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1 WELCOME:

Here is our first newsletter intentionally sent using our new distribution system. Since we have been forced to adopt this type of distribution by the rather "hard-nosed" tactics being implemented by Internet mail service companies (and ISP's) in their attempts to curb the waves of Spam we all seem to be submerging in, we thought we should explore it's possibilities in improving the look and ease of readability available with this format. I expect we will be making numerous changes as we go along, so don't be afraid to let me know how we are doing.

As promised last month we had a dig in our backlog and came up with another book which we have been looking to find a suitable place for in our production schedule. Perversely this book has been by-passed because it did not need a lot of "clean-up" and so was "saved" for just such an opportunity. We now realize this was a pity because this is one of those books where work came to a halt because we were reading it - NOT processing it!! Author James Hannay began his career as a journalist so readable prose was his stock-in-trade. Another fine book, well worth the reading.

We have also updated all our regular newsletter departments; News & Gossip and Family History Announcements, to keep up with, "happenings" & announcements during this genealogy "seasons."

NOTE: Text with a yellow background indicates the text is "boilerplate" which is used to hold the newsletter together but is only rarely updated.

2 WHATS IN THIS NEWSLETTER:

- A new digital reproduction of a history of Acadia and the Acadians published by James Hannay.
- A look at what's coming.
- All our news, gossip and announcements.

Remember this Newsletter is published for you so if you think we're missing something important, or something you would enjoy, drop me a line to: Malcolm@ArchiveCDBooks.ca.

Newsletters work best when they get a good circulation. We're doing our best to let people know about it but you could help us along by mentioning it to your genealogy buddies and generally spreading the word. Feel free to pass this copy along, but only in its complete form please.

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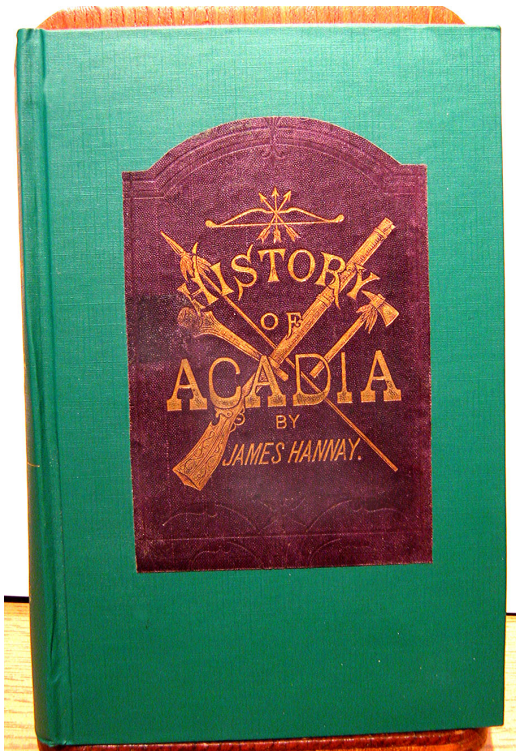
3.1 THE HISTORY OF ACADIA - 1879

CA0406: \$12.00 (on CD); CA0409-DL: \$9.00 (as a Download)

The title continues: *"from its first discovery to its surrender to England by the Treaty of Paris"*, by James Hannay (1842-1910).

The establishment of European settlers in Acadia seems almost a casual consequence of the explorations which were looking for a "NorthWest Passage to the Indies" and were sponsored by several European Kingdoms. As the reports from the early adventurers in the 1400 and 1500s began to reveal the potential of the north-west region for goods taken from both the land and the sea, it was the French King who finally mandated that a colony should be established in what has become Acadia.

It is the story-telling abilities of James Hannay - based on his extensive and careful research - which brings these events into our clear view, despite the highly chaotic and mostly greed based cross-purposes of the various Nationalistic expeditions. Hannay, himself says that it took him some 15 years of careful research to obtain (what he hoped was) an un-biased and verifiable data base allowing him to write this book as a true and factual account. And just when he thought he was in the final stages of publication he received news that his publisher's premises had burned in the great fire of St. John - together with all his printed and manuscript materials. Fortunately he had in his possession some 180 odd pages of the printed proofs, but he had to rewrite the other 200+ pages from memory before he could finally bring it to publication in 1879.



