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Passenger Manifests for the Port of Boston

The State of Massachusetts began recording the names of persons arriving on ships arriving in Boston harbor on the first of January 1848 and continued the practice until the first of July 1891. On that second date, the federal government took over the tracking of arrivals to the United States and the efforts of the State of Massachusetts were ended. However, over one million immigrants had been recorded by the state during the 42 years 6 months that the state monitored these arrivals.

The Massachusetts Archives have recruited volunteers to transcribe those arrival records and a computerized database is now on line. This is a long-term project, however, and the database is updated on a monthly basis.

Genealogical records at the Massachusetts Archives may be accessed at <u>http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/arcgen/genidx.htm</u> and then select the link to Passenger Lists from the column on the right hand side of that page.

The arrival records are found at <u>http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/arcsrch/</u> <u>PassengerManifestSearchContents.html</u> and this page offers an easy search program for records that have been transcribed so far.

You can sort the entire database of transcribed records by filling in one or more of the blanks the search form. You can search on just a surname and the list will return all entries for that name in chronological order of arrivals at Boston. I used the surname Slattery and learned that there were 252 persons by that name in the transcribed records so far. If you add a first name, Eliza, and re-sort the data you find a single record for an arrival on the ship Washington Irving at Boston on 10 January 1848.

With information on this last image, you learn that Eliza Slattery is a native of Ireland, is still a resident of Ireland, and she arrived with three other persons. Searching for the information page of each of those persons, you learn that Honora

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Slattery is 8 years old, Ann Slattery is 6 years old, and Joseph Slattery is 3 years old.

You can also search on the name of the vessel. In this case the ship "Washington Irving" arrived in Boston Harbor in January, April, and August 1848, in January, April, and August 1849, and in April 1850. The database shows that this ship had 106 passengers when it arrived in Boston in January 1848, 95 passengers when it arrived in April 1848, and 58 passengers in August 1848. Most of the passengers were natives of Ireland and a few were born in England. Many listed Boston as their current residence, but a few indicated they were still resident in Ireland.

If you draw a blank in using this search program, remember that there are still many records to be transcribed and added to the database. Also remember that many other towns in Massachusetts were port cities and had similar arrival records. However, the Massachusetts State Archives has only the records from Boston Harbor arrivals.

Gary A Zimmerman

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Enter last name:	Slattery		Contains anywhere •
Enter first name:	Eliza		Contains anywhere •
Enter name of Ship:			Contains anywhere •
Start date (MM-DD-YY	YY):		
End date (MM-DD-YYY	Y):		
Number of items per p	age: 25 items	•	
Contact us if you can	not locate what you are	searching for, find an e	rror, or have questions.
	Searc	h Clear	
Number of records	found: 1	*Click colum	n title to change the sort order
Detail Last name	First name	Title <u>Arrival date</u>	Name of ship
view Slattery	Eliza	01-10-1848	Washington Irving

Passenger Manifest Search (1848 - 1891)

Additional details for the selected record:

First name: Eliza	Last name: Slattery	Middle name:
Title:	Age: 40	Gender: F
Birth city:	Birth state:	Birth country: Ireland
Destination city:	Destination state:	Destination country:
In USA:	Occupation: Servant	Citizen:
Condition:	Arrived with: Honora, Ann, Joseph	Residence: Ireland
Arrival date: 1/10/1848	Port name:	Ship name: Washington Irving
List number: 104-107		
Comment:		

Recent Library Acquisitions

Newly acquired books are processed by cataloguing, entering the Fiske Library holding information into WorldCat, and affixing ownership barcodes to bound books (on the back cover and on the title page).

Once they are finally on the shelving in the library, they appear in our "Recent Acquisitions" list in the Newsletter. Library of Congress call numbers [in square brackets below] will quickly lead you to the material on the shelf at the Fiske Library.

If the LC number is followed by PAWA, the book must be retrieved from other library collections within the building. Ask a volunteer for assistance.

