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Recent Additions to the Collection

Items listed below without a **Ref.** designation may be borrowed. Call **604-331-3603** to request a book, or place your request through the online catalogue (iPAC) at ipac.vpl.ca

Ref. items must be used in the library.

General

Carmack's Guide to Copyright & Contracts: A Primer for Genealogists, Writers & Researchers

by Sharon DeBartolo Carmack, 2005
929.1 C28c

Starting Your Family History

by Margaret Ward, 2006
929.1 W26s

Walking With Your Ancestors: A Genealogist's Guide to Using Maps and Geography

by Melinda Kashuba, 2005
929.1 K19w

Canada

British and German Deserters, Dischargees, and Prisoners of War Who May Have Remained in Canada and the United States

by Clifford Neal Smith, 2004
Ref. 929.371 S644b

British Columbia

Cemetery Recording Instruction Book

by Valerie Hooper, 2006
Ref. 929.5 C39b2

Birth, Marriage and Death Extractions from the Comox Argus Newspaper, 1917-1946,

Campbell River Genealogy Society, 2006
Ref. 929.37112 C18bco

Lytton Municipal Cemetery, Lytton, BC: Burials, 1876-2005 [name index]

by Dorothy Dodge, 2006
Ref. 929.5 D64L

Ontario

1861 Census Index and Gazetteer of Hastings County, Ontario

by Linda Corupe, 2005
Ref. 929.3713 H35c

1901 Census. City of Hamilton, Ward Three, Wentworth County, 2005

Ref. 929.3713 W47H21owc 1901

1901 Census. City of Hamilton, Ward Five, Wentworth County, 2005

Ref. 929.3713 W47H21owe 1901

1901 Census. City of Hamilton, Ward Six, Wentworth County, 2005
Ref. 929.3713 W47H21owf 1901

1901 Census. City of Hamilton, Ward Seven, Wentworth County, 2006
Ref. 929.3713 W47H21owg 1901

The Carp Review and Carleton County Advertiser, Carp, Carleton County, Ontario: Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1951-1953
by Dolly Allen, 2006
Ref. 929.3713 C28abmdd

Grenville County Land Record Index, Circa 1790-1850
by Sandra L. Wunder, 2003
Ref. 929.3713 G82w

Haldimand County Marriage & Burial Register, 1851-1865
compiled by Dan Walker, 2001
Ref. 929.3713 H15w

Index to Land Settlement in Thunder Bay District
by Art Gunnell, 2005
Ref. 929.3713 T53g

Index to the 1861 Census of Lennox and Addington, Co., Ontario
by Linda Corupe, 2003
Ref. 929.3713 L56a 1861

Middlesex County Marriages & Baptisms, 1848-1858
compiled by Dan Walker, 2001
Ref. 929.3713 M62w

Perth County Baptism, Marriage & Burial Register 1852-1859
compiled by Dan Walker, 2000
Ref. 929.3713 P46w



Toronto in the 1850s: A Transcription of the 1853 Tax Assessment Rolls and Guide to Family History Research
Ontario Genealogical Society, Toronto Branch, 2005
Ref. 929.3713 Y61T68m

United Empire Loyalists: A Guide to Tracing Loyalist Ancestors in Upper Canada
by Brenda Dougall Merriman, 2006
929.3713 A11M57u

Vital Records of Upper Canada/Canada West
by Dan Walker, 2000-
Ref. 929.3713 W17v

- Niagara District (v.1:pt.3)
- Niagara District (v.1:pt.4)
- Gore District (v.2:pt.2)
- Gore District (v.2:pt.3)



Wesleyan Methodist Baptism Registers of Frontenac County, Ontario: 1835 to 1902
by Linda Corupe, 2003
Ref. 929.3713 F93cw

Wesleyan Methodist Baptism Registers of Kent County, Ontario, 1842 to 1896
by Linda Corupe, 2003
Ref. 929.3713 K37c

Wesleyan Methodist Baptism Registers of Northumberland County, Ontario, 1834 to 1902
by Linda Corupe, 1999
Ref. 929.3713 N87c

New Brunswick

Barchois / Saint Anselme Parish Registers: Births, Marriages, Deaths Covering the Years 1812-1870
compiled by Lois T. LeBlanc Graham, 1999
Ref. 929.37152 G73b

