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FRONT COVER: The picture for this issue has no particular significance beyond the fact that the people in the picture are wearing clothing of the 1850 era. I would think that most homes, our Harman ancestors included, would on occasion have a little girl who was contrite after having broken a precious dish.



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Dear Cousins:

First my apologies for this issue being late. I am writing this editorial on the first of July, when normally I would expect to be stuffing envelopes and addressing labels. My time has not been exactly my own these last few months, the last two especially - family crisis and problems tend to get in the way of newsletter writing. Since the first of February I have been babysitting our 17 month old grandson and I'm afraid that when he is around, he tends to monopolize all my time. The answer would appear to be a better organization of time and priorities.

In April another lady and I spent a week in Salt Lake City doing our respective research. I allotted two of my six days (7:30am to 10pm) to research on the Harmans and related families. I shall be sharing my finds with you in the next issue. We will also have info from a new-found cousin in St. Paul, MN (Remember, last issue I spoke of a possible new contact? She did indeed turn out to be one of our family!) I think we might designate Issue #3 of this year's newsletter as our Michigan issue where-in to pass on all the data which has been gathered on the families who settled there in the last century.

Speaking of future issues: A short article in this issue's "Around and About" section solicits your contributions to another series. Through your efforts we "met" many of our Harman ancestors in last year's "Great Grandchildren" series. Here we will have another opportunity to share in the memories and/or research of our members, this time in respect to the Harman in-laws. It is doubly important that our readers contribute to this series: Not only because a story from each of our members would make a nice "fat" issue (and please your Editor tremendously!) BUT if you don't send us your "in-law" stories, no one else will. They are your ancestors, and are not shared by the rest of the readers so it is your responsibility to get their story in print. When a book is finally put together on our Harman families you would be disappointed if your "in-law" ancestor was barely mentioned, you would like for them to have their fair share of notice. Having their <sup>story</sup> in the newsletter will go along way toward insuring this. And remember, you have more than one ancestor about whom you can write, we will welcome as many stories as you can send us.

Have a happy and safe summer.

Marie Svedahl

LED ASTRAY

by Marie Svedahl

On a visit to Ontario in 1981, my husband & I spent a few days at the Ontario Archives doing some research. Accidently we came upon the Index to the Upper Canada Land Petitions and for the first time we learned of the existence of that vast store house of records. Upon checking the "Harman" surname we found that there were several items listed under such christian names as: James, Michael, Adam, with two or three entries under Henry. As our time was limited ( naturally, we found the Petitions on our last afternoon at the Archives!) I decided the wisest course would be to order photo copies of all Harman records. A wise decision as in some instances the hand writing was difficult to decipher and took repeated readings to correctly decipher.

And still it took me three years to discover a mistaken identify.

One item which we found under the "Henry Harman" listing, was a petition in 1822 from Henry Harman, asking for land because he was the son of a U.E.L. This seemed a logical occurrence as we had just discovered in one of the other "Henry Harman" petitions that Henry, Sr. had fought for the British during the American Revolution. The S.U.E. item (Son of United Empire Loyalist) also seemed to fit the facts, such as we had, on Henry, Jr. After marrying and establishing his own household in King Twp. c1817, in 1820 Henry, Jr. had disappeared from the recorded list of householders in King Twp. (1) The natural assumption was that he and his family had moved away from King Twp., the discovery of his petition for land as an S.U.E. seemed to give the answer to "why" he had moved.

A few months after this "find" in the Ontario Archives, I learned that the Sask. Provincial Library had micro-fiche copies of the computer print-out of the Original Land Patentees of Ontario (names of the first owners of each parcel of land after grant or purchase from the Crown). I paid the library a visit and copied all Harman/Herman/Harmon entries, of which there were several, some with a patent date as late as 1903. Upon checking over this last I realized that there was no mention of Henry, Jr. receiving land in 1822. Henry, Sr. who settled on Yonge Street was the only Henry Harman listed. Having received a 200 acre grant, the son's name should definitely have been listed.

