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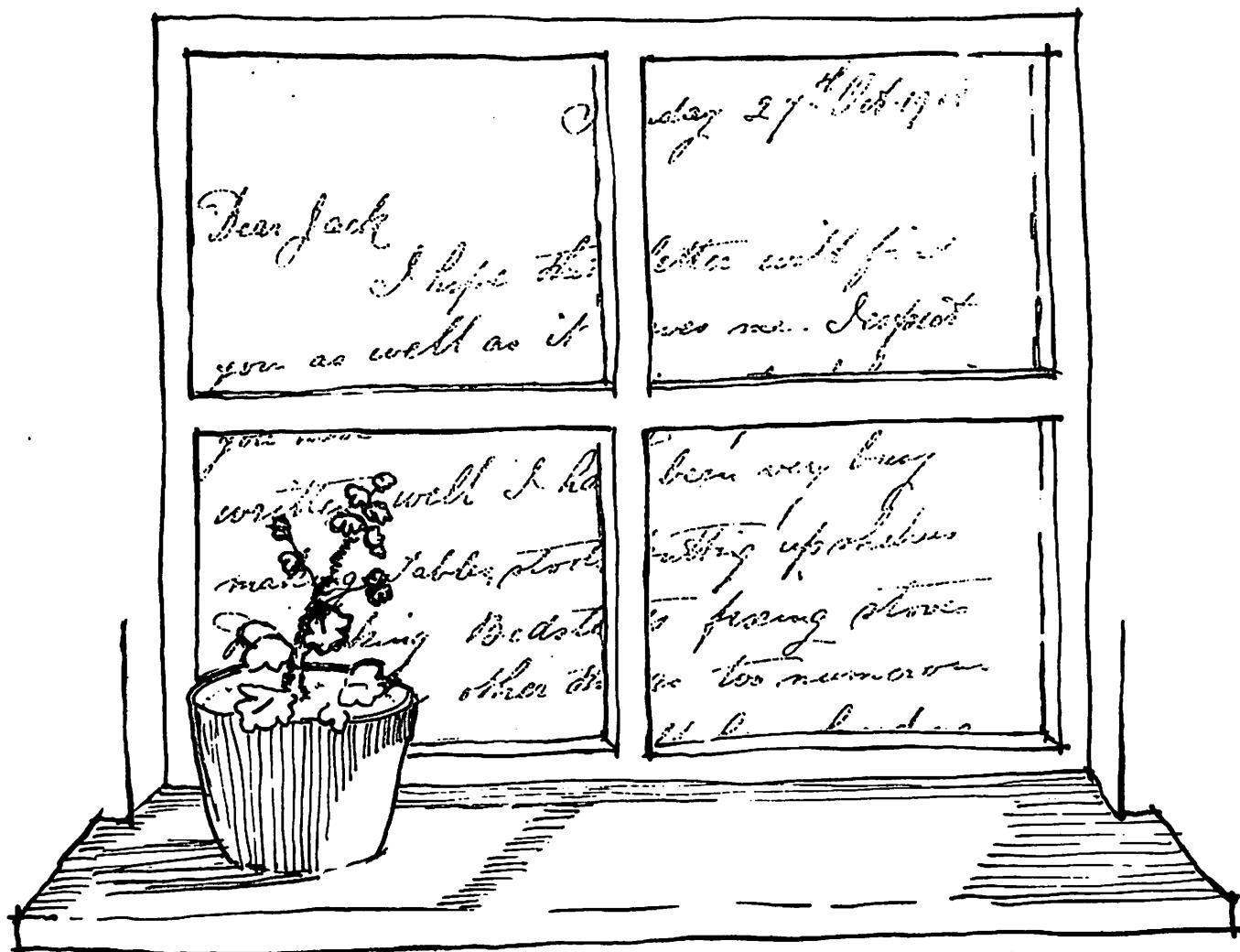
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FURTHER to

"Oxen Were Heroes of Perilous Trek", *Generations*, Vol 25, #1, March 2000, p2: two readers replied.

John Collins (a great great grandson of the oldest sister of the father of Walter, George Alexander Stewart) wrote: "The Walter Stewart of that story was a distant relation of mine and was born 17 July 1857 at Port Hope, Ontario. He married Helen Margaret Richardson on 14 July 1892, 12 years after the events of your story. They had 5 children.

"His genealogy has been documented by Jean Shearman and her sister, Elizabeth Shearman Hall in *A Sense of Continuity: The Stewarts of Douro*, Pro Familia Publishing, Toronto, Ontario 1993. Douro, in this case, being the township of that name in Peterborough Co, ON. She has traced this Stewart family back through Ulster in Ireland to Scotland in the 1100s and then earlier back into Normandy, France."

John would be pleased to hear from any reader with details on this branch of the Stewart family.

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Brent Clayton, MGS #3762: "... really enjoyed ... passed it on to my wife and father-in-law ... the man mentioned in the article, Tom Benson, is very likely a brother to my wife's great grandfather. He was born in 1853 and lived in the Neepawa area which would be about 15 miles east of Tanner's Crossing ... maybe they (his wife and her father) have caught the genealogy bug as well."

CALL for NOMINATIONS

MGS welcomes nominations for Executive positions of the Society (see inside front cover), also suggestions for Committee Chairs. The Nominations Committee will contact each nominee before his/her name is included on the ballot. **Deadline: June 30, 2000.** Send to:

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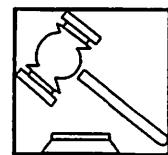
JONASSON AWARD

Each year the Executive of MGS asks members for nominations for the Society's Jonasson Award (previously Certificate of Merit). Please send a brief outline of the accomplishments and activities of your nominee, relating his or her contribution to the growth and/or holdings of MGS for the benefit of genealogists at large. 1999 recipient was Jim Rutherford.

Jonasson Award / President Geoffrey Lambert
c/o MGS (address above)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Geoffrey Lambert, MGS #3591



It is one of the inevitable ingredients of this job that you get to worry about money a lot. We don't quite live on a shoestring at MGS, but we're not up there with the top brass at the Lotteries Commission.

So, I am pleased to tell readers that the Government of Manitoba has provided us with an operating grant in the sum of \$10,800 for the coming year. This is the same level as the last several years, but the Culture/Heritage portfolio does not exercise the same political clout nor enjoy the profile of Health and Education — which is a roundabout way of saying we've probably been treated about as well as we can reasonably expect.

The Wine and Cheese reception/fundraiser on April 6 was a great success. Some twenty-six people attended, and the atmosphere was very convivial. My thanks to those who came, those who couldn't come but donated anyway, and to those who helped set things up or cleared up at the end. MGS made a certain amount of money on the evening. A suggestion has been made that this or something similar be organized every year and adorned with such name as "President's Reception".

We also held an Open House on May 12, in commemoration of Manitoba's accession to Confederation. We ran ads on CJOB and CKY, but turnout by members of the general public was "modest". Still, the volunteers who came had fun, and a supply of doughnuts was left over for the munching pleasure of people staffing the Resource Centre over the following few days.

MGS relies ultimately on its volunteers to do the things we do. I wonder if we are going in the right direction? If any member has any suggestions as to how we might improve, let me know. If any member would like to step up the level of his/her involvement, let me know that, too.

Thanks again to the best group of volunteers anywhere in the Western world!

About *Generations*

Unless we can persuade her otherwise, this will be the last edition of *Generations* edited by Joyce Elias, who has held the position for a decade. We owe a lot to Joyce, probably more than we realize. Getting material, cajoling people to get stuff in on time, assembling it, getting it printed, getting it distributed ... the mind boggles when one realizes that *Generations* is always out on time. It is always, too, a journal in which we can take pride.

So, many, many thanks, Joyce.

FREE LUNCH in CYBERSPACE — WHO PAYS?

A Cautionary Note for Genealogists

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Please see full publishing credit following the article.

No one reading this needs to be told that the Internet is changing the pursuit of genealogy in exciting new ways. Who can resist the opportunity to access databases, contact other researchers, exchange information, and publish findings in a short period of time, at little or no cost, without leaving home?

Like all new technology, the Internet can be a mixed blessing. For genealogists, I see some problems developing that could have long-term implications. For example, the Internet is creating what I call a new psychology of entitlement. Access to the Internet may not be free, but once you log on, there is a sense that you have entered a toy store where all the toys are either free or heavily discounted. Genealogists are coming to the Net with the expectation that with sufficient time to browse, they can find virtually anything they want, without the inconvenience or expense of writing letters, making long-distance phone calls, visiting courthouses, reading microfilms, buying books, etc. In other words, the Internet seemingly delivers one-stop shopping at give-away prices.

Everybody knows that if something seems too good to be true, it probably is, but the Internet appears to be an exception. There is, in fact, an enormous amount of information that's free for the taking, or almost so, in cyberspace. So what's the problem?

The problem is that even the Internet can't get around common sense. Common sense tells us there is no substitute for careful, methodical, grass-roots research, the kind any genealogist has to do to construct an accurate family history. Information on the Internet may be a pointer to the truth, but rarely is it proof. In other words, the Internet is not a source of information; the information originated some place else. You still need to go behind the Internet to verify the information. You still need to consult the source.