Cocagne Parish Registers: Births, Marriages, Deaths Covering the Years 1800 -1870

compiled by Lois T. LeBlanc Graham, 2000
Ref. 929.37152 G73c

Grand Digue / Scoudouc Parish Registers: Births, Marriages, Deaths Covering the Years 1800-1875

compiled by Lois T. LeBlanc Graham, 1999
Ref. 929.37152 G73g



Passengers to New Brunswick: The Custom House Records, 1833, 34, 37 & 38

by Daniel F. Johnson, 1987
929.3715 J66p

Shemogue (Cap-Pele) Parish Registers: Births, Marriages, Deaths Covering the Years 1812-1899

compiled by Lois T. LeBlanc Graham, 1999
Ref. 929.37152 G73s

St-Basile-le-Grand, Madawaska County, New Brunswick: Marriages, 1791-1977

by Loius Cyr, 1995
Ref. 929.37155 M17c9s

United States

The Family Tree Resource Book for Genealogists: Essential Guide to American County and Town Sources

edited by Sharon DeBartolo Carmack, 2004
Ref. 929.373 F19c



***The Genealogist's Address Book*, 5th ed. (2005)**

Genealogical Publishing Co., Annual
Ref 929.1025 B47g

The Scottish Surnames of Colonial America

by David Dobson, 2003
Ref. 929.37 D63sco

British Isles

The Daily Telegraph Military Obituaries. Book 2

edited by David Twiston Davies, 2006
355.0092 D13db

Researching English Non-Anglican Records

by Penelope Christensen, 2003
929.342 C55ren

Tracing Your Ancestors in the National Archives

by Amanda, Bevan, 2006
929.341 C87t5



Who Do You Think You Are?: Discovering the Heroes and Villains in Your Family

by Dan Waddell, 2006
929.1 W11wh

Jewish Research

Roots and Remembrance: Explorations in Jewish Genealogy

by Ze'ev Glicenstein, 2006
929.1 G55r

Miscellaneous

Finding Oprah's Roots: Finding Your Own

by Henry Louis Gates, 2007
929.2 W78g

Guide to Cuban Genealogical Research: Records and Sources

by Peter E. Carr, 2000
929.37291 C31g

***Tracing Your West Indian Ancestors*, 2nd ed.**

by Guy Grannum, 2002
929.3729 G72t1

Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library

Canadian Church Records

Wednesday, May 9, 2007

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Canadian church records are an important source of genealogical information, especially for years prior to the beginning of civil registration. Learn more about these records and how to find them at this free genealogy workshop.

Registration is required, and begins on Wednesday, April 18th. To register, please call 604-331-3716, or come to Fine Arts and History on Level 6 at the Central Library.



Genealogy in England

Tuesday, June 5, 2007

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of English family history research. This free genealogy workshop will introduce resources available at the Vancouver Public Library and on the Internet.

Registration is required, and begins on Wednesday, May 16th. To register, please call 604-331-3716, or come to Fine Arts and History on Level 6 at the Central Library.



Registration for VPL Genealogy Workshops

Genealogy workshops at the Vancouver Public Library usually fill quickly. To avoid disappointment, register as early as possible. Registration usually starts approximately one month before the workshop is held. For the most up-to-date information on upcoming workshops, check out our website at: www.vpl.ca/branches/LibrarySquare/his/Genealogy/Nextprogram.html You can also call 604-331-3716 to find out what is coming up and when registration begins.

Don't depend on the newsletter, as new workshops are sometimes added after it has gone to print. Occasionally a message is sent to our online subscribers, but only if space is left in the workshop after the first day of registration. Keep in mind: the best place to find out about VPL workshops is the VPL website!

Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

Genealogy Lock-In Fundraiser

Sunday, April 29, 2007

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Cloverdale Library, 5642 – 176A Street,
Surrey, B.C.

Charge: \$35.00

Please pre-register by calling 604-576-1384 (local 303 or 304). Payment is required upon registration.

- Lock yourself into the Cloverdale Library for a day of genealogical research and learning. We will open our doors on this particular Sunday just for Genealogy. Obtain one-on-one assistance, take an orientation tour or attend a seminar. Bring a lunch.

