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ARCHIVEGRID

Contributed by Gary Zimmerman

Genealogists benefit greatly from a free service available on the web at <http://beta.worldcat.org/archivegrid/>. It is a finding aid for more than three million archival materials held by 1,000 institutions. The service began with United States repositories and recently began adding Australian collections as well. The archival collections are held by libraries, museums, historical societies and archives. The service was developed specifically for faculty, college students, and genealogists. Although it began on a subscription basis, since 2012 the program has been free to anyone with access to the internet.

At the top of the home page, there are links to a page “about ArchiveGrid,” to specific suggestions on “how to search,” and a link to the on-going blog about new additions to the collections in the database.

Put a location or a name into the search box in the upper right hand corner of the home page and hit return. Pick a person’s name, or a family surname, or a location where your family once lived. The search for Columbiana County, Ohio returned 628 records. The results can be presented in “list view” or in “summary view.” List view identifies the name of an archival collection, the holding facility, a short sentence describing the item and two options for next steps. A blue button will link you with contact information at the holding repository. The green button will allow you to “read more” detail about the collection. Or you can click on the title of the collection and go directly to the finding aid for that collection.

The first item from the Columbiana County search was labeled Survey notebooks, 1853-1859, generated by the County surveyor for Columbiana County, Ohio, in two volumes. The material is held at the Ohio Historical Society. The green “read more” button links to a more extensive description of the material and has a further link to the WorldCat entry for this specific item.

[Survey notebooks, 1853-1859.](#)

Columbiana County (Ohio). County Surveyor.

Ohio Historical Society

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John W. Morrison, Columbiana County Surveyor, 1853-1859, was largely responsible for the notebook on Washington and Wayne Townships; no name is found in the notebook for Elkrun and Fairfield Townships.

Contact Information

Read more



Returning to my original search, I tried the “Summary View” which takes all 628 hits and groups them by topic and indicates the count for each item in the whole collection by categories. There is a listing of people mentioned in the collections with the number of “hits”, a listing of the holding archives with the number of collections in each facility. There also are separate listings for places mentioned, topics covered, and groups represented within the collections.

On a separate search, I wanted to restrict the results to Boston facilities so I entered in the search box the following: location: Boston Revere. This returned 107 different collections at 12 different repositories in the Boston area. The restriction to location can be done whenever you write the word location: and follow it with no space and the name of a city or town or state. If you want to search for a specific individual you can use quotation marks around the first and last name, as in “Asa Mercer” which gave me 10 hits. However if I used “Asa Mercer”~4, then I got 18 hits, since the ~4 will look for the two words within the 4 spaces of each other and allowed the name Asa S. Mercer to be retrieved as well. With ~6 there were 21 hits that included Asa Mercer, Asa S Mercer, A.S. Mercer and Asa Shinn Mercer. All different forms of the same person. Be sure to read the section on how to search to see what other modifiers will allow you to focus your search.

Each time you do a search, ArchiveGrid will offer you several hints on how to slightly change your search parameters to get more focused results. Look for the options offered under the heading “Can we help?” at the bottom of your first page of search results.

Archive grid works hard to eliminate published books, graduate theses, and bibliographies. This is intended to be a tool to find archival collections. The results of this kind of search may be a big help for your own family research. Try it out!

Contributed by Carolyn Blount

Carolyn Blount shared her expertise on May 14, 2014 in an educational program, “Out of the Attic” at the Fiske Library. Blount has a Master’s degree in textiles and has taught for 33 years. Lou Daly, architect, also participated in the presentation. Blount shared these tips on preserving and protecting family photos and textiles for future generations.

Tips

- ◆ Recognize that we are “stewards” of our family history.
- ◆ Gather, protect, preserve, cite, and share family history about photos and other items.
- ◆ Label items with history, owners, story and dates.
- ◆ Decide what you wish to do with items. Discuss end of life issues. Who are the beneficiaries of your items?
- ◆ Give away cherished items now!

