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## President's Report

Jayne Paradis, MGS #45

This year marks the 30th year that MGS has been in existence - doesn't seem that long ago we were celebrating our 25th!

Have you checked out our resource library lately? We are always getting new additions to our library; the computers always seem to be used and our volunteers are busy.

The next time you come to MGS, bring a friend. Or, tell your kids' (or grandkids') teachers about us.

Join an MGS branch - the Southeast and Winnipeg Branch, here in Winnipeg, for example, has had something going on almost every month. I would like to think that MGS could continue for another 30 years (and longer of course) but we can't do it without you, the members.

## From the Editor

I want to wish all the members of MGS a Happy Birthday. Thirty years ago, a handful of people interested in family history organized and formed the Society. Some of them (including our President!!) are still active members!

We have several events coming up for our members and for anyone interested. In May, we will hold an Open House at the MGS Library in honour of Manitoba Day. In mid-June, we will be holding our annual Garage Sale to raise much needed funds. In July, we will be holding our second Garden Party. All this, and research too!! I must apologize for some errors in the last issue. Unfortunately, I goofed and mislabelled the Volume number. As well, part of an article (an 1850 letter) was omitted. I have included the end of that article in this issue, on page 23. I vow to be more careful in the future!!!

We are still in need of volunteers for executive positions, for Special Projects, and for general help around the Library. If you have a few hours a week to spare, please give us a call and offer your services.

Drop into the library and try the new indexes to the Canada 1911 census and the Ontario Births, Deaths and Marriages available through Ancestry.com.

### Definition:

A cemetery is a marble orchard, not to be taken for granite

## Pioneer Royalty

May 1947

"Pioneer Royalty" is from a small newsletter entitled *Town and Farm* that was mailed out with the Manitoba Hydro Bills covering the dates 1946 until 1955. We thank Manitoba Hydro for permission to reprint them in *Generations*.



In the hustling and bustling of our modern age we are apt to forget the pioneers who blazed the trail for our progress. When we pause and look back at the prairie wilderness, we are humbled and inspired. We deem it a privilege to pay tribute this month to the following men and women who pioneered in Manitoba:

Greetings to . . .

Hugh Rutledge, Wawanesa, 94 years of age, May 26

John Seabrook, Oakville, 91 years of age, May 24.

Mrs. Mary Wakely, Roland, 90 years of age, May 23.

Mrs. L. Shuttleworth, Minnedosa, 89, years of age, May 28.

Mrs. R. Madill, Minnedosa, 89 years of age, May 29.

D. Spear, Dominion City, 89 years of age, May 17.

C.C. Stevens, Deloraine, 89 years of age, May 28.

J.A. Patterson, Boissevain, 88 years of age, May 22.

William Harding, Strathclair, 87 years of age, May 26.

Mrs. Alfred Gould, Melita, 86 years of age, May 5.

Mrs. J. Weir, Belmont, 83 years of age, May 23.

Mrs. Geo. Muir, Rosebank, 83 years of age, May 19.

Mrs. W. Hardy, Roland, 83 years of age, May 24.

Mrs. J.T. Thomas, Portage la Prairie, 82 years of age, May 1.

Mrs. John Chambers, Belmont, 82 years of age, May 5.

Mrs. Sam Money, Belmont, 81 years of age, May 8.

E.J. Hicks, Pilot Mound, 81 years of age, May 4.

Mrs. A. Campbell, Strathclair, 80 years of age, May 21.

Mrs. A.G. Williams, Gladstone, 80 years of age, May 2.

John E. Duxbury, Elkhorn, on his birthday, May 30.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Bolton, Neepawa, 56 years married, May 26.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Poole, Portage la Prairie, 54 years married, May 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorsteinn Swainson, Baldur, 51 years married, May 25.

Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Hamilton, Portage la Prairie, 51 years married, May 28.

## Congratulations!!!

MGS Research Chairman, Jim Rutherford (member 2632), and his wife Shirley have a new grandson, Samuel Alexander Grift, born January 24, 2006. Parents are their daughter, Joy, and her husband, Dave Grift, of Winnipeg.

## Dangerfield Surname Origins: Howard Mathieson

*The earliest parish records suggest the heartland of the Dangerfield surname can be found in Gloucestershire England. In the latter half of the 16<sup>th</sup> century at least 10 families bearing the Dangerfield surname are to be found in the Stroudwater valley focused in the villages of, Stonehouse and Kings Stanley. This article will examine evidence concerning the presence and possible origins of the surname and it's antecedents in medieval Gloucestershire. The article relies almost solely on materials gleaned from the World Wide Web and as such demonstrates the depth of materials currently available for family researchers in that medium.*

There would appear to be consensus within the literature concerning the origin of the Dangerfield surname. William Arthur suggests the surname is:

*"French, A corruption of D'Angerville, that is, from Angerville, a town in the province of Orleans, France."<sup>1</sup>*

In a similar vein the Dictionary of American Family Names describes the origin as:

*"English (of Norman origin): habitational name, with fused preposition d(e), for someone from any of the various places in northern France called Angerville, from the Old Norse personal name Ásgeirr (from áss 'god' + geirr 'spear') + Old French ville 'settlement', 'village'. In England the surname is now found chiefly in the West Midlands."<sup>2</sup>*

The "habitational" theme is also advanced by noted surname researcher P.H. Reaney. In The Origin of English Surnames he attributes the origin to the location of Aungerville in Normandy.

There is tantalizing, if not somewhat suspect evidence of a direct Norman connection. A plaque can be found in the Church at Dives-sur-Mer in Normandy where William the Conqueror said mass prior to setting sail to invade England in 1066. The plaque in question lists the names of Knights who accompanied William in the invasion of England. Among them we find listed d'Auvrecher d'Angerville. The plaque is of relatively recent origin having been placed there by the French government in 1931. Similarly the "Battle Abbey Roll" provides a list of Knights. However this list does not include d'Auvrecher

d'Angerville. Compiled in the 14th century it was removed from Dives-sur-Mer to Cowdrey where it was destroyed by fire in 1793.<sup>4</sup> The weakness of both these, and other similar sources is the fact that no corroboration can be provided and they are widely considered to have little or no genealogical value.

The battle of Hastings notwithstanding, there is also the possibility that the surname came to England in the period following the conquest. The Barons in Saxon England were almost entirely replaced by Normans. For those who win go the spoils. Colonization by the Normans continued to take place for several generations following the conquest, and contact with Normandy was certainly maintained. Therefore we should not be surprised to find that many Normans came to England in the period following the conquest.

When and where then do we first pick up the Dangerfield trail and in what form? A significant body of evidence points to the present day county of Gloucestershire as ancestral homeland of the Dangerfields.

St Augustine's Abby Bristol held extensive landholdings in the region surrounding Berkeley Gloucestershire. Two early land transactions involving D'Angervilles are chronicled in The Cartulary of St Augustine's Abby Bristol.

In 1217, Walter de Angervillis was witness to a charter by which Hugh of Bradley sold land in Wotton Under Edge to Juliana de Pontdelarch, wife of Robert de Berkeley, for 7 marks and a horse worth half a mark.<sup>5</sup>

Similarly in the mid thirteenth century, a Ralph Dangerville was witness to an agreement between William Long, Abbot of St Augustine's, and Maurice de Berkeley in which they exchanged various pieces of land in order to consolidate de Berkeley holdings.<sup>6</sup>

The second of these references is the most revealing as it indicates that Ralph Dangerville must have been an individual of some importance for in fact Maurice de Berkeley was Lord Maurice of Berkeley.

Ralph Dangerville continued to be called upon to witness numerous land transactions involving either Maurice II or other individuals in the general area of Berkeley Castle during this time

period.

Similarly, In 1273 a William de Angerville serves as a witness to a transaction between the Berkeley's and one Walter le Grip.<sup>7</sup>

A late 13th century reference is made in the Berkeley Castle muniments involving a land grant in which three generations of Dangervilles are linked:

*Thomas has granted to William a croft in the vill of Wike called Mabeliecroft, lying between the land of Thomas's father Ralph de Angerville called Newerudinge and the land which Everard Mundegune once held; rent a rose a year, and William has given him 16s., and to Joan his wife a falcon.*<sup>7</sup>

This transaction indicates Ralph was the father of Thomas de Angerville. In the late 13th century no fewer than 13 land grants involving the participation of a William de Angerville take place.

Several of these transactions are of note. First they help establish the lineage of William:

*William de Angervill has granted to William le Gold a parcel in the vill of Wike lying in Holecroft between William de Angervill's croft called Thornhull and William le Gold's croft which he had by grant of Hugh de Angervill, William's brother; rent 1d. a year for an obit for Ralph de Angervill his father, for the lives of William [le Gold] and Christine his wife, and they have given him 2 marks.*<sup>8</sup>

From this and other transactions we can reasonably assume that Thomas, William and Hugh were the children of Ralph de Angerville. Unfortunately these Berkeley muniments are not specifically dated other than with a vague time reference "late 13th century".