After the establishment of the initial Acadian colony, the French - as well as all the other Nationally and Self sponsored explorers - began to start other colonies across the length and depth of the eastern seaboard, making alliances with (or enemies of) the local indigenous people as they did so. It didn't take long for squabbling to break out between the colonies (especially if they had different National origins) although there were also stories of assistance in cases of hardship or misfortune. At "home"; France and England had been uneasy neighbors since they were able to cross the Channel in military strength and this unease was soon reflected in the various activities in the new colonies, finally resulting in military incursions and defenses. One of these "troubles" resulting in the British claiming Acadia as their own. Hannay avoids - as far as he could - any nationalistic rhetoric as he explores the actions and the resulting situations so his view casts a somewhat unfamiliar light, especially in the activities that led up to, and followed through the infamous "Expulsion of the Acadians." An event which is still reported by many as an atrocity, although executed by either the British OR the French depending on the reporter. Hannay brings us a much more realistic sounding report of a highly complex situation of intellectual / nationalistic differences which had no "fair" resolution, but did result in the removal of one of the opposing factions to a place where they could be free to live as they wished, and which avoided an alternate act of genocide.

In the broader concept, however, this was only a single event in the ongoing maneuvering for nationalistic territory which expanded to include all the settled areas north of the St Lawrence river and west as far as the remote end of Lake (now) Ontario. At this same time the Spanish were in a similar engagement in the South of the continent, so the two, France and Spain, decided to ally. Faced with what appeared to be an escalation which would threaten the stability of Europe, a meeting was called in Paris to resolve the issues and to assign conflicted territories in a "final peacemaking" settlement. Hannay remains very focused on the results this meeting had on Acadian, i.e., that France conceded most of its North American claims, including Cape Breton and most of the Gulf and Estuary Islands, to the British while retaining only the Islands of St Pierre and Miquelon for its own.

It was at this point in the ongoing history that Hannay decided to terminate his history, with the British Administration struggling to assimilate all the non-indigenous inhabitants who still bore an allegiance to France - or more accurately - to the life they had made for themselves under French "rule."

This is a very well written history book which is readable enough to enjoy simply as a good story - well told. At the same time however, it contains all the facts and figures a student would need and these facts are made easily available by our highly accurate (hand edited) "every word" electronic search index- the basis of the pdf reader App's "Find" or "Search" function. We have also enhanced the CD media versions of this reproduction with our FastFind technology which eliminates almost all of searching waits.

4 COMING SOON

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We have found another book in our backlog which we think you will welcome to our shelves. As we seem to have wandered into a concentration of "Atlantic Province" materials this is another from Newfoundland before it joined the Canadian confederation.

Our other "on-going" and lower priority projects are still awaiting their opportunities, while other "Private Archiving" projects - of course - receive the attention they deserve and we try to limit the time we have to spend on the purely administrative side.

5 NEWS & GOSSIP

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If any of you have genealogy related questions of a general nature - or something specifically related to Archive CD Books - we'd be glad to publish your question in this newsletter so you can tap into the enormous fund of knowledge which I know is out there.

Posted: April 2016: **NEW EVENT DURING TORONTO 2016 CONFERENCE - NEW:**

On Friday 3 June, there is a NEW EVENT being offered by the Toronto OGS branch - in association with the 2016 OGS Conference:

Registration is open for "Spadina's Austin Family and the Great War", a full-day program at the Spadina Museum, (home of Toronto's prominent Austin family). Included is: a guided tour of the mansion; a boxed lunch; exploring the grounds and gardens; two expert presentations (about the Great War and its aftermath).

This is a unique opportunity for anyone with an interest in early 20th century Toronto, social history or the First World War.

Registrants may choose to travel from the Conference centre on the provided bus or join the group at the Spadina Museum.

For further details and registration information, visit the [Toronto Branch website](#).

