

# Book 3: The Elliotts of Devon and Oxford County

## Elizabeth Elliott and James Hamlyn and Family

**Preface:** Elizabeth was the second oldest daughter of John and Mary Elliott. To review their lives in Devon, the trip to Canada and their life here, refer to

Book 1

**The Devonshire Elliott/Seldon/Prouse/Hamlyn/Wilson Families of 1843 Ingersoll and surrounding townships**

IRC – Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

Con – township concession

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## Daughter of Mary and John Elliott

Second Oldest Daughter: Elizabeth Mary

B 11 Nov 1810 Bradworthy, Devon  
Christening 25 Dec 1810 Bradworthy  
D 25 Jan 1899 Ingersoll, Ont. Buried IRC  
M 22 July 1832 Hartland

Spouse: James Hamlyn

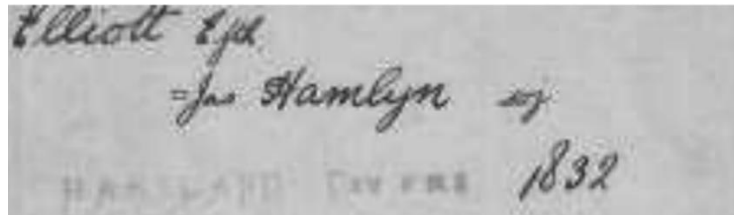
B 1804 Clovelly Devon  
D 14 Feb 1836 Devon

Spouse: Joseph Hempswell

M 1857 – Ingersoll Ontario  
B 05 Feb 1805 Lincoln City, Lincolnshire, England  
D 03 Nov 1875 Ingersoll Buried IRC.



Elizabeth was the second daughter of John and Mary Elliott. Records indicate she was born in Bradworthy, Devon. She married James Hamlyn of Clovelly, Devon in 1832 at St Nectan's Church in Hartland. He was the second youngest of Thomas Hamlyn and Mary Cooke's children. His family lived in Clovelly. The Hamlyn family has "owned" the village since 1738. The large majority of residents of Clovelly carried the Hamlyn name.



Marriage registration in Hartland, Devon

The couple had 3 children in quick succession;

Thomas	B 1833	D 1887
Mary	B 1834	D 1917
Mariah	B 1836	D 1918

Elizabeth Mary's husband James Hamlyn died in 1836. I have no confirmation of the cause of James Hamlyn's death. He died five weeks after the birth of daughter Mariah. According to Paul Chesterman, a direct descendant of James and Elizabeth, they lived at Clifford Cottage in Hartland after their 1832 marriage. This farm is located just a few kilometers inland from Clovelly, Hartland, the ancestral home of the Hamlyn's.



Clifford Cottage



Clovelly is a well-known summer tourist attraction and movie location these days but was a thriving fishing port in the early 1800's. Most of the buildings are of Grade 1 heritage designation. In the past, it was known for the use of donkeys to transport products and people up the steep coastal cliffs. The link noted below is an excellent tourist overview of the location.

<https://www.clovelly.co.uk/>



The village is privately owned and has been associated with only three families since the middle of the 13th century. Today, the estate is run by the Clovelly Estate Company, led by John Rous, a descendant of the Hamlyn family who has owned the village, estate and manor house, since 1738.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clovelly\\_Court](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clovelly_Court)



Clovelly street and harbour

After James Hamlyn died, 30-year-old widowed Elizabeth moved back with her parents and siblings to the family farm in Marwood parish. Marwood was a substantial trip from Clovelly in the 1830s. The 37-kilometer trip would have taken all day. I suspect the Elliott family moved from Bradworthy to Marwood a few years prior to the 1841 census. The reason for the move is unknown.

City or Borough of Marwood Enumeration Schedule

Parish or Township of Marwood

PLACE	HOUSES	NAME	AGE	PROFESSION, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT, or INDEPENDENT MEANS	Where BORN
1	Richard Gray	65	Sea	4	
2	Maria do	62		4	
3	John Gray	50	Farmer	4	
4	John Gray	40	Sea	4	
5	John Elliott	40	Sea	4	
6	John Elliott	30	Sea	4	
7	John Elliott	20	Sea	4	
8	John Elliott	10	Sea	4	
9	John Elliott	5	Sea	4	
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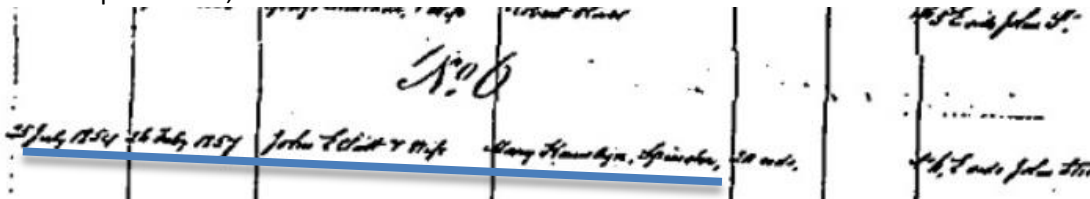
John Elliott	50	Farmer
Mary do	50	
Elizabeth Hamlyn	50	
Eliza Elliott	28	
William do	22	
Thomas do	19	
James do	15	
Samuel do	12	
Eliza do	20	
Thomas Hamlyn	8	
Mary do	6	
Jessie do	4	

The 1841 Devon census shows Elizabeth Hamlyn and family living in Marwood.

Elizabeth and her three children came over to Canada with the main body of the family in 1843. No census records show where she was living during the 1851 census period. She and her young daughters may have spent time in the Scarborough, Durham County Upper Canada area before moving to Ingersoll or perhaps she was in the Ingersoll region when the majority of the family moved there around 1844.

As noted in Book 1, father John Elliott purchased a portion of property on the north side of the Thames River in the 1850's from John Crotty's farm and created the John Elliott subdivision on John St. in newly formed Ingersoll. Onland.ca records show that Elizabeth Mary was very likely the Mary Hamlyn that purchased from John, her father, a house at lot 6 on John St. on July 25, 1854. John St. would remain a home address for Hamlyn descendants through the decades. If this is indeed Elizabeth Hamlyn, the question begs as to where were her children who would have been 19, 17 and 15 years of age. The only 1851 census Ingersoll record of a Hamlyn – Elliott connection in Ingersoll is a John Elliott and a Mary Hamlyn that lived on John St. I suspect that this was Elizabeth's father John and his second wife Mary Hamlyn. The following page of the census indicates they were married as discussed in Book 1. Elizabeth's daughter Mary was found living with her Prouse cousins in Dereham in the 1851 census. Son Thomas was found with uncle Samuel Elliott in W Zorra. Where Elizabeth and daughter Mariah were in the 1851 census is not known.

As noted, Elizabeth had purchased her brick house on Lot 6 John St. in the John Elliott subdivision, as town maps called it, from her father in 1854.



The Village of Ingersoll was incorporated in 1852 and the local population blossomed. One new member was Joseph Hempswell. Elizabeth was remarried to Joseph Hempswell in 1857. He was born in Lincolnshire, England 1805. Not much time has been spent locating Joseph in his time in England. One intriguing element is that a Joseph Hempswell B 1805 from Lincoln City, Lincolnshire had a court case on 05 March, 1836 in Lincolnshire. The location, birth age and dates are correct to the Ingersoll Joseph Hempswell. I believe it was him. He was sentenced to two months for larceny. From there he made his way to Canada. If this is the correct man, I wonder if knowledge of his criminal record followed him to Oxford Co.

County of <i>Lincoln</i>		Register of all Persons charged with and Sessions held within the County of				
Names of Offenders.	Degree of Instruction.	Ages.	At what Sessions Tried or Discharged without Trial.	OFFENCES of w <sup>l</sup> Acquitted—and Trial were char	SENTENCES.	
					Transportation.	Imprisonment.
<i>Joseph Hempswell</i>	<i>Imp</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>Lincoln City, England 5<sup>th</sup> March</i>	<i>Larceny</i>		<i>2 Months</i>

The 1861 census lists him as a 56-year-old “gentleman” and the couple lived next door to Mary’s father and second wife. It is interesting that he moved into his wife’s house on John Street. Did he not have a house of his own? They had no children and by this time, Elizabeth’s three children had moved on in their own lives and were not living with Elizabeth.

PERSONAL COLUMN	Enumeration District No. 1 of the Village of Ingersoll Township of the County of Ingersoll	37																																						
NAME OF HOUSEHOLD	PERSONAL COLUMN	SEX	AGE	RELATION	PLACE OF BIRTH	EDUCATION	INDUSTRY	PROPERTY	VALUE	REMARKS																														
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40	Elizabeth Hempswell		"	✓	" "		✓	50	1	"																														
47	John Elliott	Gentleman	England	✓	" "		✓	72	1	M																														
48	Mary Elliott		" "	✓	" "		✓	65	1	"																														
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1861/1871 census John St. Ingersoll

Ten years later, the 1871 census had the couple still living on John St in Ingersoll. Even though Joseph was 66 years old at that time he was now a "labourer". What had changed that required him to go back to work?

After Joseph Hempswell's death in 1875, Elizabeth continued living alone in her house on John St. until about 1890. She was 80 years old at the time. According to the 1891 census Elizabeth's daughter, 54-year-old Maria Henderson and her husband had moved into the house. Elizabeth, due to her likely infirmities of health, had moved to London where she appeared in the 1891 census as living with her son Thomas' widowed second wife Grace and her brood. Grace took care of her mother-in-law until Grace remarried. At this point, there is no indication as to where Elizabeth lived until her death in 1899 when at age 88 when she suffered a stroke and a fall. Her tombstone has an interesting note on it. It says she was born in Cornwall, England. My assumption would have been that she was born in Devon as were all her siblings. Either there was an error made at her death about her birth location or a mystery lies unsolved as to her birth location. Was she illegitimate? She was buried at IRC very near to her siblings and parents.

#### ELIZABETH HEMPSWELL

Another of the remaining pioneers of the section passed away on Wednesday last in the person of Mrs. Elizabeth Hempswell who for over half a century had been a resident of this vicinity. Mrs. Hempswell was the second daughter of the late John and Mary Elliott, and was born in Devonshire, England in 1810. In 1882\* she was married to James Hamlyn, by whom she had three children, the eldest of whom, Thomas died in Wingham, and the remaining two being Mrs. E. M. Henderson and Mrs. James Martin, of Ingersoll. After four years of happy married life her husband died. In 1848\* she came with her parents, a sister and three brothers to this country and settled in West Zorra, shortly afterwards removing to Ingersoll where she has resided ever since. The brothers had come to Canada a couple of years after the parents, the old homestead being on the farm where the old West Zorra cheese factory was located. In 1857 she was married to Joseph Hempswell who died in November, 1875. Besides the children above mentioned she leaves six grandchildren, nine great grandchildren

and thirty-nine nephews and nieces. Mrs. Hempswell enjoyed good healthy until a little over a year ago, when she suffered a slight stroke of paralysis from which, however she soon recovered. A few weeks later she unfortunately received a fall which rendered her almost helpless during the remainder of life. On New Years Day she contracted a cold which developed into influenza and on Wednesday morning she passed quietly away. Deceased was an earnest Christian worker, having joined the Bible Christian Church in the old country when but a child. Upon coming to this country, she identified herself with the Charles Street Methodist church, of which she as been an exemplary member ever since. She has a wide circle of warm friends who will sincerely mourn her demise. The funeral took place to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery Friday afternoon and was very largely attended. The solemn services were conducted by Rev. T.J. Atkins and the pall bearers all nephews of the deceased were Thos. Seldon, Thos. Prouse, Foster Wilson, Edwin Elliot, Richard Elliot, Jas. R. Elliot.  
Ingersoll Tribune 02 Feb, 1899.

\* As a note:

Elizabeth married James Hamlyn 22 July, 1832 and not 1882.

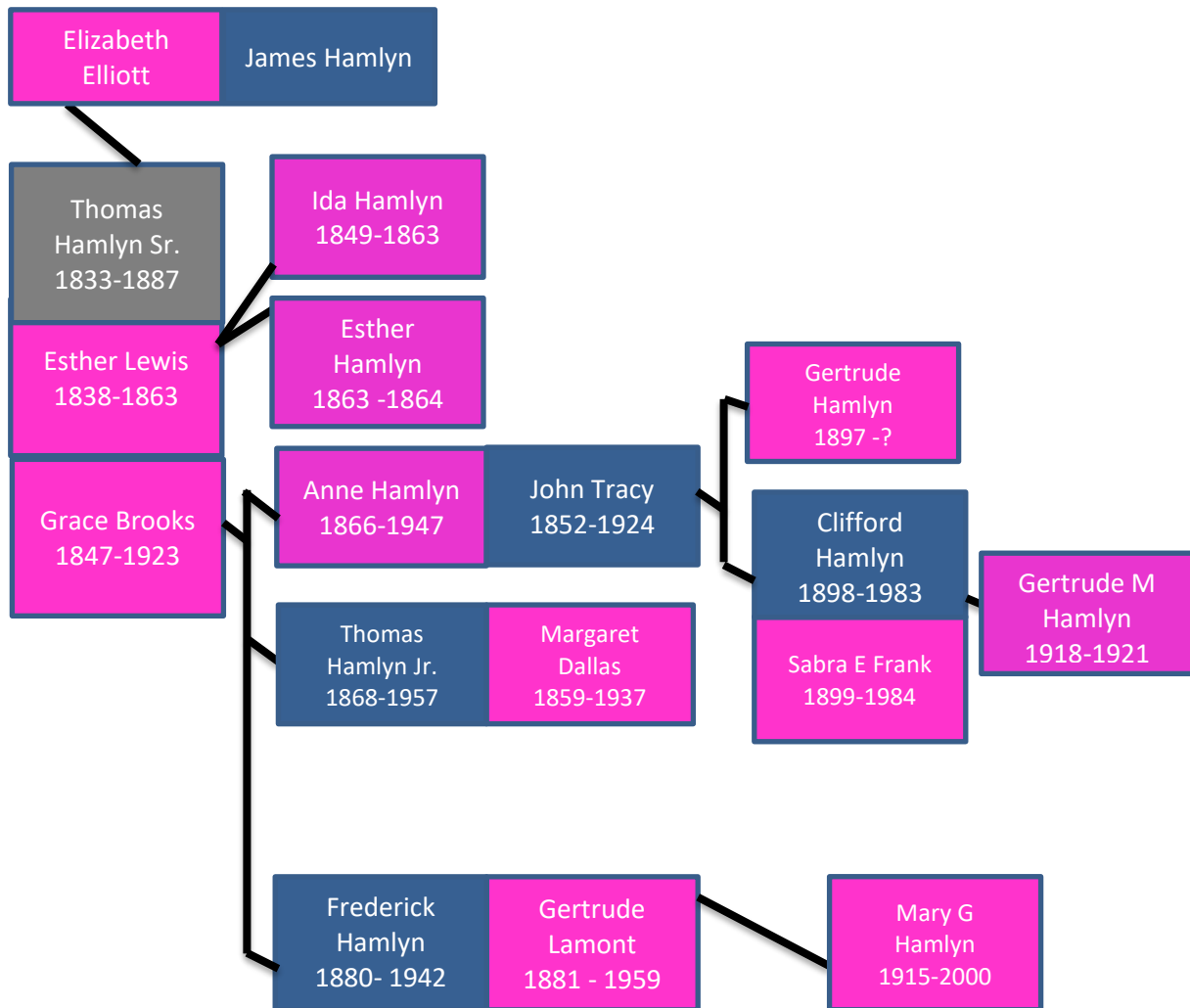
\*Elizabeth arrived in Oxford County in 1843 and not 1848. The obituary also states she arrived with a sister and three brothers. All her brothers arrived in 1843 not 1848 except oldest brother John who I suspect was already in the area. There is a question regarding the arrival of four brothers that are believed to have come over at the same time. It is possible that teenage brothers, Samuel, James and Thomas came with her and 23-year-old brother William arrived with his new bride and young son on another ship. The sister element is correct as one sister, Eliza, arrived at the same time but two other sisters came with their Prouse and Seldon husbands at a later date



HEMPSWELL--At Ingersoll, on 25th January, Elizabeth Hempswell, aged 88 years, 2 months and 14 days. The funeral will take place on Friday, January 27th at 2 o'clock from her late residence, John Street, and proceed to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery

Her obituary states that she was from Devon but her tombstone disagrees.

