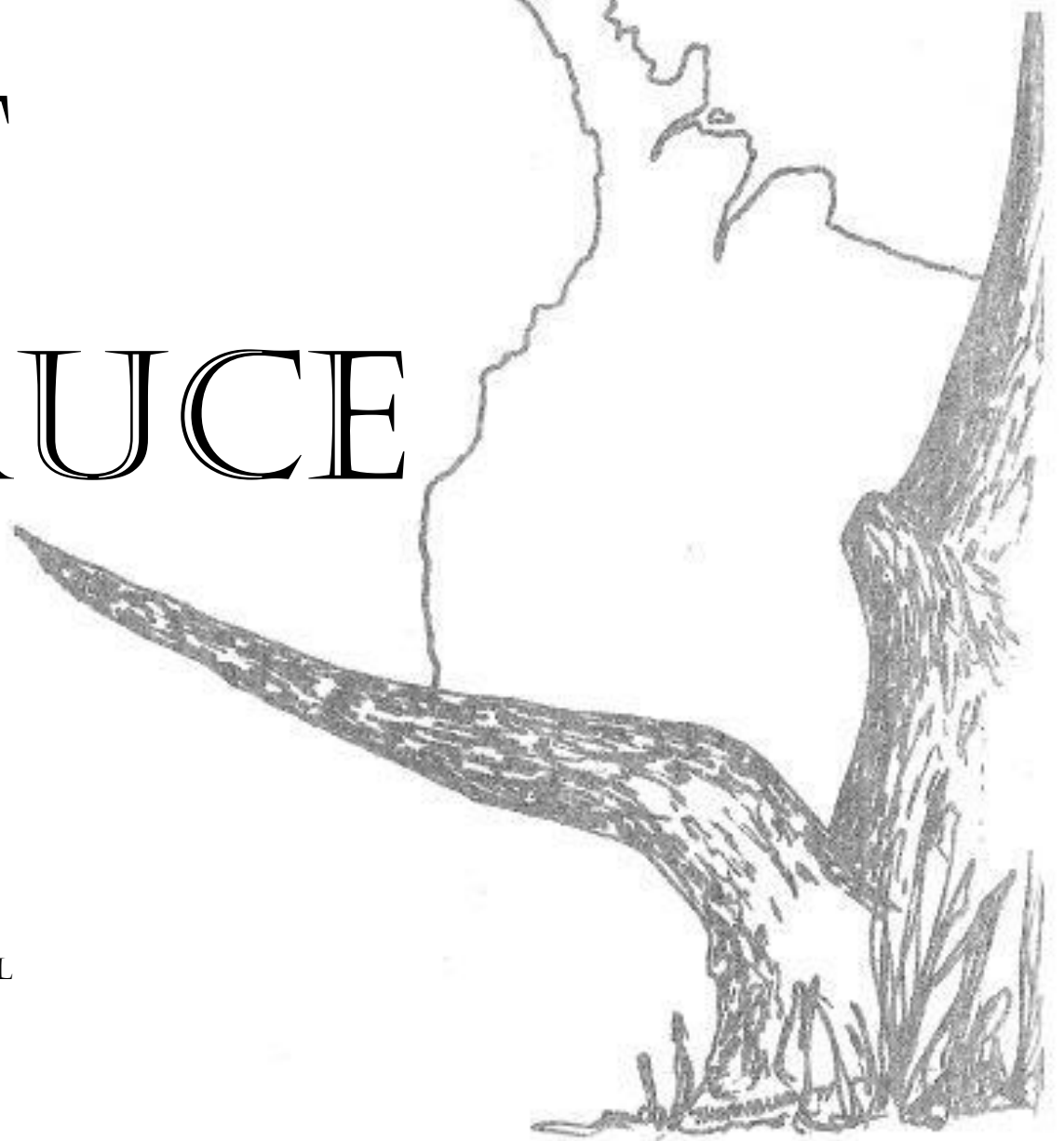


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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- 1 'HISTORY OF THE NORTH BRUCE PRES- BYTERIAN CHURCH, QUEEEN HILL, ONT'
(Read at Dedication of Cairn) - Received from Rev. Maurice McNabb, formerly of Port Elgin
- 2 Pamphlet re: 'WIDDESS – WIDDIS PHOTOBIOGRAPHY', Received from Mrs. B Underwood,
R.R. 2, Port Elgin, Ontario
This photobiography contains 2,733 references to 1,089 family relations, and 74 references to
69 others. Of the total 1,158 named and referred to 2,807 times, only 131 bear the name of
the original founder of the family in North America (Robert Widdess) and, of those, 98 spell
the name 'Widdes'. (This photobiography has been microfilmed and may be viewed in some
14 locations, as noted in the pamphlet – Editor
- 3 re: 'THE MUIRS', follows: - James Muir was born July, 1792, on June 24, 1824, he married
Agnes STEWART. Family of 9 children, all born at West Calder, Scotland.
 - James (eldest) came to Canada in 1852, married Jane FLEMING and lived in Port Elgin.
 - John married Jane McTAVISH and farmed near Port Elgin.
 - George married (i) Janet McTAVISH, (ii) Elizabeth EVES and came to Port Elgin.
 - William married Sarah SMYTH and also farmed near Port Elgin.
 - Elizabeth never married – lived in Port Elgin.
 - Three other daughters died in infancy.

This is a complete genealogy of the family of JAMES & AGNES MUIR.

The author and her father (Andrew Muir) are now working on the brothers of James Muir.

QUERIES

Are there any booklets available to help trace ancestors in Normandy Twp, GREY COUNTY,
and in that area of BRUCE COUNTY adjoining. If so, are those available to members only? . . .
Would like a map of farm area – Ayton – Mount Forest section

(Miss) Clara Hill, 396 Second Avenue, East, Owen Sound, Ontario

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CUT AND GATHER THOSE CLIPPINGS:

(i) FAMILY REUNIONS

(ii) 50th WEDDING ANIVERSARIES (AND OVER !!! - that's right)

(iii) OBITUARIES

These may be mailed to our President, who had undertaken the filing of this material for us; or brought to any of our meetings.

BRANCH MEETING NOTES

Nov. 23 . . County Library, Port Elgin, Ontario

Reports concerning the various projects were given. Queries were read to be later entered into the 'Branches of Bruce'.

A listing of Maps held by branch members is to be printed for members' use, as well as a NAMES DIRECTORY.

Several displays were made: - Mrs. Alex Vennard presented her ancestral tree of James and Margaret Scott Laidley and family; drawn by Helen Douglas Scot – in October 1904, in Scotland, - Mrs. George Downey presented a paper – 'Special Editions TELESCOPE issued by the Walkerton Chapter, I.O.D.E., giving the roll call of the 160th Bruce Battalion, published about 1916, with comments on each member.

County Librarian – Mrs. Joyce Johnston, displayed several books of recent acquisition with genealogical interest.

Cemeteries mentioned were Spring Creek in Amabel Townshp, and one on the 10th Concession of Bruce.

Several micro-films are now in the Owen Sound Library, including the 1861 and 1871 Census of GREY CO, also a CENSUS of MIDDLESEX CO.

A Family Reunion File has been started and it is suggested that any family having just a small gathering even, write and tell us about it.

Two donations were received which will be acknowledged in the next issue: McCulloch Clan and Arran Twp Voter's List.

FAMILY TREE – 'SKELETONS'

Rather than make our 'Acknowledgments' listing a cumbersome thing – (drawn out with detail on the particular Family Tree being acknowledged), we have created a new section which we hope will be of benefit to many of our readers. Here's hoping someone will discover a 'find', as well as avoid tedious duplications, that we all know, really hurts.

1 - 'THE MUIRS' resume sec p. 1. (acknowledged in Vol 1, No. 5)

2. 'A HISTORY FO THE McCULLOCH CLAN: EARLY 1800's TO 1970's (Warrilow).

- Genealogy of David & Elizabeth

Anderson McCulloch from Stranrear (Port Patrick) Wightonshire, Scotland. – James (eldest son) married Margaret McGILL and moved to St. Mary's, Blanshard Twp., PERTH COUNTY, Ontario. Family followed, following year, settling in GREY and BRUCE area. Names connected are: LOGAN, DINNIWELL, IRVIN, DEARNESS and CASE.

WALKERTON 'HERALD-TIMES' (Centennial Edition Article (1971)

"Tombstones Date Back To Year 1850 At Walkerton East Ward Cemetery"

Several weeks ago it was learned that the Town Workmen, under the supervision of Mr. J. P. Kraemer, Cemetery Chairman, and a member of the Town Council, had, before the Centennial Celebration in August, cleared the trees and brush which had accumulated over the years at the old Scottish Kirk and United Presbyterian Church cemetery, east of the Saugeen River and south of Orange Street in the East Ward.

The men gathered all the tombstones, which had not been broken or defaced, and had them placed together to form a cairn, with a new red granite slab engraved, "Erected 1971 in memory of the pioneers interred in this cemetery".

The earliest tombstone located, bore the date of Dec. 23rd, 1850, that of Thomas, the son of William and Agnes Hunter, 13 yrs., 3 mos., and the second earliest date recorded was 1858, Martha Welch, born in Farnham, Que., wife of Rodney Truax, died March 23rd, 1858, 28 years, and Rodney Truax, who died the same year, also buried in the same cemetery.

There were many children and young adults that died at that time, 1850 to 1882, during a prolonged serious epidemic. The last burials recorded in the cemetery were 1880 – 1882, - David Smith, December 2nd, 1880, aged 77 years, Grandfather of (Ethel Glintz), Mrs. Leslie, Toronto. Mr. Smith's old home is the fine stone residence half mile west on the Kincardine Highway, where Howard Tolton now resides. Another late tombstone, Margaret, wife of William Boyd, May 10th, 1882, 43 years.

(The Presbyterian pioneers' first meeting place was a log cabin built in 1851 at Frank's corner, 2 ½ miles east of Walkerton. In 1859 the members attended service in Walkerton in the Orange Hall on Orange St., which is east of the Saugeen River, and one block south of the highway, and the cemetery is close by.

It is worthy of note, - it was the sole public building in the early days, and was used as a lodge, a school, as well as for church services by the various protestant denominations, each Sunday in rotation. The Church of England service was in the morning, the Presbyterian' in the afternoon and the Methodists' in the evening. Later the Presbyterian church worshipped in a new frame building on Orange St., until the present church was erected in 1875, at the corner of Colborne and Cayley Sts.)

WALKERTON EAST WARD CEMETERY (1850) cont.

The following are the names of the early pioneers buried in the old Scottish Kirk and Presbyterian cemetery, no doubt there were other faiths buried there as well. In some cases names or dates are missing.