**Roots Around the World: 2007
Seminar and Genealogy Marketplace
Saturday, April 28, 2007
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Rick Hansen Senior Secondary School
31150 Blueridge Drive
Abbotsford, British Columbia
Charge: \$40 (member) / \$55 (non-member)
Speakers: Sydney Baker, Candy-Lea Chickite,
Penny Christensen, Bernice Davidson, Chris
Longley, Lorene Lyle, Halvor Moorshead, Dave
Obee, Ugo Perego, Brenda Smith

Contact: Fay Hicks 604-853-5672
fdjh@shaw.ca
Lois Martin 604-853-8570
loal@telus.net

More information: www.abbygs.ca

Also Noted...

**Ugo Perego of the Sorenson
Molecular Genealogy Foundation
Campbell River Genealogy Society
April 26, 2007**

Campbell River, British Columbia

- DNA in Genealogy.
- More information:
www.rootsweb.com/~bccrgc/crevents.html



**Techno Expo – Annual Seminar &
Annual General Meeting
Saskatchewan Genealogical Society
April 27-28, 2007**

Regina, Saskatchewan

- More information:
www.saskgenealogy.com/seminar/seminar%20brochure%202007.pdf



**Region II Annual General Meeting
Ontario Genealogical Society
April 28, 2007
St. Thomas, Ontario**

- More information:
www.elginogs.ca/2007regionalmeeting.htm

**Region V Conference 2007 –
“Genealogy – Close to Home”
Ontario Genealogical Society
April 28, 2007
Barrie, Ontario**

- More information:
http://ogs.on.ca/calendar/pdfs/regionV_2007.pdf

**Organize It!
Campbell River Genealogy Society
May 3, 2007
Campbell River, British Columbia**

- More information:
www.rootsweb.com/~bccrgc/crevents.html

**B.C. Historical Federation
Conference
May 10-13, 2007
Victoria, British Columbia**

- More information: www.bchistory.ca

**Eunice Robinson - Ireland
Nanaimo Family History Society
May 14, 2007
Nanaimo, British Columbia**

- More information:
www.island.net/~nfhs/events.htm

Lady Mary Teviot – President of the Federation of Family History Societies (UK)

Campbell River Genealogy Society

May 26, 2007

Campbell River, British Columbia

- More information:

www.rootsweb.com/~bccrgc/crevents.html

The Peopling of Canada Seminar 2007

Ontario Genealogical Society

June 1-3, 2007

Ottawa, Ontario

- More information: www.ogsseminar.org/



Seminar 2007

Prince George Genealogical Society

June 2, 2007

Prince George, British Columbia

- More information:

http://members.tripod.com/pg_genealogy_society/welcome.html

Roots 2007

Quebec Family History Society

June 15-17, 2007

Montreal, Quebec

- More information:

www.qfhs.ca/roots.html

“Sources By The Sea, From Parchment to the Internet”:

Genealogical Conference

New Brunswick Genealogical Society

June 15-17, 2007

Rothesay, New Brunswick

- More information: www.nbgssj.ca

Journey to Nanaimo

Nanaimo Family History Society

June 18, 2007

Nanaimo, British Columbia

- More information:

www.island.net/~nfhs/events.htm

**New Canadian Resource
from Ancestry**



Drouin Collection Online

In March, the University of Montreal and Ancestry announced a major deal which will make the Drouin Collection available online. Gabriel Drouin was a notary and genealogist who in the 1930s microfilmed registers kept by Roman Catholic, Protestant and Jewish congregations in Quebec. The 12 million records have been a major source of information on 19th century births, marriages and deaths.

As a result of the agreement between Ancestry and the University of Montreal, digitized images of the entire collection are already available online, and can be browsed by location and time period. Students at the University of Montreal have been hired to index the collection, a project that will be complete by the end of the year, if all goes according to schedule.

Access to the digitized images is already available at all VPL locations, though Ancestry Library Edition. The database also includes records from French-Canadian parishes in Ontario, the Maritimes, and New England.

**Border Crossings: From Canada to U.S.
1895-1956**

An important new addition to Ancestry's collection of Canadian records, **Border Crossings: From Canada to U.S., 1895-1956** provides data about citizens and aliens crossing from Canada to the U.S. at various points of entry along the Canada- U.S. border. The database has been derived from a variety of U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) forms which were used to record information about individuals entering the United States and held by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). The online index is linked to digitized copies of the original records.

Ocean View Cemetery Monumental Inscriptions

Monumental inscriptions from Ocean View Cemetery in Burnaby, B.C. can now be viewed on the CD-ROM station in the Genealogy area on Level 6 at the Central Library.