Posted: May 2016: **HOME CHILDREN PETITION - UPDATE!:**

Congratulations are due to the Canadian British Home Children group who organized a petition for an "official" apology to the Home Children - the children who were sent here from the United Kingdom in 1869 to the 1940s to work on farm and as domestics. It was reported on 16 May that the petition had been presented to "the House" and will now be considered when time can be found in the parliamentary schedule.

Posted: May 2016: **FREE TORONTO HISTORY LECTURE: - NEW**

This year's free Toronto History Lecture will take place at the **City of Toronto Archives**, on the evening of Wednesday August 3, so **mark up your calendar now**.

The Toronto Branch of the OGS are currently inviting proposals from potential speakers for lectures on any aspect of Toronto history:- "Do you or does someone you know have a story to tell?" Download our full call for details. The deadline for submissions is June 10.

<http://torontofamilyhistory.org/call-thl-2016/>

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6 WE'RE ON FACEBOOK[\(goto Contents\)](#)

We use our Facebook page to spread the word about notable events, special offers and just plain old "scuttlebutt" which we think will be of interest to Canadian genealogists, and which may have a short "shelf life." To me, being a Canadian genealogist means having roots in other parts of the World as well as right here. In an effort to keep focused on the Canadian content I try to filter out a lot of the vast wave of US (only) news which tend to overwhelmed most other news sources.

We made only 6 posts on our Facebook page in the last month. (It was a very short month for us because of newsletter publication dates.) From these our "Top3" posts are below:

1. A comment about a TV series originating in Australia, and now migrating to the UK which attempts to identify Gt War Lost "Diggers / Tomies" from "found" photographs.
2. The Canadiana (not for profit, government sponsored) web site have posted a database of Canadian records of "Aboriginal Soldiers."
3. Our Facebook release of last month's "A History of Newfoundland" digital reproduction.

We like to think of our Facebook page as a compliment to this Newsletter, and sometimes as a quicker reacting extension. It also allows "members" to react and express their POV,

Add your "Like" to our FB page and be "in the know" as it happens.

If you are already a Facebook member then you can find the Archive CD Books Canada wall by searching for our name or at: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchiveCDBooksCanada>

If you have not yet joined Facebook you can use the same URL but you will need to "sign in" before you can read our wall.

If you have an item which you would like us to give a public airing on Facebook (and you don't wish to do it yourself) - or if you wish to have it posted in this newsletter then send it to me at: Malcolm@ArchiveCDBooks.ca and we'll see what we can do. (Please indicate that you would prefer we post it on Facebook otherwise we may leave it to be posted in the newsletter.)

7 FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS[\(goto Contents\)](#)

We can include your Family History Societies announcements if you tell us what they are. Please give us AT LEAST one month's notice.

3 - 5th
June, 2016

THE ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (OGS)

The OGS Conference will be held in Toronto's International Plaza Hotel. This is near Pearson International Airport, on Dixon Rd. and was also the venue of the 2010 conference - one of the most successful venues we have been to. This is going to be an "Action Packed" 3 day event with an "all star" line up of speakers.

Early registrations are confirming previous hope for a greater than 800 delegate attendance at this event, and the OGS continues to provide weekly updates on progress, and additions the the schedule of events. NOTE: Some "off site" events are already close to capacity so visit the website (above) and make sure of your place.

Our space in "the marketplace" is confirmed so we can hardly wait to see all our old friends again - and to make a whole host of new ones! We should be able to bring about 1,000 or 25% of our catalogued CD titles, but if there is something you especially want to see let us know what it is and we can make sure it's there for you to see (no obligation to buy!) Remember to bring your "portable drive" if you if you want to buy a "download" product.

The organizers are doing a Stellar job on publicizing and "advancing" this event so use the following link to find all about it - and make your reservation: www.ogs.on.ca/conference/

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9 - 11th
September,

BRITISH ISLES FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY OF GREATER OTTAWA.

The British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa (BIFHSGO) is hosting its 22nd Annual Conference in the Ben Franklin Place, 101 Centrepointe Drive, Nepean, Ontario. This is always a well attended conference with multiple presentation streams and an extensive Marketplace.