PHOTOS

Digital images may NOT survive as long as once predicted, and technologies change. Kodak instant prints for example, lasted only 5-6 months. DVDs projected in 2006 to last 100 years, now in 2014 are recognized to survive only 2-15 years. New cold storage may prolong life. Back up all digital images with 3 copies at high resolution. Consider cloud storage. Daguerreotypes, and good black and white prints have survived 150 years. Keep originals wrapped in protective, archival paper and/or washed 100% cotton cloth. Share copies. Protect from light, dampness, acid, or too much handling.



Hester Loretta Ward, spouse of Thomas Mercer

OUT OF THE ATTIC

FISKE ARCHIVES

TEXTILES, HISTORIC COSTUME

Who really wants to care for these old garments?

Carolyn recommends finding a museum or historical society with facilities for storage in an area where your ancestor lived to donate garments.

Tips

- ◇ Photograph them first so you can illustrate your family story.
- ◇ Handle with care and as little as possible
- ◇ Wash hands, consider wearing white cotton gloves
- ◇ Avoid folding, put crumpled, acid free tissue in folds, support hanging.
- ◇ No wearing; better for garment, but you might choose to photograph a descendant in garment before donating it
- ◇ No washing; no bleaching: Better to air rather than clean.
- ◇ Store in stable environment; basements damp, attics too hot.
- ◇ Do not expose to light.
- ◇ Do not remodel or repair if preserving original for museum.

Now it is easy to locate and contact museums and historical societies on line.

Please contact Carolyn at the Fiske Library if you have questions about storing your family heirlooms.



Lindsey-woolsey Family Kentucky Coverlet

Contributed by Carolyn Blount

Finally, a three year project at the Fiske Library is bearing fruition! Check out <http://www.fiskelibrary.org/archive/> to see the newly mounted descriptions and finding aids for genealogy collections donated to the Fiske Library after the death of the researcher. The six collections mounted thus far are the following:

- Karen Bridgeman Collection
- Paul Claude Gibbs Collection
- Patt Hanson Collection
- Virginia Beatrice Crissey Wisner Collection
- William Merritt Smith Collection
- Brian Llwellyn Young Collection

The project was undertaken by Carolyn Blount after she took an Archival training program offered by NARA. She first tackled the William Merritt Smith Collection consisting of some 42 ring binders filled with copies of deeds, wills, journals, photographs, census records, certificates, photos, related articles and memorabilia about various branches of his family as they moved west from New York, Connecticut and Rhode Island to Pennsylvania, Ohio, Missouri and Illinois, before coming to the Pacific Northwest. Blount carefully went through each of the Smith notebooks, developing finding aids for each set of papers. This resulted in almost 100 pages of information, a copy of which was placed in the front of each notebook so that the information will link the indices to the Fiske web page so that they are fully searchable. Blount wrote brief descriptions that can be picked up by Google, for each collection and David Brazier linked them all together in this team effort.

So check out the new Fiske/Archive/ collection. You may find some hidden treasure that relates to your own family. You will certainly learn various ways collections have been organized, or not so well organized. That may provide incentive for you to get your own collections under control. Two more collections will soon be linked to the Fiske web page. Future issues will describe the various collections in greater detail.

WHY YOU SHOULD VOLUNTEER AT THE FISKE LIBRARY

or this might happen to you, too!

Contributed by Mary Peters

Wednesdays have been my day for many years to volunteer at the Fiske Library. Occasionally I have met distant cousins especially when you get back to early New England families. Recently, I had a very special experience which I would hope all of you might have.

A couple from Puyallup came in Wednesday evening to look over the library. So I showed them around and gave them the whole explanation about our Library of Congress call numbers, a bit about the history of the library, our card file and miscellaneous families, rare books and computers. When I was all done, the woman pulled out a list of books she wanted to see. They were all in Schuylkill Co., PA. I said, "Oh, my county." "Why is it your county?" she asked. I told her that I have about 50 surnames from there and that my grandmother was born in Summit Station. That's where she was from. Probably less than 100 people live there now. She came to see if she could find something about Milton J. Trumbo and Mary Ann Berger Trumbo. OH MY!! That is my great, great aunt. My great grandfather was William Berger, Mary Ann's brother.