Nova Scotia Historical Vital Statistics Now Online



Nova Scotia has become the latest province to provide free online indexes to its historical vital statistics records. Records covered by the database include the following:

- Births, 1864-1877
- Marriages, 1864-1930
- Deaths, 1864-1877; 1908-1955

In addition to index information, the database allows users to view actual digitized images of the birth, marriage and death records. E-copies and paper copies can be purchased through the website.

The database is available at
www.novascotiagenealogy.com/

In addition to these records, an online index of Nova Scotia marriage bonds is available, covering the period from 1763-1849. Information retrieved in a search refers users to microfilms containing copies of the original marriage bonds. The marriage bond database is available at
www.gov.ns.ca/nsarm/databases/bonds/

Dictionary of Canadian Biography Volume XV, 1921-1930

The renowned **Dictionary of Canadian Biography** recently released its 15th volume. The latest addition to this remarkable reference work provides detailed biographical information on Canadians who died between 1921-1930. The **Dictionary of Canadian Biography** is also available for free online:
www.biographi.ca

More Scottish Census Records in

 **ancestry library edition**

Scottish genealogy resources in Ancestry Library Edition now include indexes to Scottish census records from 1871 to 1901. With the addition of these new records, Ancestry Library Edition now provides Scottish census information for all publicly released years. Unlike most Ancestry census information, the online Scottish indexes do not include links to digitized images. The latter are available, for a fee, from www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk. The records available in Ancestry Library Edition can be accessed for free at all Vancouver Public Library locations. Pre-searching in Ancestry Library Edition may help make searching of Scotland's People more efficient – and economical.



Hidden Gems



With so much genealogy information now available on the Internet, it's easy to forget that a great deal of genealogical information is still only available in microfilm or print sources. This new regular section will highlight selected printed sources from the Vancouver Public Library genealogy collection, which shouldn't be overlooked. This month's choice:

The Ontario Register

This series of 8 volumes was published intermittently from 1968 to 1990. The series is a compilation of miscellaneous records transcribed from a variety of sources such as church records, cemetery inscriptions, militia lists and other sources. The first volume, for example, includes Hastings Militia Return, 1834; Rainham Cemetery Inscriptions; Rideau Circuit Baptisms, 1824-1843; Welland Marriage Notices, 1871-1875 and many others. Each volume includes a surname index.

Ref. 929.3713 O59w

Checklist of Indexes to Canadian Newspapers Held by Library and Archives Canada

This useful tool for locating genealogical information is available on Library and Archives Canada's website. The list comprises entries for Canadian newspapers from the 18th century to the present date. The entry for each newspaper is followed by a list of published, online and Internet indexes which cover that particular newspaper title. For example, the entry for the Alberta Tribune newspaper indicates that the newspaper is indexed by two books, Births, Marriages and Deaths from Calgary, Alberta Newspapers: 1890-1899 (Alberta Family Histories Society, 1993) and Birth, Marriage & Death Notices of the "Alberta

Tribune, 1897-1899" (Mary Trace, 1986). Some indexes in the Checklist are available at the Vancouver Public Library; others may be available by interlibrary loan. The list can also be browsed by province. The Checklist of Indexes to Canadian Newspapers Held by Library and Archives Canada is found at www.collectionscanada.ca/8/12/index-e.html

Your Folks



[Quebec Genealogy]



A new site for Quebec genealogists provides access to transcribed records of Quebec marriages from the early days of New France to the 20th century. The database covers all Quebec administrative regions except Bonaventure and Magdalen-Islands. Records show the date and place of marriage, the names of both sets of parents, and the names of children, as well as their spouses. Searching is free, although a subscription is required in order to access full details. The source of the information in **Your Folks** is not indicated. As always, information should be authenticated independently.
<http://mesaieux.com>