However in the early 14th century transactions begin to consistently provide us with dates. For example a Walter Dangerville makes a grant of land called "la Redefelde of Wick" January 13 1300.<sup>9</sup> This marks the first occasion that the surname spelling appears as Dangerville. No evidence can be gleaned concerning his parentage. Similarly an Adam Daun gevile is involved in witnessing two Berkeley family transactions in 1302 and 1306. This particular spelling variant is consistently expressed throughout the 14th century.<sup>10</sup>

The next major player to be encountered in the Berkeley muniments is Nicholas Daungerville whose role in the Dangerfield story becomes pivotal in establishing a link to the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Within the period 1315 - 1319 Nicholas is involved in eighteen different transactions involving the Berkeley family. In these transactions he participated as a witness to seventeen acquisitions or grants of land. More significantly in 1314 he would appear to have been a partner with Thomas Lord Berkeley in the acquisition of a property formerly held by a family named Veisy. Interestingly one of the witnesses to this grant is an Adam Daungerville.<sup>11</sup>

After this point only the occasional reference to the family can be found in the Berkeley archives. In 1384 a Sir Adam Daungerville (a Chaplin) is mentioned in relation to the "sale" of property by a widow Maude Coombe.<sup>12</sup> A John (Jon) Daungerville makes a brief appearance in 1396<sup>13</sup> and much later in 1461 "William Berkeley, knight son and heir of James lord of Berkeley, and Thomas Daungerville the younger, 16 April 1 Edw. IV" are involved in some unidentified land transactions.<sup>14</sup>

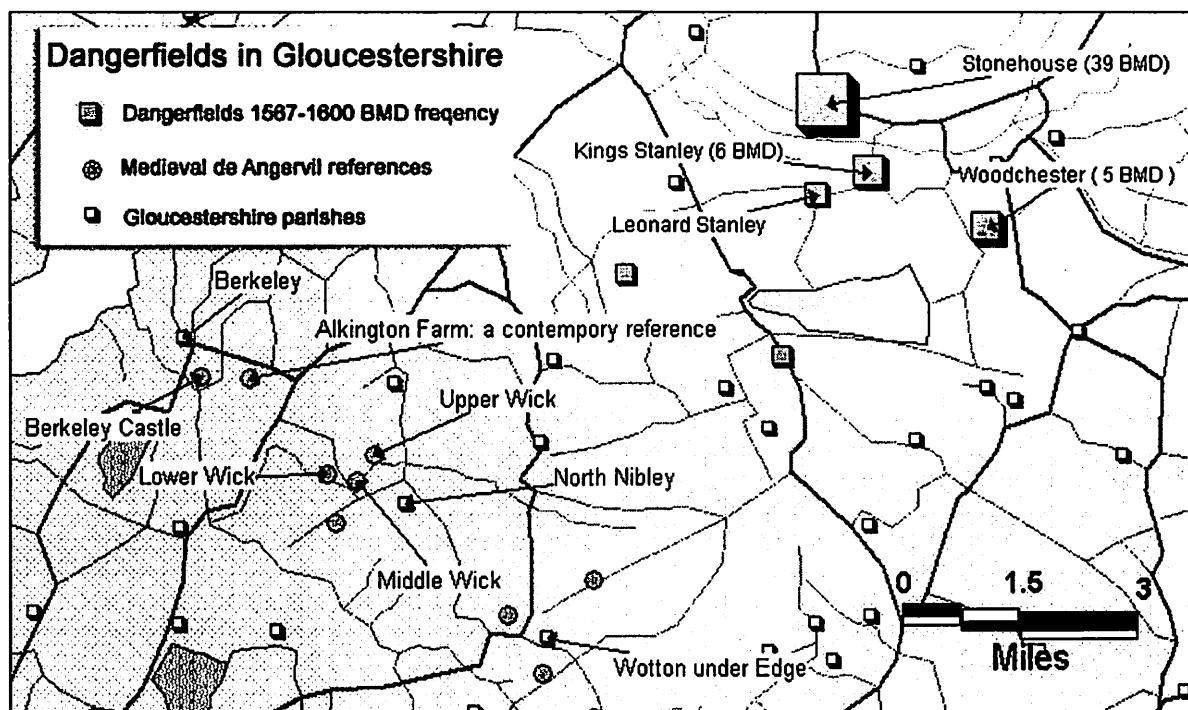
Despite the limited evidence available in the 14th century, it is still possible to demonstrate the continuance of the surname in and around the area of Berkeley. To do so we have to rely on John Smyth, a Berkeley confidant, lawyer and family Historian. In Lives of the Berkeley's (1616-1640) he provides this summary concerning the de Angervills/Dangervill's and a settlement called Dangervills Wicke.

*The hamlet of Dangervills Wicke, anciently written de Angervill, is an ancient messuage with divers lands thereto belonging, containing 52 acres, some parts whereof are in Nibley. Before were the lands of John son of Richard Dangervill, and before of Henry son of Roger Dangervill, held of the Manor of Alkington for 1/50 part of a knight's fee, suit of court and 2s. 6d. rent. Which Thomas Lord Berkeley gave by deed in 8 Edw. II (1314) to Nicholas Dangervill and the heirs of his body. "From the surname of which family of the Dangervills this place lying in Wike hath taken its name."*<sup>15</sup>

Writing in the early 1600's he is evidently observing the most recent Dangerfield lineage. In commenting on the property he notes: "before were the lands of John son of Richard Dangervill." At the time of his writing these properties were apparently no longer in the

possession of the Dangervill's. Additionally he links the existence of four generations of the Dangervill family which would likely span the 1500's and possibly extend into the late 15th century.

We can infer from these related facts that Mary Purnell, the sole daughter and heir of John Purnell, inherited the property from her father and that the lands in question were, at least in part the ancestral home of the Dangerfields.



Others have relied on John Smyth's epic work. Notably Thomas Dudley Fosbroke MA FSA. in Abstracts and Extracts of Smyth's Lives of the Berkeleys(1821) the following extract concerning the village of Wicke is worthy of note:

*Wicke, in the parishes of Berkeley and Nibley. Mary Purnell, sole daughter and heir of John Purnell, sold, 13 Charles (1638), lands here, called Purnell's Lands, to Richard Archard and Thomas Archard, trustees for William Trye, Gent. her father-in-law, the capital messuage, farm, &c. in Wicke, and divers lands in Nibley and Berkeley, to them and their heirs; and covenants to save them harmless from rent of 6l. 18s. 8d. issuing from premises and divers other lands, payable to the Hospital of St. Thomas of Cirencester for ever.<sup>16</sup>*

Further concerning the Purnell property Fosbroke notes:

*Purnell's Lands, late Dangerfield's, now (1639) Mr Trye's House; granted by Thomas Lord Berkeley to Nicholas Dangerfield and his heirs; reserved rent 2s. 6d.; suit of court, &c.<sup>17</sup>*

The final pre parish record references to the Dangerfields in the region of Berkeley involve a fascinating incident which took place in the nearby village of Wooton under Edge in the mid 16th century. The incidents are recorded in various editions of Foxes Book of Martyrs and involve a William Dangerfield who evidently held Papist sympathies.

*William Dangerfield (d. 1556) Of unknown occupation. Of Wootten-under-Edge, near Bristol. William Dangerfield stayed away from his home for fear of persecution by the authorities. His neighbours seized him when he came home to see his wife who was about to give birth to his tenth child. He was taken to Dr Brooks and placed in prison. His legs were so badly injured by the irons, that he nearly lost them because of the severe injuries inflicted. Brooks lied to Dangerfield, saying that his wife had recanted. After twelve weeks in prison, he was released to go home. He appeared to get ill en route there and died shortly afterwards.<sup>18</sup>*

Foxe also describes the fate of William's wife and mother:

*Joan Dangerfield died 1556: Wife of William Dangerfield. Of Wootton-under-Edge, near Bristol. Joan Dangerfield bore William ten children. When the tenth child was fourteen days old she and her child were seized by the authorities and placed in jail. The catholic prisoners with her would not allow her and the baby to get near the fire to get warm. Her child starved to death and she died soon afterwards.<sup>19</sup>*

*Mother of William Dangerfield, Mrs. Dangerfield was at least eighty years old when she died. 1570, She died 'through lack of comfort' around the time that her daughter-in-law and grandchild perished in prison.<sup>20</sup>*

Thus ends the enquiry into the evolution of the Dangevilles/Dangerfield surname. It does raise one significant question. Berkeley is located approximately 8-10 miles from Stonehouse and the Stroudwater valley. (see the map above). My own research indicates the surname has exhibited a high degree of stability in this area<sup>21</sup>. Considering the forgoing evidence it is likely the Berkeley family complex pre dates that of Stonehouse. A possible explanation could involve the resettlement of individuals from the Berkeley area families to nearby Stonehouse. The Stonehouse family complex was large and well established by the late 16th century. This would suggest that if relocation had occurred it was probably at a time well before the establishment of the earliest parish records.

An interesting onomastic clue points to a possible connection between the two areas. The will of Nicholas Daungerfield (1571, Stonehouse),<sup>22</sup> is notable first because of the use of a relatively rare historic Dangerfield forename(Nicholas), and second, because the Daungervil(le) spelling variant as noted previously, was common in the 14<sup>th</sup> century Berkeley archives.

The death in 1645 of a second Nicholas Dangerfield (a clothier) in Wooton Under Edge points to the presence of the textile trade in the area of Berkeley.

The Stroud Valley was notable as a textile region and may well have attracted early settlement from the Berkeley area.

..... three tuckers recorded in 1381 provide the earliest evidence of the cloth-making industry in the parish. Two fullingmills were recorded there c. 1513, and by the early 17th century, when at least 8

were at work, the industry dominated the economic life of the parish. The cloth-workers recorded in 1608 were 19 clothiers, 76 weavers, 33 fullers, and 3 dyers.<sup>23</sup>

Thus it may have been involvement in the textile trade which led the Dangerfields/Dangervilles to relocate.

Uncovering evidence of an early presence of the surname in the area of Stonehouse will be a difficult task but one that needs to be pursued.

*Howard Mathieson the author, maintains a Dangerfield one name study at:  
[www.members.shaw.ca/sdangerfield](http://www.members.shaw.ca/sdangerfield)*

<sup>1</sup>Source: An Etymological Dictionary of Family and Christian Names With an Essay on their Derivation and Import; Arthur, William, M.A.; New York, NY: Sheldon, Blake, Bleeker & CO., 1857.

