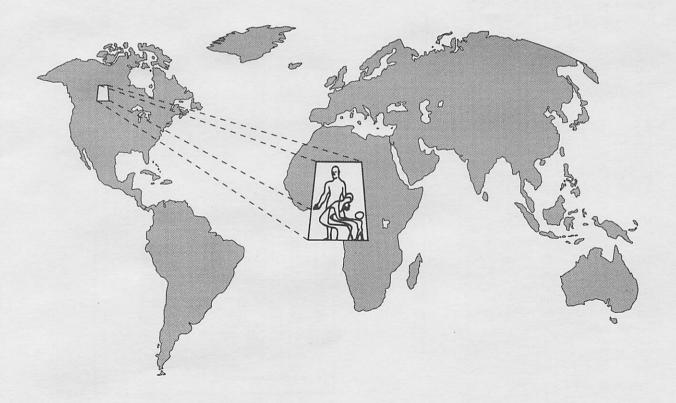


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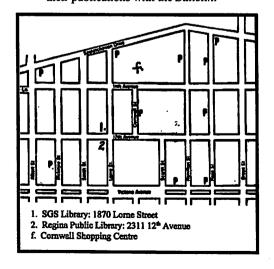
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### **President's Letter**

BY: ROCKY SAMPLE

SGS President

I hope you have had a culturally productive summer. With the many Fairs, Exhibitions, Weddings, Anniversaries, Reunions and Homecomings I am sure you have renewed many acquaintances and made new ones as I have.

At the discussion period at the AGM in April a question was asked: What the Boards plans for the year were and how would members know whether we reached our objectives or not?

SGS works under Carver Governance which means the Boards role is to establish policies, articulate the mission of the organization, plan for the future and to work toward the established ends.

Each year in November a planning session is held with the current Board and the new Board members for the next year taking part. From this session a strategic plan emerges which we complete at the March meeting.

Brian Brodie a 2003 Board member was kind enough to lead us thru a session on November 1, 2003. 1) SWOT analysis The group came through with many ideas in areas of Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats. As you can imagine, some items fit under more than one heading. 2) Reviewing our Vision Statement 2000 no changes were recommended: SGS's vision for the future is to be a dynamic organization with adequate human and financial resources, state of the art physical resources, computerized information, professional education and progressive membership services actively engaged in preserving genealogical records. Increased awareness that everyone's family history is part of the history of the province. 3) Ideas for achieving the vision. Headings of: Human resources, Financial resources, Physical resources, Professional education, Membership services, Records conservation, Increased awareness. A number of items were brought forth under each heading.

At the November meeting we only had time to zero in on increased awareness policy priorities which included: A teacher package by 2004; A family session at Seminar 2005; Genealogy Week Saskatchewan 2006; Sign up two friends and get half price membership for self in 2004; and Board members to give presentations to groups on SGS.

At the March meeting some of the items' we discussed from the November meeting were:

... continued after Editor's Notes

### **Editor's Notes**

BY: MARGE THOMAS

**Executive Director** 

The Genealogical Research Directory (GRD) has for the past several years had an advertisement insert in the fall edition of SGS Bulletin and other Society Journals. However, they will no longer be using this form of advertising. The 2004 edition has just arrived in SGS library. Check with the library if you wish to borrow it.

This issue has a renewal form for 2005 membership and please be sure to fill in the survey and mail it along with your renewal.

Consider attending the Annual Seminar in Moose Jaw October 22-24, 2004. Details are in the June issue. Register by September 15 and save \$10.00.

A special thanks to Essex Family History Society in England for providing articles for the publication. I would also like to thank all those people who submitted articles to the Bulletin.

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(... President's Letter continued)

- Possible loss of a subsidy for mailing Bulletin and Library Book Rate. - is ok for now but could mean need for a fee hike in the future.
- Membership new memberships not keeping up with nonrenewals resulting in less revenue.
- Saskatchewan Centennial 2005 Promote SGS's theme "Walk in Your Ancestor's Footsteps." - Promote Branch Newsletters, Branch Histories, Branch write up for local papers. Use website for promotion of projects around the province.
- Make use of Saskatchewan Centennial 2005 website to register your event or project at www.saskatchewancentennial.com and click on the "events" section.

We will have to revise our budget for 2005 as Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Funds are down. We face a cut of almost six percent, so new projects are low priority unless they generate their own revenue. See page vi.

# Parliamentarians and Public Servants: Finding Your Ancestors

### BY MARIAN J. POWELL

Legislative Librarian

Note: This article is based partially on a presentation to the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Annual General Meeting on April 24, 2004 by Marian.

An ancestor's involvement in public service may be documented in a variety of specialized research resources which provide important information not otherwise available. Published resources which record Members of provincial legislatures, the national Parliament, and the civil servants employed by governments may be found in parliamentary and legislative libraries and to some degree in university libraries. Government records and other historical resources can be found in archives.

This article will focus on the published resources for research on Saskatchewan parliamentarians and public servants that may be found at the Saskatchewan Legislative Library, but the general framework of resources will apply more broadly to most other Commonwealth jurisdictions. Similar kinds of resources will also be available for the United States, but the legislative terminology will be different.

### Was my ancestor an MLA, MP or Senator?

If you know or suspect that your ancestor may have been elected to the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly or been elected or appointed to the federal parliament representing Saskatchewan, the most important resource is the *Canadian Parliamentary Guide*. This publication provides an alphabetical listing with a short biography for the elected members of each provincial legislature as well as the Canadian Parliament and Senate. It has been published roughly annually since before

Confederation in 1867. The Legislative Library has available 1862–1912 on microfiche, and 1914-2002 in paper volumes. Unfortunately in 2002 the publication was suspended by the publisher and we await a possible re-instatement or replacement product. The entry for Mr. Henry T. Halvorson (Illustration 1), who was elected as a Saskatchewan MLA in the general election of 1921 demonstrates the kind of information to be found including birthplace, education, and his marriage to Iona Jonassen<sup>1</sup>

HALVORSON, HENRY THEODORE (Cypress). B. June 27, 1883, at Rushford, Minn., U.S.A. S. of Halvor Halvorson and Alena Thompson, his wife; both Norwegian. Came to Canada 1910. Ed. at Rushford, Minn. High School and University of Minn. at Minneapolis. M. to Iona Jonassen, Sept. 30, 1924. A lumber salesman. With Canadian Machine Gun Corps in France 1918. Member A.F. and A.M. Party pol., Liberal. First elec. to Sask, legis, at g.e., 1921. Re-elec. at g.e., 1925. A Lutheran. Eastend, Sask.

Illustration 1. Canadian Parliamentary Guide 1928

A special one-time publication by the Public Archives of Canada (now Library and Archives Canada) provides a quick way to check if your ancestor was a Member of the Canadian Parliament prior to 1967. The Canadian Directory of Parliament, 1867 – 1967, published in 1968, provides a single alphabetical list of all Members elected to the Canadian Parliament, bringing together biographical and political information from a variety of sources. This source will quickly provide confirmation that an ancestor was elected to Parliament and the years he or she served, which can then lead you to the appropriate years of the Canadian Parliamentary Guide.

For the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly, we are well served by a definitive work produced and updated by the Saskatchewan Archives Board over many years: *The Saskatchewan Legislative and Executive Directory*. Earlier editions appeared in paper and are held by the Legislative Library and the

Saskatchewan Archives, but the full directory updated to include the results of the Saskatchewan general election of 1999 and the Canadian federal election of 2000 may also be found at the Archives web site: http://www.saskarchives.com/web/services-gov-directory.html.

#### **ELECTION RESULTS BY ELECTORAL DIVISION**

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General Election - 1917 Isaac Stirling James Beck Swanston -	:	:	:	:	Liberal Conservative	1,929 1,670
General Election - 1921 Henry Theodore Halverson			٠	-	Liberal	Acclamation
General Election - 1925 Henry Theodore Haivorson Robert James Masters -	:	:	:	:	Liberal Progressive	1,760 520
General Ricction - 1929 John Edward Gryde - Lucien Tourigny -	:	:	:	:	Conservative Liberal	2,947 1,490

Illustration 2. Legislative and Executive Directory of Saskatchewan

Note that Mr. Halvorson, MLA, was elected twice for the constituency of Cypress, but did not run again in 1929 (Illustration 2).<sup>2</sup> This directory is comprehensive in its coverage of Saskatchewan Members of the Legislative Assembly, including pre-1905 Territorial Assembly days. One section provides an alphabetical list by MLA name, listing his or her political affiliation, constituency represented and term of office. Other parts of the directory also list the Ministries of each administration providing information on any cabinet appointments which the individual member may have held and the duration of those appointments.

Of special interest is the section providing constituency by constituency electoral results. This section will list all candidates in each riding not just the winner. Your ancestor may have run for office but may not have been elected.

## Can I find my MLA ancestor's debates in the Assembly?

In Saskatchewan verbatim debates (Hansard) were not recorded until 1947. Prior to that time, the newspapers covered the sessions in great detail, often with shorthand reporters who recorded the debate and quoted it extensively in the daily news. Fortunately for us, the detailed newspaper accounts have been clipped and pasted into scrapbooks and

cover the period 1888-1947 (Illustration 3). These scrapbooks have been microfilmed and are available at the Legislative Library and the Saskatchewan Archives. There is some indexing at the back of these scrapbook Hansards, and the clippings are arranged by date.

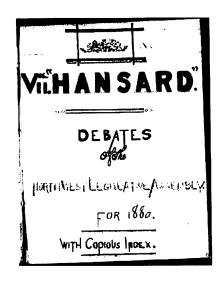


Illustration 3. Scrapbook Hansard

From 1947 most of the debate was recorded and printed in the *Debates and Proceedings of the Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly* up to today when the full debates are filmed and recorded both in paper and on DVD. A project to put the full text of the Saskatchewan Hansard debates on the Internet currently extends from the current year back to the 1983/84 legislative session on the Legislative Assembly web site: **www.legassembly.sk.ca**. Full indexing of the Hansard began in 1980. Earlier years of the printed Hansard after 1947 include a detailed table of contents for each session, which acts as a partial index listing major debates on motions and bills, and recording the speakers on these matters.

The participation in the debates of the members of the House of Commons and Senate are recorded similarly, but going back very much further and indexed to a greater extent from an earlier period. The Legislative Library has an almost complete set of printed debates for both the Canadian House of Commons and Senate going back as far as pre-Confederation debates beginning in 1841. The earliest Canadian debates are not verbatim.

# Did my ancestor work for a government department or receive a government appointment?

An ancestor who was a civil servant in the preprovince territorial days, or from 1905 with Saskatchewan, may often be found in a number of routine publications. It is also useful to know that the Legislative Library has received most publications published by the Saskatchewan government since at least 1945, and many earlier publications since its regularized establishment at the beginnings of the Territorial Legislative Assembly in 1888.

