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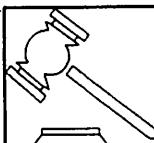
Joyce Elias, MGS #1519L

Thanks to all who sent reports and articles early so I could finish this issue and be on holiday when you read this!

Hurrah! MGS received a grant from Culture, Heritage and Citizenship to do the Indexes for Phase I of the United Church Archives Transcriptions. Carol Jones will be doing the computer work on this project. We hope to complete Phase I by the end of 1995, although we have until April 1996 under the terms of the grant.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Daryl Dumanski, MGS #1031



Have your summer interviews with relatives started?! I've already accomplished one and have a great aunt visiting in June. I manage to fit in a bit of my own genealogy come summer months and appreciate all that I've learned through MGS to ask the right questions.

My tune hasn't changed! - We're in need of new givers for MGS. Time to put back a little of what you've taken. We're running a very viable business with a very small core of council members. It's a good thing that our volunteer members we have retained for so many years are so efficient and talented. We accomplish so much. Holdings are constantly increasing, grant applications have been successful, public research is ongoing, heritage involvement is happening, and yet we have people expecting more.

If you would like to see the Resource Centre open one evening a week, then find a few members to join you and volunteer - it's amazing what you can find when you're looking for someone else. If you'd like to see an index you need for research, then talk to the right committee and make it happen. If you have suggestions or material that you think a branch could use for other members, inform them. If you prefer keyboarding on a project, let the computer chairman know. If you think we should talk to another group that you belong to - then let us know when you'd like to go out. There are lots of opportunities for all kinds of networking by means of small and large commitments.

Have a great summer - challenge yourself to get a project completed - then tell another family historian about it - it spurs us all on!



NOTE

Researchers should confirm all Branch research and query fees with individual Branches.

EAST EUROPEAN BRANCH REPORT

Les Reckiedler



Greetings! We are heading into our summer break period and the Branch's year end.

As the year closes I will be stepping down as President and assuming the role of Past-President. Mavis Menzies is taking over as President and I wish her all the best in this endeavour.

I thank Council Chairpersons [Mavis Menzies, Dave Olinyk, Denise Kolesar, Rita Myrko and Heather Hobbs] for all their years of work and dedication on your behalf. I especially thank the members of our Executive [Carol Jones, Elaine Chadney, Chris Radons and Brian Lenius] for their advice and assistance through many of the "challenges" that we faced in the last two years. Carol, Elaine and Dave are stepping down and we wish them all the best. Mavis, Denise and Brian are changing positions. Some new people are joining the "group"; for more details read on.

I also thank the Executive and Council of the MGS for their work and efforts on our behalf.

An organization is only as good as the members who contribute to its well being. We are fortunate to have a number of hardworking and conscientious members. People [if asked] usually volunteer their time and energy working to make the organization run smoothly and efficiently. Problems always occur and they are sorted out quickly. We must remember that we are a "volunteer organization" and that things do take more time. If you have not had the opportunity to become involved, I invite you to contact myself or any of the Executive. We can then arrange something that would suit your skills and interests.

I would like to review some of the accomplishments by our branch over the last few years. We continue to publish a high quality journal which is full of developments in East Europe as well as the local interests. We have continued to grow over the years. As one of the founding members of the branch, I have watched with interest, to see the membership grow from approximately a dozen members 5 years ago to 160 people last year and we anticipate reaching 175 this year.

Our financial situation has improved as well. As the number of members/subscribers increased, we have been able to take advantage of economies of scale. Bulk postal rates, as well as enclosing notices in the journal, have reduced our costs. As well, charitable donation status has reduced the "real" cost of our membership due to the income tax refund. Additional funds has allowed us to purchase some much-needed library books. We are also

receiving donations of books from members and would like to encourage them to continue. The amount of correspondence has increased substantially. Tracking, handling, and the timely answering of queries has become a more difficult task. We ask for your patience and understanding. Guest speakers and field trips continue to draw members/guests to our meetings and to spark their interest in doing genealogy.

Two articles I read recently are worth noting:

1. From the *Mennonite Family History* [April 1995 issue]; "Kronweide: The Old Colony Russia; The First Settlers 1788 to 1814, Part I".
2. From the Germans from Russia Heritage Society's *Heritage Review* [March, 1995 issue]: "Expulsion of the German Colonist from Wolhynia 1915-1916", by Friedrich Rink, translated by J.M.Richey.

BRANCH UPDATE:

The closing date for nominations was May 18th, 1995 and the Nomination Chairperson, Brian Lenius, has announced our new Executive as follows:

President: Mavis Menzies
Past-President: Les Recksiedler
Vice-President: Chris Radons
Secretary: Denise Kolesar
Treasurer: Russell Turyk

Dave Olinyk has stepped down from the Membership Chair which has been taken over by Elaine Taylor-Turcyn. As of May 17th, 1995 we had approximately 156 members. Dave has been the Membership Chairperson since the beginning of the branch [5 years] and we all thank him for his many years of service and dedication. Membership is not an easy position and was made even more difficult because Dave lives in The Pas, Manitoba.

Complimentary copies of the March issue of our journal, with a reminder to renew, were sent to approximately 30 members who had not renewed. With these extras and our exchanges with other journals, we sent out 201 issues. We are still encouraging members to submit personal family queries for inclusion in the journal. Brian Lenius has taken over the Publication Chair from Denise Kolesar. We would like to thank Denise for the many, many hours of work on the journal. Denise is continuing to work as co-editor.

Mavis Menzies, Librarian, has ordered a number of new books [titles suggested by members] from Canada and the USA. We are also getting books donated to the Library by members and would encourage this to continue. Shelf space is, however, becoming a problem.

Chris Radons, Correspondence, indicates a total of 230 pieces of correspondence with 120 renewals, 73 publications, 13 inquiries and 24 miscellaneous.

Heather Hobbs, Program, is also co-ordinating a project by the branch to transcribe the Holy Ghost Cemetery on Main Street. This is a part of the larger cemetery transcription project undertaken by MGS. The start date planned is June 3rd, 1995 with a rain date of June 17th, 1995. For further information, contact Heather at 474-0509.

Elaine Chadney, Treasurer, reported a bank balance of \$1802.00 as of May 17th, 1995, so we are in sound financial condition. The cost of the last journal had been paid also.

At the March 15th, 1995 meeting, Mr. Ed Kowalchuk gave an interesting presentation on his research in the Riding Mountain/Dauphin area which included land records. It focused on Ukrainian Family Links and entailed the extensive use of computers. Mr. Kowalchuk had written a number of books which were available for browsing.

At the April 19th, 1995 meeting we had a problem-solving workshop. Members brought in their family research information for advice on how to get past some "stumbling blocks".

On May 17th, 1995, we made a field trip to the Ukrainian Museum of Canada, 1175 Main Street, in the Holy Trinity Orthodox Cathedral. We were given a tour by Mrs. Nellie Pawluk and were shown costumes worn in the different areas of the Ukraine. Complimentary coffee and dainties were provided after the tour.

Upcoming Branch Meetings

June 21st, 1995, Wednesday at 7:00 pm
885 Notre Dame Street, Winnipeg

My Favourite Ancestor: This is a chance for anyone to come and give a brief overview of his/her favourite ancestor and why that person is his/her favourite.

September 21st, 1995, Wednesday at 7:00 pm
885 Notre Dame Street, Winnipeg

Recent trips to the Ukraine.

Additional meetings have been booked for October 18th, November 16th and December 21st, 1995. For details see the fall issue of the journal.

Conventions

The Federation of East European Family History Societies [FEEFHS], of which we are a member, will hold a convention on July 25th, 1995 at the Calgary Multicultural Centre; 712 - 5th Street S.E.; Calgary Alberta.



The above convention is in conjunction with the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia's [AHSGR's] 26th annual convention which will be held July 23rd to 30th, 1995 in the Radisson Plaza Hotel, Calgary, Alberta.

The Germans from Russia Heritage Society [GRHS] hold their 25th convention in Bismarck, North Dakota, July 12-16, 1995.

The New England Historical Society will hold a conference July 13th to 15th, 1995, in Boston MA. For more information phone 617-536-7540.

The FGS/SGS will hold a conference September 20th to 23rd, 1995 in Seattle, WA. For more information write FGS, P.O. Box 3385, Salt Lake City UT; 84110-33865.

Family History Library:

Personal Ancestry File [PAF] release 2.31 for MS-DOS is now available from Salt Lake city for \$35.00 US funds. It fixes bugs found in release 2.3. It requires 512K of RAM and a hard disk to run. PAF is a computer program for doing family genealogy.

A new booklet, "Using the Family History Library Catalog", instructs the user how to effectively use the Family History Library Catalog. It, item # 30966, is available for .75¢, US funds, from the Family History Dept., 50 East North Temple Street, Salt Lake City UT; 84150.

SOUTH WEST BRANCH REPORT

Lois Forsberg, MGS #2428, Corresponding Secretary

At our March business meeting, the various committees presented their reports for the past year and discussed future plans. Some of the special activities and projects highlighted were:

The Annual Heritage Dinner held in February; Workshops held in Brandon, Deloraine, and Isabella, with an upcoming workshop at Melita; and completion of gathering records from the *Brandon Sun* from 1910-1920. We have completed an Index for 1900-1909 and are working on one for the next 10 yr. block. Continuing activities include Cemetery Transcriptions, indexing of local History Books, and handling research enquiries.

The "New Members" Committee has been very active over the past few months preparing a package of introductory materials to assist new members in getting started and in carrying out their genealogical research. The Education Outreach Committee has also had several extra meetings devoted to planning the educational program for the coming year. Our Office Manager/Librarian has put in many hours running the office on a day-to-day basis and keeping our growing Library in order.

Several of our members attended the special MGS Council Meeting held in Brandon on March 11th, to discuss the Constitution, and four members journeyed to Melita on March 18th to take part in a workshop. Total attendance at this latter event was about eighteen, several of them "first-timers".

Our April meeting was devoted to a sharing of Members' interests, always a helpful and interesting evening.

