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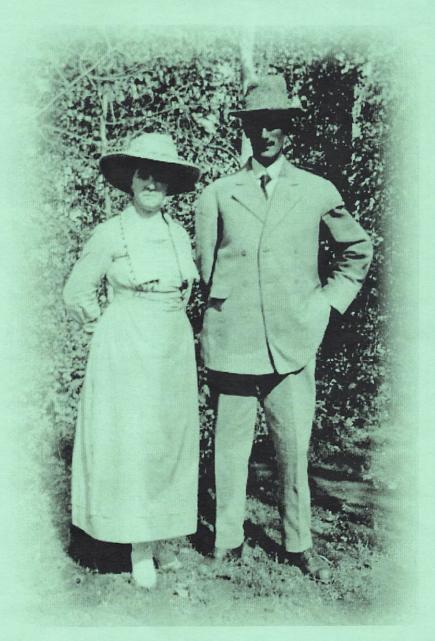
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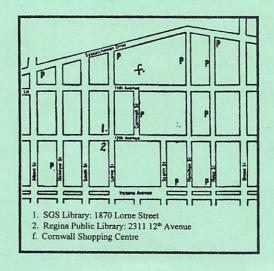
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### **Editor's Notes**

#### BY: LINDA DUNSMORE-PORTER

**Executive Director** 



It's hard to believe that a year has passed since I accepted the position as Executive Director of SGS. It has been an exciting, challenging, and very fulfilling year. I look toward the future.

I must share with you a serendipitous occurrence that I had recently. I had the opportunity to visit SGS

Pipestone Branch in Moosomin, and enjoyed a premeeting dinner with the executive. I was relating to the dinner party my connection to the Moosomin and Rocanville areas. I explained that my great-grandparents (the Barbers) had lived in the big house northeast of town. To my astonishment and delight the lady beside me said "...my grandfather was Harry Barber." To which I responded excitedly "Harry Barber was my grandmother's brother." I had often wondered about his family and where they might be. What a "goose-bump" moment . . . Harry's grand-daughter was sitting right beside me. I was soon the recipient of pictures of Harry and Isabella and family. Another piece of the puzzle had slid into place. What a delight. One never knows who they might sit down beside.

You will notice the *Bulletin* is taking on a new look. We are adding features such as contributors' photos, and photos of interest, along with their story. Check out SGS News for more detail.

We would like to thank all those who have contributed to this issue and past issues of the *Bulletin*. The success of the *Bulletin* lies with the articles we receive. We are looking for articles on topics of genealogical interest as well as articles about your ancestors, about research you have done, and stories of your ancestors' geographical origins. We accept articles from members and non-members. You can forward your article via mail, e-mail, or fax. Check the inside cover of the *Bulletin* for our address, e-mail address, and fax number.

In this issue please check out the News & Notes for articles of interest in the many journals, periodicals, and newsletters we receive at the Library and Research Room. These are all available to borrow. Have you ever had difficulty figuring out the year of an ancestor's birth, marriage, death, or other significant event, on page 54 there is an explanation of "The British Switch to the Gregorian Calendar." We also hope you enjoy the feature articles that cover a wide variety of topics.

We hope your summer plans include a visit to the SGS Library and Research Room. We look forward to seeing you.

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### **President's Letter**



BY: JANIS BOHLKEN SGS President

Hello everyone! The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual General Membership Meeting of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (SGS) was held on April 29, 2006 in Regina. The two interesting and informative workshops were presented: SGS Library and Research Room by Celeste

Rider and a demonstration of the Historical Ownership Mapping Endeavour (HOME) project by Kevin Melle. Everyone that came out enjoyed the workshops and I hope they were able to take some new information away with them. I decided that I would include my AGM report here as only a small number of members were in attendance at the meeting.

To start with I would like to remind everyone of the SGS Mission Statement–it says that SGS is a volunteer provincial heritage organization whose purpose is to promote and develop the study, research and preservation of Genealogy and Family History.

As this is our transition year before we make changes in 2007, we started an AGM package that was handed out to all that attended. It included a number of items including the Constitution, Bylaws and the Table of Contents for the Governance Policies. If you are

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## Other Saskatchewan Officers of the Militia List 1911-1914

#### BY DENNIS W. DOMONEY

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As noted in an earlier article in this series, the first ongoing militia formation with a regimental headquarters in Saskatchewan was a cavalry regiment, the 16th Light Horse of Regina. 1 An infantry battalion was not authorized until April 1908.2 By the time WWI started in August of 1914, the province had expanded its militia establishment to include 4 cavalry regiments with headquarters in Saskatchewan plus a portion of a fifth regiment whose headquarters was in Manitoba. The number of infantry battalions had risen to four. In addition, Saskatchewan militia units included an artillery battery, and a company of Army Service Corps. The artillery unit, the 26 Battery, Field Artillery, was authorized in April 1910 for establishment in Regina.<sup>3</sup> The Canadian Army Service Corps unit, the 20 Company, was authorized on 15 November, 1913, for establishment in Regina.4

Also as noted in the earlier article dealing with the militia cavalry officers,<sup>5</sup> it is possible to follow the promotional careers of certain officers. Those officers include the battalion commanding officers (CO), the battalion second-in-command (2/ic), the company officers commanding (OC), and the company seconds-in-command (2/ic). Additionally, the battalion adjutant (Adj), and the several officers holding non-command positions such as the quartermaster (QM), the medical officer (MO), and the chaplain (Chapl), and when such appointments were made, the signaling officer (Sig) and instructor of musketry (I of Musk) are also possible to track. Such tracking was made possible through the means of a quarterly supplement of General Orders called the Militia List.

It continues to be worth noting that the *Militia* List had a reputation for its errors and omissions, especially the spelling of surnames and use of

initials in lieu of forenames. To the extent that it was possible to do so, the attached *Militia List* has been verified against several other sources of information to improve the quality of the list of officers. For each of the years covered by the attached list of officers, the appointment section of *General Orders* was consulted as the primary source of forenames and verification of surname spelling. A smaller number of names were found in the Annual Reports of the Inspector General. <sup>6</sup>

To make the Militia List a more useful genealogical tool, four other sets of data have been consulted, and portions of the information contained therein were appended to the list. The National Archives of Canada (NA) has a searchable database of all officers and other ranks who served with Canadian military units during WWI.7 Each officer on the Militia List of the preWWI Saskatchewan artillery and/or service units was checked against this Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) database, and when positively identified, the CEF file number was appended. For those interested in details of the particular officer's WWI record of service, a copy of that service file may be ordered from the National Archives. The second appendant to the Militia List is the military unit the officer was attached to when he was shipped overseas in WWI, provided he was an officer at the time he was shipped. This information was obtained from the shipping lists which have been microfilmed by the National Archives and are readily available through the interlibrary loan system. 8 The third appendant to the Militia List, is the name of the regiment the officer served in during the South African War. Where an officer on the Militia List can be positively identified in the South African Was shipping lists, the final unit he served in during that was has been appended.9 For any officer who was positively

located in one of the South African War shipping lists, the appropriate National Archive microfilm number for that officer's South African War service record has also been appended. 10 The South African War service record microfilms may be borrowed through the Inter-Library Loan system. Finally, the National Archives has recently implemented a

searchable database of Boer War records, and each of the officers was checked against this database.<sup>11</sup>

For the records which are attached below, the standard abbreviations have been used for regimental names and army ranks.

Surname	Forename		Rank		Position	Regiment		Battery	Location	Province	Year
Bishop	William Gordon Vickers	SA Reel #		T2062		CEF File#	Box 761-9				
			Maj		OC	RCA		26 Btry	Regina	SK	1911-14
Gorrell	Arthur Stirling		i i			CEF File#	Box 3660-32				
			Capt		МО	RCA		26 Btry	Regina	SK	1911-14
James	Francis John		İ			CEF File#	Box 4772-3				
			Capt		2/ic	CASC		20 Coy	Regina	SK	1914
Laird	Henry Willoughby			,		CEF File#	Box 5315-37				
			Maj		ОС	CASC		20 Coy	Regina	SK	1914
Marsh	George Herbert					CEF File#	Box 5943-27				
			Capt	-	2/ic	RCA		26 Btry	Regina	SK	1911-14
McLean	Н		Lieut		МО	RCA		26 Btry	Regina	SK	1913-14
Tamblyn	David Sobey		t - 1			CEF File#	Box 9494-5				
			Lieut		Vet	RCA		26 Btry	Regina	SK	1914

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#### 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.

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Border Branch Bulletin - Border Branch SGS, Fall/Winter 2005/2006.

Immigration Records - p.4

### British Columbia Genealogist, Vol.34, No.4, December 2005.

The Happy Huguenots - p.169

### Bruce and Grey Branch OGS, Vol.36, No.1, February 2006.

- Life in Owen Sound 157 Years Ago -p.5
- Preservation Points: Books p.8

## Chinook – Alberta Family Histories Society, Vol.26, No.1, January 2006.

- New England Planter Ancestors and Three Genealogy Brags - p.10
- Report from the Celtic Special Interest Group: Wales and Welsh Connections - p.13

## Connections - Quebec Family History Society, Vol.28, No.2, December 2005.

- Home Children
- Quebec Family History Society Publications Price List

### Cariboo Notes - British Columbia Genealogical Society, Quesnel Branch, Vol.22, No.1, Winter 2005.

- · Web Bytes
- Index of Biographies from Dunrovin Lodge (Quesnel, BC Long Term Care Facility) Newsletter Jan 1981-Jan 1994

### L'Estuaire Généalogique - Société de Généalogie et d'Archives de Rimouski (SGAR), No.96, Hiver 2005.

- La Vie de nos Pères (par le chanoine Alphonse Fortin)
- Avis de décès dans l'Internet
- Octave Drapeau, un bâtisseur intrépide 1852-1916
- Le Festival du BicUn village en liesse

## Families – Ontario Genealogical Society, Vol.45, No.1, February 2006.

- Bill 183: Adoption Information Disclosure Act for Ontario - p.5
- POW Names Posted Online p.13
- Separating Truth from Fiction p.34
- An Exercise in the Genealogical Proof Standard - p.42

### Generations - Manitoba Genealogical Society, Vol.31, No.1, March 2006.

- Dangerfield Surname Origins p.3
- Personal History: Bringing Your Family Tree to Life - p.17
- Our Past Perfect Learn How to Properly Store & Care For Your Family Treasures -p.19

### Generations - New Brunswick Genealogical Society, Vol.27, No.4, Winter 2005.

- Royal West India Regiment of Rangers 1906 to 1819 (disbanded)
- Crown Lands in New Brunswick 1833
- Early History of Baie Verte
- The United Church Cemetery at Whites Cove Queens County, New Brunswick
- · Hammond Parish, Kings Co. Map

- Information, 1862
- St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cemetery Records (1881-1896)

## Halton-Peel KINnections – Halton-Peel Branch OGS, Vol.XXXI, No.1, February 2006.

 The "Lost Village" of Britannia p.4

### Heritage Echoes - Weyburn Branch, SGS, November 2005.

 Veterans Remembered in Weyburn Cemeteries - p.2

## The Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley - Trent Valley Archives, Vol.10, No.4, February 2006.

- Should a Man Marry Before or After Thirty? The Peterborough Examiner 1906 - p.9
- "Number Please" to be Heard No More in Millbrook - p.12
- Peterborough School Board, 1861-1913 - p.35

### Heritage Seekers – Grande Prairie and District Branch AGS, Vol.28, No.4, December 2005.

- Excerpts from an Edson Trail Diary
- · Archives Hints
- Old Newspapers: BMD's from the "Grande Prairie Herald" newspaper - continued

## The Journal – Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe, Vol.8, No.1, March 2006.

- A Nickel for Your Thoughts p.4
- The New Rozyszcze Records p.19
- Lutheran Cemeteries in Central Poland - p.21
- The Mazovian Brethren in the Swamplands Around Pinsk p.22

