrived in England on February 6, 1917. After spending time at the Training Depot of CASC in Shorncliffe he was assigned to 26th Reserve Battalion at Bramshott. But serving with his "home" New Brunswick 26th Battalion was not to be, as he was reassigned to what had been a severely depleted but re-building RCR and shipped across the English Channel on October 6, 1917. He joined his unit on October 15, near Bailleul, France, where the RCR was in training.



Figure 4: Percy Floyd Kitchen (Photo credit: family papers)

On October 18 Percy wrote home to his mother in Chatham telling her that he was "fine and dandy" and that he was "having a fine time of it all right." On October 23 the RCR moved by train to Belgium for the Third Battle of Ypres at Passchendaele.

We know from Canadian history that the entire Canadian Corps of four Divisions, comprising 100,000 men, found itself at the Passchendaele front in mid-October. Had they survived, Thomas and Stewart Edward would likely have been there too. <sup>17</sup> The conditions were miserable and the battle costly. Advancing over fields of water, mud and bodies the Canadians took Passchendaele, both the ridge and the village, by November 10 but at a cost of 16,404 casualties, including over 4,000 killed. <sup>18</sup>

The Passchendaele Canadian Memorial marks the site of Crest Farm, where the Canadian Corps took the high ground on October 30, setting the stage for the final assault on Passchendaele village a week later. As I walk around the memorial with its large block of Canadian granite I try to imagine the scene from late-October 1917. Not far from where I stand, German machine guns, mounted in a concrete pill-box, continuously fired on the slowly-advancing Canadians, waist-deep in mud, with men falling dead and wounded. Somehow Percy survived without a scratch.

Improving his odds of survival was the supporting role the RCR had been assigned at Passchendaele. Even though they were primarily used as carrying parties and stretcher bearers, theirs was still dangerous work. The supply lines were hit hard with mustard gas intended to hinder all communication and movement to and from the front line. Appended to the diary for October are these accounts of the RCR's duties: 19

"One of the most difficult tasks in connection to the operations was the evacuation of the wounded. All wounded had to be carried distances varying from ¾ of a mile to two miles over almost impassible Roads continuously shelled."

"For 6 days previous to the 30<sup>th</sup> October, companies had been carrying material to the front line. An average of 260 all ranks were employed daily. On the 26<sup>th</sup> a party of 150 O.R. under Major Logan was detailed to carry wounded from Waterloo to the Somme A.D. station. On the day of the attack parties were detailed to carry ammunition and supplies to the assaulting troops. All work required was done for the most part under very trying conditions, of which the impassability of the roads was not the least."

This list of RCR casualties suffered at Passchendaele to the end of October is also appended to the diary:

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<u>OFFICERS</u>		
Killed	Lieut. Reed	
Wounded	5	
Gassed	5	/11
OTHER RANKS		
Killed	16	
Died of wounds	8	
Unaccounted for	13	
Wounded	132	
Gassed	60	
Shell shock	10	
Sick	9	<u>247</u>
	Total	258

After Passchendaele, Percy went on to see action with the RCR through to the end of the war, from the Battle of Amiens to the final assault on Mons, Belgium on November 10-11, 1918.<sup>20</sup> The last entry in his pay book is dated February 15, 1919, recording payments that included \$35 for civilian clothing and \$5 for train expense.<sup>21</sup>

Percy boarded the S.S. Adriatic in Liverpool with the rest of the RCR on March 1, 1919 for the voyage home. They arrived in Halifax on March 9, and that very evening were celebrated as the guests of honour at a banquet given by the Province of Nova Scotia and the City of Halifax. Then suddenly it was over. After marching back to their barracks in Halifax that night, the CEF Battalion of the RCR was disbanded. Lance Corporal Percy Kitchen, after 27 months of service, 24 of them in Europe and 13 at the front, was free to use his \$5 in train money to make his way back home to Duke Street in Chatham, New Brunswick. There he was officially discharged on March 15. 23

In all, 15 New Brunswick Kitchens served in the CEF. For most, their service was by choice. Only two of the 15 were drafted under the Military Service Act of 1917. One tried to enlist twice, first as a 16 year old and again at 17. As a family, the Kitchens did not beat the odds, as three of the 15 who enlisted—20%—were killed in action. It is estimated that 630,000 Canadians enlisted in the Great War, of which 66,000, or 10.5%, were killed.<sup>24</sup>

New Brunswick Kitchens who served in the Canadian Expeditionary Force (names, spellings, and relationships as given in Attestation papers): <sup>25</sup>

### Percy Floyd Kitchen

Born September 26, 1898, Upper Gagetown Next of Kin: Hattie Kitchen, mother Service Number 51340 Canadian Army Service Corps & the Royal Canadian Regiment

### **Curtis Raymond Kitchen**

Born July 5, 1886, Prince William
Next of Kin: Marion Kitchen
Service number 2071
Canadian Light Horse, Canadian Corps Cavalry Regiment

#### Stewart Edward Kitchen

Born February 20, 1895, Fredericton Next of Kin: Harry Kitchen, father Service Number 85736 Canadian Field Artillery, Second Brigade

#### Thomas Kitchen

Born September 14, 1890, Old Town Maine, USA Next of Kin: Nevers Kitchen, uncle Service Number 114597 1st Battalion Canadian Mounted Rifles

#### John Mott Kitchen

Born May 13, 1890, Prince William Next of Kin: Emily Kitchen, mother Service Number 3256083

### **Guy Burton Kitchen**

Born August 22, 1896, Kingsclear Next of Kin: Lemuel Kitchen, father Service Number 818181 140<sup>th</sup> Battalion

#### George William Kitchen

Born April 29, 1896, Kingsclear Next of Kin: Mrs. Vina Kitchen, mother Service Number 818186 26<sup>th</sup> New Brunswick Battalion, CEF

### Wilbur G. Kitchen

Born March 8, 1890, Upper Gagetown Next of Kin: Jane Kitchen, mother Service Number 550388

#### Ellwood Kitchen

Born June 10, 1888, Fredericton Next of Kin: Mrs. Jane Kitchen Service Number 22668

#### George Arthur Kitchen

Born August 14, 1894, Burton Next of Kin: Mrs. Jane Kitchen Service Number 3353498

#### Albert Kitchen

Born July 26, 1887, Fredericton

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Next of Kin: Wesley Kitchen, father Service Number 850619 176th Battalion

#### **Arthur Kitchen**

Born October 18, 1880, Bright Next of Kin: Mrs. Ida May Kitchen, wife Service Number 817495

### **Earl James Kitchen**

Born April 13, 1895, Fredericton Next of Kin: Coles Kitchen, father Service Number 85972

#### Willard Kitchen

Born July 17, 1900, Newcastle

Next of Kin: Mr. John Kitchen, father and Clemmie,

mother

Service Number 793794

#### William Kitchen

Born June 5, 1880, Newcastle

Next of Kin: Georgina Chambers Kitchen, wife

Service Number 793016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Percy was related with certainty to Curtis Raymond, Stewart Edward, Thomas, Guy Burton, Albert, John Mott, and George William; and probably to Earl James and Arthur.

