

# NBGS MIRAMICHI BRANCH NEWS LETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As we start a new year, I would like to thank the membership for a very successful 2013 and hope it continues throughout this year. On behalf of the executive committee, I would like to thank all the volunteers that gave their time and expertise during the various festivals and activities during 2013. In this upcoming year, we hope to expand the offerings on our website and make the monthly meetings more of an active help and research activity.

*Calvin Stewart, President*

## BRANCH NEWS

### Fall 2013 NBGS Miramichi Meeting Summary

October's meeting was well attended and our speaker, John McKay, did a fine job telling us about his splendid trip to Scotland. He had plenty of photos to share and the Library's new computer/Power Point system made them clear and easy to follow.

The November meeting was our Annual meeting at which officers for the Branch were acclaimed or voted in. We also did some research on the Stewards/ Stewarts of Chatham in response to a letter from a far off member. A thank you letter was received from that person recently. Unfortunately, not much was found about the family in question.

The January meeting was also well attended. After a brief meeting, we had a genealogy show 'n' tell and

some very interesting objects were shown: a wooden carved yarn ball holder was brought in by Elsie Stefanyk; Nancy Avery Easter brought a teabag rest, a wooden fan, an Eskimo carving of a seal made of whalebone or tooth, a tiny shaving kit in a leather case, about 2 ½ inches square! Della O'Neill brought an 1892 book of instruction called 'The Business Guide' and her sister, Doris Taylor, brought several items including an autograph book with a verse dated 1884, a section of the Chatham Gazette newspaper from 1943, and several schoolbooks from 1896. Mary Ann Riordan Barry brought a cursive writing practice book (completed) from 1919. And I brought a copy of a painting done by uncle John Lars Johnson painted before 1933. All told, it was an enjoyable evening.

I must remind members to get their 2014 membership sent in. Be sure to notify us of any change of address, phone or email as well as the surnames you are interested in researching. The membership form was printed in the Winter issue of generations.

For continued access to our website, please remit your 2014 membership dues before Feb. 28.

*Submitted by Judy Vautour*

During the wintery months, why not visit and support our local Libraries located in Newcastle and Chatham.

### ***Library Fall/Winter/Spring Hours:***

#### **Newcastle**

Tuesday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Friday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
*Closed on Sundays & Mondays*

### ***Library Fall/Winter/Spring hours:***

#### **Chatham**

Tuesday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Friday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
*Closed on Sundays & Mondays*

***Members!*** Do not forget to thank our officers for their time and efforts on our behalf:

### **Know Your Officers for 2014**

Past President	Anna MacDonald
President	Calvin Stewart
Vice-President	Marshall Gaston
Treasurer	Elsie Stefanyk
Secretary	John Fogan
Directors	Donna Kelly William (Bill) Donald Marilyn Creamer-Fowler
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Membership Programs & PR	Judy Vautour Judy Vautour

### **Requesting Help!** **Please Help Us to Help You.**

It has come to our attention that the new death certificates posted at PANB Online often contain the place of burial of the deceased. Some of our members have been sending us this information when they discover that it is missing from our cemetery transcriptions.

Often, as we transcribed the tombstones, we noted that several stones seemed to be missing or they had deteriorated to the point where they could not be read. As well, people were sometimes buried with no marker. These, of course, are not included in our cemetery transcriptions.

We are currently updating our records with new tombstone information and also with some church records that we have been able to obtain for people buried with no stone. We would really appreciate it if you would take the time to send us any **Northumberland County** records you locate of burials that are **NOT** listed in our cemetery publications.

This information may be titled "Cemetery Updates" and sent to: [dmullin@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:dmullin@nbnet.nb.ca)  
or  
[membership@nbgsmiramichi.org](mailto:membership@nbgsmiramichi.org)

Be sure to include sources for any information provided. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

### **Newsletter Publications**

We welcome any and all news for publication in our newsletter from our members. It doesn't matter whether you live in the Miramichi area, Australia or anywhere in between, we would like to hear from you! Write a few lines or several paragraphs to share your experiences as you travel down the genealogy path.