## Kingston Relations – Kingston Branch OGS, Vol.33, No.1, January/February 2006.

 The Princess of Wales' Own Regiment: Background - p.8

## Lambton Lifeline – Lambton County Branch OGS, Vol.22, No.4, December 2005.

 Name Index of Workers for the Grand Trunk Railway, Sarnia, Ontario Payroll Records from 1 July 1916 to 1 July 1917

## The Leaf of the Branch - South West Branch of M.G.S. Vol.XVIII, No.1, March 2006.

Civil Registration in Canada - p.4

## London Leaf – London & Middlesex Branch OGS, Vol.33, No.1, February 2006.

- 1891 Census: Middlesex County Institutions - p.4
- Dorchester Union Cemetery (plot owners) - p.7

### Muskoka Parry Sound Genealogy Group, Vol.21, No.2, November 2005.

- Divorce in England and Ontario Part 3
- Death Index from Muskoka and Parry Sound – 1891
- Researching in Unorganized Townships

### Newfoundland Ancestor - FHS of Newfoundland and Labrador, Inc., Vol.21,4, 2005.

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- Newfoundland Strays Deaths Afar - p.180

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- Niagara's Home Children p.9

### The Nova Scotia Genealogist, Vol.XXIII/3, Fall, 2005.

- Sources of Research Immigrants
   From United Kingdom to New
   Brunswick, Removed to Nova

   Scotia, in 1842
- Recent Acquisitions in Nova Scotia Archives and Records Management

## Ottawa Branch News – Ottawa Branch OGS, Vol.39, No.2, March/April 2006.

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- World War II Enlistment Records Online - p.69

## Our Waterloo Kin – Waterloo Region Branch OGS, Vol.5, No.4, Fall 2005.

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- Church Book of the Evangelical Lutheran St. Matthew's Congregation in Plattsville, Blenheim Township, Oxford County, Canada West, beginning in 1865

### L'Outaouais Généalogique -Bulletin de la Société de Généalogie de L'Outaouais, Vol.XXVII, No.4, Hiver 2005.

- Louis Desmarais et sa descendance gatinoise
- Comment les dossiers de tutelles

 et curatelles peuvent enrichir une recherche de famille.

### Par Monts et Rivières - Bulletin Société d'Histoire des Quatre Lieux, Vol.8, No.9, Décembre 2005.

- Le début du Cercle de Fermières de St Paul d'Abbotsford
- Notes généalogiques A la recherche de nos ancêtres: certaines difficultés et leur pistes de solution

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### Avotaynu - The International Review of Jewish Genealogy, Vol.XXI, No.4, Winter 2005.

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### Family History Research Using Saskatchewan Newspapers

### BY VERNA D. THOMPSON



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By 1492, when Christopher Columbus sailed for the New World, the art of printing was well

established in Western Europe.

The first predecessors of newspapers in the English speaking world were the corantos, or small news pamphlets. The Mayflower arrived in Plymouth Harbour in 1620 a few months before the first coranto appeared for sale in the streets of London. These corantos were produced when some event of note took place.

The birth of the corantos lead in turn during the 17th century to the development of longer pamphlets, gazettes, or official newspapers, and broadsheets and, in turn, to the spread of literacy and the establishment of libraries.

The development of newspapers in North America coincided with the colonization period. Newspapers were transplanted from Britain to the New England colonies and from there to the area that would become Canada.

The first Canadian newspaper was the Halifax Gazette founded on 23 March 1752.

The first papers in other parts of the Dominion were:

- Quebec: Quebec Gazette, 1764.
- New Brunswick: Royal Gazette and Nova Scotia

Intelligencer, 1783

- Prince Edward Island: Royal American Gazette and Weekly Intelligencer, 1787.
- Ontario: Upper Canada Gazette, 1793.
- British Columbia: Victoria Gazette and Anglo American, 1858.
- · Manitoba: Nor'Wester, 1859.
- Saskatchewan: Saskatchewan Herald, 1878.
- Alberta: Edmonton Bulletin, 1880.

The history of the press in Saskatchewan echoes the history of the province. In the early days of settlement, when the railway was being built across the vast expanse of prairie which would become the province of Saskatchewan in 1905, communities sprang up almost overnight. Many counted a newspaper as one of the first businesses along with the general store, lumber yard, livery stable, Chinese cafe, poolroom, barbershop and hotel.

The Moosomin World Spectator is considered to be the oldest weekly still serving a Saskatchewan community.

The Whitewood Herald, founded in April, 1892, is the oldest weekly newspaper still publishing under its own name.

Of the dailies, the Prince Albert Daily Herald is the oldest. It was started as a weekly called the Prince Albert Advocate in June, 1894. It became the Herald in 1908 and in 1912 became the Daily Herald.

The Regina Leader was founded in March, 1883, as a weekly; it became a daily in 1905. The Daily Post was founded in 1916. The two joined to form the Leader-Post in 1930.

The Moose Jaw Times-Herald was founded in April, 1889; it has been a daily since 1906.

The Saskatoon Phoenix was founded in October, 1902, the Daily Star in 1912; the two merged to form the StarPhoenix in 1928.

The glory years of newspapers in Saskatchewan was from 1900 to 1929 when more than 400 newspapers were founded: 131 from 1900-1910; 187 from 1910-1919 and 98 from 1920-1929.

### A Word About Newspapers

Newspapers are a business, albeit a business aimed at bringing information to the public. Their main task is to put out the next edition, and most do not have the time or resources to assist researchers. For a fee, some may do limited research as time allows, or may allow access to their back copies. Before travelling to a local newspaper office, it is best to check to see what the policy is about undertaking research and about access to the "morgue" where the back copies are kept.

The Saskatchewan Archives Board in Regina and Saskatoon has copies of Saskatchewan newspapers on microfilm; however, they do not have complete sets of all newspapers with many early editions often missing. Those from the northern part of the province are kept in Saskatoon, from the south in Regina. Before making a trip to either location, check to see if what you want is available. Weekly newspapers on microfilm are available on interlibrary loan from the Saskatchewan Archives; there is a three-reel limit; charges are \$15 plus GST out-of-province and \$10 plus GST in-province. The Archives are five years behind in copies of the Regina Leader-Post and Saskatoon StarPhoenix; those copies can be consulted at the Legislative Library or the Regina or Saskatoon public libraries. The Legislative Library in Regina also has current issues of local weeklies; again, check before travelling.

Before researching in any newspaper, know what you are looking for. Unless you are looking for general coverage of a specific event or time period, you will save a lot of microfilm reading time if you know the date of the event you are looking for. You will save even more time if you check first to see if the paper you want to do research in has been indexed.

An awareness of newspaper technology is helpful for the researcher. In the early days, type was set by hand and the amount an editor could set for a particular issue was limited so, therefore, was the news content of the papers. The development of the linotype or hot typesetter opened a new world, the faster setting allowing the news content of the paper to be increased. After the Second World War, the development of offset printing and computerized typesetting was another technological breakthrough. The last Saskatchewan weekly newspaper converted from hot to cold type in 1978.

Do not expect to find many pictures in the early papers; technology did not allow for a lot of photos and what were used tended to be "stock shots" of public figures. In the early 1950's some of the larger newspaper offices installed photo engraving units making the use of more photos possible. The photo offset printing process ushered in the modern use of news and feature photos in weeklies. Today, many publications, daily and weekly, make regular use of color photos. Digital photography is making the use of photos much easier.

### What To Look For

Daily papers roughly up to the 1960's carried a lot of news from rural areas.

The weekly papers continue the tradition of local community news and are in many ways the diary of community life to a greater extent that the dailies. It is always useful to take the time to browse through the paper to get a sense of the place in a particular time period.

 Check the editorials to find out what the community issues were.

- Note stories about the weather, drought, natural disasters and the economy; all may have had an effect on your family and may help narrow down an estimated date.
- Learn about your forebears living conditions by looking at such items as household tips, e.g. for delousing beds and the ads for patent medicines.
- Pattern ads will show clothing styles of the time.
- Don't forget the ads for ready-made clothing, vehicles, household and farm implements and movies of the time. The classified ads will carry notices about such things as auction sales and social events and land for sale or rent.
- Reports of grain prices will give an idea of farm income and crops grown in the area.
- In late June or early July, many papers carried lists of students who were promoted to the next grade; this may help guess ages and perhaps put family groups together as well as placing the family in a particular school district.
- Check accounts of such events as fairs and 4-H gatherings that may contain lists of names of winners and participants.
- News from surrounding communities may give information about family trips, visitors, and references to births, marriages and deaths.
- Some papers carry court news.
- Before concerns about privacy, many papers carried lists of patients in the local hospital, sometimes detailing the cause of the confinement.
- Local and personal columns will hold a wealth of information about community activities and comings and goings. In the early years, for instance, there will be notes about people returning to the east for the winter, or in spring returning to the farm and about visitors from away; in wartime, there was often information

- about men and women enlisting and their postings.
- Look for information about births, marriages and deaths.

Hint: birth announcements may not have been made, but a search through the district news columns may show a visit of a mother and baby to parents or other relatives.

Hint: death announcements may or may not be published but district news columns may refer to the death and may carry such details as out-of-town visitors for the funeral. In the early years, death notices were much more forthcoming about such details as cause and circumstances of death.

Hint: in recent years, some families are publishing obituaries or tributes on the first anniversary of the death rather than at the time of the event.

Hint: Wedding pictures and long write-ups are more likely to be found post-1950's. Today, it is common for such a writeup to appear six months or more following the event.

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### Grandma Climbed the Family Tree

There's been a change in Grandma, we've noticed it of late-she's always reading history, or jotting down some date.

She's tracing back the **family**, we'll all have pedigrees,
Grandma's got a hobby, she's climbing **family trees**.

Poor Grandpa does the cooking, and now, or so he states.

He even has to wash the cups and dinner plates.

Well, Grandma can't be bothered, she's busy as a beecompiling genealogy for the family tree.

She has no time to baby-sit, the curtains are a fright-no buttons left on Grandpa's shirts, the flower beds a sight She's given up her club work, the serials on T.V.

The only thing that she does nowadays, is climb that family tree

The mail is all for Grandma, it comes from near and far-Last week she got the proof she needs to join the DAR. a monumental project, to that we all agree a worthwhile avocation-- to climb the **family** tree

She wanders through the graveyards in search of date and namethe rich, the poor, the in between, all sleeping there the same She pauses now and then to rest, fanned by a gentle breeze that blows above the fathers of all our **family trees**.

To some it's just a hobby, to Grandma its much more-She learns the joys and heartaches of those who went before; they loved, they lost, they laughed, they wept-- and now for you and me, they live again in spirit around the family tree.

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#### **Cover Picture**

Thomas and Nellie (Mary Helen Martin) Porter immigrated to Canada in 1895. They came from Blackburn, Lancashire, England, leaving Liverpool July 4, 1895 aboard the schooner S.S. Labrador. They landed at Quebec City, July 14, 1895, and made the three-day train trip to Moosomin, NWT. They were met by Tom's brother Jim, who had arrived in Canada in 1892. They made their way a further 28 miles along the Moose Mountain Trail to their homestead in the Kissinia District (now Kelso, Saskatchewan). More about this family can be found in *A Flight Through Time - Wawota & District History* at the SGS Library and Research Room.

Photo from the editor's collection.

### Give Your Treasures a Pedigree

#### BY BERYL MORNINGSTAR

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Throughout our life we acquire "things" both large and small. Some have little meaning but others are personal treasures that we cherish. But it will be necessary someday to part with our things, so we give loved articles to younger friends or relatives. Those treasures will be enhanced if we write down all the details and stories we know about them and so make its pedigree.

Where to begin? Set the favourite article in front of you, then with pencil and paper begin to describe its colour, measurements, what it is made of, any distinguishing marks, when did you get it and where, how much did it cost etc. etc. In short, write down everything you know then sign and date the story. You might even take its picture or make a drawing of it.