## Children and Spouses of Thomas Hamlyn and Esther Lewis and Grace Brooks



### Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott

#### Children of Elizabeth Elliott and James Hamlyn

**Oldest: Thomas Hamlyn Sr**

B 1833 Bradworthy Devon Bapt: 10 Feb, 1833  
 D 04 Jan 1887 Wingham, Ont.  
 liver issues at age 50 led to heart disease and death.  
 M 23 Dec 1858 Ingersoll

Spouse: Esther Savena Lewis

B 23 Dec 1833 from N Oxford  
 D 19 Oct 1863 Ingersoll

Spouse: Grace Brooks

M 21 May 1866 Ingersoll  
 B Apr 1846 Worley, Halifax, Yorkshire  
 D 31 Aug 1923 Ingersoll



Thomas Hamlyn Sr. came over with his mother and two sisters with the main body of Elliott family in 1843. By the 1851 census, he was a 20-year-old carpenter living with his 26-year-old uncle Samuel Elliott and Samuel's 18-year-old bride Annie Walker and their young daughter on Samuel's farm in W Zorra. This property would eventually become the Elliott Family Cheese Factory (later called the Red Star Cheese Factory). The land was the original family farm. Thomas was listed on the census as being a carpenter for the Great Western Railroad (GWR), a trade and employer he would maintain throughout his life.

**PERSONAL CENSUS—ENUMERATION DISTRICT, No. 1** *Ingersoll* **9 OF**

Names of Inmates.	Profession, Trade or Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Religion.	Residence if out of limits.	Age next birth day.	Sex.	
						Male.	Female.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 Saml Elliot	Lammer	England	Ep-Methodist		26	1	
2 Mary Ann Elliot	Wife	Canada	Do		18		1
3 Annie W. Elliot	Wife	Do	Do		1		1
4 Mrs W. H. Ford	Seamstress	England	W. Methodist		17	1	
5 Thos Hamlyn	Carpenter	Do	Ep-Methodist		20	1	

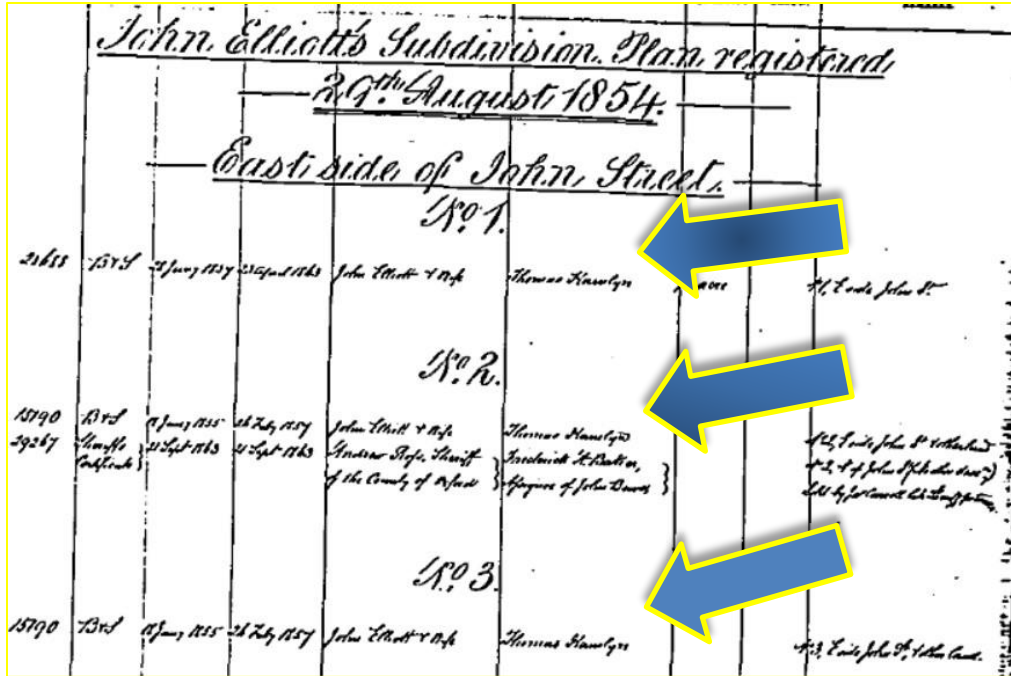
1851 census

Hamlyn, Thomas, carpenter, G. W. R.,  
John. Ingersoll Directory.

**MARRIED.**  
In this place, yesterday, by the Rev. George Turner, Mr Thomas Hamlin of Ingersoll, to Miss Esther Savina Lewis of Centerville.

Ingersoll Chronicle Dec 24, 1858

On Christmas Eve 1858, he married Esther Lewis of Centerville, W. Oxford. He was living in Ingersoll at the time. Esther was the daughter of US born Horatio Lewis, a retired gentleman. The Ontario Marriage records shows the marriage of Thomas and Esther was performed in Ingersoll. By the time he had married he had purchased several lots on John St. from his grandfather, who held the mortgages. The lots were purchased between 1857 to 1863. Whether there were houses on all the lots Thomas purchased is unknown as John Elliott had purchased the raw land in 1852. By the 1861 census, Thomas and family were living on Lot 1 east side corner of John St and Bell St. Tragedy struck the family on Oct 19, 1863 when Esther died two weeks after giving birth to second daughter Ida. Ida died one month after her mother and Thomas' older daughter, also named Esther, died the following year at age two on 06 Sept, 1864. The last John St. lot Thomas purchased occurred a month before his wife's death.



Thomas' land purchases noted on Onland.ca

Thomas Hamlyn was born in Devonshire, England. He married Esther Savina (sp) Lewis in Canada, in 1858. They had two children, Ida and Esther. His wife, Esther, died 15 days after their second daughter was born. The eldest daughter Ida, died a month later, and the youngest daughter, Esther died 11 months later. All 3 are buried together in the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

Find A Grave notation

Esther was 37 when she died. There appears to be no record in the IRC burial index noting the death or burial location for Esther and her two young daughters but a visit to the cemetery confirms that they are buried with husband Thomas Hamlyn Sr.

Since Esther and her one daughter died prior to the opening of the cemetery in 1864, they must have been buried somewhere else and then moved. They were not "removed" to the cemetery with the Elliott/Wilson/Prouse group in 1866 from the extended family farm burial ground. Where they were is a mystery. Thomas' life was full of tragedy. His father died when he was 4 years old. He also lived to see his wife and two young daughters perish.

**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott**  
**Grand Children of Elizabeth Elliott and James Hamlyn**

**Daughters of Thomas Hamlyn Sr. and Esther Lewis**

**Child: Ida Mary** B 1859 Ingersoll  
 D 13 Nov 1863 Ingersoll

**Child: Esther Sevina** B 04 Oct 1863 Ingersoll  
 D 05 Sept 1864 Ingersoll

Birth of daughter Esther Sevina Ingersoll Chronicle

Event: October 4, 1863

Associated Surname Hamlyn

Associated First Name Thomas

Note daughter

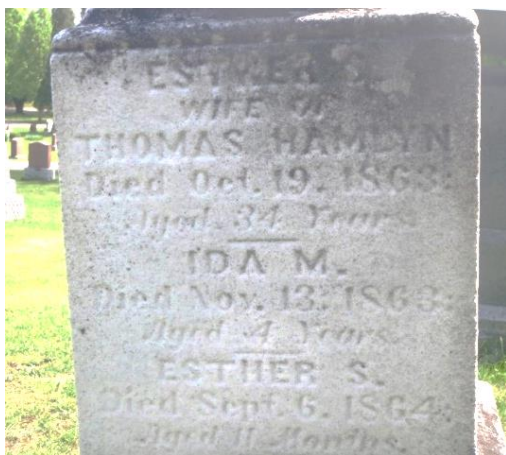
Text of Notice HAMLIN--In Ingersoll, 4th inst., the wife of Mr. Thomas Hamlyn, of a daughter

Death of wife Esther Ingersoll Chronicle – 2 weeks later


Date of Event October 19, 1863

Text of Notice HAMLIN--In Ingersoll, 19th inst., Esther S., wife of Mr. Thomas Hamlyn, aged 34 years

Ingersoll Chronicle



After the tragedy, Thomas started once again to have a family. On May 21, 1866 he married Grace Brooks of Ingersoll. He was 36 years old and she was 19. They had 3 children. The family continued to live on John St. in Ingersoll as Thomas worked as a carpenter for the GWR. He was a member of the Masonic Temple and an avid vegetable gardener.

 A few days since, Mr Thomas Hamlyn, of this town, showed us a very fine sample of "Early Rose" potatoes, grown in his own garden, in the open air. On Monday, Mr Ingersoll Chronicle 1869



They moved to Wingham Ont. around 1877 and the 1881 census indicated they were living at 8 Patrick St N in Wingham. In Ingersoll, he worked as a carpenter for the railroad and as the GWR had just expanded into Huron County in the mid 1870s, he was either transferred there or went of his own volition as he held the same occupation in the 1881 Wingham census. Thomas was there until his death on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Jan, 1887. He is buried in IRC with his first family in the Elliott section.

Second wife Grace Brooks was born in Yorkshire. She was found in the 1861 census as a 14-year-old living with the Hayward family in E Oxford. How she arrived there from England and was not living with her immediate family was a mystery. Where the rest of her family was is an unknown that needed investigating. Her death information indicates that she had no knowledge of her parents. Hers would be an interesting story. After Thomas Hamlyn's death, second wife

Grace returned to Ingersoll. The Lot 1/2/3/ properties on John St. were kept by Thomas when they moved to Wingham but the properties were transferred to Grace's name in 1887/1888 as per Onland.ca. Grace later moved the family to London as noted in the 1891 census but quickly married Ebenezer Uren in October of 1891. Ebenezer Uren was a N. Oxford farmer that lived in the Beachville/Centreville area in late 1891 and Grace and son Frederick moved to the Uren farm house.

**SUDDEN DEATH.**—It is our painful duty, says the *Wingham Times*, this week to chronicle the death of **Thomas Hamlyn**, one of our most highly respected citizens, which occurred suddenly and unexpected at his residence on Patrick street at an early hour on Tuesday morning. Mr **Hamlyn** was apparently enjoying his usual health on Monday, and worked up till six o'clock that evening. Shortly after retiring for the night, however, he complained of feeling slightly ill, but not sufficient to cause the family any uneasiness. When Mrs. Hamlyn awoke about five o'clock on Tuesday morning she found her husband breathing his last, and although medical aid was summoned immediately, the vital spark had fled before it arrived. The

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 For particulars apply to  
 MRS. HAMLYN, PATRICK STREET.  
 Wingham, April 5, 1888.

have the heartfelt sympathy of the community in their sudden bereavement. Deceased was 53 years of age on the day of his death. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning to the G. T. R. depot, from whence the remains were taken to Ingersoll for interment.

When Grace moved to London for reasons unknown, she took sons Thomas and Frederick with her. However, there was another child in the picture, Jane. She was listed as a 2-year-old daughter in the 1891 census.

Province of *Ontario* District No. *19* *London City* S. District *6.1*

SCHEDULE No. 1.—Nominal Return of the Living. Enumerated by me on the *10* day of *April*

TABLEAU No. 1.—Dénombrement des Vivants. Enuméré par moi ce jour de *10* 1891.

SEX OF VISITATION.			NAMES	Sex.	Age.	Married or Widowed.	Religion of Family.	Country or Province of Birth.	French Canadian.	Place of Birth of Father.	Place of Birth of Mother.	RELIGION.	Profession, Occupation or Trade.
Male.	Female.	Familia.											
NAMES													
14870													
10 <sup>th</sup> 1891													
			<i>William</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>
			<i>Lathiger Ellen</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>Ireland</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>
			<i>Hamlyn Grace</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>England</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>England</i>	<i>England</i>	<i>Methodist</i>	<i>-</i>
			<i>Thomas</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>West</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Butcher</i>
			<i>Frederick</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>
			<i>Jane</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>
			<i>10<sup>th</sup> 1891</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Human</i>

1891 London City census – Sons Thomas and Frederick still at home. But who is Jane?

Her new husband Ebenezer Uren lived in West Oxford at Lot 13, Broken Front Concession (just west of present-day Centerville). He was one of the large a number of Urens that lived to the east of Ingersoll and farmed in N. and W. Oxford. He was a widower with 4 children under the age of 13 at home. She

Handwritten forms, likely a death certificate or obituary form, with entries for "England" and "Worley Yorkshire".

John Street  
 If in a Hospital or Institution, give name  
 76 yrs. - mos. - dys. hrs. min.  
 England  
 House duties  
 from - to -  
 000088  
 from - to -  
 27 years at place of death in Ontario in Canada  
 - Roads  
 - England

moved into his home bringing her youngest son Frederick Hamlin. At age 20, he was still with the blended family in the 1901 census. Perhaps ironically, Grace and Ebenezer were back living on John St. in the 1921 census. Her husband had retired and moved in town with wife Grace, a daughter and 28-year-old Jennie Brooks – listed as his stepdaughter. Jennie the mystery returns. Is she the 2-year-old Jane from the 1891 census that was claimed as a daughter of Grace? Likely. The 1921 census listed Jennie Brooks living with the Urens. She was tabulated then as a niece. Since it appears that Grace made the trip across the Atlantic alone, Jennie being a niece of Grace's seems remote. A daughter maybe? Where did Jennie Brooks originate?

This question was answered in Grace's obituary in the Ingersoll Chronicle Newspaper. It notes that Grace in fact came to Welland Ontario with her parents and siblings. The 1851 UK census of Worley Yorkshire, a village just west of Leeds in Yorkshire and other records

seems to indicate she was born there. Her obituary claims she came to Canada with her parents when she was a child yet her death certificate was unable to name her parents. As well, there was a 14-year-old Grace Brooks who was born in England and then living in E Oxford in the 1861 census? The same girl? All very confusing. However, the obit has Jennie confirmed as her niece. One mystery answered.

After suffering for a decade with chronic arthritis, Grace died at her home in John St. and her remains occupy a spot in IRC with second husband Ebenezer Uren.

**MRS. E. W. UREN**  
 Death on Friday, August 31st, claimed an esteemed resident of Ingersoll in the person of Mrs. E. W. Uren, wife of E. W. Uren, in her 77th year at her late residence, John Street. For many years the late Mrs. Uren had been an invalid but throughout her long illness maintained an extraordinary degree of cheerfulness. Born in England, April 1st, 1846, she, Grace Brooks, came to Canada with her parents during childhood settling at Welland, Ont. She married to Thos. Hamlyn who died in 1887. In 1889 she was married to E. W. Uren. She is survived by her husband, four sons, Thomas J. Hamlyn, Fred J. Hamlyn, London, Ont.; Russell H. Uren, Calgary, and Alfred E. Uren, Toronto, also three daughters, Mrs. J. A. Tracy, Stewarttown, Ont., Miss Sadie Uren, at home, and Mrs. W. L. Badley, Elmira, Ont., and niece Miss Jennie Brooks of Victoria Hospital Training School, London. One sister and three brothers also survive. The service was conducted by Rev. M. E. Soxsmith assisted by Rev. J. G. Scott, and Rev. H. J. Uren. The pall bearers were five nephews and Lloyd Thomp son of Ingersoll--Ingersoll Tribune.

