**Jacquard**

The article*,* “*La paroisse de Quinan va célébrer son centenaire*” in the Thursday, October 22, 1959 (Volume 23, No. 27) issue of *“Le Petit Courrier du Sud-Ouest de la Nouvelle-Écosse* notes that,

The Micmac Indians still inhabited this region when the first Acadians arrived and a certain number of them remained there long enough; the last were Tony, Joseph and William Pictou.

The first Acadian to come and settle at the ‘Forks’, today Quinan, was Jean Baptiste Muise who had married Geneviève Moulaison, daughter of Joseph Moulaison 1st. He was followed closely by two brothers, both sons of Michel Doucet 1st and of Marie Muise. The first, Jacques Doucet, first married Anne LeBlanc, daughter of Charles LeBlanc, and married secondly, Théotiste Muise. He was the father of 29 children, The second, Joseph Doucet, married Angélique Muise, daughter of Paul Muise. These pioneers were followed by Marc Frontain, ***Sylvestre Jacquard***, Alexis Vacant (Vachon) and Marcel Collin. More recently arrive the Morrises, the Hatfields, the Blanchards, the Melansons and the Dulains (translation).

Père Clarence-Joseph d’Entremont claims that ***Philibert-Sylvestre Jacquard*** came from Metz, France and that he married a daughter of Paul Mius of Tusket Forks/Quinan, Nova Scotia, supported by the 1884–1885 logbook of Captain Hilaire Valentin Pothier of Wedgeport. Captain Pothier’s logbook was transcribed and published by Père d’Entremont with notes and commentary included in 1986, under the title, *Historique de Saint-Michel de Wedgeport, Nouvelle-Écosse: Par Le Capitaine Hilaire-Valentin Pothier, 1884-1885: Notes et Commentaires par Clarence-Joseph d’Entremont, Prêtre.* Confirmation of Père d’Entremont’s claims in the words of Captain Pothier can be found on page 54 of Père d’Entremont’s transcription. Père d’Entremont asserts, in relation to Philibert-Sylvestre on page 47 of his book entitled, *Histoire de Wedgeport de 1767 à Nos Jours,* Second edition(1995), that “*On a dit qu’il était bel homme*”(They say that he was a handsome man).

According to his civil death record, ***Philibert-Sylvestre Jacquard*** was a native of France. Philibert-Sylvestre died in March of 1868, in Tusket Wedge/Wedgeport, Nova Scotia at the age of approximately 67 years; therefore, he was born circa 1801. Although a marriage record does not exist or has yet to be found for ***Philibert-Sylvestre Jacquard*** and Marie Elizabeth Mius, we know with great certainty that she was the daughter of Paul Mius and Marie Leblanc, because of her civil death record.