AncestorsOnBoard.com

A major new resource has been developed by the leading British genealogy website **findmypast.com** in association with the National Archives (U.K.) **AncestorsOnBoard.com** provides information about people who sailed from U.K. ports to Australia, Canada, India, New Zealand, South Africa, the U.S.A. and other destinations worldwide. The database comprises passenger lists, and currently covers the period from 1890-1909. Eventually it will include 30

million records from 1890-1960. Searching the index is free; if your results include names which you would like to follow up, you can purchase a transcript and / or an image of the original passenger list. Transcript details provided for each individual include: Name, Date and Port of departure, Destination port and country, Age, Marital status, Sex, and Occupation. You buy a subscription to **AncestorsOnBoard.com** for unlimited access, or use it on a pay-per-view basis (minimum charge: 5 pounds for 90 days; buys 50 units. Transcripts cost 5 units each; images cost 30 units each.)
www.ancestorsonboard.com/

A London Primer

Locating London ancestors may be challenging due to historic changes in the system of local government and the vast number of parishes. Here's a primer:

Understanding Local Government in London

Pre-1889

Before 1889, what is now modern London was the ancient and geographic **County of Middlesex**. (Another re-organization occurred in 1973). Middlesex surrounded the **City of London**, a tiny area comprising 1 square mile, which was not part of any county.

1889

A major reorganization of English local government occurred in 1889. The ancient and geographic counties of England were re-organized and county boroughs – corresponding to major population centres – were established. County boroughs had the same status as counties. Part of Middlesex, together with parts of the counties of Kent and Surrey, were taken to form a new county, the **County of London**. The County of London consisted of 28 metropolitan boroughs. It did not have jurisdiction over the City of London.

1965

Almost all of the original area of the counties of London and Middlesex was incorporated into **Greater London**. Greater London also included parts of Surrey, Kent, Essex, and Hertfordshire and absorbed 3 county boroughs (West Ham, East Ham, and Croydon) which ceased to exist. Greater London was divided into **London Boroughs**, governed by the Greater London Council.

1986

The Greater London Council was abolished and the London Boroughs were promoted to county status.

2000

The **Greater London Authority** was established to coordinate the London Boroughs and the City of London.

London and Middlesex Parishes

Phillimore's Atlas and Index of Parish Registers (Ref. 929.342 P55h2) can be used to identify the location of a specific parish in the London area. It provides maps of parishes in the ancient and historic county of Middlesex and the City of London.

Maps showing the location of churches in Middlesex and the City of London are also found in The A to Z of Victorian London (Ref. 911.421 A11e).

A Genealogical Gazetteer of England

(Ref. 929.342 S64g) is another useful reference. Most Middlesex parishes have separate entries (omit "St." or "Saint" if looking up churches beginning with saints' names). Those located in the City of Westminster are listed under **Westminster**. Parishes in the City of London appear in the entry for **London**.



The GENUKI website has useful reference pages listing parishes in Middlesex and the City of London:

London Parishes & Boroughs
<http://homepages.gold.ac.uk/genuki/LND/>

Middlesex Parishes
<http://homepages.gold.ac.uk/genuki/MDX/ParishIndex.html>

Scottish Images of Old Parochial Registers



Images of old parish registers dating from 1553-1854 are now available on the **Scotland's People** website. This major new addition to the website completes access to digitized core Scottish genealogical records. The site operates on a pay-per-view basis, starting at 6 pounds for 30 "page credits".
www.scotlandspople.gov.uk

New U.S. Sites

America's Genealogy Bank

U.S.-based NewsBank, a leading provider of web-based newspaper information, recently launched America's GenealogyBank, focusing on genealogy resources. The new site provides access to millions of digitized obituaries, death notices, family histories, birth and marriage announcements from newspapers and other sources from the 1600s to the 21st century. The database is fully searchable. Most of the content is exclusive to NewsBank, and is difficult or impossible to obtain on microfilm or in print. For more information, see
www.genealogybank.com

Footnote.com

This new site is not exclusively focused on genealogy, but will be of interest to anyone doing U.S. genealogical research. In partnership with the National Archives and Records Administration, the aim of Footnote.com is to scan millions of historical documents and put them online. Approximately 4.5 million pages are already available including records of the Southern Claims Commission, Naturalization Records 1792-1966, Civil War Pensions Index, and other rich sources of genealogical information. Those who join the site can also contribute their own historic images or documents and add annotations or comments. Membership is free, although full access to image scans requires a paid membership. Some image scans may be viewed for free, including a [Pennsylvania Archives](#) collection of more than 100,000 pages covering the period from 1664-1880.

www.footnote.com

Indians in Search of Their Roots



The Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts in India has established an "Ancestral Search Programme" to assist the approximately 25 million people of Indian origin overseas to find their origins on the sub-continent. The program focuses on the period from 1834 to 1917, when about 13 million Indians were sent by British and French colonizers to work as labourers in overseas sugar plantations. Ship registers, immigration records and other sources will be used. For more information and a downloadable application form, see
http://ignca.nic.in/Ancestral_SearchForm.pdf



Has This Branch Been Climbed Already?