<sup>2.42</sup>  
David Adams - Praying for a Grant of Lands as the Son of an U.E. Loyalist  
Wanted 200 Acres of Land

<sup>7.53</sup>  
Harman Henry Praying for a Grant of Land as the Son of an U.E. Loyalist  
Wanted 200 Acres of Land

<sup>6.11</sup>  
Sarah Adams Praying for a Grant of Lands as the Daughter of an U.E. Loyalist  
Wanted 200 Acres of Land



As the months went by this omission continued to "bug" me, as I felt it to be the key to where Henry, Jr. and family lived for a decade before re-appearing in King Twp. c1832. I was beginning to come to the conclusion that his name had been overlooked when the material was being fed into the computer for the indexing.

In March of 1984, while preparing material for the first issue of our family newsletter, I had occasion to refer to my original photo copies of the Upper Canada Land Petitions. Perhaps I was viewing Henry, Jr.'s petition with fresh eyes - whatever! I had a sudden suspicion which upon investigation, has proven true.

Take another - good look - at Henry, Jr.'s petition: What do you see? There is "Harman, Henry" asking for land but then you saw that before -! Now look at the the two other petitions on the same page: David Adair and Susannah Gray - like Henry, asking for land. But note that their names are written with christian names first, and then their surname ( the other half dozen or so entries on the original page were also written with surname last). Why should Henry, Jr.'s name be written with surname first? But of course it wasn't. Because the person who was petitioning, was named Harman Henry, and was not our ancestor, Henry Harman, Jr. at all!!

This theory needed to be proven - or disproven, whichever the case.

Another check of the Upper Canada Land Patentee Records, this time in search of the Henry surname, and we found.....

HENRY, Harman of Clinton, a Free Grant in 1822 as a SUE.

As a general rule these U.C.L.P. records give the township plus the land numbers but in this case only the name of the township, Clinton was given. I was still undecided: if I could make a mistake in interpreting this name, so, too, could the person who had indexed these records (the U.C.L.P.) and this might still be "our" Henry, Jr. More proof was needed.

We are fortunate to have in Regina a first-rate genealogical library and under the guidance of the librarian I finally settled the question of Henry Harman/Harman Henry.

Clinton Township is in Lincoln County in Ontario. On the library shelves there is a slim booklet listing persons who served in the Militia from Lincoln. (2) There was listed in these pages one Joseph Henry. Another book soon told the tale - "The Annals of the Forties" (3) In the biography section under "H" there were no Harmans but there were many Henrys. Including a Capt. James Henry who had fought during the Revolutionary War and had had several children, one of them named HARMON. It was his petition, as a SUE, which had become accidentally indexed under his christian name, that had been the cause of all my fruitless searches.

Beware, fellow Harman researchers! - should you come across this Petition in your research: Disregard it! For three years I was under the thought that Henry, Jr. had received a Free Grant of land somewhere in Ontario, now I realize that he could have moved anywhere, perhaps only across the road into another township, or perhaps across the county line, just enough of a move to put him beyond the reach of the King Twp. annual enumeration of households.

Our search for Henry and his family for the period of 1820 to 30 will have to continue, hopefully, with no more false clues to lead us astray.

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# MARRIAGES

Following are extractions of marriages from the "Newmarket Era" - we have Lillian Murray, Toronto to thank for the last two entries. Your Editor is responsible for gathering in the first three.

1. Newmarket Era - 22 Sept. 1871: Married on the 16th inst. at the Manse, Newmarket by Rev. John Brown, Mr. Isaac I. LAVELLE of Aurora, to Miss Harriet AKEY of Bradford.  
(Harriet was mentioned in Census, p54 of this issue. Her mother was a Harman).
2. 28 Oct. 1870: Married at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. J. Brown on the 22nd inst. Mr. Obediah ROGERS of Mariposa, to Miss Sarah Amelia ROGERS of E. Guillimbury.  
(Obediah possibly a son of Obediah & Sarah, mentioned in Census, p55 this issue. To what family Sarah belongs...???)
3. 2 April 1871: Married at St. Paul's church, Newmarket on April 17 by Rev. Canon Ramsay, Mr. Peter AUSMAN to Miss Olive ROGERS, both of E. Guillimbury.  
(Not known at present if Olive belongs to our family - there were other Roger families in York at that time.)
4. 25 May 1883 - EVANS & HARMAN: Married at the parsonage in Newmarket by Rev. Browning on 24th inst. Samuel EVANS of Staynor and Miss Rachael HARMAN of Whitchurch. We wish them a long and prosperous life.  
(See p43 this issue for a Family Unit chart on this family).
5. 5 Sept. 1913 - KIDD & HARMAN: Married at the Presbyterian Manse by Rev. H. F. Thomas on Aug. 27th, Wm. Thomas KIDD of Barrie, to Miss Alsia Ethel HARMAN of Toronto.  
(Alsia Ethel should read Eliza Ethel. See p50 of this issue for their wedding picture).