Uren - E. W. Uren	John St. H	"	0	BB	S	B	V	6/14/20	Mrs. Uren	79	out!
Uren Grace	"	"	-	-	-	-	-	Wife	F	76	England
Uren Sarah P.	"	"	-	-	-	-	-	Daughter	F	31	out
Brooks Jennie	"	"	-	-	-	-	-	Adopted daughter	F	28	out

1921 census Jennie Brooks listed as adopted daughter of E Uren.



## Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott

### Grandchildren of Mary Elliott and James Hamlyn

#### Children of Thomas Hamlyn Sr. and Grace Brooks

Oldest Child: Anne Elizabeth

B 02 Aug 1867 Ingersoll

D 24 Mar 1947 London Ont. Parkwood Hospital

M 17 Nov 1887 Wingham, Huron Co.

Spouse: John Patrick Tracy

B 06 Jun 1852 Stewarttown, Esquesling, Halton Co.

D 25 Jun 1925 Stewarttown, Halton Co.

Anne's Birth Announcement:

Date of Event August 2, 1867

Associated Surname Hamlyn

Associated First Name Thomas

Note daughter

Text of Notice HAMLIN--In Ingersoll, on the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. Thomas Hamlyn, of a daughter Ingersoll chronicle

Annie was 10 years old when the family was uprooted to Wingham where she spent her formative years. She was 20 years old when she married John Tracy. He was almost 20 years he senior. Tracy was the bank manager for the Bank of Hamilton in Wingham when he met and married Anne. By 1891 they were living in Esquesling township, Halton County where John worked for an insurance firm in Stewarttown where he was born and raised. Later he was the township clerk until his death. His father was a founding member of the community and the first township clerk. They lived in his father's house, now a heritage property on the Stewarttown Rd. His obituary was extremely long and eloquent in the July 1, 1925 Georgetown Herald. He appeared to be a well educated and talent man. (Excerpt below)

### Obituary

#### JOHN A. TRACY

The sudden death of John Alexander Tracy of Stewarttown is a great shock to the community. In his passing Halton, more especially Esquesling, suffers a loss that cannot be filled. John Tracy, for over twenty years, was Township Clerk, which position with the office of Clerk of the 3rd Division Court and Secretary of the Esquesling Agricultural Society, he held until his death and the different offices will go far afield to find a man to fill his place. Mr. Tracy was in his 74th year; he was born in Stewarttown of Irish parentage and is the last of his generation. He was educated at the old Grammar School at Georgetown and later a student of the late Dr. Fassie of Galt, after which he spent some time at the Royal Military College at Kingston. Upon leaving there he taught school for several years in different parts of

the county and many of the present day residents have fond recollections of his tuition. Leaving his teaching to take a position with the Bank of Hamilton in its early days he served that institution for a number of years at Georgetown, Tottenham, Listowel, Hamilton, Port Elgin and finally at Wingham where, in 1887 he married Miss Annie E. Hamlyn, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hamlyn of Wingham, and later returned to Stewarttown where he took up the duties of Township Clerk, and a little later was appointed License Inspector for the County of Halton which position he well and faithfully filled for several years. He was always active in military affairs and upon obtaining the rank of Captain in the 20th Halton Rifles he was granted his long service medal, of which he was justly proud. He was a lifelong member of the Georgetown band, an all-round sport, a good cricket player and a good horseman in his younger





The home of Richard Tracy – first clerk of Esquesing Township and his son James Tracy, also a town clerk. The house is listed as a historical site in Halton Co.

After John Tracy's death in 1925 and his burial in Stewarttown, Anne continued to live in the family home and in 1931 had taken in two female boarders, a 76-year-old retiree and a 21-year-old school teacher. She later moved to London Ont. to live with her brother Thomas Jr. and his wife Margaret Dallas. By 1945 she was living at the extended care Parkwood Hospital in London until her 1947 death. She is buried with her brother Thomas J R Hamlyn and his wife. (photo previous page). Anne and John Tracy had no children.

News came to the village Tuesday morning that Mrs. J. A. Tracy passed away Monday in Parkwood Hospital, London. Mrs Tracey had been ill for 6 or 7 years and suffered greatly.

March 26, 1927 Georgetown Herald Pg 1

## Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott

### Grandchildren of Mary Elliott and James Hamlyn

#### Children of Thomas Hamlyn Sr. and Grace Brooks

**Second Child: Thomas James R Jr.** B 23 Nov 1868 Ingersoll  
D 1957 London

M 29 Apr 1896 Wingham

Spouse: Margaret A "Margery" Dallas B 24 Jun 1868 Ingersoll (as per Ingersoll Chronicle)  
D 05 July 1937 London

#### Thomas James Hamlyn Birth Announcement:

Date of Event November 23, 1868

Associated Surname Hamlyn

Associated First Name Thomas

Note son

Text of Notice HAMLYN--In Ingersoll, 23rd November, the wife of Mr. Thomas Hamlyn, GWR, of a son  
Ingersoll Chronicle

After husband Thomas' Wingham death in 1887, Grace moved the family to London before remarrying and moving to a farm on the eastern outskirts of Ingersoll. John Jr. did not make the trip to Ingersoll with Grace.

This was prior to her son John Jr. marrying his wife Margaret Dallas in 1896. John Jr. made London the family home. The couple were both 27 years old when married. She was the daughter of rail worker Crombie Dallas of Wingham. There is a good possibility that she met Thomas Jr, through their fathers who worked for the same company. Thomas Jr. owned a butcher shop and the family lived at 417 Hill St. in London. The site is now a relatively new Roman Catholic church. It appears the family lived on the second floor above the shop and his mother Margaret lived with them for a time. As noted, his mother would eventually remarry to Ebenezer Uren in 1891. The marriage was a quiet affair and took place at Thomas Jr's Hill St. home. Tom eventually sold the butcher shop and went to work part time for the new owner. He was laid off from his job according to the 1931 census, likely due to the depression. He and his wife and daughter Gertrude (age 33), were still living above the butcher shop on Hill St. The 1945 voters list has widower Thomas Jr, then in his late 70s still at his butcher shop but another couple was living with him. He lived to the age of eighty-nine.

**Great Grandchildren of Mary Elliott and James Hamlyn  
Grandchildren of Thomas Hamlyn Sr. and Grace Brooks**

**Children of Thomas James R. Hamlyn and Margaret Dallas**

**Oldest: Gertrude** B 04 Feb 1897 London, Ont.  
D unknown

Spouse: Unknown



Gertrude was born and raised on Hill St. in London where she attended London South Collegiate and was a member of the Literary Society. She was 23 and still living at home with her parents as noted in the 1921 census. She worked in a dry goods store. The trail ends in 1931 for Gertrude as she is found still living with her parents in the apartment the Hill St. butcher shop. Her occupation at the time was a milliner in a retail hat shop. Although the Gertrude Hamlyn name appears often in later years on various websites and records, there is no guarantee it is the missing Gertrude. If she married, the trail is even more shrouded.

**Great Grandchildren of Mary Elliott and James Hamlyn  
Grandchildren of Thomas Hamlyn and Grace Brooks  
Children of Thomas James R. Hamlyn Jr. and Margaret Dallas**

**Youngest: Clifford** B 08 May 1898 London  
D 1983 London  
M 08 Oct 1917 Detroit

Spouse: Sabra Eileen Frank B 01 May 1899 London  
D 1984 London

Clifford's wedding in Detroit in October of 1917 creates some timeline issues. Although the couple were both listed as 18 years of age, Clifford's birth schedule date would indicate he was actually 17 and Eileen's tombstone says she was born in 1899. She too according to her birth records would have been only 17. I suspect an elopement had occurred and they ran to the US to marry. This happened more than once in the Elliott clan.



Clifford Hamlyn 18 wife London Canada Canada Clerk Thomas  
 Elene Frank 18 " " " " " " " " " " Margaret  
 James Alexandra

Michigan Marriage schedule:

Very soon after the marriage, daughter Gertrude was born. She was born in 1918 and died in 1921 of typhoid fever. The couple lived in London first at 107 Adelaide St as of the 1931 census. He worked as a railroad yardmaster and keeping with the family tradition, worked for the Great Western Railroad.

57	590 Routledge, Mrs. Chester .....	157
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voters list 1945.



107 Adelaide St



592 Piccadilly St.



34 Marianna Dr. Lambeth

They later lived at 592 Piccadilly St. as indicated by the 1921 census. By 1940, Clifford had moved to Lambeth, Ont., a suburb of London and eventually retired there at 34 Marianna Dr.

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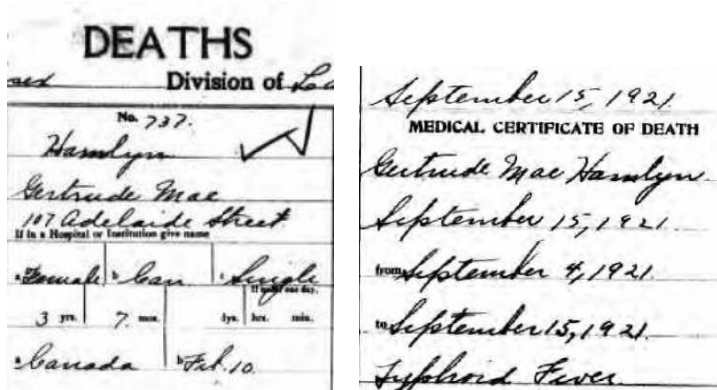
Woodland Cemetery registry.

**HAMLYN**  
 Ilene Sabra. At the Dearness Home London on September 30, 1984, Ilene (Frank) Hamlyn formerly of 34 Main Street East, Lambeth in her 86th year. Beloved wife of the late Clifford Hamlyn (1983). Dear mother of Mrs. John O. (Gloria) Merritt of Lambeth. Dear sister of Wesley of Niagara Falls, Ontario. Loving grandmother of three grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Friends may call at the McFarlane and Roberts Funeral Home, Lambeth on Tuesday, October 2, 1984 between 7-9 PM and Wednesday, October 3, 1984 between 2-4 and 7-9 PM where the funeral service will be held on Thursday, October 4, 1984 at 2 PM with the Rev. Don Hansford of the Lambeth United Church officiating. Interment Woodland Cemetery. Donations to the Alzheimers Research Fund would be appreciated.

Ilene Hamlyn Obituary London Free Press 02 Oct, 1984

**Great Grandchildren of Thomas Hamlyn Sr. and Grace Brooks  
Grandchildren of Thomas James R. Hamlyn and Margaret Dallas  
Only child of Clifford Hamlyn and Sabra Eileen Frank**

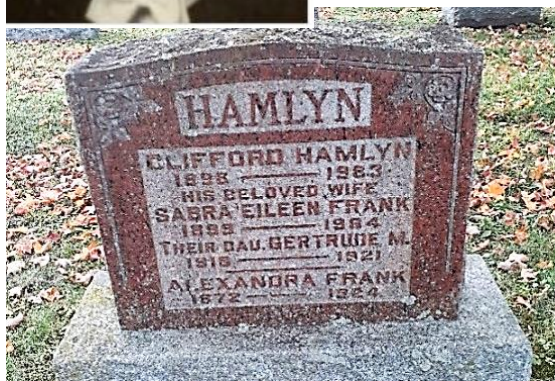
**Daughter: Gertrude Mae** B 04 Feb 1917 London  
D 15 Sept 1921 London



**Daughter: Gloria Eileen** B 1925 London  
D 13 Dec 2005  
**Spouse: John Oliver Merritt** B 15 Feb 1915  
D 10 Jun 2005 London



**Merritt, John O.,** London, Ont.; University of Western Ontario, 1943; Lieutenant, Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps (1943–45); family physician, Lambeth, Ont.; Coroner, Middlesex County for over 50 years. Died June 10, 2005, aged 89; survived by his wife, Gloria, his children Richard, Robert and Linda, 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. “John was an accomplished pianist and avid golfer.”  
Canadian Medical Assoc. Journal



There are some interesting coincidences with the Hamlyn family and the village of Lambeth. While researching the London Hamlyn family, I kept running into a Hamlyn family in Lambeth Ont. Their records also indicated they were originally from Devon. They also liberally used the given names of Gertrude, Grace and Thomas with regularity. Could they have been English relatives that had also moved to Canada? Their presence in Lambeth is more notable with Clifford retiring there and by the presence of the Ralph Hamlyn Park and Playground in Lambeth. There is some proof

to back up this claim. The family of Thomas and Susan Hamlyn of Clovelly moved to Canada around 1851. They settled in Garafraxa township between Fergus and Orangeville, where he was a miller. A son Henry, born in Devon in 1849 eventually settled in Lambeth and married Mary Talbot of Quebec. They raised at least three children, William B 1877, Minnie B 1881 and Thomas B 1874. Their ancestors also lived in Lambeth. I believe that there is a good chance that the two Hamlyn families were related or had knowledge of each other.

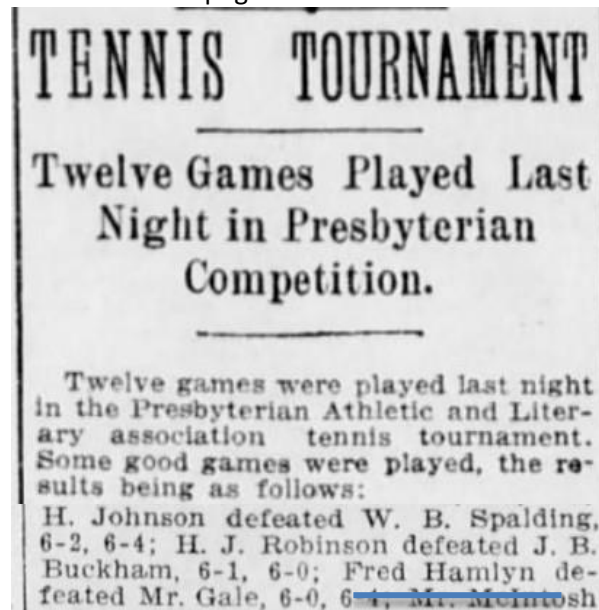
**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott  
Grandchildren of Mary Elliott and James Hamlyn Sr.  
Children of Thomas Hamlyn and Grace Brooks**

**Youngest Child: Frederick John**

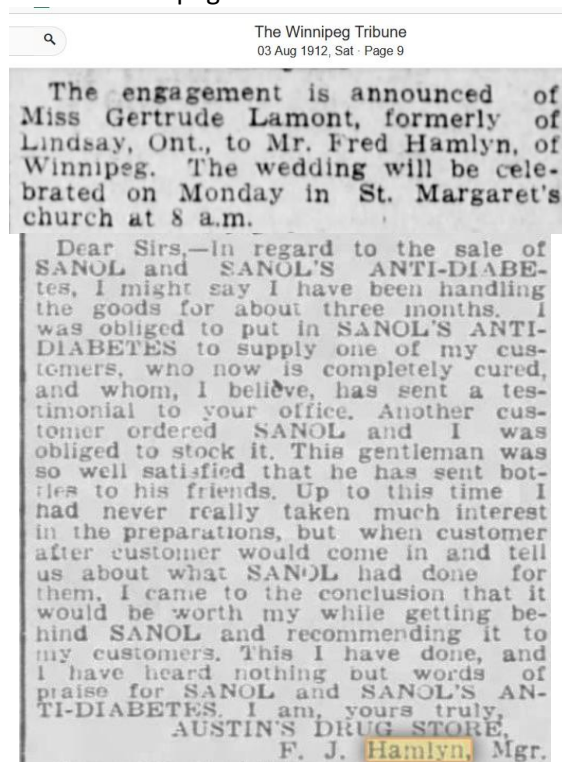
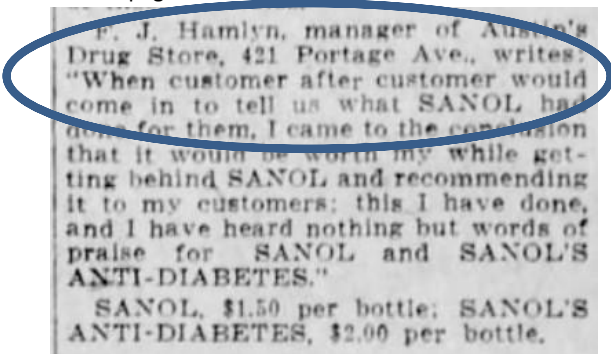
B 11 Nov 1880 Wingham  
D 04 Dec 1942 Montreal buried Cimetiére Mont Royal  
M 04 Aug 1912 Winnipeg  
B 10 Apr 1881 London  
D 02 Jun 1959 Montreal

Spouse: Gertrude Mary Lamont

Frederick was the only child of Grace Brooks and Thomas Hamlyn born in Wingham. After his father's death in 1887 and his mother's subsequent remarriage to Ebenezer Uren, Frederick was found in 1901 living as a 20-year-old with his mother, stepfather and step siblings on Uren's farm south east of Ingersoll near Centerville. He had been employed as a store clerk for at least a year likely with the F G Walley Drug Store in Ingersoll. The 1911 census of Manitoba has a F J Hamlyn born in 1880 in Ontario, living as a lodger at 423 Portage Ave. in Winnipeg. The fact that he married Gertrude Lamont in Winnipeg in 1912 would be more confirmation that Fred was there for an extended period. Articles and ads in the Winnipeg Tribune further confirm his appearance in Winnipeg.