The figure of 27,000 is from Canadian Great War Project; "Enlistment Statistics," last modified July 16, 2010, http://www.canadiangreatwarproject.com/writing/enlistmentFigures.asp.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Desmond Morton and J.L. Granatstein, Marching to Armageddon: Canadians and the Great War 1914-1919 (Toronto: Lester & Orpen Dennys, 1989), 107.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Morton and Granatstein, Marching to Armageddon, 276.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Commonwealth War Graves Commission, Find War Dead; "Kitchen, T," http://www.cwgc.org/find-wardead/casualty/1593630/KITCHEN,%20T.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The 1901 Census shows Thomas as nephew and living in the Prince William household of Nevers Kitchen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Library Archives Canada, War Diaries of the First World War; "Official War Diary, 1st Battalion, Canadian Mounted Rifles, 1915/09/01-1919/02/28," http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/Pages/wardiaries.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Library Archives Canada, <u>Circumstances of Death Registers</u>, <u>First World War</u>; Page 343; http://www.baclac.gc.ca/eng/discover/mass-digitized-archives/circumstances-death-registers/Pages/item.aspx?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Library Archives Canada, Commonwealth War Graves Registers, First World War; Page 1011; http://www.baclac.gc.ca/eng/discover/mass-digitized-archives/commonwealth-war-graves-registers/Pages/item.aspx?

Terry Copp, et al., <u>Canadian Battlefields of the First World War: A Visitor's Guide</u>, rev. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (Waterloo: Wilfrid

Laurier University Press), 52.

11 The above entries are from Library Archives Canada, War Diaries of the First World War; "Official War Diary, Canadian Light Horse, 1916/05/12-1917/07/31," http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-worldwar/Pages/war-diaries.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Morton and Granatstein, Marching to Armageddon, 274.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Chris McNab, The Somme: France 1916 (Stroud, Gloucestershire: Pitkin Publishing, 2010), 20.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> The battle of the Somme would finally end on November 18, 1916.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Library Archives Canada, War Diaries of the First World War; "Official War Diary, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Canadian Field Artillery, 1916/01/01-1917/07/31," http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/Pages/wardiaries.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Percy Kitchen's letter to his mother from "Somewhere in France" dated October 18, 1917; family papers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Both the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Canadian Field Artillery were at Passchendaele. Curtis Raymond's Canadian Light Horse was not.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Tim Cook, Shock Troops: Canadians Fighting the Great War 1917-1918, vol. 2 (Toronto: Penguin Canada, 2008), 365.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Library Archives Canada, War Diaries of the First World War; "Official War Diary, Royal Canadian Regiment, 1917/09/01-1918/04/30," http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/first-world-war/Pages/war-diaries.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Percy was away from the front, first on training in France, and then on leave in the U.K., between September 26 and November 1; thus he missed the Battle of Cambrai.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Family papers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Bernd Horn, Establishing a Legacy: The History of the Royal Canadian Regiment 1883-1953 (Toronto: Dundurn Press, 2008), 278.

23 Statement of Service in the Canadian Armed Forces, Percy Floyd Kitchen; family papers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Canadian War Museum, Canada and the First World War, http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/history/, accessed

on February 6, 2016.

25 Library Archives Canada, Soldiers of the First World War: 1914-1918, http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/militaryheritage/first-world-war/first-world-war-1914-1918-cef/Pages/canadian-expeditionary-force.aspx

# Hendrick Steeves and Family

from Philadelphia to Albert County, 1766 contributed by Harry MacDonald

Harry MacDonald's ancestors, James and Martha Smith and their daughter Martha or Mattie (she became the wife of John, the Pioneer, Geldart and they are the progenitors of all the Geldart descendants living in Albert and Westmorland Counties and many of the Geldarts living elsewhere in North America.), were on the "Lovey," Captain Sheverick, when it sailed from Philadelphia to the Petitcodiac in the spring of 1766.

Harry's lineage: Mattie's sister Ann married Donald McDonald from the Isle of Skye in 1791. Their son Lewis McDonald married Martha Titus. Their son Charles McDonald married Annie Briggs. Their son Henry McDonald married Julia Dunham in Saint John and she gave birth to his grandfather, George Henry MacDonald (he changed it to "Mac" in 1921.) Source: Daniel F. Johnson, 87-5, March 3 1893,

Source: Daniel F. Johnson, 87-5, March 3 1893, County Westmorland, Moncton Times. Excerpts from A history of Henrick Steeves by W.O. Raymond, submitted to the St. John Sun (paragraphing added for readability.)

In May 1763, three years after the taking of Quebec by the English and shortly after the treaty of peace between England and France, six German families left Pennsylvania to settle on the Petitcodiac River. The sailed in a sloop commanded by Capt. Hall. After a long and wearisome passage they arrived at a place now called Hillsboro, July 1st, and landed at a small creek on the north side of Gray's Island. Here the Steeves family, consisting of Hendrick, the father; Rachel Steeves, his wife and their seven sons, Jacob, John, Christian, Frederick, Lutrick, Henry and Matthias, whose respective ages were 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4 and 2 years, built a log house and made it their headquarters. ...

Jacob Steeves, the eldest son, now began to think he ought to have a wife, so he paid a visit up the river among his old friends and concluded Jacob Lutz's eldest daughter, Catherine Lutz would suit him. Jacob was pretty young, but he was a man of about 200 pounds in weight and Catherine was willing, so Jacob took to himself a wife, brought her home and built a log house about 30 rods from his father's. Here he went to work to make a farm and they built up the dykes to keep the tide out of the marsh.

A few years passed and John thought he must also have a wife. He married Peggy Lutz, a sister to Jacob's wife, and started a farm half a mile from his brother Jacob. ...

Hendrick Steeves, third s/o Christian Steeves, married R. Trites, a daughter of Jacob Trites. He started a farm in Coverdale (Albert Co.).

Frederick Steeves, the fourth son, married a sister of Christian's wife. He settled in the Parish of Moncton at Boundary Creek. Lutrick Steeves, the fifth son, married a Miss Porter of Nova Scotia and settled at Turtle Creek. The regiment stationed at Fort Lawrence was disbanded after the close of the Revolution and many of the troops settled along the Petitcodiac River. Among the number was Jacob Beck who was called 'the King's baker'. He settled at Salisbury.

Henry Steeves, the sixth son, married one of Beck's daughters and settled on his father's homestead.

Matthias **Steeves** married Sophia **Beck**, a sister of Henry's wife. He also settled on the homestead near his brother Henry.

About the years 1765 a man by the name of **Gray** took up a block of land between Gray's Island and McLatchy Creek and named the Island after himself. At the close of the Revolution in 1782, Martin **Jonah** with his family came from Holland and settled on the Gray lot and held it by possession.

About the same time a man named **Beck**, a brother of Henry's wife, took up a piece of land which is now the Wallace property. Another man named **Wickwire** took up a piece of land to the south of this, which after 1812 was transferred to the Taylors, Camerons, Gross and Carlisle.

About the year 1795, Henry, the sixth son of Hendrick Steeves, commenced preaching. He was the only minister they had in the neighborhood until the late Rev. Joseph Crandall came and in October 1822, organized the first Hillsboro Baptist Church with 70 members.