The deadline for submissions to the next newsletter will be April 15, 2014. Submissions may be e-mailed to [dbharp@earthlink.net](mailto:dbharp@earthlink.net), or mailed to:

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P.O. Box 403  
Miramichi, NB E1N 3A8

### ***SERIES CONTINUED***

## ***The Family of Allan MacDonald and Sophia Bremner***

by

### **Ken Richardson and Carole Doyle Roberts**

This is the next article in this series on the children of Alexander MacDonald and Grace MacLean of Bartibog, Northumberland County, NB. While much has been written about Alexander and Grace and their stone house at Bartibog Bridge, there has not been any recent detailed account of their children and grandchildren, of whom there were many. Every attempt will be made in this series to detail the genealogy of their children and grandchildren within the limits of space available. Readers should appreciate that additional details have been collected by the authors who are interested in sharing with others researching the MacDonald family. Rather than include footnotes for the genealogical and other details provided, reference will be made to most sources in the text of the article. All references to locations are in Northumberland County, NB unless otherwise noted.

Author's Further Introduction:

This second article will address Allan MacDonald, the 10<sup>th</sup> child of Alexander and Grace MacLean. Both authors are directly descended from Allan MacDonald and his wife, Sophia Bremner. Future articles in the series will address the remaining children, in chronological order, for the most part.

## **The Family of James MacDonald and Catherine Taylor**

**(Part I)**

by

**Ken Richardson**

This second article in the series on the children of Alexander MacDonald and Grace MacLean of Bartibog addresses James MacDonald, their eldest child, and his wife, Catherine Taylor. While much has been written about Alexander and Grace and their stone house at Bartibog Bridge, there has not been any recent, detailed account of their children and grandchildren. An attempt has been made to summarize a substantial body of work on this family into the limits of space available. The author is interested in sharing that complete body of work with others researching this MacDonald family.

Rather than include footnotes for the genealogical and other details provided, reference is made to most sources in the text. All locations listed are in Northumberland County, NB, Canada, unless otherwise noted. Throughout the article, the family name will be spelled "MacDonald" or "McDonald", interchangeably, often depending on the source from which the information was obtained.

Future articles in the series will address the remaining children of Alexander MacDonald and Grace MacLean, in chronological order for the most part.

### **JAMES MACDONALD (1792-1871)**

James MacDonald was born on 23 Dec 1792 in Bay du Vin and died about 23 May 1871 in Black River. He married Catherine Taylor, daughter of Patrick Taylor and Mary Handy on 04 Nov 1823 in Bartibog Bridge. She was born on 07 Jun 1803 in Bartibog, and died before 1891 in Glenelg Parish.

James MacDonald, son of Alexander MacDonald and Grace McLean, was likely born in the family home at Bay du Vin in about 1792. While no official record of his birth has yet been found, his parents, Alexander and Grace, were living on the south side of the Miramichi River in the Bay du Vin area until

after 1820. The MacDonald Family Bible (claimed to be in the hands of descendants of Donald MacDonald in Wisconsin, USA) indicates that James' birthdate was December 23, 1792, but this has not been verified.

During the period 1810 to 1812, James McDonald was granted a tract of land, comprising 325 acres, on the south side of Black River in Glenelg Parish, in an area known as Hexham. (This lot was probably designated as Lot #2.) To the west, it adjoined a lot granted to J.M.C. Delesdernier and Benjamin Marston; a lot that was later purchased by James' father, Alexander, and sold to James in 1826. The "Hexham Cache" for the Northumberland County Militia was located on the 325 acre property.