If someone in the past gave you the object, give their name, relationship to you, when and why it was given. Record any stories about the object and again who said so and when. Even though the stories may contain inaccuracies it is better than nothing but say, "It is thought..." or "Grandma supposed..." If there was any cleaning or mending etc. give all the information about who did it, what they used, how much it cost and when it was done. If the work was done professionally attach the invoice to the growing pedigree.

While doing our personal pedigree chart we seek documentation and verification of family stories. With the same, attention to detail, keep a record about your treasures and seek documentation. If you are lucky you might find an advertisement in an old magazine or catalogue. Take a photocopy of the ad and attach it to the pedigree. It goes without saying that you keep a separate set of papers for each treasure you have.

A true pedigree is a document in which every fact has been supported by corroborating evidence. An object with a full pedigree is highly prized and sought after by collectors and antique dealers. Unfortunately, most of our old treasures and keepsakes will never have full pedigrees because the documentary evidence was thrown out years ago.

When we buy or are given a treasure, look ahead to the day when it will be an antique or collectible. Ask the sales clerk to write a description on the sales slip and keep it. Keep the original box, especially if it has the manufacturer's name on it. Begin a pedigree chart and document any changes. Write down any incidents concerning the article and again be sure to name the people involved then date and sign it. By the way, your insurance company will appreciate your efforts if there is ever a theft or loss.

If you, or someone in your family, make a quilt or hook a rug etc. begin its pedigree by noting the date begun, the materials collected or purchased, size, pattern, colours. Then when finished note the date again and sign it. You might even add where it was done and if anyone helped you. For instance, if the article being described was a quilt and scraps were used, then tell their story. Take a picture of the work in progress, especially if you had a quilting bee and be sure to give the workers' names. Take a picture of the finished product and tell where and how it will be used or stored. Think about dating and signing the homemade article. It will add to its sentimental value and maybe in time the financial value as well.

I know this all sounds like a lot of bother and work but think of the pleasure you and the person receiving the treasure will have. You know the saying, "A journey begins with a single step" so begin your treasures' pedigrees today!

## **Elementary My Dear Watson: Examine the Records**

#### BY TERESA VALERIE WALDE TIEFENBACH

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#### Introduction

As each person travels through his or her life, many records are created in the process. If we do some brainstorming, we can come up with a long list of records that are created throughout a person's life. Some of these include birth, christening (or baptism), health, school, marriage, death, funeral, probate (for wills), and court records. Others include land records, wedding invitation, and birth announcements. Just as records are made of our own lives, records of the lives of our ancestors have also been made. When doing genealogical research, therefore, we look for some of these types of records to give us some kind of indication that the person in whom we are interested did, in fact, exist.

When investigating a crime, the famous and successful Sherlock Holmes must have taught his assistant, Watson, that not all pieces of evidence were equal. He must have taught his faithful understudy to carefully examine the evidence in order to determine which pieces of evidence were more credible than other pieces of evidence. Just as all pieces of evidence obtained in a crime scene are not equal, when searching for and finding records of our ancestors, not all records are created equal. Indeed, some records are more reliable than others. Thus, another goal in family research, other than to find information about our ancestors, is to determine how "good" a record is. In order to determine how "good" a record is, we cannot blindly accept the

information we find as truth. Indeed, we need to engage in some detective work and become analytical in our investigation. To be sure, we must examine the record to determine the accuracy, reliability, and credibility of the information.

### **Factors in Examining Records**

In determining the credibility of a record, three elements must be looked at. These include: (1) the source, (2) the information, and (3) the evidence. A short explanation and example of each follows.

#### The Source

First, the source must be examined in determining credibility. When referring to the source, genealogists refer to looking at the origin of the record. Specifically, genealogists must determine whether the record is an original record or a derivative of the original record. An original record is the actual original record that was made at the time of the event or very close to the time of the event. For example, a birth certificate or birth registration is an original record. In contrast, derivatives are created from the original document. Derivatives range from microfilmed copies of the original to certified copies to transcriptions of the original to compilations of original records to family legends.

### The Information

Another element to consider when determining the credibility, accuracy, and reliability of the information is to examine the information itself. Specifically, the researcher must determine whether the information is "Primary" or "Secondary Information." The records may contain information that was given by the original person or an evewitness to the event (primary information), or they may contain information that was given by someone who was not an eyewitness of the event (secondary information). For example, the death information on a death certificate is given by someone who was an eyewitness to the death event; however, the birth information on a death certificate is not given by an eyewitness of the birth, but it is given by someone else who is reporting hearsay information (except in the event of the death of a child). That hearsay information may be accurate, or it may be inaccurate. Thus, information obtained from a record that contains primary information is superior to a record that contains secondary information.

### The Evidence

The last element to consider when determining the credibility, accuracy, and reliability of the information is to consider whether the evidence is direct or indirect. By evidence, the genealogist refers to the idea that records can give exact information of an event or can contain information that alludes to the event and can be used to estimate or calculate dates. For example, a birth registration provides direct evidence of the birth date, birth place, and parents' names of a person. In many cases, however, direct evidence is not available, and the researcher must turn to records that can be used to calculate or estimate the information needed. Records that are used to calculate or estimate information provide indirect evidence of an event. For example, census records can be used to estimate the birth date of the people listed in the household. While the census record provided indirect evidence about birth dates, it provides direct evidence of the occupants of a particular location at a particular time. Likewise, death certificates can be used as direct evidence a

person's death, but they also can be used as indirect evidence of a person's birth date.

### Putting it all Together

The general principle is that original records or copies of original records with primary information that give direct evidence are always superior to other records that are low on the derivative scale and/or have secondary information that give indirect evidence; however, reality demonstrates that these ideal circumstances are not always available. Often, the researcher must depend on records that provide indirect evidence and/or secondary information. When using indirect evidence and lor secondary information, a good rule of thumb is to use more than one record that provides the information, so the researcher has several records that support each other. In other words, by using more than one record that provides indirect evidence and/or secondary information, the researcher can corroborate his/her information. Also, by using more than one source, the researcher begins to create a history of the person rather than simply gathering facts. The more a researcher finds out about his/her ancestors, the more s/he identifies with them and understands them.

#### Conclusion

Just as Sherlock Holmes may have taught his associate, Watson, to examine the evidence of a crime scene carefully to determine its reliability, accuracy, and credibility, those searching for information of their ancestors also must take into consideration the reliability, accuracy, and credibility of the information they find. Indeed, researchers of genealogical information must consider three important factors: (1) whether the source is original or a derivative (and if it is a derivative, how far down the scale of derivatives it is placed); (2) whether the information is primary (given by an eyewitness to the event) or secondary

(given by someone who was not present at the event); and (3) whether the record provides direct evidence, which directly answers the question at hand, or indirect evidence, which can be used to estimate or calculate the dates, etc. Certainly, many records of a person's life exist, but not all records are equal in terms of reliability, accuracy, and credibility. The researcher should be wary of information that is obtained through hearsay and family legends. Although the stories may be compelling, they likely contain interpretations and enhancements. As we search the many records of the lives of our ancestors, more credibility can be invested in records and information that are closest to the event in question and that have not been altered or added to by individuals.

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### The British Switch to the Gregorian Calendar

Information was obtained off a news group on the internet.

### The Amazing 80% Year of 1752

The modern calendar is a compilation of usages dating from the days of Julius Caesar, when the Greek astronomer and mathematician Sosigenes devised for Rome a calendar only essentially familiar to us as our present-day calendar. It was during the late 16th century that work of the 6th century Anglo-Saxon monk, Bede, was submitted to Pope Gregory XIII who accepted the calculations and made the decision to issue a more accurate calendar which ultimately was accepted. The Gregorian calendar was adopted by most Roman Catholic countries. Many protestant countries did not accept the new calendar until the 18th century, including Britain ... which meant America as well.

The British finally accepted the Gregorian calendar for itself and all its possessions effective March 25, 1752. But, a remarkable 2-step change was made which is little realized today. Read on ...

It is most important that the reader understand that the British used to change the year number on March 25th and not January 1st as we do today. On March 24, 1751 the next day would be March 25, 1752 advancing the year as usual. But, a somewhat confusing phenomenon occurred, and for present day imaginations, comprehension requires close attention.

1. First, it was decreed that 1752 should end with December 31st and not be carried on to the next March 25<sup>th</sup>.

2. Second, it was also decreed that the arrival of September 2, 1752 should be called September 14, 1752.

For the sake of clarity we explain; the period of January 1 -- March 24, 1751 was the end of an epoch. The year of 1752 began on March 25th and ended with December 31, 1752, thus the earlier days of 1752 never existed, as the deleted days of September 2--13 also never existed. The year 1752 was a very short year; 72 days shorter, in fact.

Of course, dates may be recomputed from the old to the new calendars. For instance, George Washington's birthday was February 11, 1731 as far as his mother was concerned. Today, we must reckon his birthday as February 22, 1732 in consideration of the new calendar. To put it in perspective, if we count backwards from today the actual number of days since G. W was born, we would come up with February 22, 1732 using the present-day calendar.

To convert from the old Julian to the new Gregorian calendar, one must add 10 to 13 days to the old date, and sometimes change the year one extra when the date considered falls within the period January 1 -- March 24. This is crucially important to those interested in genealogy and historical research.

Documented dates before March 25, 1752 do not necessarily always corrobate a stated period of time. And, references to any New Year's Day before 1752, in Great Britain, meant March 25<sup>th</sup>.

It's true ... every syllable of it.

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#### Great Britain

- 1851 Census Surname Index Somerset Vol. 1 West Somerset. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- 1851 Census Surname Index Somerset Vol. 2 Taunton Area. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- 1851 Census Surname Index Somerset Vol. 3
  Bridgwater Langport & Ilminster. Donated by
  the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- 1851 Census Surname Index Somerset Vol. 4
  Yeovil Area. Donated by the Estate of the late
  David G. Marshall.
- A Drift of Steam (Rambles through the Swindon Story, No.1) by Trevor Cockbill. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Central Hampshire Lay Subsidy Assessments, 1558-1603 (Fawley Division, Southampton, Isle of Wight and Winchester) edited by Douglas F. Vick. Donated by George Wise.
- Chard in 1851 (Publication No.5). Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.

#### Great Britain: England and Wales

The History of Chard (Publication No.4).
 Donated by the Estate of the late David G.
 Marshall.

### Great Britain (maps)

- 100 Miles Around London, Primary Routes Map, Section 1, Scale 5 miles to 1 inch, 1:300,000 (A Geographia Map). Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- London main road map Extending to Amersham

   Upminster Sevenoaks Leatherhead Slough with complete Index (Geographers' Map Co., Ltd.). Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Birmingham, Sheet 139 (Landranger Series of Great Britain) 1½ inches to 1 mile/1:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Bridgwater (East), Sheet ST 33, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.

- Ordnance Survey: Bridgwater (West), Sheet ST 23, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall
- Ordnance Survey: Cardigan Showing part of National park, Sheet 145 (Landranger Series of Great Britain) 1¼ inches to 1 mile/1:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Fishguard, Sheet SM 93 and part of SM 94, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Haverfordwest, Sheet SM 91, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Ilminster, Sheet SM 31, 1:25
   000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Kidderminster and Wyre Forest, Sheet 138 (Landranger Series of Great Britain) 1¼ inches to 1 mile/1:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Mathry, Sheet SM 83 and parts of SM 73 and SM 84, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Newgale, Sheet SM 82, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Quantock Forest, Sheet ST 13, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Quantock Hills (Including part of Exmoor), Sheet ST 03/13 (Pathfinder Series of Great Britain) 1:25 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Quarter-inch map of Great Britain: South Wales, Sheet 12. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Quarter-inch map of Great Britain: Southern England, Sheet 16. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.