It turns out we are not directly related through the Bergers, but we are related through the Kemmerlings, Fesslers, Nagles, Webbers and perhaps more. She put me in contact with Lamar Lehman who is a direct Berger cousin. He was able to identify two of the unknown young women in a five generation family picture of the Jonathan and Elizabeth Berger family taken in April, 1912. He also was able to obtain copies of death certificates for my great great grandfather's mother, Elizabeth Kemmerling Berger. That enabled me to submit supplemental applications for Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) for Ludwig Kemmerling who will be a new patriot and Christian Webber. How exciting for me.

A bonus is that Lamar is coming to Shoreline to see his daughter and family for Christmas and the three

cousins are going to meet.

Now don't you wish that would happen to you? It never will unless you take the time to volunteer at the library, even for just one day a month.

For more information about volunteering please contact Mary Peters, Carolyn Blount or Gary Zimmerman.

Can You Help?

The Fiske Genealogical Foundation is in need of your help. Do you have a computer that you could donate to the library? We are in need of computers that originally shipped with Windows 7. If you can help, please call Dave or Gary. If you would like to contribute to the cost of building a new computer, we need to collect at least \$400.00. Please specify your gift to the computer fund.



We also need help with the repair or re-binding of books. We currently have a prioritized list of books that cannot be used until they are repaired or re-bound. We have identified a qualified book binder who works at affordable prices but we need additional contributions to bind our backlog.

Your assistance can be tax deductible and you can enjoy the good feeling that keeps resources available when your research really needs to access hard-to-find resources.

Please call the library if you have questions. Thank you for your consideration.

FISKE LIBRARY WINTER-SPRING ACQUISITIONS

Newly acquired books are processed by cataloging, entering the Fiske Library holding information into WorldCat, 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 another library collection within the building. Ask a volunteer for assistance.

NEW ENGLAND

- Annals of the Brentwood NH Congregational Church and Parish [BX7255.B73 D4 1889]
- 11th Annual Reunion, official programme. New Hampshire Veteran Association, Weirs NH, August 23-26, 1887 [E462.99.N3 A2]
- Genealogist's Handbook for New England Research, 5th Edition [F3 .N528 2014]
- The State of Maine in 1893 [F25 .H42 1893]
- Baptisms and Admission from the records of the First Church in Falmouth (now Portland, Maine) [F29.F18 F57 1990]
- Town Register: Farmington, Wilton, New Sharon, Chesterville [ME] F29.F2 T74 1910]
- Inscriptions from the ancient gravestones of Acworth, NH – a town settled in 1769 principally by descendants of the Scotch-Irish colony of Londonderry NH [F44.A1 S7 1908]
- Memorial to the soldiers of the American Revolution who at various periods lived in Acworth NH [F44.A2 A45 1956]
- Wells Cemetery Inscriptions, Rutland County, VT [F59.W4 J46 1981]
- Mayflower Quarterly – Diamond Jubilee Edition [MA] [F68 .S643 2012]
- Provincetown or Odds and Ends from the Tip [MA] [F74.P96 .J5 1975]
- Records of the Congregational Church in Canterbury, CT, 1711-1844 [F104.C18 C2 1932]

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

- New York in the American Revolution: a source guide for genealogists and historians [E263.N6 G78 2012]
- Historical and Statistical Gazetteer of New York [F117 .F75 1860]
- All-name index to the Historical and Statistical Gazetteer of New York, 1860, by J.H. French [F117 .F753 S74 1993]
- Gazetteer of the State of New York - 1824 [F117 .S74 1981]
- Index of names appearing in 1784-1880 history of Chenango and Madison counties, New York by James H Smith [F127.C76 S6537 1974]
- Authentic List of Marriages in Warren County NJ 1834-1868 [F142.W2 B3 1947]