The marriage of James MacDonald to Catherine Taylor is reported in the records of St. Peter & St. Paul's RC Church, Bartibog Bridge as having occurred on November 4, 1823. Witnesses were Alexander Davidson and Christina Annabella MacDonald (probably his sister) and several others. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. Dollard, RC Priest, Bartibog Bridge. The text from the church record reads as follows: "*On Tuesday the fourth of November, Eighteen hundred and twenty-three, I undersigned Missionary Priest, after the publication of Banns, having found no canonical impediment and having received the mutual consent of James, son of Alexander McDonald and Grace Mclean on the one part; and of Catherine, daughter of the late Patrick Taylor and the late Mary Handy on the other part: have married them according to the Rites of the catholic church in the presence of Alexander Davidson, Christiana Isabel (sic) McDonald and several others. Signed: W. Dollard, Priest*"

On March 2, 1826, James McDonald purchased from his parents, for £200, a lot of land of 140 acres, on the south side of the Black River. That lot was immediately west of his 325 acres land grant at Hexham, NB and was bounded on the west by Lot 5, granted to John McLean. Witnesses were Donald Fraser (his brother-in-law) and Alexander McDonald (probably his brother). Later on October 10, 1826, James McDonald and his wife, Catherine, sold their grant lot of 325 acres at Hexham, NB to James' brother, Alexander McDonald, Jr. for the

sum of £200. Witnesses were James' other brothers, Donald and Ranald McDonald.

On October 7, 1837, James MacDonald and his wife, Catherine, sold to Donald Fraser (his brother-in-law and husband of Christina Annabella MacDonald) part of the 140 acre lot on the south side of Black River which he had purchased in 1826 (see above). The exact size of the Donald Fraser lot was not recorded and the purchase price was £2. This transaction was not filed until 1862.

*Note: Some sources claim, incorrectly, that James MacDonald was a Major in the British Army and fought in the Battle of Waterloo with the 78th Highlanders. The truth is that James was an officer (Major) in the Northumberland County Militia (1st Battalion) and was made second in command in 1839. His farm at Bay du Vin was used as a parade ground for the Battalion. Possibly in recognition of his rank in the militia, family lore claims that James was known as "Jimmie Major".*

In the 1851 Census, James McDonald is living in Glenelg Parish in a household with his wife, Catherine (Taylor) MacDonald, and 7 children, ages 9 to 26 years. His age is given as 59 (DOB abt. 1792), having been born in New Brunswick of Scottish origin. His occupation is stated to be Farmer and he is the proprietor of the farm.

In the 1861 and 1871 Censuses, James McDonald is living in Glenelg Parish in a household with his wife, Catharine (Taylor), and 3 adult children. His DOB is about 1791-1792, having been born in New Brunswick. His occupation is stated to be Farmer/Fisher and his religion is given as RC. In the 1871 Census, living in the same household, is a 13-year old boy, James McDonald. It is likely that this is James' grandson, whose parents are Mary MacDonald (James daughter) and her husband, Ranald MacDonald.

The interment of James MacDonald, age 80, of Black River is reported in the Burial Records of St. Michael's RC Church, Chatham as having occurred on May 25, 1871 at St. Michael's RC Cemetery, Chatham. No date of death is provided, however, it can be assumed that death was only a few days before interment. The interment was reported by Rev. Dixon, RC Priest, Chatham.

The grave marker for James McDonald is located in St. Michael's RC Cemetery, Chatham and contains the following inscription: "*McDonald, Janet d. Oct 28, 1848 - age 14; Daughter of James and Catherine McDonald; Her father: James McDonald, d. May 26, 1871 - age 80*". No explanation has been found for the difference between the interment date reported in the Burial Records and the date of death inscribed on the grave marker.

In a will, dated April 26, 1871, James McDonald, Sr., of Black River, left all of his real and personal estate to his son, Alexander McDonald. That will was filed on July 14, 1871.

### **CATHERINE TAYLOR (1803 – BEF. 1891)**

The baptism of Catherine Taylor, daughter of Peter Taylor, Ploughman (Farmer) and Mary Handy, (*Note: This may be "Handley" or "Hanley", which were common names in the area.*) inhabitants of Miramichi, is reported in the records of St. Peter & St. Paul's RC Church, Bartibog Bridge as having occurred on June 30, 1803 with the birth occurring on June 7, 1803. Godparents were Florent Robichaud and Catherine Catchern? (unclear) and the ceremony performed by Rev. Joyer, RC Priest, Bartibog Bridge.