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### **SGS NEWS**

### FROM THE OFFICE ... BY LINDA DUNSMORE-PORTER

**Executive Director** 

Janis Bohlken, President of SGS, announced at the AGM that the SGS is actively looking for new accommodation for our Library and Research Room.

I recently spoke to Saskatchewan Vital Statistics and was informed that they are working on the death registration index. They could not give a definitive date for completion.

We are in the process of designing the format and developing a database to accommodate the indexing of the cemetery files held at the SGS Library and Research Room. The goal is to have the index available by the end of the year. We will keep you posted.

We will soon begin indexing the SGS obituary files. We are presently designing the format and database to accommodate these files. This is a long term project, as we have approximately 750,000 obituaries on file. We are looking for volunteers who are able to come to the library to do data entry.

If you have a photo you would like featured on the front cover of the *Bulletin* please forward a scanned copy to us via e-mail to sgs@accesscomm.ca. Please scan as a jpeg at 300 dpi. If you are unable to e-mail us a copy, please make a good quality photocopy and mail it to us. Our mailing address is on the inside front cover of the *Bulletin*. Please DO NOT send the original. Also include a brief history/story about the picture.

Also is you are contributing an article for the *Bulletin* and wish to include photos, please scan as jpeg at 300 dpi and e-mail the photos and articles to us. For alternative ways of sending your article and photo(s) please call Linda or Lisa.

We continue to look for volunteers to help keep our programs running. If you have some time and would like to volunteer, please give us a call. See page iv for opportunities.

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### **Kids Genealogy Kamp**

This is an opportunity for young people, age 12 - 16+ years to learn how to trace their family tree. It will be a beginner class for the young folk. They will be introduced to genealogical terminology, family group sheets, pedigree charts, how to interview family members, where to look for information, how to source, and organize their work. It's all about learning "Who am I?"

**Date:** Tuesday, July 4 and Wednesday,

July 5, 2006

Time: 9:00 am to 12 noon each day

Location: Saskatchewan Genealogical

Society (SGS), 1870 Lorne

Street, Regina

Fee: \$25.00 per student

Pre-registration and pre-payment required by June 19, 2006. Maximum 10 students. To register or to ask questions, contact SGS at (306) 780-9207.

### **Volunteers Required**

### Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society is looking for volunteers to help with the following programs:

#### **OBITUARY**

SGS is indexing their Obituary Collection. We require individuals to help with data entry, as well as individuals to proofread.

### SASKATCHEWAN RESIDENTS INDEX (SRI)

**Co-ordinator** - SGS requires a coordinator for the SRI program. The coordinator's responsibilities would include:

- Attending SGS planning sessions
- Maintaining a record of recorded and non-recorded documents
- Soliciting volunteers for the program
- Liaising between SGS and program volunteers
- Promoting the SRI program
- Developing contacts with local authorities
- Promoting Saskatchewan Lotteries
- Working with the Executive Assistant to solve any issues

**Proofreaders** - SGS requires volunteers who could proofread indexed material. The source materials are located at the Prairie History Room or the Saskatchewan Archives Board.

**Indexing** - Volunteers are required to index items for the SRI. Such items include Local History Books.

The following books have been indexed, however, these books have been misplaced, lost, or we do not have a copy. If you have a copy of one of these books, would you be willing to proofread or loan the book.

• B216 - Memories 1969 SYB - Kincaid area

For more information on these volunteer opportunities, please contact the SGS office at sgs@accesscomm.ca (please specify in the subject line"Wish to Volunteer") or call (306) 780-9207.

### Our Roots, Our Branches, Our Trees

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Annual Seminar Hosted by the Pipestone Branch

October 27 - 29, 2006 - Moosomin, Saskatchewan

Registration on Friday 1-5 and banquet at the Moosomin & District Community Hall, 902 Birtle Street All other events at McNaughton High School, 1016 Gordon Street

### PROGRAM AND EVENTS

FRIDAY, Oc	tober 27	J	ISC The Whole Picture - Sheldon
1:00 - 5:00	Registration - Community Hall		Kitzul
7:00 – 8:00	"Finding New Friends and Old Relatives" - Pat Ryan	K	British Ancestors Recorded in the Hudson's Bay Company Archives - Elizabeth Briggs
8:00 – 9:30	Reception and Displays	L	Don't Waste Your Time in Salt Lake City! - Harriet Eislinger
SATURDAY.	October 28	3:15 – 3:30 Re	efreshment Break
7:45 – 8:30	Continental Breakfast / Registration	3:30 – 4:30 M	Saskatchewan Archives - The
8:30 - 9:30	"Why Search Border Crossing Lists,		Wealth of Information
	Passenger Lists and Voters Lists" - Chris Krismer	N	WWW Help Me With My Research! - Chris Krismer
9:30 – 9:45	Refreshment Break	o	Land Records & Property Maps in
9:45 - 10:45	A Understanding Parish Record Keeping in Galicia and Bukovina:		the Austrian Empire Focussing on Galicia - Brian Lenius
	A Key to Success - Brian Lenius	P	Tracing Orkney Ancestors in the
	B Introduction to Scottish Internet Genealogy - Pat Ryan		Hudson's Bay Company Archives & Orkney Archives - Elizabeth Briggs
	C Two Countries Created by Civil War - Logan Bjarnason UE	6:00 – 9:00 Ba	anquet / Entertainment
	D ISC The Whole Picture - Sheldon Kitzul	SUNDAY, Octobe	<u>r 29</u>
10:45 – 11:00	Refreshment Break	7:45 - 8:45 Co	ontinental Breakfast
11:00 – 12:00	E FHC Been There, Done That, Not! - Harriet Eislinger	8:45 – 9:45 <b>Q</b>	Locating Ancestral Villages in Galicia & Finding Genealogical Records - Brian Lenius
	F Taking the "Uff Da" out of Norwegian-American Genealogy - D'Arcy Hande	R	The UELAC - Its Evolution as an Association - Logan Bjarnason UE
	G Time lines and Self Publishing - Chris Krismer	S	In the Steps of the Fur Traders - Elizabeth Briggs
	H Genealogy Resources for Those Getting Started - Elizabeth Briggs	Т	All this Technology – Can I Really Use It? - Chris Krismer
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch	9:45 - 10:00 Re	efreshment Break
1:00 - 2:00	SGS Meeting	10:00 – 11:00 <b>O</b>	ntario Research - Pat Ryan
2:15 – 3:15	I Going Home to the USA - Land & Property Research - Pat Ryan	Closing Remarks a	nd Farewells

#### SPEAKERS / WORKSHOPS

#### Pat Ryan (Regina, SK)

A well-known instructor, researcher, and lecturer, she is first generation Canadian with expertise in British, Canadian, and USA research. Her ancestry includes several other countries (making her a Heinz 57) where she has also developed research experience. Pats style is informal, honest, humorous, and educational as she deals with the challenges we all face. In 1999, she formed *PastRelations* as a venue to offer sensible, intelligent, and fun class for genealogists. She is a founding member of the College of Certified Saskatchewan Genealogists, a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, and belongs to numerous genealogical societies worldwide.

Finding New Friends & Old Relatives. This is a true story of using the Internet to go fishing: "cast-for, catch, and reel-in" new friends and old relatives in a most surprising way. We'll be looking at researching, getting results, and building bridges between Canada, USA, Germany, and the British Isles by using the Internet. It is a method that can be used by anyone, anywhere, anytime. Don't miss this fun and entertaining way to kick-off seminar 2006.

- B Introduction to Scottish Internet Genealogy. Scotland is THE leader in Internet offerings. Following one family we move back through the most useful and accessible records of Scotland, solving research problems along the way. This lecture will provide instructions and money-saving hints for using Internet pay-for-view Scottish Statutory records (1855–1905), Old Parochial Records (1553-1854), plus censuses 1841-1901. Participants can expect to leave this session with a clear view of which records to use, when to use them, and how to find the records necessary to further their own research.
- I Going Home to the USA Land & Property Research. Historically there have been frequent periods of migration, often land related, between Canada and the USA which means that researchers on either side of the border cannot afford to be ignorant of the "others" records. Using land records, we are able to extend these records into births, marriages, and deaths as we follow one family through relocations from eastern Canada, across the USA, and finally into western Canada. This lecture will offer participants numerous free Internet web sites and research tips to advance their own family routes to success.

Ontario Research. For over two centuries Ontario records have been important to the countless descendants of thousands of immigrants who spent varying amounts of time residing in this provincial territory. The object of this lecture is to introduce participants to primary and other records in the pursuit of their Ontario ancestors. Following one family we will examine sources – many now available on the Internet. Building on each set of records we discover family details, establish relationships, and uncover clues to further our research – including migration patterns.

Elizabeth Briggs (Winnipeg, MB). Elizabeth volunteers at the Hudson's Bay Company Archives where she is developing a database for thousands of Servants' Contracts from 1778-1926. She was genealogist in residence in August 2005 at the Red River Reunion and is past president of the Manitoba Genealogical Society.

- H Genealogy Resources for Those Getting Started. Beginner information on all the resources that the budding Genealogist needs to know about.
- K British Ancestors Recorded in the Hudson's Bay Company Archives. Expertise on Servants' Contracts, Private Records, Account Books, Servants' Accounts, Wills, and Ships & Shipping.
- P Tracing Orkney Ancestors in the Hudson's Bay Company Archives & the Orkney Archives. Your Orkney ancestors traced with Basic Resources at the HBC Archives, Servants' Contracts Database, Post Journals, Three generations of Orkneymen, Medical Records, Tracing William Smellie through the HBCA and Orkney Archives.
- S In the Steps of the Fur Traders. Topics will include The Red River Settlement, Land Records, Census Records, Anglican Church Records, United & Presbyterian Church Records, Red River Reunion August 2005, presentation on Visit to York Factory, Prince of Wales Fort Churchill, Orkney, Orkney Homecoming May 2007.

Christina (Chris) Krismer (Regina, Sk). Saskatchewan born and bred, she is a member of SGS as well as the Germans from Russia Heritage Society (GRHS), University of Bismarck, ND. Chris writes the Computer Column for the SGS Bulletin and continues to follow the trends associated with computers and genealogy including the Internet. Preservation of pictures and documents is another interest for her and some of the articles include related information.

Why Search Border Crossing Lists, Passenger Lists and Voters' Lists? We will look at samples of each to see what is there; look at how to access each, where to find them and how perhaps to interpret the information.

- G Time Lines and Self Publishing. This will be a very jam-packed session. Presentation will center around creating various timelines and how to use them in your research and the preparation of material, deciding on format, deciding on how to do the actual publishing and marketing your product.
- N WWW Help me with my research! We will look at what searching on the Internet involves what you can expect to find and how to go about finding the information; the advantages of using the Internet; some cautions and downfalls.
- T All This Technology: Can I Really Use It? Choosing cameras, especially digital cameras; advantages of various cameras: scanners which one; how do I restore and preserve the pictures I have and the pictures I will take or scan, are all points discussed in this presentation.