FISKE LIBRARY WINTER-SPRING ACQUISITIONS—CONTINUED

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

- All name index to 1788-1876 history of Ontario County [NY] [F127.O7 E94 Index]
- Farmersville Sesquicentennial [NY] [F129.F17 E35 1972]
- Franklinville Centennials [NY] [F129.F68 H3 1974]
- Middlesex County NJ Heirs to estates 1780-1870 [F142.M6 B76 1988]
- Vital Records of Woodbridge NJ [F144.W66 D34x 1983]
- Burials, Evangelical Reformed Church, Frederick Town, MD – Sexton's Burial Book [F189.F8 H34 1994]
- The Fighting McCooks (Civil War – Ohio families) [E467 .W47 2006]
- Maritime Grand Haven, Coast Guard City USA [MI] [F574.G67 E97 2006]
- Steppes to Neu Odessa: Germans from Russia who settled in Odessa Township, Dakota Territory 1872-76 [F659.O33 S88 1996]
- Aurora, Hamilton County, Nebraska [F674.A9 xA8 1907]
- Helena, Her Historic Homes [F739.H4 B38 v.1 1976]

SOUTH

- Georgia in the American Revolution: a source guide for genealogists and historians [E263.G3 G78 2013]
- South Carolina in the American Revolution: a source guide for genealogists and historians [E263.S7 G78 2013]

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

- Historic Presbyterian Churches of Tennessee [BX8947.T2 E44 2006]
- History of Nicholas County [KY] [F457.N5 H57 1992]

AMERICAN WEST

- Inspired churches of Seattle [BR560.S45 G73 2013]
- The Amazing Strahorns – literary pioneers of the American West [F596.C37549 .A439 2013]
- Pioche: boom and bust in the most violent camp in Nevada (with added sheets of obituaries of those buried in Boot Hill) [F849.P46 L58 1999]
- Historical High Lights of Santa Barbara [CA] [F869.S4 T635 1970]
- First Settlers: the Castros of Rancho San Pablo [CA] [F869.S978 C66 1980]
- Tracking Down Oregon [F876 .F74 1978]
- Little Known Tales from Oregon History, Volume II [F876 .L59 1988]

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AMERICAN WEST

- Beautiful McKenzie – a history of central Lane County [OR] [F882.L2 I56 1996]
- New Lands, North of the Columbia – historic documents that tell the story of Washington State from territory to today [F891 .M447 2011]
- Cowlitz Corridor – historical river highway of the Pacific Northwest [F897.C85 M14 1953]
- Children of the Pioneers [Whidbey Island] [F897.I7 C45 2006]
- Another Story – collection of stories about the early history of the Upper Kittitas County in Washington State [F897.K53 F37 2013]
- The Last Wilderness [Olympic peninsula] [F897.O5 M67 1976 PAWA]
- Snohomish County in the War [WWI] with index [F897.S66 M37 2008]
- Edmonds: 100 years for the Gem of Puget Sound [F899.E3 E36 1990]
- Kenmore by the Lake – a community history [F899.K33 K462 2003]
- From Old Country to Coal Country (Roslyn WA and Cle Elum) [F899.R68 F76 2005]
- Pictorial History of Seattle [F899.S4 .W37 1964]

- The Pioneers of Lake View – a guide to Seattle's early settlers and their cemetery [F899.S453 A23 1995]
- Lil' Ol' Lake City: a community spirit [F899.S46 L35 2013]
- 55,000 (150th Anniversary of Jones Stevedoring Company) [HE213.W2 J66 2009]
- Buildings of old Skagit County – ten self-guided tours [NA730.W22 S537 1977]