At our May meeting, about 50 people enjoyed a very interesting and informed introduction to researching in England, presented by Dr. Dennis Pearce, a noted genealogist who was visiting from England and travelling in Canada with his wife. Also on this occasion we were pleased to have a book display from the MGS Library in Winnipeg.

Our June meeting will be a Business Meeting, and we will wind up our year with our Annual Picnic and Museum Tour, this year to be held in Souris on June 11th.

On behalf of the South West Branch, we wish all members a healthy and happy summer with lots of good weather!

When it comes to giving, some people stop at nothing.

WINNIPEG BRANCH

Jim Bracken, MGS #1792, President,
& Joan Whiston, MGS #1883, Secretary



At the Annual General Meeting of the Winnipeg Branch of the Manitoba Genealogical Society held on May 18, 1995, the members present moved to **dissolve the Branch as at July 31, 1995**, in accordance with its bylaws which state as follows:

"Article 11: Dissolution of the Branch

- 11.1: In the event of the dissolution of the Branch, and after payment of all debts and liabilities, the remaining property of the Branch shall be transferred for safekeeping to the Manitoba Genealogical Society Inc.
- 11.2: If the Branch shall be reactivated within five years of the date of dissolution, those properties entrusted to the MGS shall be returned to the reactivated Branch. However, if reactivation does not take place within the stipulated time then all those properties of the Branch entrusted to the MGS become the property of the MGS."

The Branch Executive is currently considering items to be purchased and then donated to MGS.

e.g. specific County fiche of Great Britain, 1891 Census, maps - finding aids, fiche camera

If any of the members of the Winnipeg Branch have any suggestions for items they would like to see donated to MGS, please contact a member of the Executive.

It is the Executive's intention that the sum of \$500.00 will be retained by MGS and held in trust in accordance with our bylaws in the event that the Branch is reactivated within five years.

A final report will be in September's Generations.

The meeting planned for June 8, 1995 at 7:00pm., a tour of the Winnipeg Police Museum on Allard Street at Bedford Street in St. James is going ahead as scheduled.

AGM

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Saturday, October 24, 1995.

Location to be determined - check with MGS, 783-9139.

Maybe they call it middle age
because that's where it shows first.

Kellett's Newsletter, 1994

LIBRARY LINES

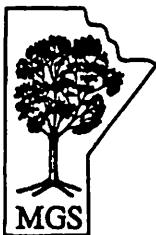
Louisa Shermerhorn, Library Chair, MGS #567L

Blessed are those
who return their
books
on time!

New MGS Library materials: January - May 1995.
[not including Cemetery, Baptism or Marriage transcripts
of Manitoba. These will be printed next issue.]

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- Canadian Guide: ...Gazetteer and Shipper's Directory. CANADA 912.0971 Can [One copy on Reference]
- Census Returns 1841-1891. Directory of Holdings... Great Britain . GB&IRE 312.5 Cen
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PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE QUESTIONNAIRE

Manitoba Genealogical Society Inc.

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Dear M.G.S. Member,

We appreciate your membership & value your opinion as we attempt to examine the future for the Manitoba Genealogical Society Inc.

We have come a long way since our 1976 inception & want to put down goals for a Strategic Planning Meeting this fall to continue for the next 20 years.

Please consider answering these questions which are only there to get you started! All suggestions are appreciated.

MEMBERSHIP: Are you involved in any Branch activities? What?

Do we need more branches or special interest groups?

Should we consider an increase in membership fees? Why?

PUBLICATIONS: Does our journal meet your needs? How can it be improved?

Should we continue to publish library holdings, handbooks, etc?

Would you like a surname index or some other publication?

What is the most you are willing to spend on a publication or do you purchase any at all?

Would you prefer to purchase disks rather than hard copy? Of what?

RESOURCE CENTRE: Are you happy with the services provided?

What would you like to have the office volunteers do?

Would you be willing to pay a fee for some office services? What services?

Are you satisfied with our present library collection?

What would you like to see in our collection (books, microfiche, microfilm)?

Is there something you would prefer to access by computer?

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Do our current major projects - cemetery & newspaper indexing - meet your needs?

What other projects would you like to see?

WAYS AND MEANS: How should we raise our funds?

Are there any items that we should try selling?

OUTREACH/PUBLICITY/PROMOTION: Are there specific areas that you think we should be targeting?

Should MGS offer "how-to" courses at our Resource Centre? Any specifics?

SEMINARS: Should we hold them every year? Every other year?
Do our seminars cover the topics in which you are interested?

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Do you attend these? Could we do something differently to encourage attendance?

VOLUNTEERS: How can we recruit people to assist in accomplishing our goals by working on projects, serving on committees or Council?

Are formal training programs for volunteers required?

Are you willing to offer your services to MGS? (name & phone no. please)
What is your area of interest?

GENERAL: Are there any areas which you feel we have not developed and should be considered?

Please feel free to make extra comments.

Return to M.G.S. no later than September 9, 1995
Thank you for your help.

President

Daryl Dumanski

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Submitted by Daryl Dumanski, MGS #1031

Still need a new chairman! Jim Rutherford and I, [668-9366], are able to assist a new chairman, along with many regular volunteers who enjoy attending annual displays.

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Federation of East European Family History Societies [FEEFHS], July 25, 1995. Calgary Multicultural Centre, 712-5th Ave. SE, Calgary, Alberta, during [and close to] binational convention of AHSGR [see above]. \$25 registration. Contact: Walter Rusel, RR#2, Cochrane, Alberta T0L 0W0.

Irish Festival, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, N.S.
August 4: Genealogy seminar by Irish Association of Nova Scotia & The D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies. Speaker: Terry Punch & others. \$25.
August 5: Display of Irish/Celtic books, etc. for sale, & demonstrations/workshops in dance etc. \$5 admission. Contact: Ms. Christine McGann, Chair of Irish Studies, Saint Mary's University, 923 Robie Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 3C3. Tel: 902/420-5519. Fax: 902/420-5110.

Roots '95, Capital Branch, New Brunswick Genealogical Society
Aug. 18-20, 1995 at University of New Brunswick Campus. \$45 before Aug. 4, \$50 after. Contact the Branch at PO Box 3702, Station B, Fredericton, New Brunswick E3A 5L7.

Federation of Genealogical Societies, "From Sea to Shining Sea" Sept. 20-23, 1995. Seattle, Washington. Society Management Workshops precede the conference program. of 50+ speakers. Contact: FGS/SGS Conference, PO Box 3385, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110-3385.

BOOK

Highlights of Hay Township, Huron Co., Ontario
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OTHER HELPS

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vice - for those to visit Provence at their own pace, & to be shown places not necessarily on a average tourist's itinerary. Contact: P.M.R. Cummins, Les Saules, 23 Avenue R. Schuman, 13 090 AIX-en-PROVENCE, France

Steinbach, Manitoba Pioneer Cemetery

Ernie Toews, Box 75, Steinbach, MB R0A 2A0. Tel: 204/326-2122 is interested in obtaining info on any family buried in this cemetery, located in the centre of town. He is doing a study of this cemetery.

Family Photo Registry

New, non-profit archive which rescues pre-1945 portraits/photos. Surname index to holdings. Enclose SASE [US residents may enclose a 40¢ US stamp], with your names and locations. Please consider donating photos for which you do not know rightful owners. Contact: Family Photo Reunion, 609 - 25 Avenue N.E., Calgary, Alberta T2E 1Y6. Thanks to Sally Smaha, MGS #2280.

The Triad Society for Truth in Adoption in Canada

A non-profit volunteer organization which assists adult adoptees, birth parents of same, and adoptive parents in searching. \$35 annual membership gives a quarterly newsletter and search manual. Info & direction on the process of searching is provided, not the actual search. Support groups / reading library. Chapters in Victoria, Kelowna, Regina, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon & Ottawa. Contact the Calgary chapter at: Box 5114, Station A, Calgary, Alberta T2H 1X1. 403/265-3166.

Ottawa Valley Journal

19th century agricultural journal/newspaper which published local news/gossip about people in the area. Available on interlibrary loan from: Canadian Agricultural Library, Agriculture Canada, Sir John Carling Building, Ottawa ON K1A 0C5. Thanks to Beth Audette, MGS #1129, and Ernest McCallum, MGS #428.

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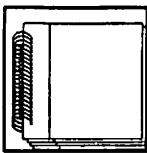
Postcard photo of 2 young women, Nellie Crawford & Solveig Arnason who attended Wesley College, Winnipeg, prob. 1920s. Addressed to Jon Vopni, also at Wesley. If any of these are your people, contact: Mrs. Carol Mackay, 609 - 25 Avenue NE, Calgary, Alberta T2E 1Y6.

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Kellett's Newsletter 1994



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Lori Walker MGS #1145, Editor

French periodicals reviewed by Roger André, MGS #1304.

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Vol. 13 #1: Orphan trains / Ellis Island / Original records / Education Records / Early Church Registers / Tracing family myths.

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B.C. Genealogist, Vol. 24 #1

Homesteaders in the Railway Belt cont'd. / Rabbit family.

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Family tree of Alexander Graham Bell / Vitals 1875-76.

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Bedminster suburb.

Dakota Homestead, Vol. 24 #1

Tracing your German roots / Burleigh Co. Naturalization Index [H]

Derbyshire FHS, March 1995

Smallpox in the 18th century.

The Eaglet, Polish GS of Michigan, Vol. 15 #1

Naturalization papers June-July 1929 / 1871 Census for Dabrowa Bialystocka / Publications on Detroit Poles 1903-53 / 1872 baptisms Czermno Parish, Warsaw / Surnames from the Parish of Legowo-Wagrowiec 1593-1690 / Wilno, Ontario marriages 1885-96.

Families, OGS, Vol. 34 #1

Maritime Historical Archive of Newfoundland / Deception in genealogy / Criminal Assize Court records 1835-1929 / Internet in genealogy research.

Family Tree Magazine

Vol. 11 #4: British Army records, part 1 / Inspector of Nuisances [sanitation] occupation / Rosary Cemetery - Norwich.

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Vol. 11 #6: Coachmen occupation / British Army records, part 3 / How accurate are Records?