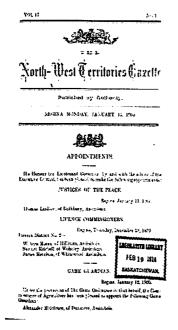


Illustration 4. North-West Territories Gazette

Official Gazettes fulfill an important legal role in distributing a wide variety of information by or legally required to be published by governments. It is not only selected senior officials who appear in the North-West Territories and Saskatchewan Gazettes (Illustration 4). Appointments of Justices of the Peace, Commissioners for Oaths, Coroners, Notaries Public, Pound Keepers, Weed Inspectors and Game Guardians are reported in the early gazettes. Certificates of incorporation for companies and dissolution of partnerships and notices to creditors are also reported. Although the weekly issues have an index by type of appointment or announcement,

there is no name index. It is usually best if the researcher has a basis to believe the ancestor held one of these appointments before searching.

In the case of the Henry T. Halvorson family mentioned above, it is interesting to find that prior to her marriage, Iona Jonassen of Gull Lake was appointed a Commissioner for Oaths in 1912.<sup>3</sup>

Another useful tool to research individuals working for the government is the Saskatchewan Archives Board indexes to Orders in Council for the North-West Territories (1892 – 1905) and Saskatchewan (1905 – 1938.)

An Order in Council (OC) is the mechanism for the appointment of individuals to government positions, or to government boards and commissions. In the early days even requests for extended absence for health reasons may occasion an order in council approving the request. The Legislative Library holds the index for the Saskatchewan period. Saskatchewan Archives has both, plus the files of the actual orders-in-council.

Public Accounts are also a good source of information on individual government employees. Public Accounts are the public accounting by the Government Accountant, or in modern times the Provincial Auditor, of the government's expenditure and revenue for each fiscal year. In addition to broader accounts, payments to individuals and suppliers of goods and services to the government are listed. These publications are very useful in determining when an individual may have worked for government and in many cases what he or she was paid.

Government telephone books offer another possibility in identifying where an individual may have worked (Illustration 5). Although the Legislative Library holdings are sporadic, if the period is relevant to your research, the telephone book performs a useful role. It is useful to remember that unlike today, not every employee would have had a telephone in the early days of the government, and that the absence of a name will not necessarily

mean that the person was not employed by government. A listing in the telephone book will give the department where the individual worked and can lead to a follow-up in the Departmental annual reports for more information.



Illustration 5. Government Telephone Book

### Planning a Visit to the Legislative Library

The Legislative Library is open to the public Monday to Friday 8:30 – 5:00 p.m. when the Legislature is in Session; Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. the rest of the year. Reference assistance is available during hours of opening, but work for MLAs and the legislature takes precedence.

The Library has only 20% of its collections in the Legislative Building with the rest in a high density storage area. You may need to plan for more than one visit if the materials you need are in storage. The library has both an online catalogue for its more recent books, which is on the internet at the Legislative Assembly web site: www.legassembly. sk.ca, and a card catalogue for older material. Materials may be used on site, or borrowed through your local library unless they are rare, fragile or reference books. Self service photocopiers are available for use with a nominal per page cost.

- Directory of Saskatchewan Ministries, Members of the Legislative Assembly and Elections, 1903-1953. Regina and Saskatoon: The Saskatchewan Archives Board, 1954
- The Saskatchewan Gazette, Regina Saskatchewan: Published by Authority, May 31, 1912, p.3.

### Selected Bibliography

### Debates and Proceedings ("Hansard")

The Legislative Library holds volumes of the Hansard for most provinces in Canada. The holdings vary from province to province. Some holdings are on microfilm. The most complete collections are for Saskatchewan and Canada.

North-West Territories. Legislative Assembly. Debates. 1888 – 1905 (Microfilm). "Scrapbook Hansard"

Saskatchewan. Legislative Assembly. *Debates and Proceedings*. 1906–1947. (Microfilm). "Scrapbook Hansard"

Saskatchewan. Legislative Assembly. *Debates and Proceedings*. 1948 –

Canada. Parliament. House of Commons. *Debates*, 1867 - . *The Library also has Pre-Confederation debates from 1841 – 1867*.

Canada. Parliament. Senate. Debates, 1867 - .

### **Biographical Directories of Parliamentarians**

Canada. Public Archives of Canada. The *Canadian Directory of Parliament*, 1867 – 1967, 1968.

*The Canadian Parliamentary Guide*. 1862-1912 (Microfiche), 1914 – 2002.

Canadian Parliamentary Handbook. Ottawa, Borealis Press, 1982 - .

The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* 1928. Ottawa: The Mortimer Co. Ltd, Printers, 1928, p.611.

Kowalsky, Myron (ed.) *Ukrainians in the Saskatchewan Legislature*, 1934 – 1993, Saskatoon: Ukranian Canadian Congress-Saskatchewan Provincial Council, n.d.

Saskatchewan Archives Board. Saskatchewan Legislative and Executive Directory. Web site: http://www.saskarchives.com/web/services-gov-directory.html This is the authoritative reference to Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly membership and Ministries.

### **Government Sources**

The Legislative Library has received most of the publications of the Saskatchewan Government since 1948. A statutory deposit requirement was established in 1984, since which time more of the publications of the Saskatchewan government have been automatically received by the library. The Library has also been a full depository for federal Canadian Government publications since 1921. Selected useful government titles follow.

### **Official Gazettes**

North-West Territories. Gazette, 1883 - 1905.

Saskatchewan. Gazette, 1906 - .

Canada. *Gazette*, 1881 – 1982 (Microfilm); 1983 – (Microfiche).

### **Other Government Publications**

Saskatchewan. *Telephone Directory*. 1951 - 1998. Title varies; very scattered holdings.

Saskatchewan. Dept. of Finance. *Public Accounts*, 1905/1909 - . Some gaps.

Saskatchewan Archives Board. Index to Saskatchewan Orders in Council, 1905 - 1938. 1975.

Canada. Dept. of the Interior. Annual Report. Legislative Library has 1875-1889, with some gaps.

Saskatchewan Newspaper Index. 1883 – 1983/84. *Title and newspaper coverage varies*.

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# Saskatchewan Representative on the Canada Census Committee

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society is looking for a new representative to sit on the Canada Census Committee. Below are the main duties for the job description:

- contribute summaries of recent developments in the Post 1901 Census Release effort to the SGS for publication in the SGS Bulletin
- inform the public of recent developments through Rootsweb's Saskatchewan Mailing List

- Answer questions received from the public regarding Post 1901 Census Release
- The co-chairs are Muriel Davison and Gordon Watts

If you are interested in being the Saskatchewan Representative, contact Marge Thomas at PO Box 1894, Regina SK S4P 3E1; telephone (306) 780-9207, e-mail margethomas.sgs@accesscomm.ca.

### **News & Notes**

### BY ALICE ACHTER AND RAE CHAMBERLAIN

These are key articles or items that have been extracted from the journals that are available in SGS library collection.

### Canada

# Ancestree - Nanaimo Family History Society, Vol.24-4, Winter 2003.

 The Modern Search for Your Female Ancestors

### Armchair Genealogist - Saskatoon Branch SGS, No.35, March/April 2004.

Middle Names in the 19th Century
 A Pitfall and a Godsend

### Bruce and Grey Branch OGS Newsletter, Vol.34, No.1, February 2004.

- Maxwell School Students, Owen Sound 1930
- Official Telephone Directory
   1932 Allenford
- The Importance of Census Information

### Chinook – Alberta Family Histories Society, Vol.24, No.1, January 2004.

- The Froebe Helicopter
- The Good Old Days in Jolly England
- Birth Registrations and the Multicultural Heritage of Canadians

# East European Genealogist - East European Genealogical Society Inc., Vol.12, No.2, Winter 2003.

 Austrian Military Record Types and Research Tips

## Families – OGS, Vol.43, No.1, February 2004.

- Resources in Elgin County
- Early Ontario Mormons
- Family Searches in British Methodist Episcopal Church Literature
- Family Connections in British Methodist Schools and Churches during 1852
- Family Links with Baptists in the Amherstburg Association during the 1840's.
- The Back to the Land Movement 1932-1935

### Generations - Manitoba Genealogical Society, Vol.29, No.1, March 2004.

- What is the "Genealogical Proof Standard"?
- · What's in a Middle Name?
- Using the Manitoba Vital Statistics Index
- Manitoba Infantry Officers of the Militia List 1885-1914

### Generations - New Brunswick Genealogical Society, Vol.26, No.1, Spring 2004.

- Voyage From Kinsale, Ireland to Saint John, New Brunswick, 1819
- Saint John Freeman Newspaper 1859-1870
- Immigration St. Andrews, New Brunswick, 1783-1883
- PANB Index to Land Grants St. Martins, St. John County

## The Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley, Vol.8, No.4, February 2004.

- The War Years at Peterborough Collegiate
- The Naming of Peterborough
- Peterborough and Famine Relief in Ireland and Scotland 1847

- City of Kawartha Lakes Archives
- Haliburton Settlers 1901

# Heritage Seekers – Grande Prairie & District Branch of AGS, Vol.27, No.1, March 2004.

- Lonely Grave in the Woods Smoky Mike Vasseliff
- Online Guide for Aboriginal Genealogy
- Old Newspapers Births, Marriages, Deaths extracted from the Grande Prairie Herald
- Obituaries 2003

## Lanark County Genealogical Society, January 2004.

 Online Search Available for Death Records in Michigan 1867-1897

# The Leaf of the Branch - South West Branch MGS, Vol.XVI, No.1, March 2004.

• Internet Should Be Last Stop During Genealogy Journey

# London Leaf – London & Middlesex Branch OGS, Vol.31, No.1, February 2004.

- Area Train Catastrophe Revisited
- Baptismal Register for the Primitive Methodist Church – McGillivray Circuit

### Mennonite Historian – Mennonite Heritage Centre, Vol.XXX, No.1, March 2004.

- Balthasar Denner (1685-1749): Portrait Artist
- How to Survive in a New Culture
- Germans From Siberia Publications: A Review Article

## Newfoundland Ancestor, Vol.20, No.1, 2004.

- Petition from Codroy
- Life at the Front The Seal Hunt in the 1940s
- Newfoundland Strays Deaths afar

# The Nipissing Voyageur - Nipissing District Branch OGS, Vol.25, No.1, March 2004.

- Almaguin News Births & Marriages 1920-1922
- Some Marriages Performed in Nipissing District 1871-1883

### Notes From Niagara – Niagara Peninsula Branch OGS, Vol. XXIV, No.1, February 2004.

- Half-Pay Officers, 1806
- My Early Days in the Old Church at Bertie

### Now and Then - Regina Branch Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, Vol.21, No.4, November 2003.

- Canadian National Archives: Military Records
- Exploring The Provincial Archives
- · City of Regina Archives

# Ottawa Branch News – Ottawa Branch OGS, Vol.37, No.2, March-April 2004.

- Why We Still Need Genealogical and Family History Societies
- · World War II Photos Online