FAMILY GENEALOGIES

- Index to the papers of Rev. Herbert Leslie Buzzell in the New England Historic Genealogical Society [CS71.B747 1991]
- Brownlee and Smith and related families: Copple, Eichholtz, Hiltibidal, Imbrie and Yocum [CS71.B8833 2013]
- Collings, Richeys and the Pigeon Roost Massacre, Volume II [CS71.C712 2013]
- Corwin Genealogy (Curwin, Curwen, Corwine) in the United States [CS71.C982C 1872]
- Fugate Family Newsletter (most of a 17 year run of this journal) [CS71.F94954]
- Descendants of John Owen of Windsor CT (1622-1699) [CS71.O97 1941] (Note: this is a partial facsimile copy with chapters missing. Will not circulate.)
- Phelps Connections (first 7 years of this family newsletter) [CS71.P546]

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FAMILY GENEALOGIES

- Forebears – family and descendants of Jonas Goding Pike [CS71.P636 1973]
- Jacob G Shuman of Lancaster County PA: his life and family [CS71.S5627 2013]
- We remember the Travis Family of Pittsburg [CS71.T7755 1989]
- Descendants of William Travers of Bedford County PA (1740-1788) [CS71.T7755 2013 – to be catalogued – ask at front desk]
- The Tiffany Fortune and other chronicles of a Connecticut family [CT274.B52 B56 1996]

EUROPE

- Guide to Jewish genealogy in Lithuania (revised edition) [CS879.6 .A27 2011]
- Scottish Surnames, 2nd edition [CS2435 .W48 1996]
- Gyldendals map of Norway [G6940 1949 H4] [map collection]

REFERENCE RESOURCES

- Oxford Companion to Local and Family History [CS9 .O94 1996]
- Genealogical Writing in the 21st Century / a guide to Register style and more [CS14 .G466 2006]

- Family History for the Clueless [CS47 .D87 2000]
- American Revolution in Indian country – crisis and diversity in Native American communities [E83.775 .C35 1995]
- Encyclopedia of American History [E174.5 .M847 1953]
- Disaster on the Mississippi – The *Sultana* explosion, April 27, 1865 [E595.S84 S25 1996]
- Using Land Records to solve research problems (revised edition) [HD110.5.U6 E44 1987]
- Sigma Chi Directory 1855-1935 [LJ75.S43 C54 1935]
- Beginnings of agriculture in America [S441 .C3 1923]
- Complete guide to scanning, 4th edition [TK7882.S3 L43 2001x]
- Digital photography [TR267 .M36 2002]
- Paper preservation: conservation techniques and methodology [Z701.3.P38 L45 1988]

If you have a book or books that you would like to donate to the Fiske, please contact Gary Zimmerman.

ANCESTRY.COM—STORY VIEW

Contributed by Cindy Walton

Overview

What is story view and how do you use it? This is a relatively new feature available on ancestry.com. It gives the user a new way to explore and share family history. Every person in your tree has a story to tell. Using a timeline of important events, records and photos, your ancestor's life is experienced in a unique way. Ancestry.com takes information from the records and translates it into snapshot stories that bring your ancestor to life.

I decided to try this feature on my private family tree at ancestry.com. Isaac Workman is my DAR patriot. Initially I could not find the feature but it is easily identifiable. Just click on the green button.



Isaac Workman

Your 5th great grandfather

Birth 1742 in Somerville, Somerset, New Jersey

Death 29 Nov 1827 in Danville, Knox, Ohio

Edit this person

Story View



This takes you to a new page and I found this information at the top of the page along with the photo that I had inserted as the primary. I don't have any actual photos of Isaac.

Isaac Workman

Isaac Workman was born in 1742 in Somerville, New Jersey, the only child of Isaac "Peter" and Femmetje (Phoebe). He married Martha Holt and they had three children together between 1767 and 1782. He then married Lydia Merrill and they had four children together between 1811 and 1819. He died on November 29, 1827, in Danville, Ohio, having lived a long life of 85 years, and was buried there.

So now I have a brief overview of Isaac's birth, who his parents were, the names of his spouses, the approximate time he was married to each spouse and the number of children he had with each spouse. There is also information about his date and place of death, age at death, and where he is buried.