Forum, Vol. 6 #4

US immigrants thru Canada / Records from Russia.

Genealogical Computing, Vol. 14 #3

"Family Origins" for Windows.

Genealogical Helper, Jan-Feb. 1995

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Generations, New Brunswick Gen. Soc., Issue 63

Maugerville Settlement cont. / Baptisms at Bathurst, NB 1832-81.

Glamorgan FHS, #37

Miles Jenkins / James Reynolds / Shell family.

Journal of One Name Studies, Vol. 5 #6

Christian names / Lerwill surname.

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Lost In Canada? Vol. 17 #3 [final edition]

Baptisms 1835-87 at Indian missions / Published Census returns for Quebec.

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Census 1702, 1708, 1753 of Trinity Harbour / French in Nfld. / Harbour Breton Anglican marriage records 1855-78.

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Vol. 148 #592: Isalah Wood / Finney, Berry and Parsons families.

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Births and marriages in the 62nd Regiment at Halifax 1815-23.

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Origins, Buckinghamshire FHS

June 1994: British lying-in hospital.

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Ottawa Branch News, OGS, Vol. 28 #2

List of emigrants at the Land Board District / Taylor & Higginson families.

Past Tents, Thunder Bay district, OGS, Vol. 16 #1
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Malpeque families cont'd. / St. Paul's Anglican at Charlottetown marriages 1829-1832 / Bishop family.

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Seattle GS Bulletin, Vol. 44 #2
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Victoria GS, Vol. 18 #1
Dutch names.

Wandering Volhynians Vol. 8 #1
Western Volhynia village list / Origin of Germans in Volhynia.

Wiltshire FHS Issue #56
Boarded-out children from Poor Law Unions.

OUR SYMPATHY

to
Myrtle Grieve, MGS #499, on the death of her sister, Elva Grieve, January 10, 1995, Brandon, Manitoba.

Glenora Slimmon and family, on the death of husband and father, Donald, MGS #1412, March 6, 1995, Brandon.

The Ayers family, on the death of wife and mother, Evelyn, long time member of MGS'Dauphin Branch, March 1995, in Dauphin.

The family of Heather Pilloud, former member of MGS, March 1995, Brandon.



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THE SWITZERS of CARBERRY, MANITOBA

By Velma Rinn Beyette, MGS #1009, and Willard H. Switzer, written in 1972, and published in *Canadian Genealogist*, December 1986. Reprinted with the authors' permission.

Early in the spring of 1878 Daniel Switzer, my grandfather, his wife Esther [Burns] and their family of eight boys and three girls, left Lucknow in Bruce County, Ontario, for western Canada, with all the settlers effects they could bring. The first part of the trip was by rail to Fisher's Landing, Minnesota, then the end of the steel. From there they travelled by steamer up the Red River. These boats carried about 400 passengers besides livestock and freight. As there was no privacy on these boats, it was not an enjoyable trip. They landed first at West Lynne, where Customs officers had them unload all their baggage on the prairie for inspection. Then they went on by steamer to Fort Garry - headquarters of the Hudson Bay Company, now a part of Winnipeg. They soon left the "Gateway of the West" and their next stop was at the White Horse Plains. Grandfather and the three older boys, Albert, Daniel and William, went 100 miles further west to file homesteads on the Great Plains. They filed on 35-11-15 and this original quarter section is still in the Switzer name. This area was later called the Petrel district.

As building logs were some miles away and time was a big factor, they dug into the north-west bank of a small lake which cut into the south-east corner of their land. This they covered with poles and sod and provided living space until a log house was built the next summer. During that first winter on the prairie, logs were hauled about fourteen miles from a tamarack swamp. First the snow had to be tramped into the swamp and let freeze for several days so as to hold the oxen and loaded sleds.

After the first shelter was well on the way, the three boys were left there while grandfather returned to White Horse Plains to bring the rest of the family: Isabelle, Mary Anne, Jane, Thomas [my father, then 15], Joseph, John, Henry and Benjamin. My father told me they had a good time at the White Horse. Besides keeping enough wild game for the family needs, they did a little trading with the gypsies and Indians and lassoed their chickens, dog, cat, or any living animals except skunks.

Back on the new homestead, the three boys were busy. They opened enough sod with their walking plough to plant potatoes which they had carefully brought from Ontario. They were placed in the open furrow and the sod pulled back over them. My Dad helped harvest them and told me that the potatoes came out very flat and clean. All that winter they saved the seed end of the potatoes to plant the next spring. Wild game was plentiful and used for food the year round. By this time the buffalo were very scarce, as they had moved farther west.

Two trips were made by oxcart with wheat to a grist mill on Sturgeon Creek, on the west side of Winnipeg. This is

about a three-week round trip at about two miles an hour. Later, a mill was opened at Rapid City, which was only half the distance. On these journeys and others, if they shot a prairie chicken or duck, they would roll it in damp clay and roast it on a camp fire. When cooked, the clay was peeled off along with the feathers and then the breast was sliced off - delicious!

By 1879 quite a number of families had settled in the district. A picnic was held that summer at the Daniel Switzer farm. It just so happened that a Methodist minister on his way from Battleford to Portage la Prairie had camped close by and was invited to join the picnic. He made it known that he could tie the nuptial knot without a licence, so to top off the day, Miss Anne Meredith and William Switzer [not a close relative] were married - the first wedding in the district.

My father told me that he worked one summer two miles east of his home, breaking sod with a walking plough. His wages were \$4.00 a month and keep. I suggested that his pay would hardly pay for the wear on his shoes. His answer: "No one wore boots ploughing."

After the plains were partly settled, some of the homes-teaders would go back east in the winter, but they always left a few supplies in their log shacks. This was a life-saver to many a traveller. One story I heard many times was when my father and Bolton Homes were on the trail with a team of horses and sleigh and a blizzard blew up. As they came on one of these shacks, they decided to stay overnight. They were there for four days. In the shack they found a side of pork, a bag of wheat, plus plenty of firewood. So, they had porridge and pork for breakfast and pork and porridge for dinner. The shack and the barn were almost covered with snow. No doubt a warm welcome awaited them on their return home.

The first few years on the plains, Indians were quite numerous and travelled in small bands. Their trails seemed to go from one lake to another. The trails went across the land where I was born; eleven ruts in one and nine in the other. I haven't looked for them on the road allowance for some time but they may still be visible, as they were very deep.

My father's homestead was 14-11-15, not many miles from the home farm. I have a statement of taxes for the year 1891 - total tax on the quarter section was \$14.88.

The Indians in those early days often called on the settlers when passing. They did not knock on your door, but just walked in and sat down. They loved tea and also like to exchange a pipe of the Kinnikinnick, which was made from the inner bark of a tree and carried in a leather pouch. It was customary to give them something to take away with them. About forty years ago, I was visiting my parents in the house where we now live, when a very old wrinkled

Indian came to the door. He was fairly well dressed but still wore his hair in braids. He said "I look for Mr. Switzer." My mother invited him in and he shook hands with Dad and said "You gave me coat long time ago! I come back to see you." Dad remembered the incident and the two old timers had a wonderful visit. The natives had a long memory, but they had to, for they did not read or write.

Going over some old records, I was surprised to see that my grandfather had owned and operated the first threshing machine in the district. The bands on the sheaves were cut by hand and fed into the feeder. A bucking pole was used to keep the straw away from the straw carrier. His son, John Switzer, had the first combine in the district. It was a No. 8 I.H.C. and I believe the year was 1928. The threshing outfit I had for 27 years was somewhat different to grandfather's. It cut the bands and blew the straw into huge poles. But even those machines are gone and almost forgotten. One threshing outfit that the Switzer brothers had was a huge steam outfit. James was the engineer and it took ten stock teams, a stock loader and in all about thirty men to operate it. Some ploughing was done with this steam engine, pulling sixteen fourteen-inch plough bottoms, all under a floating platform. However, the dust had a bad wearing effect on the open gears and it was not used long.

My grandfather's choice of land proved to be a wise one. He died suddenly in March 1891, at the age of fifty-four, leaving my grandmother, ten sons and seven daughters to carry on. For many years the sons farmed in the Petrel district. All have passed on now but one daughter, Mrs. Agnes Bickford, Armstrong, B.C. She will be ninety years old in January 1973. [Agnes died in 1978.]

No more do we see fields of stocks, threshing machines or straw piles, but the fields of grain, ready for whatever type of harvesting machine, are as thrilling as in days gone by. Today, as in pioneer days, harvest time is the peak of the agricultural year. The pioneers knew hardships and trials and surely must have felt compensated as in their latter years they were able to see and enjoy the progress made toward an easier way of life.



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Lois and Don Forsberg, MGS #s 2428/2427, on the arrival of grandson Johan Dani, born November 30, 1994, to Neil and Azizah Forsberg, Corvallis, Oregon.

Phyllis and George Murray, MGS #2136/2662, on the arrival of grandson, Zachary Brendan, born December 2, 1994, to Lana and Dwayne Blech, in Calgary.

USING CANADIAN CENSUS RECORDS TO TRACE ETHNIC ORIGIN AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS: THE CASE OF HEBREW ANCESTRY IN A CANADIAN MÉTIS FAMILY

Glen Eker, M.A.; M.A.; M.L.S., Guelph, Ontario

I have recently completed my work on nineteenth and early twentieth century Canadian censuses from 1861 to 1901 so as to index all identifiable individuals of Jewish ancestry. This comprehensive record of Jews in Canada provides a valuable resource for both genealogical and historical research. The availability of such indexes allows us to see how useful a census can be for constructing a family tree or relationship chart if it were the only source of information available to the researcher.

The ability to construct a family tree from census data depends upon a variety of factors. The further back a family can be traced in available censuses, the more comprehensive a family tree can be constructed. A family that has a surname that is distinctive or uncommon to the area being researched is easier to trace than one with a common surname. Ethnic origin and religion are other factors that may help to distinguish a family and its various branches from other families in a particular area. Since census data rarely provides the names of married females, male lines are generally easier to trace when no other information other than a family surname and place name are known. Indexes are a valuable research tool that can help to quickly identify a particular family in a particular place. When indexes are not available, it is obviously easier and less time consuming to search families in small or medium size areas than large ones.