<sup>2</sup> Dictionary of American Family Names, Oxford University Press, ISBN 0-19-508137-4

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.three-peaks.net/1066.htm>

<sup>4</sup><http://members.tripod.com/~midgley/normans.html#Battle>

<sup>5</sup> The cartulary of St Augustine's Abbey, Bristol  
Many thanks to Vance Mead for initially bringing these references to my attention.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid

<sup>7</sup> Access to Archives ref. BCM/A/1/3/2 - date: [c. 1273]

<sup>8</sup> Access to Archives ref. BCM/A/1/3/166

<sup>9</sup> Ibid - ref. BCM/A/1/3/181 - date: [13 Jan. 1300]

<sup>10</sup> Ibid ref. BCM/A/1/4/9 - date: [29 Sept. 1302] and ref. BCM/A/1/4/20 - date: [11 Oct. 1306]

<sup>11</sup> Ibid ref. BCM/A/1/8/3 - date: [1315]

<sup>12</sup> Ibid ref. BCM/A/1/58/18 - date: [c. 1384]

<sup>13</sup> Ibid ref. BCM/A/1/4/31 - date: [1396]

<sup>14</sup> Ibid ref. BCM/A/1/8/15 - date: [1461]

<sup>15</sup> John Smyth, Lives of the Berkeleys, Vol. II Berkeley 100

<sup>16</sup> Abstracts and Extracts of Smyth's Lives of the Berkeleys Thomas Dudley Fosbroke 1821

<http://website.lineone.net/~stetc/berkl/freehold.htm>

<sup>17</sup> Ibid

<sup>18</sup> Foxe's Book of Martyrs Variorum Edition Online (v.1.0) <http://www.hrionline.ac.uk/foxe/intro.html>

<sup>19</sup> Foxe's Book of Martyrs Variorum Edition Online (v.1.0)

<sup>20</sup> Foxe's Book of Martyrs Variorum Edition Online (v.1.0)

<sup>21</sup> <http://www.members.shaw.ca/sdangerfield/>

<sup>22</sup> Gloucestershire Record office,  
<http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/genealogy/Search.aspx>

<sup>23</sup> British History Online <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/>

**The Winnipeg & SE Manitoba Branch** of MGS has held an interesting series of meetings this past year. We asked for a report of their tour of the Manitoba Archives and **Bev Smith** (# 3265) was kind enough to submit the following report:

### Genealogy at the Archives – Session 2

Coming Soon: Archives of Manitoba's Keystone Database

-more comprehensive access to the holdings of the Archives of Manitoba, including the Hudson's Bay Company Archives

-Check the website

([www.gov.mb.ca/archives](http://www.gov.mb.ca/archives)) and follow the links.

Hostesses Paula and Denise took us downstairs to the Lounge area where we sat around a large boardroom table with old documents, old books on pedestals, and white gloves. We could hardly sit still, wanting to explore.

We received an excellent guide which was explained clearly. Highlights are:

- 1) Research room staff will be pleased to discuss your research interests and offer guidance in the use of government documents.
- 2) Records stored in the Records Centre will be made available in the Archives Room two days after they are requested, if ordered before two pm.
- 3) A variety of court records may be used for family and community history – estate files, divorce files and civil files.
- 4) Land records available are:
  - a) Manitoba Natural Resources
    - Surveyors' Notebooks 1869 – 1983
    - Township and Parish Plans c.1870 – 1930
    - Parish and Settlement Parish Registers c.1870 – 1930
    - "Grants to Half-Breed" Registers 1880 – 1881 (St. Norbert, St. Francois Xavier, & Baie St. Paul – others and originals of these in National Archives of Canada but available on microfilm here)
    - Historic Holders Index Finding Aid
    - Homestead Files c1870 – 1959
    - Flats c.1872 – 1930
  - b) Municipal Records
    - Deputy Municipal Commissioners' Files 1889 – 1969
    - Municipal Engineers' Files 1940 – 1951
    - Record of Municipalities – Selected Records
- 5) School Records

- a) Half-Yearly Returns 1885 – 1887, 1890 – 1901, 1905 – 1920
    - No names of students
    - Teachers' names are given
  - b) Half- Yearly Attendance Reports 1915 – 1980
  - c) Yearly Attendance Reports 1981 – 2000
  - d) Correspondence with School Districts 1927 – 1936
  - e) Records of School Districts and Divisions – Selected Records
  - f) School Division/District Formation Files
- 6) Court Records
- a) Court of Appeal
    - Appeal Files
    - Pleadings and Support Material 1952 –
    - Indexes pre-1954
    - Some restrictions apply ( pardoned cases, young offenders/Juvenile . . . )
  - b) Court of Queen's Bench
    - Winnipeg and Regional Estate files 1871 – 1984 (grant of probate, letters of administration, special grants)
    - Winnipeg and Regional Civil Files 1880s – 1993
    - Winnipeg and Regional Criminal Files 1870s – 1993
    - Winnipeg and Regional Divorce Files 1917 – 1984

Those who attended were informed through a formal presentation and an extensive Q&A session.

Thank you to Paula and Denise.

MGS expresses our sincere condolences to the family of Ron Isaak, member 4111, who passed away recently.

MGS expresses our sincere condolences to George Glenn (member 262) and Carol Glenn-Moore (member 3609) on the death of George's father, Eldon Glenn, on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Boothill Grave Yard**

### Tombstone, Arizona

*Generations*, June 1991, published an article on the above grave yard (page 41). This past January, Joyce Elias, MGS #1519L, visited the site and photographed some of the more interesting graves/markers. Following is the article as it appeared in 1991, with some recent pictures added.



"John Ferguson, MGS #1400, sent *Generations* a descriptive list of the more than 250 graves in Boothill Cemetery, Tombstone, Arizona. With permission from Boothill Cemetery and Gift Shop Inc., here are some of the more interesting entries. Tombstone is most noted in story and movies for the gun battle at the O.K. Corral.

"Boothill Graveyard was laid out as a burial plot in 1878. Called 'The Tombstone Cemetery', it was the burial place for the town's first pioneers and was used as such until some time around 1884, when the present plot was opened as a burial place. In compiling the list, each history has been checked with all available sources of information, including relatives, old residents, and the Arizona Historical Society. (Gift Shop leaflet)

#### **"Tom Waters. Shot 1880**

He was the father of Eva Waters and likely (was) the T.J. Waters shot over the color of his shirt.

#### **"Billy Clanton Tom McLaury Frank McLaury**

Murdered on the streets of Tombstone, 1881. Tragic results of the O.K. Corral battle, which took place between the Earp Brothers with 'Doc' Halliday and the cowboys. Three men were killed and three were wounded.

#### **"Margarita. Stabbed by Gold Dollar**

Two dance hall girls quarrelling over a man, and Gold Dollar won.

#### **"Freddie Fuss. 1882**

A small boy who died from drinking stagnant, or poison mine water.

#### **"Hilly Hickson. 1882**

It was said that death never took a holiday in Tombstone. On this day, Hilly, a school boy, fell while walking on a pair of stilts and injured his back. He seemed only slightly injured, but next morning he died suddenly with a spasm.

### **"Geo. Johnson. Hanged by Mistake**

Johnson innocently bought a stolen horse and suffered the consequences.

### **"Lester Moore**

Here lies Lester Moore,  
Four slugs from a .44,  
No Les, no more.

Moore was a Wells Fargo agent at Naco and had a dispute with a man over a package. Both died. (Information from an old resident.)



### **"Kansas Kid**

A cowboy killed in a stampede.

### **"Dutch Annie. 1883**

Sometimes called 'Queen of the Red Light District'.

### **"Killeen. Shot by Frank Leslie, 1880**

Results of a disagreement over Killeen's wife. Leslie married the widow.

### **"John Gibbon. 1882**

With Malvina Lopez, "he climbed the golden stairs on the fumes from a pan of charcoal". (From the files of Lester G. Baker, one-time editor of the *Tombstone Epitaph*.)

### **"George Whitcer. 1882**

A miner, who was killed when a cable broke hurling the cage to the bottom of the shaft.

### **"Quong Kee.**

Quong, who ran the Can Can Restaurant in the 1880s, was first buried in a pauper's grave. His friends had his body moved and laid to rest in Boothill beside the friends he knew in life.

### **"Emmett Nunnelley. 1946**

With the help of the townspeople, he spent the last year of his life seeking to restore, as much as could be restored, this old cemetery. It was his request to rest here.

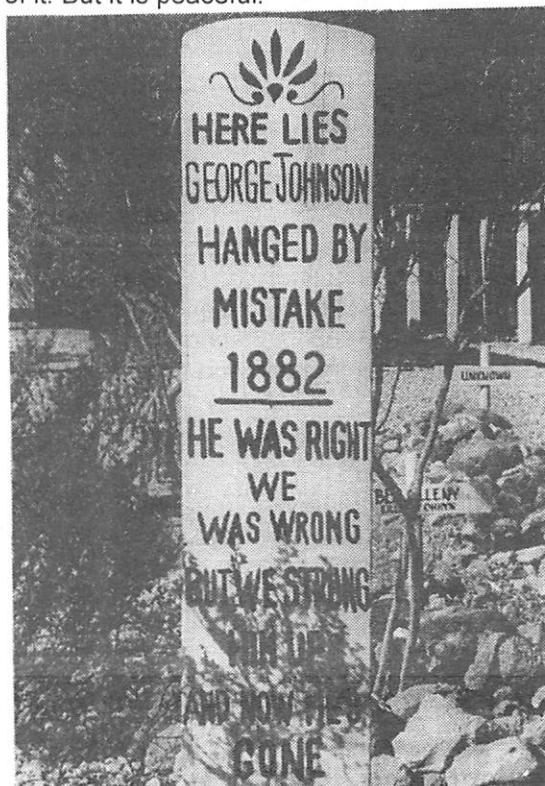
### **"Sam Harris. 1889**

Age 1 year, 4 days. Buried in the old Jewish plot.