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ROUND and ABOUT

I think it is about time we shed some light on the often neglected people - the in-laws. We had a good response on our Great Grandchil-

dren series, let's see if we can do as well, if not better by writing up the stories of the people who married our Harmans. This would apply to any person, male or female, who married into the Harman family, and it wouldn't be limited to only spouses of Harmans, but would include spouses of any Harman descendant, even though they no longer carry the Harman name. We would use the same format as our other series - a page long story, a family unit chart containing as much family data as possible and whenever available, we would like a photo of the person. Deadline for this series will be 15 Feb. 1987 and the series will run in the March Vol. 4 #1 issue.

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# Family of

.....JACOB HARMAN.....

As was stated in a previous issue, at this time in our research we are uncertain whether Jacob was a son of Henry & Esther Harman who settled on Yonge Street at the end of the 18th century. There IS a strong possibility that Jacob may have been one of their older children, and there may have existed a reason for his not being named in Henry's Will. We will proceed with the facts that are known about Jacob and his family - perhaps some of our readers can be of help in providing proof, either pro or con.

We have Keith Harman, of Kanata, Ontario, and his parents, Herb & Eva Harman of Mt. Albert, to thank for the majority of the following information.

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Jacob Harman was born 14 June 1792 in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Eva Harman told us that this information was taken from the record of family births, marriages and deaths kept by Lewis Powell (I believe he was Jacob's father-in-law). As the Powells were Quakers, the writing would have read something like this:

Jacob Harman born the 14th day of the 6th month 1792, married the 19th day of the 8th month 1823 at Whitchurch, Upper Canada, to Hannah Powell.

According to family tradition, Jacob and a brother came to Canada settling on Yonge Street near New Market in the early 1800's. He was said to be a shoemaker by trade.

There was another family tradition, it was mentioned in Vol. 2#4, where, so the story goes, Jacob was sent to Canada by his father, to purchase some cattle. However Jacob decided to stay in Canada and never returned home. In that previous issue we expressed our doubts that anyone in the more advanced farming areas of Pennsylvania would be seeking to buy livestock from the sparse settlements of Canada. In more likelihood, a settler in one part of Upper Canada might wish to purchase a cow or two from another pioneer who lived over on the next concession or in the next township. It is a known fact that most

## JACOB HARMAN md. HANNAH POWELL

<u>HARRIET</u> b. 1824 md.	<u>ISAAC</u> 1826 Charity Meek	<u>JAMES</u> 1828	<u>JACOB</u> 1831 Jane Thiruk	<u>JOHN</u> 1833	<u>MARY</u> 1836 Alfred Herrington	<u>REUBEN</u> 1842 Lucinda Umphrey
no family			John 1857 Caroline '60 William 64 Francis 68 Reuben 70 David 76		Hannah 1860 Jennie 63 Lucinda 67	Oscar 1873 James 76 Ada Ann Reuben 80 Laura Mary 89 Jack



"family stories" have usually become so twisted & turned over the years that the original statement may have become nearly lost in the retelling; however there usually remains a grain or two of truth or fact in these stories. So while we would be foolish to accept these stories at face value, we would be even more silly to toss them out as being valueless. How much of the forgoing story is fact, and how much "fiction" is debatable, time and research are needed to "sift the grain from the chaff".

Family information places Jacob's death in 1843, making him 51 years of age.

The 1842 census of Ontario (head of household only, and it doesn't include York County) lists a Jacob Harman, shoemaker, living in St. David's Ward, Toronto. Whether this is the same Jacob is open to conjecture.