# Our Waterloo Kin – Waterloo Region Branch OGS, Vol.3, No.4, Winter 2003.

 Lest We Forget - web sites with databases of veterans are listed

## P.E.I. Genealogical Society Inc., Vol. 29, No. 1, February 2004.

- 1804 Residents of Rustico
- Final Part of Colonsay/Oronsay Records
- Cemetery Transcripts

# Perth County Profiles - Perth County Branch OGS, Vol.22, No.1, February 2004.

- 1905 Listowel Assessment Roll, Victoria Ward
- Perth County Villages Sebringville, Downie and Ellice Townships

### Relatively Speaking - Alberta Genealogical Society, Vol.32, No.1, February 2004.

- The Mesznego Records from the Parish of Borzyszkowy
- Spinning Webs

# Sault Channels – Sault Ste.Marie & District Branch OGS, Vol.22, No.1, March 2004.

· S.S. No 1 Wells

# SGGEE Journal – The Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe, Vol.5, No.4, December 2003.

- Baptist Birth Certificate Book of Tutschin, 1892
- Emigrants from Niefern and Öschelbronn to Poland 1780-1786
- Clarifying Place Names and other Data On the Ellis Island Records
- Immigrant Health Requirements
- Mutilation: The Fate of Eastern European Names in America

### South Cariboo Genealogy Group-Skeletons in the Closet, No.34, February 2004.

• The Six "C"'s of Effective Genealogical E-Mail

### Timberline - Upper Ottawa Valley Branch OGS, Vol.XV, No.1, February 2004.

 Research Material Available in Argenteuil County

# Timberline – Upper Ottawa Valley Branch OGS, Vol.XV, No.2, April 2004.

- The Sinking of the Mayflower
- Naturalization

## The Tracer – Oxford County Branch OGS, February 2004.

- 1880 Blenheim Township Births
- Zorra West, S.S.#9, Maple Grove P.S. Cash and Minute Book 1879-1938

# Traces & Tracks – Wellington County Branch OGS, Vol.3, No.4, Fall 2003.

- The Irish Relief Fund 1847
- City of Guelph Board of Education Records at the Guelph Public Library Archives

# The Tree Climber - Red Deer & District Branch Alberta Genealogical Society, Vol.25, No.1, March 2004.

• The Irish Tragedy on Canadian Shores

# The Treehouse - Campbell River Genealogical Society, Vol.17, No.1, March 2004.

- Maritime Heritage Centre
- Writing For Your Descendants
- · Post! Post! Post!

# Tree Tracer - Prince George Genealogical Society, Vol.24, No.4, December 2003.

 Early Acadian Parish Registers Now Online

### Victoria Genealogical Society Journal, Vol.27, No.1, March 2004.

- Great Grandfather Goes Off to War, Part 1: An Introduction to a Soldiers Life
- Pioneering in Western Canada
- Resources at the Yukon Archives

### **United States**

### AFGnews - American-French Genealgical Society, Vol.XIV, No.5, September/October 2003.

 Notes on the Beginning of the French-Canadian Community of Worcester, Massachusetts

## American-Canadian Genealogist, Vol.30, No.2, 2004.

- Who Are The Acadians?
- The World Acadian Congress. A historical look at the roots of the Acadian people.

# Avotaynu - International Review of Jewish Genealogy, Vol.XX, No.1, Spring 2004.

- A One-Step Portal for Online Jewish Genealogy
- New Jewish Records in the LDS (Mormon) Family History Library
- New Internet Resources for Research in the United Kingdom
- Resources for Records of Vienna
- Sources on Jews of Mecklenburg-Schwerin and Nearby Areas

### Black Hills Nuggets - Rapid City Society for Genealogical Research, Vol.XXXVII. No.1, February 2004.

- · The Black Hills Gold Rush
- Behrens' Funeral Home, Book 5 1940-1949, 1950-1959
- Gleanings excerpts from the Black Hills Weekly Journal, 1907

# The Colorado Genealogist – Colorado Genealogical Society, Vol.65, No.1, February 2004.

· Ghost Town: Bovina, Colorado

### The Dakota Homestead Historical Newsletter – Bismarck Mandan Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc., Vol.33, No.1, March 2004.

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## **Devonians in Ontario**

### BY RYAN TAYLOR

Ryan Taylor has granted permission to print this information. This brief, sample issue of Devonians in Ontario is an indication of things to come, if sufficient interest is shown. The editor/publisher looks forward to hearing from others interested in Devonians in Ontario. The newsletter is free and is distributed via e-mail. To subscribe, send a message to Ryan at rtaylor@acpl.lib.in.us.

### A New Newsletter

Devonians in Ontario is a new genealogical newsletter, meant to inform researchers about the many people from Devon, England who came to Ontario during the nineteenth century, and to link them with other researchers who are working in the same area.

Contributions to the newsletter are welcome, including short expositions on individual families, articles of any length which include resources in Devon or Ontario, or are about those resources. Queries are welcome, but they must be short, and the editor reserves the right to publish them or not. Material which will enlighten other readers is especially welcome.

No research can be undertaken.

The plan is to publish this e-zine twice a year (spring and fall), with the length depending on the material available. Because it will be sent via a simple e-mail distribution list, there will be no charge. Enjoy!

### Why This Newsletter?

A large influx of emigrants from Devon (particularly north Devon) came to Ontario, settling largely in the Lake Ontario townships where Ontario and Durham counties meet, and in Huron. They are

a prime example of how people from one area in the home country came to settle in one area in the new country because of familiar contacts.

One reason for the settlement was the early evangelism of Bible Christian missionaries in Darlington township. The Bible Christians, a sect of Methodism which eventually broke away from the main Methodist church in England, began in north Devon and the names in the records of the early chapels there—in Shebbear and Holsworthy, for example—can be found later in Whitby and East Whitby townships.

The English Methodist Church in the 1830s made a conscious decision to evangelise in Upper Canada in an effort to convert as many of the pioneer settlers as possible to their cause. The Church of England had a shortage of priests who could act as missionaries, and many Anglicans who came to Canada changed to Methodism as a simple matter of convenience: there was no Anglican church near them, but there was a Methodist 'chapel' (as the English called them). Once they grew used to attending as Methodists, they were firmly in the Methodist camp.

The Methodist hopes (and a lot of hard work) resulted in victory. There were many more Methodists in Ontario than Anglicans by the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and once the Methodists and Presbyterians combined in 1925 to form the United Church of Canada, they were by far the largest Protestant church.

The Bible Christians flourished in Canada for only a short time, along with a number of other Methodist sects, and by 1884 had rejoined the main body to form the Methodist Church of Canada. It should be said that Bible Christian church records in Ontario are not particularly good, but if you find a Bible Christian relative (from a religion notation in

the census), your first stop should be the United Church of Canada Archives in Toronto to see if their local Bible Christian church left any records. Find their website at vicu.utoronto.ca/archives/.

More information about the early history of the Methodists in Ontario, including the Bible Christians, can be found in Neil Semple's excellent and readable *The History of Canadian Methodism* (McGill-Queen's University Press, 1996).

### Devon-L

Discussion groups and informational resources for many English counties can be found on Rootsweb. The one for Devon (called Devon-L) can be found at <a href="http://lists.rootsweb.com/index/intl/ENG/DEVON.html">http://lists.rootsweb.com/index/intl/ENG/DEVON.html</a>.

First, the discussion group: it makes it possible to contact people with Devon genealogical interests anywhere in the world, and it has an active clientele. I receive dozens of messages a day, and they conveniently come marked [DEV] in the subject line, so they are easily identifiable in the mailbox.

When I first joined I had the idea that the list would be used to share information about Devon and its genealogy, but most of the messages are requests for someone else to do the searching. There are also a great many elementary level questions, which indicates that these groups are especially useful for beginners. In any case, I find it useful to receive the messages in the hope that someone will show up who is interested in the same families I am or who is going to tell about a genealogical resource I can use.

The list administrator of Devon-L is strict about off-topic submissions, including non-Devon, non-genealogical-Devon and virus notifications (the word 'virus' in a subject line ensures the message will be automatically discarded and the person sending the message will be unsubscribed). Brian Randell, whose name often appears among messagers, runs the Devon Genuki site and is a generous font of good information.

### Devon Genuki

Genuki is the United Kingdom genealogical website, with sections for the various counties. Devon's can be found at http://www.cs.ncl.ac.uk/genuki/DEV/. The site includes both general information about the county, more specific materials on towns and parishes, and a great deal of very detailed genealogical resources. The best idea is to go to the site and look at the contents (leave yourself lots of time!).

Subscribers to Devon-L will be very aware that the Genuki Devon site is constantly growing, with new indexes and extractions being added all the time. If you looked at the Genuki site some months ago, it is time to look again.

### The Pollard Family

At a recent OGS gathering, I met Peg McLean from Kingston, Ontario (205-91 King Street East, Kingston K7L 2Z8; peg@matrixlinks.ca), who provided a vast pedigree chart and other information about the Pollards. Here is a synopsis of the immigrant generations:

John Pollard (1814-1873) was born in Hartland DEV and died in Brussels ON. He married Grace Crocker (Wimbleigh DEV 1814-1883 Brussels ON) at Welcome DEV in 1836 and came to Canada in 1843, bringing three sons with them: William (b. Hartland 1837), Richard (b. Hartland 1839) and John (b. Hartland 1840). Three other children were probably born in Canada: Joshua, Kate and Mary.

William remained in Ontario, while Richard moved to Saskatchewan in 1903, where he settled at Piapot, a hardy pioneer of the prairies at the age of 64. Richard and his wife, Mary Ann Reinhardt (1848-1933) were Peg's great-grandparents. In a very vivid memory, Richard's grandson wrote that he was 'small but rugged, with a beard, who stood so straight he leaned over backwards'. He ran a store in Brussels, and later worked with his son-in-law in a store in Yellowgrass, Northwest Territories.

Their daughter Grace Elizabeth Pollard (1867-1942) was born at Walton, a tiny place that straddles the corners of three townships in Huron County. She trained as a teacher at Seaforth and went to the Northwest Territories (as Saskatchewan and Alberta were then called) to teach. Her son, Richard William Ian Urquhart (1898-1977, Peg's father) wrote, "I would think that Mother decided to go out west to teach in order to get out of the unreasonable demands made upon her by her parents and the rest of the family [as a daughter on the farm]." The family had a 'strict Methodist upbringing'. Grace was soon being romanced by Angus Urquhart, a Scot, whom she married at Indian Head, Northwest Territories in 1896.

Peg has established that the parents of the emigrant John Pollard were John and Elizabeth Pollard of Hartland. John was born there in 1792, the son of Thomas Pollard and Elizabeth Shutt (married at Hartland 1787).

#### Hartland

Hartland is the last parish in north Devon on the Bristol Channel before Cornwall. It is claimed that Hartland is physically the largest parish in England (although far from the largest in population).