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO FISKE LIBRARY IN APRIL AND MAY

NEW ENGLAND

Maine families in 1790 volumes 8 and 9 [F18 .M18 1988]

Vital records from Maine newspapers, volumes 1 and 2 [F18.Y68 1993]

The Sandy River and its valley (Maine) [F27.S35 Y67]

Makers of Moscow (Maine) [F29.M854 M6 1991]

New Sharon remembered (Maine) [F29.N49 K42 1989]

Sketches from Solon's history (Maine) [F29.S689 S6 1959]

Gazetteer of the state of New Hampshire [F32 .M56 1987]

Index to genealogies in New Hampshire town histories [F33 .C67 1989]

The New Hampshire genealogical digest 1623-1900 v. 1 [F33 .T67 1986]

Gathered sketches from the early history of New Hampshire and Vermont [F37.C48 1987]

Rockingham County, New Hampshire paupers [F42.R7 O37 1992]

Brentwood's 225 years 1742-1067 Bicentennial edition [F44.B74 1976]

The Hingham founding fathers of "old colony" New Hampshire 1623-1655 [F44.E9 G56 1995]

Kingston, New Hampshire early families, patriots, and soldiers [F44.K47 H67 1993]

Manchester in the mirror – abstracts from the *Mirror* & *Farmer* newspaper, Manchester NH 1865-1866 [F44.M2 K46 2003]

Highlights in History of Unity, N.H. [F44.U5 H5]

Genealogical and family history of the State of Vermont v. 1 [F48 .C28 1903]

History of the State of Vermont from its discovery and settlement to the close of the year 1830 [F49 .H67 1994]

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

New York soldiers in the Civil War [E359.4 .P48 1995]

The story of Somerset (Niagara County NY) [F127.N5 N5 no. 21]

Bible Records from New Jersey's Monmouth County Historical Association Library Vol 1, A-B and Vol 2 C [F142.M7 M43 1990]

Recent Library Acquisitions

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

Gasconade County (MO) cemetery survey [F472.G3 G37 1985]

History of Pulaski County, Missouri [F472.P9 H53 1982]

Columbiana County, Ohio Area Key [F497.C6 B442x 1977]

History of Columbiana County, Ohio and representative citizens [F497.C6 H58 1984]

Richland County, Ohio, Abstracts of Wills 1813-1873 Vol 1 [F497.R5 B83 1974]

Richland County, Ohio, Cemetery Records [F497.R5 R53 1981]

Tombstone inscriptions of Scioto Township, Ross County, OH [F499.S35 T66 1997]

Biographical and genealogical history of Wayne, Fayette, Union and Franklin counties, Indiana 2 volumes [F525.B651899]

Milton, Wayne County, Indiana cemetery records [F532.M55 C46 1947]

Indiana's Princess City: the history of Mishawaka 1832-1932 [F534.M67 B74 1976]

The Swedish element in Illinois (with life sketches of men of today) [F550.S23 O4 1917]

Soldiers' and Citizens' Album of biographical record (Wisconsin civil war participants) Vol 1 only [F580.S6821888]

History of Swedes who settled in Clay County, South Dakota, and their biographies [F657.C6 P4 1947]

AMERICAN WEST

Women of the Sierra [CT3234 .S42 1990 (DPSE)]

Women of the Frontier – 16 tales of trailblazing Homesteaders, Entrepreneurs, and Rabble-Rousers [CT3262.W37 M55 2013 (DPSE)]

Portraits of women in the American West [CT3262.W37 P67 2013 (DPSE)]

From Missouri to the Great Salt Lake: an account of overland freighting [F661.N3 vol 26]

Historical encyclopedia of Colorado 2 vols. [F775 .H5 1960]

A history of the State of Washington v. 1 [F891 .P65 1937]

Pictorial History of Sunnyside, Washington [F899.S9 P53 (PAWA)]

No Step Backward: women and family on the Rocky Mountain mining frontier, 1865-1900 [HQ1439.H4 P48 1987 (PAWA)]

FAMILY GENEALOGIES

Blair Family of New England – revised [CS71.B645 2008]

Cut Short: a tapestry of life (Krouse family) [CS71.C9545 2006]

Griswold family: the sixth and seventh generations – Edward and Matthew Vol 1 [CS71.G87 2001]

The Hotchkiss family first six generations: descendants of Samuel Hotchkiss (ca 1622-1663) of New Haven Connecticut Vol 1 [CS71.H8277 1985]