The first vessel was built in Albert Co. in 1816 by the Jacob Steeves' three sons, Jacob Steeves, John Steeves and Leonard Steeves. She was called the "Three Brothers" and would carry about 60 tons. The second vessel was built by Mr. Gross in 1817, a brig of about 169 tons. About the year 1817, a man by the name of McRay commenced ship-building at what is now called the Cape, about

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three miles from the village. Here he began building large vessels and in connection with his business built a distillery and made large quantities of whiskey which for a while was as free as water. But his business soon came to an end.

In 1818 the Steeves brothers built three miles of tram road for the purpose of hauling plaster. It was built by simply grading where the land was hard. Where it was soft or marshy the track was built up with timber and covered with poles. The rails, which were made of wood, were fastened to the sleepers with wooden pins. The cars would carry from two or three tons. They were drawn by two or three oxen or horses. The plaster at that time was worth from \$3 to \$4 a ton on the shore. About this time John McRay, the ship builder at the Cape, was doing a large business getting plaster at Lower Hillsboro. In 1823, the price of plaster went down to less than \$3 a ton, and the manufacturers came to the conclusion that it wouldn't pay so they abandoned the business. But now, in 1892, the plaster is worth 80 cents to \$1 a ton, yet business is carried on profitably.

The first man appointed as post master was W.H. Steeves in 1832. At first they had only one mail a month or as often as it was convenient to go for it. The county of Albert was separated from Westmorland in 1845. The first member was W.H. Steeves, He was elected 1847 by a large majority and after-

# Rideouts in America - Update

George Hayward

With reference to Item 7 on page 29 in the Winter 2015 issue of Generations, Golda Rideout Soffe, in her "Rideouts in America" has William Penn Rideout's wife recorded as Mary Sutton, who was born about 1799. But Linda Kelly has informed me that William Penn Rideout's wife was Mary Sutter rather than Mary Sutton. Linda has no primary source for this, but says that William and Mary (Sutter) Rideout's daughter Caroline Margaret Rideout married William Small, and William and Caroline (Rideout) Small's eldest child James Small married Barbary Peters (a sister of Linda Kelly's grandmother), and James and Barbary migrated to Minnesota in 1857. Linda also says a good source of information on the Sutter family is Over the Portage, Early History of the Upper Miramichi, by William R. McKinnon Jr.

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wards always elected by a large majority until his death. (see original)

Since 1893, when the above information written by WO Raymond was published in the Moncton Times, there had been a lot of research on the family history of the Steeves family. But the quintessential information of the origins of Heinrich Stief came in the book The Search for Heinrich Stief written by his descendant Les Bowser to summarize his research in Philadelphia and Germany. The book is a great read even if you're not a Heinrich Stief descendant. You can find the book at http://www.amazon.com/The-search-Heinrich-Stief-genealogist/dp/1551093758

# Genealogy Fair - correction

David Fraser

Correction to add the names to this picture:



NB Museum Display. Amber McAlpine-Mills (l.) and Ruth Cox (r.)

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Q5347 - BROWN: Looking for information on the parents of Abraham Brown who arrived with his family in Maugerville NB in 1787 (aged 17 according to a Land Petition.)

Abraham married **Ruth Estey** (d/o **Zebulon Estey**) in 1793. Rev. Clarke performed the ceremony in Maugerville (Clarke's records were lost in a fire.) His stone in the Andover/Perth cemetery says he was b. 1770 and d. 1853.

His son was named Jonathan - perhaps he was named after Abraham's father? The Estey and Brown families lived in Exeter Co. in the Massachusetts Bay colony and also Westchester NY which had to be evacuated when the Revolutionary War ended.

The N.B. Land Petition records include a land petition for **Zebulon Estey** and **Abraham Brown**. This Abraham Brown could be Abraham's father but we could not find if he was granted any land for his service.

Robert Brown rbrown0742@icloud.com

Q5348 - BUSTARD: Looking for birth certificates for Susan Bustard (ca. 1858 NB) and Mary Bustard (b. 29 June 1860 NB according to her death certificate form Amsterdam NY). Susan and Mary are the daughters of John Bustard and Margaret (O'Hara) Bustard.

Cheryl Harding 10402 Spraggins Ct. Manassas VA 20110 charding@ljvfd.com

Q5349 - BUSTARD/O'HARA: Looking for the marriage banns/certificate for John Bustard and Margaret O'Hara some time before 1858.

Cheryl Harding (see query above)

Q5350 - CAISSY/CAISSE: Looking for information on Caissy/Caisse (and possibly Sasey/Sacy/Sacey) migrations from New Brunswick to the Boston area,1800 to 1855. Trying to determine if the Sasey family was an offshoot of the Caisse name, possibly from the name Kuessy.

Jim Wilman 33 Surrey Lane Holden, Ma 01520 USA James0319@aol.com

Q5351 - CAMERON: Looking for information on Peter Cameron immigrated 1783 lived in Queensbury Canada in 1851 Census. Listed as Irish & wife as British American. His father may have died at sea & judging by arrival date, they may have been loyalists.

Alex alex.alexadvocate.matheson@gmail.com

Q5352 - CAMPBELL: Searching for parents of and other information about Cathern Ellen Campbell from Upper Blackville area married William Allen Harris (c. 1841 - 1922) Doaktown NB.

Bert Harris tricky8@shaw.ca

Q5353 - CHURCHILL/GRANT/FOX: Looking for information - especially a death record - on Mary Jane Churchill born 1827 in Washburn,

She married **John Grant** 21 Oct 1852 in Fredericton, NB and **Sam Fox** 28 Dec 1859 in Woodstock, NB.

Dave Percifield 281-651-2826 dnkpercifield@gmail.com

Q5354 - CLARKE: Looking for any info and pictures of the Old Carleton Burial Ground, Saint John West. My 7th great grandfather, a Revolutionary War British officer, William Clarke was buried there in 1804. Looking for more information on him. Also interested in land grants maps for Carleton (Saint John) ca. 1783.

Stenner Mason shoeman8@hotmail.com

Q5355 - DAVIDSON: Looking for information on my ancestor, George Davidson, who married Margaret Harris. They were married in 1847 and my great grandfather, Harris Davidson, was born in 1862 in Bathurst, Gloucester County.

Looking to see if they are connected to William Davidson and Sarah Nevers. I found a George Davidson born in 1814 and another one born in 1819 in Oak Point, and it looks like they are both born to the same parents, James Davidson and Gertrude Savoie. Also looking for the parents of James.

Cheryl Cavanaugh ccavanaugh@telus.net

Q5356 - DICKINSON: Looking for birth, christening, marriage, death, burial information for the following: 1. William Dickinson (Woodstock 1805 - after 1871 Canterbury?) Rosanah Dow (Jefferson, ME 1808 - c.1852 Canterbury), son 2. Edward L Dickinson (Woodstock or Canterbury 1840 - after 1911 Canterbury or Woodstock), 3. grandaughter Angeline Dickinson (Canterbury 1868, 1931, Canterbury, Marne Cemetery), 4. great-grandaughter Martha L. Oliver (Canterbury 1889-1973 North Bay).

Are there Anglican parish record available in either Canterbury or Dumfries Parish, York Co. or possible in Woodstock that may have this information?