Common sense also tells us that technology costs money. Sooner or later, directly or indirectly, somebody will have to pay for all those databases, bulletin boards, mailing lists, chat rooms, etc. out there on the Web. In most situations, that somebody is going to be the user of the information, not the provider. If you think I'm wrong about this, keep in mind that the true cost of a product or service is not always obvious. It is possible to pay for something in a coinage other than money.

In the case of genealogical records, somebody has to organize, compile, or abstract those records before they

can be put on the Internet. If the records are public — that is, if they were created by a public agency service, not the fulfillment of an obligation. In other words, we as researchers are not "entitled" to view public records on the Internet, however convenient (and cheap) that may be. We are not "entitled" to view any kind of records on the Internet. The Internet is simply a new means of communication that lends itself very handily to the needs of genealogists. It does not create entitlements that did not previously exist. An example of this is the question of whether a person has the right to look up information in a book and post that information on the Internet for the benefit of others. On the face of it, this seems reasonable enough. If a person is willing to do lookups for people, why not?

The answer depends on what information we are talking about. Most books, including those published by non-profit organizations, are copyrighted. The contents of the book are protected against republication. Generally speaking, if you choose to share a small amount of information from a copyrighted book with another person, either verbally or in private correspondence, you are free to do so under the concept of "fair use" of the material. But if you start cutting and pasting, photocopying, or otherwise transmitting entire paragraphs or pages from the book, you are no longer making fair use of the material, you are now republishing it. That's why most copyright notices say something to the effect that "no portion of this book may be reproduced in any form without written permission from the author or publisher".

The Internet is effectively a giant copy machine. When you post information on the Web, you are reproducing it. Consequently, copyright law still applies. The Internet does not magically redefine the concept of "fair use" to include detailed lookups, quotes, extracts, etc. If someone gets on the Internet and asks whether certain information appears in a copyrighted book, you are free to respond by confirming that the book contains the information in question (with the page number or full citation, if you wish), but beyond that you can only advise the other person to buy the book or consult it in a library and do his or her own research.

If that seems an unreasonable restriction, consider the alternatives. If a person creates, collects, edits, or otherwise prepares material for publication, that effort usually constitutes original work protected by copyright. The publisher recovers the cost of the work from sales of the book. Even if the author or compiler does the work as a "labor of love" for a nonprofit organization (such as a genealogical or historical society), the person does so to benefit the organization, which therefore copyrights the book to protect its investment. Obviously, no publishing house or nonprofit group can continue to underwrite publishing projects if the genealogical community feels free to republish those books in whole or in part on the

Internet. Researchers, therefore, need to recognize that misuse of the Internet in the name of "fair use" represents a real threat to all of us who look forward to a continuing flow of information into the marketplace. There are a lot of valuable data out there (such as cemetery and church records) that do not fall in the public domain.

Another Internet-related problem with consequences for genealogists is the devaluation of personal service. One of the appeals of the Internet is that you don't have to write a letter, attend a class, go to a library, shop at a store, wait on hold on the telephone, or put up with any other inconvenience or special cost to access information or order products relevant to your research. In other words, the Internet enables you to bypass a lot of people to get what you want. But bypassing people runs the risk of creating what I call an environment diminishing expertise — that is, an environment where there are fewer and fewer knowledgeable people to consult if you suddenly discover that the Internet doesn't answer all your questions. Yes, I realize there are various genealogical Web sites where you can "talk" to specialists. But chat rooms and e-mail are no substitute for getting help with certain genealogical problems or issues, such as selecting the best resource for a particular task or identifying resources you might not know about if somebody didn't tell you. That's when personal service becomes important. But personal service is going out of fashion, due in part to the influence of the Internet. Look, for example, at the mortality rates for small bookstores these days. Small bookstores are going out of business in record numbers because consumers are increasingly trading off personal service at "Mom and Pop" stores for deep discounts on the Internet or stacks of best-sellers at chain stores. For genealogists, this trend is not great news. I speak from personal experience. One incident will illustrate the point.

Last February (1999), a woman posted a message on RootsWeb recommending a book about Britain. She had what she thought was an important discovery. Actually, the book has been in print for 10 years, but it is not a genealogical book, so you would not be inclined (at least for genealogical reasons) to pick it up if you saw it in a library or a bookstore. Yet people like myself who are professionally involved in genealogy have been recommending and "handselling" this book for a long time to people we know who are researching immigrant groups discussed in the book. That's part of our job: to act as a broker of information for our clients or customers.

Devaluation of personal service leads to another problem: an increase in consumer disloyalty. At the same time that the Internet is creating an environment of diminishing expertise, it is also encouraging consumers to shop price, not product. That means you can't expect merchants on the Web (or, for that matter, in the superstores) to know exactly "what's in the box" or to help you make the right choice for your needs among a large array of items.

Consequently, shoppers are still seeking out small businesses for advice on products, but those shoppers are then buying on the Web (or at a superstore) instead of buying from the dealer who helped them. Obviously, this process can't go on very long before shopkeepers have to stop dispensing free advice or, worse yet, have to shut their doors. So let's be candid about the way the marketplace works: as consumers, we don't vote with our mouths, we vote with our wallets. Therefore, I offer this friendly reminder: Loyalty is not an act of charity; it is an investment in access to expertise. If your local, independent drug store (or hardware store, or bookstore, etc.) is willing to take 10 or 15 minutes assisting you, the store probably cannot afford to give you the same rock-bottom prices advertised by a store where the clerk (if you can find one) does not know the merchandise. In the age of the Internet, we still need to reward people who care about their trade.

This lesson comes to me almost any time I get in a discussion about genealogical software. Genealogical software is being peddled on the Internet largely as a "throw-away" item. That is, vendors are pricing most of the programs so low, you won't feel bad if you end up throwing the product away if you don't like it. But throw-away prices can be deceptive; typing data into a program you purchased mainly because it was a bargain is not necessarily the best use of your time. And we all know that time is money. Likewise, companies that sell products at cheap prices may not be inclined to throw a lot of dollars at after-sale support. Which brings us back to the question of personal service: how important is personal service for genealogists who welcome the availability of "high tech" research tools but who also want to make informed choices among the ever-changing options? Taking the longer view of the Internet, perhaps all of us family historians need to remember that free lunches can sometimes get very expensive.

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CG, *Missing Links: RootsWeb's (weekly) Genealogy Journal*, Vol. 4,
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday
October 21, 2000

Time and location
to be announced
in *September Generations*

WATCH FOR IT

WINDOW to WINNIPEG's PAST, 1901

Linda White, MGS #2129.

Recently, I re-established contact with a branch of my mother's family that had emigrated from Scotland to Australia rather than to Canada with the rest of the family. By coincidence, my cousin met and married a woman in Australia whose grandfather, Robert Graham Brown, had arrived in Winnipeg, along with his wife and five children c1900. His son, also named Robert, had arrived earlier.

Robert Sr.'s letter to 'Jack', which follows, is an interesting glimpse of life in Winnipeg at the turn of the century. Winnipeg in 1900 was on the verge of a land boom and would soon become one of the fastest growing cities in North America. Robert was duly impressed with the amenities of this premier city of western Canada and his comments on the first nursery operation in town are certainly interesting. All of Winnipeg's attractions, however, could not keep Robert from leaving for the warmer climate of Rossland, British Columbia, when Winnipeg's winter weather tightened its icy grip. The more things change, the more they stay the same.

158 Maple St., Winnipeg, Manitoba, Sun. 27th Oct. 1901
Dear Jack

I hope this letter will find you as well as it leaves me. I expect you have been wondering why I have not written. well I have been very busy making Tables, stools, putting up shelves & making Bedsteads, fixing up stoves and many other things too numerous to mention. you will have heard no doubt that we arrived here safely and had a fair voyage. I think altogether we have not done bad. I had a few days harvesting about 25 miles from Winnipeg and then came back to see to the ladies & got work here and have remained here since.

I am however leaving here on Tuesday next and going to Rossland, British Columbia. I have got a job there for the winter and longer if I like to stay at 18 dollars a week or in English coin £3.15 a week. Bert is there now and as been there a Month is getting 15 dollars a week. this climate evidently suits him as he as grown a fine young fellow now. Alice and the girls will remain in Winnipeg. I should not have left Alice here were it not that we have got a nice little home here, and some very good neighbors who will look after Alice well while I am away. one Man and his Wife and 3 children who live opposite us came from Croyden, Surrey 3 months ago. they are good neighbors and so are the people who live next door. Winnipeg is a fine city laid out on a grand scale. it is said to be the best planned city in Canada.

Main Street, its principal thoroughfare is 150 ft wide including pavements. Roadway paved with wood for over one Mile and Asphalt for about one mile with a double row of Electric tram cars. All the Streets are very wide, some of

them very rough not yet made up and some of them very fine with Granolithic Paths & Boulevards & paved Roadway in centre. there are some splendid Blocks of Building in the city and many more in course of construction. Telephone & Telegraph wire all over the place. the wires make the streets look some what unsightly, the posts not being painted, but the city is contemplating putting many of them underground. Winnipeg is large and far more business done here than its population would lead one to suppose, it being the centre of the west.