1. George R., son of Simon and Susan Nelson, died September 11th, 1873, 1 yr, 7 mos
2. Byard, son of John and Isabelle Smith, April 12th, 1873, aged 11 years, 8 months
3. (Name missing), son of Thomas and Mary Lewis, April 19th, 1873
4. Thomas, son of William and Agnes Hunter, Dec. 23rd, 1850, 13 yrs., 8 mos
5. William C., son of Robert and Sarah Bruce, Nov. 20th, 1863, 5 years, 5 mo., also three infant children, (Dr. Robinson's home was the Bruce home)

6. John Harkley Sr, November 14, 1878, 82 years, grandfather of Miss Ellen Harkley, Dunnville the late James Harkley, and great-grandfather of Mrs. Frank Eidt
7. James McVicar, October 15th, 1863, 73 years, a relative of the 1st Reeve of Walkerton, William McVicar
8. Robert, son of Simon and Susan Nelson, Mrs. 24th, 1876, aged 2 years
9. L. E. Bruce, aged 23 days (no date left)
10. Thomas Carleton Drake, Aug. 5th, 1872, 7 mos., 5 days
11. Mary, daughter of Walter and Margaret Nells, March 8th, 1873, 9 years
12. Alexander Craig, June 2nd, 1875, 51 years
13. Margaret Grant Fraser, May 3rd, 1864, 36 years
14. John Colter, May 13th, 1863, 30 years
15. Agnes Gibbin, wife of James, Sept. 10th, 1861, 21 years
16. David Smith, December 2nd 1880, 77 years
17. Muriel Rosetta Pearl Grainger, Dec. 23rd, 1873, 2 months
18. Isabella, wife of Walter Nelles, April 29, 1873, 21 years
19. Joshua Beaver, May 24th, 1869, 20 years
20. Sarah, wife of Robert Bruce, March 19th, 1872, 49 years
21. C. A. Whitecoomb, January 5th, 1869, 68 years
22. Martha Welch, born in Farnham, Qu., wife of Rodney Truax, died March 23, 1858, 28 years. Rodney Truax died the same year also buried in same cemetery
23. Martha Southam, wife of E. A. Healy, February 13th, 1878, 35 years
24. William, son of Ann and James Colter, Sept. 25th, 1861, 14 years
25. (Name missing), wife of James Ruther-Ford, 1878, 37 years
26. James Jamieson, March 23rd, 1864, - -
27. Margaret, wife of William Boyd, May 10th, 1882, 43 yrs.
28. John McVicar, May 3rd, 1873, 36 years.
29. James Harkley, July 20th, 1867, 29 years, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, an uncle of Miss Helen Harkley, Dunnville, and the late Jim Harkley
30. Susannah, wife of John Harkley, Nov. 16th, 1863, 66 years. Grandmother of Miss Helen Harkley and the late James Harkley
31. William Gunn, (only the name visible)
32. - - -, infant son of Alexander and Sarah Whyte
33. Thomas Hyslop, 1871, father of the late Miss Joanna Hyslop
34. George, 1867, 3 years, and Henry, 1868, 8 months, children of William and Caroline Hoar
35. Mary Ann, daughter of James and Isabelle Coulter, Nov. 21st, 1867, 9 yrs, 10 ms
36. Frederick William, son of Wm and Jessica Chains, of Chelsea, Miss. Aug. 27, 1869, 8 mos

On the Question of CEMETERIES! ! !

I have made a listing of the remaining stones in Spring creek Cemetery, Amabel Township and (on endeavouring to find names for six unmarked graves. Have also listed the names from stones at Oliphant Cemetery. If these have not already been checked by other members I shall continue with this. . . . I would appreciate a note from you telling me just what you need to compile this list. - Mrs. E. Sampson Lake Shore Drive, Annan, Ontario

Foot note: My grandparents and parents are buried at Zion, Amabel. Is anyone doing this cemetery? If not I will begin on it next spring.

Editor's Note: No recording has been received or registered of any of the three cemeteries mentioned above, Spring Creek, Oliphant or Zion. If anyone has material on the above, please forward it as soon as possible to the Editor.

(from 'French Canadian and Acadian Genealogical Review – Vol. II, No. 1, Spring 1969)

JUDICIAL DISTRICTS IN QUEBEC

Should a researcher need a certified copy of a MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE in the province of Quebec, he needs to know (1) – the exact date, (2) – the name of the parish church, (3) – and then the name of the County. Then he has to write to the PROTONOTARY of the Judicial District (Court House) according to the following list. (Each certificate is one dollar).

<u>COUNTIES</u>	<u>Court Houses</u>	<u>COUNTIES</u>	<u>Court Houses</u>
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ABITIBI	Amos	MATANE	Rimouski
ARTHABASKA	Arthabaska	MATAPEDIA	Rimouski
BAGOT	St. –Hyacinthe	MEGANTIC	Arthabaska
BEAUCE	St. – Joseph (Beauce)	MISSISQUOI	Sweetburg
BEAUHARNOIS	Valleyfield	MONTCALM	Joliette
BELLECHASSE	Montmagny	MONTMAGNY	Montmagny
BERTHIER	Joliette	MONTMORENCY	Quebec
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CHICOUTIMI	Chicoutimi	PONTIAC	Campbell's Bay
COTE – NORD	Baie Comeau	PORTNEUF	Quebec
COMPTON	Sherbrooke	QUEBEC	Quebec
DEUX – MONTAGNES	St. – Jerome	RICHELIEU	Sorel
DORCHESTER	St. – Joseph (Beauce)	RICHMOND	Sherbrooke
DRUMMOND	Arthabaska	RIMOUSKI	Rimouski
DUPLESSIS	Baie Comeau	RIVIERE-DU-LOUP	Riviere-du-Loup
FRONTENAC	St. – Joseph (Beauce)	ROBERVAL	Chicoutimi
GASPE	Perce	ROUVILLE	St. – Hyacinthe
GATINEAU	Hull	ROUYN	Amos
HULL	Hull	SAGUENAY	La Malbaie
HUNTINGTON	Valleyfield	ST. – HYACINTHE	St. – Hyacinthe
IBERVILLE	St. – Jean (Iberville)	ST. – JEAN	St. – Jean (Iberville)

ILES – MADELEINE	Havre-Aubert	ST. MAURICE	Trois-Riviere
JACQUES – CARTIER	Montreal	SHEFFORD	Sweetburg
JOLIETTE	Joliette	SHERBROOKE	Sherbrooke
KAMOURASKA	Riviere-du-Loup	SOULANGES	Montreal
LABELLE	Mont-Laurier	STANSTEAL	Sherbrooke
LAC ST. – JEAN	Roberval	TEMISCAMINGUE	Ville-Marie
LAPOINTE	Chicoutimi	TEMISCOUATA	Riviere –du – Loup
LAPRAIRIE	Montreal	TERREBONNE	St. – Jerome
L'ASSOMPTION	Joliette	TROIS – RIVIERES	Trois-Rivieres
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L'ISLET	Montmagny	YAMASKA	Sorel
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We Have a Full 2 ½ Pages of Listings at the L.D.S. Library, Salt Lake City, Utah

MICROFILM HOLDINGS – BRUCE COUNTY; 1970

- BRUCE COUNTY;
- i. Wills, 1855 – 1884. 1 roll
 - ii. Probate Records, 1867 – 1901, Index, 1867 – 1967, 31 rolls.
 - iii. General Registers, 1842 – 1880. 3 rolls.
- a. Albermarle:
- i. Municipal Council Minutes 1879 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1859 – 1881, Abstract index of surveys. 3 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment Rolls, 1888 – 1899. 1 roll.
- b Amabel Twp.
- i. Deeds, 1857 – 1877, Abstract Index of Surveys and Gen. Index. 3 rolls
 - ii. Collectors Rolls, 1897 – 1899. 1 roll.
- c. Arran Twp.
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1861 – 1886. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1855 – 1877, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 5 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment and Collectors Rolls, 1878 – 1899. 1 roll.
- d. Balaklava:
- i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1868 – 1957. 1 roll.
- e. Bervis
- i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1862 – 1958. 1 roll.
- f. Brant Twp.
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1854 – 1899. 2 rolls.
 - ii. Deeds, 1853 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 7 rolls.
Also Reg. of Deeds, 1856 – 1891 & General Index. 3 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment Rolls, 1861 – 1899. 5 rolls.

..... (to be continued next issue)

OGS Seminar May 19 and 20

The O.G.S. Seminar this year, coincides with the 100th Anniversary celebrations of the Public Archives of Canada. It will be an ideal time to put in a valuable weekend, using the research facilities of the Archives.

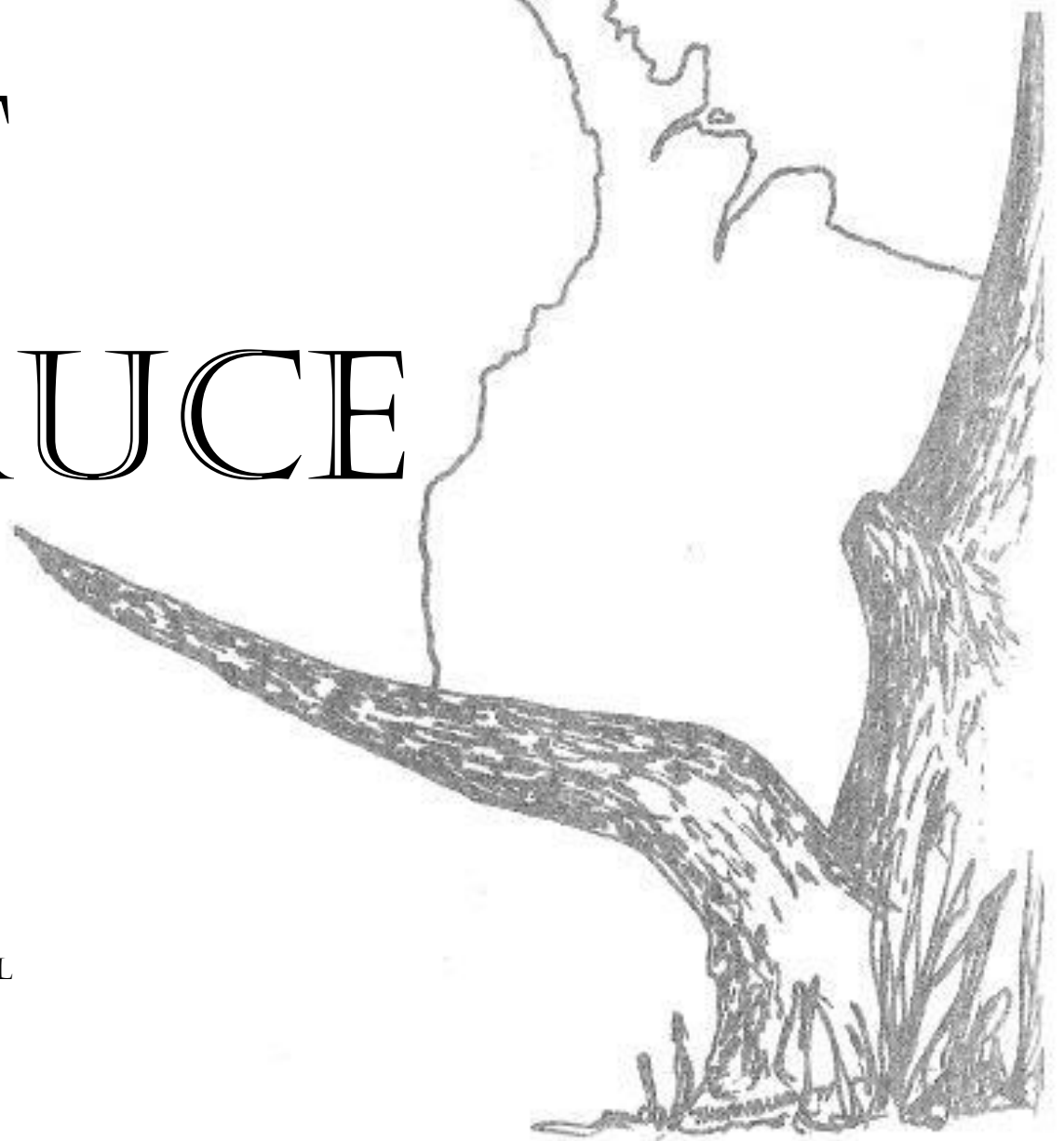
Tentative plans for the program include a complete tour of the Archives facilities on Saturday morning. Also included on Saturday will be instruction in the use of equipment, in the type of records to look for, in the reading of records, and in getting all the information from the records.