- Brian J. Lenius (Selkirk, MB). Brian is employed at The Manitoba Museum in Winnipeg. He has been conducting East European research for 22 years. Brian was the founding 1st Vice-president of the Federation of East European Family History Societies and co-founder of the East European Genealogical Society and was Journal Editor of the East European Genealogist.
- A Understanding Parish Record Keeping in Galicia and Bukovina. Understanding the various authorities (church and state) that governed the keeping of parish records through time and also the events that effected their movement during and after WW2 are essential in knowing what to expect and what is possible to find today and where.
- O Land Records and Property Maps in the Austrian Empire Focussing on Galicia. Land records for each household include holdings, taxes, and land production created in the Austrian Empire in 1785-88, 1819-1820, and 1817-1860's. The third survey included Cadastral Maps for the whole Empire showing individual yards, houses, barns, roads, field plots, churches and more. A wealth of "family history" is possible. A full wall-size example will be displayed.
- Q Locating Ancestral Villages in Galicia and Finding Genealogical Records. The Genealogical Gazetteer of Galicia makes locating ancestral villages on maps and determining the correct place names to search in archive inventories and microfilm catalogues precise and simple. Instructions in using the gazetteer for finding villages on official historic Austrian maps available in libraries and on the Internet. Sources used to compile the gazetteer will be covered showing additional information they contain.
- Logan W. Bjarnason UE (Froude, SK). President of the Regina Branch UELAC, his family roots are Icelandic, English, French, Dutch and Palatine German, the latter two being his Loyalist roots. A member of the SGS since 1970, and the United Empire Loyalist Association since 1988 he enjoys pursuing his life long interest in history and genealogy.
- C Two Countries Created by Civil War. Examines events leading up to the War of Separation (the American Revolution), takes a look at prevailing attitudes in the American colonies and England and will consider how the Treaty of Separation in 1783 profoundly changed the course of North American history.
- R The UELAC Its Evolution as an Association. Deals with the formation of the Association, its aims and objectives, membership within the Association and projects of the Regina Branch.

  Sheldon Kitzul (Saskatoon, SK). Has been employed with the ISC (formerly Land Titles) since 1993 currently based in Saskatoon. He has extensive knowledge of the former Land Titles paper-based system performing manual historical searches. He was instrumental in the conversion of Land Grants into electronic form and supervised the conversion of over 1 million paper Titles into electronic form.

D/J The ISC - The Whole Picture. The session will provide a brief overview of the products and services provided by ISC such as Land Grants, Homesteads, Titles and Instrument/Packets. It will also help you get started in performing an historical search on ISC's web site. Sheldon will also be available to conduct some on site searches.

D'Arcy Hande (Saskatoon, SK). D'Arcy has actively researched his Norwegian ancestry in Canada, the US and Norway for nearly 40 years. He is a retired archivist and administrator, having worked at Saskatchewan Archives Board from 1974 to 2005.

Taking the "UFF DA!" out of Norwegian-American Genealogy. An overview of the required background for doing successful genealogical research on Norwegian families in Canada and the United States, and then making the sometimes difficult connection back to their parish in Norway.

#### Saskatchewan Archives - Speaker TBA

M The Wealth of Information. An introduction to the vast amount of archival materials available to every researcher. A discussion on what can be found from "Obscure" records.

Harriet Eislinger (Brandon, MB). Harriet is THE person of knowledge when you enter the Brandon Family History Center. She will get your juices flowing in the quest for information and genealogy. E FHC's Been There, Done That, Not!. Just because you have been to one Family History Center, don't think you have been to them all. Each one can offer regional and ethnic differences that might surprise

L Don't Waste Your Time in Salt Lake City. You need to know how to prepare to make the most of your valuable research time when you get the chance to experience Salt Lake City, Utah and its wealth of information.

### Cancellation and Refund Policy

Refunds will be granted for requests received in writing. Requests postmarked not later than Monday, October 9, 2005 will be refunded in full and any refunded after that will be charged a 15% administration fee.

#### Accommodations:

It is your responsibility to look after your own accommodations. It is not included in your registration. The motels are all on the Trans Canada Highway west of Main Street. Following is a list of motels in

Prairie Pride Motel 306 435 3394 prairiepridemotel@sasktel.net

306 435 4228 Moosomin Country Squire Inn Moosomin Motel 306 435 3391 or 1 800 752 8683

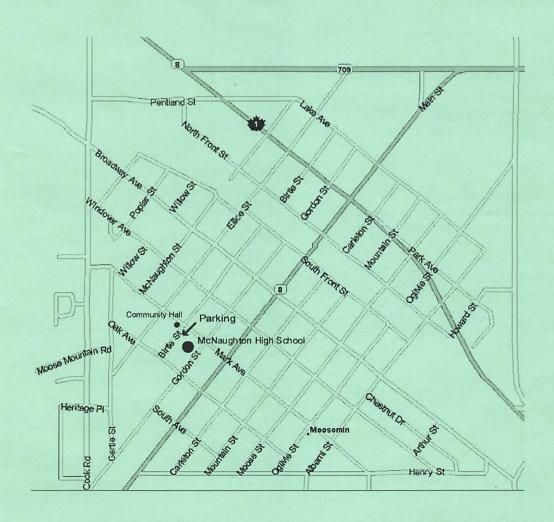
Twi-Lite Motel 306 435 3321

### Syllabus

A bound copy of printed materials submitted by speakers will be included with registration. Extra copies will be available at a cost of \$10.00 but should be ordered with registration, as copies will be in limited supply at the Seminar.

### Walking Tour:

For those who wish there is a walking tour of historic homes complete with map and brochure. Brochures will be available at registration



### **REGISTRATION FORM**

(One form per registrant, please copy as needed)

Please complete the registration form and mail it with the appropriate payment to:

SGS Pipestone Branch PO Box 331 Maryfield SK S0G 3K0

Please make cheque or money order payable to **SGS Pipestone Branch** 

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### 1891 Census Name Index Project Volunteers Needed

The Index to the 1891 Census of the Unorganized Territories is the fifth in a series of five every-name indexes prepared by the Regina Branch of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society. The previous volumes were published between 1988 and 1999 and cover the provisional districts of Assiniboia East, Assiniboia West, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Copies of these volumes continue to be available from the Regina Branch.

Phase II of the Unorganized Territories project which involves input of the data from 314 pages of transcription into Excel spreadsheets is nearing completion, with over half of the census sub-districts entered into spreadsheets.

### Volunteers to Proof against Microfilm Needed

As Excel pages are completed, we can move immediately into Phase III which will entail proofing the Excel pages against the original microfilm. Each census district averages 14 -25 census pages, which will require checking back against the original microfilm. It will not require a huge time commitment by any one individual, but if we can find 20 volunteers, each person could do one census sub district and we could have it done.

Microfilm is available in Regina at SGS, Regina Public Library, the Legislative Library and the Saskatchewan Archives.

This is a big part of the project and we would welcome individual volunteers from outside the branch.

Please contact Marian Powell at 241 Orchard Crescent, Regina SK S4S 5B9, telephone: (306) 585-0390, or e-mail: tm.powell@sasktel.net.

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#### We're On The Move!

SGS Library and Research Room is Looking for a New Home

The President of SGS announced at the Annual General Meeting that the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society will begin to actively look for new accommodations for the Library and Research Room.

The SGS Library and Research Room has outgrown its space. As well it is essential that the Library and Research Room be accessible by all patrons. At present it is on the second floor and only accessible by stairs.

The announcement of the move of the Library and Research Room kicked off a fundraising campaign to help cover the costs of the move. Please consider supporting this project. A donation form can be found on our web site at www.saskgenealogy.com.

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### Happy Anniversary!

### **Celebrating 25 years**

Three of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society's branches are celebrating their anniversary this year.

Congratulations to all!

Pangman - 4 April Prince Albert - 11 February Swift Current - 11 February

#### Genealogy Summer Camp 2006

Sponsored by the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (SGS) and taught by a Certified Saskatchewan Instructor and Researcher.

Date:

Monday, July 10 - Wednesday, July 12,

2006

Time:

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location:

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society

1870 Lorne Street, Regina

Registration Fee: \$55.00 / student plus textbook

Textbook:

Tracing Your Saskatchewan Ancestors: A Guide to the Records and How to Use

Them ... \$23.40 (10% off of original

price)

Maximum 10 students

This Summer Camp is a hands-on experience for young or mature adults who are beginner researchers or those who started on their own but are not sure how to continue. It is an opportunity to learn how to research and organize all those bits and pieces of information.

Participants will work on their own research while learning how to use the many resources available in Saskatchewan such as:

- Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Library (the largest genealogical lending library in Canada)
- Saskatchewan Archives
- Family History Library
- Prairie History Room at the Regina Public Library
- City Archives
- and more ....

Information and application form are available on our web site at <a href="http://www.saskgenealogy.com">http://www.saskgenealogy.com</a> or contact SGS office if you would like to learn more about the Summer Camp or for a brochure.

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#### Certificates

The following graduates' had a 5 year certificate which expired April 30, 2006. They have been renewed for five years.

- Darlene Clifford.- Instructor
- Blanche Fleming Instructor
- Laura Hanowski Researcher and Instructor
- Ilene Leguyere Record Searcher

The following graduates had a 2 year certificate which expired April 30, 2006. They have been renewed for 5 years:

- Leverne Baxter Record Searcher
- Barr Godkin Record Searcher & Instructor
- Beverley Gutenberg Researcher
- Christina Krismer Instructor
- · Susan Leitch Researcher
- Linda Neely Researcher
- · Celeste Rider Researcher
- Dianne Romphf Researcher
- Millie Rudolph Researcher
- · Holly Schick Researcher
- Verna Thompson Instructor
- Merle Ward Researcher

Holly Schick received her Saskatchewan Instructors Course certificate for 2 years.



From left to right: Dianne Romphf, Holly Schick, Linda Neely, Susan Leitch, Christina Krismer, and Celeste Rider.

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- Ordnance Survey: St David's and Haverfordwest Showing part of National park, Sheet 157 (Landranger Series of Great Britain)
   1¼ inches to 1 mile/l:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: St David's Pembrokeshire, Sheet SM 72 and part of SM 73, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Stafford & Telford, Sheet 127 (Landranger Series of Great Britain) 11/4 inches to 1 mile/1:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Tanby Showing part of National park, Sheet 158 (Landranger Series of Great Britain) 1¼ inches to 1 mile/1:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Taunton and Lyme Regis, Sheet 193 (Landranger Series of Great Britain) 1¼ inches to 1 mile/l:50 000. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ordnance Survey: Wolfs Castle, Sheet SM 92, 1:25 000 First Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- RAC Regional Map 1 South East, 3 miles to 1 inch map, Second Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- RAC Regional Map 2 The South, 3 miles to 1 inch map, Second Series. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Wales 4 Miles to 1 inch map (RAC Leisure Special). Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Wales and Midlands, Primary Routes Map, Section 3, Scale - 5 miles to 1 inch, 1:300 000 (A Georgraphia Map). Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.

#### **Great Britain: Ireland**

- Irish Historic Towns Atlas No. 4: Kells by Anngret Simms. Donated by Linda Neely.
- Irish Historic Towns Atlas No. 6: Athlone by Harman Murtagh. Donated by Linda Neely.

- Irish Historic Towns Atlas No. 7: Maynooth by Arnold Horner. Donated by Linda Neely.
- Irish Historic Towns Atlas No. 10: Kilkenny by John Bradley. Donated by Linda Neely.
- Irish Historic Towns Atlas No. 11: Trim by Mark Hennessy. Donated by Linda Neely.
- Basics In Irish Genealogical Research -Timeline of Significant Events and Pertinent Records by Linda Neely. Donated by Linda Neely.

### Great Britain: Ireland (maps)

- Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland: Town Plan of Belfast City Centre 8 inches to one mile map. Donated by the Estate of the late David G. Marshall.
- Ireland Map Irish Tourist Board Publication.
   Donated by the Estate of the late David G.
   Marshall.

#### **Great Britain: Scotland**

- An Index of Monumental Inscriptions in the East Lothian (Haddington-shire) produced by Alison Mitchell, Sheila Duffy & Conrad W. Nystrom.
- The Burgess Rolls of Banff and Elgin by Frances McDonnell. Donated by Sheila Thornton.

### Family History .

- Margaret Osborn: The first 100 years by Lorraine C. Hainworth. Donated by Lorraine Hainworth.
- Paisley Ties: A History of the McLean Family.
   Donated by Vema J. Betker and Marie Hall.
- The Arms and The Man, The Right Honourable Ramon John Hnatyshyn (1934-2002) by Dr. Jennie Dutchak.
- Commemorative Booklet. Donated by Dr. Jennie Dutchak.
- Dutchak A Family History 1906-2006 by Dr. Jennie Dutchak. Donated by Dr. Jennie Dutchak.