It is obvious to those who regularly use censuses in their research that spelling of names, ethnic origin, religion, occupation, and age rarely match precisely in several censuses. Sometimes, however, this lack of precision in recording practices makes the information obtainable more interesting and adds to its genealogical value.

In order to illustrate the use of the census as a genealogical source let us trace a family through four censuses and try to construct a genealogical family chart. A grouping of five related families having the surnames Birstone, Calder, Lyons, St. Denis, and Spence from the towns of St. Andrews, St. Clements, and St. Francois Xavier, Manitoba, have been chosen because they are present in all four censuses, provided enough members to construct a proper family chart, and did not become too numerous to follow in a brief article such as this. There is, however, a more important reason for choosing these family groupings. Certain branches of these families share a common English, Scotch, French, Indian, and Hebrew ancestry and ethnic origin. This unusual ethnic mixture based upon a common Hebrew ancestry is what distinguishes these families from others in the area. The discovery of this Hebrew ancestry within this population group may only

become apparent through census research. This paper will present information, based upon census data, on this new and previously unknown area of Jewish and Métis genealogical research.

The earliest settlers of Rupert's Land, later the Red River colony, and finally the province of Manitoba, were predominantly of English, Scotch, and French origin. They arrived in large numbers during the seventeenth, eighteenth, and early nineteenth centuries from both Europe and Upper and Lower Canada, later the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. Most of these new immigrants to the west engaged in the fur trade and farming, eventually establishing trading posts and settlements. A small number of Jews also arrived, engaging in trade and peddling. These included Ferdinand Jacobs, Ezekiel Solomons, Chapman Abrahams, Gerson Levy, Benjamin Lyons, and Levy Solomons. Jacobs was employed by the Hudson's Bay Company while the others were independent traders, in direct competition, who later became part of the North West Company of Montreal. While the names of these individuals were well-known in history, there were other less well-known settlers of Jewish origin who came to this remote area of Canada to live. In addition to the white settlers there was also the native Indian population who were the original inhabitants.

It is through the intermingling of these various population groups that the term Métis came about. It is used to refer to a person of mixed European and Indian ancestry. European men both mated with and married Indian women due to the shortage of European women in the colony. This created a large population of mixed European and Indian ancestry.

There were two categories of Métis in early Manitoba. The English Métis were of English, Irish, Scotch, Welsh, and Indian ancestry and were primarily Protestant in religion, although some with Irish ancestry were Catholic. The French Métis were of French and Indian ancestry and were primarily Catholic in religion. There is no mention in current historical research of the Canadian Métis having any Hebrew ancestry. There is, however, the possibility as some English Jews were among the first Jews to live in Manitoba. My research based upon data derived from the four Manitoba censuses conducted between 1870 and 1901 shows a large extended family of English, Scotch, French, and Indian background with apparent Hebrew ancestry.

There were four Manitoba censuses conducted between 1870 and 1901. Each census provides information relating to name, age, marital status, place of birth, place of residence, ethnic origin, and religion. The 1870 census is, however, distinctive for a number of reasons. It provides the name of each individual's father. This allows the researcher to find and classify family groups having the same ancestry and common line of descent. The census

does not specifically record ethnic origin and religion. Origin is recorded simply as Métis or non-Métis and English Métis or French Métis. Religion is recorded only as Protestant or Catholic. Occupation is not recorded. The 1881 and 1901 censuses both specifically record origin, religion, and occupation. The 1891 census does not record origin but records place of birth of father and place of birth of mother. Religion and occupation are specifically recorded.

St. Andrews is a rural municipality that stretches from its boundary, 8 kilometers north of Winnipeg, to Winnipeg Beach and Netley Marsh at the southern tip of Lake Winnipeg. It was settled along with the neighbouring towns of St. Clements and St. Francois Xavier by English, Scotch, and French colonists in the eighteenth century. Red River colonists and Hudson's Bay Company employees arrived in the nineteenth century. The intermingling of these groups with the native Indian population produced the Métis who were also present in the area. The origin of this population of St. Andrews and St. Clements was primarily English and Scotch. The religion of the population of these towns was primarily Protestant. The origin of the population of St. Francois Xavier was primarily French. The religion of the population of this town was primarily Catholic. In the 1881 and 1891 censuses these towns were located in Lisgar District. In the 1901 census they were located in Selkirk District.

The census summary tables for the 1881 census of the town of St. Andrews revealed thirteen individuals who were classified as Jewish by origin. The tables also showed that there were no individuals in this town who were classified as Jewish by religion. The census schedules revealed five families with a total of thirteen individuals who were classified as Hebrew by origin. There were also eleven additional individuals in these families who were classified as English or Scotch by origin. Eight of these individuals were children in these families where one of the parents were classified as Hebrew by origin. Five of these individuals were parents. All family members were classified as Church of England by religion.

In the 1881 census of St. Andrews we find the following five original families of Hebrew origin:

(1) Henry Geo Birstone, 29 years old, born in Manitoba, Scotch by origin, a farmer. His wife Nancy, 24 years old, born in Manitoba, Scotch by origin. His mother, Nancy, 70 years old, born in Northwest Territories, Hebrew by origin. His children John Thomas, 6 years old, Mary Ann, 4 years old, Catherine, 2 years old, and Alice Harriet, 7/12 years old. All the children were born in Manitoba and were Scotch by origin. All family members were Church of England by religion.

(2) George Calder, 60 years old, born in Northwest Territories, Scotch by origin, a farmer. His wife Charlotte, 58

years old, born in Manitoba, Hebrew by origin. His children Joseph, 16 years old and Mary Helen, 13 years old. Both children were born in Manitoba and were Scotch by origin. All family members were Church of England by religion.

(3) Thos. Lyons, 28 years old, born in Manitoba, Hebrew by origin, a farmer. His wife Eliza, 25 years old, born in Northwest Territories, Scotch by origin. His children Alice May, 3 years old and Charlotte, 1 year old. Both children were born in Manitoba and were Hebrew by origin. All family members were Church of England by religion.

(4) Thomas Lyons, 56 years old, born in Manitoba, Hebrew by origin, a farmer. His wife, Charlotte, 47 years old, born in Manitoba, English by origin. His children, John, 26 years old, a farmer, Henry, 20 years old, a farmer's son, Myles, 17 years old, a farmer's son, Edward, 13 years old, and James, 11 years old. All the children were born in Manitoba and were Hebrew by origin. All family members were Church of England by religion.

(5) Wm. Lyons, 21 years old, born in Manitoba, Hebrew by origin, a farmer. His wife Alice, 18 years old, born in Northwest Territories, Scotch by origin. His son Alex, 1 year old, Hebrew by origin. All family members were Church of England by religion.

The 1870 census of Manitoba with its listing of the name of each individual's father was used to determine the relationship between these five families as well as to locate other related family members. The census shows that Nancy [Lyons] Birstone, Charlotte [Lyons] Calder, and the elder Thomas Lyons are the children of John Lyons and Marguerite Kaplin. Nancy [Lyons] Birstone is the mother of Henry Birstone and the elder Thomas Lyons is the father of the younger Thomas Lyons and Wm. Lyons. Henry Birstone, the younger Thomas Lyons and Wm. Lyons are the grandchildren of John Lyons and Marguerite Kaplin. The common line of descent of these five families is John Lyons and Marguerite Kaplin. This is where the connection to Hebrew ancestry appears to be found. The origin of these individuals is, however, significantly different in this census. All are classified as English Métis and Protestant.

John Lyons and Marguerite Kaplin both appear in the 1870 census. Their ages are given as 90 and 85 years old respectively, with place of birth listed as Rupert's Land. Their father's names are given as Robert Lyons and George Kaplin. They are classified as English Métis and Protestant by religion. Ethnic origin in the 1881 and 1901 census was recorded on the basis of an individual's father's ethnic origin. Thus it appears that the Hebrew ancestry of these families seems to have occurred in the seventeenth or eighteenth centuries on either or both the Lyons and Kaplin lines. It would possibly have involved the mating and/or marriage of an individual or individuals

of English Hebrew ancestry with an Indian woman or Indian women. Lyons and Kaplin are both surnames that appear frequently among individuals of Jewish ancestry.

The 1870 census shows that descendants of John Lyons and Marguerite Kaplin resided in St. Clements and St. Francois Xavier. In the 1881, 1891, and 1901 censuses those individuals who were clearly identifiable as descendants were residing in St. Andrews and St. Clements. In 1870 those residing in St. Clements were classified as English Métis and Protestant. Those residing in St. Francois Xavier were classified as French Métis and Catholic. In the 1881 census those residing in St. Andrews and St. Clements were classified as English, Scotch, or Hebrew by origin and Church of England by religion. In the 1901 census those residing in St. Andrews and St. Clements were classified as Cree English Breed or Cree Scotch Breed by origin and Church of England by religion. The following table classifies the ethnic origin categories and religious categories of family members by census year.

Year	Ethnic Origin	Religion
1870	English Métis French Métis	Protestant Catholic
1881	English Scotch French Hebrew	Church of England Church of England Catholic Church of England
1891	not listed not listed	Church of England Catholic
1901	Cree English Breed Cree Scotch Breed	Church of England Church of England

The census records from 1870 to 1901 reveals the common ancestry and mixed ethnic origins of these related groups of families. The families share a common English, Scotch, Indian, and Hebrew ancestry with one branch having French ancestry. The census records also show how the ethnic origin of an individual may change from census to census depending on what information the individual gives to the enumerator or what information the enumerator chooses to record. For example, Wm. Lyons ethnic origin changes from English Métis in 1870, to Hebrew in 1881, to Cree English Breed in 1901. These changes, however, allow the researcher to discover information about an individual or family that may not be previously known.

The family's pattern of residential movement can be viewed as being stable during the period of 1870 to 1901. In all four censuses conducted during this period, the family maintained a presence in the towns of St. Andrews

and St. Clements. Thus the family maintained a presence within the same geographical area for a period of over forty years. The term geographers use to describe a family's geographical presence over a substantive period of time is its "persistence."

