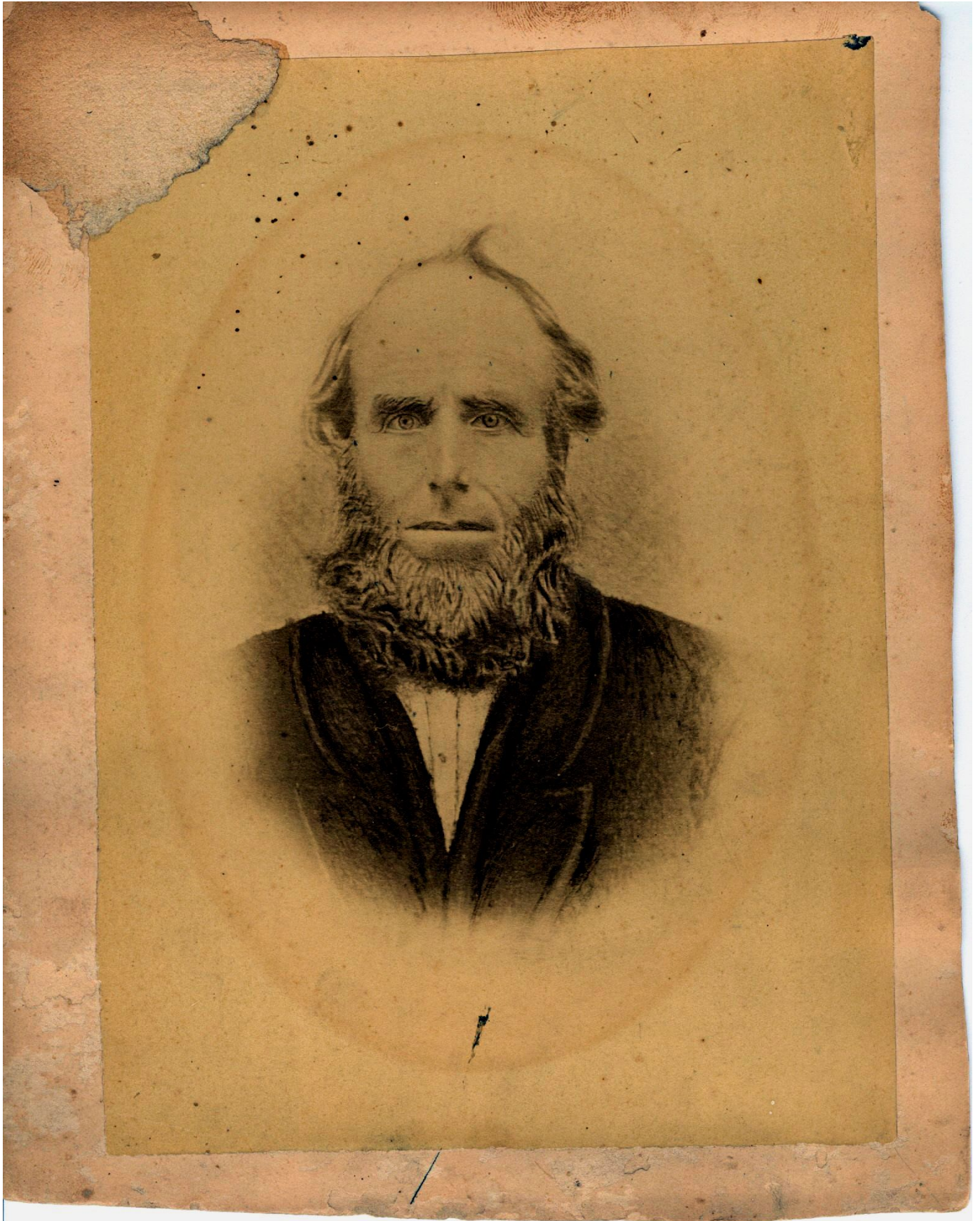


# James Harris 1832-1885



James Harris

1823-June 1, 1885

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THE LATE JAMES HARRIS.