Winnipeg Tribune 1912  
1913 Winnipeg Tribune



Windsor Star 1911

Gertie Lamont was the daughter of Mary Richards and Harness maker Nathaniel Lamont living at Con 5 Lot 21 outside of Strathroy. Strathroy is a community just west of London. She moved to Lindsay, Ontario then on to Winnipeg where she met Fred.

As his obituary notes, Fred set up his own drug store in Windsor. The Austin Drug store was located at the corner of Wyandette and Glengarry Streets. After he sold his Windsor store he moved to Winnipeg where he met Gertrude. He moved his drug store from Windsor to Winnipeg as well. He sold his drug store and became a London Ontario based travelling salesman.

They moved to Toronto prior to 1914. Daughter Grace was born in Grace Hospital, Toronto in 1915. He and his family returned to London as per the 1921 census and continued his job as a salesman. His stepfather's obituary of 1934 listed Fred as a surviving stepson living in Toronto so I suspect he returned there again. He next was found in Montreal at age 62, with his wife, at which time he was likely recently or soon to be retired and the couple had moved to Montreal to be near his daughter. It appears that after Fred's death wife Gertrude stayed in Montreal in the care of her daughter, where she died in 1959.



Clifford left the drug store business to work as a travelling salesman for Bauer and Black, a Chicago manufacturer of surgical dressings, porous plasters, suspensory, chest protectors and other surgical appliances. He had very likely sold their products in his store and from there became a company representative.

Frederick travelled to many Canadian towns and cities as the sales representative for the company.

HAMLIN, Gertrude Mary. At St. Mary's Hospital, on June 2nd, 1959, Gertrude Mary Lamont, wife of the late Frederick John Hamlyn, and mother of Mary Grace, aged 78 years. Resting at the Armstrong Funeral Home, 3426 Park Ave., until service at the Christ Church Cathedral Chapel, on Fri., June 5th at 1.00 p.m. Interment Mount Royal Cemetery.

*FORMER RESIDENT PASSES AWAY IN MONTREAL*  
A former citizen of Ingersoll, Frederick J. Hamlyn, died on Friday night in Montreal. Mr. Hamlyn was a step-brother of Mrs. Walter Badley and Miss Sadie Uren, John St., Ingersoll, and had many friends in Ingersoll, who have heard of his passing with regret. The late Mr. Hamlyn was a former assistant of F. G. Walley in the drug store here, and was highly esteemed. In 1910 he went to Windsor and opened a drug store there. Later he was a travelling representative of the Bauer and Black Company.

Recently he had been in Montreal and had only been ill a month. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Grace, librarian at McGill University. The funeral took place at Montreal Ingersoll Tribune July 1942.

His obituary neglects to mention his time in Winnipeg.

Montreal Gazette 1959

## Great Grandchildren of Mary Elliott and James Hamlyn

### Grandchildren of Thomas Hamlyn and Grace Brooks

#### Only Child of Frederick John and Gertrude Lamont

Daughter: Mary "Grace"

B 13 Mar 1915 Toronto

D 25 Apr 2000 Montreal

Mary Grace had an interesting life. Married to her career as a librarian at McGill University in Montreal, she achieved many career highs. News clippings and Medical Library Association of Canada archives fill in the details.

**Grace Hamlyn Heads Quebec Library Group**  
**Grace Hamlyn**, Purvis Hall Librarian, has been elected president of the Quebec Library Association, it was announced yesterday.

**Mrs. Grace Hamlyn**, librarian for the faculty of medicine of McGill University, **Andre Vachon**, deputy-director of Laval University Press, and **Maurice Seguin**, professor of history at the University of Montreal, have been appointed by **Cultural Affairs Minister Georges Lapalme** as members of Public Libraries Commission of the Province of Quebec . . .

*Soroptimists Fellowships Described*

Soroptimist International of Greater Montreal will hold their regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 8 p.m. at 1440 St. Catherine street west. Mrs. Jean Trueland will preside.

This occasion will mark the founding of the first Soroptimist Club in Oakland, California, in 1921. Thirty-three "Birthday Pennies" will be contributed by each member, a penny for each year of Soroptimism, which will be sent to the headquarters of the American Federation and placed in a fund used to finance international Fellowships to outstanding women for advanced study in an unusual field.

Six of these Fellowships of \$3,000 each, have been awarded since the fund was set aside for this purpose. This year's recipient, the first Canadian so honored, is Miss **Mary Grace Hamlyn** of the circulation department and undergraduate library of the Redpath Library, McGill University. Miss **Hamlyn** will start this fall on a six-month study of the organization for use of government publications in centres in Canada, the U.S. and abroad with special references to Canadian documents, but including those of the U.K., U.S. and international organizations.



As noted, Grace never married. She is buried with her parents in Montreal

**HAMLYN, Mary Grace.** At Ste. Margaret's Home on Tuesday, April 25, 2000 age eighty-five years. Beloved daughter of the late Frederick and Gertrude Hamlyn. Loving cousin of Jean Dayman, Lanny Staples and B. Ann Glenny. Dear friend of Ruth Smith. There will be no visitation. In lieu of flowers, donations to Christ Church Cathedral, would be appreciated. Resting at Collins Clarke Funeral Home, 5610 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal. Funeral service in Christ Church Cathedral, 1444 Union on May 8 at 11:30 a.m. Interment Mount Royal Cemetery.



## Hamlyn, Grace\*

Grace Hamlyn worked for many years at McGill University in the Redpath Library, the Commerce and Law Library, the Undergraduate Library, and the Medical Library. She then continued her career as a hospital librarian for the Royal Edward Tuberculosis institute which later become Montreal Chest Hospital. From 1956-63, Grace had a UNESCO fellowship for the study of international government documents, which involved travel to the United States and Europe. She was in attendance at the Second International Congress on Medical Librarianship in Washington, D.C. and delivered welcoming remarks in French, one of the three official languages at the meeting.

Grace was born in Toronto and was raised in London. From an early age she wanted to be a librarian and almost abandoned her dream when she developed diabetes as a teenager. Her physician eventually convinced her that a chronic disease did not preclude university attendance. She earned a general bachelor of arts degree at McGill and then continued in the one-year library course. Grace was especially pleased that the year she received her library science degree from McGill was the same year that Frederick Banting was awarded an honorary degree. Everyone in her library school class of thirteen was successful in finding employment which was a marked contrast from the 30s.

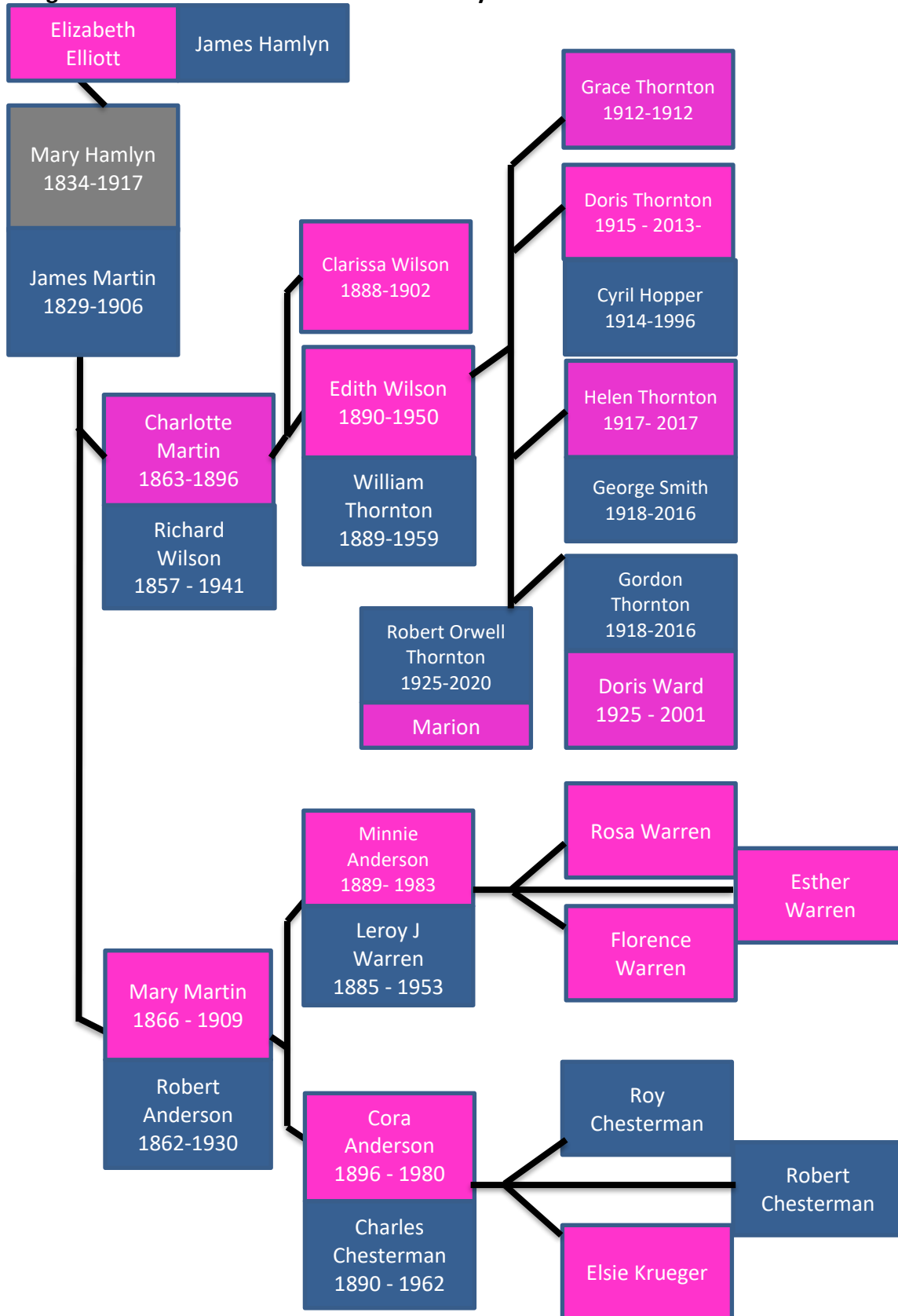
Grace was afforded opportunities for career advancement at McGill University, including the senior position in the Medical Library. "I felt I had a contribution to make because I knew so much about libraries. But if I had been a young person, I'd have wanted to have an awful lot more of medicine, for my own confidence in being able to do the position." Given the library's long tradition and excellent collection, Grace made her mark focusing on service. She also had the burden of planning a new library in a round building. For this project, she relied heavily on consultants. "I would speak very much for the value of consultants in any building and especially with libraries, and with the distinctive things that you want to have for libraries. Also, because medical people, you know are pretty sure they know what's best for everybody. It's quite good then, to have authoritative people supporting you. So they listened very respectfully to these ideas that we came forth with, from having talked to the experts in our field."

Grace joined the Medical Library Association in 1956 when she assumed the administrative position at the McGill Medical Library. She was on the Publications Committee and attended several regional and annual meetings. At these meetings, the Canadian librarians met together over breakfast. At the Toronto meeting in 1959, discussion among those in the group of medical school librarians was on how to improve access to resources on a national level. She returned to McGill and consulted with the Dr. Stevenson, the Dean of Medicine. "So we thought it would be quite nice if the McGill collection became the National Library of Canada, working with all the other medical faculties. The National Library of Canada would be contained in the Medical Faculty libraries of the country. We thought this was an interesting different approach than the United States had..." Grace recalled that the Association of Canadian Medical Colleges was in its beginning stages at this time. Its Executive Director, Dr. MacLeod, convened a meeting of the deans and librarians which lasted for a day and half. The outcome of this 1962 meeting was the agreement to do a survey about libraries with funds donated by each of the deans. Beatrice Simon, who was then Assistant Librarian at McGill, took on the project. "She traveled from coast to coast and interviewed the deans and the librarians, and the Simon Report was published in about 1965..." This informal group of librarians then went on to form an affiliation with the Canadian Library Association to continue the work on medical library development.