The registers of Hartland have been published for 1558-1837 as The Register of Baptisms, Marriages & Burials of the Parish of Hartland, Devon, transcribed by John Ingle Dredge and R. Pearse Chope (Devon and Cornwall Record Society, 1930-34). John Ingle Dredge transcribed a large number of parish registers in north Devon, and these are the basis for the IGI entries for the area, as the Bishop of Exeter would not allow the LDS church access to the originals when they were filming in the area (more of that in another issue). The transcriber's beautiful handwriting is a joy to use, but Hartland researchers have a printed version, with extensive index, which is even better. John Ingle Dredge is buried in Buckland Brewer DEV churchyard (behind the church); genealogists who happen to find themselves there should stop by his grave to thank the memory of someone whose long labours make our work shorter today (as I did myself in on a cold spring morning in 2001).

The Hartland registers volume is widely available in libraries holding the publications of the Devon & Cornwall Record Society, including through the LDS family history centers.

### A Durham Resource

Researchers interested in Devonians in old Durham County ON (not to be confused with the current Durham Region, which has quite different boundaries) should know about Sher Leetooze's seven-volume history of the county. There are six township volumes, one for each (Darlington, Cartwright, Clarke, Manvers, Cavan, Hope) and a companion volume which includes corrections, addenda and all-important indexes.

Individual volume titles:
Irish, Orange and Proud (Cavan)
Along the Gravel Road (Cartwright)
From the Oak Plain to the Lakefront (Clarke)
The First 200 Years (Darlington)
Built on Faith and Fortitude (Hope)
The Trail Through the Bush (Manvers)

These books are widely available in libraries, and can be purchased from Lynn Michael-John Associates, 80 Roser Cres., Bowmanville ON L1C 3N9. Zip a message to Sher at sher.leetooze@3web.net.

### Some Burials of Devonians in Ontario

From Bethesda Cemetery (Darlington Township ON)

- Mary Harris (Roach), b.Ashreigny DEV 1831, d. 1886
- Hugh Oke b. Bradworthy DEV d. 1874 ae.
   84, to Canada 1832
- Hugh Clarke b. DEV d. 1875 ae 81, also his wife Elizabeth b. DEV d. 1877 ae. 78
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We are indebted to Mrs Margarita Ffitch of Hampshire (ESFH 4580) for the chance to bring to you this important list. She believes that it was published between 1786 and 1807 and that the original came from the Colchester area. It had apparently been unearthed by researchers, possibly working on behalf of Marcus Ffitch C.B.E. and whose family tree was published in the 1952 edition

of "The Landed Gentry." How we appreciate the Hearth taxes. Militia lists and censuses! Then, along comes another gem, such as this list of subscribers to a new musical work, giving addresses and much valuable research opportunities. Our sincere thanks to whosoever sent the list to Mrs Ffitch. It also gives an opportunity to highlight the work of members, often unsung, of our Editorial Team, who work many hours to put such material before you. Thank you Jan Buck.

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Mr. William Smith, Navenden

Mr. Jno. Sims, Maldon

Mr. Thos. Seabrook, Cavendish, Suffolk

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Mr. William Strange, Bishopsgate Street

Mr. L.B. Seeley, Buckingham

Mr. Isaac Stribling, Mistley

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Mr. Abraham Thorn, Dunmow

Mr. Thomas Thorn, Dunmow

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Mr. Geo. Taylor, Great Leighs

Mr. Benjamin Wood, White Chapel

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Remember, SGS also has a variety of periodicals from many areas of research. If you would like to be put on a regular circulation list for any periodical we have, please contact Celeste. See the "News and Notes" section of the Bulletin for the names of periodicals we receive.



### Genealogy/Instructional

• Genealogical Research Directory: National & International. 2004 Edition. (Book). Donated by the Publisher (see review).

### Canada

- Help Us to a Better Land: Crofter Colonies in the Prairie West. (Book). Donated by Linda Neely.
- Canadian Studies on Hungarians: 1886-1986: An Annotated Bibliography of Primary and Secondary Sources. (Book). Donated by Linda Neely.
- Naming Canada: Stories about Canadian Place Names. (Book). Donated by Hugh Heal.
- The Accidental Prime Minister: The Biography of Sir Mackenzie Bowell. (CD). Donated by Quinte Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society and the Seventh Town Historical Society. Reference Only.
- Dictionary of Canadian Place Names. (Book).
   Donated by Hugh Heal.
- Metis Families: A Genealogical Compendium.
   (CD). Donated by Laura Hanowski. Reference Only.
- Tools of the Trade for Canadian Genealogy: A
  Guide for Family Historians Researching in
  Canada (revised and expanded). (Book).
  Donated by The Ontario Genealogical Society
  (see review).

### Canada: Nova Scotia

- The 1838 Census Index of Annapolis County, Nova Scotia. (Book). Donated by Dale Cleveland.
- The 1838 Census Index of Hants & Kings Counties, Nova Scotia. (Book). Donated by Dale Cleveland.

### Canada: Ontario

- Early Methodist Records: Methodist Episcopal Church by the Quinte Senior Loyalists (Bay of Quinte Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada). (Book). Donated by Quinte Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society.
- Index To The Upper Canada Land Books: Volume 8, January 1836 to December 1838. (Book).
- Index To The Upper Canada Land Books: Volume 9, January 1839 to February 1841. (Book).

## Canada: Ontario - Hastings & Prince Edward Counties

- Trenton: Town of Promise. (Book). Donated by Quinte Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society.
- Gunshot and Gleanings of the Historic Carrying Place, Bay of Quinte. (Book). Donated by the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre.

- 7th Town Remembers. (Book). Donated by the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre.
- The Hamlet of Ameliasburg: from Valley to Hilltop. (Book). Donated by the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre.
- Crown Land Grant Papers and Petitions from 1792 thru 1850 with Personal Signatures of Petitioners for Ameliasburgh & Sophiasaburgh Twps, Prince Edward county, Upper Canada. (Book). Donated by the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre.
- The Hamlet of Ameliasburg: from Valley to Hilltop. (Book). Donated by the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre.
- Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Register, Hastings County 1840-1904: A Transcription transcribed by Quinte Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society. (Book). Donated by the Quinte Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society.
- 7th Town/Ameliasburgh Township: Past & Present. (Book). Donated by Hugh Heal.
- Name Index 7th Town/Ameliasburgh Township: Past & Present. (Book). Donated by Hugh Heal.

### Canada: Saskatchewan

- Radville Regional High School (1969 1970 -1971 School Newsletters). (Book). Donated by Darlene Clifford.
- Obituary Index: The Independent, Biggar, Saskatchewan 1990 to 2003. (Book). Donated by Biggar Branch, Saskatchewan Genealogical Society.
- Historical Sketch of St. Peter's Parish and the Founding of the Colonies: Rastadt, Kathrinenthal and Speier by Rev. Father H. Metzger. (Book). Donated by Christina Krismer (see review).

Society of Named Doukhobors of Canada: 1930
 Saskatchewan Membership List. (Book).
 Donated by Jonathan J. Kalmakoff.

### **Europe**

• Researching Our Galizien Roots, 2nd CD. (CD) Donated by Kathy Enders. *Reference Only*.

### Great Britain: England and Wales

- Suffolk Marriage Index 1813-1837: Volume 15, Dunwich Deanery, Part A (Records held at Ipswich). (Book).
- Suffolk Marriage Index 1813-1837: Volume 15, Dunwich Deanery, Part B (Records held at Lowestoft). (Book).

#### **United States**

- Prairie Crosses Prairie Voices: Iron Crosses of the Great Plains. (Video). Donated by Germans from Russia Heritage Society, Fargo, North Dakota. Fees to mail this material are not covered by the Postal Rate and must be paid by borrower.
- Courthouse Research for Family Historians: Your Guide to Genealogical Treasures. (Book).

### **Family History**

- Hastings County Kinfolk by Audrey Condon Delaney. (Book). Donated by the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre.
- Emerging from the Shadows: The Dean Family in America and Canada 1673-2003. (Book). Donated by Paula Runne.

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### SGS Library Needs ...

Bubble Envelopes and boxes (no bigger than 16"L x 14"W x 5"H) for mailing library books

They must be delivered to the library

### **SGS NEWS**

## FROM THE OFFICE... BY MARGE THOMAS

**Executive Director** 

Have you registered for the Annual Seminar in Moose Jaw yet? This is a great event for genealogist since it provides an opportunity to network with other people of like interests. And you may even meet someone doing the same line as you.

The Saskatchewan Homestead Index Project (SHIP) is moving ahead and at the end of July 206,000 cards had been entered on the database of an estimated 330,000 or about two-thirds complete. We are still in need of proof readers in both Regina and Saskatoon Archive locations. This is a joint project with the Saskatchewan Archives Board. SGS has received funding from Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation.

Garth Ulrich has resigned as Saskatchewan Representative on the Canada Census Committee lobbying for the release of the Post 1901 Census. Garth has served in this capacity for many years and I would like to give him a big thanks for all the time he has spent on this. This leaves the position open and we are looking

for someone. For more information see page 83.

If you are interested in a Saskatchewan Vital Statistics Index, send a letter to Honourable John Nilson, Minister of Health Room 361 Legislative Building Regina, SK. S4S 0B3 explaining why this is important to you. The Minister has assured me that legislation will be presented at the fall session for amendment to the Vital Statistics Act allowing SGS members to enter the data for the development of an index.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, contact me at margethomas.sgs@access comm.ca or phone 1-306-780-9207.

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### **SGS Certification Graduates for 2004**

In June's issue, SGS announced the names of the people who received their Certification certificates. We missed one individual who is Christina Krismer. She received her Certified Saskatchewan Instructors for 2-years. SGS apologizes for any inconveniences this may have caused.

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### **Planned Giving**

Have you considered supporting SGS through planned giving and leaving a legacy to the genealogy community? A planned gift is one that is arranged now and given at a future time.

There are many options for planned giving.

- cash
- securities
- life insurance
- real property (books, papers and documents of historical significance)
- bequests
- · annuities

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### **Notice of Elections**

The SGS Board of Directors is a policy governance board operating under the Carver Model of Governance. The Board of Directors is the Trustee for the membership of SGS. Its role is to establish policies, articulate the mission of the organization and plan for the future.

Nominations are required for the following four (4) positions on the SGS Board of Directors

one - President - 1 year term three - Provincial Director - 2 year term

### Basic Requirements and Responsibilities for a Board Members

- a. Must be a Canadian Citizen and be a resident of Saskatchewan
- b. Must be an SGS member in good standing for at least 24 months prior to date of nomination
- c. Have an interest in promoting SGS
- d. Attend all Board meetings (3-4) per year
- e. Be prepared to sit on one committee or take on one task
- f. Act as a liaison between SGS members and the Board

Contact SGS for Nomination package. Nominations must be received by SGS Nominating Committee 10 days prior to the elections (October 13, 2004). Send to: SGS Nominating Committee, PO Box 1894, Regina SK S4P 3E1. For nominations from the floor, Nomination packages will be available for pickup at SGS table at Seminar.