I could have stayed here in work all the winter but the money would not have been much, not much over 3? a week. Winnipeg is a bad place for work in the winter, everything is froze up then and sometimes many out of work. The weather at present has been splendid the last 3 weeks especially. Bright warm sunshine all day and cool clear nights. yesterday morning we had 7 degrees of frost and one morning 15 Degrees, but unless you saw the ice you would not know as the air is so dry it does not strike you as it does at home. I think there is Money to be made out here if you put out and are not afraid of a little inconvenience. Some come out here and do well. others do not. one young man who came out here on the same ship as we did returned home last week, disgusted with the country and yet he never went outside of Winnipeg once all the time he was here, and he's a fair sample of many more.

Will went to Rossland with Bert but when they got there they parted, Bert going to work at the Mine and Will on the River on the S.S. *Nelson*, as deck hand at 35 Dollars a Month and Board. The Mates wife was a Miss Thompson or a Thomas from Bell Road, Hounslow and knows the family. I have been working at a Nursery in Winnipeg and am very glad I went there as the foreman who I worked with is a fine fellow and I am glad I have made is aquaintance. he came from England 3 years ago and will start for himself next spring and I have no doubt will do well. Flowers fetch an enormous price and there is room for an immence development. Many well to-do people are building fine homes and laying out fine gardens and our Boss has it all to himself and his charges are enormous.

Alice wants Jenny to write to her. she cannot write direct to her as she has not got her address. The girls are doing fine and all looking well. We trust Jenny is well and hope she has got a good situation. Alice is fairly well and sends love to Jenny. Kindly remember us to your Mother & Sister and with kind regards & best wishes We remain

Yours sincerely
Rob^t and Alice

My address will be when you get this letter

Rob^t Brown
Le Roi Hotel
Rossland
British Columbia
Canada

TIPS for PRESERVING FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS

Carole Boily, Archivist, Grey Nuns Archives, Winnipeg. Carole gave a presentation to Winnipeg Branch, MGS, April 24, 1999, at which she handed out this information and kindly gave permission to reprint it.

- Photographs do best in the following environment: dust-free, total darkness when possible, 25% to 35% relative humidity and a temperature of 15° to 25°C. Assess your home to find the best storage place for your photograph collection. When showing photographs do so under lower light levels.
- Do not write on the back of photographs with any type of ink. Use a soft lead pencil such as a 6B or 8B (e.g. Staedtler Mars Lumograph 100 available in stationery and art supply stores).
- Always handle photographs by the edges, or better yet, use lint-free cotton gloves. Oil and sweat on fingers are damaging to photographs. Remember this damage does not appear immediately; it occurs over time.
- Avoid displaying original photographs. Reproductions can be made for display purposes. Many people are now displaying high resolution photocopies of the originals. However, excessive photocopying should be avoided as it does expose the original to a harsh amount of light. Remember photographs are best kept in the dark.
- Albums are a good way to store and display photographs. Buy good quality albums that are made of polyester (Dupont Mylar type D or ICI Melinex 516), polyethylene or polypropylene plastic. Plastics containing PVC should be avoided. Do not use magnetic albums; these are, in fact, adhesive, not magnetic. The adhesive transfers from the plastic cover to the photograph and will cause further deterioration. Stay away from magnetic albums that claim to be "Archivally Safe".

Negatives should be stored in polyethylene or polypropylene enclosures and kept in the dark. Always handle negatives by the edges or use lint-free gloves.

- If you are using paper enclosures use acid and lignin-free paper that is unbuffered. Buy paper from a reputable dealer. Art supply stores stock acid-free paper. Avoid

black paper as it is probably acidic. Try to find Mylar photo corners that use 3M 415 adhesive to hold photos in place on the pages.

- Do not attempt to repair photographs with any type of adhesive tape. Try to keep the pieces together in an album pocket. If the photograph is very valuable consider hiring a conservator to repair it.
- Never dry mount or laminate precious photographs; these are not acceptable preservation techniques.
- When taking pictures, consider investing in good quality black and white photographs; they will keep better. Ask for a true black and white processing, available at Photo Central (499 Notre Dame Avenue, Winnipeg. Also Don's Photo Shop, 261 Vaughan Ave. and Black's, 6 locations). Processing of black and white film takes longer and can be more expensive, but family memories could be worth the extra time and money.

Editor: Carole also mentioned that silk fabric may remove fingerprints from photos.

Web sites of interest: (given by Carole)
Canadian Conservation Institute

<http://www.pch.gc.ca/cci-icc>

CCI has excellent publications that can be ordered through their web site.

North East Document Conservation Center

<http://www..nedcc.org>

Good info on photo preservation, see their technical leaflets: *Storage Enclosures for Photographic Materials* and *Care of Photographs*.

Getty Conservation Institute (USA)

<http://www.getty.edu/gci/>

American Institute for Conservation (USA)

<http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/aic>

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IDENTIFYING the SUBJECTS of OLD PHOTOS

Juliana Smith. Originally published in the April 24, 1999 issue of **Ancestry Daily News**, an on-line genealogical newsletter which readers may subscribe to without charge.

<http://www.ancestry.com/dailynews/>

Photographs are an incredibly valuable part of our family history. They give a face to the names on the genealogical charts and old records, and sometimes they give us a glimpse into the lives of the people we spend years researching. But if the photos are not marked with names and dates, we will first need to identify the people in them.

As with other genealogical research, start with the "known", and assemble the information you have. Where did the picture come from? This may narrow your search down to a particular branch of the family tree. If you have older relatives that may have more information, pay them a visit. A day of looking at old pictures can be fun for both of you. (Pictures can stir up long-forgotten memories, so you might get lucky and end up with even more information than you had originally hoped for!)

If no one else can help, don't be discouraged; there may still be hope. Dating the photograph is a good first step in identifying the people within it. Is this a family portrait or a group picture? Can you identify anyone else in the photo? If so, you have now established a time frame using information about the people you have identified. Your charts and family group sheets may be helpful at this point.

If you can't identify anyone in the picture, you may want to assemble other photographs from that part of the family that you have identified. Look for similarities in the people and in the backgrounds. The location of the picture can be extremely useful. Do you recognize the house? Is the furniture pictured in another photo you have? Maybe there is a photograph within the photo that you can identify. If the picture was taken somewhere other than at home, look for landmarks that may serve to identify the area. Look at cars in the picture. Try to ascertain the model and year of the car. Look closely at the license plate for clues.

Clothing and hairstyles can also narrow the date to a particular era. Look at old newspapers and magazines. If your ancestors were wealthy or prominent in social circles, it is likely that they kept up with the latest fashion trends. Is the subject of the photograph in uniform? The uniform can pinpoint the time period and possibly lead to military records. The photographic process used may also provide important clues. Daguerreotypes, ambrotypes, tintypes, and albumen prints are a few examples of older photographic processes that were used during past decades. By determining the type of photo, you can often estimate the time of the photo. If the picture was taken in a studio, many times the address of the studio is printed on the photo. Using city directories, you

may be able to find out when the studio was in existence at that address. When you manage to identify the subject, don't stop there. Glean any information you can find about the subject from the photo and include it in your family history. These old treasures can tell us about the hobbies of our ancestors, trips they took, where they lived, and give us a personal look into their lives.

Don't forget to document your current family history as well. Label all of your photographs with an archive-safe pen, including names, dates, and occasions, and use archival quality photo albums to help preserve your photos. Future generations deserve this type of treasure, too! Below I have listed some additional resources to help you in your quest to identify the mystery subjects of your old photos.

Articles on-line

- "Card and Paper Photographs, 1854-1900", Diane Van-Skiver Gagel (*Ancestry Magazine*, Sept/Oct 1997, Vol 15 #5).

www.ancestry.com/magazine/articles/photographs.htm

- "The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy", Revised, edited by Loretto D Szucs & Sandra H Luebking, Chapter 1, *The Foundations of Family History Research*, by Loretto D Szucs & Sandra H Luebking.

www.ancestry.com/home/source/src7.htm

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- George G Morgan, "Along Those Lines ... ", "Identifying Family Photographs"

www.ancestry.com/columns/george/08-07-98.htm

- DearMYRTLE: Deciphering Age of Old Photographs

www.ancestry.com.columns/myrtle/april98/my980417.htm

Helpful on-line resources: Clothing

- Victoriana Library

www.victoriana.com/

- Harper's Bazaar Magazine, from the Victoriana Library

www.victoriana.com/library/harpers/harpers.html

- Vintage clothing at Glad Rags

www.vintagegladrags.com

- Stoney Creek Trading Co. - Historical and Primitive Clothing, Accoutrements & Supplies for Re-enactors and Trekkers

www.stoneycreek-tradingco.com/

- AzRAHist--Costumes and Wardrobes

members.aol.com/azrahist/war.htm

- Grand Illusions Clothing Co Company

www.grand-illusion.com/

- Civil War Period Uniforms and Accoutrements

<http://extlab1.entnem.ufl.edu/olustee/uniforms/uniforms.htm>

MGS' SUMMER HOURS

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EARLY MANITOBA MEMORIES

Kerr Hammond of Plattsburg (Ontario) recalling family life in olden days. Reprinted with permission from editor John P Schmidt, *The Ayr News*, Ayr, Ontario. Article appeared June 3, 1998.