By using the four census records we can produce a useful hypothesis for six generations of a large extended family within a specific geographical area. This forms the content of the following family chart which seeks to show the potential value of census records and tracing a family. The values of this census data becomes even more important when it has been indexed for the use of genealogists, historians, and researchers.

The following family chart has been constructed from information derived from the 1870, 1881, 1891, and 1901 censuses of St. Andrews, St. Clements, and St. Francois Xavier, Manitoba. It shows the apparent Hebrew ancestry of a large Métis family of English, Scotch, French, and Indian origin. All individuals clearly identifiable as being members of this family have been included in the chart.

Hebrew Ancestry of a Canadian Métis Family in Manitoba to 1901

Editor: Mr. Eker's [written] chart information has been compiled into the Descendants' chart on page 15.

Notes re Charts

1. The word "Métis" is used to refer to a person of mixed ancestry. In the context of the area where the families shown in the chart were located, namely Rupert's Land and Manitoba, particularly St. Andrews, St. Clements, and St. Francois Xavier, the word refers to a half-breed of white and Indian ancestry. The 1870 census classifies the families as English Métis or French Métis. The 1881 census classifies the families as English, Scotch, or Hebrew ethnic origin. In the 1901 census the enumerator has prefixed ethnic origin in all cases as Cree English Breed or Cree Scotch Breed.

2. Manitoba became a province of Canada in 1870. Previous to 1870 it was part of Rupert's Land, a huge tract of land controlled by the Hudson's Bay Company and the Northwest Company, both of whom were engaged in the fur trade.

3. A name in brackets [] below another name denotes the mother or father of the person named above the brackets.

4. The term "Hebrew 1881 Census" refers to those individuals who were classified as Hebrew by ethnic origin in the 1881 census. Religion is listed as Protestant or Church of England for all family branches except the St. Denis Branch. They are listed as being Catholic.

Robert Lyons & _____

George Kaplin & _____

John Lyons & Marguerite Kaplin
b.1780, Rupert's Land b.1785, Rupert's Land

Sophia, b.1807
m.
François St. Denis
b.1800

- Madeline, b.1830
- m.? Paul St. Mathe
- Elsie, b.1866
- Pierre, b.1830
- m. Adelaide Dauphinais, b.1835
- François, b.1854
- Pierre, b.1856
- Elsie, b.1858
- Marie Rose, b.1859
- Rosalie, b.1861
- Adelaide, b.1864

Nancy, b.1811, Hebrew 1881C*
m.
Magnes Birstone
b.1811 [Alex Birstone]

- Sara, b.1831
- m. Jacob Spence, b.1830 [Geo. Spence]
- Magnes, b.1856
- Catherine, b.1859
- George, b.1866
- Elise, b.1868
- Annie, b.1871
- Francis, b.1873
- Jacob, b.1878
- Henry George, b.1851
- m. Nancy ___, b.1857
- John Thomas, b.1875
- Mary Anne, b.1877
- Catherine, b.1879
- Alice Harriet, b.1880
- Walter W., b.1882
- Alexander, b.1884
- James E., b.1889
- Mary, b.1854

Charlotte, b.1823, Hebrew 1881C*
m.
George Calder
b.1821, Rupert's Land

- Thomas, b.1843
- m. Anne Folster, b.1854 [Wm. Folster]
- John Thomas, b.1864
- m. Grace ___, b.1868
- Hugh, b.1887
- William, b.1890
- Maria, b.1868
- Charlotte, b.1871
- Cornelius J., b.1880
- Henry G., b.1884
- Ann, b.1847
- Catherine, b.1852
- Albert, b.1857
- m. Jane Eliz. ___, b.1864
- Nancy, b.1888
- m. Sarah ___, b.1873
- Flora, b.1894
- Stanley, b.1895
- Matilda, b.1896
- Alfred, b.1899
- Mathilda, b.1860
- Miles, b.1862
- Joseph, b.1864
- Mary, b.1867

Thomas, b.1825, Hebrew 1881C*
m.
Charlotte Prutom
b.1836, [Wm. Prutom]

- Catherine, b.1852
- m. Augustin Adaman
- b.1846, [Patrick Adaman]
- Thomas, b.1853, Hebrew C*
- m. Eliza ___, b.1856
- Alice M., b.1878 H*
- Charlotte, b.1880 H*
- Robert, b.1881
- John, b.1855, Hebrew C*
- William, b.1856, Hebrew C*
- m. Alice ___, b.1863
- Alexander, b.1879 H*
- Alice, b.1880
- Flora, b.1886
- Charlotte, b.1890
- Charles E., b.1893
- Isabella, b.1896
- Henry, b.1861, Hebrew *
- Myles, b.1864, Hebrew *
- Edward, b.1868, Hebrew *
- James, v.1870, Hebrew *

* Recorded in 1881 Census as Hebrew

This chart compiled by the editor from information in Glen Eker's article.

5. 1870 census classifies all family branches except the St. Denis branch as English Métis. The St. Denis branch is classified as French Métis. The 1881 - 1901 censuses indicates that the families shown in the chart are a mixture of English, Scotch, Indian, and Hebrew.

6. The birth dates shown in the chart are based on ages and/or dates provided in the 1870 - 1901 censuses.

7. According to the *International Genealogical Index* Nancy Lyons who was married to Magnes Birstone had another daughter named Nancy Birston, born in 1831 and who married William Rowland in 1853.

8. According to the *International Genealogical Index* Charlotte Lyons [Generation 3] married George Calder [Generation 3] in 1843. The IGI lists four additional children not listed in the census: Charlotte Calder, born 1852; George Calder, born 1847; William James Calder, born in 1854; Marguerite Calder, born 1845.

9. The IGI also states that Marguerite Calder married William McDonald in 1871 in St. Clements and Catherine Calder married Thomas Nelson Briggs in Hartney, Melgund Township.

10. Discrepancies in birth dates between the censuses and the IGI are:

Name	Census	IGI
Anne Calder [Generation 4]	1847	1849
Catherine Calder [Generation 4]	1852	1856
Thomas Calder [Generation 4]	1843	1844

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St. Clements, Reel C-2170, Sheets 203, 204, 224
St. Francois Xavier, Reel C-2170, Sheet 281

1881 Census of Manitoba

St. Andrews, Reel C-13282, Ca, p. 1; C1, p. 5; C1, p. 7; C1, p. 51
St. Clements, Reel C-13282, B, p. 27

1891 Census of Manitoba

St. Andrews, Reel T-6293, M, p. 70; M, p. 72; M, p. 73; M, p. 74
St. Clements, Reel T-6293, N, p. 3

1901 Census of Manitoba

St. Andrews, Reel T-6435, L6, p. 2; L7, p. 7; L7, p. 8
St. Clements, Reel T-6435, M, p. 3

International Genealogical Index, 1988

Encyclopedia Canadiana

Chiel, Arthur A., *The Jews of Manitoba: A Social History*,
Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1961

HAMLETS AND VILLAGES IN ENGLAND

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A note in the December 1994 issue of *Generations* [Vol. 19, No. 4] refers to the use of the words "hamlet", "village", "town", and "city" in England. These words are in current popular usage, but are not significant in local government organization. In the Middle Ages, local government in the country districts was in the hands of the manor, and later in the hands of the parish vestry, which was responsible for civil, as well as ecclesiastical, matters, including law and order, the raising of troops in time of war, and Poor Law administration. A good start in this subject can be made with *The Parish Chest*, by W. E. Tate [Cambridge University Press, 3rd. ed., 1969.] Most of the powers of the vestries were swept away by the Local Government Act of 1894, which set up county councils, urban district councils and rural district councils. Exceptions occurred in the case of the new County of London and those boroughs which were ancient enough or important enough to be granted the status of county boroughs, ie. with full powers on a par with county councils.

A vast reorganization took place in 1974 when the powers of many councils were changed as well as many historic boundaries. There is a local government commission in session at the present time, and there is likely to be some movement back to the pre-1964 position.

As far as the use of the word "city" is concerned, some of the larger and ancient boroughs have the title of city, but it is only a courtesy title conferred on large county boroughs or boroughs [which were] formerly the site of a cathedral or the seat of a bishop. The title of city can be conferred by the sovereign by letters patent.

NEWS FROM THE FAMILY HISTORY CENTRE

George Glenn, MGS #262, FHC Staff Librarian

1881 Census: Great Britain

More microfiche has been received.

England: Berkshire

Derbyshire
Hampshire
Nottinghamshire

Scotland: Caithness

East Lothian / Haddington
Fife
Shetland
Sutherlandshire
West Lothian / Linlithgow

If you cannot get rid of the family skeleton
you may as well make it dance.

George Bernard Shaw

NORDIC ANCESTRY

Kathy Stokes, MGS #125

In Canada, Heritage Day is celebrated on the third Monday in February each year. On February 19th, 1996, Heritage Day will celebrate the contributions of Nordic-Canadians.

Posters and a teaching aid are being developed for this event. Heritage Canada is working with the embassies of Denmark, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and Finland, as well as ethnic organizations within Canada to ensure a successful celebration.

For further information or copies of the poster and teaching aids, contact Helene Anne Fortin, Director of Youth Services or Douglas Franklin, Director of Government Relations, Heritage Canada, P.O. Box 1358, Station B, Ottawa, ON, K1P 5R4 or phone (613) 237 1006.

Calling All Icelandic Canadians

An article in the *Winnipeg Free Press* on May 12th will be of interest to those with Icelandic roots. The government of Iceland is currently developing a program to compile a registry of everyone in North America who is of Icelandic descent. Vesteinn Olason heads the Icelandic government's "Committee for Relations with Western Icelanders" which plans to undertake this enormous project. The term Western Icelanders is used in Iceland to describe immigrants who came to North America in the 19th century as well as their descendants of the current day.

The system has not yet been fully developed, but it is expected that it will be operational within six months. If you are interested in adding your names to this registry, please write to the Icelandic League at the address below, indicating your interest. Your name will be forwarded to Iceland and you will receive official entry forms within a few months. These forms will allow you to register family members.