### Eligibility:

Conflict of Interest Policy (Policy 27.6.c) states that "no volunteer shall assume any responsibility on behalf of SGS, including serving on the Board of Directors or on SGS committees, if to do so would likely result in such volunteer being in a conflict of interest. No volunteer who is a family member of staff shall sit on the Board of Directors or chair any SGS committee. This would include anyone involved in decision making with SGS Stakeholders".

Conflict of Interest Policy (Policy 27.6.d) states that "no Volunteer shall sit concurrently on the Board of Directors and on the Executive of any Branch of SGS. Each branch will identify the positions of their executive".

### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

for 2005 SGS Board

SGS Nominating Committee chaired by Past-President Bev Weston, includes Shirley Gerlock and Frank Buck. The Committee seeks nominations for interested members to put their name forth for the 2005 Board.

### SGS Board Responsibilities:

- To represent the interests of the membership in governing the Society
- To participate fully as a Board member, attending Board meetings, orientation, AGM's, liaisoning and committees, etc
- To abide by SGS Constitution, Bylaws and Governance Policies
- To be prepared to define SGS goals and to set policies
- To demonstrate knowledge and acceptance of SGS Mission and Mandate
- To recognize Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund

Anyone interested in letting their name stand or knowing of someone who may be interested, please contact SGS office for nomination package.

### NOTICE OF SGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, 23 October 2004 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Harvest Inn Moose Jaw SK

- · Election of Board of Directors
- Membership fees

### **\*SGS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME**

2005 fees are due December 31, 2004. These fees are annual, cover the calendar year and are due at the end of the year regardless of the date you renewed. Rates are guaranteed until December 31, 2004. Subscribe to Bulletin as a member with voting privileges and user pay access to microform collection Regular Family \$34.00 Senior Citizen (65 and over) \$32.00 Residents outside of Canada US Funds only Single Copy \$10.00 Subscribe to Bulletin \$34.00 Forward your fees early so that renewals can be processed and mailing lists can be kept up-to-date. This will insure that there is no interruption of services or receipt of the Bulletin. All SGS privileges will be discontinued as of 31 January 2005 until renewal fees are received. To better our service we would like you to fill all questions listed below. Fees Are Not Subject To GST Use This Form To Renew PLEASE FILL IN QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE BACK A self-addressed, stamped envelope would be appreciated to help defray the high costs of postage. Donations are gratefully received (income tax receipt will be issued). Subscription only Please indicate appropriate type of subscription: Subscription as a member 2005 Subscription as a member 2006 Donation. **TOTAL** ALL BRANCH MEMBERSHIP FEES TO BE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE BRANCH Name: Address: City/Prov/State: Postal Code/Zip Code: Phone #: (Residence) (Business) E-mail Address: Would you like your e-mail address on our web site: YES NO Do you have a: Computer? YES NO Age: 25& Under □ 26-45 □ 46-54 □ 55-64 □ 65+ □ Genealogy Program? YES NO Occupation: Geographical Area(s) You're Researching: I Am A: Beginner □ Intermediate Experienced Farmer □ Rural Urban □ Are You Interested In Volunteering?

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### The Board of Directors Would Like Your Input

SaskCulture has advised SGS that annual global funding for all Provincial Cultural Organizations' (PCO's) will be cut 5.66% as a result of funding changes caused by provincial government budget cuts. The cut from our Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Grant represents \$6,379 from 2004 grant. This, along with a drop in membership, will make budgeting for 2005 a challenge.

SGS Board of Directors is considering various options to balance the budget and would like input from the membership. These include reduced programming and increased membership fees. However, the most preferable would be increased membership and we would welcome any suggestions on programs and services that would achieve this. Please complete and return with your renewal.

Member of SGS	Member of SGS and a branch
Which programs or services do you access?	
Research Education/Workshops Library Bulletin Seminars Internet	Sales Preservation cemetery obits SRI
Are there any other genealogical services that you re	equire that are not being offered?
How would you see SGS balance the budget?  Increase Fees Cut programming - how would you cut? Campaign membership for donations.	
Rate the following programs Which programs and services do you feel are the most v 2 valuable and 3 not of value).	valuable to you? Please rate them 1-3 (1 being very valuable,
<ul> <li>Research</li> <li>Education/Workshops</li> <li>Library</li> <li>Bulletin</li> <li>Seminars</li> <li>Internet</li> </ul>	Sales Preservation cemetery obits SRI

### **Book Reviews**

The following book was reviewed by Christina Krismer.

Historical Sketch of St. Peter's Parish and the Founding of the Colonies Rastadt, Katherinenthal and Speier written in German by Rev. Father Metzger has been translated into English. The book had previously been translated into English. The first translated version appeared in the Saskatchewan Genealogical Bulletin in 1973 without any of the pictures of the settlers. The latest translation done by the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection includes the pictures from the original copy. In some cases the maiden names of wives were able to be included.

An update of the colonies was added along with some additional pictures. This book should be of interest for those whose ancestors came from Russia and settled in any of these three colonies. The book lists many of the settlers and the years that they arrived. It is a brief sketch of the growth and activities of the colonies in the first forty years. It was written on the occasion of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first settlers, June 3, 1930.

Information on ordering the book directly from Germans from Russia Heritage Collection, log onto http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/grhc/order/general/speier.html.

For Saskatchewan people interested in obtaining copies of the book you may contact chris@krismer.ca.

The following books were reviewed by Celeste Rider.

Genealogical Research Directory 2004. Editors Keith A. Johnson and Malcolm R. Sainty, 2004, 832 pgs. Soft cover. ISBN 0-9579524-8-1 (Paperback Edition) ISBN 0-9579524-9-X Hardback Edition). Available from GRD-Jeannette Tyson, 94 Binswood Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M4C 3N9. E-mail: <a href="mailto:i.tyson@sympatico.ca.">i.tyson@sympatico.ca.</a>. Cost for soft cover: \$39.01 (includes book, GST, and postage). Cost for hard cover: \$49.17 (includes book, GST, and postage). Payable to GRD.

This 2004 edition contains thousands of research queries from around the world. Also included are Maps; a Calendar of Genealogical Events; Directory of Surnames; Subject Entries; Contributors' addresses, telephone, fax, and e-mail addresses; One Name Studies;

lists of Genealogical Societies, Archives, Major Libraries and Record Offices with up-to-date addresses and other contact information; and a Professional Services Index. The feature article in this edition is "Surnames: An Undervalued Treasure" by John Titford, MA, MèsL, LHG.

Tools of the Trade for Canadian Genealogy 2nd ed. By Althea Douglas MA, CG(C). Published by The Ontario Genealogical Society, 40 Orchard View Blvd., Suite 102, Toronto, Ontario M4R 1B9. 2004, 136 pages, 6" x 8", illustrations. ISBN: 0-7779-2134-0. Softback. Price \$21.95. Postage and Handling: First item: ON, PQ \$5.50; MB, SK, AB, NS, NB, PE \$6.50; BC, NL, NY, YT \$7.50; each additional item: \$1.75. Canadians add 7% GST to both book and postage charges. Orders outside of Canada please pay in US funds. U.S. and other destinations outside Canada: \$6.50 first item; each additional item: \$2.25.

Some of the standard genealogical sources the author describes in this expanded edition of Tools of the Trade for Canadian Genealogy are outlined in several essays relating to archives, records and ways to approach family history research in Canada. "Its purpose is to start the researcher thinking about what records were created, who kept the records, why they were kept, where they should turn up or where they may be lurking, and why some information does or does not survive."

It includes a very complete list of Canadian Archives, Genealogical Societies, and Libraries with the current addresses and other contact information, including web site addresses. However, one might question why CANFED (Canadian Federation of Genealogical and Family History Societies) is included since this organization has not been active for a number of years.

The author has covered a wide range of topics regarding genealogical research resources in Canada in general. However, I was disappointed that the focus was generally on the provinces of Eastern Canada and that very little was included on Western Canadian resources, especially those of the prairie provinces.

# Periodicals, Journals and Newsletters in the SGS Library

### BY CELESTE RIDER, SGS Librarian

This is the second in a series of lists to be published regarding the periodicals, journals, and newsletters in the SGS Library Collection. The first list was published in the June 2004 issue of the *Bulletin*. It contained the list of periodicals for the Ontario Genealogical Society (OGS) and Branches of OGS.

This type of resource often contains a goldmine of information for the genealogist and family history researcher. For example, cemetery listings, how to guides, resources available for research, surname interests of other genealogists, military lists, indexes, historical information, genealogies, family histories, obituaries and vital statistics are common types of articles appearing in these publications.

To arrange to borrow any of the following, please contact the SGS Librarian by mail, e-mail (sgslibrary@accesscomm.ca) or by phone (306-780-9207).

### Canada: Ontario

Other Ontario Groups, Societies, and Organizations

Title/Organization	Issues in the SGS Library
Bruce Bulletin, Bruce County Genealogical Society	Vol. 12 (2001) – present
Heritage Gazette, Trent Valley Archives	Vol. 5 (2000) – present
Horaceville Herald, Pinhey's Point Foundation & March Historical Society	Vol. 3 – Vol. 14 (1985-1988)
Long Point Genealogist, Norfolk Historical Society	June 1981 – March 1987
Loyalist Gazette, United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada	Vol. 8 (1970) – present
Newsletter, Lanark County Genealogical Society	December 1985 – February, 2004
Newsletter, Muskoka Parry Sound Genealogy Group	Vol. 1 (1985) – present
Norwest News, Nor-West Genealogical & History Society, Vermillion Bay	Vol. 1 – Vol. 16 (1987-June 2002)
Ontario Register, by Thomas B. Wilson	Vol. 1 – Vol. 8 (1968-1990)
Timberline, Upper Ottawa Valley Genealogical Group	Vol. 1 (1990) – present

### Canada: Maritimes

Title/Organization	Issues in the SGS Library
Generations, New Brunswick Genealogical Society	Vol. 1 (1979) – present
Newfoundland Ancestor, Newfoundland & Labrador Genealogical Society, Inc.	Vol. 5 (1988) – present
Nova Scotia Genealogist, Genealogical Association of Nova Scotia	Vol. 10 (1992) – present
Newsletter, Prince Edward Island Genealogical Society	Vol. 6 – 29 (1982-2004)

## Bill 43 - Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2004

The following article has been reprinted from the British Columbia Genealogist, Volume 33, Number 2, June 2004.

Greetings All.

Those having genealogical interests in British Columbia should be aware of a Bill that the BC Legislature has pushed through with great haste. So far as I am aware, no genealogical or historical societies had been approached for input to Bill 43 -- VITAL STATISTICS AMENDMENT ACT, 2004.

Introduction and first reading of this Bill took place 10 May, second reading on 12 May, and discussion during Committee of the Whole and third reading took place yesterday, 17 May 2004. As I write this, debate during Committee of the Whole and third reading of the Bill are not yet available in the Provincial Hansard.

Bill 43 increases the restrictions on who may access Vital Statistics records of Birth, Marriage and Death. Even parents of a child who is over 19 years of age cannot obtain a birth certificate for that child. It is very restrictive regarding who may obtain certified certificates of Birth, Marriage and Death, and distinguishes between these and 'registrations' of same. It specifies in the legislation time frames before such 'registrations' might be accessible by the public. In most cases those seeking information on ancestors would be more interested in the registrations of BMDs than in obtaining certified documents for them.