Jacob's death would have left his widow, Hannah, with a one year old baby, plus five other children, three of them under 13 years - not an enviable prospect in those days. On the 1851 census (reel #11761 - E. Guillimbury, York County) we find Hannah and four of her children living on 100 acres of L1 C2 - the land was in the name of Jacob Harman, could have been either the son or the father Jacob. Hannah was described as being 48 years of age and having been born in Nova Scotia. The oldest son, Isaac, was blind and his occupation given as pedlar. The other children at home at this time were Jacob, John and Mary. The youngest son, Reuben, ten years, was recorded living with his uncle, Reuben Powell, in the enumeration of another division of E. Guillimbury (on reel #11760)

Family info tells us that sons, Jacob and Isaac bought L8 C1 of Scott Twp. from the Crown in 1856. The south hundred acres of the farm remained in the family name until 1962 when Jacob, Jr's grandson, Herbert sold the land. As we reported in one of our earlier issues, the 1861 census has Jacob, Jr. and his wife, Jane and two children living on L8 C1 of Scott Twp. (district #1 - Reel #1058). At the same time Jacob's two brothers, Isaac and Reuben, were still living in E. Guillimbury where Isaac had a sawmill and was recorded as a storekeeper. Their land location was given as 36 acres of L6C7 of which 25 acres were in crop, six acres of pasture and five still in a state of wilderness. Livestock consisted of eight horses, six oxen, three milk cows and ten pigs. Of special interest in this entry was the notation that a member of the household, a 57 year old female (likely Hannah) had died in the previous year from dropsy.

According to family info, Jacob and Hannah's son, John was born in 1833 - this is one of the few instances where census info doesn't "jive" with family data. On the 1851 census (actually taken in the spring of 1852) John is recorded as being a 14 year old, which would put his birth year approximately 1838 rather than 1833. In the records of the Pine Orchard cemetery in Whitchurch (p. 56, Vol. 2 #2 Harmans of Yong Street) there is recorded the burial of John H. Harman - 19 yrs. 3 mo. & 2 days on 30 Oct. 1857 - again an 1838 birth year. It would appear that the handwriting on the document from which the family extracted these births, may have been a little unclear, hence the reading of 1833 when it was likely 1838.

The mother, Hannah, is also buried in Pine Orchard cemetery, her headstone reading a death date of August 1860 at 56 years.

There was no family information passed on to me on either James born 1828 or of Harriet b1824, nor have I uncovered any info on them. Isaac married late in life and never had any off-spring. The other three children did marry and the sons, Jacob and Reuben both had large families.

The family unit charts which follow deal



with these ~~three~~ families. There are some names and dates missing but some of our readers may be able to fill in these blanks for us.

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## FAMILY UNIT

HUSBAND Jacob HARMAN

Son of Jacob Harman

and Wife Hannah Powell

Birth Date 19 July 1831

Place of Birth York County, Ont.

Death Date 16 March 1889 (1)

Place of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Scott Twp.

Occupation farmer (2)

Church Quaker (2)

Other Wives \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Marriage 10 Feb. 1857 (3)

WIFE Jane THIRSK

Daughter of \_\_\_\_\_

and Wife \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date c1834

Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Death Date 3 Oct. 1909

Place of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Scott Twp.

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Other Husbands \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Marriage Anglican Church

Holland Landing

M. F.	CHILDREN'S NAMES		BIRTH		DEATH		MARRIAGE		NO.
			WHEN	WHERE	WHEN	WHERE	WHEN	TO WHOM	
M	John W. Harman	(5)	14 Dec. 1857		11 Aug. 1944				
				Scott Twp.		Scott Twp.		Elizabeth Pickering	
F	Caroline	(4)		1860		1905			
				Scott Twp.				Geo. Winterstein	
M	William H.	(6)		1864		1938			
				Scott Twp.				Eliza Ann Rynard	
F	Frances A.	(5)		Feb. 1868		D=c. 1955			
				Scott Twp.				Job Oldam	
M	Reuben	(5)		29 Oct. 1871		14 Aug. 1937			
				Scott Twp.				Eckel Sarah Walton	
M	David	(7)		Aug. 1876		29 Nov. 1878			
				Scott Twp.					

- SOURCES: 1. Friends Cemetery, Pine Orchard.  
 2. 1861 -71-81 census of Scott Twp.  
 3. Marriage register Anglican church Holland Landing.  
 4. Family info from Keith Harman.  
 5. Mount Albert Cemetery.  
 6. Uxbridge Cemetery.  
 7. Hartman Cemetery, Whitchurch Twp.