The *Free Press* article says that because Iceland is such a small nation [270,000 people], it maintains "strong emotional and physical ties with its lost children". Iceland does not seek to diminish in any way the Canadian-ness of its emigrants, but to strengthen the memories of where they came from.

Possibilities of use of this registry in family history research are enormous. Please start the project rolling in this part of the world by sending your name and address to The Icelandic National League, 699 Carter Ave., Winnipeg R3M 2C3.

UPDATE RE RELEASE OF CENSUSES

Kathy Stokes, MGS #125

One of MGS' main projects to celebrate our 20th anniversary in 1996 is our attempt to have the federal government enact legislation to provide for the orderly release of censuses from 1911 and subsequent years. Currently, there is no legislation which would allow for the release of these censuses at any time. We are currently working with Winnipeg M.P. Reg Alcock to see how this legislation can best be put forth. A private member's bill is being considered. At this time, we do not anticipate having to call on the resources of the other genealogical societies in Canada to assist us, but we know that there is tremendous support for our efforts out there, and we will notify those interested if a letter-writing campaign is required.

In the meantime, we have received a letter from Statistics Canada in reply to our questions about census release. This letter outlines the current situation from their perspective. If you wish a copy of the letter, please send a SASE to MGS, attention: Kathy Stokes.



NEYA POWAGANS "MY SPIRIT HELPER"

Métis newsletters written by Geoff Burtonshaw, MGS #1895. Excerpted by the Editor and reprinted with the author's permission. A copy of each newsletter is in the MGS Resource Centre.

Newsletter #29

Many surname interests.
Many queries

The Final Word
Remember, If you cheat on your diet you gain in the end.

Newsletter #30 Many surname interests.

Those interested in contributing old family photos to a Red River/Métis picture book, contact: Al Yerbury, 1012 East 44th St., Tacoma, Washington 98404 USA.

I would give my right arm to be ambidextrous.

List of researchers.

19c ONTARIO RECORDS at the ELIZABETH DAFOE LIBRARY, UNIVERSITY of MANITOBA

Mary Bole, MGS #884

When working on your family history, do not overlook what is available at libraries other than those at MGS or LDS. Too often, a family historian quits when the information cannot be found at either of these sources. The following is just a sample of what is available at the Elizabeth Dafoe Library at the University of Manitoba under the topic of nineteenth century Ontario records. All books on how-to have been omitted. [Some of these sources are also available at the Manitoba Genealogical Society's Library.]

ARMY RECORDS

Location: Main Stacks FC 106 G3 D45

DeMarce, Virginia Easley. *The Settlement of Former German Auxiliary Troops in Canada after the American Revolution*. Sparta, Wis. : J. Reisinger, 1984.

Location: Archives FC 3071 C35 1869

History of the Settlement of Upper Canada [Ontario] : with special reference to the Bay of Quinte / by Wm. Canniff. Toronto : Dudley and Burns, 1869. Includes information about the King's Royal Regiment, 2nd Battalion.

Location: Main Stacks FC 3071 P75 1890

Pringle, J.F. *Lunenburgh, or the Old Eastern District: Its Settlement and Early Progress*. Cornwall, Ont.: Standard Printing House, 1890.

- lists of names of soldiers but no index
- regimental histories

BIBLIOGRAPHIES

Location: Reference Room CS 89 A2 M46 1986 v.1-6

Mennie-de Varennes, Kathleen. *Bibliographie annotée d'ouvrages Généalogiques au Canada / Annotated Bibliography of Genealogical Works in Canada*. Markham, Ont: Fitzhenry & Whiteside, in association with the NLC and the Canadian Government Publishing Centre, c1986.

- 4 indexes: author/title
 - parishes for vital records
 - subject
 - family names

- over 22,000 family names represented on wide range of topics
- caution! some major Ontario sources were omitted from the index - eg. the Ontario Genealogical Society's records

BIOGRAPHIES

Location: Microform Room FC 16 C105 NO. 8545

The Canadian Biographical Dictionary and Portrait Gallery of Eminent and Self-made Men: Ontario Volume. Toronto: American Biographical Publ. Co., 1880.

- 10 microfiche. Filmed from a copy of the original publication held by the Library of the Public Archives of Canada. Ottawa, 1980.
- Didn't review this.

Location: Reference Room FC 25 C23

Canadian Who's Who - with which is incorporated Canadian Men and Women of the Time: a biographical dictionary of notable living men and women, 1910- . Ed. by Kieran Simpson. Toronto: Univ. of Toronto Press, 1978- annual.

- a number of volumes listing notable living Canadians, providing descriptions of their lives, addresses, honours, profession, leisure interests, etc.
- before 1978 title, publisher and frequency varied
- since 1978 annual
- entrants selected on the basis of merit or by virtue of their positions
- arranged alphabetically

Location: Reference Room FC 25 C23

McMann, Evelyn de R. *Canadian Who's Who. Index 1898-1984, Incorporating Canadian men and women of the time*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, c1986.

- an index of both Canadian Who's Who and Canadian Men and Women of the Time
- list of over 33,000 names

CATHOLIC RECORDS

Location: Main Stacks FC 3100 C3 D66 1947

Dooner, Alfred James. *Catholic Pioneers in Upper Canada*. Toronto : Macmillan, 1947.

- A biography with a good index.

CEMETERIES

Location: Reference Room CS 88 06 I57 1987

Inventory of Cemeteries in Ontario 1987. Edited by Verna Ronnow. Toronto: Ontario Genealogical Society, 1987.

- lists of location, concession, lot, township, county of all the cemeteries in Ontario
- lists of the nearest genealogical society with addresses, indexed

CENSUS

Location: Government Documents GovDoc Can1 Ar3.7 C54 1666-1891

Catalogue of Census Returns on Microfilm, 1666-1881. Thomas A. Hillman. [Ottawa]: Public Archives Canada, Federal Archives Division, c1981.

- alphabetical listing of all the towns, townships, counties, in Ontario with the number of the microfilm where the records can be found

Census microfilms

- the library holds a complete set of microfilms of all the census returns for Ontario from 1841 [where they exist] to 1891.

- 501 films - 35 mm reels

- return of the living
- return of deaths within last 12 months
- names, ages of respondents
- country of birth, religion, marital status, occupation

Location: Government Documents Reference CS88 H36
153 1986

Index to the 1871 Census of Ontario. General editor Bruce S. Elliott. Toronto: Ontario Genealogical Society, 1986-

- Index to census of 2 April 1871
- number of areas of the provinces [will someday be complete]
- Individual booklets for each county
- head of families and stray individuals
- should be used before searching 1871 Census returns

Location: Government Documents Ref HA 741.5 1851
Index 1987

Crowder, Norman Kenneth. *Guide to the 1851 Census of Canada West : Renfrew County.* Nepean, Ont. : Crowder Enterprises, 1987.

Location: Govt. Documents Ref HA 748 Y37 G74 1989

Griffin, Jean I. *The index to 1861 Yarmouth Township, Elgin County Census.* St. Thomas, Ont. : J.I. Griffin, 1989.

EDUCATION

Location: Main Stacks LA 418 06 E34 NO. 10

A Guide to Educational Records in the Possession of County Boards of Education, Eastern Ontario. Prepared by Jack Gillespie. Toronto: Dept of History and Philosophy, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, c1972.

- lists of school records in possession of the Boards of Education in Eastern Ontario
- lists of where the records are kept
- conditions of access
- addresses

HISTORICAL ATLASES

Location: Archives G 1145 G33

Gage's *county atlas*: containing county maps of the province of Ontario, maps of the provinces of Manitoba and Quebec and railway maps of Ontario and Quebec, and map of the eastern townships / compiled from the most reliable sources and carefully revised to date. Toronto : Gage, 1886.

- Not reviewed.

Location: Map Room G 1148 E3 V34 ...

Historical Atlases of most of the counties in Ontario -

- books of township maps with names of inhabitants
- biographies of some local residents
- schools, cemeteries marked
- local history
- most date from the 1870s
- copies of atlases from the late 1800s
- no index

Location: Reference G 3460

Mapping Upper Canada, 1780-1867 : an Annotated Bibliography of Manuscript and Printed Maps / Joan Winearls. Toronto: Univ. of Toronto Press, c1991.

- A bibliography for the serious researcher.

HELP SECTION

Location: Main Stacks CS5 D57 1990

Directory of Professional Genealogists. Compiled by Eileen Polakoff. Salt Lake City: Association of Professional Genealogists, c1990.

- lists of qualified researchers, names and addresses of area specialization, with qualified references
- some researchers names who specialize in Ontario
- mainly American

HUGUENOTS

Location: Main Stacks BX 9454.2 R4 1966

Reaman, George Elmore. *The trail of the Huguenots in Europe, The United States, South Africa and Canada.* Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1966.

INDEXES

Location: Index Table in the Reference Room

Canadian Periodical Index / Index de Periodiques Canadiens 1928-32; 1938- . Ottawa: Canadian Library Association.

- an index of over 400 Canadian periodicals
- monthly, annual cumulations
- indexed by author and subject
- indexes Families since 1990, the publication of the Ontario Genealogical Society

LOYALISTS

Location: Reference Z 1238 A55

Allen, Robert S. *Loyalist Literature : an Annotated Bibliographic Guide to the Writings on the Loyalists of the American Revolution.* Toronto: Dundurn Press, 1982.

Location: Main Stacks PR 1105 R7 1971

Coke, Daniel Parker. *The Royal Commission on the Losses and Services of American Loyalists, 1783-1785.* New York : B. Franklin, [1971].

- Contains a bibliography.

Location: Reference Room FC 424 A1 L69 c. 1,2

Loyalist Lineages of Canada, 1783-1983. General editor, Lynn A. Morgan, Toronto: Generation Press, 1984.

- most comprehensive index of Loyalists
- indexed by surname
- lineages of members of UE Loyalists Assoc. Canada
- extracts of members' applications

Location: Archives FC 3070 L6 A58 1985

Loyalist Settlements, 1783-1789: the land. [Toronto] : Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Culture, [1985].