Marcus Millet researchesq@outlook.com

Q5357 - FAIRLAMB: I am researching my ancestor, Samuel Fairlamb. He was part of the first group of Loyalist settlers in Beaver Harbour, NB, in the Spring of 1783. Looking for information on him and his family.

Mary (Fairlamb) Grunden minnimouse961@hotmail.com

Q5358 - FISH: Looking for parents and place of birth of John Fish (1794-1877) - born \_\_\_\_ buried Mount Chase Cemetery, Mount Chase, Penobscot ME married into loyalist family, Elizabeth Pratt (1798-1876) born St. George, Charlotte County, NB. Elizabeth daughter of John Pratt.(1763-1848) (New Jersey Volunteers drummer).

A John Fish testifies for Samuel Tarbell at Loyalist Commission 01/20/1788. A John Fish identifies positions of Samuel Tarbell to local authorities. A John Fish is foreman on Samuel Tarbell's farm, 1777. A John Fish is at Bunker Hill, A John Fish tavern keeper Bloomingboro ME 1781. Are these all the same John Fish or connected somehow?

John & Elizabeth had eight children all born at NB. Family with exception of David (1816) and John (1819) removed to Mount Chase ME about 1835.

Donald Fish, 110 Lynnview Circle, Elizabethton, TN, USA 37643, reconstruct1@charter.net

Q5359 - FOSDICK: Looking for locations that may contain marriage and birth/baptism records in Kings and St John Counties of NB. My search is for the time period of 1783 to 1799 and the Nathanial & Rachel (Morrell) Fosdick family. I need primary sources for this information, which excludes books on family histories.

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Q5360 - GERRY: George Elbridge Gerry immigrated to Canada in/around 1828. According to his gravestone, he was related to Elbridge Gerry - Vice President under James Madison.

George Elbridge Gerry was born 1806 in Baltimore/ Norfolk, Virginia, and died January 21, 1880 in Andover, NB, buried at United Baptist Church Cemetery in Andover. He married **Phoebe Sloat** on January 03, 1835 in Carleton County, NB, daughter of **Abraham Sloat** and unknown. Looking for information on his parents and any other information that would establish his lineage.

Janis Carpenter, Janis
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<a href="http://www.genealogy.com/ftm/m/o/r/Nancy-E-Moreyra-WA/index.html">http://www.genealogy.com/ftm/m/o/r/Nancy-E-Moreyra-WA/index.html</a>

**Q5361 - GIBBS:** Researching the **Gibbs** family of mine that supposedly was in New Brunswick in the 1760s. My ancestor **Jesse Gibbs** was supposedly born in 1760s NB, but don't know the town or county.

Freeman Bartek freeman.bartek 1@gmail.com

Q5362 - HALL:. Cornelius Hall was born in New Brunswick 1804. My great-grandmother Hester Hall was his daughter or granddaughter. Looking for information on any UEL connection he may have. He was married to Jane Webb Brown daughter of William Chandler Brown.

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Q5363 - HANSON: Looking for information on my great grandmother Nettie M. Hanson I believe was born in Charlotte or Carleton County 1875 but I have been unable to find and information on her birth or her coming to the United States. Her parents were Elias Hanson and Lydia Johnson. Siblings: Albert Edward (born May 9 1878), John Joseph (b. May 24 1880) and Catherine Amelise (b. Dec 18,1884). I was hoping you would be able to tell me where to find information or anything that could help me in my research.

Megan Piorek magooon4@hotmail.com

Q5364 - JONES: I am looking for birth record of Sara Ann Jones, I have listed 4 May 1826 in Moncton, She was the daughter of Henry Jones who was born Sept 1800 also in Moncton. Henry came to the USA in abt 1832, the rest I have,

BabRhetta Maxwell 116 Whimbrel Drive Suffolk, Virginia USA 23435 grntea@hotmail.com

Q5365 - KENYON: Stephen Andrew KEN-YON, age 18, drowned Jan 1972 at Burton Landing, per article in January 25 1972 of the Oromocto Monitor. He was stepson of WO MacDonald and lived at with mother and two half sisters at married quarters in CFB Oromocto. Looking for information on his burial place, probably in Fredericton.

Heather Ford 709-533-8330 heatherford@bellaliant.net

Q5366 - KIRKPATRICK/PATTERSON: I am trying to find the name of the ship my GGrand-mother arrived on into St. John in 1831 from Donegal Ireland. Her married name was Kirkpatrick, maiden name Patterson. I did find where she arrived in 1831 with her 6 sons, but not the name of the ship. She settled in the Patterson settlement of New Brunswick along with 3 of her brothers who had come earlier.

Dell Finerty dellfin448@gmail.com

Q5367 - LEGGETT: I am researching the life and work of the New Brunswick poet William Martin Leggett, who came to New South Wales in 1848. After his death (1878) his sons described him as "Captain" and "Army Captain". I cannot find any record of him holding an officer's commission in England or here, and I am wondering if he may have served as an officer with the New Brunswick militia pre 1845. Looking for any information on his earlier life including any military service in NB.

Chris Vening vening@netspeed.com.au

Q5368 - MacDONALD/HUDSON: I am searching for information on Sarah JANE McDonald born June 23 1853 in South Branch, NB & died Dec. 17 1895 in South Branch, NB. Her parents were probably Charles McDonald (1822-1895) and Ellen Dunn (1830-1898). I think she had 9 siblings. Looking for verification of Sarah Jane's parents.

Charlotte Gorley cgorley@shaw.ca

Q5369 - MADDEN/McALLISTER: Looking for information on Anna Madden who is said to be born in Ireland in 1827, her parents are said to be born in Ireland. Looking for birth date, date of arrival, which ship she came to NB on, and her connection to my John S. Madden ancestor. She married a twin named Duncan McAllister, born in 1825, in Hammond, Kings County, their daughter Sarah (b. 1852) was a servant on my John S. Madden (1832-1912) Great Grandfathers farm-Madden Flats in 1860,( it was called Seeley Mills and today it's known as Waterford) while his wife Bridget (nee Gallagher 1838-1912) had her first daughter in 1860. Ann McAllister died in 1900-1910 in Liberty, Iowa. I haven't been able to find a birth certificate, or a ship's list, on this Mystery lady. I do have the ship list when my GGrandfather was 10 and landed @ the Portland Ward in Saint John NB, in 1843 from County Galway, there were 3 boys and one only girl. Also the family can be found in the 1852 NB Census (Studholm parish.)

P. Madden <a href="mailto:shingodawe@ns.sympatico.ca">shingodawe@ns.sympatico.ca</a> <a href="mailto:williammadden79@yahoo.com">williammadden79@yahoo.com</a>

Q5370 - MALCOLM: Looking for information on the ancestors of Robert Malkson/Malcolm who is in the 1851 census in St. David Parish in Charlotte County. It is believed that his father was also a Robert Malcolm and his mother was Jane Parker. According to "Pikes Notes" they arrived in New Brunswick about 1786-88 but Robert died shortly after their arrival. Jane then married William Vance. I am trying to find out where Robert and Jane came from and who is his father. I suspect he may be the son of William and Elizabeth Malcolm of Georgetown/Phippsburg, ME. I am hoping to be able to verify this hunch.