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Referring to the death of the late Jas. Harris (announced last week) the Ingersoll Tribune says:—In the death of Mr. Harris the neighborhood loses one of her most enterprising citizens as well as a worthy and good man. By his energy and enterprise he had accumulated a very handsome competency, and this, through close application to business and the strictest integrity of principle. He was a good husband, a good father, and a good neighbor, and though his failing health for the past two or three years gave but little hope of a long continuance of life, and though his family and friends may have anticipated the change, yet, when it really does come, it will be keenly felt by his many friends. Mr. Harris was a modest, unassuming man, and yet his aim was to lead in his profession as a dairyman. He was one of the early pioneers of the factory system, and he attained a degree of success and notoriety as a producer of fine goods that enabled him to sell his cheese on their merits and realize the highest prices in the market. He it was who manufactured the largest cheese ever made in Canada, if not in the world, which was exhibited at several of the leading agricultural exhibitions, both in Canada and the States, exciting the wonder and admiration of the public, at such a monstrous production. His public spirit was manifested in various ways. His beautiful grounds and residence will long remain as one of these monuments to his memory, and we are quite sure his family will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends on this melancholy occasion.

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James Harris 1823-1885 & Julie Ranney Harris 1822-1880 headstone in Harris Street Cemetery, South West Oxford



James + Julia

**Census of 1871**

**Schedule # 1: Nominal Return of the Living**

Province: Ont  
 County: Oxford  
 Township/Town: West Oxford

Film No: C-9911  
 Page No: 5  
 District: 13  
 Sub-District: e

Division: 02  
 Sub-division: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date you transcribed data: \_\_\_\_\_

Line	Inhab. Houses	Family	Names	Sex	Age	Born Within Last 12 Months	Country or Province of Birth	Religion	Origin	Profession Occupation or Trade	Married Within Last 12 Months	
											M	W
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
3	19	19	Harris, James	M	47		On	F?? Baptist	English	Farmer	M	
			Julia	F	46		US	"	"	—	M	
			Lydia	F	18		O	"	"	—	—	
			Laura	F	16		"	"	"	—	—	
			Eugene	M	14		"	"	"	—	—	
			Judd	M	12		"	"	"	—	—	
			Minna	F	7		"	"	"	—	—	

Additional Information

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*James + Julia*

Census of 1861 Page 1 of 2

Schedule # 1: Personal Census

Province: Ont  
 County: Oxford  
 Township/Town: West Oxford

Film No: C-1061-1062  
 Page No: 54  
 District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sub-District: \_\_\_\_\_

Date you transcribed data: \_\_\_\_\_

Line	Name of Inmates	Profession Trade or Occupation	Place of Birth	Married During Year	Religion	Residence if Out of Limits	Age Next Birth-day	Sex	M, S, W	Members of Family M/F	Not Members M/F	Remarks
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8-9	10-12	14-15	16-17	
1	James Harris	Yesman	U. Canada	1848	Baptist		38		M			One storey
	Julia						37		M			One family
	Lydia						9					Board House
	Laura E.					Dereham	7					
	Eugene H.						4					
	Hiram J.						2					

Additional Information  
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James P. Torrey + James + Julia

**Census of 1851**

**Personal Census**

Province: Ontario  
 County: Oxford  
 Township/Town: West Oxford

Film No: C-11745  
 Page No: 49  
 District: 27  
 Sub-District: Oxford West

Date you transcribed data: \_\_\_\_\_

Line	Name of Inmates	Profession Trade or Occupation	Place of Birth	Religion	Residence if Out of Limits	Age Next Birth	Sex	M, S, W	Members of Family M/F	Not Members M/F	Births During 1851	Deaths During 1851	Age and Cause of Death
						6							
11	James Harris Jr	Yeoman	U.S.	Baptist		67							
	Laura		U.S.	"		59							
	Samantha		Canada	"		18							
	Melinda		"	"		18							
	Miles		"	"		11							
	James	Dairyman	U	"		28							
	Julia		U.S.	"		27							
	H.W		Canada	"		2							
22	Gilbert family												
28	Daniels family												