Editing

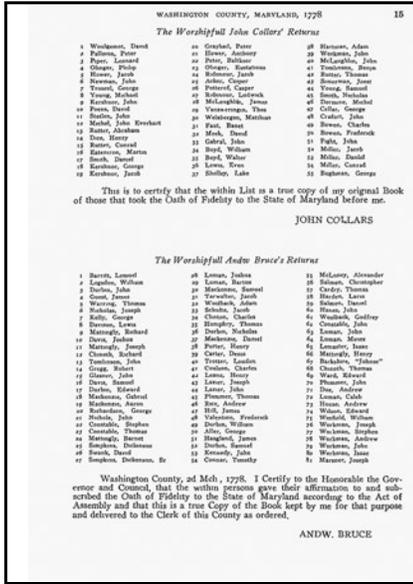
Below this story is a narrative description as well as a snapshot of other documents. You can rearrange the order of events and documents by moving documents up or down on the page, reposition them, or enlarge or delete them. You can also edit the narratives. Anything that is removed from the Story View will remain on the person page for your ancestor.

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Revolutionary Records of Maryland



This document was out of order and did not have a description so I added the following information to make it more interesting. I moved it to the top of the page and also resized the document.

Isaac Workman took the Oath of Allegiance in Washington County, MD on the 2nd day of March, 1778. He was 36 years old. The Oath of Fidelity was instituted by Laws of Maryland 1777, Chapter 20, An Act for the Better Security of Government. Every free male 18 years and older was required to subscribe to an oath renouncing the King of England and to pledge allegiance to the revolutionary government of Maryland. Those already engaged in military service were assumed to be loyal. Quakers, Mennonites, and Dunkards were permitted to affirm. There were several penalties associated with failure to obey the instructions of the Magistrates neglecting to keep books and transmit them to the Governor were to be fined 500 pounds. Persons expected to take the oath who did not do so were required, for the rest of their lives, to pay triple the ordinary tax on real and personal property. They

were forbidden to exercise and practice the trade of merchandise or to practice the law, physic or surgery, or the art of an apothecary, or to preach or teach the gospel, or to teach in public or private schools, or to hold or exercise within this state, any office of profit or trust, civil or military, or to vote at any election of electors or senators, or of delegates to the house of delegates. Oaths were to be administered by the magistrates of each county before March 1, 1778. One list of those who subscribed to the oath was to be kept at the county court and another sent to the governor and Council in Annapolis.

Retrieved online January 18, 2013 at Maryland Historical Society, <http://www.mdhs.org/findingaid/oaths-fidelity-or-oaths-allegiance-1775-1778-ms-3088>

The next document is the 1800 census and Isaac Workman is living in Allegany, Maryland. I can make the document smaller or larger or move it to another place on the page. Isaac is 58 years old. He is still living in Maryland but in a different area. There are eight people in his household. When examining the census more closely using the FAN club approach (Friends, Associates, Neighbors) there are two Isaac Workmans, along with a Jacob Workman and a Andrew Workman. I cannot find a connection with these Workmans. There are two McKinzie's living in the same area. A McKinzie marries Isaac's daughter, Jennie.

1800 United States Federal Census

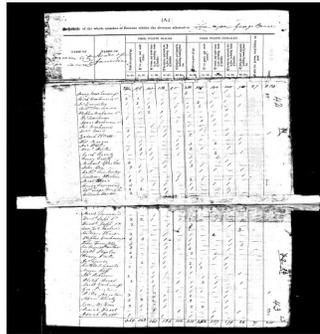


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ANCESTRY.COM—STORY VIEW

1810 United States Federal Census

In 1810, Isaac Workman lived in Allegany, same area for ten years. There are four people more Workmans on the census but I cannot prove a relationship at this time. There are two Stephen Workmans. One of the McKenzies are not on the census.