Even if your plans are not definite, please let us know what you are thinking, so that transportation costs may be kept to a minimum. Do the same with your O.G.S. questionnaire, as soon as possible.

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MAYBE YOU THOUGHT OF IT, BUT DIDN'T RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE NEW YEAR.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- 1 – PHOTOCOPIED RECORDS OF DOUGLAS HILL CEMETERY (over 50 pages)
Donated by Mr. C. J. Vandarplas, 1210 York Mills Road, (901) Don Mills, Ontario
2. RESUME OF MCCULLOCH FAMILY HISTORY
Presented by Mrs. Percy Warrilow, R. R. 6, Owen Sound, Ontario
(This Family history was mentioned under Family Tree Skeletons' – last issue).
3. - ‘HISTORY OF RIVERSIDE MUNICIPALITY’
(located in southern Manitoba.).
4. – RECORDINGS OF QUEEN HILL CEMETERY
Compiled and donated by Mrs. John Sutherland, R. R. 5, Paisley, Ont. (Saugeen)

5. – A LIST OF GENEALOGICAL ADDRESSES

made available through Mrs. John Underwood Port Elgin, Ontario

6. – “LIST OF MARRIAGES – REV. M. C. PEART’

(Methodist Church, Arkwright and Cargill; 1902, 1903, 1904) Donated by Mr. Miller Peart, Toronto, Ontario

QUERIES: (To the President)

Students of the Chepstow area are researching the meaning and background of many of the GERMAN NAMES found in the county. Do any of our readers know where information might be available to help in this project?

BRANCH MEETING NOTES

Jan. 25 County Library, Port Elgin, Ontario. . . . CANCELLED DUE TO STORM.

Feb. 22. . . . County Library, Port Elgin, Ontario

The President reported on the O.G.S. Executive Meeting held in Waterloo in January and mentioned that plans were almost finalized for the Seminar to be held in Ottawa, in May.

Among the material presented at the meeting was a book . . . ‘History of the Riverside Municipality’, in Southern Manitoba, the Recordings from Queen Hill Cemetery; also a Listing of Genealogical Research Addresses and a List of Marriages (1902 – 1904), performed by the Reverend M. C. Peart.

Guest speaker for the evening was (hm..!) the Editor of the ‘Branches Of Bruce’, rev. J. Fortier.

He told of his research in Quebec, mainly from the Isle D’Orleans, and of the exciting ‘finds’ in his family, in less than three years. He said that maps were an important key, and by actual comparison demonstrated how maps and places have changed over the years.

Maps from National Geographic were displayed along with books from the Quebec Tourism Association and others useful in Quebec research.

The Fortier family was one of the earliest to immigrate to North America. The oldest marriage contract in the Public Archives (Quebec) is dated 1636 and Mr. Fortier shared a copy of one in his family dating 1677.

From a map of Isle D’Orleans – dated 1689, he was able to pinpoint the exact location of the buildings on the farms of his ancestors. This will be a great help to him when he revisits the island this summer, while on holidays.

His ancestry claims such famous people in Canadian history as Varnies de La Verendrye and Louis Hebert (first farmer in Quebec).

He emphasized the need to document all material, because in a short time we might forget the source and its meaning.

(Editor’s note: some preachers are long winded right?)

Perhaps too many of us have failed to realize the tremendous resources in the publications of our own Ontario Genealogical Society

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MICROFILM HOLDINGS – BRUCE COUNTY: 1970 (Cont from VOL. II, NO. 1 – Jan 1972)

- g. Bruce Twp:
- i. Deeds, 1858 – 1958, Abstract Index of Surveys, 1 roll.
 - ii. Municipal Council Minutes, 1856 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - iii. Deeds, 1856 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 4 rolls.
 - iv. Assessment Rolls, 1858 – 1899. 3 rolls.
- h. Carrick Twp.
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1856 – 1899. 2 rolls.
 - ii. Deeds, 1857 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 6 rolls.
- i. Chesley:
- i. Church Records, Baptist, 1864 – 1893. 1 roll.
 - ii. Geneva Presbyterian Church Records, 1871 – 1899. 1 roll.
- j. Culross Twp.
- i. Council Minutes, 1863 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1857 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 5 rolls
- k. Eastnor Twp.
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1878 – 1899 of Eastnor, Lindsay and St. Edmunds Twps. 2 rolls.
 - ii. Deeds, 1865 – 1885, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 3 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment Rolls, 1878 – 1891, 1898 – 1899. 1 roll.
- l. Elderslie Twp.
- i. Deeds, 1855 – 1877, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 5 rolls.
 - ii. Assessment & Collectors Rolls, 1857 – 1899. 4 rolls (1870 is missing)
 - iii. Municipal Council Minutes, 1856 – 1899. 1 roll.
- m. Glamis:
- i. Presbyterian Church Records, 1873 – 1925. 1 roll.
- n. GreenockTwp.:
- i. Council Minutes, 1859 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1853 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 5 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment Rolls, 1881 – 1899. 2 rolls.

- o. Huron Twp.: i. Deeds, 1857 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 4 rolls.
- p. Inverhuron: i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1858 – 1958. 1 roll.
- q. Kincardine Twp.:
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1863 – 1880. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1853 – 1876, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 6 rolls.
Also abstract Index of Surveys, 1860 – 1958 & partial index to deeds (Williamsburg). 2 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment Rolls, 1858 – 1899. 2 rolls (1870 – 95 missing).
 - iv. Knox Presbyterian Church Records, 1859 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - v. Assessment and Collectors Rolls, 1880 – 1899. 3 rolls.
- r. Kinloss Twp.:
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1855 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1855 – 1877, & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 5 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment Rolls, 1857 – 1899. 4 rolls.
- s. Lindsay Twp.;
- i. Municipal Council Minutes, 1894 – 1899. 1 roll
- t. Lucknow: i. Deeds, 1869 – 1873, Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 3 rolls.
- u. Melton i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1857 – 1940. 1 roll.
- v. Paisley Village: i. Deeds, 1874 – 1878, & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 4 rolls.
- w. Port Bruce i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1858 – 1883. 1 roll.
- x. Port Elgin Twn:
- i. Council Minutes, 1874 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1874 – 1879, & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 2 rolls.
 - iii. Collectors Roll. 1874. 1 roll.
- y. Ripley Village: i. Knox Presbyterian Church Records, 1874 – 1899. 1 roll.
- aa. Riversdale: i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1869 – 1957. 1 roll.
- bb. Saugeen Twp.:
- i. Council Minutes, 1854 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1856 – 1876 & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 4 rolls.
- cc. Southampton twp.
- i. Municipal Council Minues, 1858 – 1899. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1852 – 1880 & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 4 rolls.
 - iii. Assessment & Collectors Rolls, 1880, 87, 89, 1891 – 1899.
 - iv. Knox Presbyterian Church Records, 1870 – 1899. 2 rolls.
- dd. Tara Village: i. Abstract Index of Surveys, 1858 – 1957. 1 roll.
- ee. Teeswater Village
- i. Council Minutes, 1875 – 1883. 1 roll.
 - ii. Deeds, 1875 – 1882 & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. 2 rolls.
 - iii. Knox Presbyterian Church Records, 1859 – 1899. 1 roll.
- ff. Tiverton Village: i. Baptist Church Records; 1855 – 1888. 1 roll.

gg. Walkerton Twn: i. Deeds, 1871 – 1876 & Abstract Index of Surveys & Gen. Index. ? rolls.
ii. Knox Presbyterian Church Records, 1853 – 1899. 1 roll.

hh. Wiarton Twn: I. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Records, 1875 – 1899. 1 roll.

The preceeding two pages of information concerning microfilm holdings of Bruce County, was the 2nd of two parts. The first part, consisting of a. Albermarle – g. Brant Twp. is contained in the January 1972 issue: VOL. II, NO. 1.

ON THE QUESTION OF CEMETERIES !!!

Dear Mr. Fortier:

While researching my wife's family I came across the Douglas Hill Cemetery Records

Enclosed please find a copy of this book. Hopefully this may be of some use to you and the Society.

Since I am unable to attend any meetings, I always look forward to 'BRANCHES' and enjoy it very much. Keep up the good work.

I'm sorry I couldn't obtain the actual book for you, but for now these copies will have to do.

Sincerely, C. J. Vanderplas.

Editor's Note - The record book which Mr. Vanderplas photocopied covers the history of the West Brant Presbyterian Burying Ground from the 1870's to 1890's. It is a real treasure to anyone researching in that area. Let me share an example of the information that can be found here, with the readers.

27 The cost of the burying ground

First price	16 00
Surveying	10 00
Number buried up to	
January 1. 1870.	55
Charged for showing	
each one burying	25 13 75
Preparing the ground	
for surveying	3 00
Hiring a man to	
attend surveyor	2 00
Two days work	2 00
Board for surveyor	
and man	2 00
time lost in collecting	2 00
	50 75

O.G.S. SEMINAR -O T T A W A - M A Y 19, 20
100th Anniversary National Archives – Tulip Festival Weekend

A Weekend To Long Remember
Check with Mrs. B. Underwood re: transportation arrangements
(TULIP FESTIVAL BUS ! !)

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 15/72 – CONTACT: MRS. B. UNDERWOOD
(832-5229)

TUES. APR. 25TH PORT ELGIN UNITED CHURCH

DR. HAROLD MINSHALL
President, Ontario Genealogical Soc.

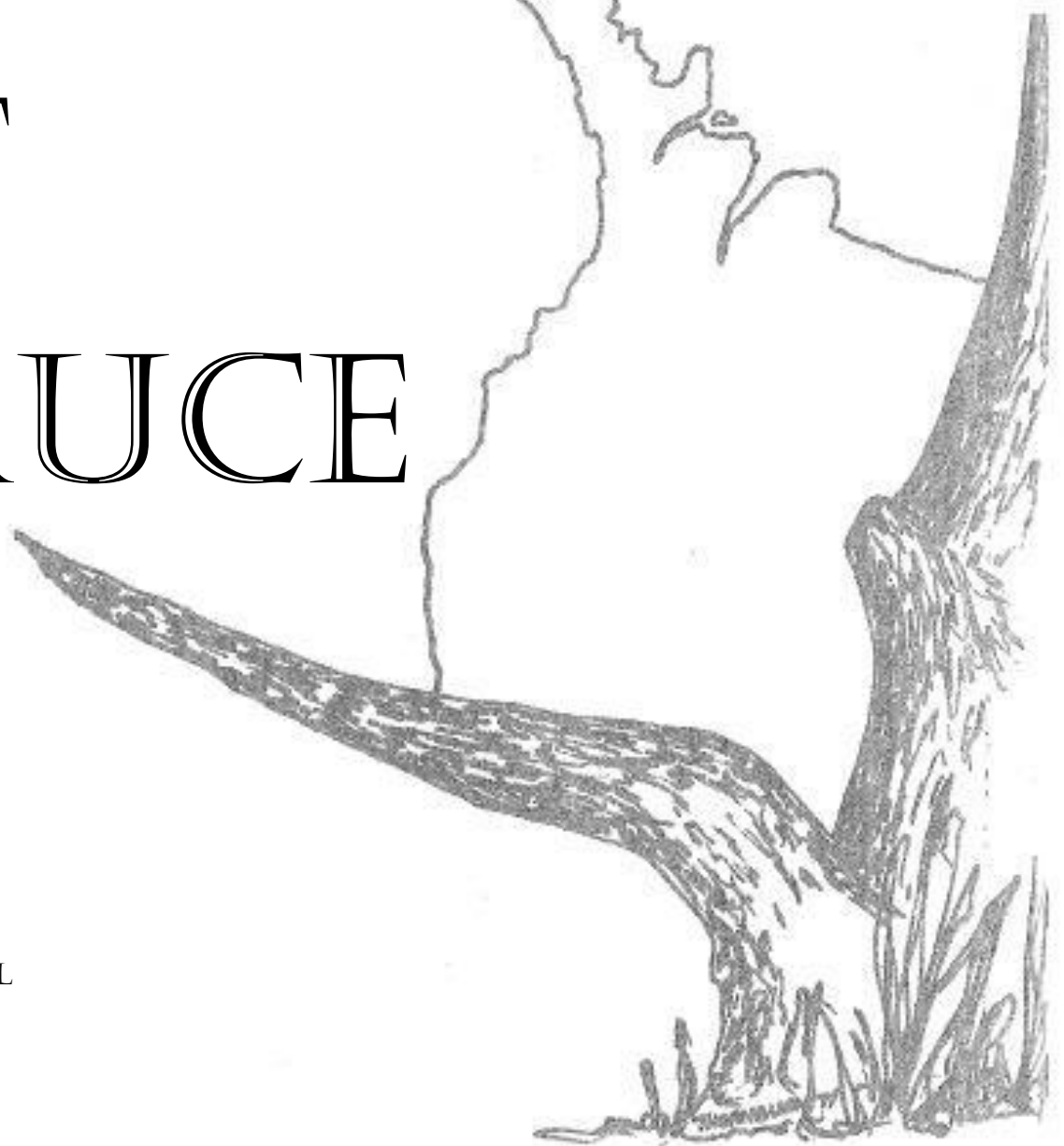
DINNER
ANNUAL MEETING
7:00 P.M.