Mr. Hammond: "This was my Step-mother's Mother, who married and lived on the edge of Stratford, and raised a family of 7 boys and 1 girl — who became my Step-mother. The oldest boy, Laurence Feick, was Mayor of Stratford in the 1950s."

In the year 1881 in the village of Shakespeare, where I was born, some people took what they called the **Manitoba Fever**. My father took the fever along with the rest of the group, and in March of that year, the Flynn, Cairncross, Rutherford, Donaldson and the Evans families sold their homes and left for the West with their families and household goods. One man took a cat and another man took a dog. The first place we stopped was at Winnipeg, Manitoba, intending to stay there a few days, and we were in what they called the **Emigration Shed**. It was a great long building with no partitions in it, and every family slept on the floor. I can just remember the police coming in and saying if we wanted to cross the river, we would have to get up and go at once as the ice was beginning to break up. Then they loaded again and went as far as Portage la Prairie (Manitoba), the end of the train line.

So then every family unloaded their goods off the train and hitched up their oxen to the wagons and two or three cows were tied on behind, and then started on a 200 mile trip with bag and baggage. They followed what they called the old Pelly Trail which the Indians travelled from Portage la Prairie to Capelle ("Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan) to an Indian port where they did their fur trading. The wagons had bows on as the Gypsies had years ago. At night they took them off and stuck them in the ground and covered them with carpets and canvas to keep out the wind, and slept under them at night. Sometimes it was raining during the night. Just picture in your mind what that would be like. There were nine children in the first, from two to eight years of age. I was one of them, and we used to run around the sloughs (sloughs), chased the wild ducks and looked for eggs. We just thought we had a wonderful time. Some of the men had guns and they used to shoot the prairie chickens and ducks. Our mothers would sit on the back of the wagon and pluck the chickens and ducks and let the feathers fly away as they drove along. When they got stopped for the night they cooked them.

It took nearly three weeks to make the trip, and before we got to the journey's end, a mother took sick so they had to find a place with a settler for the night, and before morning a child was born. Do you think today anyone would take in a stranger, and care for her till she was able to travel on? I have my doubts.

The rest went on. We landed in a place called "Silver Creek" (Russell, Manitoba area). Those were terrible days.

My father took a team of oxen from Ellice Township and they had never done anything but skidded logs. When he wanted to plow with these oxen, they just made a belt for the other end, so my father had to put a rope on their horns, and I had to lead them for every furrow he plowed. I was the eldest of the family. My brother and I would often have to get the cattle, and as there were no fences, they often wandered far away, and as soon as it began to get dark the prairie wolves began to howl. If there is anything that would make your hair stand on end, that would. My mother never saw another woman for six months after we landed there. To pass the time she baked bread for the bachelors. Often 100 loaves a week, and it was not bread like we have here, the wheat got frozen and made very poor bread. My father had to drive 40 miles with oxen to get groceries. Often there came up a blizzard and he didn't get back for 8 or 10 days. Provisions would run out and we did not have anything to eat but potatoes and salt, and whole wheat boiled and eaten with black molasses. In the winter before the cow went dry, my mother would put milk in a tin pan and let it freeze, then piled it up outside. When she wanted milk she took a hammer and broke off a piece so we had a little milk. I also remember my father taking two hens and a rooster out with him and when the grass got long by the creek, one of the hens made a nest, but when my father was cutting the grass with the scythe for hay, he hurt her so bad he had to kill it. So we had only one left and she raised a few chickens. In the winter when my father went out to do the chores, a mink had got in and had them all piled up dead. What a heart break that was!

There is one thing that stands out in my memory very strong, and that was the **Mirage**. In the early morning the hills, trees and buildings that were miles away, seemed to be close by. It would last for a short time, and would be gone again. It was a beautiful sight!

I also remember my mother and I being alone when all at once the house got dark. An Indian was looking in the window. Imagine the scare we got! He wanted tobacco, and he sure got it. A few people took trinkets with them, which the Indians were very fond of. They were very friendly with us.

We got mail once a month and Miss Donaldson drove a black ox in what they called a Red River Cart, and she was a welcome sight. There was no school and they had church at our place about every two months, and the bachelors came in their bare feet. It was very healthy, only heard of one death in five years.

We stayed in the West five years, and came back to good old Ontario.

Genealogists never die; they just lose their roots.

NOAH'S ARK ENCOUNTERS THE MAYFLOWER

W. Robert Chapman. Please see full publishing credit following article.

In my job as a reference librarian I frequently encounter people who are searching for their family roots. One thing I've noticed is that most of these amateur genealogists say they are descended from a single ancestor. "My people came over on the *Mayflower*", the researcher might say, seemingly oblivious to the enormity of such a claim. "All of your ancestors?" one might ask. Not likely. The *Mayflower* wasn't big enough. An aircraft carrier might not hold all of one's 17th century ancestors. If I were to try to fit in all of the people from whom I'm directly descended who were alive in 1620, I'd need an ark that could hold 512 pairs of eighth great-grandparents. And only a handful is likely to have the surname CHAPMAN.

What they really mean is that they are searching for a single ancestral line. Often it is the researcher's paternal line, or they are trying to prove their lineage in order to qualify for membership in a hereditary society. Having done such a narrow search, the person can now confidently claim to being descended solely from something like the ancient and noble house of St. Swithins in the Swamp. The fact that one is also descended from grave robbers, mule skinners, or librarians seems irrelevant once one has qualified to join the Sons of (fill in the blank). In fact, the researcher has only scratched the surface of his or her ancestral search.

We are descended from a lot more people than most of us can imagine. That shouldn't be all that surprising when you consider that ancestry is exponential. You start with two parents, each of whom also had two parents (now we're up to four ancestors), etc. Five generations back, each of us is descended from eight pairs of second great-grandparents (sixteen lines).

Each of us is 10 generations removed from 256 pairs of seventh great-grandparents. By the time we are 15 generations removed, we are descended from 16,384 couples. Twenty generations back, each of us theoretically can trace our ancestries to 524,288 sets of seventeenth great-grandparents (that's 1,048,576 lines).

What does this all mean? For the statistically inclined, it is likely that each of us could be related to a lot of strangers, possibly including the folks next door or the person we took to the high school prom (giving new meaning to the term "kissing cousins".)

The likelihood of being at least distantly related to a neighbor greatly increases with each generation as we spin off new branches, particularly in societies that — unlike the American — were relatively stable and homogeneous, such as 15th century England, 17th century New England, and 19th century South Carolina, areas

where many of my ancestors lived. Folks in such areas tended to marry neighbors and cousins.

Family trees work both upward and downward. If going back 16 generations means that one is descended from 32,768 people, think how many descendants from each of those ancestors has. In researching only one line from my wife's family, I have uncovered more than 1,500 people descended either by blood or marriage from a 16th century Englishman. Assuming he is representative of most heads of Elizabethan English families, multiply those 1,500 descendants by the 32,768 people representing 13 generations, and one is faced with the possibility of being related to more than 49 million people.

Using that arithmetic, one could easily be related to a friend, a neighbor, a co-worker, or that cute young thing you've been working up the courage to ask out on a date. So if you were wondering why we tend to marry people who look and act a lot like ourselves, this might offer at least a partial explanation.

Maybe now the term, "family of mankind", makes a bit more sense.

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ARE THESE YOUR ANCESTORS?

Kathy Stokes, MGS #125

It is time to clean up my desk and to place before you a potpourri of information, without any particular theme, which you may find useful.

- An MGS member who works at **Great West Life Assurance Company (GWL)**, which is a Winnipeg-based business and which has been a fixture in our city since the early 1890s, has taken the time to investigate the policy of the company on releasing information from personnel files. Because GWL is such a large company and has been around for so many years, it is likely that there are many with Winnipeg roots whose ancestors have worked there.

The policy is that, in general, no personal information held by the company may be released to third parties without the consent of the person to whom the information relates. This is a necessary protection, but what about information on a person who has died, such as my great grandfather, who has worked for the company in the 1890s and who died in 1924?

A directive from the GWL Law Department states that if a situation arises where a researcher is requesting information from the company with regard to a relative, such request would be forwarded from the Personnel Department to the Law Department for advice. Disclosure of information to third party inquiries may be appropriate in certain limited circumstances.

- In the 20 July 1912 edition of the *Winnipeg Free Press*, there is an interesting photograph with quite a bit of family information. The photo (which did not reproduce well and thus is not shown here) is of a **five generation family**, not that common even today. Four generations lived in Winnipeg, while the family matriarch lived in New Brunswick. Her picture is transposed on to the photograph of the other four family members. The photo shows in some detail the clothing of the times, including the baby boy in what could be a christening gown. The family matriarch is wearing widow's weeds, the black veil thrown back from her face.