The church record for Catherine's marriage to James MacDonald in 1823 states that both of her parents were deceased. According to family lore, Catherine Taylor was the granddaughter of a "Captain" Alexander Taylor, an officer in the Northumberland County Militia and a militia colleague of James' father, Alexander.

In the 1851 to 1871 Censuses, Catherine McDonald (Taylor) is living in Glenelg Parish, in a household with her husband, James McDonald, and children of various ages. She is said to have been born in New Brunswick of Scottish origin in about 1804.

In the 1881 Census, Catherine McDonald is living in Glenelg Parish, in a household with her son, Alexander; her daughter, Ezabella (Isabella); and two grandchildren: James McDonald, age 22, (the son of Mary MacDonald and Ranald MacDonald);

and Mary McDonald (*Note: It should state Mary Margaret Cameron*), age 5, the daughter of Flora MacDonald and Donald Cameron. Catherine is stated to be a Widow and Alexander the Head of the household. Catherine's age is given as 75 (DOB abt. 1806).

No record has been found for the death of Catherine Taylor but it can reasonably be assumed that she died before the 1891 Census was taken as, at that time, she does not appear either living with her family (as recorded in 1881), or elsewhere in Northumberland County.

James MacDonald and Catherine had the following nine children: Details on their two oldest children, Mary and Grace, are provided here in Part I. Details on the other seven children will be provided in Part II to be published in the Spring issue.

1. Mary MacDonald b. 1825
2. Grace MacDonald b. 1826
3. Catherine MacDonald b. 1829
4. Margaret MacDonald b. 1831
5. Janet MacDonald b. 1834
6. Isabella MacDonald b. 1836 (twin)
7. Annabella MacDonald b. 1836 (twin)
8. Alexander MacDonald b. 1839
9. Ellen Flora MacDonald b. 1842

### **CHILDREN OF JAMES MACDONALD AND CATHERINE TAYLOR**

**I. MARY MACDONALD** was born on 09 Jan 1825 in Black River and died in 1897 in Auburnville. She married Ranald MacDonald, son of Alexander MacDonald and Barbara Murdoch, on 08 Feb 1853 in Chatham. He was born about 1817 in New Brunswick and died in 1896 in Auburnville. It is likely that Ranald MacDonald was the brother of Donald MacDonald, who married Grace, another daughter of James MacDonald and Catherine Taylor.

The baptism of Mary MacDonald, daughter of James McDonald and Catherine Taylor, is reported in the records of St. Peter & St. Paul's RC Church, Bartibog Bridge as having occurred on March 17, 1825 with birth on January 9, 1825. Sponsors at the baptism were John English and Margaret

MacDonald and the ceremony performed by Rev. William Dollard, RC Priest, Bartibog Bridge. While the baptism is recorded at Bartibog Bridge (the nearest RC Church), it is likely that the birth occurred at home in Black River, NB.

In the 1851 Census, Mary McDonald is living in Glenelg Parish, in a household with her parents, James and Catherine MacDonald, and 6 siblings ages 9 to 22 years. Her age is given as 26 (DOB abt. 1825), having been born in New Brunswick of Scottish origin.

The marriage of Mary McDonnald (Mary MacDonald) to Ronnole McDonnald (Ranald MacDonald) is reported in the records of St. Michael's RC Church, Chatham as having occurred on February 8, 1853. Witnesses were John Noble and Ellen McDonald and the ceremony performed by Rev. R. Veriker (*Unclear*), RC Priest, Chatham.

In the 1861 through 1891 Censuses, Mary McDonald is living in Hardwicke Parish, in a household with her husband, Ranald McDonald, a Farmer, and children of various ages. Mary's DOB is stated to be about 1825-1826, having been born in New Brunswick and her religion, RC. She is not able to read or write. Mary MacDonald and Ronald MacDonald not appear in the 1901 Census in the family home in Hardwicke Parish.

