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Announcements

The Toronto FHC will be closed from June 28th to July 2nd inclusive for the Canada Day long weekend.

Our new hours starting on July 3rd are:

Tues:	9:30am to 2:00pm	
Wed	9:30am to 3:45 pm	6:30pm to 9:30pm
Thurs:	9:30am to 3:45pm	6:30pm to 9:30pm

Our new directors, Don and Roberta Harris, suggested the new format for the start of the Bulletin.

One World One Family Conference in Brampton on August 24th

Last chance for the bargain of the summer – early bird registration for the full day conference for \$15, including lunch. Click [here](#) for full details of the more than 20 interesting workshops. After July 1st the cost will increase to \$20. Linda Reid writes: "I manage the kits for a number of relatives on Family Tree DNA. I had a strange discovery-- my husband's first cousin in the US appeared on the list of matches of my 2nd cousin in England (and vice versa). So are we really all one family as the "One World-One Family" conference suggests?"

Additions to Our Permanent Collections

Many thanks to Nancy Conn for her donation of the following books to the Toronto FHC Library:

IRL Great Migration - The Atlantic Crossing By Sailing Ship 1770-1860	Guillet, Edwin C.
IRL ARM Ordnance Survey Memoirs of Ireland - County Armagh 1835-8	Day, Angelique & McWilliams, Patrick
IRL Irish Emigration 1801-1921	Fitzpatrick, David
IRL Irish Genealogy - A Record Finder	Begley, Donal F.
CAN Flight From Famine - The Coming of the Irish to Canada	MacKay, Donald
CAN ON Irish in Ontario - A Study in Rural History	Akenson, Donald Harman
CAN ON Collingwood Township - An Illustrated History	Collingwood Township
CAN ON Euphrasia - Glimpses Past and Present	Euphrasia Historical Society
CAN ON Wellington County - The History of Wellington County	Hutchinson, Jean F.
SCT BAN Boharm & Botriphnie - Pre-1855 Death & Burial Records	Bishop, Bruce F.
SCT BAN Boharm - Kirk Session Parish Records 1750-1850	Bishop, Bruce F.
SCT BAN Boharm - Kirk Session Parish Records 1Prior to 1750	Bishop, Bruce F.
SCT BAN Keith - Kirk Session Records - 1775-1850	Bishop, Bruce F.
SCT BAN Keith - Kirk Session Records - Pre 1775	Bishop, Bruce F.
SCT BAN Dundurcas (Later Rothes & Boharm) - Kirk Session Records	Bishop, Bruce F.

The Kirk Session Record books are fascinating – many records state the fathers of illegitimate children and various misdemeanours of the residents of the parishes.

What's New

FindMyPast.co.uk has added 1.2 million new parish baptisms, marriages and burials for Wales. The newly added records include 522,011 baptisms, 96,286 marriages and 456,600 burials. There are now nearly six million parish records in FindMyPast's "Wales Collection". Don't forget that **Irish Vital Records** will be **free** from June 27-30 at **FindMyPast.com**.

Ancestry – **FREE** access to Canadian records from June 27th to July 2nd at Ancestry.ca! The free records offered include passenger lists, the 1871 census, WWI soldiers, and records predating Confederation. Click [here](#) for access to the free records. Ancestry.com has added more than 15 new collections of records of Holocaust significance from Poland, France, Hungary, etc.: transportation records, Jewish inhabitants, forced labourers, and more.

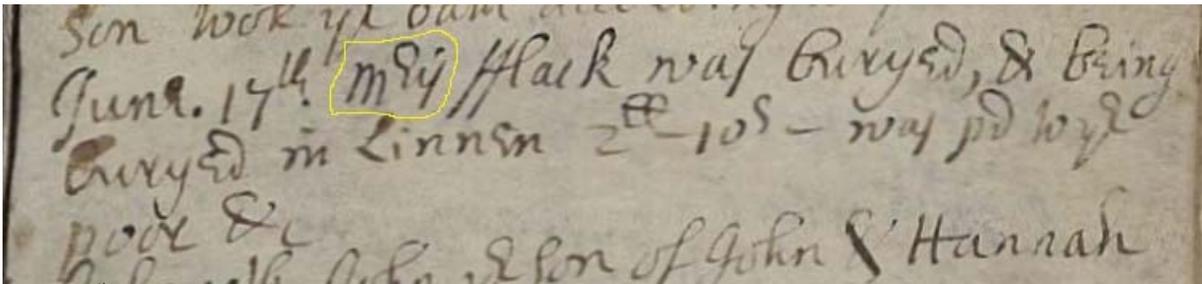
FamilySearch has added a collection of nearly half a million indexes for Sussex Parish Registers 1538-1910. There are no images associated with this collection. Most of them seem to be early records; perhaps this collection will grow.