The caption gives a great deal of information. "The oldest of the four women is Mrs. Mary Watson, born March 7, 1822, aged 90, a resident of South Stream, Queen's County, New Brunswick. Mrs. Clara Watson of Winnipeg was born Oct. 1, 1842, now aged 70. Mrs. R. Wilkinson of Winnipeg was born Sept. 24, 1866, now aged 46. Mrs. George J. Binkley of Winnipeg was born Sept. 29, 1886, now aged 26. Baby Aley Robert Binkley was born Nov. 4, 1911, now aged eight months.

"Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs. Clara Watson live at 639 Elgin Avenue and Mrs. Binkley at 419 Toronto Street. Mrs. Wilkinson is the wife of R. Wilkinson, organist and choir master at Maryland Methodist Church. Mr. Wilkinson's mother is now 95 years old and resides in England. His father died five years ago as a result of an accident at the age of 96 years."

- The CPR ship *Algoma* sank near Isle Royale in Lake Superior in November 1885. Among its passengers were several with Manitoba connections.

Mr. and Mrs. Frost and a child were en route to Rapid City, Manitoba. They were the sister and brother-in-law of Mr. Butchart of that place. Mr. McIntyre, the brother of Mrs. Butchart, was also lost in the wreck. William Higgins of Winnipeg, born in Ireland in 1841, also lost his life.

- In the spring of 1891, the city fathers of Winnipeg decided to **change the names of streets and avenues in the city** from their current appellations to numbers. A list of the conversions can be found in the *Winnipeg Free Press* of 22 May 1891. The name changes were looked upon unfavourably by the citizenry and it was not long before the numbered streets were changed back to their original names.

• There is a very complete **obituary of Archibald McDonald**, the last Chief Factor of the Hudson's Bay Company, in the *Winnipeg Free Press* edition of Jan 8 1915. He was 79 years at the time of his death and was the widower of Ellen Inkster, sister of Sheriff Colin Inkster. They had six children and 65 grandchildren. He is buried at St. John's Cathedral Cemetery in Winnipeg, having died in Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan.

- **Joseph Hogue and his wife, Pelagie Turcotte**, celebrated their **56th wedding anniversary** on Jan 11 1915 in St. Charles, Manitoba. On page 3 of the *Winnipeg Free Press* 12 Jan 1915 there is an extensive family history of this couple who had thirteen children. The Hagues were married along with eleven other couples on the same morning in the old St. Boniface Cathedral and they were the last surviving pair from that marathon wedding session.

- An MGS member has kindly brought the following to our attention:

The **Canadian National Registration File of 1940** was the result of the compulsory registration of all persons 16 years of age and older in the period from 1940 to 1946. Although in the possession of Statistics Canada, the information contained in the file is covered by the Privacy Act, meaning that it is available to researchers under certain conditions. The information is expensive, but if all else fails, it may be a last resort to consider. Searches will be undertaken if the following documentation is provided:

- a) proof that the individual has been deceased for more than 20 years (death certificate preferred, but an obituary showing death date would be considered)
- b) individual's place of residence at time of registration
- c) cheque or money order for \$48.15 made payable to Statistics Canada

If search is unsuccessful, the money will be returned

Information for men and women differs slightly, with many questions asked of both, including name, address, age, and date of birth, marital status, dependants, birthplace of self and parents, nationality, naturalization (year and place), date of entry to Canada, health, occupation, farm skills, etc.

Internet: <http://www.statcan.ca>
 Choose "English" or "French". Click on Products and Services. Click on Browse or order from our on-line catalogue. Type in "National Registration 1940". Click "Search". Click on Searches of National Registration.

In writing:

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QUEBEC GENEALOGY SOCIETIES and WEB SITES

The following 31 sociétés de généalogie de la Fédération québécoise were named on the RootsWeb Internet site as supporting release of the 1911 Canadian Census. Perhaps they will be useful in members' genealogical searches.

A request for complete postal addresses did not get a response.

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 Président: Georgy Bouffard

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SYMPATHY
to

Virginia, MGS #948, and Ron Braun, MGS #2355, and their family, on the death of Virginia's sister, Sylvia (Kihm) Leask, April 1, 2000, in Winnipeg.

Hazel Runchey, MGS #825, and her family, on the death of her husband, Clifford Allan Runchey, April 18, 2000, in Winnipeg.

Colin and Elizabeth Briggs, MGS #484, and their family, on the death of Colin's mother, Dora May Briggs, April 18, 2000, in Winnipeg.

Cemetery: A marble orchard not to be taken for granite.

SOUTH WEST BRANCH

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Meetings: First Wednesday of the month, except July & August, 7:30pm, Agricultural Extension Centre, Brandon, Manitoba.

The Branch meeting in March was our Annual Meeting, at which time the Annual Report was presented. The program portion of the meeting was given by Gary Palmer, MGS #286, who spoke on "Desktop Publishing". His topic involved member participation and the discussion that took place enlightened all as to what desktop publishing is all about. Gary also had examples of work he has done in regard to genealogy.

The program at our April meeting was on "Long Distance Research", presented by Eleanor Burch, MGS #2252 and Richard Wharf, MGS #3405. They gave examples of their successes in obtaining information over the Internet, by e-mail, telephone and mail. They described how they had done it and gave suggestions on the methods the members could use to enhance their own research. In the discussion period which followed they provided many hints to solve some of the problems which the members had encountered in their long distance research efforts.

The May meeting was held in the Archive section of the Brandon University Library. After a brief business portion, Tom Mitchell, Archivist, took over the meeting to describe the types of materials suitable for inclusion in an archive, and the terms used in archival work. He mentioned and presented examples of items of possible interest to genealogists and allowed the members to examine those items of special interest.

With a look to future activities, we are planning to transcribe the Waskada Cemetery on June 17, 2000, and in September, we are planning the meeting as a picnic/barbecue to give members an opportunity to mingle and socialize.

Have a great summer!

WINNIPEG BRANCH

Jim Oke, MGS #2729, President



Meetings: Winnipeg Branch now meets on the last Saturday of the month, 1:30pm, at MGS (except as noted.)

Activities continue as per normal at the Winnipeg Branch. However, I would particularly like to recognize and thank our group of volunteers who have staffed MGS' Resource Centre on Wednesday evenings this past year. If anyone would like to assist with this activity in order to spread the

work load, and meet others interested in family history, please contact me.

In March, the Branch visited the library of the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature on Main Street. This library is intended to support the research efforts of the museum staff but it is open to the public by prior arrangement. Although the collection is not directed toward genealogy or family history, there is a large selection of periodicals and general reference material on hand and a variety of Manitoban and Canadian history books.

In late April, Daryl Dumanski and Anne Ostry again presented their Scrapbooking Workshop on preserving family photographs and documents while displaying them in a meaningful fashion for future generations.

When you read this the May 27 Branch AGM and elections will have taken place.

Upcoming is the June 24th visit to Elmwood Cemetery led by Kathy Stokes. The Winnipeg Millennium Council has accepted MGS' proposal for transcribing this cemetery (see details elsewhere in this journal) and the Branch will assist with this project if possible.

There will be no regular Branch meetings during the summer months; they will resume September 30.

Blessed are those
who return their
books
on time!

LIBRARY LINES

Louisa Shermerhorn, MGS #567L. Chair: Library

Library Holdings (to end of 1999) is now for sale: \$30.00.

Internet Access available at MGS: \$3.00/hour.

Indexes to Ontario Vital Statistics

Births: 1869-1902, Marriages: 1869-1917, Deaths: 1869-1927 (Microfilms)

The purchase of the balance of these microfilms was made possible by the generous donations of a number of persons. Thank you. The films are filed with the other Microfilm in the Resource Centre.

MGS has only the indexes, not the registration films. Researchers consult these indexes to find the registration number for a desired entry. With the registration number one can then locate the actual record on other microfilms: a) at Ontario Archives, 77 Grenville Street, Toronto, b) ordered by interlibrary loan through a public library (e.g. Centennial Library in Winnipeg), c) ordered through an LDS Family History Centre (e.g. in Winnipeg at 45 Dalhousie Drive). Equivalent LDS film numbers are available at MGS, at LDS, and on this website: www.gov.on.ca/MCZCR/archives/english This is a very informative website.

Materials added to MGS' collection.