The medical library building that was noted that Grace helped plan the design of in 1961 was the McIntyre Medical Building. This structure is seen on many postcards of Montreal



**Children and Spouses of Mary Hamlyn**  
**Daughter Of Elizabeth Elliott and James Hamlyn**



## Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott Children of Elizabeth Elliott and James Hamlyn

Second child: Mary

B 05 Sept 1834 Hartland Devon

D 17 Sept 1917 Ingersoll

M 26 Mar 1857 At the residence of Thomas Elliott

B Nov 1829 Hartland, Devon

D 16 Apr 1906 Ingersoll

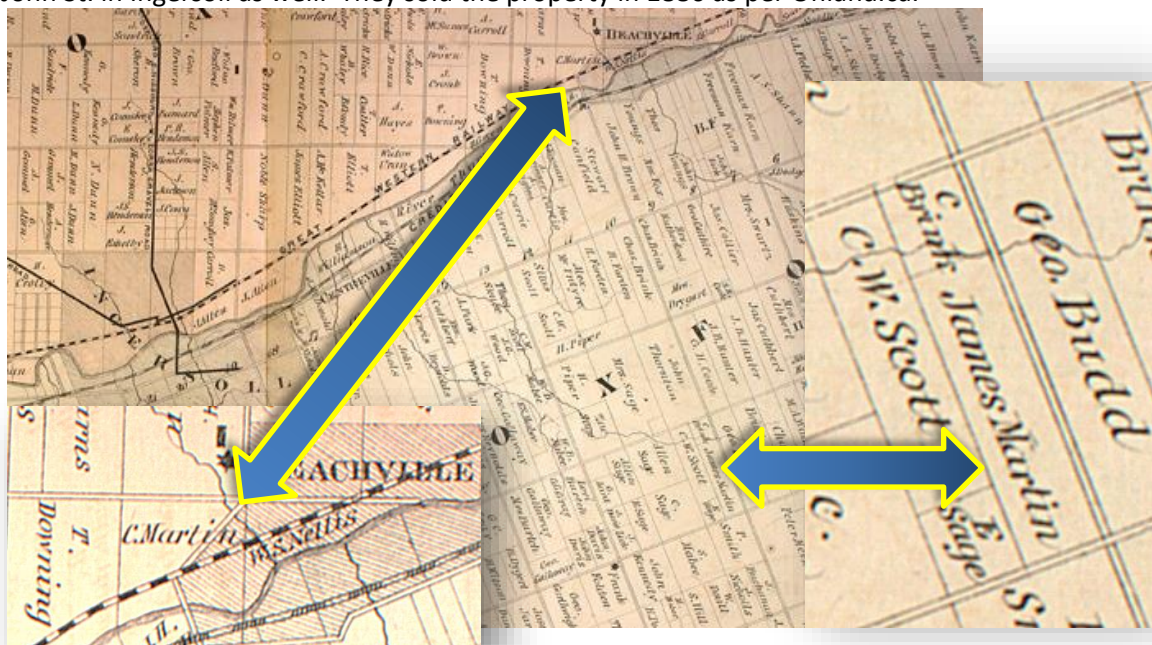
Spouse: James Martin



Mary was 9 years old when she came across the Atlantic with her mother, brother and sister in 1843. Her first appearance in the local census was in 1851 as living with her cousins, the Thomas Prouse family, a few kilometers south west of Ingersoll on the Prouse family farm.

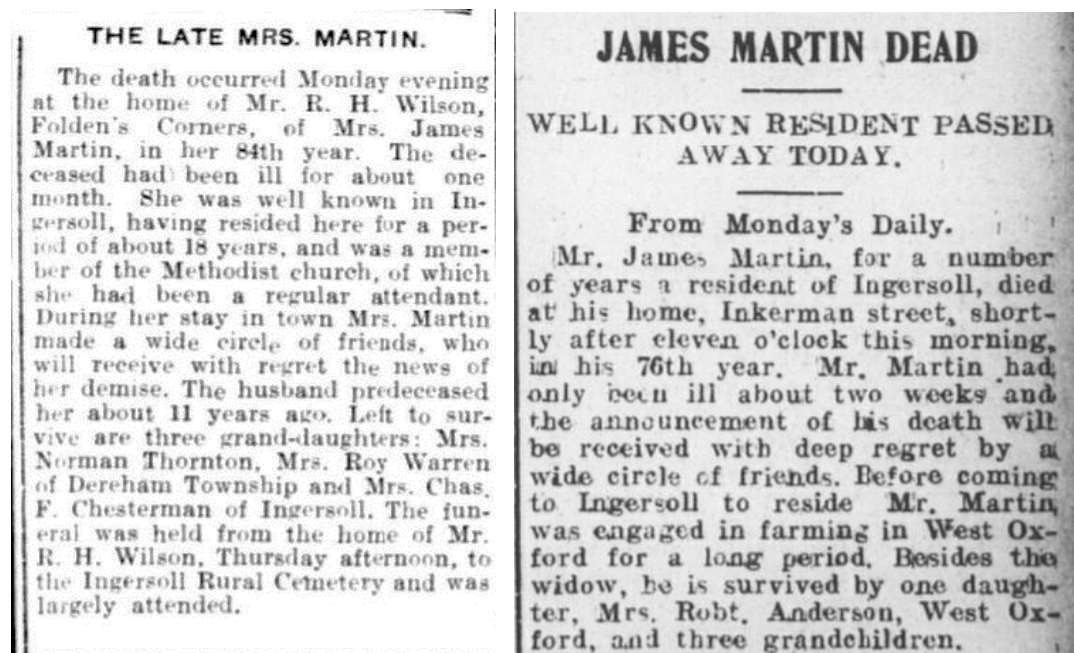
The census does indicate that her normal residence was in the village of Ingersoll. It also lists her as age 18, she was likely 16 or 17 years old. She and James Martin of Beachville married in 1857 and soon they were living on a farm. There is some unpacking to do with the family relationship of James Martin and Mary Hamlyn. James's mother was Grace Prouse who lived and died in Devon. Grace Prouse was the sister of Thomas Prouse. Thomas Prouse was married to Mary Elliott Prouse who was Mary Hamlyn's aunt.

James Martin was a Bible Christian farmer who emigrated from Hartland Devon in 1851 with his family and settled in the N and W Oxford area around Beachville. A map of Beachville in the book "Beachville the Birthplace of Oxford" points out a couple of "old Martin places" on an 1862 map of the village (and farms adjacent to more Devon relations in the Downing/Elliott property Book 7). He and Mary married at the farm of uncle Thomas Elliott halfway between Ingersoll and Beachville on Lot 15 Con 3 N Oxford. The Martin's purchased 75 acres of the east side of Lot 10 Con 3 W Oxford in October of 1863. James, Mary and two children worked the farm for over 20 years. The farm is about 2 km east of Folden's Corners and the homestead is now long gone. It seemed the couple also had some ownership via mortgages to Lot 6 of John St. in Ingersoll as well. They sold the property in 1886 as per Onland.ca.





James Martin came from a well-known and long-standing family in the Ingersoll and Beachville area. The family, like many Devon emigrants, were listed in previous census as Bible Christians (Book 1 has an explanation of the religious group). By the 1881 census, the Bible Christian organization was starting to wane. The family were now Methodists. In 1899, they sold the W Oxford farm and moved into Ingersoll to retire. After her husband's death, Mary moved in with her daughter Charlotte Wilson.



*THE LATE MRS. MARTIN--The death occurred Monday evening at the home of Mr. R. H. Wilson, Folden's Corners, of Mrs. James Martin, in her 84th year. The deceased had been ill for about 1 month. She was well known in Ingersoll, having resided here for a period of about 18 years and was a member of the Methodist church, of which she had been a regular attendant. During her stay in town Mrs. Martin made a wide circle of friends, who will receive with regret with news of her demise. The husband predeceased her about 11 years ago. Left to survive are three grand-daughters: Mrs. Norman Thornton, Mrs. Roy Warren of Dereham [township] and Mrs. Charles F. Chesterman of Ingersoll. The funeral was held from the home of Mr. R. H. Wilson, Thursday afternoon to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery and was largely attended. - Ingersoll Chronicle & Canadian Dairyman, Sep 20, 1917*

As it turned out Mary outlived both her daughters and she and her husband are buried at IRC.

## Great grandchildren of Mary and John Elliott

### Grandchildren of James Hamlyn and Elizabeth Elliott

#### Children of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin

Oldest child: Charlotte Ann

B 05 Jan 1862 W Oxford.

D 18 Nov 1896 age 33 W Oxford

M 18 Feb 1885 W Oxford.

Spouse: Richard Henry Wilson

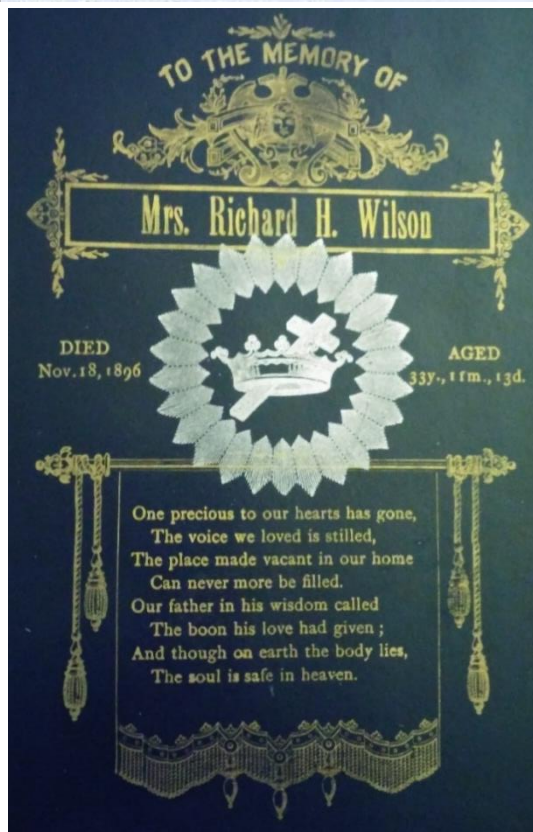
B 14 May 1856 W Oxford

D 02 Jan 1941 Foldens Corner

## Folden's Corners, Passes

One of West Oxford Townships oldest residents, Richard Henry Wilson, dearly beloved husband of Margaret A. Arthur, passed away at his residence, Folden's Corners, on Thursday morning, January 2nd. Although he had been in poor health for several years, he was seriously ill only about a week. Deceased was born in West Oxford Township and was in his 85th year. He had been a lifelong resident of the Folden's district. He was a member of the Folden's United Church and served as an elder for many years. As long as his health permitted he was a regular attendant at church services. Deceased was highly esteemed and had a wide circle of friends.

Richard was part of the large Wilson family that moved from Yorkshire in 1832 and settled to the south west of Ingersoll at the Dereham/W Oxford border. Charlotte's great aunt Eliza Elliott married into the Wilson family in the 1850's. Richard H Wilson is listed in the 1892 Union Publishing Directory for W Oxford as occupying Con 4 Lot 14. Onland.ca confirms Richard had purchased 70 acres there in 1882 and another 50 acres nearby a few years later. However, the Richard Wilson name showed up in 1906 as owner of a portion of Lot 12 Con 3 W Oxford as well. A few years later, his second wife's name appears on Lot 13 Con 3 W Oxford. Onland.ca records for the timeframe are hard to decipher and there seems to have been lots of legal activity over Lot 12 through the years. As seemed to be common, land sales were a going concern for the area. Richard's last legal appearance on Lot 12 was in 1935 when he sold the farm to his son Richard L Wilson.



Charlotte died suddenly while on the operating table as she was dealing with Uterine fibroids. Her death left a young daughter at home. After Charlotte's death, Richard H Wilson remarried a Margaret Arthur a few years later and had more children with his second wife. Interestingly, with first wife Charlotte passing in 1896, Richard continued to take care of his ex mother-in-law Mary Hamlyn Martin until her death.

## Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin

### Children of Richard Wilson and Charlotte Martin

**Oldest Child: Clarissa Ann** B 10 Mar 1888 Foldens  
D 23 Mar 1902 Foldens

She passed away before her mother's death. The coroner's report indicated she had suffered from diabetes for 2 years prior to her death. Today, medications would have extended her life. She is buried at Harris Road Cemetery.

*WILSON--In West Oxford [township], on Sunday, March 23rd, 1902, Clarissa Ann Wilson, daughter of R. H. Wilson, aged 14 years. –*

Ingersoll Daily Chronicle, Mar 23, 1902

## Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin

### Children of Richard Wilson and Charlotte Martin

**Youngest Child: Edith Ann** B 23 Jan 1890 W Oxford near Foldens  
D 24 May 1960 London  
M 14 Dec 1910

Spouse: William "Norm" Thornton B 08 Sept 1889 Sweaburg or Woodstock  
D 24 Mar 1959 London

Born at the family farm between Foldens and Sweaburg, Norm spent his youth labouring on the family farm at Lot 13 Con 3 W Oxford. It appears his family owned ½ of the lot and the Martins owned the other ½. Norm and Edith likely grew up together. His parents were American immigrants to Canada. After his marriage he was farming with his new wife in 1911 at Lot 17 Con 3 W Oxford just down the road from his parents. By 1921, he was a grocer in Ingersoll and in the 1931 census he was a dairy farmer in W Oxford. Later in the late 1940's it appears that he may have been a truck driver living in London.

The couple are buried in Woodland Cemetery London.

### Children of Edith Ann Martin and Norm Thornton

**Grace** B 1912 W Oxford  
D 1912 W Oxford

**Doris (Hopper)** B 1915 W Oxford –  
D 2013

**Richard Orwell** B 1925  
D 16 Oct 2020 London Spouse: Marion



THORNTON, Richard Orwell

*It is with heavy hearts that the family of R. Orwell Thornton announce his passing in palliative care at University Hospital in London, on October 16, 2020. A few days after his 95th birthday, after a long struggle with cancer. Survived by his wife Marion Thornton, his daughter Lucille Switzer (Lloyd) and his son Donald (Karn).*

**Helen June**



B 1917 -

D 2017 Spouse: George Smith

*SMITH, Helen June (Nee Thornton) - Peacefully on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at Victoria Hospital. Loving wife of the late George F. Smith. Dear mother of Janice Smith-Cowell (Simon), the late Richard (June) as well as her late sons Larry and Russell. Beloved grandmother of Mark (Jill) and Stacey. Treasured great-grandmother of Lily. Caring sister of Orwell (Marion) Thornton, the late Doris Hopper and the late Wilson Thornton. Also loved by several nieces and nephews. Helen served with the United Church as a Soprano soloist, avid choir member and as well participated in the London Chapter Sweet Adelines*

**Gordon Wilson**



B 1918 -

D 2016 realtor. Spouse Doris Ward 1925 -2001

*Peacefully at Parkwood Veterans Hospital, London on Saturday, May 21, 2016, G. Wilson Thornton passed away in his 98th year. Beloved husband of the late Doris "Dorie" E. (Ward) Thornton (2001). Proud father of William "Bill" Ward Thornton and his wife Irene. Dear brother of Orwell Thornton and his wife Marion and Helen Smith. Cherished by his granddaughters Mary Vernackt and her husband Chris, Lana Thornton and her husband Greg Petten and his great-granddaughters Sarah Abbott and Anita Vernackt. Also loved by his nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his sister Doris Hopper*

Foldens Corners church was rebuilt in 1911. The Martin's were congregation members for many years and assisted in raising funds for the new church. When the church was first built Mary Martin donated a stain glass window in honour of her two daughters Clarissa and Edith. In 1954, the Thornton family honoured Edith Wilson Thornton by donating two collection plates.

*Dedication Day - August 22, 1954*

Other gifts were gratefully acknowledged - a pulpit light given by Mrs. John Ellery, and two brass collection plates given by W. N. Thornton family in memory of Edith Wilson Thornton. Mrs. Davidson,



“When the church was built Stained-glass windows were installed and presented in the memories for various families. One was by MRS. J. MARTIN in memory of her 2 daughters, Charlotte Wilson and Mary Elizabeth Anderson.”

From the “The Axe and the Wheel”



**Great Grandchildren of Mary and John Elliott  
Grandchildren of James Hamlyn and Elizabeth Elliott  
Children of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin**

**Youngest child: Mary Esther**

B 21 May 1866 Ingersoll  
D 17 June 1909 Appendicitis  
M 21 Mar 1887

**Spouse: George "Robert" Anderson**

B 25 Feb 1862 W Oxford township  
D 17 Jun 1930 Cleburne Tex.



Robert grew up on W Oxford Con 4 Lot 8 near Sweaburg.

His father John Anderson purchased the east half of Lot 8 from the Meek family in April 1861. John married a Meek daughter, Clementine, so the sale was only natural. It appears that Robert was a farmer's son working on his dad's property when he married Mary Martin. The marriage was in the spring of 1887. As often the case, they were farming neighbours who knew each other as children. In the late 1880s, father John Anderson's name was no longer attached to the property. Robert did not purchase the farm but was most likely a tenant farmer on the land at that time. He and Mary later moved into Ingersoll and by 1908 he was working for the Ingersoll Telephone Co.