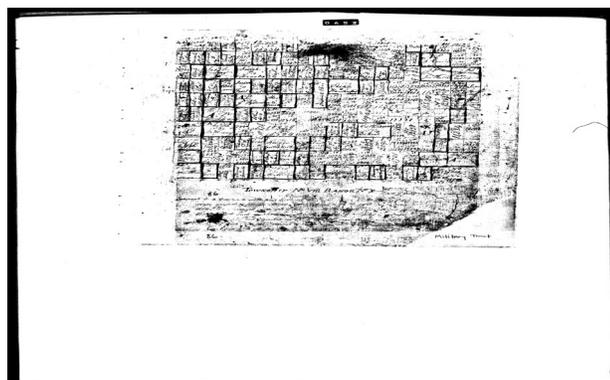
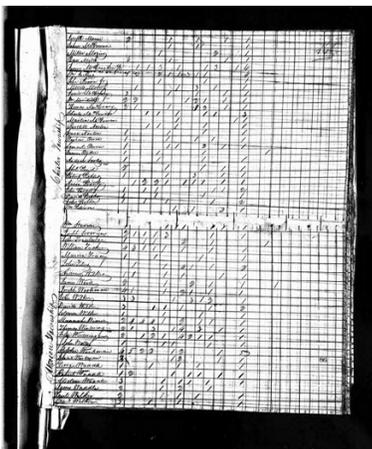
Maryland. Isaac has stayed in the same area for ten years. There are four people more in the household now. There are four more Workmans on the census but I cannot prove a relationship at this time. There are two Stephen Workmans. One of the McKenzies are not on the census. Isaac's son is named Stephen. The

In 1820 Isaac was living in Union, Knox, Ohio and had seven people in his household. Joseph and Stephen Workman also live in the area. Joseph has two sons named Stephen and Joseph. There are two Winterringers on the census. Isaac's son Levi marries a Winterringer in Ohio. There is one Maring on the census. Isaac's son Abraham marries a Maring.

So this brings up some questions. Why did Isaac move to Ohio? How did he get there? Who might have moved with him? Family, friends or others? Another document answers one of those questions but I had to move the document up. Isaac received U.S. Military land in Ohio.

1820 United States Federal Census

U.S. Indexed Early Land Ownership and Township Plats 1785-1898



ANCESTRY.COM—STORY VIEW

There are additional documents on this page that I could rearrange and add descriptions so that a more comprehensive story is told about Isaac Workman.

1827 - Died at age 85. Interment at Workman Cemetery, Danville, Knox County, Ohio

Retrieved online March 29, 2012 at findagrave.com, memorial no. 5202714.



Isaac does not have a headstone but he is buried in the Workman family cemetery along with many other family members.

Sharing

I can share the Family View page that I have created by clicking on the icons at the bottom of the page for Facebook, google + and email or copy and paste the URL.

This was a fun way to get a snapshot of my ancestor's life. I was able to rearrange documents, resize them, delete them or add additional information. I can use this snapshot to ask or answer other questions that I may have. I can share my page with family or friends that may have additional information or family photos. I recommend giving it a try if you are an ancestry.com member.

OUR APPRECIATION FOR BOOK DONATIONS

We appreciate the contributions by the following supporters of the Fiske Library. Since the last newsletter, the donated titles 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. Each of these titles may be located through the WorldCat catalog, available from the home page of the Fiske Library website.

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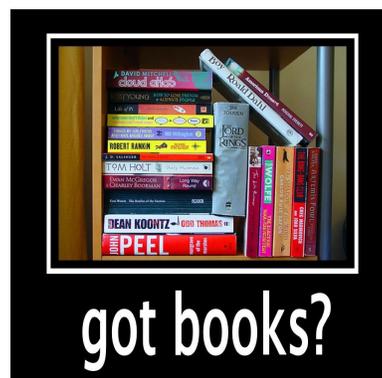
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Wednesday	12:00 noon to 6:00 pm
Thursday	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Friday	Reserved for research groups (greater than 8 persons) from outside the greater Seattle Area. Contact the Library to make reservations.
Saturday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm to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

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Identification of Ancestors in Photos

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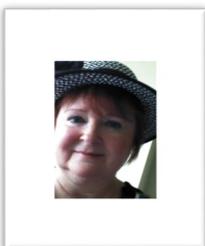
How would you like to find a photo of your great great grandparents hiding in some Canadian Archives, and ID a misidentified photo on the web, all with your knowledge of family genealogy and historic costume?