### **"Johnnie Blair**

Died of smallpox and a cowboy threw a rope over his feet and dragged him to his grave."

Joyce's note: The grave yard is situated on a hill at the northwestern corner of the town. It is a gravelly hill, devoid of greenery except for cacti, natural and planted. Each grave is covered with a pile of rocks, probably because of the scarcity of real soil and for protection from vandalism, both two and four-legged. There is a real "sense of pioneer" about the location; the town is small, far from any large centre, and there is nothing fancy about any of it. But it is peaceful.



## DID WM. HENRY SMITH FAKE HIS DEATH?

By Jody Jones

William Henry Smith was born in England around 1838. He married the daughter of John Henry Brook, long-time publisher of the Japan Daily Herald in Yokohama. For many years, William Smith resided in Yokohama with his wife and three children. During the 1870s, he acquired fame in Yokohama as a public-spirited citizen. Using his own funds, he developed the Bluff Gardens, which still overlook the city, stood as one of the original investors in the Grand Hotel, and helped to found the elite and prestigious United Club. While talented at instigating, he had little head for finance, and shortly found himself in trouble. By the end of the 1870s, he was employed as a common labourer.

Still an avid gardener and obsessed by the prospect of farming, he came to Canada via England with the intention of obtaining cheap land in Manitoba. He departed from Yokohama with a son in tow, whom he may have left behind in England with relatives. He was believed to have arrived in Winnipeg alone in the latter half of 1883. His wife and the rest of her family remained in Yokohama, understandably skeptical about this latest gamble.

On behalf of a writer in Yokohama researching this story for an upcoming book, the MGS research group searched extensively for proof of this man's death -- civil death registration, church burial record, grave, obituary, will, land grant, immigration record, city directory, hospital records -- but failed to turn up any information.

Could William Henry Smith have faked his death to avoid debt and a tarnished reputation?

Can you shed light on what actually happened to Wm. Henry Smith 1838-1884? Perhaps he is famous in a Manitoba town for his short-lived and tragic adventure, and his story lies hidden in your archives or folklore.



Nothing was heard from him for months. His father-in-law made inquiries. On the 29th of April 1884, Brook published a full-page obituary in the Japan newspaper, announcing that Smith had been admitted to the Winnipeg General Hospital on the 7<sup>th</sup> of January 1884 suffering from frostbite. One foot had been amputated and he had died 2 weeks later on the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 1884 of pyemia at the age of 46.



If you have information which might solve this mystery, please contact Jim Rutherford, Research Chair, by email [mgsi@mts.net](mailto:mgsi@mts.net) OR write to him at Unit E - 1045 St. James St., Winnipeg R3H 1B1.

[The accompanying cartoons appeared in the Yokohama Journal (similar to England's *Punch* at the time). They satirize Smith (being protected by his father-in-law, Brook, with the beard. Ed.)

## **From our Mailbag:**

Sam-Quito Padilla G.

P.O. Box 114

La Joya, NM 87028-0114

To Whom It May concern:

Do you like to re-cycle and re-used things others can use?

My name is Sam-Quito Padilla G. and the Coordinator of the NMDI (New Mexico Death Index) Projects. The NMDI Projects are doing a number of Genealogical Projects for use on-line for researcher to use for free.

In sponsoring these projects, we need to raise money. One of our fundraisers is to collect used stamps (worldwide and duplicates). We have a dealer who will purchase the used stamps collected, which is called in the Philatelic World as "Kiloware". I am hoping that you might be able to help out. If you could cut the corner off the envelope any stamps, before throwing it away. Send any amount of used stamps you have collected to NMDI Projects-Stamps, c/o the above address.

Thank you for your time And don't forget to include your return address.

With regards

Sam-Quito Padilla G., Coordinator-NMDI Projects

### **Brian W. Hutchison Genealogical Scholarship**

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

The Scholarship will be awarded in the Spring 2007.

The deadline for applications is 31 December 2006.

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

Alberta Family Histories Society  
712 – 16 Avenue N.W.  
Calgary AB T2M OJ8  
Attention: Scholarship Committee

### **GENEALOGY at the ARCHIVES OF MANITOBA 2005/2006**

The remaining session in our series of four sessions for the Manitoba Genealogical Society:

**ABORIGINAL RESEARCH**  
Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
7:30–9:00 p.m.

**MANITOBA ARCHIVES BUILDING**  
200 Vaughan Street, Winnipeg  
across St. Mary Avenue from the Bay  
enter by way of ramp at Entrance A

Register by phoning 945-2579 (limited to 25)

### **Saskatchewan Genealogy Society**

#### **Annual Seminar**

Oct. 27, 28, 29, 2006 at McNaughton High School, Moosomin, SK.

Hosted by Pipestone Branch SGS  
Further details in June Generations

The Fort Garry Historical Society has produced a DVD which will be of interest to those with French Canadian roots. Entitled, "19th century Pioneer Homes", it shows the architecture and restoration work done on two of the three homes of early St. Norbert settlers. All the homes are now situated in St. Norbert Provincial Heritage Park and are open during the summer months. Orders should be sent to the Fort Garry Historical Society, Box 152, St. Norbert, MB, R3V 1L6. Cost of the DVD is \$20.00 plus \$5.00 shipping and handling.

## Library Lines

Mary Bole, MGS Librarian (#884)

### **Manitoba**

025.17 COX    *Scrapbook of Florence Cox, index, 19-*.  
Flo spent many years clipping news articles from the Winnipeg Free Press and putting them in scrapbooks. The scrapbooks were photographed and put on microfiche. Some of these were indexed but not all. A valuable tool but needs a volunteer to finish it.

371 DAU    *Mineral Creek School, 1902-1967.*

Stories and names from School District #1108, just outside of Dauphin.

378 UNI    *University of Man: 122 Annual Convocation, 2001.*

912 WINN    *Weir, T.R. Atlas of Winnipeg, c1978 (Reference)*

929.1 FIN    Hanowski, Laura *Finding your Ancestors in Manitoba, 2005.*

929.5 HAND    *Hanover municipality, Manitoba. Kliewer and Hespeler Cemeteries, 2005. (Reference)*

929.5 FRAN    *Franklin municipality, Manitoba. Arnaud Mennonite Brethren Cemetery, 2005 (Reference)*

971.27 BIF    *History of the Community Ledwyn, 2004.*

971.27 MIN    *Bridging the Years, 1879-1679. Local history of Arrow River and Miniot.*

971.27 WIN    *Focus on Labour.*  
Articles about the Winnipeg General Strike of 1919.

### **Canada**

355.3 HON    *Honour Roll of the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers & Men Composing the North-West Field Force which Suppressed the Rebellion of 1885. 1885*  
From the Canadian Pictorial and Illustrated War News of 1885.

385.06 CAN    *Canadian Pacific Railway Stations at Winnipeg, 1881-1905.*

Article from Milepost, a publication of Midwestern Rail Association.

796 WHO    Ferguson, B. *Who's Who in Canadian Sport, vol. 3*

List 4,500 athletes and sports figures, amateur and professional, living and dead and representing virtually every sport. Includes dates of birth.

929.1 RES    Labrosse-Purcell, M. *Researching Canadian Uncommon Sources, 2004*

929.6 ARM    Birk, H. *Armorial Heritage in Canada, 1984*

This is a scholarly attempt to preserve existing documentation on authentic armorial bearings brought to Canada by armigerous immigrants from European countries other than from Great Britain and France.

### **Eastern Canada**

971.3 PEE    Symons, T.H.B. *A History of Peel County, to Mark its Centenary as a Separate County, 1867-1967. (Reference)*  
A county in Ontario.