Our space in “the marketplace” is confirmed and we plan to bring our full “roadshow” kit. This is the same spectacular atrium setting where we were delighted to bring a mini-display of our products in early in May. If there is something you especially want to see let us know what it is and we can make sure it’s there for you to see (no obligation to buy!) Remember to bring your “portable drive” if you if you want to buy a “download” product.

More information, including advance registration can be found on: <http://www.bifhsgo.ca>

26 - 28th
September,

KELOWNA AND DISTINCT SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Every second year, the Kelowna and Distinct Society of British Columbia, has a large conference entitled, “Harvest Your Family Tree”.

This conference is a three-day event which will be held this year in Kelowna There will be eight keynote speakers who are coming from as far as Australia, Rhode Island, Salt Lake City, Regina, and Victoria. Well known speaker’s names include Dave Obee from British Columbia, Maureen Taylor from the United States, and Helen V. Smith from Brisbane, Australia.

Registration forms are available from the Kelowna & District Genealogical Society:

- As printed forms at the KDGS Genealogical Reference Library, located on the second floor of the downtown branch of the Kelowna Library on Ellis Street.
- Or from their website at www.kdgs.ca
- You can also contact them by email at conference@kdgs.ca, or by phone at 250-763-7159.

21 - 23rd
October,

THE GREAT CANADIAN GENEALOGY SUMMIT.

The Great Canadian Genealogy Summit is being held at the Courtyard Marriott - Brampton, Ontario, Canada.

“Derived out of a passion for family history, three Canadian genealogists banded together to develop a conference structure which has a mission to promote Canadian genealogists by providing a platform to showcase their talents as well as share their knowledge and passion for genealogy with others.” There are 5 sessions, each with two streams to chose from, plus add-on “field” trips available.

Full information and registration at: <http://www.cangensummit.ca/product/full-weekend-registration/>

16 - 18th
June, 2017

ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY.

“Our Canada — Your Family: Building a Nation” is the title and the theme of the annual Ontario Genealogical Society Conference. It will be held in Ottawa, at Algonquin College and will be hosted by the Ottawa Branch OGS.

To ask questions, please contact the Conference 2017 Program Committee at: <mailto:program.conference2017@ogs.on.ca>.

The following article will also give potential delegates the opportunity to participate in the “150th anniversary of the birth of Canada” events in the Capital and to view the results of the more than year long program aimed at “Improving” the look of the Capital. There is an article on this here:

<http://www.torontosun.com/2016/01/27/ottawa-facing-biggest-urban-overhaul-in-a-half-century>

8 GENERAL NOTICES ABOUT CONFERENCES WE ATEND.

We can only bring a "selection" (generally about 1,000) of the several thousands of CDs in our catalogue, so if you have a particular title you want to see, let us know in time for us to include it in our packing. We will keep it aside for you but there is NO OBLIGATION TO BUY if it is not what you were hoping for. eMail: Malcolm@ArchiveCDBooks.ca

We also have "soft copies" of everything on our computers, for you to view, and will take your orders for hard (CD) copies - OR we will do an instant download to YOUR portable storage media (including Gleanings), at the normal show discounts.

(NEW: We can also take your order for a digital download (where available) but it will take a couple of days for us to set it up for you. If you are in a hurry it is probably better for you to order it online. Our shopping cart will get it ready for you to download right away.)

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT EMAIL:

Mail filters are becoming very aggressive and we are still getting newsletter subscriptions from addresses which subsequently reject our confirmation notices and postings. (We are routinely getting several reject notices a month - in spite of unsubscribing people after their third sequential rejection!) If you hear of someone complaining that we ignored their newsletter subscription, or that we have stopped delivering to them, please tell them to check their rejected messages and to edit their personal filter to accept the ArchiveCDBooks.ca domain or the Malcolm@ArchiveCDBooks.ca address. THANK YOU!

ADDITIONAL NOTE: Many ISP's are now using networked "black-list" filters to prevent bulk "Abuse". Don't forget to put our addresses (above) on your ISPs "allow" or "white-list" so this news letter doesn't finish up in the Trash bin. Well, not before you have read it anyway.

7 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED BOOKS:

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All our newly released books are listed on the "home" page of our new web site. Go to:

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