The Zimbrun family [CS71.Z86 1997]

Recent Library Acquisitions

FOREIGN RESOURCES

1891 Ontario Census, Peterborough County, v.1 (Canada) CS88.P48 A15 2004 v.1

Troms [DL596.T76 T76] (24 chapters on all aspects of county of Troms, north Norway

REFERENCE RESOURCES

Black Family Research: records of post-Civil War Federal agencies at the National Archives [CS3023 .A35 no. 108 revised 2003]

U.S. Lineage Registry [CS1.R63 1982]

Known military dead during the War of 1812 [E359.4 .P48 1995]

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Mayflower Database

Find Your Mayflower Ancestors

Now members of AmericanAncestors.org can search the largest online database of authenticated Mayflower passenger genealogies to discover and research their Mayflower ancestry! The Mayflower Families Fifth Generation Descendants, 1700-1880 database features more than half a million searchable names and is only available on AmericanAncestors.org.

You can search the database for free without membership or registration and get a printable list of individual references, but you need to be a member to see the digitized pages. This database is not listed among the free databases offered to guest accounts.

https://www.americanancestors.org/search/databa sesearch/2728/mayflower-families-fifthgeneration-descendants-1700-1880



Unlock the Past Conference in Seattle September 6, 2018

Unlock the Past [based in Australia] will host a full day two stream conference in Seattle on Thursday, September 6, 2018, 9am-5pm at the Seattle Public Library, 1000 4th Ave, Seattle, Washington.

It is a one-day genealogy conference program that will feature 10 presentations in two streams – a DNA stream and an Irish/general stream, presented by four of the top international genealogy and DNA experts of our time:

Blaine Bettinger (USA) Dr Maurice Gleeson (UK) Cyndi Ingle – best known for her famous web site, Cyndi's List (USA) Wayne Shepheard (Canada)



You can request access to lectures in either or both streams.

- BLAINE BETTINGER (USA) Blaine is a professional genealogist specialising in DNA evidence. He is the author of the long-running blog The Genetic Genealogist and the books The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy.
- DR MAURICE GLEESON (UK) Maurice was voted Genetic Genealogist of the Year 2015 (SurnameDNA Journal) and Rockstar Genealogist, Ireland 2016 (Anglo-Celtic Connections). He runs a variety of Y-DNA Surname projects and organises the DNA Lectures at Genetic Genealogy Ireland.
- CYNDI INGLE (USA) Cyndi is the creator and owner of the award-winning web site Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet www.cyndislist.com, a categorised index to more than 333,000 online resources. In its first three years, Cyndi's List was voted the best genealogy site.
- WAYNE SHEPHEARD (Canada) A retired geologist, Wayne now spends most of his time on family history research. This has resulted in the pioneering publication Surviving Mother Nature's tests: The effects climate change and other natural phenomena have had on the lives of our ancestors.

Dick Eastman of *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter* will also be attending. For details on the event and how to get tickets, see Eastman's article:

https://blog.eogn.com/2018/05/24/announcing-the-unlock-the-past-conference-in-seattle/

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Education

Classes sponsored by the Fiske Genealogical Foundation are open to all. Most classes are held in the street-level room of Pioneer Hall, located in Seattle's Madison Park neighborhood. Tuition for all classes is \$5 individually or \$35 for 10 sessions. Annual passes to the Fiske Library are \$50, and can be enhanced to \$85/year, which includes all three quarters of Wednesday classes (30 classes), plus full use of the library and a subscription to the quarterly newsletter.

There are no classes during the Summer Quarter.

Please call the Fiske Genealogical Library at 206-328 -2716 or visit <u>https://fiskelibrary.org</u> for further information.