DISPLAYS fabulous as usual

VOLUME 2, NO. 3, 1972

BRANCHES OF BRUCE

ONTARIO
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President's Message

To the Members:

May I extend my sincere thanks to you for your earnest efforts and cooperation during the past fifteen months? It is only by your untiring response, that our Branch will continue to enjoy progress, as it has in the past.

Success, indeed smiled kindly upon us, in most of our ventures. Firstly, this publication has met with approval near and far, and for this our sincerest 'thanks' to the Editor – Rev. John Fortier, who has done a terrific job ! ! ! BUT, please keep those stories, queries, and suggestions flowing in to him. It is your paper, and only with your help, will he be able to keep up the good work.

Membership is most gratifying, - with a total of forty last year, and already the '72 list has surpassed that ! !

We have enjoyed much publicity through our local weekly and daily newspapers, two radio stations, and Channel 8 T.V. May we continue to deserve such public relationship!

I have spoken personally, to several Women's Institutes and other gatherings, and I know that other members have spoken on our behalf, as well. Word of mouth and enthusiasm are still the key to the growth of the society and its activities.

We have appreciated the cooperative efforts of the Bruce County Library, both in research requests and as a 'home' for our winter meetings.

Our appreciation also goes out to those who provided the lunch for our social hour, and to any others, who in any way, helped maintain the Branch – either by programme participation or suggestion. T H A N K S ! ! !

Many from Grey County are joining with us, and we welcome them, indeed. Let me stress again, that the name 'BRUCE' involves the area, not simply the County.

All in all, the past year has been busy, progressive and a pleasure! Thanks again, for your support, and may I request the same assistance for the coming year?

Very Sincerely, Mrs. Bazil Underwood, Pres: Bruce Branch O.G.S.

Slate of Officers Appointed – Annual Meeting, April 25, 1972

- President: Mrs. Bazil Underwood
- Vice-President: Mrs. William Arnold
- Secretary: Mrs. Ross Cumming
- Treasurer: Mrs. John Underwood
- Librarian: Mrs. Blair Robertson
- Press Reporter: Mrs. Dale McArthur
- Editor: Rev. John Fortier
- Programme Committee: Mrs. Percy Warrilow (two others to be named)

1972's prices remain the same ! 12 Full months of Membership in Bruce Branch,
Plus a Full Year's subscription to – 'Branches of Bruce' \$2? Right !

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- 1 – A HISTORY OF PURPLE VALLEY ORANGE LODGE No. 938 (1870 – 1961)
- 2 – A HISTORY OF THE PURPLE VALLEY & McVICOR DISTRICTS (1870 – 1970)
written by Lorne Hambly. Both donated by the Purple Valley Women's Institute
- 3 – MURRAY FAMILY HISTORY; (1840 – 1939)
David Murray and Mary Wilson; near Howick, Roxburghshire, Scotland.
Donated by Mrs. Alex. Steele, 677 Cheapside St., London 25, Ont.
- 4 – OLD METHODIST CEMETERY
Pt. Lot 16, Con. 7, Arran Twp. 11 stones – restored by Arran Council. Recorded by
Mrs. B. Underwood
- 5 – SPRING CREEK CEMETERY
11th line of Amabel Township. (Still missing names of six unmarked graves). Mrs. Ruby
Lipsett's grandfather – James Wright Smith was instrumental in establishing this cemetery.
Recorded by Mrs. E. Sampson, Lake Shore Drive, Annan, Ontario.
- 6 – THE CANADIAN GENEALOGICAL COURIER
Information flyer re: above, received from Mrs. Gary Gurran Husband, P.O. Box 371,
Richmond, B.C.
- 7 – THE CURRAN FAMILY NEWSLETTER; VOL.1, No. 1 – Nov. 1970
Donated by Mrs. Husband
- 8 – THE BRITISH COLUMBIA GENEALOGIST; VOL. 1, No. 3 (Spring 1972)
Donated by Mrs. Husband – Editor
- 9 – THE HAMILTON BRANCH: ONT. GEN. SOC. VOL. 3, No. 4 (April, 1972)
Received from D. Cummer
- 10 - THE HAMILTON BRANCH; ONT, GEN SOC VOL. 3, No. 5 (May, 1972)
Editor: Mr. James Tytler, 67 Seven Oaks Drive, Hamilton 50, Ontario
- 11 – BRANCH NEWS; OTTAWA BRANCH; O.G.S.; VOL. 4, Number 4, (April, 1972)
Address: 646 Morin Street, Ottawa, Ont. K1K 3G9
- 12 – TORONTO TREE; VOL. 3, Issue 1 – Jan, 2 – Feb, 3 – Mar, 4 – Apr, 5 – May
Editor: Mrs. M. W. Garrett, 95 Laurel Avenue, Islington, Ontario
13. - SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICALSOCIETY BULLETIN; VOL 3, No. 1, (Feb., '72)
Editor: M. Evelyn Jonescu, P.O. Box 1894, Regina, Saskatchewan
- 14 – SCOTTISH TRADITION: The Proceedings of the Conference on Scottish Studies;
VOL. 1, No. 2, (Winter, 1971)
Received from: Prof. W. Stanford Reid, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ont.
- 15 – FAMILY GROUP SHEETS: THOMAS GREER (1815–1876); GEORGE McDONALD (1753
– 1848).
Received from: Mrs. Harry J. Prior, 400 Detwiller Lane, Bellevue, Washington, 98004

Letter to Editor:

. . . . As Editor of the 'Canadian Genealogical Courier' I would like to have permission to summarize your publicationto pass on to genealogists everywhere information about what goes on in the various Canadian genealogical societies . . . I wish to print lists of records already recorded and held by societies and individuals . . . so that all of us can know what the other is doing, help each other, and not perform needless repetitions of copying and cataloging. . . .

Sincerely, Mrs. Gay Curran Husband

BRANCH MEETING NOTES

Mar. 28 . . . Bruce County Library, Port Elgin, Ontario.

The Pres., Mrs. Bazil Underwood opened the meeting with excerpts from "HISTORY THROUGH THE FAMILY", a means used in England – to stimulate interest in history, by associating the student's family history with national events, using generations instead of dates.

The Pres. also reported on the O.G.S. Executive meeting held recently in Toronto, and explained that arrangements had been made for display and sales at the May Seminar in Ottawa.

During a work session, members prepared summaries of the family histories which had been listed earlier in our publication – VOL. 1, No. 3 (June 1971). These are to be printed in the coming issues of the 'Branches of Bruce', and should be of great assistance to persons researching a family of that name.

Apr. 25 United Church Hall, Port Elgin, Ontario.

THE ANNUAL DINNER MEETING was very well attended, and greetings were extended to it on behalf of the County of Bruce – by Warden Harvey Davis.

Dr. Harold Minshall of London, Ontario, Pres. of the Ontario Genealogical Society, addressed the gathering and commended the Bruce Branch on its high level of activity since its formation.

Following a brief outline of the Ontario Society's growth during the 11 years of its existence, Dr. Minshall told of many interesting experiences encountered while "SHAKING THE MINSHALL FAMILY TREE". His mother's work on Tweedsmuir History was responsible for the beginning search into the Minshall tree – which he has found to have roots and branches in England, Wales, Brantford and Thamesville, Ontario, as well as many U.S. states.

Rev. John Fortier thanked Dr. Minshall for having taken the time to address the gathering and presented him with a copy of Robertson's "HISTORY OF THE COUNTY OF BRUCE:

CONFERENCE ON SCOTTISH STUDIES Annual Meeting

McGill University, June 9, 1972

9:30 A.M.	The Scot in French Canada
12:30	Luncheon and Annual Meeting
2:30 P.M.	Scottish Nationalism; Before and After the Union
For Information:	Prof. W. Stanford Reid, University of Guelph

QUERY

McDONALD, TACE, BAGWELL, WATSON, BROWN, RICHARDSON, GREER, SMITHERS, BARKER, LAYCOCK, MITCHELL, HOYT, ANDREWS, ROBB, McTAVISH, LEEDER, BRYCE, STANDISH, PETREY(Petrie), COX, JOHNSTON

GEORGE McDONALD b. 1753 Scotland, may have been in Ontario before moving to New Jersey about 1812 or previous, moved back to Ontario (Chinguacousy Township, Peel County) about 1825; died 1848, buried Harrison's Church, 5th Concession Line, Cinguacousy; married about 1812 to MARY A. TACE (her name by first marriage), b. 1774 London, England, died 1871, buried Harrison's Church; children surviving to raise families were: Mary Ann ("Nancy") married John Bagwell, Jr. , Jemima married William ? John Watson, Jane married John Brown, Margaret married William Richardson, ELLEN MARIA married THOMAS GREER, all married Albion or Chinguacousy Township. Richardsons and Greeers moved to Bruce County about 1861. THOMAS GREER born 1815 Armagh, Northern Ireland, orphaned young, apparently came to Ontario with an uncle, lived Albion Township, Peel County in 1840, died Bruce County 1876. Other known descendants of McDonald and Greers who remained in Canada as listed. Need parents and siblings of George McDonald, his birthplace in Scotland, when he emigrated to Ontario; need family of Mary Ann_____ (Tace) McDonald, date of her arrival Ontario; need uncle of Thomas Greer, birthplace in Armagh, arrival time and where in Ontario.

submitted by: Mrs. Harry J. Prior, 400 Detwiller Lane, Bellevue, Washington, U.S.A.

CLIPPING PROJECT IS LAUNCHED !!!

Thanks to Mrs. Muriel Harrington, of R. R. 2, Tiverton, Ontario, who volunteered to collect the clippings, and also to Mrs. Al Williamson of Port Elgin, Ontario, who has volunteered to 'set' up those clippings which we have at present. She hopes to have those on hand ready for the May meeting.

This looks like an extensive but we hope worthwhile venture.

Photocopies will be sent to the Saskatchewan Branch, of any clippings having to do with that province.