### **Book Reviews**

#### BY CELESTE RIDER

Librarian

Lloydminster Times Vital Statistics 1905-1945 compiled by Janet Newman. Lloydminster, Alberta/Saskatchewan: Border Branch, SGS, 2005. Plastic/soft cover. 296 pages. \$20.00 per copy of the book or the CD. To order the book or CD please contact: Border Branch, Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, c/o Lloydminster Regional Archives 5012 - 49 Street, Atrium Centre Site, Box 27, Lloydminster AB T9V OK2. Email: <a href="mailto:archives@lloydminster.lb.sk.ca">archives@lloydminster.lb.sk.ca</a>. Phone: (780) 875-9272.

What a wonderful gift Janet Newman and her assistants have produced for family historians. The "Lloydminster Times Vital Statistics 1905-1945" is a goldmine of information for anyone researching family in the Lloydminster area of Saskatchewan and Alberta. It may provide the key to information for genealogists researching the Barr Colonists who began the Lloydminster settlement.

This is a great addition to the collection of newspaper indexes that have been produced for various newspapers throughout the province. It is available in paper form and on CD. The paper format is not indexed but is arranged chronologically by the dates of each of the newspaper issues. (Note: An index has since been prepared and is being published in the SGS Bulletin. See this issue for the first section of the index. This index will also be added to the paper copy that Border Branch has donated to the SGS Library.)

The project, begun by Gladys Dow, was to prepare a database of vital statistics appearing in the *Lloydminster Times* from 1905 to the end of 1945.

However, it not only lists births, marriages and deaths, but also christenings, divorces, anniversaries, death memorials, estate notices, school reports and much more. For example, death information extracted from the August 18, 1910 issue of the newspaper is as follows: "D - Samuel Baptiste DUMONT, @ Onion Lake, age 98 (grandfather of Gabriel DUMONT)."

Places mentioned in the book are mainly in the Lloydminster area of Saskatchewan and Alberta, but I was surprised to see how far-reaching the community was in those early years. For example, places mentioned include not only the countries in the British Commonwealth (including Australia), but also many countries throughout the world such as Switzerland, many states in the USA, France, China, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Hungary, Poland and Latvia. I also noticed one from Kenya and another from Argentina. Also included are locations in almost every province in Canada.

Publish Your Family History: Preserving Your Family's Heritage in a Book by Susan Yates and Greg Ioannou. Toronto: Ontario Genealogical Society & the authors, 2005. 192 pages. Index. ISBN 0-7779-2152-9. This book may be purchased from The Ontario Genealogical Society, 40 Orchard View Blvd., Suite 102, Toronto Ontario Canada M4R IB9. The cost of the book is \$25.00 plus postage and handling as follows - First item: ON, PG \$5.95; MB, SK, NS, NB, PE \$7.95; AB, BC, NL, NY, YT \$8.95; each additional item: \$1.75. Canadians add 7% GST to both book and postage charges. U.S. and other destinations outside Canada: \$6.50 first item; each additional item: \$2.25. Orders outside of Canada please pay in U.S. funds.

Susan Yates and Greg Ioannou have produced a very useful and easy to read guide for anyone ready to publish a family history. It covers everything from budgeting and staying on schedule to design, layout and printing. A goal of the authors is to point out the possible pitfalls of producing a book and gives concrete suggestions as to how to avoid them. You will learn and get ideas about design, get advice on picture selection, what sorts of bindings last and look great and where to find help.

This book will be a very useful addition to your personal library if you are contemplating publishing your family history but are not sure what is involved in the process.

### **Surname Index:**

### Lloydminster Times Vital Statistics 1905-1945

The following surname index was prepared by Celeste Rider. It is an index to the book recently published by Border Branch of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, *Lloydminster Times Vital Statistics 1905-1945* that was compiled by Janet Newman.

If you are interested in information regarding any of the surnames included in this index, please consult the book or CD for more details. The book and CD are available from Border Branch – Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, c/o Lloydminster Regional Archives, 5012 – 49 Street, Atrium Centre Site, Box 27, Lloydminster AB T9V 0K2. There is a copy of this book in the SGS Library.

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# Historical Ownership Mapping Endeavour (HOME)

### BY KEVIN MELLE



From left to right: Rocky Sample - SGS Past President, Denis Riviere, and Kevin Melle.

As Administrator for the Rural Municipality (R.M.) of Lomond No. 37, I embarked, in the fall of 2004, on a project to produce a "Land Grantee" Municipal Map for my municipality. As the Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan (formerly Land Titles) had scanned all the historical Land Grants, I began to extract the data from their web site and compile the information. Because searching the ISC web site was time consuming I contacted ISC regarding the downloading of bulk information for the R.M. of Lomond. I was put in contact with Sheldon Kitzul, Client Relationship Manager. After many discussions with Mr. Kitzul and the staff at ISC, it was determined that ISC could and would provide the complete Land Grant database to R & M Computer Systems - a company owned and operated by myself and Denis Riviere. The ISC database included the Land Grant data not only for the R.M. of Lomond, but for the entire province of Saskatchewan. The project had grown from one rural municipality to two hundred and ninety-nine municipalities. Denis and I had agreed to plot the original grantees for the entire province of Saskatchewan!

The project was named the Historical Ownership Mapping Endeavour (HOME). It was initiated to provide easy access to the historical settlement records of all the land in the province of Saskatchewan. The concept was to produce a municipal map for each rural municipality that would include:

- (1) The **names** and **land location** of the original "Land Grantee".
- (2) The **date** the land was officially Granted (or Patented) to the settler, railway company, other persons, or corporation.

Hundreds of hours were spent compiling the data, tweaking computer programs, and compressing thousands of entries, to eventually produce paper maps for the two hundred and ninety-nine rural municipalities. The next logical step was to compile all this information onto a single format. In addition to the physical maps it was decided that a compact disk containing all the various data and maps would be produced. The CD would allow an individual to search by R.M., individual name, and land location. The CD contained the overlay of land grantee data over a Saskatchewan Grid Road Map to help give the researcher a perspective of where the land was located in relation to the entire province. Each quarter section contained the name, land location, and date of grant. By clicking on the name, a window would pop up and provide the name, land location, date of grant, and the grant number.

To better understand the information that was compiled for **HOME** an explanation must be made regarding the "Dominion Land Grant." The term **Dominion Land Grant** and **Homestead** are often used interchangeably; however, there is a significant difference.

- (1) A **Dominion Land Grant** was given by various government agencies to the **first** registered owner of the property. This meant that once the land was "Granted" to an individual and/or corporation, a Title was raised, which was then proof of ownership.
- (2) A **Homestead**, on the other hand, is a generic term and usually refers to "a historical area of land that a settler occupied as a home." A person who homesteaded **may not have been the first owner** of the land.

The HOME CD also contains a copy of the University of Saskatchewan's Understanding Western Canada's Dominion Land Survey System. It is a comprehensive and readable study of the survey system. The CD also contains The History of Dominion Land Grants which further explains the land grant process and the difference between a land grant and a homestead.

Almost 400,000 Dominion Land Grants were issued in the province of Saskatchewan. The information compiled in the **Historical Ownership Mapping Endeavour** contains the names, dates, and locations of, the original "Dominion Land Grants" as issued by the Dominion Land Branch of the Federal Department of the Interior from 1871-1930 and then by the Land Branch Department of the Saskatchewan Government after 1930.

Many groups and organizations were contacted for their help and assistance with this project. They included: Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan, The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), The University of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, Saskatchewan Archives Board, Saskatchewan Agriculture - Century Family Farm Award Program.

The HOME maps and CDs were launched at the Weyburn Public Library in Weyburn, Saskatchewan in September 2005. They are an excellent source of settlement information for Saskatchewan.

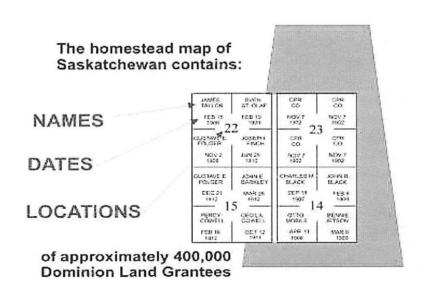


Photo courtesy of R & M Computer Systems, Weyburn, Saskatchewan

### Fifteen Military Web Sites

#### BY BEV WESTON

In the March 2001 *Bulletin*, Volume 32, Number 1, page 19, Brian Brodie has an excellent article on Military Records, and gives several well-used web sites – the big guns of military research. The following are some additional sites which might add to your research.

- British Service Medals of the First World War http://www.humbul.ac.uk/output/full2.php?id= 8389
- The National Archives Service Records for the First World War
   http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/pathways/firstworldwar/service\_records/med\_awarded.htm
- 3. British Army Records of the first World War http://www.btinternet.com/~lawrence.woodcock/army\_1418.htm
- Pictures of British Medals from Two World Wars http://web.ukonline.co.uk/david.dell/Medals/me dals.htm
- 5. Pictures of Light Dragoons in Uniform http://www.britishempire.co.uk/forces/armyuni forms/17thltdragoons1759uniform.htm
- 6. Images of British Army Uniforms http://images.google.ca/images?q=british+army +uniforms&hl=en
- 7. The Role of British Women in War http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/lj/warslj/women\_ 11.shtml
- 8. Searchable database for World War I Medals (UK N a t i o n a l A r c h i v e s ) http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documents online/browse-refine.asp?CatID=10&searchType=browserefine&pagenumber=1&query=\*&queryType=1

- Canadian Women in World War II http://canadaonline.about.com/od/canadawome nww2/
- 10. Aboriginal Veterans. Essential Facts and Time Line http://www.waramps.ca/news/abvet/back.html
- Canadian Soldiers of the First World War http://www.collectionscanada.ca/archivianet/02 0106\_e.html
- 12. Pictures of US Uniforms (ignore the sales pitch). Links to Confederate uniforms, US WWI, US Indian wars, US civil war.

http://www.ushist.com/uniforms\_civilwar\_us.htm

 Pictures and Descriptions of War Medals – German, Japanese, American, misc.

http://www.jons-swords.com/medals.htm http://www.riverinesailor.com/awards.htm US medals, including Vietnam war

14. Association of Liberation Children An attempt to link children left behind by allied soldiers with their birth families.

http://www.liberationchildren.org/

15. Project Roots and the Canadian War Children of World War II. Another project to link left-behind children with their birth fathers. The founders of this project have written a book "Voices of the Left Behind." http://www.project-roots.com/

### (...President's Letter continued from page 38)

interested in the policies or anything else that may have been included in the AGM package, please contact Linda Dunsmore-Porter for more information.

I would like to touch on the SGS objectives and goals which are:

# 1. Education: to provide encouragement and instruction in scientific and ethical research methods.

Included in the AGM package was information regarding the upcoming workshops, Summer Camps and the Certification courses - Record Searcher, Researcher, Instructor and Aboriginal Record Searcher Course. I encourage everyone who is interested in these courses to sign up and take them. There is information on these courses on the website as well as the *Bulletin*. If there is a topic that you would like a workshop on, contact SGS office and we may be able to include it in a future seminar. All topic ideas for future seminars are greatly appreciated.

### Preservation, Conservation and Collection: to preserve, conserve and collect materials relevant to the study of genealogy and family history.

Under this goal are our programs: Cemetery, Obituary, Regina Newspaper, Saskatchewan Resident Index (SRI), Saskatchewan Heritage Record Directory (SHRED), as well as the Library and Research Room. All these worthwhile programs are ongoing and I would like at this time to thank all the volunteers who have contributed to each of these programs.

### 3. Resources: to develop and maintain SGS's human and financial resources.

First of all, I would like to remind everyone that the major percentage of our funding comes from Lottery dollars. Lottery dollars are essential for the running of our organization. After the Lottery dollars, we have membership dues, donations, fundraising, program

revenue and sponsorships. A donation form was included in the AGM package and will be included on the website in the near future.