Jacob, Jr. and his family continued to farm in Scott Twp. As mentioned earlier, the farm remained in the family until twenty-some years ago.

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Family information had Alfred and Mary Harrington's marriage as childless however some cemetery info gives us three daughters for the couple. I have never located the family on census but as the parents were buried in Whitchurch, they quite likely were resident there in 1881. A search of both the 1871 & 81 census might reveal quite a bit of info on this family.



## FAMILY UNIT

HUSBAND Alfred HARRINGTON

WIFE Mary R. HARMAN

Son of \_\_\_\_\_  
 and Wife \_\_\_\_\_  
 Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Death Date 4 May 1888 (1)  
 Place of Death buried Pine Orchard Cem.  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Wives \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Daughter of Jacob Harman  
 and Wife Hannah Powell  
 Birth Date September 1835  
 Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Death Date 28 April 1888 (1)  
 Place of Death \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Husbands \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

M. F.	CHILDREN'S NAMES	BIRTH WHEN WHERE	DEATH WHEN WHERE	MARRIAGE WHEN TO WHOM	NO.
F	Hannah E. (2)	Sept. 1860	19 May 1888		
F	Jennie (2)	15 Aug. 1863	11 Aug. 1889		
F	Lucinda (2)	7 March 1867	14 Mar. 1890		

SOURCES: 1. Pine Orchard Cemetery, Whitchurch Twp.  
 2. These from a cemetery recording - unfortunately I did not make a note of the name of the cemetery when I jotted the dates into my binder. Will have to wait until this info surfaces again in my data "jungle" at which time I will give the info to you in a future issue. There is an old genealogical "rule" about always citing your sources - this is a good example of what happens when you don't!

## FAMILY UNIT

HUSBAND Reuben Powell HARMAN

WIFE Lucinda UMPHREY

Son of Jacob Harman  
 and Wife Hannah Powell  
 Birth Date 1842  
 Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Death Date 12 Feb. 1925 (2)  
 Place of Death bur. Uxbridge cemetery  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation Manufacturer (3)  
 Church Quaker (3)  
 Other Wives \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Marriage 10 Sept. 1863 (1)

Daughter of James Umphrey (1)  
 and Wife Ann  
 Birth Date 27 April 1847 (2)  
 Place of Birth Georgina Twp. (1)  
 Death Date 17 Nov. 1914 (2)  
 Place of Death \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Husbands \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of Marriage Ontario Co. Ontario.

M. F.	CHILDREN'S NAMES	BIRTH WHEN WHERE	DEATH WHEN WHERE	MARRIAGE WHEN TO WHOM	NO.
M	Oscar (Decker)? (4)	1873			
M	James	1876		Midge McDermitt	
F	Ada				
M	Reuben	1880			
F	Ann			Hairsine	
F	Laura			James Dobson	
F	Mary B. (2)	16 Jan. 1889	13 Aug. 1933		
M	Jack			Perry Shier	



- SOURCES: 1. Ontario County Registers.  
2. Uxbridge Cemetery Records.  
3. 1881 census for Uxbridge, Ont.  
4. Family info from Keith Harman.

Reuben settled in the Uxbridge area of Ontario County. Sometimes known as "R.P." Harman, he had a harness manufacturing company and was mayor of Uxbridge for a time.

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# descendants:

My Harman files contain a large number of Family Unit Charts for which we have no accompanying "life story". Rather than continue letting these charts gather dust while waiting for further information, I have

decided to print the charts now as the info contained there-in may be of benefit to other researchers. This does not mean that we no longer want the life stories - we do! When you see the scanty info that I have on these families you will appreciate the need for stories!

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1. Rachael Harman was John and Sarah's third child, and she was a granddaughter of Charles & Phebe Harman (H6).

## FAMILY UNIT

HUSBAND Samuel Evans

Son of \_\_\_\_\_

and Wife \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth England

Death Date \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Death Stayner, Ont.

Residence Stayner, Ont.

Occupation Farmer

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Other Wives \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

WIFE Rachael Harman

Daughter of John Harman

and Wife Sarah McMain

Birth Date Aug. 18, 1858

Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Death Date Dec. 12, 1928

Place of Death Stayner, Ont.