VOL. 1, No. 5 Nov., 1971, and VOL. 2, No. 1, Jan., 1972 introduced our Clippings Project

- (a) FAMILY REUNIONS
- (b) 50th (& OVER) WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
- (c) OBITUARIES

Send your clippings to - MRS. MURIEL HARRINGTON, R. R. 2, TIVERTON, ONTARIO

Advance Sale

N E W !! HISTORY OF COUNTY OF GREY

.... \$ 10. up to July 1st !!!

(Probable retail price, after July 1st - \$ 14.00)

Advance sale may be arranged at Annual Meeting of the Grey County Historical Society, at Dundalk, May 26th; or at the Museum; or from any member of the Historical Society.

It's spring yes. . . . SPRING !!! AND CEMETERY RECORDING TIME again.

We ask each member to get out and record that small cemetery nearby . Get a friend, neighbour, son, daughter, husband, or wife, to help. Its out in the fresh air, and your time will be well spent. CHECK FIRST WITH THE EDITOR, TO SEE IF IT HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN DONE. Phone 368-7235 or Box 99, Tiverton, Ont.

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FAMILY TREE - 'SKELETONS'

1 – MURRAY FAMILY HISTORY: (See 'Acknowledgment – 3, p. 2)

DAVID MURRAY and MARY WILSON, near Howick, Roxburghshire, Scotland. About 1840, MARY MURRAY, a widow with five sons came to Perth County, - the Townships of Downie and Hibbert. Sons JAMES, HENRY, DAVID, THOMAS and JOHN. James married SARAH MOORE to whom 12 children were born.

2 – THE GALLOWAYS OF LIPNOCH; CO. PERTH, SCOTLAND

One branch of this family came to Bruce Co., namely; THOMAS: son of THOMAS and ANN SKINNER, of Thornton, parish of Markinch. Born- Aug. 7, 1834, died Wiarton, 1895. Married 1st – MARGARET BUCHAN MONTEITH, 2nd – CHRISTINA LANG (born Co. Donegal, Ireland). Other names in this family, were: HORN, KRAMP, HOLM, FERGUSON, WILKIE, ROBINSON, BURGESS, GREIG.

3 – AUTHENTIC HISTORY OF THE McINTYRE FAMILY

JOHN McINTYRE and ISABEL McCORKDALE were married in North Kingsdale, Scotland, in 1830 and came to Canada in 1843, settling in Esquesing, Halton County. Leaving there in 1858, they came to Brant Township, with two sons and three daughters.

4 – BYGONE DAYS IN BRUCE: (The Allan McLay & Charles McDonald Families); 1852 – 1966.

Written by Annabel (McLay Hadley, grand-daughter of the men who came to Bruce County, Huron Township, in 1852, with the Lewis Island settlers.

5 - JOHN HEMSTREET: 1762 – 1843; Trafalgar Township, Halton County, and Descendants (1822 – 1962). - Written by Winnifred M. Rosewarne

Research has established that – Hemstreet families came from Holland in the the 1600's to Albany, N.Y. district. No link can be found to connect them with JOHN HEMSTREET who arrived in Canada with his wife MARTHA and 8 children in 1822, from New York State, no definite location. They lived first at Lundy Lane in the Niagara District, then moved to Trafalgar Twp., Halton County. He owned 1st (1829) S. W. ½ Lot 11, Con. 6. Sold it in 1832. 2nd (1831) E ½ Lot 11, and 4 acres on N.E. corner of W ½. John married twice; 1st – CATHERINE, 2nd – MARTHA (1784 – 1867). No surnames given. 10 children were born in each family, 20 in all. None of the children of JOHN and CATHERINE came to Canada and none of their names were known by the second family. Children of JOHN & MARTHA: -

1 - TUNIS; d before 1837, m CATHERINE SWEET

2 - MILLER; 1807 – 1885, m. GRACE VODEN (1821 – 1897).

3 - PHILIPPE; 1810, m. ANNA M. MOLE (1812 – 1894).

4 - MARTHA; b.c. 1813, m. _____ THATCHER.

5 - ELIZABETH; b.c. 1815, m. JOSEPH STANTON (1815-_____).

6 - PETER; b.b. 1817.

7 - RICHARD; (1819-1908), m. REBECCA VODDEN, (1825-1920)

8 - BENJAMIN: 1821-1888, m. MARY McCURDY. (1st wife); 2nd wife - - m. HANNAH HALL (1818-1911).

9 - GEORGE; 1824-1893, m. MATILDA _____, (1830-1912)

10 - WILLIAM; 1826-1916, m. AGNES MOORE (1830- 1912).

6 – THE FAMILY OF THE LATE ALFRED BRUNTON

In 1868, Alfred Brunton who was a sailor, came to Arran Twp, to assist his uncle Captain John Wm. Linton. He married – RACHAEL PEARSON CUMMER in Dec. of that yr, she being a descendant of JACOB CUMMER, who came to the York area from Pennsylvania. Their family was WILLIAM, ELEANOR, JOHN, ELIZABETH, GERTRUDE, CHARLES, ALFRED, and BEATRICE. Beatrice married RICHARD FENTON. Many of the descendants still live in Arran Township.

7 – THE WESLEY FAMILY: NEWSPAPER FAMILY

WILLIAM WESLEY bought the 3rd newspaper to be established in Bruce County, Walkerton to be exact, in 1883. He was the grandfather of the present owner – HAROLD WESLEY. He married JANE FULLERTON, daughter of ADAM FULLERTON, M.D., of Barrie, Ontario. Their son was JOHN ARTHUR WESLEY. This family has its ancestry in England and Ireland, and Mr. H. Wesley is working on the genealogy of the family.

8 – THE CROZIER FAMILY

The Scottish 83rd Regiment brought St. George Barron Crozier to Canada as it's Regimental Band Master in 1833. He and his wife – Isabella Deacon, had four sons – John Albert Gordon; George Augustus; Lief Newry Fitzroy; and Andrew Deacon.

LIEF NEWRY FITZROY followed his father's footsteps and stayed in the army until 1873, when he became an inspector in the North – West Mounted Police.

JOHN ALBERT GORDON was also a military man, retiring from the Army in 1882, with the rank of Major. His wife, HARROTT EVANS, was the daughter of one of the contract engineers of the Grand Trunk Railway. LIEF GORDON BARLTAM, their son, attended school in Toronto and entered the Bank of Commerce. He served in Belleville and Barrie, before going west. He worked in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta before coming to Walkerton. His wife, HELEN MacLEOD, became the first woman to serve on Bruce County Council. Their son NORMAN BRUCE, married GEORGINA MARY WOLFE and are residents of Bruce County.

9 – WILLIAM CORAM FAMILY: Written by Alice Coram Esdon.

WILLIAM, born Bruce Peninsula – Sept. 9, 1882, died Feb. 21, 1951. Married, Feb. 13, 1907. William's father – George Henry Albert, was born in Cornwall, England, in 1850.

The family came to Canada in 1856 and settled near Owen Sound. GEORGE H. A. married MARGARET BUTCHART, the daughter of DAVID BUTCHART and MARGARET GIBSON. They farmed in Eastnor Township, and had a family of two sons and four daughters. GEORGE H. A.'s parents went to Red Deer, Alberta, with their son EDWIN RENFRED. A brother went to New Boston, Missouri. A sister, AMELIA, lived with this family. JOHN, a dentist, lived in New York.

The CORAMS were all Methodists. RENFRED's family of nine boys, were all ministers.

10 – SCOTTISH – IRISH ORRS: by Mrs. Wm. J. Arnold

Some ORR families left Scotland because of religious persecution. ROBERT ORR was born in 1785 and operated a grist mill on Lough Neagh, but the exact location is unknown. ROBERT married SUSAN HUGHES, They came to Eramosa Twp. about 1828
Family: -

JOHN, born – 1821; KENNEDY, born – 1823; HUGH, born – 1825; SARA, born – 1827; ELIZABETH, born – 1829; ROBERT, born – 1830; MATILDA, born – 1832. JOHN ORR married MATILDA MILLE and lived in Nichol Twp. Children – WILLIAM, of Mt. Forest; ROBERT of W. Garafraxa; MARGARET, (Mrs. James GREER) of West Luther; JAMES, of W Luther; JOHN, on fathers farm and KENNEDY, lived near Fergus. All in Wellington County. KENNEDY ORR was a Hotel-keeper near Chatsworth. Buried – Owen Sound. HUGH ORR – farmer (No information). SARA ORR, married JOHN MINNIS of Holland Twp, Grey County. Family – KENNEDY, ELIZABETH, (Mrs. James Murray). ELIZABETH ORR married GEORGE ORR of Grey County. Went to Oregon. ROBERT ORR, went to Australia; unmarried MATILDA ORR married EDWARD BRIGGS of Owen Sound. Children: MARIA (Mrs. SAMUEL CAVELL); SUSAN (Mrs. JAMES C. KENNEDY); ELIZABETH – spinister; MARY (Mrs. JAMES BALFOUR); SARAH – spinister; EDWARD married ELIZABETH MODELAND LAWER. Lived in Owen Sound.

11 – THE STURGEON FAMILY

Five Sturgeon brothers who lived in Normandy, France , went to England with William of Orange, about 1689. For their services, they were given grants of land there. Some eventually settled in Scotland and Ireland. The ROBERT STURGEON family came from Dungannon, County Tyrone, Ireland, in 1850, and after 6 weeks on the ocean eventually arrived at the port of Goderich. From there they found suitable lots on Con. 2, north of the Durham Road, and 50th sideroad. ROBERT (1798 – 1875) married Ann ____, (1797 – 1868). Their family, (5 sons) – WILLIAM; JAMES; GEORGE; JOHN; and ROBERT Jr. and (2 daughters) – MARTHA; and ANNIE.

We hope that these Family Tree “Skeletons” will open up a wealth of information for many of our readers.

YOUR resume might be a ‘life-line’ to someone else. SEND IT IN, TODAY

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MAY - HOME OF MRS. PERCY WARRILOW, R. R. 6, OWEN SOUND

(See the map below) SPECIAL !!! AFTERNOON SEMINAR:

Beginners, don't dare miss this – its for YOU ! (Old timers can came too)

2:00 P.M. - Welcome to Workshop (divide into groups)

TOPICS

(i) Where do we start?

(ii) Explanation & Illustrations of: - Pedigree Chart, Family Tree, Family Group Record (used by L.D.S.) or Individual's Record with dates of birth; death; marriage; who?Etc

(iii) Importance of Records (also some of the problems)

(iv) Where to look for Information

QUESTION PERIOD and BOOK BROWSE

(BREAK) – Visit to Library, Cemetery, etc.

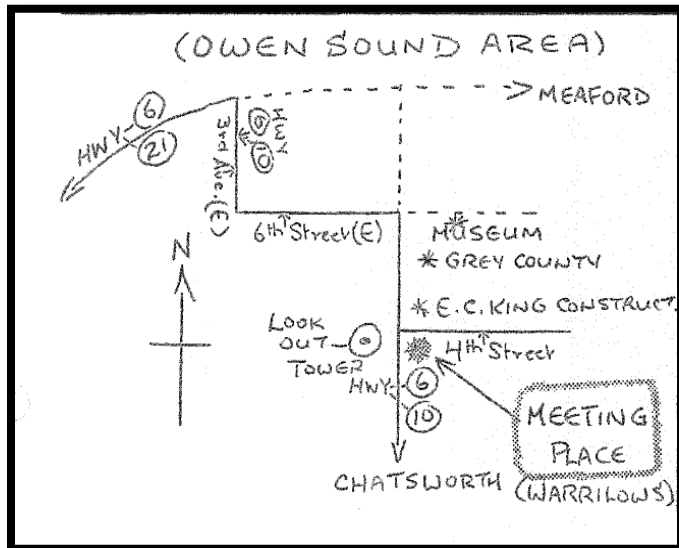
BUFFET SUPPER - \$1.00!! (Money to Bruce Branch)

Executive Meeting (brief).