Diane Malcolm jdmalcolm@wildblue.net

Q5371 - McALLISTER/ WORTMAN/ WORKMAN: Looking for information on my 2nd great grandparents, **Daniel** and **Ann McAllister**. I am their 2nd great granddaughter twice, once thru their son James and once thru Deborah their daughter. I'm wondering if **Ann Wortman** is re-

lated to **George Wortman** and who she is descended from?

Shawn McAllister Landreth Lambonz@msn.com

**Q5372** - **McLEAN**: Researching William McLean (1817 - 1901) and Margaret Campbell (1819 - 1888) and their children and adopted grandson of Chatham NB: Jane (1844 - 1890), Margaret (1846 - 1943), William (Jr.) (1849 - ), Elizabeth (1851-1894), Mary (1853 - 1940), Agnes (1855-1929), Archibald (1877 - 1932), John (1859 - ), Annie (1863 - 1944), Francis (Frank) Albert (1872 - ) adopted grandson.

Particularly looking for information on

- 1. William McLean (Jr.) who disappeared sometime after the 1871 census.
- 2. John McLean who disappeared after the 1871 census
- 3. Adopted grandson Francis (Frank) Albert McLean. Need his actual parents and death information. He emigrated to Rumford ME about 1902.

Glenn McLain glenn@avdp.org

Q5373 - McCULLOUGH/STORER: My 2nd great grandmother Ann (McCullough) Storer and her family were from Saint John. I can't find a record of them except in the 1861 Canadian census. All her children were born there (possibly 10) of which only 4 survived and emigrated to the U.S. (Maine, the birthplace of her husband, Aaron Storer). According to the census, she was native to Saint John and a Baptist. Her name may have been McCully, McCauley, McCullum, MacCullough, McCullo. Her parents names may have been James and Gurce.

Holly Holman frolly 1969@gmail.com

Q5374 - MORRIS: Looking for information on my Gr-Grandfather Thomas Jarvis Morris' (ca. 1830 - ) family. He and wife Mary Ann Kirkland (ca. 1840 - 1922) had several children including the 3 oldest Francis Elizabeth (ca. 1862 - ), Leavina Jane (ca. 1875 - 1912), and Ella Nora (ca. 1877 - 1948), plus younger children Alice Mae, Isabella Clarissa, Minnie Dora, James Henry, Lillie Maude. They settled for many years in Carleton County in the Woodstock area. I have found bap-

tism records for the younger children in a minister/parish book that was microfilmed. I am trying to find records on the 3 oldest children who may have been born in Chatham. Looking to find school records that may list these children. The school records would need to be anytime between 1870 and 1896. The family may have been members of St Paul's Church in Chatham as the father's death and youngest daughter's death were recorded by the Minister of that church. The family emigrated to Lynn, Mass. area between 1895 and 1920's.

Debra Morris debralyn.m@gmail.com

Q5375 - MULLIN: Looking for information on David W. Mullin, born in the Sheffield area, Sunbury Co., NB in March of 1834 - married Letitia (nee Niles) daughter of Samuel Niles and Eunice Bell. David and Letitia's son Sidney is my gr-great grandfather. I would like to know if it is possible to find out who David's parents were (their names and dates of birth if possible), if David had any siblings and if David's parents were also born in NB.

Jillian Nason jillianlanore@gmail.com

Q5376 - MURPHY/QUIGLEY: Looking for information on John Murphy (ca 1796 - 1857) & Mary Quigley ( - 1896) of North West Branch, Miramichi, and their parents/families. In their marriage record, Mary was of Newcastle Parish. In a published letter from a granddaughter of John and Mary, Mary tells her granddaughter that at first she was shocked by age of the man her brothers had brought her over from Ireland to marry. In another separate statement it mentions the Murphy brothers came over in company with some Quigley brothers. The Murphy's arrived c1817. In W. D. Hamilton in his book, Old North Esk., the earliest Quigley was named Richard and already married to Mary McInnis. Any information is appreciated.

Dennis Murphy twilight.breath@gmail.com

Q5377 - NELSON/BOND: David Nelson (1806-1881) married Sarah Bond (1819-1896) in Restigouche on 05 May 1835. They raised their family at The Kempt Road. David and Sarah are buried in the Broadlands Kempt Road Cemetery.

Looking for help to determine their origins, and any information about their ancestors, siblings and descendants. Photos of this family would also be appreciated.

Sandra Tramer 247 Broadview Drive Pembroke, Ontario, K8A 2A1 tramers@nrtco.net

Q5378 - NICHOLAS DENYS (village)/SIROIS: I'm trying to gather information about a small town in New Brunswick named Nicholas Denys. It is in the Beresford area, I believe. During the 60's, there was a priest named Yvon Sirois I believe. He worked intimately with the community, helping it through a difficult time, when the government was trying to eradicate the area.

If anyone in NBGS has information about this time, this place, or the people involved, I would be very grateful. If there are any suggestions as to where I should search, I will receive them gladly.

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Q5379 - NICHOLLS/FOSTER: My grandmother, Ada Nicholls, born in Aston, Warwickshire. England, came to Gaspe with my grandfather Jeremy Sinnett, at end of the First World War.

She had a brother, **Albert Alfred Nicholls** (aged 26), who arrived in Halifax in 1924 on the SS Minnedosa, with his wife **Elsie Foster** & daughter **Beatrice Ada Nicholls** (aged 2). Albert Nichol died in a car accident, Oct. 12,1932. He is buried in McLeods Siding Cemetery.

I am looking for what happened to his wife & daughter after his death. I believe they lived in Campbellton.

The information that I have on his arrival, death & place of death was received from PANB; including a newspaper clipping from The Dalhousie News (dated Oct 19, 1932) about his accident.

Diane Sinnett diane sinnett@hotmail.com

Q5380 - O'NEILL: Looking for information on the Arthur J. O' Neill and Beatrice Cloe (nee McLeod) family of Fredericton. They had a daughter Pauline Nora who was my grandmother. According to Arthur's marriage record, his parents were George and Emily (Steward) O' Neill.

Karen Boyle karynb07@gmail.com

**Q5381 - PAYNE:** Looking to connect with anyone researching **John Baptist Payne** (1769 Clonmel, Tipperary, Ireland - 1852 Sunbury County, Fredericton, York Co., New Brunswick). He was my 4x great-grandfather.

Wendy Brewer wendy.brewer bell.net

Q5382 - PERKINS: Looking for the parents of John Buckley Perkins who settled amongst the (Azariah and sons) Perkins farms in Springfield Parish, Kings, NB. John was born abt 1787 and died Nov. 1 1876, buried at the Lyon Cemetery, Gagetown, Oueens, NB. He married Sarah Lyon in 1810. I believe he is the brother of Sarah Ann Perkins who married Alexander Clark in 1814 in Kingston, NB. But neither John nor Sarah Perkins appear to have any records showing their parents names. I thought maybe Azariah Perkins (loyalist), but neither John nor Sarah are mentioned in his will (1825) while the rest of his children are. I looked at some of the Buckley family but don't see a connection, at least not yet. I've heard claims of a possible DNA connection to Isaac Perkins (loyalist) but even so, hard documentation is still missing to back it.