Ongoing Educational Opportunities

Brick Walls Workshop

Offered the second Thursday of every month from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM at the National Archive (NARA) 6125 Sand Point Way NE Panel: Charliann Beck, Karen Sipe Public transport: #74 Bus

Legacy 9 User Group

If you are interested in joining others who use Legacy 9 genealogy program, please consider joining our group next Fall. We will not be meeting in June or during the summer, but in September you may join us second Wednesdays of the month from 1 to 3 pm. We meet in the Pioneer Hall room where the classes are taught. ~ Mary Peters

Fiske Publications Unearthed

A great deal of work has been done recently trying to make space for new donations. In the process, old paperwork and other materials are being recycled. Among the stored items we found a number of research guides and resource lists compiled by the Fiske Genealogical Foundation during the 1990s, some by Arthur Fiske himself. Some of these could still prove useful to current researchers. A full list is available on our Surplus Books webpage. All are either stapled or spiral bound reports of a few pages to thick compilations. Among the items:

- Military Records and Benefits (Colonial through War of 1812)
- Tip Sheets covering Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia. Compiled by Arthur D. Fiske, with maps.
- Soldiers in King Philip's War, 1675-1676 extracted from History of the Indian Wars of New England, or Soldiers in King Philip's War, by George Madison Bodge, 1896.
- Cemetery Records of Arlington and Sunderland Bennington County, Vermont to 1875. Compiled by Arthur D. Fiske.
- Cemetery Inscriptions of the Warwick, Franklin County, Massachusetts to 1865. Compiled by Arthur D. Fiske.
- Selected Pennsylvania Bibliography, compiled by Barbara Giles.
- Lineages from History of Little Nine Partners of North East Precinct, and Pine Plains, New York, Duchess County, by Isaac Huntting, 1897. Vol. 1 Extracted xerox of pp. 316-395.

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- Genealogical Data The Salem Tenth in West New Jersey, Compiled by H. Stanley Craig, 1926. Facsimile copy.
- Talks given by Arthur Fiske at the Seminar in Sept. 1983, Rapid City Scoiety for Genealogical Research, Inc.
- Selected Maryland Bibliography and Resources, Vol. 1 & 2, compiled by Barbara S. Giles, 1988-1989. Includes maps.
- Connecticut Genealogical Resources including selected bibliographies, compiled by Barbara S. Giles, 1991.

Browsing YouTube

Consider *YouTube* when you are seeking new resources or need assistance. Using the YouTube Search field, you can just input "Genealogy" to see a number of interesting videos on various topics, or narrow the field with more specific terms. Be discerning: there's also a fair amount of junk out there. If sound level is an issue, using earbuds can help. Here's a sampling of useful videos:

Researching Newspapers for Genealogy for Free, by Kenneth R. Marks https://youtu.be/Qaaoj6nxsoc

Researching Newspapers - Learn Genealogy Bank in 5 minutes by Kenneth Marks <u>https://youtu.be/oNkeIfF0XLc</u>

Researching Newspapers - The Free Google News Archive by Kenneth Marks https://youtu.be/ZzM9GD_zczw_

Seattle Public Library: Special Collections: Genealogy - An Introduction [Note: Look on the SPL website under Special Collections for a list of their online digital material.] https://youtu.be/dBd03hh2iAY

African American Newspapers in Genealogical Research by Tim Pinnick https://youtu.be/g2VVEgdLKFQ

Resources for African American Genealogy Research by Crista Cowan, Ancestry.com https://youtu.be/b7VRxGBMeIE

How to Prove Native American/Indian Ancestry by Crista Cowan, Ancestry.com <u>https://youtu.be/dIu-WF1LZY4</u>

There's a large collection of webinars posted by Brigham Young University Family History Library, some of the best by James Tanner. [Note there's usually a 2-3 minute BYU Intro you can fast forward through.]

Using Google for Genealogy by James Tanner <u>https://youtu.be/gKSU4GLCWh8</u>

Making the Most of FamilySearch.org https://youtu.be/NMmZSZnTDbw

No more microfilm rentals? Where do I go to see the digital copies? https://youtu.be/fQTSSxLELyY

Using the Internet Archive for Genealogy https://youtu.be/2QBTJ7J2UtE

Genealogy at the Library of Congress https://youtu.be/NdAJZQVY3VE

Using FamilySearch's Family Tree

Michele Simmons Lewis, a member of the Legacy Family Tree team at My Heritage, has written an excellent article on using the collaborative family tree database at FamilySearch.org.