### **Western Canada**

971.24 AAA    *Saskatchewan Grid Road Map, 2005.*

### **Great Britain and Ireland**

912 ENG    *Holland Park and Shepherds Bush, 1894 (Map).*  
A section of London.

912 ENG    *Medieval England, 19979. (Map)*

912 ENG    *Sheffield 1903 (3 Maps)*

912 ENG    *Stafford, Telford and Surrounding Area (Map), 1986.*

912 ENG    *Yorkshire, 1985. (Map)*

914.26 SUF    *Suffolk: Our Farthest East, 1941.*

929.4 LIT    Greham, Ida. *Little Book of Irish Family Names, 1997.*  
The book traces over 50 Irish surnames.

- 936.4 STU Kelley, D.H. *Study of Early Celtic Genealogies: Dyfed*, 1982.
- 941.1 MEM Sage, D. *Memorabilia Domestica*, 1840, 1889. (CD-ROM)  
Originally published in 1840 and then reissued nearly a half-century later, this rare and elusive publication is concerned primarily with Highland history in the first half of the 19th century, and is of particular value to those interested in Ross-shire and Sutherlandshire and in prominent persons in that region. The Sutherland Clearance of 1819 is of specific importance in this study, and the amount of local history detailed here is considerable indeed. The central theme of the memoirs, of course, is the life and times of a minister involved in Sutherland and in the various conflicts and religious controversies within both Presbyterianism and Episcopacy.
- 942 ENG Wagner, A. *English Ancestry*, 1961.  
A dynamic portraiture of a people, tracing the growth and decline not only of families but of classes and callings.
- 942.1 TOT *To Tell You About the Parish Church of St. Dunstans & All Saints, Stepney*. Middlesex, England.
- 942.29 WIN *Windsor Parish Church*. Berkshire, England.
- 942.3 ALM *Almondsbury Parish Church*. Avon, England.
- Irish Vital Records, 1400-1800*. We have a copy of this CDR which was not compatible with our computers which disappointed many patrons. It is now installed on all the computers and is available. It contains 1659 Census, 1851 Liverpool Census with Irish names; Irish Wills; Aboard Ship, Some Passengers Lists.
- General**
- 325 PAS *Passenger and Immigration Lists Boston, 1821-1850*. c1998. (CD-ROM, Reference)
- 333.3 LAN *Land Records: AL, AR, FL, LA, MI, MN, ON, WI, 1790-1907*. (CD-ROM, Reference)
- 355.3 MIL *Military Records: United States Soldiers 1784-1811*. (CD-ROM, Reference)
- 920 FAM *Family Histories Mid-Atlantic Genealogies, 1340-1940*. (CD-ROM, Reference)
- 920 LOC *Local and Family Histories: New England, 1600s-1900s* (CD-ROM, Reference)
- 929 FAM *Family Tree Maker Basics*, 2003. (Video)
- 929.1 SZU Szucs, L.D. *Family History Made Easy*, 1998.
- 929.3 BIR *Birth Records, United States/Europe 900-1880s*. (CD-ROM, Reference)
- Family History and Biography**
- 921 BAI Bailey, R.R. *Tadpole to Little Frog (in a Big Pond)*, 2005.  
The autobiography of Raymond Bailey, a young man growing up in Manitoba during the Depression and War years.
- 921 BOW Keller, W. *Charles Bowen*, 1976.  
Paul Bunyan of the Canadian West.
- 921 COC Cockburn, Henry. *Memorials of His Time, 1779-1830*.  
Lots of personal names from Scotland during that time period. No index.
- 921 CON Gordon, C. *Postscript to Adventure*, 1975.  
Story of a pioneer on 3 frontiers (Ontario, Alberta and Manitoba), a minister, soldier, statesman, lecturer and novelist. Ralph Connor is the pseudonym for Charles W. Gordon.
- 921 ROB Robertson, Joe. *From Prairie to Tundra*, 1991.  
Biography of Joe Robertson, a trapper and game warden of northern Manitoba. Many Manitoba names mentioned.
- 929.2 DOU *Dubh Ghlas* [Periodical]  
Library has 1991, 1992 volumes from the Clan Douglas Society of North America.
- 929.2 DOS Merko, Nicole. *Doskoch Family History, 1867-2005*, 2005  
The genealogy of the descendants of Wasyl Doskosch, who was born 1867 in Galicia. His wife Maria Dohan died in Galicia in 1904, but the four children of the couple immigrated to Manitoba.

**Europe**

- 910 GAZ      *Gazetteer of Eastern Europe, Instructions.*
- 912 EUR      *Europe, Eastern (map).* 1967
- 912 GER      *Mainz City Guide (Map).*
- 943.7 FIN     Alzo, L.A. *Finding your Slovak Ancestors.* 2005
- 943.8 CUR     Wuschke, E. *Current Status of Research for Germans from Poland and Volhynia,* 1991.
- 947 FRI Friesen, R.P. *Building on the Past,* 2004. A treasure of photographs, information and new insights about the Russian Mennonite story from 1789 until today. It explores the architecture and landscape of numerous colonies, villages, estates, forestry camps and cities in southern Russia, now eastern Ukraine, where Mennonites once lived.
- 947.71 FIN    Muryl Andrejciw. *Finding your Ukrainian Ancestors.* 2003
- 949.2 CAN Veterans Affairs Canada. *Canada Netherlands.* 2005  
It was 50 years ago that the Netherlands was liberated and victory was declared in Europe. A short history.

**Generation Gaps**

Send Queries to MGS, Attention: Editor. Members are allowed one free query/year (printed once); additional or **non-member queries \$3.00 each. Please type or print on standard size paper, or e-mail to [mgsi@mts.net](mailto:mgsi@mts.net).**

**Petrychko** (Petryczka): Searching for first and maiden name. Vital Statistics has no record of her death between 1945 & 1956. Wife of Propok Petrychko (Petryczka). Emigrated from Galicia, Ukraine, early to mid 1900s. Settled in Stenen/Norquay (SK). Had two children – Paul (b. 25 Dec 1900) and Melanda (Molly) birthdate unknown.  
Contact Eucine Petrychko. 15-1660 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg MB R2N 1G2, (204) 256-0214.

**CLARK**, Charles (or Carl) August b. abt 1878 Winnipeg, m. 1904 to Gudbjorg Thordarson.  
Looking for info on Charles Clark's early life. Bill Burland ([burland@shaw.ca](mailto:burland@shaw.ca)) or c/o MGS.

**PORTEOUS** - I'm looking for information on this family (\*or ANY Port(e)ous!) . . . wondering if this John is the same person b: 16 Jun 1870 Colvend, KKD SCT to John James **PORTEOUS** & Sarah **SMITH**. Most of those listed lived in Winnipeg and/or are at Elmwood Cemetery.  
John PORTEOUS b: abt 1871 d: (92y) 27 Feb 1963 Winnipeg, (Residence: Sherbrook St., Winnipeg)  
+Annie b: Abt. 1880 d: 19 Apr 1945 Winnipeg  
- John James PORTEOUS b: 5 Sep 1902 Glasgow SCT d: 24 Jan 1937 Winnipeg (Residence: 370 Pacific Ave., Winnipeg) m. Margaret M b: 1904 d: 2 Jun 1977 Winnipeg (Residence: East Kildonan)  
-Jean PORTEOUS m: QUINN  
-Nan PORTEOUS m: GRISDALE (Residence: 1982 Bolton ENG)  
-Peggy PORTEOUS  
-Elizabeth Margaret PORTEOUS b: c1910 d: 22 May 1982 m: Samuel HANNA  
Pat Allan (MGS #2513), 27 Bramwell Ave., Winnipeg MB Canada R2C 3J6 Phone 222-3836

Looking for any information on the **Poperechny** and **Kashton** families who settled in Olha, Manitoba before 1915.

Filyp (Phillip) Poperechny 1834-1922 is buried at Olha as is his daughter Rozalia (Rose) 1880 -1956 and her husband, Nykolay (Nick) Kashton 1875-1950.

I would particularly like to find when they arrived in Manitoba and from where, if Filyp was a widower upon arrival, and if the couple were married before coming to Canada. Although I know where they finally settled I have been unable to find the family on the 1911 census (probably because of the spelling of the name) even though I think they arrived before that time.

Any information or suggestions for searching may be sent to Pat Sundmark at [pats@shaw.ca](mailto:pats@shaw.ca) or (204) 667-2156.

MGS will be holding  
**GARDEN PARTY II**  
In mid-July this year.  
Further information will be available in the June issue or from the MGS office.

## **PERIODICAL POTPOURRI**

Lori Walker – MGS #1145  
Email: [lj\\_walker@shaw.ca](mailto:lj_walker@shaw.ca)

### **AUSTRALIA and NEW ZEALAND**

The Genealogist, Vol. 11, #8

- Thomas Nottingham; some who returned to the UK; Victoria BMD's; Kenny family.

### **CANADA**

**Ontario has some new periodicals which will be available at the MGS Library. They are: Norfolk County, Kent County, Kawartha Branch, York Region Branch and London-Middlesex Branch of OGS.**

Anglo-Celtic Roots, Vol. 11, #4

- looking for family homes in 18<sup>th</sup> century Scotland; Jewish roots; John Barnett.

BC Genealosidt, Vol. 34, #4

- Roubel family;

Genealogical Assn of NS

- surname directory of interests.

Generations, New Brunswick GS, Vol. 27, #4

- Crown land grants 1833; Perley, Freeze and Angus McLean families; St. Mary's RC MI's 1861-96.

Heritage, Vol. 8, #4

- Register of Historic Places.

Leeds & Grenville Br., OGS, Vol. 31, #6

- some DNA projects; some marriages 'M' names.

Manitoba History, #50

- the liquor trade; map of fur trade posts; a silent Winnipeg film star.

Newfoundland Ancestor, Vol. 21, #3

- William Hogan(s) of Northern Bay; Battcock family.

Nova Scotia Genealogist, Vol. 23, #3

- marriages & deaths of NSn's in Gaspe; Bird family; people to NS from NB in 1842.

Our Waterloo Kin, OGS, Vol. 5, #4

- baptisms 1865-1901 Plattsburg, Ont.

PEI Genealogical Society, Vol. 30, #4

- Island directories.

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Bulletin, Vol. 36, #4

-researching Russian Doukhobor roots; Kiening family web site; familyrelations.org.

Talbot Times, Vol. 24, #4

- Walda family.

Toronto Tree, Vol. 36, #6

- village of Seaton.

Traces & Tracks, Wellington Co., OGS, Vol. 5, #4

- some families of Garafroxa; Ontario adoptions records to be opened.

Victoria GS Journal, Vol. 28, #4

- William Alliston; Swedish sources.

### **EASTERN EUROPE**

German Galizien Descendants, #45

- Mozart's death; Pastor records from Lemberg; Black Death genes & HIV.

### **ENGLAND & WALES**

Banyan Tree, #103

- Robin Hood; music in Hull; burial grounds of Hull; Bishop Wilton parish.

Cleveland FHS, Vol. 9, #9

- bastardy & baby farming (ed. note This is a really interesting article about infanticide and poor laws in Britain); Stockton-on-Tees parish.