The current Vital Statistics Act of BC does not codify time frames, nor does the Regulations for the Vital Statistics Act. Through the BC Archives, registrations of Birth have been available after 100 years, Marriages after 75 years, and Deaths after 20 years.

Bill 43 codifies the time frames for access to registrations of Birth to 20 years after death or 120 years after Birth an extension of twenty years over what has been allowed up to now. For registrations of Marriage the period remains as 75 years after the event, but adds the provision that both parties must be deceased for more than 20 years. Access to registrations of Death remains at after 20 years.

We should all be concerned not only about the speed with which the BC government has pushed this Bill through, without known consultation with the genealogical and historical communities affected, but with the extended time frames and restrictions as to whom might access these records. This affects our access not only to records of the future, but to those records we have been able to access up to today.

Clauses in Bill 43 may prevent access to records from other than the government who charges exorbitant fees for them. Currently the 'registration' documents for BMDs are available through microfilm purchased from the government by various agencies such as libraries, archives and universities. Through these agencies photocopies of these documents are available for as little as fifteen to forty cents per page.

Up to this time, British Columbia has been a leader (in my opinion) not only regarding the time frames in which BMD information has been available, but for the fact that the indexes for these records have been available online. The restrictive terms of Bill 43 are, in my opinion a great step backwards.

I will be contacting my MLA to express my concern and outrage about the terms of Bill 43 that affect our ability to research our ancestors, and about the speed with which the Bill has been pushed through. I urge all with genealogical concerns in British Columbia to do likewise.

To find out who the MLAs for British Columbians are go to www.legis.gov.bc.ca./index.htm. Click on "Members" and the resulting page will allow you to search by Postal Code to find out who your MLA is. The MLA's page gives their biography and contact information.

Bill 43 may be accessed at the following URL http://www.leg.bc.ca/37th5th/1st\_read/gov43-1.htm

Wherever our residence and/or genealogical interests lie we should all be concerned about the attacks on our rights to access information regarding our ancestry. Since 911 these attacks have been increasing both in Canada and the United States. We must be watchful in our own

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### Wisconsin Name Index

### BY MELISSA A. MCLIMANS

Last winter the Wisconsin Historical Society announced the creation of the Wisconsin Name Index, an online database leading to over 100,000 obituaries, biographical sketches and newspaper articles, all about Wisconsin ancestors. The Name Index was a huge success, allowing researchers to look up ancestors in more than 1,500 books and periodicals found in libraries or to order paper copies directly from us. However, there was one resounding comment\*add more content.

Over the past year, the Wisconsin Historical Society has done just that. We have added over 60,000 entries from a variety of sources. Some

sources focused on local county histories, with biographical sketches; others were professional histories, many highlighting the women of Wisconsin, while still others centered on Wisconsin's military history.

I would like to invite you to visit our web site at **www.wisconsinhistory.org/wni** to learn more about our resource. We have received many e-mails from users expressing their pleasure and excitement about the Wisconsin Name Index.

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(... Bill 43 - Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2004 continued from page 95)

Provinces and States for legislation that restricts our access to these vital records, and we must take the necessary steps to let our government bodies know we object to unreasonable restrictions to access. We do not wish to see unlawful use of these records but anyone seeking information for illegal purposes is not likely to be seeking information on people born 100 or more years ago.

Happy (?) Hunting.

Gordon A. Watts **gordon\_watts@telus.net** Co-chair, Canada Census Committee Port Coquitlam, BC

http://www.globalgenealogy.com/Census en français http://www.globalgenealogy.com/Census/ Index f.htm

## The Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship

The Alberta Family Histories Society is pleased to announce the availability of the Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship of up to \$500 to be awarded annually to a Canadian resident, towards the cost of tuition and books, for the recipient to study the field of genealogy and family history in a recognized educational or accreditation program.

The Scholarship will be awarded for the first time in the Spring 2005. Deadline for applications is 31 December 2004.

Further information can be found at: http://www.afhs.ab.ca/scholarship/ or by writing to:

Alberta Family Histories Society Attention: Scholarship Committee 712 - 16 Avenue NW Calgary AB T2M OJ8

The Brian W. Hutchison Scholarship is funded by an endowment to the Alberta Family Histories Society from Brian W. Hutchison, CG, FSA (Scot), principal of GEN-FIND Research Associates, Inc. It is Mr. Hutchison's wish to encourage Canadians to pursue formal study of genealogical analysis, research, evaluation, and documentation methodologies and standards. The head office of GEN-FIND Research Associates is located in Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada.

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From Hampton Union Cemetery (Darlington Township ON)

 Samuel Ward b. Chawleigh DEV 1824, d. 1893

From Providence Cemetery (near Enfield, Darlington Township ON)

 Thomas Allin b. DEV d. 1848 ae. 63, also his wife Mary b. DEV d. 1848 ae. 57

From Eldad Cemetery (Solina, Darlington Township ON)

- Matthew Cole b. Pyworthy DEV d. 1867 ae.
   67
- Elizabeth --- b. Bulkworthy DEV, m. John Martin d. 1862 ae. 70
- George Westlake b. DEV d. 1866

The references above taken from cemetery transcriptions available from Whitby-Oshawa Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society, PO Box 174, Whitby ON L1N 5S1.

## My Visit to Voloca, Bucovina

### BY JIM URSULAK

I turned 71 on June 13, 2004.

About 20 years ago, shortly after I got my first computer. I created a spreadsheet and was the first Ursulak to construct our family tree using a computer. Later I obtained a genealogy program and over the years greatly expanded and shared the information with relatives. This hunting for roots also created an itch. "Some day," I mused, " I may actually see the town where my father was born". I once casually expressed this wish to my son and to my surprise he indicated that he would like to join me as it would be an excellent experience for both of us. Two years later, in May 2004, I scratched that itch and saw Voloca, Bucovina, the birthplace of my father. In 1897, the year he was born, Bucovina belonged to Austria Hungary. In 1918, after WW1, it was turned over to Romania and remained so until the end of WW2 when Russia again redrew the border to make it part of the Ukraine. My father was 3 years old when he came to Canada and like many others, his family had no papers when they passed In 1939 dad applied for a through immigration. copy of his birth certificate to obtain proof of age to confirm a bonafide registration in Canada. As a youngster I was puzzled by the fact that my dad was "Austrian" although our family was clearly Romanian. These border shifts explain why his birth certificate, issued in 1939, bears a Romanian postage stamp.

Jimmy, my only son, is an experienced globe trotter. As a field sound engineer for television productions his profession has taken him around the world many times. (He currently works with film crews that produce the popular episodes of "Survivor" and "Amazing Race"). His work once took him to Moscow where he spent several months and acquired a working knowledge of the Russian language. He has reached the point where he can communicate with Russians or Ukrainians well enough to act as an interpreter. I, on the other hand,

except for "dobra, dobra" can't speak Ukrainian and just know a few words in Romanian. It was no longer spoken in my family when I came on the scene.

Jimmy took care of all the preparations and used his regular travel agent Myrna Arychuk of Times Square Travel Ltd in Richmond B.C. to make our bookings. On May 6<sup>th</sup>, Jimmy and I headed for the old country. We flew to Heathrow, London, rested overnight, then continued on to Kiev the next day. I have travelled quite a bit and have flown on many different airlines but after this trip, I wouldn't hesitate to say that British Air is the only way to fly!

We were met at the Kiev airport by our personal tour guide Svetlana and her driver who were booked for us by Jimmy's travel agent. She took us everywhere to see the sights of Kiev. I am a musician and particularly wanted to see the "The Great Gate of Kiev" which is musically depicted in Moussorgsky's classic "Pictures at an Exhibition". This ancient structure is still standing and is known as "The Golden Gate". That night we slept on a train We had first class from Kiev to Lviv. accommodation in a compartment for two. This too had been booked by Times Square Travel but after Lviv we would be on our own. We arrived in Lviv at 7 a.m. and considered taking either a train or bus to Chernivtsi but when a cab driver offered to drive us there for only \$75 Canadian we quickly accepted. It was a very interesting trip and signs of a growing economy in that region were evident. Many of the gasoline stations along the route are new (gas is 59 cents Canadian per litre) and every new home that was under construction was being built with red brick. There was lots of construction and many signs of expansion along the route. Still, I saw numerous elderly peasants along the way, sitting by the roadside waiting while the family cow grazed nearby on the free grass by the highway. After a speedy comfortable three hour ride, we arrived at Hotel

Bukovina in the center of Chernivtsi. Room rates were incredibly cheap so we booked separate rooms. They were spacious with high ceilings and some included a balcony equipped with a table and chairs and flowers in the planter overlooking the front of the hotel. This large old five story building was once used to accommodate KGB officials. My bathroom had an enormous deep tub with a hand operated shower head and a "different" version of a flush toilet. The hotel provided one tiny, tightly rolled packet of unbleached toilet paper. (I was glad that I had brought my own so kept their TP as a souvenir). The cost? Only \$28 Canadian per night, and this included breakfast! (Obviously Chernivtsi has yet to be discovered in the tourist world). Of course most items on the menu were tasty Ukrainian dishes so we had most of our meals in the hotel. The cost, with a 10% tip was less than \$10 per person. This included a large bottle of excellent Ukrainian beer. Jimmy loves this city and wants to return. He wandered about by himself taking numerous photos with his camera and camcorder. Early every morning one will see elderly people, mostly women, sweeping the sidewalks and the cobble-stoned streets with hand made willow branch brooms. I was impressed at how clean the city appeared the day following May 9th, "Victory Day", (VE Day) a special day to celebrate the end of Nazi occupation. No litter but ......hmm, unfortunately spitting is still tolerated and evidently a common practice. I also noted that stray dogs of all sizes run freely about the city, even in Kiev.