- Pictures and maps of the land settled by the Loyalists.

LOCAL HISTORY

Location: Main Stacks FC 3100 +

- Various local history books, also history of different groups of settlers, e.g. Ukrainians, Mennonites, Irish.

MARRIAGE RECORDS

Location: Dafoe Archives - third floor. FC 3100.5 C64 v1-4

There are some printed records in the archives: Look on BRIDGE: Marriage records-Ontario. e.g. Parish Saint Joachim, Parish Ste. Anne de Sudbury, etc. [Not reviewed.]

METHODISTS

Location: Reference Room CS 88 06 M343 1986

McKenzie, Donald A. *More Notices from Methodist Papers 1830-1857*.

- lists of birth, marriages and deaths taken from various Ontario newspapers, mainly the *Christian Guardian*
- alphabetical order but with cross-reference index

NEWSPAPERS

Location: Microforms Area Z 6945 M36 1987

Directory of Newspapers Held in Selected University of Manitoba Libraries. Compiled by Mary Lochhead. [Winnipeg]: Reference Services Dept., Elizabeth Dafoe Library, 1987.

- p 137-140 lists towns, settlements or areas of Ontario with the names of local newspapers which are held by Dafoe
- titles in alphabetical order
- each entry gives the dates the paper ran and details of the Dafoe library's actual holdings
- extensive cross-referencing

Location: Main Stacks PN 4917 O62 I68 1987

Inventory of Ontario Newspapers, 1793-1986. Comp. and edited by J. Brian Gilchrist. Toronto: Micromedia, c1987.

- detailed list of all Ontario newspapers, dates of publication
- use in conjunction with *Directory of Newspapers Held in Selected University of Manitoba Libraries*.

PARISH REGISTERS

Location: Government Documents GovDocs Can1 Ar3.7 C55 1986

Checklist of Parish Registers. 4th ed., rev. by Patricia Birkett. Ottawa: National Archives Canada, Manuscript Division, 1986. [Also at MGS.]

- a list of parish records which are kept at various repositories in Ontario - or at the National Archives of Canada
- indexed by name or town, township or county film numbers included if from National Archives of Canada

PASSENGER LISTS

Location: Reference Room CS 68 P36

Passenger and Immigration Lists Index. Edited by P. William Filby. Detroit, Mich.: Gale Research Co., c1980.

- guide to published arrival records of over 1.4 million passengers who came to the US and Canada before 1900
- arrivals in the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries
- Includes name, age, date, port of arrival, and a code to the original document
- about 1000 sources indexed
- alphabetical order
- passenger lists or naturalization records

PLACE NAMES

Location: Reference Room FC 3056 M54 PT. 1-3

Mika, Nick and Helma. *Places In Ontario, Their Name Origins and History*. Belleville, Ont.: Mika Pub. Co., 1977.

- good gazeteer, local history included
- couldn't find in Reference or Main stacks but is on Bridge

Helpful Hints

- 1) When you are searching at Dafoe Library it will be necessary to search on BRIDGE, their online catalog. Don't let this be a cause for alarm. BRIDGE is just the card catalog on a computer, and much easier to use than catalog cards. If you type in TE and then a term you want all records with this term will be displayed.

Some terms to use are:

- Genealogybut beware of this, because the only books generally to be found here are books on how to do genealogy.

- Your ancestor's name. Perhaps a book written by him, or about him, exists.

- Type in the name of the town, city or county of your ancestor. Perhaps you'll find a local history book, a parish register, a travel guide, phone book or list of hotels.

- Try something like the following:

Church records and registers
 Ontario - genealogy
 Ontario - biography
 Ontario - maps
 Ontario - history
 Pioneers - Ontario
 Ottawa - census
 Registers of births, etc.
 Occupations

- 2) When you locate a book look around the same location in the library for books on the same topic. Similarly when you locate a book in the reference room, note the call number [the number on the spine of the book] and then look in the main stacks for the same number. All books on one topic should have the same call number. For example:

CS 88	Indexes of births, marriages and deaths
FC 25	Canadian biographies
FC 424	Loyalist lists

An exception to the above must be noted. The Dafoe library originally was catalogued using the Dewey Decimal System - as in the public library [929 Genealogy] and some of their collection still exists on the third floor in that format. To locate books still using the Dewey Decimal number check the PAPER Card Catalog, the forerunner of BRIDGE.

3) If you have a modem on your personal computer you can dial directly to the University of Manitoba libraries and print out your searches at home. Then just take the list to the library and start searching. This is easier than searching at the library because there you have to write it all out long hand.

4) Be adventuresome and look on the various CD Roms on the computers in the Reference Room [you may need assistance the first time] for magazine indexes. The following is an example of what you may find.

- Name of CD Rom - Academic Abstracts

Search word used: Genealogy

Found: Book reviews: Reference

Reviews the book *Jewish Genealogy: A Sourcebook of Family Histories and Genealogies*. Vol. 2, by David S. Zubatsky. By J.P. Reid. [Library Journal, Jan 91, vol. 116 Issue 1, p98, 1/6p]

Explanation: There is a book review written up in the *Library Journal*. Go to the periodical section of the library to see if the journal is there, read it, and if it is what you want, then order the book on Interlibrary Loan or purchase it. The name and address of the publisher may be included with the review.

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ARE THESE YOUR ANCESTORS?

Kathy Stokes, MGS #125

The Battle of Waterloo was fought in 1815 in Europe. Who would think that in a Winnipeg cemetery there lies a veteran of that battle and that his descendants live in Winnipeg to this day?

In June 1947, an article appeared on the editorial page of the *Winnipeg Free Press* wherein the author noted the inscription on a stone in St. James Anglican Cemetery,

"In memory of James Armstrong who died June 10, 1874, aged 84 yrs. He belonged to the 12th Royal Lancers, served in the Peninsular War and fought at Waterloo."

The writer of the article wondered if any of James Armstrong's descendants were still alive. Within a few days, he had his answer and there was an interview published 14 June 1947 with James' grandson, Henry Armstrong Moyse, who, at that time lived at 887 Goulding Street in Winnipeg. Henry was 85 years old when he gave the interview. He had this to say about his grandfather,

"James was a Lancer in the Iron Duke's cavalry... was wounded at the battle of Waterloo... later retired and set off for the Canadian west. Both my grandparents were Irish [James' wife was Jane McKay]... two sons [Elliott who married Ann, daughter of Andrew Fidler; Joseph who married Sarah J., daughter of Edward Sharp] and two daughters [Caroline, wife of John James Moyse; and possibly Charlotte, wife of Charles Foulds].. The two sons worked for the Hudson's Bay Company, loading the river boats. My grandfather turned to farming and settled on a strip of land near the river, now known as Armstrong's Point."

James' daughter Caroline married John Moyse. John was captured by Louis Riel and held prisoner for two weeks in old Fort Garry. They had at least seven children: John, William, Elliott, Henry, Isaac, Caroline and Edward.

Henry Armstrong Moyse died shortly after the newspaper interview, on 5 October 1947, leaving several children in Manitoba. There is a wealth of information on this family, both the Armstrongs and the Moyses, in the censuses, records of St. James Cemetery, and current obituaries at the MGS Resource Centre.

What is research but a blind date with knowledge?

Will Henry



BOOK REVIEWS

Louisa Shermerhorn, MGS #567L, Library Chair Brenda McConnell,
MGS #1344L Joyce Elias, MGS #1519L

an Introduction to... Poor Law Documents Before 1834
by Anne Cole, Federation of Family History Societies,
1993, 35pp.

Poor Law Records give the researcher the relationships between members of a family, families and places, and provide information about the family, and the various pitfalls that may have occurred during members' lifetimes. A description of the poor law, records, and where to locate the records, appears at the beginning of the book. Many researchers will find these records valuable resources - and indeed may find the explanations of the various types of records given, most informative. While some parishes/counties may have very few surviving materials, one would of course need to check to see what kind of records remain before going out to the office. A short list of related publications is presented at the end of the book.
MGS #305.5 Col GB & IRE

BMC

Ireland: A Genealogical Guide for North Americans
by Kyle J. Betit & Dwight A. Radford. Available from/published by: THE IRISH At Home and Abroad, PO Box 521806, Salt Lake City, UT 84152, 72pp, \$14.95 US + \$2.00 US shipping to US and Canada.

"This guide seeks to help the North American use Irish record sources, many of which are available in North America. Topics covered include administrative divisions in Ireland, archives and libraries in North America and Ireland, Army records, cemetery records, census records, church records, civil registration, directories, estate records, genealogies, guild records, heritage centres in Ireland, inventories and catalogs, newspapers, Registry of Deeds, research guides and reference material, research trips to Ireland, taxation records, and wills and administrations."

For example, the chapter, "Administrative Divisions in Ireland" explains terms such as Barony, Parish [civil and ecclesiastical], Townland, Poor Law Union, etc. "Archives and Libraries in North America" notes several good locations with extensive Irish holdings in the US and two in Newfoundland, one in Toronto, two in Ottawa, and one in Regina. Nearly every chapter includes a photo, census examples, sample pages from Registry of Deeds, Directories, etc., along with various listings by the authors [eg. Listing of dioceses within each county]. "Research Guides and Reference Material", after some general information, gives a County listing of articles and books available. ...a great new addition to the Irish scene.

MGS #941.5 Bet GB & IRE

JSE

Andrew Hay's military service with the Canadian Expeditionary Force 1917-1919. and Alfred Hay's military service with the Canadian Expeditionary Force 1916-1917. both by Warren Sinclair, Ottawa, Ontario. 1994.

Mr. Sinclair's accounts of the military careers of Andrew Hay [his grandfather] and Alfred Hay [his great uncle] focus on military aspects of the men, not on their personal experiences. The information has been compiled from Military Personnel Records and Archival sources, as well as some secondary sources. There is a bibliography for each book. Alfred did not serve overseas; he was discharged in 1917 as being medically unfit. Andrew served with the 16th Battalion in France, 1918-19. In 1924 Andrew married Dorothy Drummond in St. James, Manitoba. They lived at Magnet, Ochre River and Gilbert Plains.