Cornwall FHS, #118

- Bible Christian movement in Cornwall; Paul burial register 1783-1812; Luke family in Chile; two old Cornish families; Rowe family.

Devon Family Historian, #116

- Horatio Nelson; Eveleigh family.

Families, OGS, Vol. 44, #4

- Donald McLaren; Thomas Parker; John Boyce; Mary Gleeson.

Family History Monthly, #1, October 1995 (**New to the Library**)

- Spencer family of Althorp; the Campbell clan; Coats of Arms; unusual taxes; the Attenborough family; Cornwall research; "Mayflower" descendants.

#84, September 2002

- Battle of Arnhem; emigration; cholera epidemics; shoemaker occupation; House history; Edinburgh.

- Family History News & Digest, Vol. 15, #2**  
- murder stories; manorial documents; newspaper collections.
- Family Tree Magazine, Vol. 21, #10**  
- Irish surnames; ag labs; emigrants to Canada; convicts to Australia.
- Vol. 21, #11**  
- South African archives; the dyer trade; prison warder occupation; canal workers; RAF sources; emigrants to South Africa.
- Vol. 22, #1**  
- Scottish tombstones; infantry soldier; emigrants to India; prisoners of war, Part 4.
- Vol. 22, #2**  
- Friendly Societies; undertaker & funeral director occupation; coalmining sources; Kedley surname.
- Vol. 22, #3**  
- a DNA story; merchant navy ancestors; WWI prisoners of War; emigrating to South Africa; blacksmith occupation; research in Ireland; some FT programs; nonconformist church musician; Tommy Elmes; quilting.
- Vol. 22, #4**  
- village shopkeeper; Imperial War Museum; Merchant Navy ancestors, part 2; emigrating to S. Africa, part 2; research in Ireland, part 2.
- Genealogists Magazine, Vol. 28, #8**  
- Huguenot offices in the British Army 1688-1713; Newgate prison burials.
- Hampshire Family Historian, Vol. 32, #3**  
- a rare medal.
- Northumberland & Durham FHS Journal, Vol. 30, #4**  
- a link to the 'Mayflower'; Wimper family; Adam Patterson.
- Oxfordshire Family Historian, Vol. 19, #3**  
- newspapers on line; British Library Newspaper collection; Heber forename; the Centre for Buckingham studies; Book of Emigrants in Bondage 1614-1775; taking the wife's surname; Jarrett family;
- Perth Co. Profiles, OGS, Vol. 23, #4**  
- John Robb & family.
- Lancashire, Vol. 27, #4**  
- Walkden family.
- Norfolk Ancestor, Vol. 4, #4**  
- Brightmer & Furseddona families; marriages at St. Martin, Norwich.
- Suffolk Roots, Vol. 31, #3**  
- Theberton village.
- Sussex Family Historian, Vol. 16, #8**  
- Joshua Smith; Truran, Saxby families; Thomas Knight.
- West Mdsx FHS Journal, Vol. 23, #4**  
- Messenger family.
- Wiltshire FHS, January 2006**  
- Access to Archives (A2A); understanding the change of calendars.
- IRELAND**  
**Irish Roots, #56**  
- Irish to Texas and Mexico.
- The Septs, Vol. 27, #1**  
- Irish townland & tenement Valuation Manuscripts; census substitutes; estate records;
- ONE-NAME**  
**Journal of One-Name Studies, Vol. 9, #1**  
- a DNA project and its discoveries about the surname Meates; ancient occupations; surname distribution.
- SCOTLAND**  
**Aberdeen & NE Scotland FHS, #97**  
- John Adam in Australia; William Williamson.
- Glasgow & West of Scotland FHS, #74**  
- McQuarries of Ulva; Alex Adair; Mowatt family; poor relief records; Church of Scotland records.
- Scottish Genealogist, Vol. 52, #4**  
- McBill & Bell surnames; McPherson family of Glenlivet.
- UNITED STATES**  
**Family Chronicle, Nov/Dec 2005**  
- orphans; parish records.  
**January/February 2006**  
- DNA genealogy; poorhouses; the new Ellis Island Database; Scotland's People website; finding immigrants.
- Oregon Genealogical Society, Vol. 44, #1**  
- courthouse records; Jonas Casner.
- Seattle GS Bulletin, Vol. 55, #1**  
- Ahern family.

## Personal History: Bringing your family tree to life

by Chana Thau

It used to be that biographies and autobiographies were the realm of the rich and famous. Nowadays, there is a growing awareness that everyone has a story to tell. As Mark Twain expressed it, "There was never yet an uninteresting life. Such a thing is an impossibility. Inside the dullest exterior, there is a drama, a comedy, and a tragedy." Throughout North America and indeed, the world, increasing numbers of personal histories are being recorded. The Association of Personal Historians (APH), a non-profit international network of professionals passionate about preserving life stories, was founded in 1995 in Amherst, Massachusetts, with a membership of 15. It now has over 500 members in countries including the US, Canada, Australia, Germany and Israel. There are several personal historians in Manitoba, though not as many as in Ontario and B.C. In the United States, May has been named "Personal History Month", and many activities highlight the significance of preserving life stories.

What is a personal history? It is the stories that add leaves and flowers to the branches of a family tree - the anecdotes and the stories behind a genealogy, which bring it to life and complement it. A personal history records the stories of a life in words or images, bringing ancestors to life through the human details behind the facts and statistics on a family tree. It is literally "saving lives", helping us to increase our own appreciation for the paths our lives have taken and ensuring that our lives will not be forgotten.

Why create a personal history? There are many reasons. Nellie McClung said, "I do not want to pull through life like a thread that has no knot. I want to leave something behind when I go, some small legacy of truth, some word that will shine in a dark place." Your autobiography is a priceless legacy for current and future generations. It is an historical record of an era, offering insight into its social and cultural customs, as well as political events and their effects on a person's life. Life reminiscence can also have therapeutic value for the storyteller.

Personal histories can be presented in a variety of formats: as oral histories on audiotape, as video histories or multimedia histories, through artwork or in printed form. The latter can take the form of albums, scrapbooks, three-ring binders, hard or soft cover books that are self-published. There is no one right method or form for your personal history; this varies with an individual's taste and talents.

Since getting started is one of the hardest parts of creating a personal history, a personal historian can be of great help. He or she can help you determine the goals and scope of your project. The personal historian is a neutral listener, a non-family member, who is trained to elicit comprehensive stories and preserve them. A professional may guide the process in several ways: by managing a life-history project from beginning to end; by acting as a consultant or editor on the project, or by leading classes or workshops to help people create their own personal history projects in a group setting. Many "how-to" books on life story writing are also available at the public library.

If you are already tracing your family's genealogy or have completed a family tree, you might want to consider fleshing out the picture by adding family stories. Record these stories now, so they will be preserved beyond the limits of memory.

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## Some Lesser Known Library Resources

Mary Bole, Librarian

You've been looking and looking for those elusive ancestors on the computer and just can't find them. Why not come into the Library and search some of our oft neglected sources.

**Where were they from?** Gazetteers have been mentioned before: an alphabetical list of place names.

MF 910 GAZ *Gazetteer of Eastern Europe*. This will take a little bit of work but is set up with a soundex system, ie you know how Grandma pronounced it but no idea how to spell it. There is a guide to the soundex system in Reference 910 GAZ.

**Army personnel?** Most military books can be found with the call number 355 but the following is a gold mine for people searching in South Africa and the Boer War.

REF 968 STO – *The story of South Africa*.

Example: Lists. Officers of the First Canadian Contingent, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, Reinforcements, Second Canadian Contingent, etc.

**Railway ancestor?** MGS Library has a valuable book for people searching for firemen on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway during the years 1912-1916.

REF CAN 625.1 GRA is an index to an oversized book on the top shelf of the Reference section with the spinal title "Firemen's Record".

Examples: E. Turner was made a fireman May 15, 1912 was suspended 5 days for causing delay to extra west engine in 1915.

H. Cronk was born in London, England, age 26, 5'9", 142 lbs., black hair, black eyes, single, mother: Mrs. M Cronk, 31 Knights Hill, W. Norwood, London.

**Early Manitoba roots?**

REF 011 RED *The Red River Settlement, registers of baptisms, marriages and burials, 1820-1851*. A detailed list of all the registers of the early settlers, what is available and where it is now. Although the list is 15 years old, and some of the information is extracted and available at other locations, every good genealogist knows the value of seeing the original entry.

**Any Manitoba roots?** especially outside of the perimeter.

REF 011 INV. 4 volumes of *Inventory of Archival Materials in Western and Eastern Manitoba*. Lists of holdings of public, business, and private archives.

Examples: Elton municipality, Office and vault, Forrest, Manitoba. As well as what you would expect in an archives, tax rolls, account books, the following is a sample of what they have. Campbell School District minutes 1881-1952; Grand Valley Congregation history, Chater Circuit (Methodist) Missionary Society minutes, Forrest-Douglas Charge Register of Births, Marriages and Death.

Also in Forrest is the Frank Anderson private collection – contains School exercise book which belonged to Mr. Anderson's grandfather 1857, his account books for farming operation in Ontario 1879-1889; Hanbury Manufacturing Co. bills for building a barn 1903; Humesville Cemetery records.

**Just checked everything else?** Try the annual publication telling of additions to the Public Archives (now National Archives) of Canada collections.

CANADA 026 PAC. *Report of the Public Archives Canada* The MGS Library has various volumes from 1891 to 1981.

Examples: The 1939 issue has a Bibliography of materials relating to the Riel Rebellion of 1877-8. A wonderful starting point for researchers.