Next, under Resources are our three staff positions: Executive Director, Executive Assistant and Librarian. Without these three dedicated individuals our society would not exist. Thank you for your hard work: Linda, Lisa and Celeste.

Volunteers are another human resource that we wish to commend for their dedication and hard work. These individuals keep the programs running. Included in the AGM package was information regarding volunteer positions as well as an application form. This information is also included in the *Bulletin* and on the website. We appreciate all the volunteers and the time that they can spare on a program, whether it is one hour at a time or taking over a coordinator position. Please think about volunteering for SGS. Volunteers are an essential part of the Principles of Eligibility for our Lottery dollars.

## 4. Promotion: to promote and foster the study of genealogy and family history.

We are starting to promote more on the website regarding the society as well as on the community channels such as Excess Cable, Community Radio Channel and the newspapers. We have started to put together a video for the society. We plan to negotiate its airing on Excess Cable. Promotion also comes from the AGM and Annual Seminar when there are stories written about them.

### **New Facilities:**

We have made the decision to move the library and we are actively looking at new buildings at this time. Our goal for this is to have the library moved in time for 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2009.

### Seminar:

This is the last year that we will have both an AGM in April and a Seminar in October. Seminar for 2006 is hosted by the Pipestone Branch of SGS. The dates are October 27 to 29, 2006 in Moosomin, Saskatchewan. The keynote speaker is Pat Ryan. There is more information in this issue of the *Bulletin* as well as information on the website. I encourage everyone that is able to attend to do so. If the drive is too long for you to come by yourself - how about car-pooling with other people from your area?

In 2007, the Seminar (including the AGM) will be held in April in Regina. We are planning a day and half event, since the last Seminar was in October 2006. There will be more information on this in the *Bulletin* so stay tuned.

For 2008, we have not received any bids for hosts from the Branches. Therefore, the Board will decide shortly where the 2008 Seminar will be held so that it can be announced at the Seminar in Moosomin. If you are interesting in hosting the 2008 Seminar, please submit your proposal as soon as possible.

The Seminar in 2009 is our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and it will be held in Regina. We decided on Regina so we can host a Showcase Seminar including all the Branches as well as an open house for the new Library and Research Room. The Seminar in 2009 may be longer than the usual seminar to include the open house, so keep watching the *Bulletin* and the website for more information.

### **Communication:**

Things will be changing over the next few years so read the *Bulletin* and check the website. Communication

is a two-way street, if you have an idea or suggestion or even a comment about any activity, please talk to us. You can send an e-mail to the Library (sgs.library@accesscomm.ca) or to the Board (sgs.board@accesscomm.ca), send a letter or fax telling us what you would like to see in the future. This is your society, your input is important and everything that is received will have value to the Board and Staff. What do you want to happen? Any comments on the AGM package, do you want anything else added to the package, let us know and it will be included in the package that will be handed out at the October meeting.

### May 16 - Census Day

May 16, 2006 was Census Day in Canada. This is the first year that *Statistics Act* guarantees the confidentiality of census information. I hope everyone remembered to mark "yes" to the question which will allow your personal information to be released in 92 years for future genealogists and family historians. If you marked "no" or left this question blank that your information will never be made public to future genealogists.

Finally, I hope everyone has a wonderful and eventful summer. If you can spare a few hours to volunteer for one of our programs that would be most appreciated. Enjoy the summer.

**SGS Board Meetings:** 

March18 & 19, 2006 June 10, 2006 September 16 & 17, 2006

### **Charles Daniel Weston**

### BY BEV WESTON

Charlie Daniel Weston has always been one of my favourite characters, perhaps because he had led a somewhat unconventional life - at least until the time of his marriage.

Charles Daniel Weston was born 19 February 1851 in Shoreditch, London, Middlesex, England to William Weston and Elizabeth Ann Squibb. In 1857 or 1858 the family emigrated to Canada, settling in Toronto, and eventually moving from there to Madoc, near Belleville, Ontario. A further move took the family to Oswego, New York where twins were born in 1864.

It was during the family's stay in New York State that Charlie Daniel showed his adventurous side. Our family information states that Charlie Daniel ran away from home at the age of 14 years and joined the American Civil War, which was getting underway. He joined as a bugle boy. I have a bit of a problem with this information, as Charlie Daniel would have been 10 in April of 1861 when the War began, and 14 when the War ended in April 1865; I suspect it was more that Charlie Daniel joined towards the end of the war, as his action pushed the parents to return to Toronto about 1865 for fear other sons would do the same.

After the War, Charlie Daniel needed a new direction. He was a crack rifle shot and used to shoot at shows and fairs, shooting apples off people's heads for one thing. He looks quite proud of himself in his outfit.

One day while engaging in such a practice, the bullet grazed the scalp of some young fellow, so it was necessary for Charlie Daniel to find yet another line of work.



Charlie Daniel went into the tent and awning business and made his home in and near Chicago. His obituary states that he was in Chicago at the time of the Great Fire in 1871 - the one supposedly caused by Mrs. O'Leary's cow.

Charles Daniel Weston married his first cousin, Emily Welch, on 24 January 1881 in Ottawa. Emily died in Cleveland, Ohio 23 July 1928 and Charles died 21 December 1934 while visiting a sister in Toronto. Both Charlie Daniel and Emily are buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto. They had no children

### Computer Column

### BY CHRISTINA KRISMER



Sometimes we need to step back and allow others to come forward - allowing them to share their knowledge and ideas. At this time I am asking you to share some of your knowledge with the readers of this publication. Write a short article, comment about something you have learned relating to using the computer,

genealogy software or how you are using your computer to do your genealogy. It may be shortcuts or tips to simplify your work. I know there are numerous individuals out there with ideas. How about sharing? Send your ideas to **sgs@accesscomm.ca** or mail them to SGS Library & Research Room, PO Box 1894, Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3E1.

The publishers of Family Chronicle magazine have a new publication for you - "Internet Genealogy". The first issue was May 2006. It is directed to using the Internet for your research. Some of the topics in the May 2006 issue include: Successful Searching Strategies, Top Places to Start Your Research, Top 10 Websites for Polish Genealogy and Genealogy Freebies. Visit their website at www.internet-genealogy.com for more information.

"Far away pastures are always greener" is a phrase we've all heard. This isn't always true. Listening to a presentation made by the SGS librarian, Celeste Rider, at the April AGM, I realized this could apply to SGS members.

It is time for us to look in our own backyard. The SGS web site, although not as user friendly as it could be, is a resource many who are using the Internet do not use. I would suggest you take some time soon, go to www.saskgenealogy.com and seriously look at the web site. Go into all the pages. This may take you some time

but you will be amazed at the amount of information there.

What might you find? Some of you may have looked at the cemetery list page. All the known cemeteries are listed, their location, whether private or public, the number of burials, when last burial occurred, if there is a web site (and a link to that web site). The cemetery list also indicates whether the cemetery has been recorded and listed in the Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI).

One of the pages that should be of great interest is the Library Catalogue page. You can search through the catalogue, using various ways - topic, title, subject, etc to find resources. Once you have found something of interest, it may be possible to borrow the item (in Canada or if it is not "for reference" or a map). The SGS library is one of the largest genealogical lending libraries in Canada.

On the main page, the events link lists the activities of the branches across the province as well as the SGS calendar. Also, there is a link to workshops, classes and seminars.

Periodicals are available to borrow. People are not making use of these periodicals. This could mean cutting back on subscriptions. Issues older than ten years are being culled due to lack of use and lack of space.

Key articles in these publications are listed in the library catalogue. The periodicals themselves are listed under "Special Collections".

Under "Research Tools" you may find articles for finding ancestors in Western Canada; a member list, giving their email address and areas of research; the Bulletin; an RM locator (a map); computer software.

SHRD a project SGS started in October 2000 has slowed down. A project coordinator is needed. Perhaps

you could assist there. Work can be done from your home.

Volunteers are always needed to keep an organization such as SGS and its branches running - they are the backbone. We can't expect to be constantly taking or using and not give anything back. Take a look and see. What can you offer? Every little bit counts.

A link from "Research Tools" is "Special Library Collections" which outlines collections for researching Western Canada, Eastern Europe, Indian and Metis, Ontario, Quebec, Atlantic Canada and Britain and Ireland.

There is a spot where you can offer constructive criticism, suggestions or ideas for improvements. Remember - "far away pastures are not always greener." We have great resources right in our library and they are not being used to the extent they could be.

Your computer and the Internet are tools used to make some of your research easier. No doubt we are finding more and more information on the Internet. This also means we need to be more thorough in our documentation of our resources. Searching on the Internet is less time consuming if you make note of the sites visited - useful or useless. However if we have to repeat our visits or search for a site numerous times, then we are not being time efficient. For much of the information we must still get to the original.

If we are posting to the Internet we have other responsibilities. Are the sources being credited? Do you have permission to post information about others, especially the living members of your tree? Researchers have a code of ethics to follow. As an individual researching you are also expected to be sensitive to others wishes and privacy.

In the April-June 2006, issue of Family Chronicle Magazine the article "Internet Scams and Misadventures" should be of interest to Internet users.

In the October-December issue of NGS Newsletter there is an article "Internet tips & tricks to locate living persons" by Kathleen W. Hinckley. She suggests the Internet is a powerful tool if the researcher "knows where

to look, how to tweak databases, and how to analyze the data properly to reach sound conclusions."

She suggests that you start with a broad search for the first/last name, click on a record type, examine the results. If there are too many hits use the advance feature to filter your search. Use a variety of combinations of the different fields for your search - name and date of birth, name and place of birth. Study the database list for the area you want. If a site gets your attention, click and look at it. You may be able to find local telephone numbers. Calling the party must be done with care. Don't startle the person. Outlining the reason for the call and how you are connected. You may get a positive response. Respect their privacy. I would suggest this is another article to be read.

Have you done a backup of your data lately? I have to share with you my experiences since the beginning of March. My computer was getting on in years so it was decided to update. My data was backed up (all data including my genealogy data) - no problems. Got everything onto my new computer and was working away on it. Had new materials for some classes I was teaching, new data in my family tree, was ready to do a backup as soon as I finished doing this article. Well I had a crash!! Back I go onto my old computer until I get a new hard drive. New hard drive arrives so I start backing up my new work from the old computer. Now the backup crashes - it has my first backup and what I am backing up now. To make a long story short - I manage to retrieve some data from the new hard drive that crashed. The device with the backups is with the company that manufactured it but it is very likely that they will not be able to save any of the data on the device. Thank goodness for the old computer. I was able to transfer the data from it to my newest hard drive and I am almost back to where I was. I do have some data missing but I can probably remember what it was and redo the work. Have I done another backup - you bet I have!!!

Computers are machines. Machines fail. Some are faulty and can fail at anytime. Save, save often and have more than one backup of your data.

Have an enjoyable summer.

### **Cemetery Program**

#### BY LINDA NEELY

SGS Cemetery Coordinator

Summer is a time when most of the cemetery records are gathered but for those who are not cemetery "gatherers" there are other ways to contribute to the cemetery program.

Since 1975 SGS has located over 3,300 cemeteries and collected the records for about 2,250 of them. To make the records more accessible we are also making them part of the Saskatchewan Residents' Index (SRI) and about 1,287 cemeteries have been entered to date. There are an estimated 133,000 records that can now be searched in the SRI, making the cemetery files much more "researcher friendly."

However, there are as many as 300,000 records that are not in the SRI and we would really like to get them into the index. So if you are handy with a computer and can spent some time doing data input we can use your skills. Entering cemetery records is generally quick and easy, not too much effort or computer skill involved. We use an Excel spreadsheet template that can be e-mailed. Please let us know if this is something you would like to try.