The Forum:

Questions:

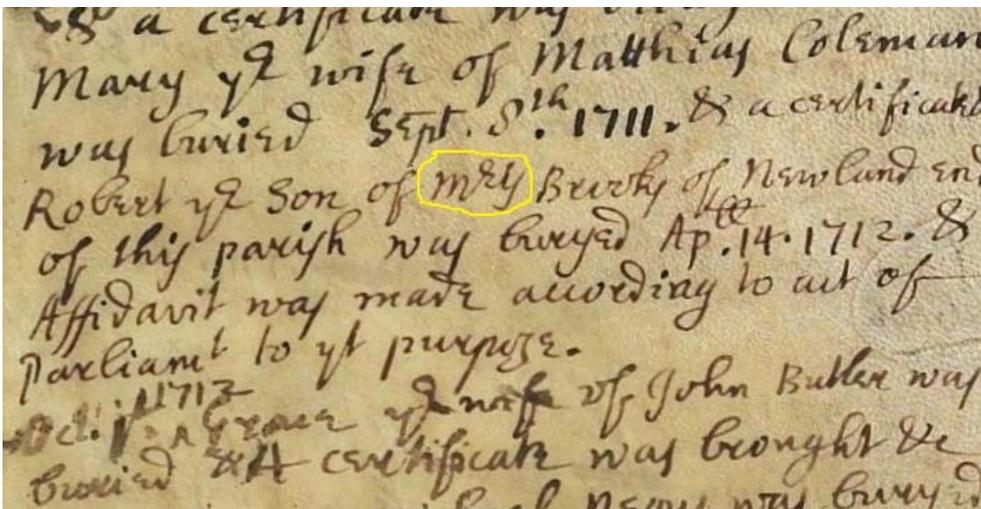
Q1/2013/24. A Puzzle for Readers. UK.

A reader would like to know what the following item in yellow says:



June 17th ?? Flack was buried, & being buried in Linnen £2 10s was pd to ye ...

Another page of the same register in 1712 has the same character in yellow below.



Mary ye wife of Matthias Coleman was buried Sept. 8th, 1711 & a certificate &c.

Robert ye son of M?? B??? of Newland End of this parish was buried April 14 1712 & affidavit was made according to act of parliam't to ye purpose.

Oct 1st 1712 Grace ye wife of John Butler was buried & a certificate was brought &c.

The researcher thinks that the item in yellow reads Mrs. What do you think? Both pages can be seen by downloading [here](#). Helpful reading may be [Old Law Hands](#) or [Secretary Hand](#).

Suggestions:

Q1/2013/23. Ireland to England.

My great great grandmother Annie Leahy (with a bunch of variations on that last name) was born in Co. Clare, Ireland in 1821 to William and Anne Leahy. She married (at least I think she married) George Kent. Their daughter, Annie Kent, was born at the Brownlow Workhouse, on Dec 29, 1850 in Liverpool. I believe that I have the baptismal entry which states her parents as above. I can not find her 1851 census entry.

George died about 1854 or 1855 as Annie married again, to my great great grandfather, James Patrick Lewis on May 12, 1856 in Birkenhead. I have the 1861 census with Anne and Patrick listed with a step-daughter, age 10, with 3 other younger siblings. What I am looking for is a marriage notation for Annie Leahy and George Kent from about 1845-1850ish, probably around Liverpool. I have looked everywhere but can't locate anything. I would be extremely grateful if anyone can locate a marriage between Anne and George.

The Bulletin has been unable to find a marriage of George Kent and Ann(ie) Leahy. As Annie is 29 years old by 1850, she could have been married before so a George Kent/Annie Leahy marriage would not be found. She could have married in Ireland. As young Annie Kent is born in a workhouse, George could have died before her birth. Does this researcher have the birth certificate for Anne Kent, registered in March 1851? This may mention if the father died before her birth and would be a good item to acquire. Ancestry has a large collection of parish records, both Church of England and Roman Catholic, but no burial of George Kent was found. Unless the 1851 census entry can be found (and I could not find it), one does not know when George died or even where he was born.

Q2/2013/23. Ireland to Canada.

I am researching William Faulkner (c1815 -) and his wife Annie Jane Crosby (c1819-1876). They were both Irish and possibly from Dublin, as two of their sons are listed as born in Dublin about 1844-1845. So they probably married 1842-1843. They came to Canada with these two sons about 1849 and are found on the 1861 Census for West Gwillimbury in Simcoe, however their son Ford Faulkner is listed as born c1849 in Toronto in the family bible. They were Methodists.