1896 lists the witnesses to an Indian Treaty of 1791 – the signatures are very interesting – each mark is an individual sketch of an animal.

1896 A letter from Admiral Griffiths relating to the severities exercised on British subjects, prisoners in the United States in 1813.

1891 List of "Return of the Disbanded Troops and Loyalists Mustered the 13 Oct 1784".

1905 Lists the names in "Genealogy of the Families of the Island of Orleans".

## **Our Past Perfect**

### **Learn How to Properly Store & Care for Your Family Treasures**

Kimberly Hiebert, Assistant Curator, Transcona Historical Museum

Would you like to know how to care for your keepsakes the way a museum does? Storing and caring for your family treasures properly will go a long way in ensuring that they are kept safe and able to be handed down to future generations. If you are like most people you may have old photos in shoe boxes or important documents in the basement or the attic. To learn a better way read on!

**Photographs** – Everyone has old black and white photos or colour prints somewhere in the house. These are susceptible to damage if they are stored in hazardous conditions. For example, a dry environment will curl photos while a humid room will gradually cause mildew or mould. Do you display your photos on the wall? Make sure they are not in direct sunlight as they will fade over time. Think about rotating your photos so that their exposure to light is minimized. Never put tape on photos as it will eventually stain the picture. When having a photograph professionally framed ask for an archival matting and backboard. If you want to write on the back of your photos use a pencil instead of a ballpoint pen. When storing your photos try and find plastic envelopes made of Mylar or boxes that are acid-free. Also, if you store your photos in traditional photo albums, be aware that over time the adhesive on the page might make it difficult to remove photos in the future. Many people take digital images today. In order to preserve these images saving them to a CD is a good idea, but also a print on high quality photo paper is recommended. Images printed on computer paper will fade over time. Remember future generations! Photos stored on your digital camera or in a folder on your computer will not be accessible forever.

**Paper** – Most of the paper documents that people keep are made from wood fibers. This includes everything from certificates, report cards, letters and newspapers. There are acidic additives that are a part of the paper making process that result in the discolouration and brittle nature of old documents. Keeping paper dry and out of the light is a good place to start. Many people believe that laminating paper will preserve it, however the heat and adhesives used to laminate will turn the plastic yellow, become brittle itself and will eventually release acids that will harm the paper inside. Again

avoid the use of tape (unless it is an archival tape) and do not put metal paperclips or staples in your documents. These will rust and discolour your papers. When storing your documents think about separating the different papers in the folders or using an acid-free tissue in between pages. Look for boxes that are acid-free or made from polyethylene or polypropylene. If your folders are stored vertically ensure that they do not fall down. The box should be full but not over or under stuffed. Newspapers are best stored laying down. To store your documents, think about where in your home the temperature is most regulated and the driest. Try and imagine a flooded basement, a burst pipe or other potentially damaging scenario and keep your boxes away from those areas.

If you would like more information on the care and conservation of your treasures the Canadian Conservation Institute has a very good website at [www.preservation.gc.ca](http://www.preservation.gc.ca). For information on how to buy archival supplies look to local businesses such as Pen and Paper, web address [www.penandpaper.ca](http://www.penandpaper.ca) or Michaels, web address [www.michaels.com](http://www.michaels.com). There are also specialty archival suppliers used by museums such as Woolfitt's at [www.woolfitts.com](http://www.woolfitts.com) or Carr McLean at [www.carrmclean.ca](http://www.carrmclean.ca).

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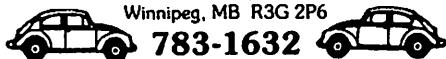
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There's a special place in heaven for volunteers...the saying goes. Surely there are some newcomers out there who may be interested in getting involved with the workings of our organization. I'm currently a Vice President with only one committee chairman. You have in your hands the results of our hard working Journal chairman. For public relations we need an Outreach chairman, a Publications chairman, & it could not hurt to have someone for Volunteer Recruitment. I'd like you to give me a call if you might enjoy going to various displays or giving very short talks on genealogy. I recently had the pleasure in attending the Roadshow memory project with a display on family history & more particularly my family members who were in the military. It was a great opportunity to talk with veterans about their experiences during the war. I was thrilled to meet a man who had trained at the same place my grandfather had as an aero engine mechanic for the Lancaster bombers. Welcome to the new executive & new President - Al Gray of the Dauphin Branch who have developed their website - take a look! Many thanks to the hard work of their past president Jean Tucker who has stepped up to the plate countless times over the past 25 years.

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**Library Notes**  
**Mary Bole, Librarian**

**Volunteers are needed for the following jobs.**

- 1) Index Florence Cox scrapbooks.
- 2) Put up bulletin board displays.
- 3) A French speaking member to review our French periodicals.
- 4) A Sunday volunteer to help keep the library open.
- 5) Data entry on computers.

**New to the library.**

We have been trying to obtain the periodicals from all of the branches of the Ontario Genealogy Society. New to us: Norfolk, Kent, Kawartha, London-Middlesex and York Regions. Watch for them on our shelves and check out Periodical Potpourri in *Generations*.

Irish Vital Records, 1400-1800. We have a copy of this CD-ROM which was not compatible with our computers which disappointed many patrons. It is now installed on all the computers in our library and is available to patrons. It contains 1659 Census, Irish names from the 1851 Liverpool Census; Irish Wills; Aboard Ship and some Passengers Lists.

We also have a number of CD-ROMs containing the marriage records and census returns for various locations in England. To find them look in the CD-ROM drawer under 942.

**Some new additions to Ancestry.com available at the library.**

1. Index to the Canadian 1911 census.
2. Index to BMD in England and Wales, 1837-1983
3. Indexes to BMD in Ontario
  - Ontario Marriage Index, 1858-1899
  - Ontario, Canada Births, 1869-1907
  - Ontario, Canada Deaths, 1869-1932

**Almost new to the library.**

We will soon be in the process of entering our Card Catalogue into the computer. When it is finished patrons will be able to search for books from home – BUT will have to come into the library to use the books. It will be a big job, so don't start looking for it for about a year.

## Using a Search Engine

Bill Burland

With the proliferation of indexes to Vital Statistics and censuses, we must become more creative in how we search for relatives. It is often not enough to enter the first and last names and get success. A careful use of information you have and a knowledge of options in the search engine will often be productive. For example, in searching the 1911 census, before the index became available, I had a hard time finding the accompanying entry. Fortunately, after missing it on my first search, I finally found it.

Jacobson	Emil	271	Hedie	Winnipeg	1890
		F	Bliese		

It reads:  
Jacobson, Emil  
Jacobson, Agnes  
Jacobson, Kenny

However, the index available on Ancestry.com interprets them as follows:

Eme Jacobshon  
Agnes Jacobshon  
Karey Jacobshon

The fault is not totally with the index transcriber. One must admit that the handwriting is atrocious. But, how would one find this entry using the index?

Choosing "Manitoba" and "Winnipeg" as province and district, normally, one would search for Emil (or Agnes, or Kenneth) Jacobson. This would return no results. Just a search for "Jacobson" does not locate the entry either.

Normally, I would try just the first name "Emil", as it is uncommon, but that, too, would fail. A search for "Agnes" alone would locate her, finally, but it would also locate many other Agneses (in fact, 624 of them). One way is to use a wildcard character. A search for "Agnes" with surname "Jac\*" will locate the entry. Note that the "\*" stands for any number of characters following "Jac". The success depends on the transcriber's having recognized the first 3 characters, as well as "Agnes". The asterisk must be used after at least 3 characters.

Whitebread Percy	1911	M	Whitebread	Mar	1890
		Wife			
Percy	1911	M	Whitebread	Mar	1890
Tucker	1911	M	Whitebread	Mar	1890

In another article in this issue, it is mentioned that the name "Whitebread" has been mis-transcribed as "Hautebrass". No matter how you use a wildcard character, you will not find this entry. What can you do? So much depends on what you know about the family you are looking for. In this case, a search under "Whitebread" is useless. But if you know there was a son "Percy" in the family, you could do a search for "Percy", no surname, in Manitoba, Winnipeg. That will give you a list of 187 names to check. If you know Percy Whitebread was born in 1905, enter that fact. There are only 3 possibilities, and a look at each will locate the right one.

Another way to find the right family is to use the Henderson's Directories to find where the family lived in 1911. Then you can scroll down the list of 187 Percys to find one on (in this case) Pine Street.

The secret to a successful search is to be creative and to be patient. Remember, the data you want will have been spoken (with or without an accent) to someone (who may not be very fluent in English). It will then have been written (by someone who may not have been very literate) in a poor script. Then the index may have been prepared by someone unfamiliar with Canadian names. Finally, it will have been typed from the transcriber's copy. Isn't it almost miraculous that most of an index is right?

## A TALE FROM A GRAVEYARD

By Kathy Stokes

Paul Kane is a well known artist - explorer of the Canadian North West. Born in Mallow, Ireland in 1810, he came with his family to Toronto (then called York) in 1822. Inspired by the paintings of American Indians he had seen, Kane decided to paint in a similar fashion the natives and scenes of the Canadian North West.

In 1845 he traveled around the Great Lakes sketching, but he really wanted to go farther west, so Sir George Simpson of the Hudson's Bay Company arranged for him to travel with the fur trading canoes deep into western Canada, witnessing among other sights, the last great buffalo hunt. He crossed the mountains on horseback and sketched all facets of life among the Indians, as well as much western scenery.

After returning to Toronto in 1848, he painted canvasses from his sketches and later published a book about his travels. Many of his paintings now hang in the National Gallery in Ottawa. Paul Kane died in Toronto in 1871.