George "Robert" Anderson's father: John McKay Anderson



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 Anderson Robert G, wks Ingersoll  
 Telephone Co, h s s Canterbury 2  
 w Hall

The 1908 Ingersoll Directory lists their place of residence as on the south side of Canterbury, 2 houses west of Hall St.

Mary took ill in May of 1909 with a ruptured appendix. Her husband was not home as he was in Cleburne Texas. Cleburne is a small town south west of Dallas. It turns out that his father (John McKay Anderson), stepmother, and siblings had moved to Texas in 1885 after selling his family farm in 1880. Some of Robert's aunts and uncles later followed. John McKay Anderson started a mill in 1885 with his brother George in Cleburne. When John died in 1909, Robert travelled to Cleburne to deal with his

**DEATH OF MRS. ANDERSON.**  
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**PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING  
 AFTER A SHORT ILLNESS.**  
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**The death of Mary Esther Martin, beloved wife of Mr Robert Anderson, which occurred at the family residence, Canterbury Street, this morning, after a short illness has occasioned widespread regret. The late Mrs. Anderson had many friends in Ingersoll and throughout the surrounding districts and she was universally esteemed. Deceased was the daughter of the late James Martin and besides the husband is survived by two daughters, Cora and Winnie. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.**

**L A I D T O R E S T**  
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**FUNERAL OF THE LATE MRS. AN-  
 DERSON LARGELY  
 ATTENDED.**  
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 The funeral to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery on Saturday afternoon of the late Mrs. Robert Anderson was one of the largest seen in Ingersoll for some time, an evidence of the high esteem in which the deceased was held. The service at the house, which was of a most impressive nature, was conducted by the Rev. T. L. Kerruish. Friends and relatives were in attendance from all parts of the county and there were upwards of seventy-five vehicles in the procession. Many floral offerings were indicative of esteem and sympathy. The pall bearers were Messrs. Wm. Newton, Geo. Mitchell, Robert Pullin, Andrew Mitchell, Bradford Sage and Chas. Budd.

father's affairs. It was there that he received notice of his wife's condition. When he received word of the seriousness of his wife's health he raced back to Ingersoll. Border records show that he crossed back into Canada on June 16<sup>th</sup> 1909. She died a day later on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Did he make it back in time to see her? A couple of months after her death he returned to Cleburne

but without his daughters who were aged 20 and 14. They remained in Ingersoll living with widowed grandmother Mary Martin as confirmed by Hamlyn family ancestors. When he returned to Cleburne, he and his brother took over the flour mill. The 1910 US census records him as a retired widower living with his aunt Mary Anderson Leonard (sister to Robert's father John McKay Anderson). In 1911, border listings showed he returned to Ingersoll to attend daughter Minnie's wedding and retrieve daughter Cora who would then live with him in Texas. She was 15 years old at the time. The flour mill was sold in 1917, at which time he started selling Studebakers in Cleburne. Family was very important to the residents of Oxford County in the early 1900s. The social and emotional support given by family members was significant. I suspect that the separation of siblings Minnie and Cora was a dark period in the girls lives.

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1911 Port Huron Manifest – Robert and daughter Cora on their way to Cleburne Texas

By February of 1913, widower Robert had married Lertie (Spears) McCoy of Cleburne. He was 59 years old and she was 39. The last reference to the couple together was in the 1928 phone directory for Cleburne. They were living at 1001 Prairie Ave and it appears Lertie had an office that was accessible from a door in the rear of the house and was still working as a bookkeeper for a feed store. Robert died in 1930 in Cleburne and is buried there. Lertie remarried in 1935 to Samuel Chandler of Cleburne. She died of bowel obstruction and shock 2 years later at age 55. The Anderson information is supported by daughter Minnie’s oral history of her personal recollections.

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**Great Grandchildren of Thomas Hamlyn and Elizabeth Elliott**  
**Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin**  
**Children of Mary Esther Martin and Robert G Anderson**  
**Oldest child: Minnie Elizabeth** B 12 Feb 1889 W Oxford.  
 D 19 Jan 1983 Ingersoll  
 M 04 Jan 1911  
 Spouse John Leroy (Roy) Warren B 10 Mar 1884 Dereham  
 D 1953 Ingersoll

Minnie and Cora were the two daughters of Robert Anderson that were still living in the Ingersoll area when mother Mary died in 1909 and Robert was temporarily residing in Texas. After Minnie's mother's death, it is known the girls lived with their grandmother Mary Martin for two years. Minnie married in 1911 to Leroy (Roy) Warren. He worked on his father's farm according to the 1911 census for Dereham. In 1917, Roy's name was attached to lot 11 con 4 N ½ W. Oxford. The family were raising a dairy herd through the 1930's and in the early 1940s, Roy was listed as a joint tenant of the property with the Dewit family of Foldens. This farm was only a concession away from the Anderson farm, south west of Sweaburg, where his wife Minnie Anderson was born.

*WARREN-ANDERSON--The home of Mr. Robert Anderson, Canterbury St., was the scene of a very pretty wedding at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when his eldest daughter, Minnie, was united in marriage to Roy Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Warren of Salford. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. B. Christie in the presence of about 50 guests. The bridal party standing under an evergreen arch, bright with tinsel and candles. The wedding march was played by Miss Florence Warren, sister of the groom. The bride's gown was of cream silk and she carried a bouquet of white carnations. The only attendant was the flower girl, little Miss Mildred Gregg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gregg of Folden's, who as dressed in white silk and carried a basket containing pink carnations and the ring. All the rooms were prettily congratulations and were illuminated by candles and Japanese lanterns. After the wedding repast congratulations and best wishes were showered upon the happy couple, they left on the evening train for Sarnia and points west, the bride travelling in a tailored suit of navy blue, with hat to match. A handsome array of presents testified to the esteem in which the bride is held by a wide circle of friends. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Warren will reside near Salford with his parents.*

Sometime after 1940, Roy retired and by 1945 Roy and Minnie were living in Ingersoll on King St. Daughter Esther was living with them and working as a clerk. To supplement the income of the family in 1948, the Warrens took a nurse as a boarder (voters list 1948). Daughter Florence was living with them in 1948. Roy died in 1953. Minnie suffered a stroke around 1965 and was moved from her home to an extended care facility.

Memories from Paul Chesterman

*"Minnie Anderson (1889-1983) was always known to me as "Aunt Minnie" and she was wonderful. She was the closest I knew to having a grandmother because my grandmother Cora had a stroke when I was about 10 months old. Aunt Minnie had married John LeRoy Warren but he passed away before I was born. Aunt Minnie and her daughters (with their husbands) would often come to visit, and I loved them. They were wonderful people. I actually had a somewhat strange, what I would call spiritual, connection to them. I remember even as a child of 4 or 5 (certain of age because of house we lived in) I would tell my parents in the morning that "we were getting company from Ingersoll today" and every time I said it Aunt Minnie and her daughters would show up that afternoon. It was rather uncanny, and even my parents came to trust my intuition and would prepare for company, as they always showed up unannounced."*

Warren Orwell Farm Salford.....	796-W-2
Warren Mrs R 121 King W.....	742-J
Waterhouse Harold 218 Albert.....	1883-W

1960 Ingersoll Phone Directory.



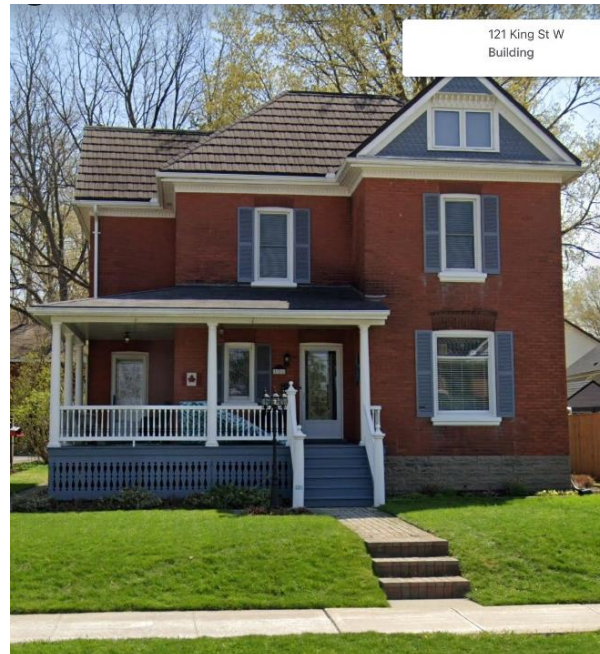
**WARREN:** Minnie Warren, of 121 King Street West, Ingersoll, died on January 19 at Alexandra Hospital. She was 93 years old.

She was born in West Oxford Township.

She was predeceased by her husband the late Roy Warren, in 1953, her parents the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson, a sister Mrs. Cora Chesterman, in 1980 and a grandson in 1965.

She is survived by three daughters Mrs. Ross Mitchell (Rosie), of Ingersoll, Mrs. Clarence Pitlock (Esther), of Ingersoll, Mrs. Lawrence Dawson (Florence), of Thamesford, four grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Reverend George Watt conducted the January 22 funeral service at the McBeath Funeral Home.



121 King St W: The Warren Home

Ingersoll Times Jan 26 1983

The couple had three daughters

**Great Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin  
Grandchildren of Mary Esther Martin and Robert G Anderson  
Children of Minnie Elizabeth Anderson and Leroy Warren  
Oldest child: Rosetta "Rose" Maude**

B 1912  
D unknown  
M 14 Jun 1939 Salford

Spouse: Sherman Ross Mitchell

B 1916  
D 05 May 1959



It would appear that Ross and Rose lived on the farm property of his father Sherman Mitchell at Lot 16 Con 3 in Dereham as per the 1921 census and 1940 voter's census. The farm was the full concession 200 acres not too far west of present day Dereham Line and MacBeth Rd. The farm had been in the family for many generations and the big brick farm house still stands. Ross' tragic death occurred on the farm. After her husband's death, Rose moved into Ingersoll and lived in a small house at 11 Raglan St. according to the 1960 Ingersoll phone directory.

# Ross Mitchell Killed in Wood-Cutting Accident

Announcement of the tragic death of Ross Mitchell, a Dereham Township farmer, on Monday afternoon, cast a gloom over the immediate district. Mr. Mitchell was hit either by a large limb or a section of a tree which he was cutting with a chain saw.

Located only a short distance from the rear of the barn, the tree had been elevated owing to resting on some of the limbs, and had evidently turned when he cut through it with the saw and he was struck either by it or a heavy limb, and death was believed to have been instantaneous due to head injuries. He had started to cut and trim the tree about two o'clock, and after some two hours his wife became anxious when he had not returned to the house and she discovered his lifeless body.

Born on the farm, Lot 16, Concession 8, Dereham Township, where he had spent his entire lifetime, Mr. Mitchell was 42 years old and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Mitchell. He was a member of the Salford Baptist Church and had always taken a keen interest in the welfare of the community. Possessing a quiet and kindly nature, he had won for himself scores of friends, and his untimely passing has occasioned deep regret.

Left to mourn the passing of a dearly loved husband and father are his wife, the former Rose Warren; one son, Allan and one daughter, Mary Ellen. Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. Ralph Shelton (Grace), of Ingersoll, and

one brother, Roy of Dereham.

Mr. Mitchell rested at the McBeath Funeral Home, 246 Thames Street South, Ingersoll, where service will be conducted this (Thursday) afternoon, March 5th, at two o'clock, by Rev. Arthur Sadler of the Folden's Baptist Church. Temporary entombment will be made in the Ingersoll Mausoleum.



Ross' brother Roy married a Mildred Warren which was likely a niece of Leroy Warren, Minnie's husband.

## Ross and Rose had 2 children:

### Allan

B 24 Oct 1941 Ingersoll Alexandria Hospital  
D unknown

In the 1963 voters list, he was living on Raglan St. with his mother. He was a London Life employee.

### Mary Ellen

B 15 Dec 1946 Ingersoll Alexandria Hospital  
D unknown

**Great Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin  
 Grandchildren of Mary Esther Martin and Robert G Anderson  
 Children of Minnie Elizabeth Anderson and Leroy Warren**

**Second child: Esther Edith** B 18 July 1922 Ingersoll  
 D 17 July 2007 Ingersoll  
 M12 Oct, 1946 Ingersoll

Spouse: Albert Webber B 1917  
 D 1970

Spouse: Clarence "Jake" Pittock B 08 Apr 1915 Ingersoll  
 D 07 Feb 1979 Ingersoll

Son: Warren Ernest Webber B 24 Sept 1954  
 D 23 Apr 1965 – drowned



Esther Edith Warren was living at home with her retired farmer father and her mother as noted in the 1945 war time voter's list. They lived at 121 King St. W in Ingersoll.

*(See house photo on page 33)*



The two young daughters are grandchildren of Albert and Esther Webber.

**Great Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin  
 Grandchildren of Mary Esther Martin and Robert G Anderson  
 Children of Minnie Elizabeth Anderson and Leroy Warren**

**Youngest Child: Florence Elizabeth** B 24 May 1925 Kintore  
 D 17 Oct 2016 Woodstock  
 M after 1945

Spouse: Lawrence "Larry" Dawson B 1921 Kintore  
 D 1988 Kintore

The couple lived most of their lives in Thamesford. He left home to join the Corps. of Engineers in the Royal Canadian Artillery with service in England and Germany. When he returned, he married Florence. Prior to the marriage, Florence was a bookkeeper. He was honoured for his service in Thamesford with the Volunteer Fire Brigade.



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## Dawson, Lawrence George Gilbert

**Township:**  
East Nissouri

**Rank:**  
Sapper

**Branch:**  
Royal Canadian Artillery

**Wars Served:**  
World War II

**Years of service:**  
1942 -

**Country enlisted with:**  
Canada



**Biography**

Sapper Lawrence George Gilbert Dawson was the son of Bertha and George Dawson of Thamesford. He joined the Royal Canadian Artillery and became part of the Royal Canadian Engineers in 1942 and served in Canada before shipping overseas in 1944 to serve in England, Holland, and Germany. On his return, he married Florence Warren and they lived in Thamesford.

*Florence Dawson  
Thamesford, Ontario  
May 24, 1925 - October 17, 2016*

*DAWSON, Florence Elizabeth (Warren)- Passed away on Monday, October 17th, 2016 at Woodingford Lodge, Woodstock at the age of 91.  
She was the beloved wife of the late Lawrence Dawson (1988).  
Loving mother to Carol Anne Garbutt (Richard), and Robert Dawson (Nancy). Cherished grandmother of Allan (Julie), Daniel (Amanda), Devin, Roger, Scott, Michael, and Kylie, great-grandmother of Madeleine, Tristan, Loic, Nico, and Robert.  
Florence was predeceased by her parents, Roy and Minnie Warren, and sisters, Esther Pittock and Rose Mitchell.*

**Great Grandchildren of Thomas Hamlyn and Elizabeth Elliott  
Grandchildren of Mary Hamlyn and James Martin**

**Children of Mary Esther Martin and Robert G Anderson**

**Youngest child: Cora Irene**

B 30 Aug 1896 W Zorra

D 14 Dec 1980 Waterloo

M 17 Oct 1916

Spouse: Charles Frederick Chesterman

B 22 Jan 1890 Weston Wentworth Ont.

D 07 Oct 1962 Waterloo, Ont.

After her mother's death and a few years of living with her grandmother in Ingersoll, she went with her father in 1911 to Cleburne Texas to live. Her older sister stayed in Ingersoll and was married in 1911 and ended up living in Salford on her husband and in laws farm.