Dan Clark nocklee@yahoo.ca

Q5383 - SANDERSON: Looking for local information on George Sanderson who immigrated to Canada between 1873-5 from Scotland. He married Elizabeth Matthews (from Nfld.) in Montreal. He was employed in several capacities with the Bank of Nova Scotia in NB (in Moncton, Saint John, and Woodstock) between 1880-1890 and it is any local information on himself and family which would be of great interest. Four children were born in NB during this period, Beatrice, Kathleen, Stanley and Bessie. Another daughter, Lilias was born in Montreal, previous to NB residence.

During his residence in NB, George was very involved in breeding Skye Terriers. My research is based upon positioning George in the history of the foundation of purebred dogs in the region which is my area of focus.

Valerie Brideau vbrideau@eastlink.ca

Q5384 - SMITH: I am searching for the parents of Aaron Smith, born circa 1793 on Grand Manan when it was a US possession.

He married in Douglas Parish, York, NB, ca. 1829, Mary \_\_\_ (maiden name unknown), a woman of Welsh birth. It was actually probably Cardigan Settlement, as that is where he got a 300 acre land grant from the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Land Co.

Looking for information on his parents names, his date of birth; his wife's full name and their marriage date.

Also, if you have records showing where the Smith family came from, perhaps Massachusetts or Rhode Island, I'd be interested in that also.

Merrylyn Sawyer merrylyn.sawyer@gmail.com

Q5385 - SMITH: Looking for information on a Smith family of Miramichi or Fredericton. I don't know if these people were from the US and migrated to Canada after or during the American Revolution or how they got to New Brunswick.

Milford M. Smith was born 3 Sept. 1875 at Dorn Ridge, York, NB, the son of Benjamin and Jemima Smith. Milford and his wife, Temperance Morehouse, moved to Presque Isle, Maine shortly after their marriage on 21 March 1901 Temperance was from Douglas, in York.

Benjamin was the son of **Aaron** and **Annie Maria Smith**. I assume all of Dorn Ridge, but I do not know for sure. Aaron may have been born in Massachusetts or elsewhere in colonial America.

Merrylyn Sawyer merrylyn.sawyer@gmail.com

Q5386 - STEWART/ABERNETHY: John Stewart, born in 1810 or 1811, married Margaret Abernethy on Aug. 25, 1835, in St. Mary's Parish, York County. Subsequent census records show John is 7 years older than Margaret. They moved

to Hodgdon, Aroostook County, Maine around 1849. Looking for confirmation that Margaret Abernethy Stewart is the daughter of William V. Abernethy and Mary Young. Some records show this, but her name and birth date never show up in the list of the children. Looking for information on where her father, William Abernethy, 42nd Regiment soldier, was buried or when he died? He died in Taymouth, NB. Also would like to resolve another discrepancy about the Abernethy family, William and Mary married in 1810, but their first daughter's (Jane or Jennie Abernethy) birth date is always listed as 1807/1808?

Tracy Stewart <a href="mailto:tracy@rgoldmanlaw.com">tracy@rgoldmanlaw.com</a>

Q5387 - SWIM: Do you have any information on anyone who is researching the Swim family in the Fredericton area.

Cecil Swimm cecilswimm@eastlink.ca

Q5388 - TRITES/WILBUR: Looking for any information in reference to an ancestor of mine. Her name was Rebecca Ann (Wilbur) Trites, born abt. 1798, Hopewell, Westmorland, NB Canada. Her father may have been David Wilbur of New Horton, NB.

Joe Mozzone ismozzone@comcast.net

Q5389 - WHEATON: I am in search of an ancestor James Wheaton, an UEL, that seems to have disappeared after he sold his 100 acre parcel of land that was granted to him in Prince William, York County NB, 1785, and sold in 1798. Death records reveal nothing in any province.

Could you help with how to research into these possibilities:

- 1) He may have returned to New York. Looking for a Ship's log/passenger list for that same year of 1798.
- 2) He may have been incarcerated/hospitalized and perished.

Frances Scott/Wheaton Cambridge, ON ifscott60@gmail.com

Q5390 - WHITE: I've been trying to research the father of one of my ancestors, Robert White, with little success. I have found a Robert White, came over on the *Perseus* in 1834, and lived in Fredericton, York, New Brunswick, Canada in 1861 with his wife, Sarah J, two boys, Charles and Robert, and one daughter, Charlotte. Robert is recorded as age 34 which doesn't really echo the passenger record on the *Perseus*. I have not been able to find any other records. 1861 census says Robert is a shoemaker. He may be the Robert in the 1902 death records for Kingston, at age 78. There are no other names tied in to assist me in confirming.

I would appreciate any assistance you can provide me. I have already been trying to utilize the <a href="http://archives.gnb.ca/">http://archives.gnb.ca/</a> Irish databases.

Victoria Vassar vikschultzy@gmail.com

**Q5391 - WIDBUR:** Looking for information on J. Harry Widbur's ancestry. My mother's name is Elaine Robinson, she is the middle child of Gordon Leslie Widbur (d.19 May 1981) and Thelma Grace Widbur (née Munson d.07 Dec 2007). Gordon's father was J. Harry Widbur. Harry's grandmother was Hannah Matilda Marsters of King's or Hants Co. NS. She had several children: Harry's mother (name not given), Agnes, Carrie, Cassie, Shubael Dimock Marsters (named for his gr-grand father), Ella, Harvey, Amy Ellise, Charles Munroe and William Osborne. Carrie married Alex Watson and lived in Boston; Agnes married Thomas McNeil. J. Harry thought that Noah Webb was his gr-gr-grandfather. Mom would like to know who she is, as this written history of J. Harry's is not consistent with what she was told. Any help or guidance would be greatly appreciated.

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# Loyalist Baggage Check - Where Polly Laid Her Head

by Stephen Davidson, contributed by Marianne Donovan

Along with Irish and Scottish ancestors, Stephen Davidson has more than a dozen loyalist couples in his family tree. His e-book, The Burdens of Loyalty, recounts the true-life adventures of one set of refugee ancestors. He is a regular contributor to the free weekly online newsletter, Loyalist Trails. To receive it, contact editor Doug Grant at loyalist.trails@uelac.org. This article originally appeared in "Loyalist Trails" UELAC Newsletter May 103, 2009

In the quest to find out more about what the loyalists brought with them to their new homes in British North America, one can search through letters — or even the eyewitness account of a suicide. As part of the evidence brought before a loyalist compensation hearing in London, William Jarvis told the tragic story of his brother-in-law's death, and in so doing inadvertently revealed what one loyalist family had among its furnishings.

The account reads as follows: "...whilst the family were at tea, Mr. Dibblee walked back and forth in the Room seemingly much composed, but unobserved he took a razor from his closet, threw himself on the bed, drew the curtains and cut his own throat."

At first reading, one imagines a deeply distressed man walking into his bedroom, closing the window curtains, going to his bed, and then ending his life. However, to do so would be to forget that this story took place in a log cabin in Parrtown, the future Saint John, New Brunswick. Bedrooms would not be separated from the parlour and kitchen in such a primitive structure. And why bother to close the window curtains to commit suicide? To understand the setting for Fyler Dibblee's death, one must read the testimony in the sequence it was written.