The grave marker for Mary McDonald and Ronald McDonald is located in St. Margarets' RC Cemetery, St. Margarets and contains the following inscription: "*McDonald, Ronald 1817-1896; His wife: Mary 1825-1897*"

Mary MacDonald and Ranald MacDonald had the following children:

1. **Donald MacDonald** was born about 1853 in Hardwicke Parish, and died on 17 Nov 1945 in Auburnville. He married Julia Lynch, daughter of John Lynch and Anne Hackett, on 12 Nov 1891 in Upper Bay du Vin. She was born on 10 Jun 1865 in Wine River and died on 04 Apr 1962 in Auburnville.

2. **Alexander R. MacDonald** was born on 18 Jan 1856 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 15 Oct 1937 in Auburnville. He married Bridget Power, daughter of Thomas Power and Jane Cook, on 13 Feb 1895

in Upper Bay du Vin. She was born on 26 Dec 1868 in Wine River and died on 01 Mar 1947 in Chatham.

3. **Catherine MacDonald** was born about 1856 in Hardwicke Parish, and died after 1871.

4. **James M. MacDonald** was born on 24 Dec 1858 in Hardwicke Parish, and died on 02 Oct 1937 in Black River. He married Bridget Flanagan, daughter of John Flanagan and Catherine Dunn, on 30 Sep 1896 in St. Margarets. She was born on 12 Dec 1866 in St. Margarets and died in 1966 in Black River.

5. **Barbara MacDonald** was born about 1859 in Hardwicke Parish and died after 1871.

6. **Jane Elizabeth MacDonald** was born on 29 Jun 1861 in Auburnville, and died on 01 Oct 1939 in Auburnville.

7. **Charles Peter MacDonald** was born on 03 Mar 1863 in Auburnville, and died on 06 Mar 1949 in Chatham.

8. **Ronald Christopher MacDonald** was born on 05 Jan 1865 in Hardwicke Parish and died before 1881 in Hardwicke Parish.

9. **Adam Gordon MacDonald** was born on 13 Jun 1868 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 30 Oct 1949 in Los Angeles, CA, USA. He married Ora E. Garrity, daughter of Michael Garrity and Sarah [--?--], on 01 Sep 1909 in King, Kent County, Washington, USA. She was born on 10 Oct 1877 in Indiana, USA and died on 03 Mar 1962 in Los Angeles, CA, USA.

10. **Rogers David MacDonald** was born about 1876 in Hardwicke Parish and died before 1891 in Hardwicke Parish.

II **GRACE MACDONALD** was born about 20 Jul 1826 in Black River and died in 1915 in Hardwicke Parish. She married Donald McDonald, son of Alexander MacDonald and Barbara Murdoch, on 21 Apr 1846 in Chatham. He was born about 1819 in New Brunswick and died on 09 Mar 1899 in Hardwicke Parish.

The baptism of Gracey McDonald, daughter of James McDonald and Catherine Taylor, is reported in the records of St. Patrick's RC Church, Nelson as having occurred on September 11, 1826 with birth on about July 20, 1826. The sponsors were Alexander Davidson (*Note: This is a possible error and should be Alexander McDonald, her grandfather.*) and Gracey MacLean (her grandmother) and the ceremony performed by Rev. W. Dollard, RC Priest, Nelson, NB. According to this record, Gracey was born "*about the twentieth of last July*", which will be assumed to be July 20, 1826. As well, the birth will be assumed to have occurred at home in Black River, NB.

The marriage of Grace MacDonald, daughter of James MacDonald and Catherine Taylor, of the Parish of Glenelg to Donald McDonald, a Yeoman, is reported in the records of St. Michael's RC Church, Chatham as having occurred on April 21, 1846, following publication of banns and after dispensing in the third and fourth degrees of consanguinity. Witnesses were James MacDonald and Michael Blanche and the ceremony performed by Rev. Sweeney. The marriage is also reported in *Northumberland County: Early Marriages* as having occurred on April 21, 1846.

In the 1851 to 1891 Censuses, Grace McDonald is living in Glenelg or Hardwicke Parish in a household with her husband, Donald McDonald (a Farmer), and children of various ages. Her DOB is stated to be about 1827, having been born in New Brunswick of Scottish origin and her religion is RC. She is able to write but not read.