REFERENCE SECTION

REF 015.7127 MGS Library holdings of Manitoba Genealogical Society 1976-1999

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Cemetery Transcripts must be used in Library. Stored in filing cabinets.
Brokenhead Municipality. Sidebottom Cemetery #1254

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- 371.8 Ing *Inscripta*. Elmwood High School, (Winnipeg) 1981
610.73 Win/Our *Our hospitals through the years* (Winnipeg)
912 Man *Map of Manitoba 1881* (this is displayed on end of one of the shelves)
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371.8 Eyr *Eyrie*. Delbrook Senior High School, 1966. (North Vancouver)
371.8 Obe *Obejay: Oak Bay Junior High, 1961-2*. (Victoria)
371.8 Pil *Pilgrim log: Burrard Inlet Bible Institute*
917.11 Fir *First Vancouver catalogue (1980)*
917.11 Vanb *Vanderhoof, Fort St. James, Fort Fraser, BC...*
929.5 Alb *Alberta sources: cemeteries and other surname sources*. 971.1 Bar *Barkerville...gold camp of the Cariboo*.
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- 912 Atl *Atlas of Newfoundland and Labrador*
917.14 Art *Arthur Frommer's dollar-wise guide to Montreal, Quebec...1966*
917.14 Mon *Taste of Montreal*
917.3 Tor *Of Toronto the good. A social study*.
929.3713 Str *Strays: an index to the OGS Strays project Vol. 5*
929.3713 Str *Strays: an index to the OGS Strays project: married name index ...*
929.4 Dit "Dit" name: *French-Canadian surnames, aliases...*

970.004 Ind *Indians from New York to Ontario and Quebec Canada*.

- 970.004 Wal *Walpole island: the soul of Indian territory*
971.3 Ben *In search of Lanark (Co., Ontario)*
971.3 Bru/His *Historic view of the Lion's Head area of Bruce Co., Ontario*
971.3 Dun/Sto *Story of Dundas (Co.) from 1784 to 1904*
971.3 Mid/Lon *Historic heart of London (Middlesex Co.)*
971.3 Ont *Ontario history (scattered copies)*
971.3 Wen/Pen *Pen and pencil sketches of Wentworth landmarks*

- 971.4 StD *St. Denis: a French-Canadian parish*
971.5 Kin *King's loyal Americans...marriage licenses for Sunbury Co. 1788-1829, and other lists, etc. (New Brunswick)*

- 971.6 Ant/Mem *Memorable years in the history of Antigonish*

CANADA

Books: These books have CANADA before the call number and are shelved in the red maple leaf section.

- 355.3 Rei *Our little army in the field; Canadians in South Africa 1899-1902*
362.712 Feg *Fegan index of Home Children*
647 Can *Canadian bed and breakfast guide 1996*
912 Cou *County atlases of Canada. a descriptive catalogue*.
912 Den *Dent's Canadian school atlas*
912 Can/Voy *Voyageur route. Canada sea to sea on Alexander Mackenzie (stored in a large grey box in this section)*
920 Can *Canadian obituary record. Biographical dictionary of Cdns who died in 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992.*
920 Can *Canadians all: portraits of our people.*
920 Pri *Prime ministers of Canada 1867-1994*
929.1 Maj *Major genealogical records sources for Canada. 1972*

GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND

Books: These books have GB & IRE before the call number and are shelved in the red section.

- 364.942 Cri *Criminal ancestors: guide to historical records in England and Wales*
652 Eng *English language handwriting from 1550*
912 Ire Cav *Map of several townlands in County Cavan.(maps are stored in a large grey box in this section)*
912 Map *Maps for family history: guide to the records of the tithe, valuation office...farm surveys Eng. & Wales 1836-1943*
912 Sco His *Historical map of Scotland. (maps are stored in a large grey box in this section)*
929.4 Dev *Members' interests 2000, Devon, England*
929.4 Reg *Register of One name studies, 1999*
929.5 Abe *Kirkyard of Aboyne St. Mary's., Aberdeen Scotland*
941.5 Lit *Little book of Irish clans.*

EUROPE

Books: These books have EUROPE before the call number and are shelved in the orange section.

949.12 Boo *Books on Iceland*: A catalogue

GENERAL

Books: These books have GENERAL before the call number and are shelved in the green section.

652 Fre *French handwriting*. 1614-1841

902.02 His *History's timeline*

912 Ham *Hammond's library world atlas*

912 Phi *Philips' new world atlas*

917 Pac *Pacific northwest, 1989:... travel publication*

929 Wha *What did they mean by that?*: a dict. of historical terms. 2 Vols.

929.1 Enr *Enrichment aids list*. LDS. 1976

929.4 Fam *Family names*: ..2800 American names

929.4 Wha *What's your name*: ...first names and what they mean

970.004 Nat *Native America: portraits of the peoples*

FAMILY HISTORY & BIOGRAPHY

Books: These books have FH & BIO before the call number and are shelved in the pink section.

921 Fre Fredrickson. *Silence of the north*

921 Hug *Long run...a lifestory*/ Hughes, Lusted, McEwen families

921 Janz. *With courage to spare ...B.B. Janz 1877-1964*

921 John Johnson. *Death of Albert Johnson, mad trapper of Rat River*

921 Kin King. *William Stanley King: military papers of CEF, WWI*

921 Mil Milledge. *Governor John Milledge*

921 Str Stringer. *Ambassador of the frozen way. Most Rev. Isaac G. Stringer...*

929.2 Bea Beaubien. *Wilderness dream: ...pioneer life in British Columbia*

929.2 Bou Bouchard. *Yesterday, today...1661 to 1999*

929.2 Bre 2 Brewster story: from pack train to tour bus

929.2 Dav 2 Clan Davidson

929.2 deR De Roquebrune. *Testament of my childhood*

929.2 Dyc 2 Dyck. *He leadeth me*

929.2 Jon Jonatansson. *Jon Jonatansson: ancestors and descendants*

929.2 Lon *Longs of Longfield*

929.2 Par 2 Paradis family: *military papers of CEF, WWI*

929.2 Ric Richardson. *James Richardson and sons: 125 years of progress*

929.2 Ros Ross. *History of William Ross, his wives Eleanor Jarvis, Sarah Ann Harper ...*

929.2 Wol Wolfe: *portraiture and genealogy*

Can a first cousin once removed, return?!

GENEALOGICAL GLEANINGS



Thanks to all who contribute information for this column.

INTERNET SITES**Ancestors of Russ Waller UE**

www.gomestead.com/russwaller/index.html

Buzzwords, terminology, legal words in genealogy

www.charweb.org/gen/gendictu.html

On-line index to a lot of Ontario genealogical files (BMD indexes, census). Many links.

www.50megs.com/luke/index.html

British Home Children

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~britishhomechildren>

OTHER**The Irish at Home and Abroad**

This magazine is no longer published but has a web site.
www.ihaconline.com

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Banns

Summary of info seen on Rootsweb: Banns were read out in church to announce a forthcoming marriage (about 3 weeks prior). Had to be read in both bride and groom's parishes, therefore 2 entries in OPR. Scottish marriages often were in the home so no marriage in the register. One should read the actual OPR entry to determine if for bann or marriage. Not always clear so read balance of register for a pattern in entries. If an entry was on Sunday it was probably a bann.

BOOK: Sequel to Beyond the Gates of Fort Garry

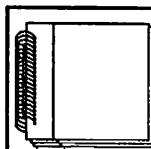
A millennium project. \$30.00 until Oct. 27, 2000. After: \$35.00. Contact: RM of St. Andrew's Office 204/738-2264 for phone numbers of volunteer members in your area. Distribution date Oct. 27, 2000, 7:30pm., Clandeboye Hall, Clandeboye MB.

Medical Family Tree

More info seen on rootsweb: ...very important to trace your family's medical history at least 3-4 generations - check for thyroid problems, diabetes, heart disease ... some diseases went by other names in the past. Share info with your doctor.

<http://members.home.net/kimchance/Diseases.html> for old names of diseases.

http://www.ecosolutions.com.au/~mjkirke/death_1.htm diseases



PERIODICAL POTPOURRI

Lori Walker, MGS #1145, Editor

French periodicals reviewed by Cécile Alarie-Skene, MGS #672

AUSTRALIA

The Genealogist, Vol 9 #8

Margaret Turner / Births in Scotland / Deaths in Australia 1874-90 / Ustick family.

CANADA

Brantches, Brant Co. OGS Vol 20 #1

Newspaper vitals 1884 / Beware sharing files over the Internet.

British Columbia Genealogist, Vol 29 #1

Some pioneer families.

Families, OGS, Vol. 39 #1

Citing electronic information / K(C)lock family / Researching W. Indies families.

Family History News, Vol 6 #1

That black sheep & possible records for research / Slave records in Ontario.

Generations, NBGS, Vol. 22 #1

The Jewish settlement of St. John's / Sharrey Zedek Cemetery MIs A-G / Thomas Howe descendants / Baptisms & marriages 1829 of King's Co / Wiggins & Wiley families.

Lanark Co GS Newsletter, Feb/Mar 2000

The Sullivan family, pts 1&2.

Ottawa Branch, OGS Vol 33 #2

A long shot success story.

PEI GS Newsletter, Vol. 24 #2

John William McCormack / Islanders in Boston 1906-26, A only.

Perth Co Profiles, Vol 18.#1

Harrison family.

Relatively Speaking, Alberta GS Vol 28 #1

The Kashubian people.

Saskatchewan GS, Vol. 31 #1

The Shiloh people / Ship passenger lists / Some of the 1935 electoral roll.

Victoria Genealogical Society, Vol 23 #1

Normandy roots.

Wandering Volhynians

Vol 12 #1: Volhynian-Germans in Latvia / Place names in Posen, W Prussia.

Vol 12 #3: Penno family / Baptist cemetery records of Leduc, AB / Doering family / the German-Russians.

COMPUTERS

Genealogical Computing, Vol 19 #2

Where genealogy is going / On-line genealogy / PAF 4.0 / Generations Grands Suite.

ENGLAND

Cornwall FHS, #95

Iron miners / Kereve family / Thomas & Jane Brown.

Devon Family Historian, #93

Canadian pioneers from north Devon.