Residence Stayner, Ont.

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Other Husbands \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

M. F.	CHILDREN'S NAMES	BIRTH		DEATH		MARRIAGE WHEN TO WHOM	NO.
		WHEN	WHERE	WHEN	WHERE		
M	Herbert Stanton	Oct. 11, 1886		April 13, 1961		never married	
M	John	Nov. 1, 1890		March 18, 1958		Lily Garbutt	
M	Burton Lawrence	Oct. 26, 1896		May 12, 1966		never married	
M	Ernest Melford	Oct. 26, 1896		July 30, 1966		Elsie Wilkinson	

SOURCES: Elsie (Wilkinson) Evans



2. Frank Harman "went West" in the early 1900's, homesteading in Saskatchewan near the South Saskatchewan River. Unfortunately the homestead was not on productive land, being much given to sandy conditions, and after a few years of struggle Frank moved his family to northern Saskatchewan.

### FAMILY UNIT

HUSBAND Francis James Howard HARMAN

Son of David Harman  
 and Wife Jane Danbrook  
 Birth Date 1 May 1879  
 Place of Birth Ontario  
 Death Date 19 May 1965  
 Place of Death Pictou, Nova Scotia  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Wives \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Marriage 16 June 1899

WIFE Maudie Lizzie RUSHBROOK

Daughter of Henry Rushbrook  
 and Wife \_\_\_\_\_  
 Birth Date 0 Sept. 1880  
 Place of Birth Ontario  
 Death Date 10 May 1954  
 Place of Death Loon Lake, Sask.  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church United church  
 Other Husbands \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

M. F.	CHILDREN'S NAMES	BIRTH		DEATH		MARRIAGE		NO.
		WHEN	WHERE	WHEN	WHERE	WHEN	TO WHOM	
F	Leila Maude	12 May 1900	Toronto			1) Arch. Riley		
		22 Dec. 1902				2) Thos. Hodges		
F	Gladys Helena Ethel					Harry Lemon		
F	Veda Manetta	7 Nov. 1904				1) Wilfred Shea		
		8 Aug. 1909				1) Nellie Christian		
M	Roland Francis					2) Stella May		
F	Edna Viola	26 July 1915	Bridgeford, Sask			25 Oct. 1942		
						Emerson Halstead		

SOURCES: Edna Halstead, Roland Harman, Gladys Lemon.

### IN PRINT

We have here excerpts from "History of Toronto and County of York, Ontario" by C. Blackett Robinson, published 1885, Toronto, 2 volumes.

These excerpts all deal with the Rogers family, actually with one branch of that family.

As mentioned previously, Mary Agnes Harman married James Rogers c1802. Their son, Timothy, spent his life in King Twp. where he farmed - this first item is a biography on him. The next two clippings are about his sons, James and David.

TIMOTHY ROGERS, lot 11, concession 2, was the second son of the late James Rogers, who emigrated to Canada from the State of Vermont with his father, Timothy Rogers in 1781; he was the founder of the Quaker settlement in the neighbourhood of the Town of Newmarket. Timothy was born on lot 95, concession 1, in the Township of King in 1809, where he remained until 1830, assisting his father and brothers, when he removed to his present lot after leaving home, which then contained two hundred acres of bush land, which he, with his sons, has put in a fine state of culti-



vation. In 1834 he married Annie Lloyd, a native of Bucks County, State of Pennsylvania, U.S., a daughter of the late James Lloyd, a native of the same county and state, by whom he had nine children, viz.: James, David L., Mary, Sarah, William, Henry, Elizabeth, Thomas and Alice. Mr. Timothy Rogers died October 22, 1884. The sons of the above are men of sterling integrity. James holds the position of Justice of the Peace, besides other offices of responsibility. David L. is a physician of high standing, and is practising his profession in the Town of Newmarket. William is a dentist of the highest standing, and is practising in the neighbourhood of Richmond Hill. Henry has spent his lifetime on the old homestead farm with the exception of four years spent as a merchant at Eversley. He married Miss Jenet Scott, of the Township of King, in 1875. He is a Conservative in politics. Thomas has served in the Mounted Police in the North-West, and is now residing in Prince Albert, N.W.T. The sons and daughters of the above were all born on the homestead farm.