In the 1901 Census, Grace McDonald, a Widow, is living in Chatham Parish in a household with her daughter, Janet; her son-in-law, David Duplessis; 7 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; and a 26 year old Domestic Servant. In the 1911 Census, Grace is living in Hardwicke Parish in a household with her son, James McDonald; his wife, Etta; and their 6 children.

The grave marker for Grace MacDonald is located in St. Michael's By The Sea RC Cemetery, Miramichi Bay and contains the following inscription: "*In memory of: Grace 1827-1915; Wife of: Donald MacDonald*". No dates are provided for

Donald. The grave marker for Donald A. McDonald can be found in St. Margaret's RC Cemetery, St. Margarets and contains the following inscription: "*Donald A. McDonald, d. March 9, 1899 - age 79*". According to the NBGS Miramichi Branch publication "*The Cemeteries of Glenelg Parish, Northumberland County, NB*", this marker was broken in two and lying flat on the ground.

Grace MacDonald and Donald McDonald had the following children:

1. **Janet A. MacDonald** was born about 1847 in Glenelg Parish and died on 26 Sep 1925 in Chatham. She married David Duplessis, son of Benjamin Duplessis and Christina [--?--] on 05 Nov 1866 in Chatham. He was born about 1837 in New Brunswick and died on 21 Apr 1907 in Chatham.
2. **Catherine MacDonald** was born about 1849 in Glenelg Parish and died on 15 Aug 1866 in Lower Bay du Vin.
3. **Barbara Anne MacDonald** was born about 1851 in Glenelg Parish and died after 1911. She married Donald MacDonald, son of John MacDonald and Jessie Morrison, on 03 Aug 1878 in St. Margarets. He was born on 17 Nov 1846 in Northumberland County and died on 28 Apr 1927 in Bayside.
4. **James MacDonald** was born on 11 Sep 1854 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 18 Jul 1938 in Hardwicke Village. He married Etta Savoie, daughter of David Savoy and Catherine Bresnahan, on 19 Apr 1897 in Point Sapin, Kent County, NB. She was born on 19 May 1880 in Franklin, ME, USA and died on 08 Jul 1939 in Chatham.
5. **Alexander MacDonald** was born on 30 Apr 1857 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 05 Aug 1866 in Lower Bay du Vin.
6. **Isabella MacDonald** was born on 13 Aug 1859 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 30 Jul 1866 in Lower Bay du Vin.
7. **Ranald MacDonald** was born on 24 Dec 1861 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 16 Sep 1866 in Lower Bay du Vin.

8. **Mary Margaret MacDonald** was born on 27 May 1866 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 23 Jul 1918 in Bay St. Anne. She married William Alexander Jenkins, son of Robert Jenkins and Barbara Blanch, on 06 Jan 1892 in Escuminac. He was born on 02 Oct 1866 in Eel River Bridge and died on 03 Jul 1934 in Chatham.

9. **Catherine Isabella MacDonald** was born on 02 Jan 1869 in Hardwicke Parish and died on 06 Oct 1943 in Bay du Vin. She married Patrick Carroll, son of Thomas Carroll and Catherine Walsh in about 1893-1894. He was born on 17 Feb 1857 in New Brunswick and died on 28 Aug 1912 in Hardwicke Parish.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The author of this article assumes all responsibility for its contents and any errors or omissions are his responsibility alone. Research assistance on the MacDonald Family was provided by Carman Williston of Miramichi, NB, and editorial assistance by Carole Doyle-Roberts of Jacquet River, NB. That assistance is greatly appreciated.