An essential step in genealogical research is checking to see if anyone has already researched your family tree. If you find that someone has already worked on a branch of your family tree, it can provide important information that will be helpful as you continue your research. It doesn't mean that the job is over. It's essential to verify work done by others. It's also possible that more information has become available since the work was initially done. If you do find that someone has already climbed a particular branch on your family tree, though, it can give you a great start.

Start with Google. Using the example of Robinson, a simple approach is to **Google** "Robinson family tree", "Robinson genealogy" or "Robinson family history". You can experiment by adding first names, spousal names, or geographic locations to your search strategy. You can also check **Google Book Search**. In some cases, you'll find full digitized text of family histories. Go to www.google.ca/books and type in one of the search strategies shown above.

RootsWeb provides a variety of tools, including Mailing Lists and Message Boards for thousands of specific surnames and the RootsWeb Surname List has been designed specifically to facilitate the sharing of information. Check out these tools at www.rootsweb.com/

As useful as the Internet is, it's important not to overlook published sources. Many family histories were written and published decades ago and provide information that cannot be found online.

You can identify published family histories by searching electronic library catalogues. It may be possible to borrow family histories from

other libraries through inter-library loan. For Canadian family histories, Library and Archives Canada's **AMICUS** library catalogue is very useful, as you can search the catalogues not only of Library and Archives Canada but also of other Canadian libraries. To access AMICUS, go to <http://search-recherche.collectionscanada.ca/index.html>. Click on **English**, and then on **Library**. Select **Subject Keyword** from the drop-down list and enter the name of the family you are researching, as in this example: *Robinson family*.

Bibliographies of family histories have been published. Selected titles available at the Vancouver Public Library are listed below. For additional titles, search the Library Catalogue (<http://ipac.vpl.ca/>). Select **Key words in subject** from the drop-down list and enter **genealogy bibliography** as your key words.



Canada - General

Bibliographie annotée d'ouvrages généalogiques au Canada = Annotated Bibliography of Genealogical Works in Canada, 6 vol.

by Kathleen Mennie-de Varennes, 1987
Ref. FRE 929.3714 B58f

Bibliographie des ouvrages généalogiques au Québec, 1980-1990

by Jacqueline Faucher-Asselin, 1997
Ref. 929.1X M54b

Genealogy and Local History to 1900: A Bibliography Selected from the Catalogue of the Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions, CIHM = Genealogie et Histoire Locale d'Avant 1900: Une bibliographie tirée du catalogue de l'Institut canadien de microreproductions historiques, ICHM

by Brian J. Gilchrist, 1995
Ref. 929.1X G46g

British Isles

Bibliography of Irish Family History and Genealogy

by Brian De Breffny, 1974
Ref. 929.2X D28b

A Catalogue of British Family Histories, 3rd. ed.

by T. R. Thomson, 1976
Ref. 929.2X T48c

The Genealogist's Guide: An Index to Printed British Pedigrees and Family Histories, 1950-1975

by Geoffrey Battiscombe Barrow, 1977
Ref. 929.2X B27g

Scottish Family Histories

compiled by Joan P.S. Ferguson, 1986
Ref. 929.2X F35s

Scottish Family History: A Guide to Works of Reference on the History and Genealogy of Scottish Families

by Margaret Stuart, 1978
Ref. 929.1X S93s



U.S.

Two useful series are available at the Vancouver Public Library:

Library of Congress

The series of titles listed below was published by the Library of Congress beginning in 1972.

Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A Bibliography

edited by Marion Kaminkow, 1972
Ref. 929.1X L69g

Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A Bibliography. Supplement, 1972-1976

edited by Marion Kaminkow, 1977
Ref. 929.1X L69g Supp.