Dibblee was in the same room where his family was having its tea. He then lay down on his bed which must have been close to where his family was eating. To prevent his family from seeing him end his life, Dibblee remained on the bed, but closed the curtains. In other words, we would be wrong to imagine Fyler Dibblee's deathbed as a mattress of hay laid across rope supports tied to a wooden frame. To have curtains to draw around a bed, Dibblee must have had a four-poster bed that was draped with curtains. It is hardly what one

would expect a loyalist to bring with him. How did a four-poster bed come to be in the refugee settlement of Parrtown in 1784?

It is at this point that the loyalist historian must play detective and search the records of the revolution to try to discover clues to the mystery of the Dibblee bed.

Fyler Dibblee was a lawyer in Stamford, Connecticut who was forced to flee the town in 1776 because of his neighbours' animosity towards his loyalist principles. His wife Polly and their five children had to abandon their well-appointed home and take refuge in his father's manse.

Six months later, the Dibblees were reunited on British-held Long Island, but they were not able to escape patriot violence. Rebels plundered their new home of "all its effects", even stealing the children's shoes and hats. It was a pattern that would repeat itself over the next seven years as the Dibblees were repeatedly attacked and robbed. Rebels captured Fyler, imprisoning him for six months; Polly gave birth to their last child with no relatives close by to comfort her.

Life changed for the Dibblees when Fyler was appointed the deputy agent for a loyalist evacuation ship, the Union, in the spring of 1783. In the weeks leading up to his ship's departure, Fyler went on a spending spree, no doubt making good use of his new income and the credit he could command as an employee of the British government

All of the Dibblees' furniture had been destroyed after years of rebel raids. If Fyler did not buy furniture in New York, he would not be able to replace all that was lost once his family settled in the northern wilderness. This must have been when Fyler bought Polly the four-poster bed.

It was costly. A four-poster bed was made of mahogany or maple and had a rectangular head-board. Its posts were over two metres high, and the bed itself was just under two metres long. The curtains (bed-hangings) that hung from "testers" strung between the posts were the most expensive linens in a colonial home, a way to display ones taste and wealth.

Fyler also hired a free black loyalist as a servant for his family and indentured a nine year-old African girl. Perhaps he was trying to give Polly a taste

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of the prosperity he anticipated they would enjoy in their new colony.

After arriving in Parrtown in May of 1783, Fyler was kept busy as a magistrate and settlement agent. In October, he wrote his father to say they were settled to "their unspeakable satisfaction".

But over the winter there were fewer calls for Fyler's legal expertise and his creditors threatened to put him in prison if he did not repay all of his debts. By May 6th, the stress of being unemployed, in debt, and having to support a family overwhelmed Fyler. The bed that he had bought for Polly became his deathbed. He slit his throat behind its beautiful curtains.

Within a month's time, a catastrophic fire swept through Parrtown. It burned the Dibblees' log cabin and its contents to the ground, including the huge poster bed and its expensive curtains. Countless other family treasures that loyalist refugees had brought with them to Parrtown were also consumed by the fire. Keepsakes rescued from rebel hands were now reduced to ashes. Having let their servants go, Polly and her children put their tragic memories behind them and moved upriver to settle in Kingston, a community of Connecticut loyalists.

When Polly's brother, Seymour Jarvis, visited her in 1787, he came upon "a scene of absolute poverty and distress". The floor was packed earth; a fire was in the middle of the room "surrounded by the family instead of a chimney". It was a far cry from the home Polly must have imagined that she and Fyler would have once they settled with fellow loyalists in British North America.

It was certainly no place for the wonderful fourposter bed that Fyler had so thoughtfully bought for his dear Polly just four years earlier.

# Websites, Blogs, and Announcements (part 2)

This is a list of a few websites, blogs, and event announcements that have come across my desk - editor.

# Ottawa Branch to host Ontario Genealogical Society Conference 2017

http://ogsottawa.on.ca/conference-2017/

The annual Ontario Genealogical Society Conference 2017 will be held in Ottawa on June 16-18, 2017 at Algonquin College. The theme of the conference is *Our Canada – Your Family: Building a Nation*. As 2017 will be the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Canada, Ottawa Branch OGS will host the annual OGS conference and give the Conference a national flair, bringing together genealogists and family historians from all over Canada.

# The Lost Valley Blog contributed by Tom Anderson

Ronald J. Jack created this interesting site, a mix of old Saint John stories and pictures, and some new. <a href="https://www.thelostvalley.blogspot.com">www.thelostvalley.blogspot.com</a>

## Rebuilding the White House contributed by Deborah DiBiase

http://www.improvenet.com/a/story-of-building-and-rebuilding-white-house

### Prince Edward Island Facebook page contributed by Shannon Giles

I am an Admin of a Facebook related to the genealogy of Prince Edward Island, Canada. If you are interested in joining, the link to the group is as follows:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2256402585/[1]

It is not a public/open group, so you do have to request permission to join.

# New Brunswick Strays

Contributed by Marianne Donovan:

BELL, Lila Isobel (nee Good): Formerly of Campbellton, New Brunswick and Gilford, Ontario, died peacefully at St. Joseph's Hospice of London on November 10, 2015. Beloved widow of Alexander Mackey Bell. Loving mother of Sandra Bell Cameron (John) of Thamesford, Grant of London and David (Lori Davis) of Gilford. Proud Grandmother of Philip Cameron (Charlotte) of London, Neil Cameron of Halifax, Nova Scotia, SoRa Conron (Charlie) of London, Ellen Cameron (Benn Brisland) of Toronto, and Erin and Emily Bell of Gilford. Adoring great-grandmother of Lyla and Audrey Conron and Meredith Cameron, all of London. Predeceased by sisters Dorothy Hamilton and Florence Gray. Loving sister of Betty Woodworth and Sterling Good, both of Campbellton, New Brunswick. (London Free Press Nov. 14, 2015)

MONTGOMERY, Wallace Allen Independent child, RCAF War Veteran, forester, teacher. Born July 22, 1920 in Bathurst, New Brunswick; died peacefully of natural causes December 11, 2015, at home in London, Ontario, age 95. Wallace volunteered for military duty, and served overseas in the ranks of the Royal Canadian Air Force until the end of World War II. He is survived by his wife Cynthia, children Wilma Doucet, Robert Montgomery (Debbie), David Montgomery (Marianne), Janice Howard-Smith (Fred), Leslie Montgomery (Bob), Allan Montgomery, Cheryl Montgomery, Hilary Montgomery-Pumaren (Richard) and fifteen grandchildren; stepchildren Ellen Sangster, Claire Hutchison, Katherine Maddux and Jane Spencer. Predeceased by first wife Iris Constance Sandy. A memorial service will be held at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 11:00 a.m. on December 17, 2015. www.forestlawnmemorial.ca (London Free Press Dec. 14, 2015)

RICHARDSON, Margery Elizabeth - age 86, of London, Ontario died January 4th, 2016 in her daughter's home surrounded by her loving family. Born September 12, 1929 in St. Stephen, New Brunswick, she was the daughter of the late Arlo and Ruth (Justason) Hayman. She was happily married to her childhood sweetheart, the late Charlie Richardson, for 66 years. Marge is survived by her daughter, Ruth (Tom) Miles; daughter-in-law Sandra Richardson; grandchildren Dodie (Ian)