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## END OF PART I

(Part II to be published in the Spring Issue)

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## CONTINUING SERIES:

### KENT CO. MARRIAGES 1845 - 1887

(Film 1247, Vol. 2, couples by male names)

Couple	Date
<b>Thibault</b> , Marcel, Palmerston Par.	5 Feb. 1866
<b>Martin</b> , Gertrude, Hardwicke Par.	
Wit: Augustu Thibault & Marie Rose Martin	

**Fallon**, James, Newcastle Par. 13 Sept. 1866

**McEwen**, Mary, Richibucto Par.  
Wit: Patrick & Mary Ann Desmond

**Sargent**, John, Carleton Par. 19 Jul. 1866  
**Murphy**, Catherine, Glenelg Par.  
Wit: Edward Wells & M. Cain Carter

**Clark**, James, Carleton Par. 9 Jul. 1866  
**Martin**, Catherine, Carleton Par.  
Wit: Edward Clark & Anne Redmond

**Williston**, Robert Abel, Hardwicke Par.  
8 Sept. 1866

**McDonald**, Margaret, Hardwicke Par.  
Wit: Thomas A. Kelly & Elizabeth Wade

**Cameron**, James, Glenelg Par. 25 Jul. 1867  
**Jones**, Sarah Elizabeth, Weldford Par.  
Wit: John Campbell & Annie Jones

**McDonald**, John A., Glenelg Par. 18 Dec. 1867  
**McDonald**, Margaret, Carleton Par.  
Wit: Peter M. Roy & Mary McDonald

*Submitted by Carolyn Harris*

## STRAYS FROM AWAY

**Roy MALTBY** of Amherst, NS, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly at home Tuesday October 15, 2013. Roy, born in Amherst on April 08, 1936, was the son of the late Frederick William MALTBY and Pearl Gwendolyn (BROWN) MALTBY of Newcastle. Roy is survived by his wife of 57 years Evelyn (CROSSMAN), son Stephen (Kathy), daughter Shauna MALTBY-DOANE (Rick), grandsons Christopher and Mitchell MALTBY, granddaughter Lauren DOANE, brother Walter (Beverly) MALTBY of Amherst and several nieces and nephews. Roy was predeceased by his parents, his son David MALTBY in 1980, his granddaughter Marlee MALTBY in 1992, brother Edward MALTBY in 2012 and a half brother Frederick of Quebec in the sixties., Funeral Service on October 19, 2013 at the



First Baptist Church in Amherst with burial at the Amherst Cemetery following the reception.

[www.furlongjones.ca](http://www.furlongjones.ca) Source: Moncton Times-Transcript, October 17, 2013

**HAZEN F SMITH:** Husband of Marguerite (GIROUARD) SMITH passed away in Quispamsis, NB on October 15, 2013. Born in Lower Newcastle on April 02, 1917, he was the son of the late Albert and Margaret (MacDONALD) SMITH. During a 37 year career with Corrections Canada he served in several senior positions including Warden of Dorchester Penitentiary in N.B., Warden of Kingston, ON Director of Inmate Training and Social Development at the Penitentiary headquarters in Ottawa, and Member of the National Parole Board for the Atlantic Region. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter Alyce (Clarence) WALSH, a son Mark (Bonnie) SMITH, grandsons Richard, Timothy, and Christopher, great grandchildren Lianne and Andy WALSH, as well as sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, Hazen was predeceased by all of his siblings: sisters, Sr. Alice SMITH, & Margaret HOWARD, and brothers, Rev. James SMITH, Leonard, Percy, Raymond, Harold and Reginald.

There will be no visitation at the Funeral Home by request. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Bernard's Roman Catholic Church on October 18, 2013. Interment will be at Our Lady of Calvary Cemetery in Dieppe, N.B.

[www.tuttlefuneralhome.ca](http://www.tuttlefuneralhome.ca) Source: Fredericton Daily Gleaner, October 16, 2013

### *Additions to our cupboard*

#### **A Personal Genealogy of My Paternal Ancestors:**

The Atkinsons, Boundys, Urquharts and Ramsays  
*Donated by member Gwen Sinclair.*

**My Heart is In the Highlands** (William Davidson (John Godsmen) 1740-1790

The book was presented to the Club of Deir - a talk by Neil Gordon after his visit to the Miramichi in 2012

*Thanks to John McKay.*

**“M” Volume 5 Obituaries** by NBGS Miramichi Branch

### *Queries: Maybe you can help*

We would deeply appreciate any information you can send us about early settlers: **John Noble** (b 1757, Snow Hill, Maryland, Loyalist); **Ann Malcolm** (his wife?), and any member of the **Cram** family (circa 1785 to 1800).