"Let's Make FamilySearch's Family Tree Better for Everyone," May 14, 2018, can be found online at <u>http://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/2018/05/lets-make-familysearchs-family-tree-better-for-everyone.html</u>

The central issue of using FamilySearch's Family Tree is that it is a collaborative effort--anyone using it can add or change the entries. "If you don't know what you are doing you can mess it up for everyone else," Lewis notes. On the other hand, you can benefit from the research others have done.

Lewis provides a thoughtful guide to the correct ways of using this site and important links to the training needed. "The very best training I have found is the Riverton FamilySearch Library Handouts. There are 11 pdfs you can download to your computer to read and use as a reference."

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Riverton FamilySearch Library/Handouts and Guides#Family T ree

If you use a genealogy program that synchs with FamilySearch Family Tree, it's important that you understand that process as well before uploading any material. You may need to do some work on cleaning up your file before attempting to synch. Lewis is associated with the Legacy program and provides a link to their program specific training. If you have a program other than Legacy, look for training information in your program instructions.

Marjorie Jodoin

New Shelving Installed

Mary Peters' family recently installed new shelving in the Fiske Library space. Her husband, Frank, and grandsons, Michael and Matthew Peters, were active in the family project. Michael did all of the painting, cutting and transporting the materials. Matthew helped with the construction and transporting the materials to the library. The whole family was involved in the assembly and installation in the Fiske Library.

Jimi Vernie and Peggy O'Farrell quickly filled the shelves with books, as seen below. It was added to the south-east corner of the library along the back wall.

Thanks to all of the volunteers on this project. Much of the existing collection will be shifted to new locations so that recently donated books can be inserted into the logical sequence of our Library of Congress classification system.



Newsletter Submissions

Have you discovered a particularly useful resource in your research, or broken through a brick wall? Would you be interested in submitting an article for the newsletter? Articles can be 1-2 pages long and may be subject to gentle editorial comment.

Is there a class you'd like to see offered or is there a research issue on which you are stuck? Your editor would like to feature a semi-regular column with your input.

Our newsletter is published in September, December, April and June. <u>Deadlines are the 20th of the month</u> <u>preceding publication</u>. Writers—articles are always needed and appreciated! Please send queries or submissions to <u>editor@fiskelibrary.org</u>.

TIP: If you struggle with online URLs printed in our paper copy of the newsletter, go to our online version where you can just click the URL. If you don't have online access, you can use the library's computer.

Our Appreciation for Book Donations

We appreciate the contributions by the following supporters of the Fiske Library. Since the last newsletter, donations have been catalogued and added to the collections on the shelves. There often is a lag between the date of the actual donation and the completion of the cataloguing, book repair, and placement in the active collection.

Estate of Janet Edwards	Estate of Kathi Abendroth
Family History Library	Gena Blum
Grays Harbor Genealogical Society	Jefferson County Genealogical Society
Lily Kohn	Ann Owens
Dan Peterson	Shirley Smith
South King County Genealogical Society	Marie Spearman
Karen Stahl	Gary A Zimmerman

Annual Picnic Enjoyed by All

The Fiske library met for its annual summer picnic after class on Wednesday, June 13 at David Brazier's lakeside apartment house. About 20 class members were able to enjoy the potluck meal in bright sunshine as Lake Washington rippled under a brisk breeze. The group enjoyed an international feast of Mexican chicken enchiladas, roast beef, black beans, salad, pizza, home made breads and cookies. Luckily for all, the picnic ended before the afternoon downpour. Thanks to David and to all who came.

Thank you to our Patrons

Many thanks to our patrons for the monetary contributions made to the Fiske Library. We depend upon your support in our effort to continually make improvements to the library.

FISKE LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm	
Wednesday	12:00 noon to 6:00 pm	
Thursday	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm	
Friday	Reserved for research groups (greater than 8 persons) from outside the greater Seattle Area. Contact the Library to make reservations.	
Saturday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm	
Sunday	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month.	

Be sure to check our website frequently for late-breaking news on schedule changes or other information not in the current newsletter. $\underline{https://fiskelibrary.org/}$

FISKE GENEALOGICAL FOUNDATION INFORMATION

The Fiske Genealogical Foundation is a non-profit service organization providing genealogical training and resource materials. Current Board Members are:

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	Mary Peters
	Larry Pike

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