Cora was in Cleburne living at 801 E Henderson St. near her father, according to Cleburne city directories of 1911. As noted, her father was a successful part owner of a flour mill set up by his father's family in the previous decade.

AMOS MRS FRANCES F, CR AM D G CO, 1900  
Anderson Bros (John A and G Robert), proprs Cleburne Roller Mills 701 E Henderson.  
Anderson Chester G, tinner E E Anderson, b 1107 E Henderson.  
Anderson Cora, b 801 E Henderson.



Cora visiting Cleburne Tex. 1917.

Chesterman—Anderson.  
The marriage of Miss Cora Irene Anderson, to Charles Frederick Chesterman of Waterford, was solemnized on Saturday at the Methodist Parsonage by the Rev. L. W. Hill. The bride and groom were unattended. After the honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Chesterman will reside in Waterford.

When she returned to Ingersoll and how she met her husband is unknown. She was married in 1916 to Charles Chesterman and moved to Waterford.

CHESTERMAN - ANDERSON

The Marriage of Miss Cora Irene Anderson, to Charles Frederick Chesterman of Waterford, was solemnized on Saturday at the Methodist Parsonage by the Rev. L. W. Hill. The bride and groom were unattended. After the honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Chesterman will reside in Waterford  
Ingersoll Chronicle Oct 11 1916

Around 1920, they made a trip to California with the thought of living there. Grandson Paul Chesterman fills in the details.

"My grandparents shared this story with my parents, who in turn shared it with us children. When my father was about 2 yrs. old (circa 1922) his parents decided to move to California. I don't know where in California but I suspect it may have been in the area of Eureka since Charlie's brother Frank had moved there a few years earlier. Frank had a restaurant and grew mushrooms there. When Charles & Cora moved cross country apparently my (two-year-old) father did not take well to the change. As the story goes, he refused to eat anything except peas! As a result, the family decided to return to southern Ontario where his diet expanded to include other items. While there is nothing wrong with peas per se, I think if I was only going to eat one thing, I should make a different selection! That part of the story amused me as a child but I was most disappointed to think that my father's 2yr old stubbornness overcame my grandparents will, and as a result I did not get to grow up on the Pacific coast in California. All my life I wanted to live on the west coast but I was prevented from growing up there by a 2yr old years before my own birth!" Editors note: Paul Chesterman got his wish and lives near Vancouver.

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Charles Chesterman was raised in Hespeler by his father who was a gardener but was living in Waterford at the time of the marriage. The couple lived in Waterford for a short time before moving back to Ingersoll. In Ingersoll he was a taxi driver according to the 1921 census. The 1931 census had the family living in Stratford at 20 Centre St. where Charles was the manager of a music store. They moved to Waterloo where he had a number of jobs including storekeeper but settled on a job in sales. It is understood by his direct descendants he could sell anything to anyone. He went to work for Onward Manufacturing (see ad).

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1931 – family home Stratford.

Charles Chesterman died in 1962 while living in south Kitchener near the interchange of Highways #7 and #8.

Wife Cora suffered a major stroke around 1962 and was incapacitated. In February of 1963 she was moved to the Scott Pavilion of the Kitchener Waterloo Hospital. The Pavilion, built in 1936, was a long-term residence in hospice and is a wing of the hospital. She never recovered and died there in 1980.

“My grandmother Cora had a stroke when I was about 10 months old. She was paralyzed all down one side and could not speak. I only ever knew her lying in a hospital bed (we visited almost every week until she passed when I was 18), and the only thing she could say was "woody, woody, woody" with varying degrees of excitement,

pleasure, or irritation. It's amazing how much can be communicated through tone!”

Reminiscences of grandson Paul Chesterman.



Charles and Cora Chesterman – June 1918

**Three children of Charles Chesterman and Cora Anderson**

Roy                      B 1918 in Ingersoll  
                                  D 2002 in Waterloo

Robert King            B 1920 in Ingersoll  
                                  B 1988 in Kitchener

He was a salesman in Kitchener and lived in the Kingsgate area of Kitchener

Elsie                      B 1922 unknown  
                                  D 1994 in Kitchener

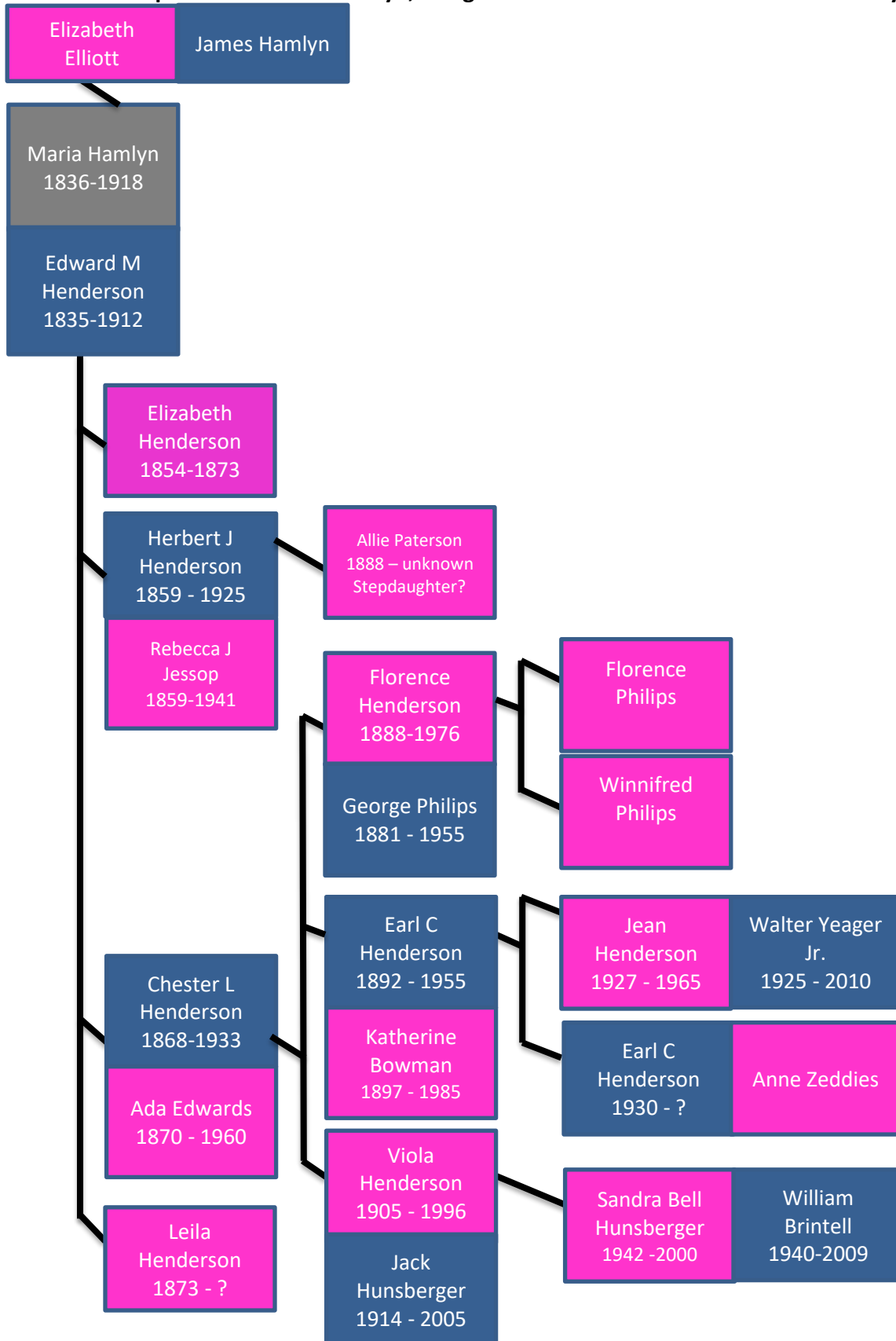


**C. F. CHESTERMAN DIES IN KITCHENER**

The death of Charles F. Chesterman of 73 Fourth Avenue, Kitchener, Ontario, occurred on Sunday, October 7th, in the Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital, after a lengthy illness. Born January 2nd, 1890, in Weston, he was 72 years of age, and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chesterman. He had resided in Kitchener for the past 29 years and for 16 years he had been employed at the Onward Manufacturing Plant and then at the Boegle Appliances, Kitchener, until illness forced him to retire five years ago. He was a member of Trinity United Church, Kitchener.

Left to mourn the passing of a dearly loved husband and father are his wife, the former Cora Anderson, who he married in Ingersoll on Oct. 7th, 1916; two sons, Roy of Waterloo and Robert, of Kitchener; and one daughter, Mrs. Robert Kruger (Elsie), Kitchener. Also surviving is one brother, Frank Chesterman of Eureka, California; one sister, Mrs. Maud Vrooman of Fergus, Ontario, and nine grandchildren.

**Children and Spouses of Maria Hamlyn, Daughter of Elizabeth Elliott and James Hamlyn...**





## Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott Children of Elizabeth Elliott and Thomas Hamlyn

Youngest child: Maria

B Jan 1836 Hartland Devon  
D 22 Dec 1918 Ingersoll Heart failure Buried IRC  
M unknown

Spouse: Edward M Henderson

B Oct 1835 Northumberland, England  
D 12 Feb 1912 Ingersoll Heart Failure Buried IRC

Maria was the youngest of Elizabeth Elliott Hamlyn's children. There is confusion about her birth year. The North Devon Exodus Data base that lists all emigrant families in North Devon has her birth year as 1838. Her grave marker, found census records, as well as her death certificate indicated she was born in 1836. This is also the case with brother Thomas. His birth year is also out by 2 years according to the Devon census. The 1841 Devon census is pictured previously on page 4.

Although Edward was born in Northumberland England, the Henderson family emigrated in 1841 as per the 1911 census. I believe Edward's entire family came at that time as the Henderson clan occupies a large swath of IRC. The Henderson name is prominent in Maria's aunt Mary Elliott Prouse family marriages. Edward Henderson is listed as a farmer on the earlier census records and later living in Ingersoll on King Hiram St. I have not located a record of a farm owned in his name. There was a farm owned by Edward H Henderson in N Oxford. James tomb marker indicates he was Edward M Henderson. I believe the farm was owned by a relative. I suspect Edward was a farm labourer until around 1871 when he was farming in W Oxford but by 1873 was living in Ingersoll where upon he became a carpenter. Several relatives of his worked at the Noxon equipment plant as carpenters, so it is

**OBITUARY.**  
**MRS. MARIA HENDERSON.**  
The funeral of the late Mrs. Maria Henderson, widow of the late Edward M. Henderson, was held Tuesday afternoon from the residence of her son Chester Henderson, John street, to the Ingersoll rural cemetery. The late Mrs. Henderson passed away on Sunday after a very short illness. Deceased was in her 85th year. Her sudden passing came as a shock to a wide circle of warm friends. Two sons are left to mourn her loss, one at Fingal, and Chester, of Ingersoll.

possible he spent some of his later years there as well. There is an interesting topic found in the 1875 Ingersoll City Directory. It lists the Hendersons as living on John St. This is the "Elliott family subdivision" that was laid out into lots by Maria's grandfather, John Elliott, around 1850. Onland.ca verifies that it was the Henderson's that purchasing Lot 7 in 1873. Maria's brother, Thomas Hamlyn, who purchased lots from his grandfather was listed as living on John St. as well in 1873. In the 1881 census, mother Elizabeth Hamlyn Hempswell was living with the family but by the 1891 census, mother Elizabeth Hempswell (age 80) was living next door to Maria and Edward in her own house on

John St.

1/12	179	Henderson, E. M.	M	55	bc	—	England
		Maria	F	54	bc	wife	"
1/12	174	Hempswell, E.	F	80	bc	—	"

1891 census. Henderson and Hempswell neighbours

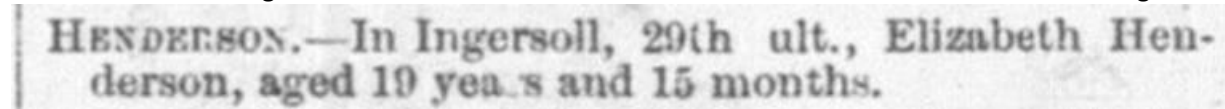
The 1875 City Directory also listed Edward as a member of the Rawling and Henderson business. I have not been able to locate the business.

*DIED SUDDENLY--Edward M. Henderson, dropped dead at his home, King Hiram Street, shortly before 6 o'clock last evening. Deceased who was in his 77th year, had been in his usual health up to the time of his death. The cause of death was heart failing. During the afternoon the late Mr. Henderson was shoveling snow and just before his death he had carried a scuttle of coal. He had been a resident of Ingersoll for many years and was life long member of the Methodist church. Deceased was highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends who will hear of his sudden death with profound regret. He is survived by a widow and a grown-up family*

Ingersoll Chronicle Dec 08, 1912

**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott  
Grandchildren of Elizabeth Elliott and Thomas Hamlyn  
Children of Maria Hamlyn and Edward Henderson**

**Oldest: Elizabeth** B 1854 W Oxford  
D 29, Jun 1873 Consumption (Tuberculosis) She is buried IRC.  
Elizabeth was working as a dressmaker until she took ill. She was ill for 6 months and died at age 19.



**Second child: Herbert James** B 29 Aug, 1859 Ingersoll (1901 census)  
D 12 Apr 1925 Lot 12 Talbot Rd Southwold Township, Elgin Co.  
M prior to 1891  
Spouse: Rebecca Jane Jessop B 28 Oct 1859 (1901 census)  
D 10 Nov 1941 St Thomas. She lived in Fingal.

Rebecca Jessop was from a large family of Jessops that lived just north of Ingersoll town limits. Their farm bordered on the many Henderson farms in the area. Although husband Herbert's family was not one of the Hendersons that lived in the area, there is a good chance that he and Rebecca crossed paths while he was working with or visiting with cousins. Rebecca and Herbert were married prior to the 1891 census. Herbert was living in the vicinity of Ingersoll until around 1893 when he moved to farm in Southwold township, Elgin Co. He died at age 66 of multiple neuritis. This is a paralysis of the nerves system associated with MS. Wife Rebecca moved to Fingal after Herbert's death and worked as a domestic to pay the bills until her death of a cerebral hemorrhage. They had one "daughter" named Allie Paterson. Allie was born 25 Oct, 1898 as per the 1911 census. There is no record of her living with the pair in the previous 1901 census nor the later 1921 census. One potential answer to her parentage would be that she was a niece. Rebecca's sister Alice married John Paterson in N Oxford in 1882. I suspect Allie was a daughter. Alice died in 1897. Allie's siblings died in 1910 and 1893 (buried IRC) and although still alive, father John Paterson appears to have sent his surviving daughter Allie to live with her aunt Rebecca. Childless Rebecca and Herbert took her in as a daughter.