Bates, Tara Richardson, Jacob (Dana) Miles, Hailey (Mike) Carnegie, Joel (Anna) Miles; and 9 great-grandchildren Caileigh and Aselin Bates, Ezra, Adah and Bryn Miles, Charlie, Haddon and Georgia Carnegie, and Henry Miles. Marge was preceded in death by her husband Charlie, her son James, and her brother John. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., January 8, 2016 at Northpark Community Church on 1510 Fanshawe Park Road East, London. Memorial Funeral Home, 1559 Fanshawe Park Road East, London. (London Free Press Jan. 6, 2016)

WILKINS, Muriel R.N.: Peacefully at Henley Place, London, Ontario, Muriel Wilkins, R.N. passed away on Saturday, December 26, 2015. Born in Moncton, New Brunswick on May 27, 1918 to Mabel and Edward Abell, she married our Dad, Allan Wilkins, in 1942. Dad predeceased her in 1989. Together they raised four children: Carol Rock (Ken), Doug Wilkins, Donna Hall (the late Jim), and Barbara Westgate (John). The funeral service will be conducted on December 30, 2015 at 11:00 a.m., Westview Funeral Chapel, 709 Wonderland Road North, London, with Rev. Darrell Shaule officiating.

www.westviewfuneralchapel.com (London Free Press Dec. 28, 2015)

### Contributed by David Lewis:

LEWIS, Lloyd George, 96, of Maumee, died May 28, 2015, from a stroke. He was born July 28, 1918, in Perth, New Brunswick, Canada. He married Roselyn L. Malone February 2, 1947, in Toledo. Surviving are his children Judy A. Alexander, Toledo; David L. Lewis, Bowling Green; Bonnie J. Lewis, Scottsdale, AZ; and Susan R. (Lewis) Glentz, Tomahawk ,WI. Also surviving are eight grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by wife Roselyn L. Lewis, parents Charles W. Lewis and Ann Patterson, brothers Charles Henry Lewis, Cecil Lewis, Roland Reed Lewis, Paul Lewis, Franklin Lewis, and Milton Lewis and, and sisters Ada Jane Lewis and Pauline Lewis Getchell. Lloyd immigrated to the U.S. to join the Rudy Wallace Band in 1939. Three years later he was drafted into the Air Force and served in Guam and Okinawa and became a US citizen. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education from UT and a Master's Degree in Instru-

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mental Music from Wayne State University. Lloyd taught music at Ai in Fulton County for 5 ½ years and for 26 years in Trenton, MI. Lloyd began playing in the Toledo Concert Band (Music Under the Stars) in 1950 and continued for 55 seasons. He also had his own band, the "Lloyd Lewis Band" in the 50's and 60's, played with the Warney Ruhl Band in the 70's and the Johnny Knorr Orchestra in the 80's. Lloyd played with the Toledo Symphony in the 90's, as well as with Al Pierson and the Guy Lombardo Band in the 90's and early

2000. Lloyd was a 68-year member and past Executive Board Member of the Professional Musicians of Northwest Ohio (Local 15 and 15-286), American Federation of Musicians, a member of the Detroit Musicians Union, American Federation of Musicians, and a member of the National Music Educators Association. Lloyd generously chose to donate his body to UTMC for medical research. A memorial service will be held June 27, 3:00 p.m. at the Radisson at UT, 3100 Glendale Ave., Toledo. (Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune June 10, 2015)

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### Canadian Roots UK contributed by Dianne Babcock

Looking for some assistance to a non-profit organization here in the UK, Canadian Roots UK

http://www.canadianrootsuk.org/

was founded by my friend's late husband, who was never able to locate his own Canadian servicemen father but was able to reunite 132 WW2 war children in the UK with Canadian relatives, when both sides were willing, or to at least provide them with some answers. This was facilitated in recent years by a wonderful genealogist who is no longer able to continue. Some of the knowledge needed for this important work died with the founder, but the requests continue to come in. Although much can be done over the net now, Canadian Roots needs help from someone in Canada, ideally with military history research skills, the ability to search city directories, death notices etc. who could volunteer their time to research cases. Canadian Roots UK do not charge for their services or for any translations required, only postage and archival fees, military service files etc., Please contact: Pam Vowles at

pam.canadianrootsuk@live.co.uk.

### Massachusetts Society of Genealogists, Inc. contributed by George Martin

As editor for the Massachusetts Society of Genealogists, Inc., called \_MASSOG\_, (http://www.msoginc.org/index.php) I am always on the lookout for articles related to the history or genealogy of Massachusetts. Looking for articles about people in New Brunswick from Massachusetts. MASSOG editor, George Martin

### Blog - Where Secrets of the Past Meet Stories of the Present contributed by Margaret Bond

Please visit my blog where I share bits of history, short book reviews, and favourite things old and new. I hope you'll join the conversation. I have launched a series of archivist interviews on my blog. My first interviewee is Michelle Goodridge of the University of Guelph Archival & Special Collections: http://www.mebondbooks.com/2015/10/05/meet-michelle-goodridge/

I plan to continue the series with posts featuring archivists at different types of institutions across Canada.

# McLeod Reunion 2016 ...

# ... is going to be just excellent!

Hear ye, hear ye, descendants of William McLeod I, soldier turned settler. You are called to a Gathering of your Clan on Saturday, July 23 anno Domini 2016.

Where: Penobsquis Community Centre, 138 Penobsquis Loop Road,

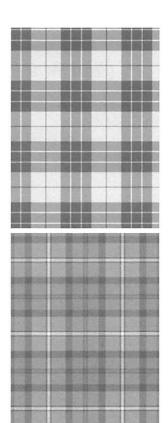
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10:00 am until ??:00 When:

Your cousins want to see you and they're coming from near and far. Excellent food. Awesome displays. Lots to see and do for all ages:

- Snacks from 12:00 until 2:00 ... water tea coffee all day
- Pig roast with all the fixin's, catered, starting at 4:00
- Strawberry shortcake!
- Now what's this "Hay Drink" Barb is giving your youngsters and do you dare try some?
- Pick up your Clan MacLeod/McLeod History -2016 edition; don't forget to pre-order the printed binder, digital version, or both!
- Visit "Ruth's Booth" for answers to all your questions about our history, tartans, photos, and maps
- Cousins eagerly waiting to explain where we're from, family tree wall charts, and how you're related
- Find out about our pioneering men and women, statesmen, war heroes ... and maybe even a black sheep or two?
- Playground and ball hockey areas
- Wheelchair accessible
- Alcohol-free event
- Free WiFi hotspot Air Conditioning
- Close to McLeod Brook Farm, the Brick House at Oak Lawn, Willow Grove Farm, Pioneer Cemetery, Cardwell Cemetery

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Please mail your registration **McLEOD REUNION 2016 REGISTRATION** @ \$15 Adults Youth (ages 10 to 17) @ \$10 Children (under 10) @ FREE Total Please print your name, address, phone number, and email: at the latest.

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Please help us with our planning by registering right away, and register by June 15

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