The day after we arrived, the plan was to locate the regional archives building and inquire about my father's registration. I had a copy of his birth certificate which, in Romanian, stated his birth as "1897, August 17" and his parents "Stefan a Nicolaea Ursuleac and Zoita nascuta Ili". We finally found the archives after searching all morning. There was an unexpected long queue of elderly folk in the waiting room but we eventually got our turn to speak to an official. No luck. He directed us to go to the "other" archives building where the older records are kept. Well, since we had not yet seen the village of Voloca which is about a 15 minute drive away, we decided to take a cab and scout the town. Jimmy

told the driver that we would probably spend about ten minutes or so in Voloca and then return to our hotel. The village is beautifully nestled among rolling hills with farmland everywhere you looked. Our driver stopped to ask a local for directions to the town center. Jimmy took this opportunity to get out of the cab and he showed dad's birth certificate to an old fellow and explained that our mission was to find out if any Ursulaks still lived in Voloca. This old guy's name was Teodore. His face lit up and he waved his arms about and instantly and loudly proclaimed that he would help us and, without invitation, jumped into our cab. For the next hour or so, he took us from house to house, field to field and presented dad's birth certificate and a large computer print out photo which I also brought with me of Stefan and Zoitza Ursuleac (my grandparents). Most people that he approached were quite old and noticeably dubious and uncertain. We gave it a good try and were ready to give up after about eight inquiries...... but Teodore insisted "just one more place". He would not give up. Our patient cab driver silently just went along with the flow. Finally we struck gold when Teodore went into an old, whitewashed, steep-roofed cottage, similar to farm houses I saw which belonged to my relatives when I lived in Manitoba in the thirties. This house had electricity but no plumbing. He came out a moment later, his face beaming, and shouted loudly for us to come in while he frantically beckoned us with both arms. He found a 90 year old woman whose maiden name was Domnica Ursuleac. Her daughter Maria and her husband also happened to be there. When Domnica saw the photo of Stefan she smiled and softly said "This is my Uncle Stefan" and kissed the picture. I wish I could have captured that moment on video. What a stroke of luck that her vision wasn't impaired and she could recognize the features of the elderly couple in that photo! From that moment on, Jimmy and I were in the midst of jubilation. We were squeezed with hugs, and were kissed by women and men! There were tears of joy on all the faces. It was a magic moment that still brings a tear to my eyes when I think of it. Oh how I regretted that I could not understand Romanian.

I learned that Domnica's father Grigori, previously unknown to me, was Stefan's brother, therefore Domnica and my father, who passed away in 1973, were first cousins. Well .... it was a time to celebrate! This lovely, serene old lady, who was born and continues to live in this 100 year old cottage, dropped to her knees and crawled across the floor and went under the kitchen table to some hiding place and came out smiling as she held up a large bottle of vodka. Maria disappeared for a while then returned with a few plates of hurriedly prepared snacks while her husband kept our glasses charged with vodka and beer. In true old country fashion we were urged to eat, eat, eat!! Maria's daughter, a school teacher, joined us, then Maria's sister Stella one who could communicate, was deluged with questions and did his best to respond to all of those eager faces. He must have been doing a great job because they smiled and nodded with pleasure to his responses. Meanwhile outside, the cab driver waited and waited patiently for us. Ten minutes! Ha! About an hour or so later we emerged and intended to take Teodore to his home and then return to our hotel. Nope ...... he protested and loudly insisted that we accompany him to his "club". He wanted to introduce us and announce his personal triumph to his friends and to buy us a round. Gee whiz ..... this resulted in more beer and vodka and Kobassa etc etc. When we finally returned to our hotel we paid the cab driver double the cab fare that he requested, so he was quite happy with the way his day turned too. We arranged to come back to Domnica's home the next day to meet more relatives.



(Stella, Domnica, Dad and Maria)



(Domnica's House)

Next day we hunted for that "other archives building" in Chernivtsi, which turned out to be a large ancient church no longer used for that purpose. If we were prepared to possibly wait several hours. (because this queue was even longer than the day before's) perhaps we might get in and find my dad's registration. We waited for a while and then I said. "Why are we wasting our valuable time. We have already FOUND our relatives, so what more do we need!!!" At 1 pm our faithful cab driver took us back to Domnica's and we began another afternoon of excited chatter. We went from house to house and met more relatives stemming from Grigori Ursuleac. I met Domnica's other daughters, a granddaughter, a great grand daughter and husbands etc. etc. I encountered numerous familiar names such as Gorda, Pentlichuk, Chescu. (One in particular, Nicolai Gorda, a dentist, has a brand new, exceptionally beautiful house so some members of his generation are doing quite well). He said that he had visited Chescu and Gorda families in Inglis and Russell Manitoba about nine years ago. I said ..... "INGLIS ??? I was BORN in Inglis!!!" and that set off a new round of excitement and more questions. One special moment, during that second day, was seeing the well that was dug by my grandfather. His house is gone but the well is still there. The royal treatment we received and the numerous toasts with vodka overwhelmed us until we finally had to say our goodbyes. (On the way back Jimmy said "Dad ... I'm seeing double!") We returned loaded with gifts to take back to Canada. What an amazing experience. Only a few days earlier we didn't know each other and now, .... we are family!

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## **Stupid Boy**

## Elopement and detection at Newport (Essex Chronicle 18th January 1856)

Article has been provided courtesy of Essex Family History Society.

On Tuesday at the Middlesex Session, James Seally, a stupid looking fellow, 20 years of age, was indicted for stealing 79 sovereigns, a knife and a variety of other articles, the property of John Madden. This is the youth who was carried off by the wife of the prosecutor, a lady of mature age, and who, in their supposed flight to America, found themselves to their bewilderment at Newport, in Essex, instead of the sea-coast. The facts have recently appeared. Evidence of their flight and the arrival at Newport was given. The morning after the guilty pair were on the platform ready for departure, when a train was coming in, and the prisoner noticed the head of his injured friend at the window of one of the carriages, and he screamed out to his companion, "Oh, by the Lord, now and sure and here's Old Jack himself," an announcement which put Mrs. Madden in a state of indescribable consternation. "Old Jack" sprang out of the carriage and, addressing himself to the prisoner, demanded to know where his money was. The prisoner said he had none of the money, that the box and all it contained were his, and he'd defy Jack Madden or any one else to lay the weight of a finger upon it.

The Chief Constable was sent for, and the charge of felony having been preferred, that functionary) opened the box, when Madden identified nearly the whole of its contents as his property; but money there was none. The Constable then asked the wife where the money was, but she refused to say until it was threatened that a female searcher should be sent for, and she then produced from her bosom a bag containing £12.12.6d and her husband's watch and chain, stating that she left 35 sovereigns in the box at home; but if she did some one else had them, for the prosecutor had been unable to find them.

In the prisoner's pocket the officer found a knife, which the prosecutor swore was his, and that it was safe in the box the day before the elopement. The prisoner, in his defence said, it was an unlucky minute for him in which he yielded to the wicked temptations of Mrs Madden. She took the money and put the clothes and other things into his box, and persuaded him to go to America with her, as she was tired of "Old Jack" and did not like him at all; but he refused as long as he could, though at last she overcame him, and he made up his mind to go, but not until they were at the railway station, and she had procured the tickets. He said Mrs. Madden's dislike of her husband arose from him beating her, and other bad practices, and that it was she really who committed the theft, and that gave him plenty of gin and beer before he agreed to run off with her.

Mr Witham told the jury that they could not entertain the charge as to the money, as that was found on the wife, but it was for them to say whether they considered he had committed a larceny with respect to the knife and the articles in the box. As far as the running away was concerned, the case might be made.

"The Bungling Elopement" The jury found the prisoner guilty of stealing the clothing and the knife. Mr. Witham said he had no doubt whatever that the prosecutor's wife was the originator of the whole affair, and that the prisoner had acted under her influence and by her persuasion. She was a great deal of the..... of the two, and he was sorry that the prosecutor had lost, at any rate, the £215 pounds. He should not visit the prisoner with any severity of punishment, the wife being really the guilty person, but still he had acted wrongly in allowing her to entice him away with her. He sentenced him to four months' hard labour.

## **Computer Column**

### BY CHRIS KRISMER

Research should be approached in a methodical and organized manner. This means organizing what you have and plan what to search for.

- What do I have and how do I know it?
- What do I want and need to find?
- Where can I search?
- Whom can I contact?
- Where have I searched?
- What have been the results?
- Have I documented my findings?

To help you organize your work, or more readily record information as you find it you may want to use forms. Forms kept in a three ring binder are an easy way to keep track of your research. Sources that have no information are as important to record as those with information.

Forms can also be used to plan your next research trip as well as to record your findings.

There are sites on the Internet with forms that you can use. You have three options:

- Find different styles of research logs by going to the Organizing Your Research category at Cyndi's List and scrolling down to Online Charts and Forms to Print or download.
- You can print the blank forms that come with your genealogy program.
- Create forms using your word processor. You can customize them to fit your needs.

To this end, I am including some forms I've created to keep my work neat, tidy and organized. The forms allow me to do abstractions quickly. They are easy to read and follow.

These are some of the forms I've found useful.

- 1. 1891 Census Form.
- 2. 1906 Census Form
- 3. Form to use when extracting information from the General Township Registers.
- 4. Form for recording homestead file information.
- 5. Forms for recording information collected and the source of the documentation can be used for an individual or a family.

- 6. Correspondence form.
- 7. Recording what books have been searched and your findings.
- 8. To do lists.

When you find something in a search, copy more than just the page with your ancestor's name. If it was in a book, copy both sides of the title page because they contain the details you will need for your source citation. It is also a good idea to copy:

- Index pages (highlight the name your searched)
- Table of contents (have some idea what was in the book)
- Lists of abbreviations used and their meanings
- First page of any chapter mentioning your ancestor

Basically you want to copy anything that helps you interpret what you have found.

Write down the details about each source you use – not only in your research log but also on the front of each copy you make. You will thank your self a hundred times the next time you drop that stack of papers. Taking the time to mark you copies when you make them will save you hours of frustration later. Never deface an original by writing on it.

As you continue with your research you may find yourself redefining you logs. For example you may soon have more ten or twenty census pages. You may have to divide them geographically or by family. Label each page with the state or province, surname, source type and page number (Canadian Census, Saskatchewan, sub-district # 204, Hicksvale, page 8). On a research trip take along blank research logs to write on as well as a copy of your up-to-date printed research logs. Another copy of your log stays at home.

When you get home analyze what you did and organize. You may find yourself looking for the same person under two names. Write down any ideas you get from this in preparation for your next research trip.

Here are some samples of some forms.

## **Homestead Records**

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# **Township General Register**

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#### 1906 Census - Canada

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Comments:

# **Cemetery Program**

#### BY GARTH KESSLER

**SGS** Cemetery Coordinator

I was born and raised in Regina. My wife Charlotte and I have raised three sons, Josh, Logan & Devon. We also have a granddaughter, Hannah. I have been employed with the Provincial Government for about fifteen years. For the past couple of years I have been busy researching both my father and mother's ancestry.

Of One of the joys Charlotte and I have in common with this research is walking through cemeteries. We both enjoy seeing the various types of grave markers, marveling at the skill and craftsmanship that went into them, as well as reading both the sincere and humorous inscriptions on them. We were actually transcribing partial cemeteries before I realized that either someone else had done the work or that I should be doing the entire cemetery for the benefit of others.

I have accepted the position of Cemetery Coordinator as I feel it is only fair that I give back some of my time to the Genealogical Society, as the dedicated staff at the Society have assisted me with my research over the past few years. As the Cemetery Coordinator, I do not see my function to be a central figure, but rather to make sure that things are done in a certain way. I have transcribed cemeteries in the rain of New Brunswick, the humid and mosquito-infested Manitoba, and the cold prairie winds of Saskatchewan. I have even tried moving snow to gather information in cemeteries in north central Saskatchewan. I would like to work with you and along side of you, just for the enjoyment it. One of the joys Charlotte and I have in common with this research is walking cemeteries.