Additional Information

Children of James Harris & Julia Ramsay

Family Surname: James Harris

Family Group Sheet

Pedigree Chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Husband's Full Name:				Wife's Full Maiden Name:		
No.	Children's Given Names	Sex	Date (ddMMMyyyy)	Location (Parish, Lot & Conc., City/Town/Township, County, Province/State)	Source	
1	Lydia Asenath Harris	F	B abt 1853/54	West Oxford Twp, Oxford, On	2	
	Spouse's Full Name:		M 13 Oct 1880	Ingersoll, On	8	
	Rev. John B. Davis		D			
2	Laura Elinor Harris	F	B 1855		2	
	Spouse's Full Name:		M 5 Jul 1876	Ingersoll, On	9	
	Samuel J. McKee		D			
3	Eugene James	M	B 10 Jul 1857	West Oxford, Oxford, On	10, 2	
	Spouse's Full Name:		M	Baptist Minister	10	
			D 17 Aug 1926	Ingersoll, On	10	
4	Judd Charles	M	B 26 Apr 1859	West Oxford, Oxford, On	2	
	Spouse's Full Name:		M 22 Dec 1885	(See over)	11	
	Mary Moorhead/Annie Jeffrey		D 19 Aug 1945	West Oxford, Oxford, On	12	
5	Minnie	F	B abt 1864		2	
	Spouse's Full Name:		M after 1891		2	
	William Craig		D			
			B			
	Spouse's Full Name:		M			
			D			
			B			
	Spouse's Full Name:		M			
			D			
			B			
	Spouse's Full Name:		M			
			D			

Family Surname: Harris

Family Group Sheet

Pedigree Chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Husband's Full Name: <u>James</u>		Source <u>1#2</u>	Wife's Full Maiden Name: <u>Julia Ranney Harris</u>		Source <u>1#2 10</u>	
Birth Date (dd MMM yyyy): <u>21 Aug 1823</u>		<u>1</u>	Birth Date (dd MMM yyyy): <u>Abt 1824</u>		<u>6</u>	
Address / Lot & Concession:			Address / Lot & Concession:			
Hospital:			Hospital:			
City, Town, or Parish: <u>West Oxford</u>			City, Town, or Parish:			
Township & County: <u>Oxford Co</u>		<u>1</u>	Township & County:			
Province or State: <u>Ont.</u>		<u>1</u>	Province or State: <u>Vermont</u>		<u>7</u>	
Country: <u>Canada</u>		<u>1</u>	Country: <u>USA</u>			
	Date	Place		Date	Place	
Christened/Baptised/etc:			Christened/Baptised/etc:			
Death: (Age <u>61</u> ) <u>1 Jun 1885</u>		<u>Oxford On</u>	<u>1,3</u>	Death: (Age <u>56</u> ) <u>2 Apr 1880</u>		<u>Oxford, On</u>
Buried: <u>Harris St Cem Sec A Row F Stone 13</u>		<u>1</u>	Buried: <u>Same as James</u>		<u>1</u>	
Marriage / Cohabitation: <u>6 Jan 1848</u>		<u>Dereham, Oxford</u>	<u>4</u>	Marriage / Cohabitation:		
Other Marriages / Partners:			Other Marriages / Partners:			
<u>Elizabeth Jane Wilson</u>		<u>25 Nov 1880 - London</u>	<u>5</u>			
<u>(Triggerman) 1842-1890</u>		<u>On</u>				
Religion: <u>Baptist</u>		<u>6</u>	Religion:			
Occupation(s): <u>Cheese Manufacturer</u>		<u>2</u>	Occupation(s):			
Additional Information (use reverse if necessary):			Additional Information (use reverse if necessary):			
His Father's Name: <u>Rev. James P Harris</u>		<u>5,2</u>	Her Father's Name: <u>Hiram Ranney</u>		<u>2</u>	
His Mother's Maiden Name: <u>Lorainy (James) Harris</u>		<u>5,2</u>	Her Mother's Maiden Name: <u>Lydia Chase</u>		<u>2</u>	