Family Tree Magazine

Vol 16 #4: Archdeacon's visitation in 17th c village life / Parish registers - marriages pre-1754 / Landowner records, pt 2.

Vol 16 #5: Clandestine marriages at Fleet Prison 1680-1754, pt 1 / Parish Register marriages after 1754 / The 1901 British Census in works / Settlers of Nevis / Landowner records, pt 3 / Scottish miner housing 1850-1936.

Vol 16 #6: In quest of books / Divorce in the 17th c / Unusual printed sources / Clandestine marriages, pt 2.

Vol 16 #7: Marriage licenses, pt 2 / Bank of England will extracts / Voyage of the *Lady Egidia* to NZ.

Family History News and Digest, Vol 12 #3

British Empire & Commonwealth Museum.

Hampshire Family Historian, Vol. 26 #4

Village of East Moon / Richards family / Emigration to Canada.

Oxfordshire Family Historian, Vol 14 #1

Justice in the 18th c / Hinton family.

Suffolk Roots, Vol. 25 #4

Cecilia Elizabeth Chase / Larter surname / Poor Law migration 1835-7 / Sailing with Thomas Cavendish.

Wiltshire FHS, Issue 76

Illegal marriages / Imber surname / Peacock & Parsons families.

IRELAND

Irish at Home and Abroad, Vol. 6 #4

Irish freeholders, freemen & voting registers / Catholic Qualification Rolls 1775-1801 / Leases / War of 1812 records / Argentina records for Irish immigrants.

Irish Genealogist, Vol 10 #2

Irish man in India - Abraham Goodall / Family history collections available courtesy Michael Leader / Joyce family of Meriview, pt 4 / Salle family / Irish Acts of Settlement 1660-84 / Irish in Spain.

ONE-NAME

Porteous Associates, Australia, #31



SCOTLAND

Scottish Genealogist, Vol. 47 #1

Slave traders / Scottish funeral customs / Dundee ships in English ports on census day 1871.

UNITED STATES

Dakota Homestead, Vol 29 #1

Census returns of 1885.

Family Chronicle, March/April 2000

Entry to US other than New York / Emigration / Researching in Ireland & N. Ireland.

Galizien-German Descendants, #22

Konigsau.

Genealogical Helper

Jan/Feb 2000: Afro-American research / The life of a slave girl / The Freedmen's Bureau / Slave trader records.

March/April 2000: Story of the Oregon Trail / Research in the western US / American Loyalists / Blanchard family.

Minnesota Genealogist

Vol 30 #3: Wagon train rosters 1862-67.

Vol 30 #4: Dale School students 1896-8 & 1916-47 / Public school records.

Oregon GS Quarterly, several issues

Bible entries & pioneer profiles.

Seattle Genealogical Society, Vol. 49 #2

Saunders family, pt 2.

WALES

Glamorgan FHS, #57

John Vigurs / Men from S. Wales in the HBC Archives.

CONGRATULATIONS

to



Sheila and Bill Burland, MGS #3727, on the arrival of their first grandchild, Owen William, son of Doug Burland and Cindy McKay, April 9, 2000 in Winnipeg.

Fran and Walt McCaw, MGS #1522, on their 50th wedding anniversary, June 9, 2000.

Manitoba Free Press, February 2, 1882

Neepawa is one of the latest Manitoba towns. The plan was drawn about a week ago, and since then lots have been given free to parties who are going to build on them, and three more have been sold at a nominal value of \$25 each, on the same understanding. The mill is finished with exception of the machinery, which is expected to be in running order in about a month. The place is romantically situated in a splendid tract of country.

BOOK REPORTS

Louisa Shermerhorn, MGS #567L, Chair: Library and Kathy Stokes, MGS #125.

The following books have been donated to MGS Library:

The Papers of Howard W. Winkler

Ed. by Irvin J. Kroeker, c1999. Published by Open Door Communications, Winnipeg, Manitoba, ISBN 0-919003-04-4. Available from bookstores for \$10.00.

Howard Winkler, son of Valentine Winkler and Josephine Rombough, was born 4 March 1891 in Manitoba and died 14 November 1970. Valentine and his brother, Enoch, had come to Manitoba about 1879, settling in Morden but with a business in modern-day Winkler. The Winklers actively aided the Mennonite settlers of southern Manitoba and this caring for fellow neighbours was carried on by Howard. He served as Liberal member for Lisgar Constituency from 1935 to 1953. He and his wife, Ruth Doern, were both staunch supporters of social causes. This selection of his papers is a fitting tribute to one of Manitoba's most caring public servants. The papers themselves are stored at the Manitoba Provincial Archives, available to researchers.

MGS # 921 Win FH&BIO (pink section)

- LJS

William Downing Johnson Family History 1795-1993

Compiled by Phyllis M. Cairns (nee Johnson), Box 303, Oak Lake, Manitoba, R0M 1P0, c1994.

In her postscript Phyllis comments on the 'closeness' she has found with family members as this book has been compiled. The earliest Johnson birth she has found is that of her great great grandfather, James Johnson, of Yardley-Hastings, Northampton Co., England, born about 1795. The last of this family born in England, in Derbyshire, was the author's father, William Lawrence Johnson. William Lawrence 'Laurie' emigrated to Manitoba in 1905 and married Mildred Burton. Some other families who married into the Johnson family were: Cairns, Marks, Bajus, Cot-tam, Osborn, Macdonald and Crossing. The book is well illustrated with photos and charts and has easy-to-read print.

MGS # 929.2 Joh FH&BIO (pink section)

- LJS

The Martins. The Descendants of Thomas Martin and Susanna Galloway

by Ernest McCallum, 2-291 Foul Bay Road, Victoria, British Columbia, V8S 4H9, n.d.

The Martin story starts in Lincolnshire in the parish of East Keel, near Spilsby, with Robert Martin and his wife Elizabeth. Their descendant, Thomas Martin, b1811 in East Keel, emigrated to Upper Canada (Ontario) in 1837. In 1842 he married Susanna Galloway, possibly born in Hull, Yorkshire, England. Their son, William 'Butler' Martin, who had married Lydia Jane Curtis in Markham Twp., Ontario, moved to Manitoba in 1902. A daughter, Florence, married Walter O. P. McCallum; they were Ernest's grandparents. The book is arranged by family groups. Other family names are: Moore, Davey, Hildred,

Mashley, Drinkrow, Winteringham, Potchet, Klinck, Sentz, Thorgeson, Moerike. Another interesting family history from this author, whose other book, *McCallum. Weaver's Pretty Daughter* is also in our library. Both books are illustrated with maps, photographs, family papers and newspaper clippings, and have comprehensive indexes. MGS # 929.2 Mar FH&BIO (pink section) - LJS

James Bowman Norrie. His Wife, Jessie McKenzie and their family

by Donna Fraser, 1074 Eaglecrest Drive, Qualicum Beach, British Columbia, V9K 1E7.

Donna's great grandparents, James Bowman Norrie and wife, Jessie McKenzie, came to Canada from Scotland in 1891. They settled in Broomhill, Manitoba. (The author has kindly pinpointed this for us: Broomhill is in the south west corner of Manitoba, north of Melita but south of Reston on Highway 345). In the 1901 Census seven children are at home with them, five born in Scotland. There are chapters for the McKenzie and the Ross families (Jessie's maternal grandparents). Other chapters outline the lives of each of the children of James and Jessie. They married: Duke, Baldwin, Tingle, Wight, Titley, Montgomery, Walker. Illustrated with family papers, pedigree chart and photos. MGS # 929.2 Nor FH&BIO (pink section) - LJS

George Matthew Tingle, his wife, Susan Evans and their family

by Donna Fraser, 1074 Eaglecrest Drive, Qualicum Beach, British Columbia, V9K 1E7.

The Tingle family originated in the Little Dean/Rurardean area of Westbury-on-Severn, Gloucestershire, England. George Mathew Tingle was born in 1845 at Littledean, Woodside, s/o Mathew and Amelia Tingle. Susan Evans, d/o Richard Evans and Margaret Reed, was born in 1846 in Blaina, Monmouthshire, about 40 miles east of Littledean. George and Susan were married in 1866, emigrated to United States in 1870, then to Ontario, Canada in 1875 and finally, around 1892 to the Municipality of Albert, Manitoba. The Tingle children married into these families: Plummer, Norrie, Miller, Pierce, Stock and Buck. "The name TINGLE and TINGLER originated from smiths who made small nails". Donna has given us an interesting family history.

MGS # 929.2 Tin FH&BIO (pink section) - LJS

Tools of the Trade for Canadian Genealogists, A guide for family historians researching in Canada.

by Althea Douglas, published by the Ontario Genealogical Society. 98pp. \$16.00 + GST.

This book is a collection of essays relating to archives, records, etc. for use by both Canadians and those researching their Canadian roots. It contains some helpful information on the workings, for example, of archives and how they differ from libraries. Readers can pick up some helpful hints through this book's mention of sources not often thought about.