REGULAR MEETING

Theme: - OTTAWA: The O.G.S. Seminar ('72) and The Public Archives

.... and a S U R P R I S E speaker !!!



Meetings

June 27th Knox Church Tiverton

July 25th Meet at Tiny Cemetery Road between Elora Rd. and Walkerton (Con. 1, Lot 14) north of Durham Rd, at 10:00 a.m. (pencil / paper) To complete Brant Township

August 22nd Meet at Allenford United Church (Con. A, Lot 10) at 10:00 a.m. (Pencil and Paper) To begin Bruce Peninsula

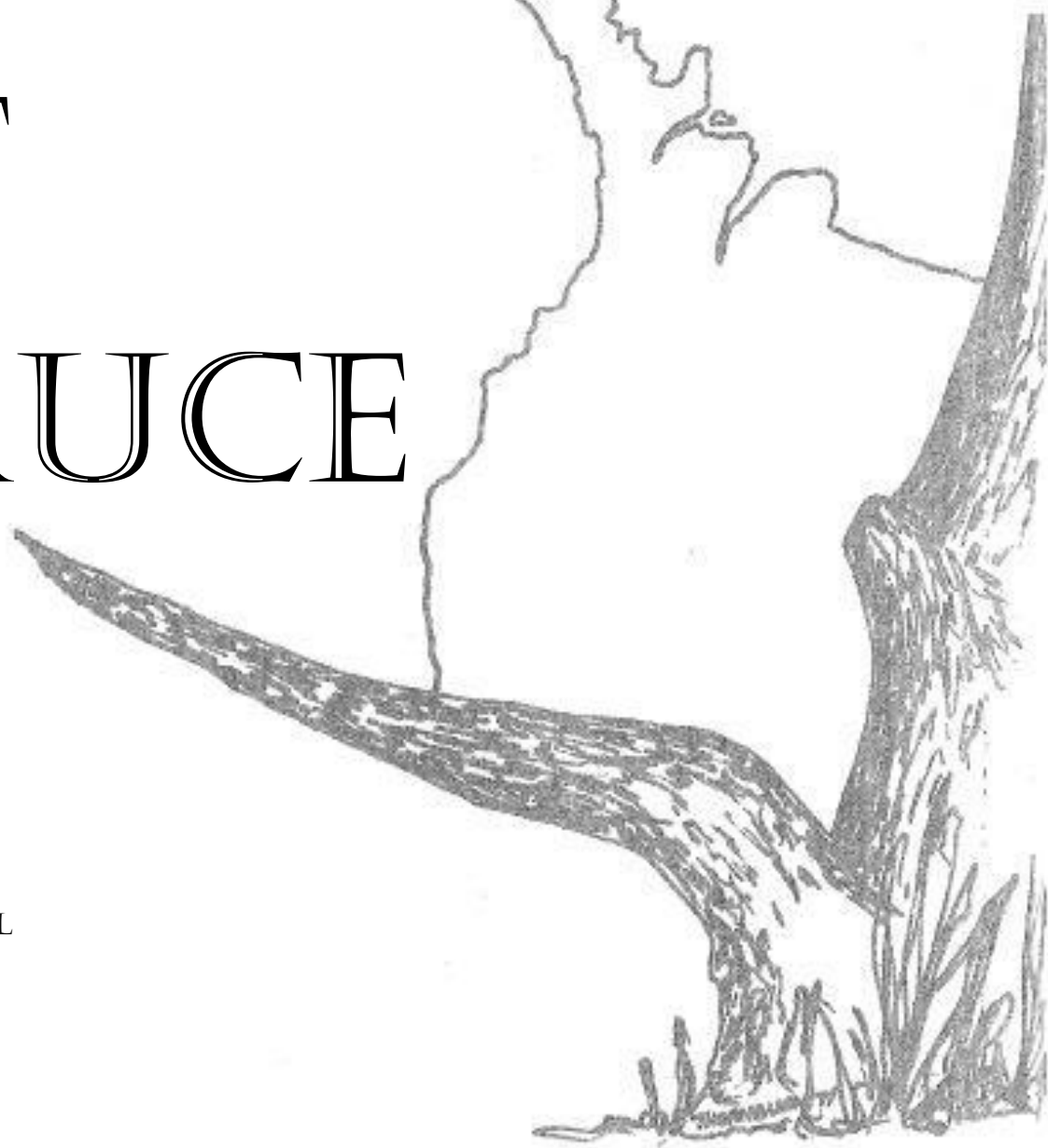
Bring: Clipboard, paper, White Chalk and a boxed lunch

This is your invitation!!

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BRANCHES OF BRUCE

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'BRANCHES OF BRUCE' VOL II, NO. 4 (Sept. '72)

Bruce Branch: Ontario Genealogical Society (Executive)

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SUBSCRIPTIONS to 'BRANCHES OF BRUCE' ? ?

Easy as pie !!!

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Ask for A FULL YEARS'S MEMBERSHIP and SUBSCRIPTION to 'BRANCHES OF BRUCE'
for every \$ 2. you enclose

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- 1 – THE HAMILTON BRANCH: O.G.S., Vol. 3, No. 6 (June, 1972), Vol. 4, No. 7 (Sept.1972)
- 2 – BRANCH NEWS: OTTAWA BRANCH, Vol 4, No. 5 (May, 1972), Vol 4, No. 6 (June, 1972)
- 3 – TORONTO TREE: Vol. 3, No. 6 (Sept. 1972)

BRANCH MEETING NOTES

May 30 . . home of Mr. & Mrs. Percy Warrilow, R. R. 6, Owen Sound . . . special afternoon seminar for beginners and regular evening meeting.

Grey County Museum representatives told of their Archives, in that building, in its initial stages, and promised a complete listing of their holdings for future issues of the 'Branches of Bruce'.

One particular letter of inquiry wanted information on JAMES R. HAMILTON, born 1819, Parish of Rutherglen, near Glasgow, Scotland. Served 14 years in India (21st Fusiliers), then moved to McNab Township, Ontario County, and later to Bruce County.

Members were reminded to send FAMILY NAMES BEING RESEARCHED to Mrs. J. Underwood for the 'NAMES DIRECTORY', which is being compiled.

Reporting on the O.G.S. Seminar (Ottawa), Mrs. P. Warrilow told of her visit to the Archives, and in particular of her research into early land petitions. Several others reported on various items of interest.

The surprise speaker for the evening was David Warrilow, young son of our hostess. He gave a very well-prepared talk on 'Genealogy'.

June 27 . . . Knox Presbyterian Church, Tiverton. Hosts . . .Mrs. Downey and Rev. J. Fortier.
Information was requested about the life of artist DAVID BROWN MILNE, during and prior to his family's yeas in the Burgoyne area. Anyone having information is asked to contact the president.

The Bruce Branch will host the O.G.S. Seminar in Port Elgin, in 1974 – the town's centennial year. Advanced sales and subscriptions are being made for the 'COUNTY OF BRUCE, 1867 DIRECTORY', which is being reprinted by the branch. Contact Mr. George Cluley, Box 24, Port Elgin, Ontario . . . price \$4.50. (Postage and handling are now included).

Guest speaker was Mr. Stewart Bourne, who outlined his church's (L.D.S.) purpose and role in the collection and preserving of genealogical records. A 'million dollar' display, by Mrs. Hilda Downey, was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

July 25/August 22 Cemetery Recording Outings

Amabel Twp: Methodist Ch. Cem., Allenford, Oliphant Cemetery.

Brant Twp: Old Methodist Ch. Cem; McDuff's and Cem. – corner Elora Rd. & Walkerton Road

QUERIES: etc.

Mrs. Edward D. Hahn, 12 Dundana Avenue, Dundas, Ontario would like information pertaining to the JOHN BECKER family, who at one time lived in Elmwood. His birth date is unknown, but he married ELIZABETH RUDY, born Aug. 1, 1857, daughter of ABRAHAM RUDY and NANCY SHANTZ. Nine children, are as follows GEORGE, MAGGIE, HERMAN, WILLIAM, IDA, ABRAHAM, LUCY, PHILIP, and EMANUEL.

Information re: SEBASTIAN BACHERT family would also be much appreciated. . . .she being the former CATHERINE SCHWEITZER, born December 10, 1842. Children were MARY, married WILLIAM PEPPER; JACOB, married ELIZABETH PAMPREEN LACKIE, and LOUISA, married RICHARD McFARLEN. Richard McFarlen family information specially needed for family history completion. Once lived in Hanover. Also any available information on the GEORGE and MARGARET SCHWEITZER KERCHER families, especially children EZRA and EDWARD and families.

Mr. Brian R. Clements, of 498 6th Avenue East, Owen Sound writes. . . I have recently come across a book "THIS WAS THEIR LIFE", by Margaret Kidd, 1955. It is a story of the pioneers of Fairmede, Brookside and adjacent districts of Saskatchewan. A number of these settlers came from Bruce Co., Ont., around 1882 – 3 and after. Following is a list of the majority of families who are mentioned in this book.....

Mr. David Steele	A. B. Potter	Dring	John Stutt
John Albert Clements	George Lewis	John Burke	John Clements
Will Clements	T.S.A. Clandinin	Tyndall	Wickham
D. Robert Clements	Herbert Hall	MacLeod	Marks
Alexander Burke	Murdock McLean	Hoggarth	Donald Cameron
Andrew Atchison	George A Stutt	John Kidd	W.R. McVicar
Farquhar McRae	Angus Graham	Frank Jackson	William Body

The McIver Brothers
William Pigdon Taylor

William Stutt Donald Mathison

Robert L. Kidd

I doubt very much if the book can be obtained from any area libraries, however any library can get it through the inter-library loan system.

It takes about an evening to go through the book so perhaps someone in each area could obtain it and pass it around. . . .

(Editor's Note: The Owen Sound Library, Owen Sound, Ontario, allowed three weeks on this particular volume, before it had to be returned).

Editor's Note: In response to a suggestion that she write about her experience with researching in Ontario, Mrs. Harry Prior (see Vol. I, No. 5, "CAN YOU BEAT THIS !!!") writes in part

" It was less than two years ago that I first became interested in genealogy, and my trip last fall was the first experience I had had with "on the scene" research. Until then I had only researched through the usual correspondence with relatives and public officials and through microfilmed copies of censuses and histories in libraries. This "armchair" research was very necessary, of course, before any trip to specific areas could be productive. In fact, if I have a first regret about my visit in Ontario it's that I hadn't prepared well enough for it in advance. A close second would be that I didn't have more time to spend there! Some day I'll just have to come back.

Fortunately before I began my trip I did know that I must concentrate on Peel and Bruce Counties, and I had sent for and received good large-scaled maps showing concession lines and lot numbers for both counties. In Peel County I knew that my ancestors had lived in either Albion or Chinguacousy Townships near Brampton, and I had the names of some of their descendants who had remained in Ontario. I knew that the families were in Peel County as early as 1825, and that one branch of the family moved to Bruce County about 1861, but beyond that I had no specific knowledge of their location in Peel County. I had assumed, naively, (and this will show how ill prepared I was), that upon my arrival in Peel County I could find this information through indexed county records as we are able to do in the United States. Of course as I soon learned this was impossible. I also learned rather quickly that Peel County was not formed until after the dates I was interested in, and that I must go to Toronto for the records of York County which was the parent county of Peel...