Surname Harris Pedigree Chart No \_\_\_\_\_

No 1 on this chart is the same person as No \_\_\_\_\_ on Chart No \_\_\_\_\_

Enter all data like this:  
Name Line: SMYTHE, Jon  
Other Lines: date / location  
where date is in form: dd MMM yyyy, eg 10 Mar 1844  
location is in form: city or town, township, county, province

1 Eugene James Harris  
Born 10 Jul 1857 W. Oxford  
Died 17 Aug. 1926 Ingersoll

Married \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Born \_\_\_\_\_  
Died \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Compiler Pat Adam  
2 Apr 2018

2 James Harris  
Born 21 Aug 1823 W. Oxford  
Died 1 Jun 1885 W. Oxford

Married 6 Jan. 1848  
Dereham, Oxford, On

3 Julia Ranney  
Born Abt 1824  
Died 2 Apr. 1880 W. Oxford

4 Rev James P. Harris  
Born 1785 Connecticut, USA  
Died 15 Sep 1858 Oxford

Married Abt 1816

5 Lorainy Jones  
Born Abt 1791 Possibly Vermont  
Died 11 Mar 1873 Oxford, On

6 Hiram Ranney  
Born 1792 Vermont  
Died 31 Aug 1871 Dereham

7 Lydia Chase  
Born 22 Sep 1800 Paxton Mass,  
Died 20 Feb 1901 Hagersville  
Haldimand 15  
On

8 Ely Harris  
Born 5 Nov 1755 CT  
Died 18 Apr 1813 Ingersoll area  
Married 1774 Colchester CT

9 Lucretia Ransome  
Born 5 Jun 1754 Colchester VT  
Died 18 Feb 1836 Ingersoll area

10 Heman Jones  
Born \_\_\_\_\_  
Died \_\_\_\_\_  
Married \_\_\_\_\_

11 Abigail Burdick  
Born \_\_\_\_\_  
Died \_\_\_\_\_

12 Ephraim Ranney Jr  
Born 1748 Vermont  
Died 1835 Vermont  
Married \_\_\_\_\_

13 Rhoda Harlow  
Born 1776 Vermont  
Died 1854 Vermont

14 Samuel Chase  
Born \_\_\_\_\_  
Died \_\_\_\_\_  
Married \_\_\_\_\_

Mary  
Born \_\_\_\_\_  
Died \_\_\_\_\_

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# SCHEDULE B.—MARRIAGES

County of *Stafford*

Division of *Dereham*

008934 No. *4*

008935 No. *5*

008936 No. *6*

MARRIAGES

SEXES

His Name

*Melins Woolley*

*Karen Harris*

*Karah Maybury*

Age

*21 years*

*18 years*

*25 years*

Residence when Married

*Dereham*

*Parkdale*

*Dereham*

Place of Birth

*Dereham*

*West Stafford*

*Dereham*

Bachelor or Widower (M or W)

*B*

*W*

*B*

Rank or Profession

*Farmer*

*Farmer*

*Yeoman*

Names of Parents

*Lucy } Woolley  
Mary }*

*Daniel } Harris  
Phoebe }*

*William } Maybury  
Lucy }*

Her Name

*Francis Maria Tolhurst*

*Mary Harrington*

*Almira Lums*

Age

*21 years*

*53 years*

*23 years*

Residence when Married

*Dereham*

*Stafford*

*Dereham*

Place of Birth

*Dereham*

*New York*

*Dereham*

Bachelor or Widower (M or W)

*B*

*W*

*B*

Names of Parents

*Alfred } Tolhurst  
Ann }*

*Alvin } Harris  
Margaret }*

*George } Lums  
Lucy }*

Names and Residences of Witnesses

*Henry Laidlaw  
Malahide  
Minna Tolhurst  
Dereham*

*Rev J. B. Davis  
Lydia Davis  
Stafford*

*Robert Mann  
Leamington  
Lena Lums  
Dereham*

Date and Place of Marriage

*Oct 6/86*

*July 31st 1886*

*Oct 20th 1886*

Religious Denomination of Bridegroom

*Methodist*

*Stafford Dereham*

*Methodist*

*Dereham*

*Methodist*

Religious Denomination of Bride

*Methodist*

*Methodist*

*Methodist*

By whom Married

*H. W. Crews*

*H. McLean*

*Joseph Archer*

By License or Banns (M or W)