What, you may ask, has this to do with Manitoba? As it happens, quite a bit. Paul Kane's son, grandson and great grandson are all buried at Winnipeg's St. John's Anglican cemetery.

Paul Kane Jr. died in Winnipeg in 1922. Though born in Toronto, he was a Manitoba pioneer, coming to this province in 1878 where he settled

in Rathwell and was involved in the grain and lumber businesses. Due to ill health, he moved to Winnipeg in 1921 to be near his son. He was survived by sons, Paul of Winnipeg, William F. of Vancouver and Douglas A. of Swift Current as well as daughters Eleanor I. and Mary F. of Winnipeg.

Paul Kane III, a Winnipeg lawyer, died in Winnipeg in 1958. Born in Rathwell, he had served in WWI. He was survived by his wife Evelyn and daughter Harriet as well as sisters Mrs. T.M. Willett and Mrs. R.W. Thurston.

Paul Kane IV, a young man was killed accidentally when struck by a train near the Waverley St. crossing in Winnipeg in 1954. After a career with City Hydro and Winnipeg Electric Company, he went to university and was at the time of his death a second year arts student and had planned to enter the Anglican ministry.

The tombstone in St. John's Cemetery notes the connection among the Pauls buried there to their illustrious fore bearer, but the obituaries give no indication of the artistic talent having been passed down from the original Paul Kane.

(Information on Paul Kane, the artist from the Canadian Encyclopedia)

Do you have any interesting stories from the graveyards of Manitoba? Please forward them to the Editor for inclusion in "Generations"

[This is the end of the article "Letter Written in 1850" which was omitted in the last issue. With my apologies. Ed.]  
and that Money Given to Mee to Live upon so this Request Was obeyed and He departed this Life  
September 17<sup>th</sup> 1850 and on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October the Contents of our House Was Sold and I came to  
Reside at the Place Before Mentioned and I Ham Happy to Inform you that I Feel as Comfortable as the  
Circumstances of My Case Will Admit I Forgot to Mention the Place Where your Brother Thomas was  
Living but He is gone to Reside With His Aunt Sarah Guest at Cragg  
Dear Son you Wished to Know all the Information We Could Get about your Sister Jane in our Next  
Lewtter but We Feel much In the same Lost State about Hir as Before only We Received another Letter  
from Hir about the Middle of Last May Which Stated that She Was Got Married and four Children and that  
She Was Living in West Philadelphia and Dowing Well  
My Space is so Limet that I must Now Conclude with My Kind Respects and the Respects of all your  
Brothers and Sisters Brothers and Sisters in law Both to you Dear and your Dear Wife and Family  
Hopeing you may Injoy Good Health and Much Happiness and May We all Strive to Live in this World so  
that We shall not Fail to Meet together to Ingoy Each other in the World to Come Life Ever Lasting  
Martha Guest

## RURAL RAMBLINGS

By Kathy Stokes

From the Manitoba Free Press 2 March 1901:

The arrest of a prominent member of the Brandon Methodist Church Choir on March 1<sup>st</sup>, created quite a stir within the church and throughout Brandon. John Schofield had come to Brandon from Winnipeg a few months previously and was already a valued choir member who sang basso in the choir's male quartet.

Schofield had been married in 1889 to Miss Emma Ward in Oldham, England and had come to Canada alone shortly thereafter. About 1900, he married a Winnipeg woman and then left, once again alone, for Brandon. In the meantime, his first wife had begun legal proceedings in England and Schofield was traced to Winnipeg and then Brandon. He was described as "terribly agitated" upon his arrest.

From the Manitoba Free Press of 3 March 1901:

There is a complete list of Manitobans who joined the Baden Powell Constabulary for service in South Africa in the Boer War in this issue of the newspaper. Among those who enlisted were; from Virden, Thomas Morris, S.A. Clark, George Bellamy & Charles Woods; from Oak Lake, E. Thomson, Norman Lang, G.E. Steenson, & Henry Sanderson; from Griswold, W.J. White, J. McGregor, & S.G. Gough; from Pipestone, F.E.D. Foote; from Beulah, E. Seely; from Reston, Henry Stephenson & A.G. Stewart; from Birtle, R.B. Winter; from Emerson, D.W. Latchford. The contingent of 384 men left for the east on 2 March 1901.

In the Manitoba Free Press of 3 September 1921 is a wonderful photo of the 1888 Rapid City Lacrosse team.

The Winnipeg Free Press of 2 December 1931 notes details of a dreadful fire at Fork River on 30 November. The three youngest children of William Berkis, an implement dealer in Fork River, Hilda age six, Elmer, age four and Nelson fourteen months died in the blaze which completely destroyed the home.

The Manitoba Free Press of 1 June 1911 contains a long article on the career of Archibald MacDonald, the last Chief Factor in the log history of the Hudson's Bay Company who retired from service at Fort Qu'Appelle.

## The Canadian County Atlas Digital Project

By Jody Jones

Thanks to the Canadian Genealogy Centre website provided by Library and Archives Canada

([http://www.collectionscanada.ca/archivianet/020111\\_e.html](http://www.collectionscanada.ca/archivianet/020111_e.html)), it has been an easy task for some time now to locate farmland once purchased cheaply by our ancestors in Western Canada. Cheap land was the great carrot that lured many of them to the Prairie Provinces and beyond.

As a member of the Thursday group of volunteer researchers, it recently became necessary to find out how late a client's ancestor might have been in Ontario before coming to Manitoba, in an effort to narrow the time frame for a certain vital family event. Fortunately the client provided the property coordinates.

MGS has an impressive collection of Historical Atlases of Ontario Counties. (REF 911 ONT – on the map stand). Reprinted during the 1970s, the original atlases were first published in Canada between 1874 and 1881. They are essentially a "freeze-frame" representation of property owners portrayed geographically on concession/lot maps by county and township. The property in question was shown in the 1878 "freeze-frame" to be owned, not by the ancestor in question, but by two men with the same last name, possibly sons or brothers who stayed behind when Ancestor X came to Manitoba.

Much to my delight, I discovered that McGill University, with support from Industry Canada, has placed all of the Ontario maps online in a database searchable by property owners' names or property coordinates. The website at <http://digital.library.mcgill.ca/countyatlas/default.htm> includes an option to order high-resolution reproductions of the online images in physical (print) or digital (CD) form. Future plans include the addition of the Maritimes and Quebec.

## ARE THESE YOUR ANCESTORS?

By Kathy Stokes

Census, census, census. Certainly family history researchers are always looking at available censuses, or pressuring the powers that be to release yet another census. And if the latest census is available, we have become lazy and demanded that it have an index, so we don't have to spend time searching for that ancestor who should be in a specific place, but somehow is not.

The 1911 census, as most of us know by now, was released by the Canadian government recently after a battle that took many years to win. Now we have an index on the Ancestry site, an index fraught with errors due to the incredibly bad writing on the part of some enumerators and the unfamiliarity with common surnames on the part of the indexers. It is difficult to locate your ancestors when the surname Whitebread is listed in the index as Hautebras!

The Manitoba Free Press of June 1911, in several articles, shows us the other side of the census, the difficulties which arose when the enumeration was underway. The census began on June 2 and was expected to take three weeks to complete. Naturally the urban work would progress faster than the rural enumeration. It was expected that the total population would be known by October 1911.

In Ottawa, the government had hired 160 clerks to sit at tabulating and compiling machines, similar to those which had been used in the American census the previous year. These were new machines, manufactured in Toronto under the supervision of American Charles W. Spicer. Growth west of the Great Lakes was expected to be at least 50 per cent above the 1901 census figures. The census would be eagerly watched because the number of seats in the House of Commons was based on these figures.

The very first day, troubles with the census forms were noted. The form asked one thing about the value of agricultural products and yet the instructions said something else. Later, another problem became evident on the form when people answered the section about racial or tribal origin as "racial" or "tribal" when they were supposed to note the national origin of their fathers.

In Winnipeg, enumeration proceeded very slowly. Enumerators had been expected to list twenty people per hour, but the average was found to be more like twelve. Winnipeg Census Supervisor, Stewart Laidlaw felt it necessary to speak to the Free Press about the situation. Mr. Laidlaw felt that the slowness of the Winnipeg enumeration was due in part to the deliberate

actions of some citizens. He said, "It is not the foreign element nor the least educated who cause trouble, but a class of citizen who ought to know better and who must be recognized as cranks or simply malicious." He gave an example of this behaviour.

A prominent hotelman and personal friend of Premier Roblin was called upon by the enumerator between 11 am and noon. He refused to give the required information, saying he was too busy. He requested that the enumerator return the following morning at 9.30 am. The next morning, when the enumerator arrived, the man again refused to be counted, saying he simply couldn't be bothered. Persuasion by the enumerator failed when the hotelman told him to, "get the --- out of here before I kick you out." The behaviour was reported to the commissioner who wrote to the hotelman. The hotelman then tried to have the poor enumerator charged with incivility and asked that he return yet a third time to get the required information. The commissioner was reluctant to waste the enumerator's time without any guarantee of success. If you are sure that your ancestor, a hotelman, was in Winnipeg in June 1911 and you can't locate him, this could be the reason!

Commissioner Laidlaw ended his tale of woe by noting, "We have a duty to perform and the public should help us and not act in this foolish manner... Prosecutions may have to be made."

The enumeration appeared to generally go more smoothly after this newspaper article. People were reassured that information about their financial affairs would not be disclosed to those who set tax rates or those who assessed land deals. Apparently women were not at all reluctant to give their ages when asked, although one man did refuse to disclose his wife's age to the enumerator.

In this year of yet another census, please be courteous to an enumerator if one calls on you. Remember, in 92 years your descendants will want to see your name and complete information on the census!

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