JAMES ROGERS, lot 14, concession 2 (known as Maple Avenue Farm), is the eldest son of the late Timothy Rogers, and was born on the old homestead farm in 1834. He bought and took possession of his present farm in 1863, which contains one hundred and forty-five acres. He is much interested in stock breeding, of which his specialty is Southdown sheep and Berkshire pigs; he also devotes a great deal of his attention to fruit growing; his orchard contains about six acres of the most choice fruits of various kinds. He is a Conservative in politics, and is a member of the Christian Church. He married in 1861 Miss Sarah Tustian, who was a native of Oxfordshire, England; they have five children: David A., Annie, Ida, Ella and Eva. Mr. Rogers has always taken a deep interest in the Agricultural Societies of the township and county in which he resides, and held the position of Councillor and Deputy-Reeve for four years, and is a Justice of the Peace. He is a descendant of Timothy Rogers, who emigrated to Canada from the State of Vermont, and who was the founder of the Quaker settlement on Yonge Street, near the Town of Newmarket.



DR. DAVID L. ROGERS, physician and surgeon, was born in King Township, York County, in 1836. He graduated at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York City, in 1863, and at Victoria University College, Toronto, in 1864. He practised medicine about five years in Newmarket, York County, and five years in Toronto, Woodson County, in Kansas State, after which he returned to Newmarket, where he has since remained in active practice.



## Down on the farm —



This past winter your Editor came across reprints of a couple of journals kept by farmers or farm labourers in early Ontario. Using them as a basis I have put together a "calendar of work events" for our early Harman settlers, bearing in mind, that farming practices might differ slightly from district to district, and likely from nationality to nationality of the farmer. Therefore, our Harman ancestors may not have followed exactly the work schedule we have outlined here but the differences would be slight.

This article is based upon: Joseph Pickering's "Inquiries of an Emigrant: being the narrative of an English Farmer from the year 1824 to 1830"

This sketch is based upon the painting "The Haymakers" by G.Stubbs, 1785.

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### FARM WORK: 1820's

APRIL: As soon as the fields were dry enough to permit work seeding of the spring wheat began, sometimes clover and other grass seed was combined with it. By mid-month a white field pea was sown at the rate of two and half bu. per acre (the author said many people sowed much less per acre). A white bean, too was seeded, and perhaps some Swedish turnip seed scattered between the trees or stumps, and then the oats had to be planted. The sheep were lambing at this time, and the cattle were being turned out to grass....

"The one, two and three year old cattle go to the woods, and do very well on the wild leeks and onions, etc. Only the milch cows and horses have any hay now, and the sheep a few oats in the sheaf in the morning".

Cattle were not free from disease, as the author states that their cows were troubled with hollow horn. He continues....

But the most destructive complaint incident to cows and oxen is the murrain: the attack being sudden they are often dead before found".

He then goes on to talk about the ill-fated Passenger Pigeons:

"Pigeons, in great flocks, going out daily northward: some people with nets and decoy pigeons, will catch several hundreds in a day, when they sometimes take only their breasts and salt them down in barrels, and make beds of their feathers".



The pigeons got their own back to a certain degree, by their continuous attacks on the farmer's newly seeded fields, especially the spring wheat and the the peas. Many hours of employment were thus provided for the young members of the family: hours of chasing and hopefully, scaring the pigeons, so that the fields would be undamaged.

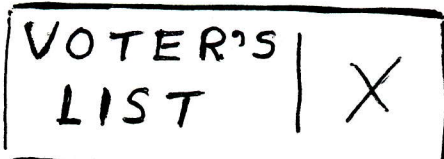
MAY: By mid-month seeding of the oats was completed. Ploughing for and seeding the corn came next, and then the same for the potatoes. There was one chore undertaken that month that is completely foreign to our modern day farmers.....

"Sent 200 bushels of wheat to the "still", to have seven quarts of whiskey per bushel for it; three to three and a half gallons are made from a bushel of wheat, corn or rye. Potatoes and pumpkins can be distilled, but are seldom used."