And just to note – when cemeteries are being recorded, if we get them in a suitable electronic file such as Excel we send them immediately to the SRI index as well as add them to the cemetery collection. So that is something to keep in mind as well if you are recording.

There is another skill we are in need of in maintaining the cemetery index on the SGS web site. The index is kept in a Microsoft Access 2000 database that was designed in 2001. If you are familiar with creating databases with this program we could use your help to upgrade and make some enhancements to this database.

Our list of RM maps has gotten a bit shorter because some members have kindly donated updated maps. Thank you so much.

We still need maps for the following RMs: 9, 91, 94, 125, 126, 131, 154, 161, 181, 232, 241, 245, 252, 280, 303, 308, 346, 376, 377, 378, 405, 426, 438, 467, 486.



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### **SGS Bulletin Board**

### LIBRARY CLOSURES

July 3, 2006 - Canada Day
August 7, 2006 - Saskatchewan Day
September 4, 2006 - Labour Day
October 7, 2006 - Thanksgiving
October 27 & 28, 2006 - SGS Seminar in Moosomin
November 11, 2006 - Remembrance Day
December 23, 2006 - January 1, 2007 - Christmas
/New Years

### **SUMMER HOURS**

Monday - Friday, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm (Effective May 8, 2006 - September 8, 2006)
Last Monday opened is August 28, 2006

#### WINTER HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday, 10:00 am - 4:30 pm (Effective September 16, 2006)

### In Memory Of

- Greg Archibald son of Barb Archibald, April 14, 2006, Biggar SK
- Ronald Isaak husband of Bonnie Isaak, November 28, 2005, Abbotsford BC

### Query

**DOYLE:** Daniel David or David Daniel. Last known location - he was a butcher in Rocanville in 1904. Born 1858?? in New York and was 21 when he married in 1879. Contact Geri Jarvis, 874 Garwood Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3M 1N5 or email: **gerijarvis@hotmail.com**.

### LOUIS RIEL HISTORY TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY

Documentary uses genealogy to bring history to life as we trace the descendents of key players in the Red River resistance and NW 'rebellion'. If you have any information on the families of Riel or any of the participants (Métis or non-Métis) in the 1870/1885 uprisings, please contact Rebecca: (416) 504-3662

ext: 228 or e-mail: rsnow@yapfilms.com

### **Announcements**

### 11th Yorkshire Family History Fair

The largest Family History event in the UK takes place 24 June 2006 at York Racecourse (Knavesmire Exhibition Centre) from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. Free parking, admission £3.00 and cafeteria facilities. Further details from: Mr. A. Sampson, 1 Oxgang Close, Redcar, Cleveland, TS10 4ND, England.

### 36th Annual GRHS International Convention

Hosted by GROW (Germans from Russia Oregon, Washington) on 12-16 July, 2006 at the Portland Airport Holiday Inn. E-mail Paul Voeller at **voellerp@worldstar.com** or contact GRHS 2006 Convention, 130 SE 155<sup>th</sup> Place, Portland Oregon 97233.

## EEGS/FEEFHS International Conference, Winnipeg - August 4th to 6th 2006

"Discovering Our Roots From East Europe to The New World"

The East European Genealogical Society (EEGS) and the Federation of East European Family History Societies (FEEFHS) will hold a conference to explore East European ancestry on August 4 to 6, 2006 at the Victoria Inn, 1808 Wellington Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The conference will feature presentations by renowned specialists from the U.S.A. and Canada focusing on areas in present day Poland and Ukraine as well as the Russian, Austro-Hungarian, and German Empires.

Geographic focus: Poland, Ukraine, Galicia, Bukovina, Volhynia

Ethnic focus: German, Polish, Ukrainian, Mennonite, Czech-Slovak

A total of 34 presentations will cover research procedures, records, languages and scripts, sources and many other topics. There will also be a generic track for beginners of genealogy with general

research topics including computers and others. Many of the Conference Speakers have agreed to provide **free consultations** (up to 15 minutes) offered on a first-registered, first serve basis.

The cost is **only \$95.00** for attending the whole conference (Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday morning.) There is also a Syllabus (a printed condensed version of the Conference presentations) for \$30.00, as well as a Saturday evening banquet for \$30.00.

For further information:

- website at <u>www.eegsocietv.org</u>
- e-mail <u>info@.eegsocietv.org</u>
- phone EEGS Voice Mail at (204) 989-3292

# Society for German Genealogy In Eastern Europe (SGGEE)

Convention 2006 will be held on 11 - 13 August 2006 at the Coast Terrace Inn Edmonton South, 4440 Gateway Boulevard, Edmonton AB. A genealogical convention for people tracing their German roots back to Congress Poland, Volhynia, and peripheral regions. Workshops and sessions will cover topics ranging from how and where to search for genealogical information to applying DNA studies to genealogy to a travel log showing the land that our ancestors once lived in. Visit their web site: www.sggee.org or contact SGGEE Convention, Box 905 Station M, Calgary AB T2P 2J6, e-mail: convention@sggee.org.

## American Historical Society of Germans From Russia

37<sup>th</sup> Annual International Convention will be held in Lincoln, Nebraska from 14-20 August 2006. Theme: "Keeping the Dream Alive." For information on the convention, speakers, tours and more, contact: AHSGR International Convention, 631 "D" Street, Lincoln, NE 68502-1199 or visit their web site: http://www.ahsgr.org/.

### Birthplace of American Genealogy Conference

Boston, Massachusetts welcomes you for a reawakening of the joys of researching the family tree. The New England Historic Genealogical Society, host of the 2006 Federation of Genealogical Societies' annual conference takes place on 30 August - 2 September, 2006. Register online at www.fgs.org. E-mail: fgs-office@fgs.org.

### Ulster Historical Foundations 50th Anniversary Conference

Searching for the Elusive Irish Ancestor? *Belfast:* Past, Present and Future takes place on 25 - 30 September 2006. There will be a variety of talks, tours, presentations and events. Check web site for updates www.ancestryireland.com. E-mail: enquiry@uhf.org.uk for further information.

### Family Roots 2006

Alberta Family Histories Society presents Family Roots 2006 on 13 - 14 October 2006 at The Carriage House Inn, Calgary, Alberta. For more information contact the Alberta Family Histories Society, 712 - 16 Avenue NW, Calgary AB T2M 0J8; telephone: (403) 214-1447; web site: www.afhs.ab.ca/

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

# The Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship

The Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship is to be awarded annually to a Canadian resident to study the field of genealogy and family history in a recognized educational or accreditation program. Deadline for application: 31 December 2006. Scholarship will be awarded in Spring of 2007. For information write to Alberta Family Histories Society, Attention: Scholarship Committee, 712 16th Avenue NW, Calgary AB T2M 0J8 or web site: http://www.afhs.ab.ca/scholarship/.

### Found Information on Saskatchewan Families

Can-UK received a letter from a lady in England who has found an exercise book [with information] on some people from Saskatchewan. She is willing to send the exercise book to any bona-fide claimant who may be interested. The story has been written by various members of the family. Other names are: Magnusson, Haldorsen, Kaufman, Ingisbjorg, so there could be Swedish or Icelandic connections. I hope there might be someone who is interested.

... I thought you might be interested in a fascinating document. An exercise book has come into my possession, which contains an account of various members of a family, most of whom live in Saskatchewan. It was found amongst some books handed in anonymously to a second hand bookshop. I should like to think there is a family somewhere that would treasure it.

The story begins with two brothers, William and James HILL who were born in Bannockburn in 1881 and 1883 and who emigrated to Canada in 1910. They farmed in the Loon Lake/Wynyard area of Saskatchewan.

In 1921 James married Jeanette NIEMEYER, a widow with two children. She was the daughter of Charles and Mary HOBART. James and Jeanette had four children, whose descendants still live in Saskatchewan. The stepchildren of James seem to have adopted his name. One of his descendants is called Shirley and is a nurse, living in England.

In 1925, William married Selina GILLARD, also a widow, who had six boys. Their descendants also live in Saskatchewan, though some may have moved to British Columbia.

Contact Brian Brodie at **brodbr@sasktel.net**, if you would like to follow this up or have a connection with the families listed. He will be happy to put the person in contact with Ms. TAYLOR.

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Cutoff for Bulletins are: July 15, 2006; October 15, 2006; January 15, 2007 and April 26, 2007.

### **Call For Articles**

SGS is looking for articles to publish in future editions of the *Bulletin*.

We like to publish a variety of information in each issue, but we must receive a variety of articles in order to do this.

- Size of the article does not matter.
- Pictures, graphs, diagrams, etc are welcome.
- If your article is printed in one of our issues, YOU receive a complimentary copy of the Bulletin that the article is printed in.

Submissions can be mailed or e-mailed, send to: SGS, c/o Bulletin, PO Box 1894, Regina SK S4P 3E1, E-mail: <a href="mailto:sgs@accessconm.ca">sgs@accessconm.ca</a>.

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#### Basic Search of Saskatchewan Records

\$37 CDN / \$37 US / £21 per person/couple. The SGS will do a basic search of Saskatchewan sources. We require a given name and surname AND if possible, a Saskatchewan location. Sources searched: 1. Homestead index & file. 2. Obituary index. 3. Cemetery index & file. 4. Local histories. 5. Newspaper index. 6. SRI. 7. Census Index (1891, 1901) 8. Family Histories (SGS Library Catalogue). Up to \$2 worth of copying plus postage is included. Beyond that copying charges would be quoted.

#### Other Indexes:

\$7 per surname plus 50¢ per page for prints.

- Index to 1881 & 1891 Census for Assiniboia East, Assiniboia West & the District of Saskatchewan.
- · Index to 1870 Census of Manitoba location required
- · Index to 1871 Census of Ontario must specify county
- Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Register Master Index 1829 to 1910 (Ontario)
- Index to Upper & Lower Canada Land Records 1737-1867
- Index to Ontario Land Records (Original Landowners only)
- Index to 1881 Census Index England & Wales, Isle of Man, Guernsey, Jersey & Royal Navy (Fee is per surname per county)
- Index to Old Parochial Registers (OPR) of Scotland for Aberdeen, Angus, Glasgow, Inverness, Kincardine, Orkney, Sutherland, Renfrew, Ross & Cromarty, Kirkcubright. (Fee is per surname per county)
- Index to BC Vital Statistics: Births 1872-1901; Marriages 1872-1926; Deaths 1872-1981
- Aberdeenshire Index of Monumental Inscriptions. The Index will tell you the name of the cemetery where your surname is found.

### Saskatchewan Obituary Search

<u>Particular Search</u> - \$3 per obituary, plus a self-addressed stamped envelope. <u>General Search</u> - \$5 per surname, plus .25¢ per page for photocopying, plus a self-addressed stamped envelope.

For <u>obituaries not in the collection</u>, SGS will check to see if a newspaper is available for the location and time period - \$10 per obituary.

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\$3 per name, plus a self-addressed stamped envelope if the name of the cemetery is given. \$5 per surname if the name of the cemetery is given. \$10 per name if all cemeteries in a Rural Municipality need to be checked.

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General Search - \$4 per surname - all entries for a particular surname. Includes up to 4 pages of printouts, quote for entries beyond this number. Particular Search - \$3 for one name. Includes up to two pages of printouts. Look-ups and copying as a result of the SRI Search - \$1 per source plus 25¢ per page for copies plus a SASE.

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\$17 – Provide the name of the homesteader and a community name or general area/location in Saskatchewan where the homestead could have been.

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<u>3 year search</u> - \$10 per person. For a marriage record both parties are considered as one.

- England & Wales 1837-1894; 1900; 1901; 1912-1914
- Ontario Births 1869-1907; Marriages 1869-1922; Deaths 1869-1932

Your report will include the information from the index as well as information about how to obtain the original record.

### Other research services that are available

- · Indian and Metis Sources \$50 per family
- Henderson Directory \$15 per name for a search of five directories – you must specify the time frame
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