I would like to find a way to inject some fresh thinking into a project that has been in the works for many years. I realize we are doing this to assist others following in our footsteps, as they begin their genealogical research in the years to come, but we must have fun doing it. I look forward to working with many of you and welcome any ideas that you may have regarding the recording and cataloguing of Saskatchewan cemeteries.

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(... My Visit to Voloca, Bucovina continued from page 101)

To further explore and learn more about this part of the country, we decided to return to Lviv by bus rather than take a cab. It would be cheaper and certainly more interesting. We had front seats on a rickety old bus and rubbed elbows with all types of people as they got on and off at the many villages ..... and .... get this, the bus fare was only \$4.85 each for that 8 hour journey!

We again slept on an overnight train from Lviv to Kiev and next day flew back to Canada. Although

our visit to Bukovina was brief and the trip a bit exhausting for someone my age, it was certainly worth every cent. I bought a memory which both my son and I will cherish. I was the first member of my family to have visited Voloca.

If any readers contemplate a similar visit and wish to learn more from me, feel free to contact the SGS Library at sgs@accesscomm.ca.

## **SGS Bulletin Board**

#### LIBRARY CLOSURES

September 6 - Labor Day October 9 - Thanksgiving

October 22 & 23 - SGS Seminar in Moose Jaw

November 11 - Remembrance Day

December 24 - January 3, 2005 - Christmas

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#### WINTER HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm (Effective September 14, 2004)

#### **SUMMER HOURS**

Monday - Friday, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm (Effective Monday April 26, 2004 - September 10, 2004. Last Monday Opened August 30, 2004)

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#### Seminar 2004

At the seminar in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, the Certified Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course is being offered on Friday, October 22, 2004. Deadline to register for this course is September 25, 2004.

#### **WORKSHOPS**

ALL workshops are held at SGS Library, 1870 Lorne Street, Regina. Call (306) 780-9207 to register.

You must pre-register by Tuesday, September 21, for the following workshop - maximum 10 people. Fee: FREE.

The Basics of Family History Research Saturday, September 25, 2004 9:00 am -12:00 (Change in time)

- standards for recording your data
- sources in your own home
- interviewing relatives
- staying organized

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Pre-payment and registration required for the following workshops. If not enough registrants the workshop will be cancelled.

Fee: \$7.50 per workshop

#### **Oral Traditions and Family Lore**

Saturday, October 2, 2004 9:00-11:00 am (Registration deadline - September 28, 2004)

Grandfather was born in a castle ... Every family has its stories. How much faith can a genealogist or family historian place in these stories, often passed down through several generations? Using real families stories as a base, this workshop will examine the fact - and fiction - that can lie behind these family legends.

#### Family History Research Using Newspapers

Saturday, October 16, 2004 1:00-3:00 pm (Registration deadline - October 12, 2004)

What's black and white and ... We've all heard the old riddle, what's black and white and red (read) all over? It could be an embarrassed zebra - or it could be a newspaper. This workshop will look at newspapers as more than sources of birth, marriage and death notices. The presenter, a former newspaper publisher and editor, will also give a brief history of the community press in Saskatchewan and show how it fits into the pattern of homestead settlement and community development.

## Analyzing Your Data and Developing Your Research

Saturday, November 13, 2004 1:00-4:00 pm (Registration deadline - November 9, 2004)

You will learn the research cycle, techniques and methodology used in developing research plans and analyzing data. You will participate in a research exercise using Saskatchewan sources.

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Pre-payment and registration required for the following workshops. If not enough registrants the workshop will be cancelled.

Fee: \$10.00 per workshop

#### **Computers & Software**

Saturday, November 13, 2004 9:00 - 11:00 am (Registration deadline - November 9, 2004)

Selecting your software program. Will focus on the basics of genealogical software, what to look for and what's available.

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Pre-payment and registration required for the following workshops. Minimum 10 people, if not enough registrants the workshop will be cancelled.

Fee: \$20.00 per workshop

Genealogical Uses For Non-Genealogical Software - PART 1

#### **Spreadsheeting Individuals and Families**

Saturday, September 25, 2004 9:00-11:00 am (Registration deadline - September 21, 2004)

How to create interlinked spreadsheets showing descendency charts, pedigree charts, and family unit sheets for flexibility in entry of your genealogical data in a spreadsheet program and how it gives you added display flexibility over many genealogy programs and 'clickable links' to find individuals in various documents. Will touch on source listings briefly, but they will be more fully covered in the Organizing Your Research session. Templates will be made available for an easy starting point.

#### **Creating A Spreadsheet Timeline**

Saturday, October 16, 2004 9:00 - 11:00 am (Registration deadline - October 12, 2004)

How to create a timeline, collapsable and expandable by family or time period, for comparison of events in your family members' lives. This creates a very useful tool to correlate information between people and check feasibility of facts. How to turn individual lines from that timeline into individual persons' fact sheets for expanded notation about their lives by year/decade. *Templates will be made available for an easy starting point*.

# Using Spreadsheets To Organize and Track Your Research

Saturday, November 20, 2004 9:00 - 11:00 am (Registration deadline - November 16, 2004)

How to create and utilize interlinked spreadsheets to track and organize your research efforts. The basic Research Log, Correspondence Log, and Source Listing will receive a majority of the time, but other ideas will be explored such as a linked and categorized To Do List, Vital Statistic Scorecard, and Conjecture Log. Class participants with other ideas will be given an opportunity to share their ideas as well. *Templates will be made available for an easy starting point*.

Part 2 will consist of 3 more workshops that will be offered in the new year.

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#### **Perfect Christmas Gifts**

Show the people on your Christmas list how special they are to you with something from the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (SGS). This Christmas Season ... Visit the SGS office or go to our web site http://www.saskgenealogy.com/supplies/sgs\_supplies.htm

- Membership for 2005 and/or 2006
- Tracing Your Saskatchewan Ancestors: A Guide to the Records and How to Use Them
- Magnifying Ball
- Beginner Kit
- 7-Generation Pedigree Chart

#### And Much More!!

#### In Memory Of

Elsie (nee Cameron) Browder passed away on May 19, 2004 in Regina, Saskatchewan. Elsie was a member of SGS from 1997-1990, SGS recording secretary from 1977-1985 and SGS cemetery coordinator from 1978-1987.

## **Announcements**

#### The Federation of Genealogical Societies

Conference on 8 - 11 September, 2004 at the Austin Convention Centre in Austin, Texas.

#### **FEEFHS Conference**

The Federation of Family History Societies (FEEFHS) conference is being held in Detroit on 1-3 October 2004 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the Detroit Metro Airport. Theme is "The Past Prologue". Contact: thorjensen@yahoo.com or cjensen@mipolonia.net.

11th Australasian Congress on Genealogy & Heraldry Hosted by The Genealogical Society of The Northern Territory Inc. on 28 June - 2 July 2006 in Darwin. Theme is "Family History - The Access Revolution". Contact: congress11@austarnet.com.au, gsntinc@bigpond.net.au or The Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory Inc., PO Box 37212, Winnellie NT 0821 Australia.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### 1901 British Census Vouchers

The vouchers enable you to access the 1901 British Census Records from your own computer or from any public access computer with an internet connection. British Columbia Genealogical Society is selling the vouchers for \$12.00 Canadian/\$9.00 US for a £5.00 and \$24.00 Canadian/\$18.00 US for a £10.00 voucher. Shipping for Canada is 55¢, US \$1.00, elsewhere \$1.50. Enclose a cheque to cover cost of the voucher(s) plus shipping to The BCGS, c/o 4122 Thames Court, North Vancouver BC V7K 3A5.

#### **Scottish Strays**

Family Tree magazine, published in Britain, is asking anyone with Scottish ancestors who emigrated and married outside Scotland to submit the details of the marriage to the Anglo-Scottish Family History Society. This information is to be published in Family Tree magazine and will appear online, free to researchers. Please not that it is marriage records only. Information requested is: first name, surname, birth date, birthplace, parent's names, spouse's name, marriage date, marriage place. Send the above information by e-mail, with your postal address (not to be published on the Web) to: danmuir@ntlworld.com or mail to Anglo-Scottish FHS, Clayton House, 59 Piccadilly, Manchester England MI

2AQ. See *Family Tree* magazine, Volume 20, No.1, May 2004, page 74.

#### **Spring Garden Road Memorial Public Library**

The reference department of the Spring Garden Road Memorial Public Library (Halifax Regional Library) provides a free half-hour search for genealogical or local history inquiries. There is a \$5.00 charge for photocopies of resources (up to 10 copies, including postage). Web site/e-mail: http://www.halifaxpublic libraries.ca - for "Ask a Librarian".

#### **Family Tree Workshop**

Hosted by the Border Branch of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society being held on October 2, 2004 at the Lloydminster Public Library Meeting Room. Fee: \$10 for full day. For Further information contact Janet @ (306)825-2701, Millie @ (306)387-6585 or Edith @ (780)875-0578.

#### **SGS Saskatoon Branch**

The mailing address for the Saskatoon Branch has changed. Starting in September of 2004, the branch meetings will be held at 3035 Arlington Avenue, Saskatoon. Please refer to the SGS Branches: Contacts & Meetings on page 112, for more information.

#### Seminar 2004

At the seminar in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, the Certified Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course is being offered on Friday, October 22, 2004. **Deadline to register for this course is September 25, 2004**.

# Codette & District Historical Society - History Book Project

A 2nd edition of "Under Northern Lights" is currently under production The 1st edition was produced in 1984-1987. We are accepting updated histories and photos. Or, if you missed the opportunity to be included in the 1st Edition, then please submit a history of your family(ies) for this edition. Deadline for submitting histories and photos is November 1, 2004. For more information contact us at Box 340, Codette SK SOE 0P0 or e-mail at codettehistory@hotmail.com.

## Queries

ROBINSON/ARMSTRONG: Family moved from Ontario to Hudson Bay, Trossachs & Yellow Grass, Saskatchewan. Thomas b. March 23, 1828 d. April 7, 1907; wife Emeline **Armstrong** b. April 11, 1829 d. May 14, 1913. Some of their children also came to Saskatchewan:

- Phebe Lavinia Robinson m. Samuel Henry Blair
   d. 1926 and 1928 respectively in Mankota, Saskatchewan
- 4. Ann Marie **Robinson** m. Thomas **Sanguins** died 1957? and 1949 respectively in Stoughton, Saskatchewan
- 7. Fanny Robinson m. John Sanquins died 1944

and 1928 respectively in Trossachs, Saskatchewan 9. George Thomas **Robinson** m. Ida Maria **Julin** – died 1969 and 1953 in Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan 10. William Henry **Robinson** m. Harriet Rebecca **Wallace [Wallis]** – both died 1941 in Yellow Grass, Saskatchewan

There may be a connection to the Downey brothers mentioned in "Yellow Grass – Our Prairie Community". Carol Linden, 301 Pritchard Road, Comox BC V9M 2N9 or e-mail: helena18818@yahoo.ca.

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