The book however, contains very little assistance to the western Canadian researcher. There are passing references to western homestead records, but the section on early censuses, for example, makes no mention of the early head-of-family censuses done by the Hudson's Bay Company in the Red River area. It is almost as if there is a curtain between Ontario and Manitoba which is seldom penetrated. Nonetheless, this book should be of assistance to the person who is newly beginning research, particularly in eastern Canada.

(MGS # not available at press time) - KS

Strays! An Index to the British Strays in Canada, Resulting From the OGS Strays Project, Vol 1

Published by the Ontario Genealogical Society 1999. \$10.00 + GST.

This is the first volume in a new series about strays, people who were born or resided in Britain — England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales — and for whom there is mention of residence in Canada in some published source. The book is well laid out, and a pleasure to read. Reference sources behind each entry are clear and will be easy to locate, given the detailed information. For those interested in forwarding their own strays to this project, there is a form at the back of the book which may be photocopied. How nice it would be if this project were to be picked up by genealogical societies across the country!

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FRANCIS / BENNETT

William Francis, s/o Edward Francis of Somerset, UK, m Lottie Miriam Bennett in Winnipeg's Congregational Church on Aug 5 1899. Seek info re desc's of this couple. Are they still liv'g in Winnipeg area?

Contact: Mrs. Eleanor Anderson 204 / 638-6136
 802 - 29 2nd Ave NE
 Dauphin MB R7N 3E2

FYKE (FIKE) / WALDROFF / STEEN / BISHOP

Seek'g desc's of Samuel Fyke (b1813) & Permillia Lossee (b1810) of Osnabruck ON. Their dau Martha Idelia m Thomas Steen & moved with fam to AB c1910. (Another dau Laura m Clinton Alfred Steen 1913.) My gm, Lydia Idena O'Neil, was Martha's sis. I am interested in locat'g any fam desc's.

Contact: Alma (O'Neil) Bentley 204 / 489-8710
 903 - 885 Wilkes Ave
 Winnipeg MB R3P 1J3

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GOODWIN / DAWSON

Jane Goodwin, d/o John Goodwin and Rose Eva Blair, emig. from Manchester to Winnipeg c1912-16 where she marr Gerald Dawson (also from UK?) in 1919. One of their chn was a dentist. Fam may be liv'g in MB or other parts of Can. Jane's sibl's: Rose Eva, Emily, Samuel, John (Jack), Harry, and Arthur.

Contact: Anne Richardson
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 Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 1TG
 England

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HOLLIES

Esther Adelaide Hollies, orig from Staffordshire, Eng. Came to Canada c1915, eventually marr, had at least 2 chn: Mary and Leonard. Marr name unk. Thought to have come to MB.

Contact: James A Onslow
 5115 Grand Blvd
 Windsor ON N8T 1M2

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HOLMES / SIMPSON / SISSON

Andrew Holmes, b Ire (where?) c1789, m Mary Ann Simpson. To Ballyduff, ON 1820s. Chn: James, Andrew, Joseph (m Dorothy Sisson, went to AB) Sarah Jane, +?, Mary Ann, Benjamin, Martha. Are John, Elizabeth, and Samuel related? Look'g for any/all fam info.

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KING / DODDS / GOWAN

Robert King, b 6 Sep 1858, Euphrasia Twp, Grey Co, ON, d 1944, m Margaret Dodds (d 1938). Chn: William, m Nellie Aikinhead, liv'd St. Vital (Wpg); Viola, m Arthur Grasley, liv'd Neepawa MB; Edna, m Roy Miller, liv'd Carberry MB. Robert King farmed 11-12-16 near Brookdale in 1892. His sis. Elizabeth King, m Charles Gowan who farmed 22-12-16 near Brookdale. Their chn: Lettie, Bella, Alma, Alice, Frank, Charles. Marg. Dodds may have had bro Andrew Dodds who farmed 28-12-16 near Brookdale. Seek desc's, BMDs, details of King, Gowan, Dodds fams.

Contact: Donald E Carney
 20 Riddle court
 North Bay ON P1B 8S6

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KIRCHNER

Martha (nee Wagner ?sp) Kirchner immigr after WWI with mother, (nee Konig), father, 2 bros (Martin & ?) & 1 sis from Lehsten, Mecklenburg. M 1935-40 Meik (?Mike) Kirchner. Have postcard of them with dau Elsie (10-12 mos), taken at SW Higgins, Main & Logan Winnipeg. Help!

Contact: Zenith Mintert 780 / 672-7724

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LAING / McKAY

George Laing, b 1843, in/around Edinburgh, Scot, d 1920 Roseisle or Winnipeg, MB, m Agnes McKay, b July 15, 1849, Kirkhill, Scot, d Roseisle? Chn: William (Willie) b 1875? Edinburgh; Alexander Josiah, b Feb 17, 1877, Edinburgh, d Dec 27, 1959, m Bertha May Conroy (b Mar 30, 1889, d Apr 30, 1990?); (Joe) Joseph John Laing, b 1879? Scot, mov'd to Prosser, WA; George (?) Laing, b 1881? Roseisle?, mov'd to Vancouver, m Margaret ?, chn: Agnes and John. Alexander Josiah and Bertha's chn: Robert Milton, b 1911; Howard Joseph Newton, 1914-1995; Charles Stuart, b 1915-16; Glendon Lewis, 1917-2000; Wilbert Raymond b 1919?; Frank Alexander b1924; James Edwin 1926-1997 (these chn used Lang). Wish info on Alexander Josiah who liv'd Roseisle prob. 1887-1895.

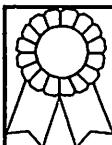
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GENEALOGY GEM

Posted by Paula Carr on the NFLD-LAB list, CANADA-CENSUS-CAMPAIGN-L@rootsweb.com Sent to Generations by several members.

The Twelve Commandments for Names

1. Thou shalt name your male children:

James, John, Joseph, Josiah, Abel, Richard, Thomas, William

2. Thou shalt name your female children:

Elizabeth, Mary, Martha, Maria, Sarah, Ida, Virginia, May

3. Thou shalt leave NO trace of your female children.

4. Thou shalt, after naming your children from the above lists, call them by strange nicknames such as: Ike, Eli, Polly, Dolly, Sukey — making them difficult to trace.

5. Thou shalt NOT use any middle names on any legal documents or census reports, and only where necessary, you may use initials on your documents.

6. Thou shalt learn to sign all documents illegibly so that your surname can be spelled, or misspelled in various ways: Hicks, Hix, Hixe, Hucks, Kicks.

7. Thou shalt, after no more than 3 generations, make sure that all family records are lost, misplaced, burned in a court house fire, or buried, so that NO future trace of them can be found.

8. Thou shalt propagate misleading legends, rumors, and vague innuendo regarding your place of origin.

a) You may have come from: England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales ... or Iran.

b) You may have American Indian ancestry of the tribe...

c) You may have descended from one of three brothers that came over from _____.

9. Thou shalt leave NO cemetery records, or headstones with legible names.

10. Thou shalt leave NO family Bible with records of birth, marriages or deaths.

11. Thou shalt ALWAYS flip thy name around. If born James Albert, thou must make all the rest of thy records in the name of Albert, AJ, JA, AL, Bert, Bart, or Alfred.

12. Thou must also flip thy parent's names when making reference to them, although "unknown" or a blank line is an acceptable alternative.

And the author's own personal addition: Thou shalt name at least 5 generations of males, and dozens of their cousins, with identical names in order to totally confuse researchers.

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MGS is hoping to present the cemetery officials with a complete alphabetical inventory to replace their chronological system of having to pour over aging journals, in time to coincide with the twenty-fifth anniversary (1976 — 2001) of our Society in the summer of 2001. As well the completed records would be available at the Resource Centre for our members and patrons working on their heritage research.

The estimated time to complete the headstone data, arrived at by the volunteers from their field trips over the past two decades, is one thousand (1,000) hours. It is our plan to hire two summer students to do the field work and our volunteer staff will complete the transcribing at the Resource Centre and at their homes. We are looking to raise a total of \$6,000 to cover the cost of the field labour. **Will you assist us?**

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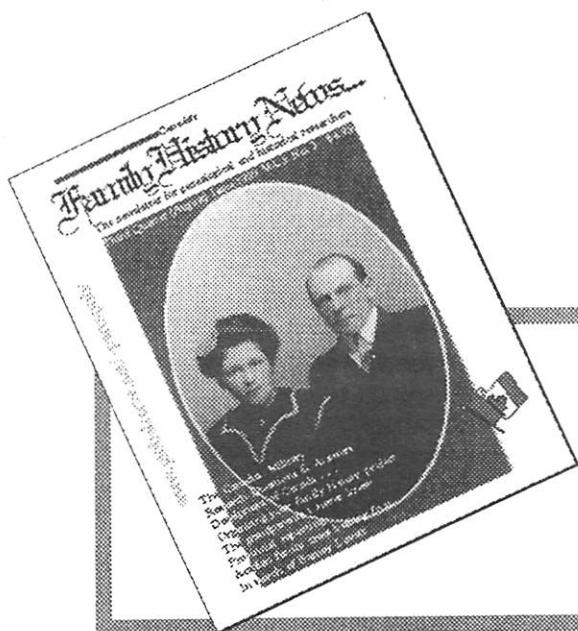
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