## **February 2016 Newsletter**

The most significant change to the web-site this month is one that you will not notice if I did not bring it to your attention. From now on access to the web-site is through secure HTTP. This means two things: Firstly the identity of the web-site is protected by an authentication key which proves that it really is my web-site and not something that just looks like my web-site. Your browser will flag this authentication by an indicator next to the URL. On Firefox this is a green padlock symbol. Secondly all information exchanged between your browser and the web-site is encrypted. This is, of course, particularly important when you are signing on and providing your password.

The Ancestor Tree tool is improved to present the ancestors in an order which makes the result look like a tree:

1	Ancestor Tree for Donald Amos Cobban (8 Oct 1920—13 Oct 2006)	? Help
	Maximum depth in generations: 4  Display locations?   Close	
	Father's Father William Cobban (about 22 Feb 1789—1860)	
	Father's Father Robert Cobban (1 Apr 1851—18 Aug 1930)	
	Father's Father's Mother Isabella McKenzie (about 8 Oct 1813—23 Mar 1863)	
	Father Robert Grant Cobban (5 Jun 1889—24 Aug 1963)	
	Father's Mother's Father John Brodie (about 7 Jul 1813—26 Jul 1882)	
	Father's Mother Margaret Brodie (7 Apr 1856—18 Jan 1924)	
	Father's Mother Christena Campbell (25 Jun 1830—22 Mar 1931)	
	Donald Amos Cobban (8 Oct 1920—13 Oct 2006)	
	Mother's Father's Father John Wilton (22 May 1818—25 Mar 1904)	
	Mother's Father Amos Perry Wilton (13 Dec 1849—5 Mar 1921)	
	Mother's Father's Mother Hettybel Elizabeth "Hittybel" Crane (about Sep 1830—4 May 1900)	
	Mother Ethel Clara Wilton (10 Aug 1889—20 Apr 1983)	
	Mother's Mother's Father John "Jonathan" Bond (2 Mar 1831—27 Aug 1907)	
	Mother's Mother Elizabeth Bond (15 Oct 1853—26 Apr 1910)	
	Mother's Mother Jane Robinson (20 Oct 1831—22 Sep 1906)	
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*Illustration 1: Ancestor Tree* 

The table of Wesleyan Methodist Baptisms was clumsy to use because each line of the response to a search was much wider than a browser window. So the display is now split into a summary and a detail page:

## Wesleyan Methodist Baptisms Update

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displaying rows 1 to 20 of 34

Volume	Page	Surname	Given Names	Birth Place	Birth Date	Details
3	330	Campbell	Archie John	Logan	9 Apr 1870	Details
1	696	Campbell	John	MacNab	18 June 1848	Details
1	53	Campbell	John	McKillop	17 Aug 1854	Details
1	753	Campbell	John	W.Hawksbury	9 May 1852	Details
4	171	Campbell	John	Manvers	31 Oct 1864	Details
2	714	Campbell	John	McNab	18 June 1848	Details
2	560	Campbell	John A.	Tilbury	19 Sep 1862	Details
4	121	Campbell	John Albert	Vespra	10 Mar 1888	Details
3	571	Campbell	John Albert	Raleigh	25 July 1872	Details
3	780	Campbell	John Archibald	E.Williams	6 Nov 1873	Details
4	125	Campbell	John B.	Storrington	7 Jan 1880	Details
2	96	Campbell	John Christopher	Adelaide	28 Sep 1857	Details
2	51	Campbell	John Edw.	Tillbury	23 Mar 1863	Details
1	542	Campbell	John Ginty	Haldimand	22 Aug 1836	Details
2	495	Campbell	John Henry	Otonabee	20 Mar 1858	Details
2	673	Campbell	John Henry	Montague	13 Apr 1865	Details
2	714	Campbell	John Hugh	McNab	14 Mar 1859	Details
3	270	Campbell	John James	Glenelg	14 July 1866	Details
4	121	Campbell	John Macdonald	Barrie	11 Dec 1876	Details
2	675	Campbell	John Newbold	Colborne	5 Feb 1863	Details

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*Illustration 2: Summary of Response to a Search of the Wesleyan Methodist Baptisms* Clicking on a "Details" button displays:

Wesleyan Methodist Baptism: Update	? Help
Previous Next New Query	
Volume: 3	
Page: 780	
Name: Given: John Archibald	
Family: Campbell Birth Date: 1873-11-06	
Birth Place: E.Williams	
Link: Search	
Search	
Alfred John Campbell (12 Apr 1874—1948)	
Archibald Campbell (5 Jan 1872—26 Jun 1946)	
Archibald Campbell (about 1873—)	
Archibald D. Campbell (26 Aug 1871—1937)	
Daniel John Campbell (about Jan 1871—1927)	
Johanna Campbell (12 May 1871—)	
John Campbell (about 1871—)	
John Campbell (30 Jun 1872—)	
John Duncan Campbell (about Aug 1871—)	
John Lamont Campbell (15 Aug 1873—1943)	
Joseph Henry Campbell (7 Sep 1873—)	
Baptism Date: 1875-03-29	
Baptism Place: Parkhill	
Father's Name: James	
Mother's Name: Jesse	
Minister: Ames, Rev. W.	
<u>Update</u> <u>Clear Form</u>	

 ${\it Illustration 3: Details of a Wesleyan Methodist Baptism\ Transcription}$ 

This page includes a list of potential matches in the family tree.

## In conclusion:

As usual check out <u>February 2016 Updates to Website Functionality</u> for details on the changes made to the implementation of the site during the past month, and a list of bugs that have been fixed. Also check out <u>List of Recently Added Individuals</u> for information on the recent growth of the tree which currently holds 91,376 individuals, 25,891 families, 72,935 events, and 281,928 citations.