Thank you,  
The Editors

To submit your query on a Northumberland County family:

E-mail [dmullin@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:dmullin@nbnet.nb.ca)

and I will post it on the Miramichi genealogy website at [www.nbgsmiramichi.org](http://www.nbgsmiramichi.org)

### ***New Brunswick: Logging on Colter's Crew***

About thirty years ago, six friends took a canoe trip through New Brunswick. New Brunswick is in eastern Canada. It is known for its forests, which have provided lumber for many people. The six friends decided to stay overnight in a deserted logging cabin in the Tudook deadwater area. While there, they found this poem (written by Eldon Norrad) in one of the cabinets in the old cabin.

It was in the early spring  
The log drives just began  
Colter sent us all upstream  
To bust a big log jam.

Buster Norrad and Alton were there  
George McKay and Lancey too  
So was I, the youngest guy  
That made up Ashely's crew

On the upper side of the jam  
The water was twenty feet high  
The logs were all packed so tight  
That the lower side was dry

We pulled and pried and swore a lot  
The log jam still held tight  
Said Alton Norrad "The hell with this  
We'll use the dynamite."

So we began to wire it up  
We'd blast it down to size  
Buster sat in the dried up creek  
He said he'd supervise

We finally had it wired up  
It was all set to blow  
We all got clear of the blast  
But Buster was too slow.

The dynamite blew the dam in two  
We heard an awful shriek  
As the water and logs came tumbling down  
And washed Buster down the creek.

Lancey jumped in after Buster  
Who was floating round the bend  
George jumped in to save him too  
But forgot he couldn't swim.

Alton ran to the water's edge  
To get a better view  
The bank was out from under him  
And Alton went in too.

Into the cold water he fell  
And disappeared in the fog  
Come to the surface and floated away  
On a twelve and a half foot log.

George was out there drowning  
His hands still flared the air  
When Alton floated by on that log  
He grabbed George by the hair.

Lancey held onto Buster  
He knew their chances were slim  
Just on top of the water falls  
He grabbed onto a limb.

Now Alton and George came floating by  
And with no way to stop  
Bumped into Lancey and Buster  
And they all went over the top.

They were all knocked unconscious  
And couldn't move a limb  
When every time someone floated by  
I was there to pull him in.

After a while they all came to  
Everyone seemed all right  
Their clothes were all wet and ragged  
They were a pitiful sight.

The next day they went to Colter  
To report the job was done  
Colter said "That's good my boys  
We've got another one."

Their faces turned all pale and white  
When they found out what was in store  
And Ashley stared in wonderment  
As they all fainted on the floor.

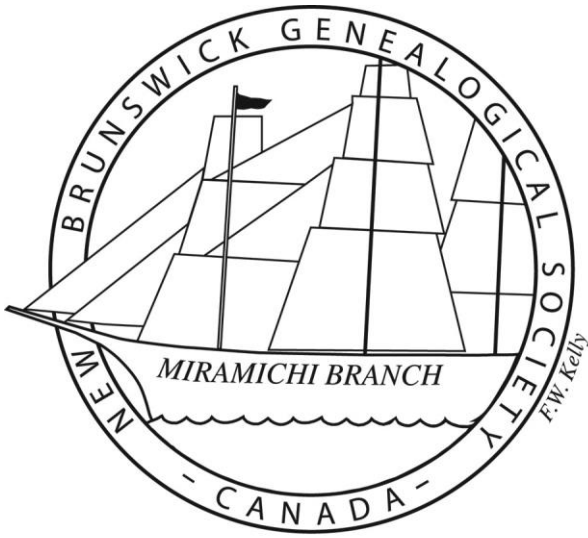
Some people may not believe this  
And will wonder if it's true  
A few of the facts are stretched a bit  
But I wouldn't lie to you.

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