In the York County Surrogate Court office I was on the verge of discovering new knowledge about one ancestor, which I think would have included his land description. In the index of early wills and probate papers was listed an Administrative Docket in the matter of settling his estate, but what a disappointment it was to learn from the clerk that the papers could not be found, that they apparently have been lost! However, the indexing told me that he was a resident of Chinguacousy Township, so it was not a complete negative for me. Also, I was happy to find there the will of another possible relative, and the information could be very valuable to me. I hope that more research will tie him with a known ancestor.

I did have one very exciting discovery in Peel County. Before arriving in Ontario I hoped that I might find the burial site of my McDonald ancestors, but all I had to go on was a clue from a twenty year old letter written by a since deceased cousin that they were buried "on the 5th line

of Cinacouchi". At the time I first read this I had no knowledge of Canada's method of land descriptions, and so that language was completely meaningless to me. Could Chinacouchi be a railroad? Or a river? I wondered. And whatever would the 5th line of it be? But after I received my county maps I learned how to decipher land descriptions (very simple, really) from an experienced Canadian researcher, and then it dawned on me that Chinacouchi was possible a misspelled version of Chinguacousy Township, Peel County and I might be able to find a cemetery on the 5th Concession Line. After my arrival at Brampton, County Seat of Peel, I was given the name of Mr. Russell Cooper who is President of the Peel County Historical Society, and he gave me details for finding a churchyard cemetery which he thought might fit that description. Well, glory by, it was the right one! I found the gravesite and tombstone I was hunting, and it has added a great deal to our knowledge of this family. Among other important details, I now know where to look for this family's church records, and I also now know that my gr-gr-grandfather was 95 when he died in 1848, and my gr-gr-grandmother lived to be 97!

In Bruce County I was able to obtain records easily, because before I arrived I already had more information about my Greer ancestor who was there from 1861 until his death in 1876. I was able to get photocopies of his will and of deed and other papers connected with his land, and I found the family burial sites in the Port Elgin cemetery. I had my Polaroid camera with me and was pleased with the pictures I got of the old tombstones there as well as the one in Peel County. I learned, however, That in order to reproduce the lettering of the old tombstones I must first outline them with dark pencil or white chalk

I talked at length with Mr. Ernie Greer near Paisley, and with Mr. Toby (Harold) Greer of Lucknow. We concluded that neither of them are directly related to my family, but Mr. Toby Greer's knowledge of research in Ireland was helpful. I also enjoyed a conversation with Mr. Bruce McKenzie of the 'Paisley Advocate'. I was pleased to learn that he is in the process of having old papers bound, and that some day the early issues may be available for microfilming or first-hand perusal. While at Paisley I had hoped to visit Miss Nettie Scott, who Mrs. Downey suggested could tell me about Old Methodist Churches and schools in the area, but I found she was not at home that day. However, the people next door were most gracious and let me use their phone for an hour or more.

The Librarian at Walkerton introduced me to Robertson's "History of the County of Bruce", and I am hoping to purchase a copy of the new edition which Mrs. Downey told me I may order through her. The librarian also showed me the 1880 atlas of the county, which was fascinating, and Mr. McKenzie showed me an 1876 County Directory, where I found several items of interest to me.

I found that the clerks and officials in county offices of Ontario were accommodating, although they were of course very busy, and I certainly appreciated the effort they made to find records for me.

One very meaningful part of my visit in Bruce County was that my son and I were able to see my gr-grandfather's farm. There is deep satisfaction that comes with discovering where an ancestor lived, to be able to circle a spot on a map and say, "This is where my grandfather grew up". Then later to stand on this land that you know a forebear called home, to see where the house was, to feel the rough timbers of the old barn, to pick up a stone he must have touched, to gaze across at the fields he toiled over and to know his gaze saw the same expanse - it all

becomes a kind of mystical experience. There is a sense of communion with this man or this woman whom you never saw but to whom you owe the gift of life. And I guess this is the lure that keeps us at this research into family history.

HAS YOUR LETTER OR QUERY NOT APPEARERED ?

It may be that some of our readers are puzzled over the fact that their particular letter, etc. has not been in the publication of the 'Branches of Bruce', as of yet

This may be due to several reasons:

- much of the correspondence directed to the branch is personally answered by the individual members of the branch, and does not require publication as such.
- depending upon the circumstances, the member replying to your inquiry may have much information at hand and therefore may have to spend much time 'sifting out' what they believe to be relevant material.
- if the situation arises, where there is little information on hand, but sources are readily at hand, the corresponding member will endeavor to make the material available as quickly as possible.
- only when there seems to be no source of information readily available; or when the letter, etc. – itself, contains sufficient material of general use, will it be printed.

'THANKS' for inquiryEditor

FAMILY TREE SKELETONS

Mrs. Betty Warrilow, R. R. 6, Owen Sound, Ontario, writes to add the following to the very concise 'Family Tree Skeleton' on the McCULLOCH CLAN (see Vol. II, No. 1)

"A HISTORY OF THE MCCULLOCH CLAN – early 1800's to 1970 deals with the family of DAVID MCCULLOCH and ELIZABETH ANDERSON of Wigtownshire, Scotland

The first descendent is JANET, who married JOHN DEARNESS, a widower. Their home was at Elginfield, Middlesex County. One daughter – MARGARET was born of this union. She married RICHARD RAYCRAFT (Her descendents live in the Lucan, Denfield and Clandeboye area of Ontario).

The second descendent is MARY who married ROBERT DINNEWELL. They settled Lot 8, Concession 19, Amabel Twp. (Their descendents have scattered to Manitoba, as well as over Ontario, but many are still found in the Wiarton area). Related names are OTTEWELL and CUTTING.

The third is JAMES, who married MARGARET MCGILL, on 31st May, 1855, at Little Lochans, Parish Inch. He started the migration of his family to Canada. They settled first in Blanshard Twp., north of London, Ontario. In 1864, they moved to the cheap land opening up in Keppel Twp. They settled at Mt. Horeb (name now lost in history), a few miles to the east of Clavering. Children of this family were:

- JAMES MCGILL married MARGARET CRUICKSHANK. The Allenford, Ont. McCulloch's and McCulloughs are descendents from this James. (It was here that a zealous school teacher and a family doctor made a mix-up in the spelling).

- ANDREW married CHRISTINA ALLEN.

- JOHN married MARGARET ALLEN. These two brothers settled in the Port Elgin area. Related names are: MUIR, GINGRICH, MACKENZIE, NOBLE, WRIGHT, GREGG, CHISHOLM, WELSH.

- ALLAN married EDNA BENTLY and settled near Underwood, Ont. Related names: TRUAX, SNIDER, ANNESS, WAGNER.

- ROBERT founded the Manitoba branch of the McCullochs.

The daughters of the third descendent (James) who married Margaret McGill, married and related families are: FOSTER, Keppel Twp; FINDLAY, Beaton and Fergus Twp?; MULLEN, Orangeville, Ont.; HAMMILL, Holland Twp.; SIMMIE, Winnipeg, Manitoba (related to Wiarton Simmies).

Fourth descendent is ELIZABETH who married ROBERT IRVINE and located near Kincardine. Related families are: BERE, ROBINSON, SHEWFELT

BROWN, ANDERSON, MCCALLUM, WORTHY, SLESSOR. The descendents are still in the Kincardine area, except for the Shewfelts who settled in Manitoba.

Descendent number five was DAVID, who didn't like Canada and returned to Scotland.

Descendent six was ROBERT, who married SUSAN CASE. This family lived near Allenford at one time. Members married and settled in the area. Descendents with the McCulloch name, from this line, live at Wiarton, two families live in Owen Sound. Related names are: BOYD, DAWE, KRUMHOLTZ, DAVIS, DRAPER, CRUICKSHANK (of Manitoba), WINSKILL.

No trace can be found of descendent number 7 – MARGARET.

WATCH!!! THOSE FAMILY BIBLES

The London Free Press, in an issue a while back, carried a letter to the editor, from a Mrs. Margaret Bell, of Sussex, England.

In the letter she stated that she had bought a Bible in a junk shop for a few pence. The fly leaves of the bible covered a family history, going back about 250 years! It had been given to JANE FLORENCE BELCHER as an award for good conduct in 1881. The last two entries were of ALFRED JAMES BELCHER who married in 1894, London, Ontario, (and when the entry was made in 1910 had eight children); and of his sister, EMILY ALICE BELCHER, married in Ridgeway, Ontario in 1890.

Her letter concluded "It seems such a pity that so much research must have been done and the family's history so painstakingly written up in the family Bible to finish up in a junk shop.

Editor's Note: Mrs. Bell reports that she has sent the Bible to a Mr. Orendorff, a genuine claimant. In her letter there is a record of the names of: TOLSOME (TOLSORNE or FOLSOME), as well as ORENDORFF, BELCHER and STERLING. Mention is made of her astonishment at the many connections with Canada and even Boston, New England, that kept cropping up. "I had never even thought of genealogy until I read these entries, but am now keen on writing up my own family history . . . to record what will be of most interest and value to posterity".

SCOTTISH NAMES BLESS YOU !

Are you doing research on Scottish ancestors? If so, you will find it helpful to know how the people used to name their children.

They were named after their ancestors, in this fashion:

- 1st son – paternal grandfather
- 2nd son – maternal grandfather
- 1st dau. – maternal grandmother
- 2nd dau. – paternal grandmother (and so on)

It was not uncommon to find two sons in the same family, with the same Christian name. In this case, both grandfathers had the same name, and therefore two sons had been named after the two grandfathers. This often causes confusion, unless you are familiar with the situation. The same applies to the daughters.

Even in Bruce County there are families with Mary, Sarah, and Mary Sarah, Neil and Neilly, all in the one family, - a family with 17 children. Perhaps they could be excused for repeating names!

The Scottish families did not give second names until recent generations. If you see somebody named "John D.", you can guess fairly correctly that John was the son of Donald or Dougald, or some other name beginning with the initial "D".

There were so many children named after living grandparents, that they had to be given added initials or nicknames. The nicknames are often very helpful in identifying ancestors.

If you study the names of children and grand-children in your family, you can often receive help in determining the names of your ancestors whom you are researching.