A Complement to Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A Bibliography, 2 vol.
edited by Marion Kaminkov, 1981
Ref. 929.1X K15c

Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A Bibliography. Second Supplement, 1976-1986

Library of Congress, 1987
Ref. 929.1X L69g Suppl. 2

Genealogies Catalogued by the Library of Congress Since 1986: With a List of Established Forms of Family Names and a List of Genealogies Converted to Microfilm Since 1983

Library of Congress, 1991
Ref. 929.1X L69gc

Genealogical Books in Print

This series was published under various titles beginning in 1975:

Genealogical Books in Print

edited by Netti Schreiner-Yantis, 1975
Ref. 929.1X G32

Genealogical & Local History Books in Print, 1976-1992, 2 vol.

Ref. 929.1X G32

- The first of the two volumes is titled Volume 2. Published in 1976, it is a supplement to Genealogical Books in Print.
- The second of the two volumes, titled the 3rd edition, was published in 1981. It repeats and supplements information provided in Volume 2, but does not duplicate the content of the original Genealogical Books in Print.

Genealogical & Local History Books in Print. Family History Volume. 1996-

Ref. 929.1X G32f

- This volume is part of the 5th edition of the series. VPL does not own the other volumes of the 5th edition.

Note: No 2nd edition was published. The 4th edition and two supplements to the 4th edition were published from 1985-1992. They are not owned by VPL.

Jewish Genealogy

Sourcebook for Jewish Genealogies and Family Histories

by David S. Zubatsky, 1996

Ref. 929.3X Z93j1



Archaic Occupations

Was your ancestor a chiffonier? Perhaps a hatchelor? Maybe a whiffler? Old records often reveal historical occupations that are now rather obscure. For help finding the meaning of unknown occupations, an extensive **Glossary of Old Occupations & Trades** is available at http://genealogy.about.com/library/glossary/bl_occupations.htm

Preparing for a Genealogy Research Visit to the Vancouver Public Library

Genealogists visit the Vancouver Public Library every day to make use of its extensive print, microfilm and electronic resources. Use the following tips to get the most out of your visit:

1. Check the Vancouver Public Library website at www.vpl.ca for general information on opening hours, etc. If you want to print copies from Ancestry Library Edition, please remember that all print requests should be made at least half an hour before the library closes.

2. Check VPL's genealogy pages to get a better idea of what you can expect to find in the Vancouver Public Library genealogy collection:
www.vpl.ca/branches/LibrarySquare/his/Genealogy/Genealogy.html
3. Bring supplies. Come prepared with paper, pencils and other supplies that you might need. There are power outlets for your laptop. Wireless is currently available on Level 4.
4. Bring research materials. Copies of genealogy charts, documents, and notes may be helpful not only for you but also for the information staff if you need help.
5. Bring money if you expect to make copies of documents. Copies cost 20 cents (black-and-white photocopier), 40 cents (microfilm reader), or \$1.00 (colour photocopier). Copy cards may be purchased on Level 5. Some machines also accept coins. Coins should be minted prior to 2001 – otherwise they will not work in some machines.
6. Remember that the information staff are very busy. Please ask specific questions. This is not the time to give a full account of your family history research!

Genealogical Privacy

A long and interesting thread on **Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter** explores the issue of genealogical privacy. While many genealogists help others and share data without reservation, some are concerned about having their work publicly posted on the Internet by others with whom they have shared it. According to Eastman, there is no way to prevent this, and views about whether or not compilations of genealogical data are subject to copyright are contradictory. The topic is further explored with many interesting comments posted in response to Eastman's article. For the full thread, Google **Dick Eastman genealogical privacy**.

Food for Thought - Ancestor Worship (Another Point-of-View)

In a recent inflammatory article (at least for genealogists) on the [Guardian Weekly](#) website, Zoe Williams attacks genealogy as “utterly pointless and self-regarding.” Genealogy aficionados, of course, might counter-claim that many or most hobbies and recreational (or even academic) pursuits are similarly lacking in purpose. In any case, given its popularity there is little chance -- like it or not -- that genealogy will “go away”. Perhaps, though, Williams’ article is useful in prompting a consideration of what accounts for the enormous public enthusiasm for genealogy and what kind of response it warrants. Why are people so powerfully drawn to genealogy? What makes it interesting or worthwhile? Genealogists need, expect, and deserve a great deal from libraries, archives and other record repositories. It’s a demand that creates considerable challenges for these institutions. But what exactly are their obligations and responsibilities to genealogists, and what can genealogists provide in return? Any thoughts? Check out Zoe Williams’ article at: www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/story/0,,1941852,00.html

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