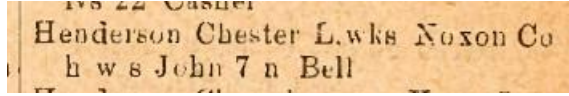
**Grandchildren of Elizabeth Elliott and Thomas Hamlyn  
Children of Maria Hamlyn and Edward Henderson**

**Third child: Chester Lyman** B 29 Nov 1867 W Oxford  
D 18 Aug 1933 Ingersoll buried IRC  
M 26 Jan 1888 Ingersoll  
Spouse: Ada Edwards B Oct 1869 Curries, Corner E Oxford  
D 1960 Ingersoll

How Chester and Ada met is unknown, but Ada's father and brother worked for the GWR as engineers. Was it likely that Ada's father or brother new Chester's uncle who also worked for a railway company in Ingersoll? After they married at the tender age of 20 and 19 respectively, they lived on Charles St in Ingersoll before moving to the "family subdivision" on John St. At the time of his first child, he was working as a foreman for a shift of weavers working at a textile mill. Waterhouse Mfg. Co. was in business as a clothing manufacturer at that time in Ingersoll. His father was living on John St. at the same time. His next-door neighbour according to the 1911 census was his grandmother Grace and her second husband, retired farmer Ebenezer Uren. Paraphrasing the 1894 Ingersoll directory, Chester lived

in the “7 house north of Bell St. west side”. His father Edward, lived “last house on end of John St. W side”. The John Elliott subdivision of 1852 continued to be the family neighbourhood. Chester’s daughter continued to live in the house into the 1990s.

1908 Ingersoll Directory



In 1921 and 1931 censuses, the couple lived on John St. until their deaths. The 1908 directory indicated that Chester had changed professions to a machinest for the Noxon Co. The 1931 census listed him as a recently laid off electrician at a “drill factory”. There is a curiosity about Chester’s middle name Lymon. A distant cousin in the Prouse family married a Barnabus Lymon. Is there a relationship between another Henderson cousin and a Maria Hamlyn cousin?

See obit below.

189 John St. home of Chester Henderson

*The following was taken from an Atlanta, Georgia paper. Announcement is made of marriage of Julia T. Henderson and Mr. Osman P. Lyman at the bride’s home, 524 Highland Ave, on the evening of June 7th. The wedding was a very quiet one, the ceremony being performed by Rev. T. W. Winfield in the presence of a few relatives. The groom is a son of Mrs. Lyman, Francis and has many friends here will unite in best wishes.*

Ingersoll Tribune June, 1909

**MRS. C. HENDERSON PASSES IN HOSPITAL**

*The death of a well known and highly esteemed resident of Ingersoll in the person of Mrs. Ada Henderson, widow of Chester Henderson of 189 John Street, occurred on Monday morning in Alexandra Hospital, following a long period of ill health and seriously ill for 1 month. Born in Curries, East Oxford [township], Mrs. Henderson was in her 92nd year and was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Edwards. She came to Ingersoll when 13 years old, and had resided here continuously since that time and her quiet and unassuming manner had made for her a very large circle of friends. She was a member of Trinity United Church and had taken an active interest in the affairs of the church while her health permitted. Her husband predeceased her in 1933 and one son, Earl in 1955.*

**Grandchildren of Maria Hamlyn and Edward Henderson**

**Children of Chester Henderson and Ada Edwards**

**Oldest: Florence Elizabeth**

B14 Sept, 1889

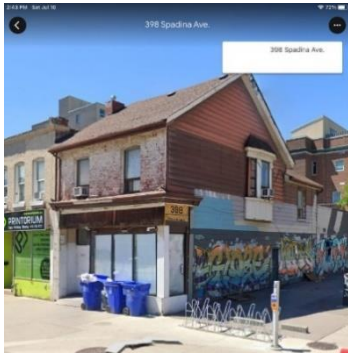
D 1976 Toronto, Buried Park Lawn Cemetery

M 28 Jun 1923 Woodstock

Spouse: George Wm. Phillips

B 30 Jun 1878 Petersville, Middlesex

D 1955 Toronto



George was a widower living in Toronto when he married spinster Florence who lived in Ingersoll. He was 42 and she was 34 years old. The couple moved to Toronto where the voters list finds them living at 398 Spadina Rd. George was a grocer, Florence a housewife and daughters Florence and Winnifred are clerks. The family lived above the family corner store.

## Grandchildren of Maria Hamlyn and Edward Henderson

### Children of Chester Henderson and Ada Edwards

#### Second Child: Earl Clement

B 25 Dec 1892 Ingersoll

D 14 Mar 1955 West Hartford, Hartford Conn.

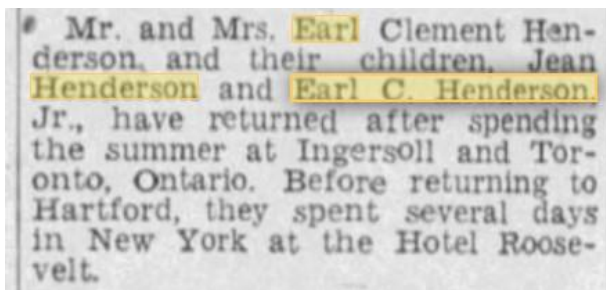
M unknown

Spouse: Katherine Bowman

B 15 Dec 1897 Willimantic Conn.

D 10 Mar 1985 Bloomfield Conn.

It appears Earl had a mind for numbers and statistics. He was raised on John St. in Ingersoll and went to the University of Toronto in 1914, graduating in Mathematics and Physics. He went to work for the London Life Assurance Company of London Ontario. He fought in WWI as noted in his obituary and upon his return moved to Toronto to work at Crown Life Insurance. A year later he accepted a position with Connecticut Insurance in Hartford rising to the position of Vice President.



Visiting Ingersoll – 1939 Hartford Courant

His Probate estate listed in 1956 was \$56,000. His newspaper obituary details his life.

15 Birch Rd home W. Hartford Conn.  
Family Home



## Earl C. Henderson Dies, Officer Of Conn. General

Earl C. Henderson, vice president and actuary at Connecticut General Life Insurance Co., died Monday afternoon at his home at 15 Birch Rd., West Hartford.

A native of Canada, Henderson joined Connecticut General in 1920, was elected assistant actuary in 1925 and actuary in 1929. Elected secretary and actuary in 1940, he became vice president and actuary in 1944.

### Born in Ontario

He was born in Ingersoll, Ont., the son of Mrs. Ada Edwards Henderson and the late Chester Lyman Henderson. He was graduated from the University of Toronto in 1914 with a degree in mathematics and physics and then went to work for the London Life Insurance Co. of London, Ont., Canada.

He served with the 13th Canadian Field Artillery Battery in France during World War I and on his discharge from the army, joined the Crown Life Insurance Co. in Toronto. The following year he joined Connecticut General. He became a United States citizen in 1929.

Henderson's interests at Connecticut General have been more than actuarial. In the company's field sales operations he organized the present-day field budget



EARL C. HENDERSON

system and laid the foundation for the budget in the home office.

He is a member of the Hartford Golf Club, the University Club and the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce. He is a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, a member of the Senior Actuaries' Club and the Actuaries' Club of Hartford.

Besides his mother in Ingersoll, Ont., Canada, he leaves his wife, Mrs. Katherine Bowmar Henderson; a son, Earl C. Henderson, Jr., of Chicago, a daughter, Mrs. W. Dewees Yeager of Ardsley, N. Y., and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Asylum Hill Congregational Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery. There will be no calling hours.

### Deaths

**BRONSORD**—In Bridgeport, March 12, 1955. Catherine Dahlia Bronsord, widow of John F. Bronsord, of 757 Colorado Ave., Bridgeport. Friends are invited to attend the funeral from the funeral home of Lieberum and Joseph, 888 Lafayette St., Bridgeport, on Tuesday, March 15 at 9:30 a.m., and St. Peter's Church at 9 a.m. where a solemn mass of high requiem will be celebrated. Burial in Zion Hill Cemetery, Hartford.

Obituary from Hartford Courant Mar. 15, 1955

Earl rose through the ranks of the Connecticut General Insurance Co. to become a vice president of the company. Connecticut General Insurance was renamed Signa Insurance and later added the Aetna brand. The new company was formed in 1792 and still exists today.

Ironically another Elliott cousin was high up in the Hartford Insurance Company at the same time frame.

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## 1892 Earl Clement Henderson 1955

Earl Clement Henderson, Vice President and Actuary of the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, died March 14, 1955.

He was born December 25, 1892 at Ingersoll, Ontario, and graduated from the University of Toronto in 1914. After a brief period with the London Life Insurance Company, he served in the Canadian Field Artillery OBITUARY 187

throughout World War I. On termination of this service, he was employed for about a year in the Crown Life Insurance Company and then joined the Actuarial Department of the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company in the summer of 1920.

He was elected Assistant Actuary in 1924, Actuary in 1929, Secretary and Actuary in 1940, and Vice President and Actuary in 1944.

He became a Fellow of the Actuarial Society of America in 1922, a Fellow of the American Institute of Actuaries at a later date, and was a loyal

attendant at the meetings of both of the earlier organizations and of the present Society.

His actuarial training led him quite early in his career into an appreciation of the importance of searching expense analyses, both for rate-making and as a guide to intelligent Company decisions, and throughout his career this remained one of his major business interests. During the mid-1930's, he organized the field sales budget of the Company and placed it on a routine running basis, and a little later laid the foundation of the Company's present home office budget plan.

He kept his actuarial ideals on a high plane, but had the wisdom to steer clear of undue concentration on unessential details. His recommendations as to Company action were prompted by a sincere loyalty and selflessness accompanied by courage and persistence in pushing for action when he thought it was imperative.

He was jealous of the good name of the actuarial profession and insistent on furthering the welfare and progress of the actuarial students under his jurisdiction. In 1934, recognizing the need for more guidance for students on the earlier actuarial examinations, he took the lead in organizing systematic mathematical classroom instruction for their benefit. Classes under a paid instructor, sponsored by the five life insurance companies in Hartford, are being carried on today in essentially the same form as he originally urged.

Because his nature was so warm and genuine, he made many friends--in Hartford, among his Company's field representatives, and throughout the Society membership. He had a wonderful and enviable life with his family.

His wise counsel and, even more, the vital impact of daily association with him will be greatly missed.

## **Children of Earl Clement Henderson and Katherine Bowman**

**Son: Earl C Henderson Jr.**

B 1923

D 10 Feb 2010

M 29 Aug 1956 Omaha Illinois

Spouse: Ann Louise Zeddie

unknown



Earl attended Williams College in Williamston Ma. He majored in Mathematics and Statistics as his father did at U of Toronto. He joined the Army after graduation, moved to Chicago and married Ann Zeddie.

**Daughter: Jean**

B 18 Dec 1826 Hartford  
D 15 Jan 1965 Terrytown NY.  
M 11 Sept 1848 Hartford  
B 1925 Philadelphia  
D 2010 Bedford, Westchester, New York

Spouse: W D Yeager Jr.



MISS JEAN HENDERSON  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Henderson of Birch Road, West Hartford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jean Henderson, to Mr. Walter Thomas Yeager, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Yeager of Philadelphia, Pa. (Frederick Photo).

Jean grew up at 14 Bedford Rd in affluent West Hartford. She attended private school and went to Wheaton College, a private liberal arts school in Norton Mass. In 1948, she married W D Yeager II, from Philadelphia. His family was prominent in the peanut business. She died unexpectedly in 1965.

**MRS. W. D. YEAGER JR.**  
Mrs. Jean Henderson Yeager, Jr., 38, wife of W. D. Yeager Jr. of North Tarrytown, N.Y., formerly of West Hartford, died Thursday at her home. Born in Hartford, she lived in this area most of her life. Besides her husband, she leaves her mother, Mrs. Earl C. Henderson of West Hartford; a son, W. D. Yeager III; two daughters, Carolyn Yeager and Cynthia Yeager, all at home and a brother, Earl C. Henderson Jr. of Wellesley, Mass. The funeral and burial will be held in North Tarrytown.

**Daughter: Caroline (Lewis)**  
B 08 July 1950 New York  
D 21 Oct 2009 Florida  
She and her husband ran a sales promotion company that is still operating.



Mrs. Lewis  
Carolyn Corbin Yeager

**LENCHNER**  
On Thurs. Dec. 2, 1982  
Cynthia Yeager; wife of  
Gary F. Lenchner; daughter  
of Mr. & Mrs. W. D.  
Yeager of Mt. Kisco, N.Y.;  
also survived by one sister  
and one brother. Private  
Services were held on Fri-  
day. Interment Mt. Kisco,  
N.Y. Arrangement by BUR-  
TON L. HIRSCH CHAPEL



**Daughter: Cynthia (Lenchner)**  
B 1953 New York State  
M 1977  
Husband Gary was general manager of his family-owned Today's Homes Furniture Décor store chain in Pittsburgh  
Divorced from Gary Lenchner May 1982  
D 02 Dec, 1982  
She is buried with her parents in Bedford, New York.

**Grandchildren of Maria Hamlyn and Edward Henderson  
Children of Chester Henderson and Ada Edwards**

**Youngest Child: Viola Margaret Henderson**

B 31 Mar 1905 Ingersoll  
D 1996  
M 22 May 1935 London  
B 24 Dec 1914 Ingersoll  
D 2005

Spouse: Jack Hunsberger

Viola was living at her father's John St. home as a mail order house saleslady in 1931. Husband Jack was a salesman and she was a now a bookkeeper both from Ingersoll when they married in 1935.

Interestingly, Viola was living with back with her parents on John St on the 1953 voters list. Jack was not there for some reason but later the couple lived in her deceased parents house at 189 John St until their deaths. He was a credit manager. They are buried at the Harris Rd Cemetery.

**Children of Viola and Jack Hunsberger:**

**Child: Sandra** B 1942  
 D 21 Feb 2008  
 Spouse: William Brintnell B 1940  
 D 2009



**Sandra Bell (Hunsberger) Brintnell**

*At London Health Sciences Centre-Victoria Hospital, on Thursday, February 21, 2008 Sandra B. (Hunsberger) Brintnell of London in her 66th year. Beloved wife of Douglas Brintnell. Dear mother of Christine and Tony Merucci and Michael Brintnell all of London. Predeceased by her parents Jack and Viola Hunsberger. Sandra was an employee at London Life for 42 years.*



**Spouse of Sandra: William Douglas (Doug) Brintnell**

*At LHSC University Hospital, London on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 of London in his 70th year. Beloved husband of the late Sandra (Hunsberger) Brintnell (2008). Dear father of Christine and Tony Merucci and Michael Brintnell all of London. Beloved son of the late Tom and Dorothy (Watt) Brintnell. Doug owned and operated Rowland's Appliances in London for several years.*

**Great Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott  
 Grandchildren of Elizabeth Elliott and Thomas Hamlyn  
 Children of Maria Hamlyn and Edward Henderson**

**Youngest: Leila** B 26 Dec 1872 N Oxford  
 D unknown

Date of Event December 26, 1872  
 Associated Surname Henderson  
 Associated First Name Edward  
 Note daughter  
 Text of Notice HENDERSON--In North Oxford [township], 20th ult., the wife of Mr. Edward Henderson, of a daughter  
 Ingersoll Tribune Jan 2, 1873

Although listed in the 1881 census as an 8-year-old daughter, Leila was not located in the 1891 census with the family as she may have married or died. There is no record of her death in that time period in the IRC death index. Likewise, no mention of her death in any Ingersoll Tribune death index.



## End of Book 3

### Next: Book 4 – The Maria Elliott and William (Elliott) Seldon Family

#### Acknowledgments:

It has been thirty-four months since Covid led me to this journey of connection to my family. Traipsing through the past has enriched me with knowledge of where I was born and raised in Oxford County. I also understand more about my extended ancestral family and the lives they led. I wish to thank the following people and organizations that put up with what may have seemed as unending requests and constant badgering. I apologize to those I have missed. This project is as much your as mine. Take a bow.

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And to my immediate family – I am sorry that I caused so many eye rolls as I regaled them with stories from past generations. Special thanks to my hawk-eyed Editor and wife Gaile. Their patience and encouragement were always welcome and at times needed.

Glenn Elliott

Great, Great Grandson of William Elliott and Eliza Rogers.

January 2023.

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