Hilda Downey

1971 OBITUARY FILE IS NOW COMPLETELY INDEXED ! ! ! !

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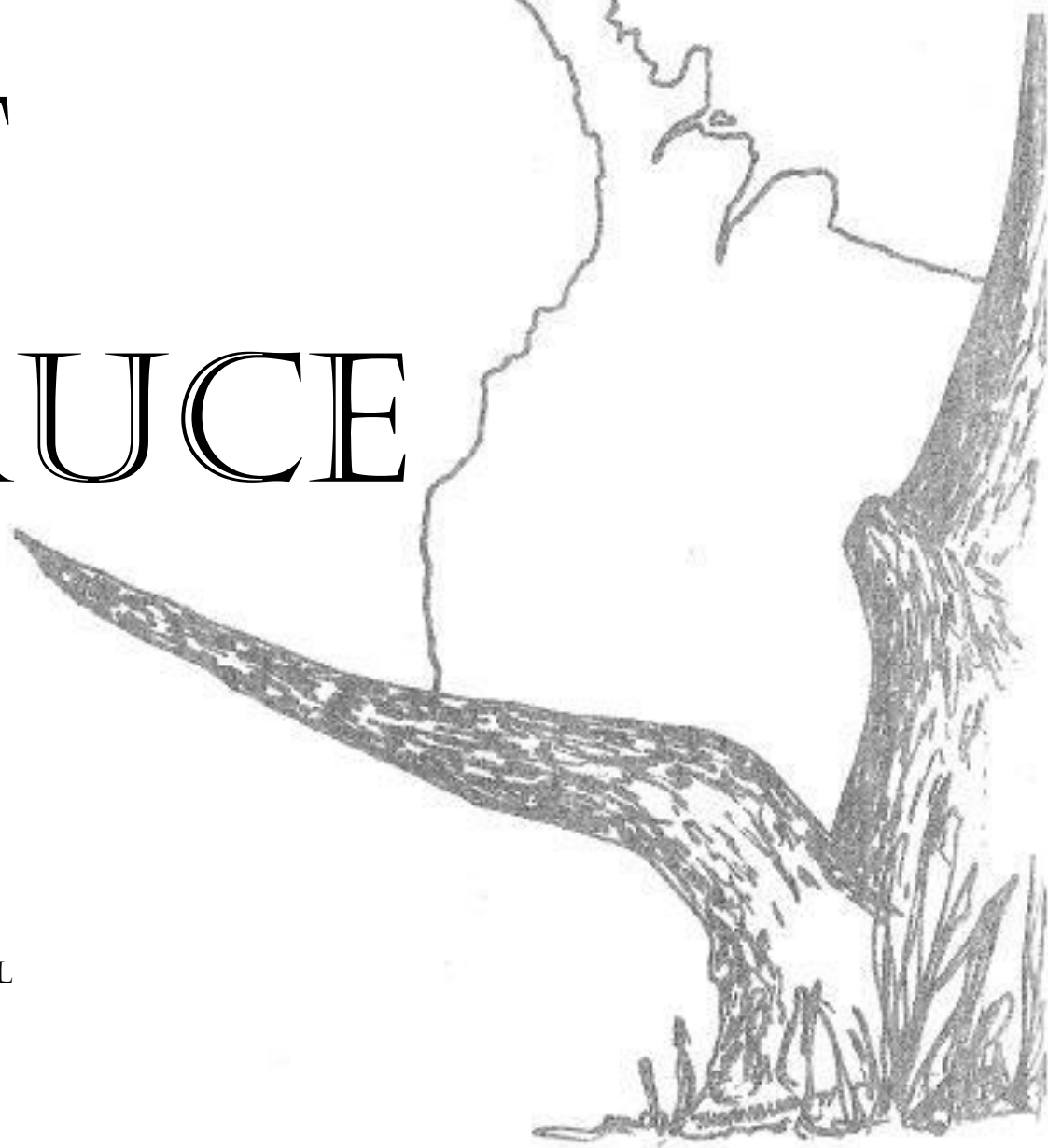
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On occasion, 'IN MEMORIUM' announcements are rather sketchy, any additional details will add to the information on hand for researching immediate generations.

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Compiled and published by J. DEE ELLIS, 3034 W. Oregon Rd., Lapeer, Michigan 48446.
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Compiled by W. Grant McGregor, 630 Westview Ave., Ottawa, Ontario and Viola Hill, Box 36, Virden, Manitoba.

BRANCH MEETING NOTES

Sept. 26 . . . Church of the Latter Day Saints of Jesus Christ, Ambleside . . . excellent turnout for first fall meeting.

Pres. Mrs. B. Underwood announced that the Ontario Genealogical Society Library is being moved from Waterloo to the North York Public Library on Yonge St., Toronto, and that the 1973 Seminar is to be held at Brock University, St. Catherines, in May.

Mrs. Russ. Adolph, Walkerton, reported on the cemeteries which were recorded during the summer and reports were made on the progression of other projects.

An interview conducted by Mrs. Wm. Arnold, Ripley, with Mrs. George Young, R. R. 4, Kincardine, was held and Mrs. Young outlined how she started and was able to complete two family trees – NEEDHAM and STRINGER. Her books, including pictures were shown, as well as the Teeswater Tweedsmuir Book and pictures, taken in 1895, of Culross pioneers.

A complete history of the Old Smith Cemetery in Culross Township, Concession II, Lot 11, was given by Miss Marjorie Murray, Teeswater, and the Branch was presented with a copy. A history of the GRANT family was also presented to the Branch, by Mrs. Ken Grant, of R. R. 1, Formosa, who now lives on the century farm.

Oct. 24Hepworth United Church Hall and a record attendance.

The cemeteries committee stated the following had been completely recorded during the summer:

AMABEL TWP – Oliphant and Old Methodist, Allenford.

ARRAN TWP - Old Methodist, Invermay and Elsinore

BRANT TWP – Old Presbyterian, Old Bethel Methodist, McLeans and Pryor.

ELDERSLIE TWP - Rusk, Vesta, St. Andrew's and Salem

GREENOCH TWP – Chepstow R.C. (new).

ST. EDMUNDS - McVicar

Mr. George Cluley reported on the sales of the 1867 Directory of Bruce County and suggested that members and others (public) contact him at Box 24, PORT ELGIN, ONTARIO, as soon as possible for their copies.

All Branch publications have been put into folders and are ready to be loaned to member. "The McLeods of Glengarry, (Canada)" has been purchased for the branch library. A donation of "The Parish and Church of Bradworthy" was made to the library by Mrs. Wm.F. Strangway of Sarnia. Also received was a Checklist of Ontario Census Returns, 1842 – 1871 from the Ontario Genealogical Society. (For Census Returns available on film at the Public Archives, Ottawa, ask your Librarian).

New members were reminded to send in their research names for the Names Directory, to Mrs. Jack Underwood, Box 324, Port Elgin, Ontario, and to forward family history, queries, and other material for publication to the Editor – Branches of Bruce, Box 99, Tiverton, Ontario (N0G 2T0) See back page this issue.

Miss Izetta Fraser, Owen Sound read a letter from a friend in Windsor, concerning the life story of her grandfather – JOHN MCKAY, formerly of Chatsworth.

Mrs. Blair Robertson, Port Elgin, displayed the HUNTER & GEORGE Coats of Arms and read the heraldry of each.

The highlight of the meeting was an impromptu instruction by Mr. and Mrs. Millar Peart of Toronto, members of our branch, who made a point of being in Grey to research and attend our meeting. Mrs. Peart showed some books that she considers priceless for research, particularly in the British Isles, and also showed the Programme of World Conference of Records of the L.D.S., Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A.... from which you can order any papers desired. Mr. Peart made special mention of the Marriage Books of (Pre) – 1869 in the Provincial Archives in Toronto.

Letter to Historical / Genealogical Society

Nov. 5, 1972

Dear Sirs

I have been engaged for the past 10 years in a genealogical search on the CAMPBELLS of Lismore.

3 of your older settlers (1860) – JOHN CAMPBELL, ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL and JOHN MCGREGOR, comprise the backbone of this bound volume; since John Campbell is my grandfather

I believe John Campbell established the first Sunday School and was active all his life. He is buried in the Chesley cemetery

Sincerely, J. H. Grant, 3645 Darby Road, Bryn Mawr, PA, 19010

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FAMILY TREE – ‘S K E L E T O N S’

1 – “THE MEMORIES OF WILLIAM HANBIDGE AND CHRONICLES OF HIS FAMILY”

The memories – by Wm. Hanbidge, age 93, 1906: and Appendices and Chronicles of his family, - by his daughter Mary Hanbidge)

Canadian branches of this family descend from a JOHN HANBIDGE, who 250 yrs. age went from Gloucestershire, England, across the sea to Ireland, Merganstown, County Wicklow. In 1832, another JOHN HANDBIDGE crossed a greater sea to Canada His wife and baby were buried at sea (died of cholera) John and 4 other children – WILLIAM, THOMAS, LITTLE JOHN and ALICE settled at Dummer Twp., Peterborough Co., Ontario. LITTLE JOHN (died 1921) married ANN CROW (died 1910) and moved to Bruce Co., in 1852, where descendants still reside. (Son – JOHN married ISABELLA BOWES).

2 – “THE COLLINS FAMILY” See acknowledgment – Vol. I, No. 3; June 1971, ‘History Fair’
Originally from Tipperary, Ireland. First known member, RICHARD COLLINS came from Tipperary and settled in Ramsay Township, near Brockville, Ontario. He married Catherine McMunn from Connaught, Ireland; children; -

EDMUND – born 1838, lived in North Dakota.

DEBORAH – married DICK STANLEY.

WILLIAM – born 1845, married ____ COLWELL.

HENRY – born March 26, 1848.

THOMAS R. – born 1852.

FRANK -

JOHN R – born 1854, lived in Vancouver.

BENJAMIN – born 1859, lived West. States.

JANE – born 1856, m. JIM BROWN in Dakota.

MANASSAH WESLEY – born 1861, lived in West

3 – “FAMILY TREE OF DESCENDENTS OF ARCHIBALD SHEWFELT AND CATHARINE McDIARMID” See acknowledgment – Vol. I, No. 3, June 1971, ‘History Fair’)

ARCHIBALD SHEWFELT (1858 – 1913), Kincardine Township, married CATHARINE (KATIE) MCDIARMID (1860 – 1930) in 1881 in Kincardine, Ontario. Catherine had been born in Lochgilphead, Scotland, and had come to Canda with her mother – (CATHERINE GORDON) in 1872. This is the history of their children, and is compiled by Gordon A. Shewfelt.

It should be noted here that a complete history of the Shewfelt Family in America & Canada has been compiled by Henry B. Shewfelt and entitled "Our Folks".

4 – "A STORY OF A PIONEER FAMILY OF PURPLE GROVE (1824 – 1966)

See acknowledgment – Vol. 1, No. 3, June 1971.

RICHARD STANLEY (1830 – 1927) and DEBORAH COLLINS (1841 – 1875). Richard was one of a family of nine children. His father, THOMAS STANLEY and his mother, ANN OWENS came to Canada around 1824. They settled in Carleton Co., Upper Canada. In 1854, four families – STANLEYS – COLLINS, MORGANS and BLACKWELLS decided to leave and choose a home in the Huron Tract, four hundred miles away. They settled about ¾ mile south of Purple Grove, on the fifth sideroad, concession X.

5 – "ROBERT MAWHINNEY" (see acknowledgment – Vol. I, No. 3, June 1971).

ROBERT MAWHINNEY, born County Down, Ireland, March 9, 1839 son of JOHN MAWHINNEY and ANN SAMPSON, came to Canada with his parents in 1854 and settled near Orangeville, Ontario. From there they moved to Bruce Twp. Robert married MARY EWALD (born Waterloo Co., daughter of EPHRUM EWALD and DORTHEA KRULL). They had a family of 14 children. This is a fairly complete history and genealogy of the family.

"ERROMANGA – THE MARTYR ISLE" by Dr. Hugh A. Robertson; urgently required by Canon Ralph Robertson Latimer. Author is his paternal grandfather's brother.

The book is out of print, and Canon Latimer will buy a copy from anyone who is able to locate a copy for him

Write him at: - Canon Ralph Robertson Latimer, 534 Briar Hill Avenue, Toronto 12, Ontario.

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HERE IS A PARTIAL LIST OF BOOKS AND OTHER LITERATURE WHICH HAVE REFERENCE TO BRUCE COUNTY: CAN YOU HELP US TO FILL IN THE GAPS? IF YOU KNOW OF OTHER WRITINGS ABOUT 'BRUCE', PLEASE WRITE DOWN ALL DETAILS ABOUT . . . AUTHOR, . . . DATE, . . . PRICE, . . . WHERE OBTAINED, . . . ETC. SEND THIS INFORMATION, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO: MRS. ROSS CUMMING, GEN. DEL., PORT ELGIN, ONTARIO.

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