MGS #921 Hay

LJS

Pieces of the Past

by Frank Walters. Phone Marnie J. Inkster at 204 / 467-2010 about purchasing copies.

Francis J. 'Frank' Walters, son of Dr. Eugene and Eva Walters, has written this first-hand account which describes many day-to-day experiences of settlers who were instrumental in opening up the Canadian West. The Walters emigrated to Manitoba, Canada in 1904. Frank married Minnie Foord who was a granddaughter to Margaret Kirness. Margaret's stories of the pioneer days in the Red River Settlement sparked Mr. Walters' interest. With the publication of this book many of those stories are available for our reading enjoyment.

MGS #971.27 StA Wal MAN

LJS

Access to ancestry

by Elizabeth Briggs. c1995. 166p. Order from Manitoba Genealogical Society, 885 Notre Dame Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 3R4. \$24.95 plus \$6.50 postage in Canada, \$8.50 postage to USA. Canadian funds.

With the publication of this "Genealogical resource manual for Canadians tracing their heritage", Elizabeth has written another very useful book for genealogical researchers. Her previous *Handbook for Genealogists* has long been out of print although still in great demand. Now we have an expanded 'handbook' which has already proven very useful to researchers. An introductory section on 'beginning family history' is followed by specific sources and repositories for Manitoba. Following that section the author has listed sources for the rest of Canada, USA, United Kingdom, other European countries, Pacific Ocean, West Indies, Mexico and South America. A bibliography and Index complete this comprehensive and detailed manual.

MGS # REF GENERAL

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Genealogical Advertiser

by Michael Southwick. 21 Meldon Way, Hanover Estate, Winlaton, Tyne & Wear, NE21 6HJ. Available from Mr. Southwick for 1 pound British sterling.

A small booklet listing 'a selection of services available for the local/family historian'. Advertisements and addresses for various services in England. LJS

"Who do I Love - the Nahnybida Family Genealogy"
by Thelma Findlay. Available from author at 10 Swan Lake Bay, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3T 4W1 for \$25.00.

Thelma has updated, and put into new format, her history of the Nahnybida family. She says "I have eliminated the large flowing family pedigree sheet and replaced it with bright yellow pages outlining the family pedigree throughout the book so that you can follow the relationships in the family better." Readers will appreciate this. Some coloured copies of pictures also add much to the enjoyment of reading this family history. Thelma intends to add an update in a year or two. There is a complete index.

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All addresses given are Canadian unless otherwise noted.

Note from Editor:

If you submitted a query before March 1 and it has not been printed, please contact me again - apparently I had a small computer file loss just before printing in March.

ANDERSON / JORDAN

Annie [Jordan], b. Smith Falls, Ont., & David Anderson of Winnipeg. David worked for the *Winnipeg Free Press*. Chn: Ethel [worked at Eaton's, Wpg.]; Mary; George; David; Annie [worked at Eaton's, Wpg.]; Jean m. — Sangster. Any info. apprec.

Contact: Karen Reid

206 - 1804 Henderson Highway
Winnipeg, Manitoba R2G 3H2

ATKINSON

Help! Two Atkinson families who emigrate to the 'Northwest' c1904 from Kent Co., Ont. are lost, but many references to Man. 1. Fam. of William Atkinson, 1859, m. Sarah Watson. Chn: Grace 1887; John; Irene; William John Aug 7, 1889. 2. Fam. of Allan [Alvin?] Atkinson, 1863, m. Annie Morrell. Chn: Harry 1889; Fred Allen 1890; Ethel May 1894; W. Gordon 1896; Norman 1897; Frank, David; Annie. An obit. may help but too far back for census. Any info please.

Contact: Dean Atkinson

348 Tweedsmuir Avenue
London, Ontario N5W 1L7

BAYLEY

William D., b. 24 Dec. 1879, Winnipeg, s/o Wm Dowell Bayley & Lucy Charlotte [Carney] Moore. Career incl. teaching, Wpg., MLA for Assinibola c1920-1928. Not listed in Wpg. after 1931. Seek info or desc.

Contact: Donald E. Carney

20 Riddle Court
North Bay, Ontario P1B 8S6

BOWLER / KNOX / NEIL / WAY / WILSON

Albert Knox, d. 1952, Winnipeg, & Lily Wilson or his 2nd wife, Nellie Neil. Son Gerald m. Marjorie Burtenshaw or Moutray. Sis. Eunice m. Casey Way of Myrtle, Man. Another sis., Annie, prob. m. a Bowler. Albert, Eunice, Annie chn. of John Knox & Phoebe Elizabeth Lawson. Phoebe was my great aunt. Wish to contact desc. of any of these families.

Contact: Louisa Shermerhorn

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Gasper [Gaster, Caster, Casper] 1795-1833, Lunenburg Co., Chester, N.S., m. Nancy [?] Embree. Chn: Charles & 2 daus.. Wish to trace forebears of Nancy Embree.
Contact: Lynn Francis
Box 151
St. Germain, Manitoba R0G 2A0

ESPOLIN / EYMAN / LINDAL / NORDAL / TORFASON
Would like to hear from anyone related or knowing anything about people with these surnames - Icelandic. These people would most likely be in western Can. or northern US states.
Contact: Leo Nordal
Box 535
Moosomin, Saskatchewan S0G 3N0

GALLAWAY / FLANAGAN
Matilda Galloway, b.1831, West Gwillimbury Twp., Ont., [d/o James Galloway, Antrim Co., Ire.? d.Toronto 1842, & Ann Agnes Pinkerton, m.1918 -Ed: 1818?- Antrim Co.], m.John Flanagan, 19 Mar. 1846, Bond Head, Ont., d.1908, Pilot Mound, Man. Chn: Ann Jane b.1847 Ont.; William b.1848, Notawasaga Twp, Ont.; Elizabeth Ann b.1852, Ont.; Margaret Ann b.1852/3 Ont.; James b.1854 Ont.; Ann Catherine b.1857 Ont.; Charlotte Ann b.1860 Ont.; Joseph Henry b.1862 Walkerton, Ont.; Mary Ann Ellen b.12 June 1867?, Walkerton; Serinda McCall b.8 Jul 1867?, Walkerton; John Thomas "Lord Dufferin", b.27 Sep 1871, Walkerton. All chn. d. in Man. & Sask. Would like to find descns. of any or all.
Contact: Len Robbins
295 Hebert
St. Adolphe, Manitoba R5A 1B3

KENNY
Edward Kenny, b.1860? Man. m. Martha Law, when? where? Apparently owned land along railway, where?
Chn: Anne; Katie; Emma, prob. b. Man. Fam. mvd. to Golden, BC early 1890s. Would like to contact anyone researching this fam.

Contact: Barbara J. Sheppard
481 Evergreen Drive
Port Edward, British Columbia V0V 1G0

LESLIE
Wish info. on William Leslie, b.May 21, 1863, Scarborough, Ont., s/o James Leslie & Annie Young. Siblings: Thomas, David, James, Robert, Lettie, Maggie. William m. Jane Tibble, Nov. 10, 1897, Portage la Prairie, Man. Mvd. to Ochre River, Man., 1910. Lvd. Michigan for a short period in 1930s. Wm. d. Ochre River, Aug, 2, 1938. Where are his siblings?
Contact: Laurie MacMillan
Box 2
Ochre River, Manitoba R0L 1K0

LISCUM / LISCOMB / PLANT
Harriet Plant, m. Liscum / Liscomb, lvd. Winnipeg, siblings: Maryann [Plant] Harris Rajotte [d.Wpg. 1936], & John & Gordon Plant, d.1930 & 1939, Glen Elmo / Rosburn area. Harriet's chn: Dr. Christopher; Peter; Samuel; & Rubena [Liscum] Poil. Will exchange info with interested parties.

Contact: Mrs. Betty J. Ratzman
10302 N. Mayberry Drive
Spokane, Washington 99218-1500 USA

PURDY / HARDWICK
Seek descns. of Francis Purdy, 1814-1871, & Elizabeth Hardwick, 1817-1889, os Southwark, London, Eng. Chn: Mary, b.1836, m. S.H. Little 1858; George, b.1838, m. Maria Seasbrook 1860; Elizabeth, b.1841, m. C.H. Kimber 1866; Francis Jacob, 1844-1926, m. Harriett Harris; Susan, b.1847?; Ann, b.1849, m. Albert Beevis 1874; Francis, 1851-1852; Samuel b.1853, m. Jane Dixey 1880; Martha, b.1856, m. George Simpson 1880; Francis, b.1859; Sophia, 1861-1922, m. Joseph Fuller 1833.

Contact: Margaret Purdy
175 Sinawik Bay
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3J 2Z4

SAUNDERS / SCROGGIE
Seek b m d dates/places of William James Saunders of Winnipeg, hus. of Jane [Laura] Scroggie of Rawdon, PQ, 1870-1911. Parents of Clifford Cameron Saunders, d.Jan.27, 1895, bur. at Rawdon, 2 yrs. old. Other chn. or descns.?

Contact: Daniel Parkinson
27 Sackville Street
Toronto ON M5A 3E1

WALCZAK / WALCZUK / WALCHUK
Would like to hear from anyone researching these variations of my surname.
Conatct: Michelle Walczak
15 Erlesmere Avenue
Brampton, Ontario L6W 2T4

WATTERS / SHARPE
Robert Watters, s/o Robert Watters of Portage la Prairie, Man. & of Jane Sharpe, was b.23 Sept. 1880, bapt. 25 May 1886 at St. Simeon's Church, Lachute, PQ. Was the father b. at Rawdon, PQ, 23 Dec.1855, s/o Patrick Watters & Eliza Tuite, both Irish born?

Contact: Daniel Parkinson
27 Sackville Street
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Kindred Spirits, Whitby/Oshawa OGS, Vol. 14 #1 Winter 1995

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Township Atlas of North Dakota

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Neath the sod and neath the trees
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- Almanac -

NEEPAWA, MANITOBA

Manitoba Free Press, February 2, 1882

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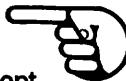
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