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*L*

*L*

REMARKS

I hereby certify the foregoing to be the true and correct copies of all Marriages returned to me for the half year ending *31 Decr* 1886 A.D. 1887

Given under my hand and seal of the said County of Stafford this *10th* day of *January* 1887

*John Lick* Registrar

*Dereham*

Mary Elizabeth Harris. B. 1833 - U.S. - was the daughter  
of Alvan Harris Jr. + Margaret —

Alvan Jr. was cousin of 'our' James Harris.  
Alvan Harris Sr. was a brother of James P. Harris  
the father of  
'our' James

Mary Elizabeth Harris

married Henry Ramsey - son of

Hiram + Lydia

After Henry died in 1864 Mary

on  
flash  
drive.

married Harvey Farningford in 1867

After Harvey died in 1878 she  
went to live with Lydia

Ramsey, her former Mother-in-  
law  
(1881 census)

Mary married Warren Harris

31 July 1886 in Salford.

Warren was the son of Daniel + Phoebe Harris  
(B. 13 Dec 1813) B. 1776

D. 9 Dec 1892

↓  
son of Ely  
+ Lucretia

Family Surname: James Harris

Family Group Sheet

Pedigree Chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Husband's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Wife's Full Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Source #	Full Description of Source:
1	Find-A-Grave - Ancestry - Memorial #129797541
2	Book - Stover, Margaret Harris. "Ely Harris and Lucretia Hanson." Decorah, Iowa USA: Anundsen Publishing Co, 1990. Page 65 - 095.
3	Death Certificate # 050172, Registrations of Deaths 1869-1945, Reference No. RG80-08-0-2418, A of O TO. (Ancestry)
4	Marriage Registration for James Harris, Record Series 248-Rec 12 A of O TO.
5	Marriage Registration for James Harris, Ontario, Canada, Marriages 1826-1936, #007037, A of O, TO - Ancestry
6,7	1861 Census of Canada - Film # C-1061-1062 - Page 54 Line 1 w. Oxford LAC, Ottawa, On - Ancestry
8	Marriage Registration for Lydia Harris, Ontario, Canada, Marriages 1826-1936 - A of O, TO Ancestry
9	Marriage Registration for James Harris #008114, Ontario, Canada, Marriages, 1826-1936 A of O, TO Ancestry
10	Death Registration for Eugene Harris, #026117, Series M5935, Reel 339
11	Marriage Registration for Judd Harris #008989, Ontario, Canada, Marriages, 1826-1936 A of O TO Ancestry
12	Death Registration for Judd Harris, #050172, Ontario, Canada, Deaths + Deaths Overseas 1869-1946, Reference No. RG80-08-0-2418 A of O TO Anc

A of O  
TO  
Anc

Will - James Harris  
(7 Jul 1885 - probate)

90 Mar 1888  
OGS office  
Register # 6  
Pg 283

- to my son Judd Harris ... N Part Lot 19 Cor 2, W. O x 100 ac.
- \$500 to Damartha Elliott, wife of John Elliott
- \$500 to Miles Harris, my nephew
- to my wife Elizabeth James Harris \$2500 within 5 yr.
- to my wife \$250 a year for life.
- to my wife - horses + calves?
- to my daughter Minnie Harris + my wife -  
goods + chattels in the house at her death.
- to my daughter Minnie the piano.
- trustees to use \$6000 to look after Minnie.
- other sisters + brothers.
- to my daughter Laura McKee - \$3000 - interest to
- to my daughter Lydia Davis - \$2000 + interest from  
\$1600
- to my son Eugene Harris - \$2000

7 Jul 1884

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