The forenames Ford, Crosby, Lewis and sometimes Carlyle are used frequently in their descendants. I have been following an idea that these were surnames in the family, as Crosby is Annie Jane's maiden name. I found a Jane Crosby (c1823-1919) born in Dublin who came to Simcoe Ontario and then to Huron County. She married a John Southeran and her death certificate lists her parents as Ford Crosby and Susan Carter. So I started researching Jane Crosby Southern to see if there was a connection, as this family also used the same forenames of Ford, Crosby, etc.

Here's what I found: On Ancestry I found on the Dublin Ireland Probate Record and Marriage License Index Ford Crosby married Margaret Carter in 1813, the next entry also shows a John Crosby married a Susan Carter. An IGI listing shows Ford & Margaret married at St. Bridget's, Dublin, 27 September 1813. Ford and Margaret Crosby had a son Thomas born 1814 in the parish of St. Werburgh, Dublin. Where do I go from here? Can you suggest what records I should be searching to try and determine if Ford Crosby and Margaret/Susan Carter are related to my Annie Jane Crosby?

The researcher seems to be moving in the right direction but Irish records are very difficult. In 1881 William Faulkner, widower, Christian, a tailor, is living in north Huron only a few households away from Ford Faulkner. Ford and Margaret Crosby probably had a son, James, as well because there is a civil registration for a marriage of James with a father, Ford. But unfortunately neither of these records help move the researcher closer to the answer to her question. Ford is an unusual first name but a reasonably common middle name, often the mother's surname. But this does not seem to be the case.

Does anyone have ideas for either of these questions?

Were You Aware...

Norfolk and Suffolk Headstones

Simon Knott's excellent website of church pictures of 878 [Norfolk](#) and 693 [Suffolk](#) churches has been mentioned here before. But he also has also taken over 2500 pictures of gravestones and markers and uploaded them to Flickr. You can find these pictures [here](#) but there does not seem to be an easy way to search them.

Not the 1921 Census, but 1825 and 1831 "Canadian" Censuses

Library and Archives Canada (LAC) has put the 1825 and 1831 Censuses of Lower Canada online and searchable by name. However these censuses are partly nominal - only the names of the heads of families or households were collected. The other members of the families or households were counted, but not named, and totals were recorded per category.

Occupation is given on the 1831 census only. For each census the images can be downloaded as jpeg or pdf images. The images I looked at were very clear.

What Are Chapman Codes?

Chapman codes are a set of 3-letter codes identifying the counties in the United Kingdom, Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands before the new administrative districts were created in the latter part of the 20th century. They were created by Dr. Colin R Chapman in the late 1970s. Genealogists have further broadened their use by using three letter codes to identify countries. For ease of use, they have also adopted the two character postal codes for the states in the United States and the provinces in Canada. Australia uses a mix of two and three characters for its states. For a list of the Chapman codes identifying the counties in the United Kingdom and Ireland and the islands not included as counties, click [here](#). [The one that always trips me up is SAL for Shropshire.] To view a list of the three letter country codes that the Toronto FHC uses to identify countries of the world, click [here](#). US and Australian state abbreviations and our province codes can easily be found on Wikipedia.

PAF Will No Longer Be Supported

The FamilySearch genealogy program, *Personal Ancestral File*, will be retired and will no longer be available for download or support after July 15th. FamilySearch is recommending that *PAF* users move to another software program that has been certified to work with FamilySearch and the Family Tree. The three programs that are compatible with *PAF* and the New FamilySearch are Ancestral Quest, Legacy Family Tree and RootsMagic. *PAF* can still be downloaded at no cost until July 15th from [here](#) (click on the large name Personal Ancestral File) and you will be able to use it as long as you want; you will just not be able to call for customer support. One of our volunteers has been using *PAF* for years and sees no reason to change now. Don't forget that you can transfer your genealogical data from *PAF* to another program using a GEDCOM file (or between two programs, although there may be some data loss). If you need to know how to do this, let the Bulletin know. The FamilySearch Wiki has a list of genealogy programs and some helpful pointers [here](#).

Oxford County Library – Genealogical Resources Online

The New England historic Genealogical Society Weekly eNewsletter highlighted resources at the Oxford (Ontario) County Public Library this week. The databases and indexes included online at the [Oxford County Library](#) include births, deaths and marriages from Ingersoll newspapers, vital statistics from the town of Ingersoll, genealogical records like wills 1793-1858, cemetery indexes, land records 1798-1852 and indexes for various books.

No films were received in the week ending June 27th.

A patron wishing to view a film ordered by another should check first with staff. The description of the film given above may not be a full description but a search in the FamilySearch catalog will reveal the full content. The geographical abbreviations are Chapman codes.

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For a copy of a searchable listing of all films, fiche, CDs and books held at the Toronto Family History Centre in pdf format, click [here](#).

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