Those all came together for me one of those very chilly December days when I was searching the web, hoping I might find reference to my GG grandparents, John Harris, born in Cork, Ireland in 1789, and his wife, Jane Wetherald from Little Marsden, Lancaster, England. Both were Friends who had married in Ontario. John's sons, including my great grandfather, Joseph, had founded the Rockwood Woolen Mills. A Google search for "John Harris, Quaker, Rockwood, Ontario" led me to a biography and a photo identified as John Harris and Friends Meeting house, ca 1850 on the home page for the Grand River Conservation Authority, not a site I would have considered searching. I was thrilled, but the more I studied the photo, the more certain I was that it was taken in the 1890s rather than the 1850s. The cut of the women's dresses, their hats, and John's jacket all suggested a later date, and I wondered if the photo might not be of his son, John Richard.

So I looked for the nearest University and located the University of Guelph and checked out their on-line library catalog, paying particular attention to their archive collection. There it was: the "Wetherald Collection" with more than 60 photographs, though not individually identified on line. I quickly emailed them, sending a copy of the photo identified as John Harris, explaining my theory, and wondering if they might have a copy with a different identification. I also asked if they had photos of the elder John Harris and Jane Wetherald. Jack-pot! They did have a copy of that same photo, identified, as I suspected, as John Richard Harris. They also have two photos of Jane and one of the elder John Harris that they are sending me. A polite letter to the Grand River Conservation Authority, thanking them for their interesting web page. and providing the correct identification for their photo brought an appreciative response.

You too may better identify individuals in old photographs by using some of the collection of historic costume texts in the Fiske Library, or utilizing online sources. You will find books in the geography, anthropology and recreation section at the Fiske in the back of the library. One of our volunteer staff will be happy to help you.

Meet Our New Editor



I became interested in genealogy in 2000 when I was contacted by another family member seeking information about our ancestors. I was quickly hooked! I joined DAR in 2012 and met Mary Peters. She soon recruited me as a volunteer. I love helping other people with research and the Fiske Genealogical Library is a perfect fit for me. I am currently indexing records from our vast collection of notebooks and decided I was ready to tackle another project-editing the newsletter. You can find me at the Fiske on Wednesdays. I will be happy to assist you or turn you over to one of our experienced genealogists. Stop in and say "hi".

Cindy Walton

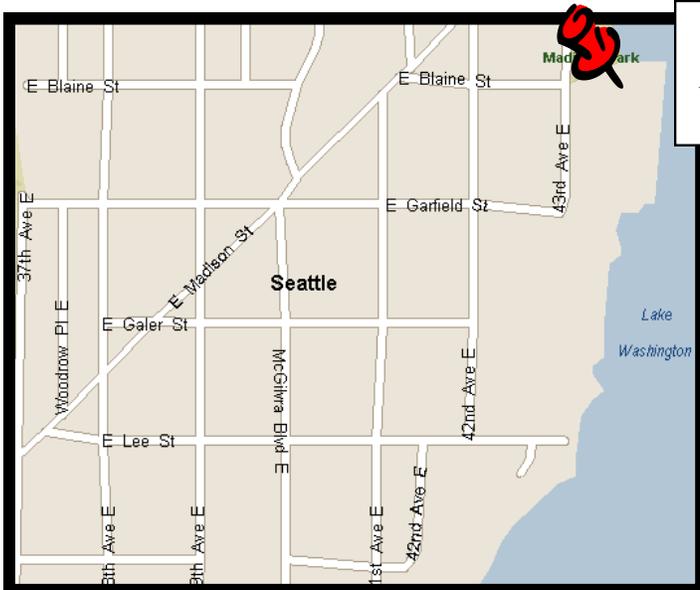


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