JUNE: At sometime in the first week of June was "training day", the one day a year when all men from age 18 to 60 were required to gather at a meeting place near their home to be instructed in military matters. The author didn't have a high opinion of the training which they received, calling it merely a "frolic", however it was a reminder to the males of the province that they were subject to militia duty. The dailly round of farm work continued..the late potatoes were planted and the early ones were hoed. The sheep were sheared, the lamb's tails were docked and the male lambs castrated. Most farmers owned a few sheep, perhaps only half a dozen or maybe 30 to 50 head. Mid-month found the clover ready to cut.....

"Finished mowing the clover; some of it laid or lodged - about 25 cwt. per acre: got it up and stacked it; in which we mixed salt as an experiment"

(Next issue we will continue with the farm calendar for the summer months)



We have here the extractions of Harman names from two Voter's lists for the town of Aurora, both originals can be found at the Aurora Museum.

1897

Henry Harman	tailor	Centre Street
Maggie Harman	widow	Centre Street
Charles Hainstock	carpenter	Yonge Street
Lewis Harman	labourer	Wellington Street
Henry Harman	labourer	Mosley Street
Nathaniel Harman	tanner	Ransom Street
Lambert Harman	tanner	Gurnett Street
David Harman	labourer	Kennedy Street

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Lindsay Harman	labourer	George Street
Mrs. Lindsay Harman	married woman	" "
Erastus Harman	shoemaker	Metcalfs Street
Mrs. Erastus Harman	married woman	" "
Lambert Harman	labourer	Kennedy Street.

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## NOTE BOOK

The following items were all extracted from the "Newmarket Era" - the first five were sent to us by Lillian Murray of Toronto.

1. HARMAN: on March 18 1888, a daughter to John Harman and wife.
2. June 1897 - Death:  
HARMAN: in Newmarket at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Simon Ramer on the 3rd inst. Sarah Harman - aged 72 years.
3. Nov.9, 1906 - PINE ORCHARD: Mr.G.R.Harman was so unfortunate on Wednesday of last week to have his barn and contents completely destroyed by fire, supposed to have caught in some way by sparks from the engine, as the threshers were at work at the time. He lost the whole of this season's crop, some stock and implements. By strenuous efforts the house was saved. There is a small insurance.
4. Nov.1,1916 - Killed in Action  
An official telegram was received Tuesday stating that Pte. R.C. Harman was killed in action on October 8th. Deceased was 24 yrs. of age, born in Whitchurch and enlisted with the 92nd Battalion in Toronto. He was a brother of Mrs. Shanks of this town.
5. October 18 1918 - REPORTED DEAD  
Pte. William John Harman, brother of Mrs. John Shanks of Newmarket and also Mrs. H.Jagger of Toronto, is reported dead from a gunshot in the hip. He went overseas in Sept.1916 with a draft of the Army Service Corps and while in England was transferred to another battalion. A brother, R.C.Harman, both well known in Newmarket, was killed in action at the Somme two years ago.
6. 18 March 1870 - Sale Register: Tuesday, March 21st at the farm of Mr. Timothy Rogers, Lot 11 on the 2nd Con. of King, Dr. Rogers will have an auction sale of Chattel property, such as carriages, sulkies, household furniture, etc. Terms: all sums over \$5.00 two months credit. Sale at noon. Thomas Atkinson, auctioneer.
7. 7 Oct. 1870 - Canadians Abroad: Dr. Rogers, late of this place, now residing in Kansas, sends us a copy of the Neosho Falls newspaper.
8. 21 October 1870 - King & Whitchurch Union Show: Prize Lists -  
General Purpose Horses - 3rd prize for two yr. old gelding: Wm Harman  
Durham Cattle - 2nd prize for milch cow: Wm. Harman  
" - 3rd prize for aged bull: Wm. Harman  
Other Breeds - 1st & 2nd prize for heifer calf: Wm. Harman.
9. 21 July 1871 - Toronto July 14 - A number of Ontario Red River Volunteers arrived here this morning from Fort Gary via Chicago (boat ?) and Northern Railway. The men all looked very brown and healthy; they say they had a good time of it up North West. The officers who arrived are Major Wainwright in command.....Lieutenants McBride and Harman.....  
(Does anyone know where records of these volunteers could be found that we might discover just who Lieutenant Harman was???)

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# Ye Old Photo Album



## NATHANIEL HARMAN FAMILY

Left to right: Charles, Nathaniel, Sylvia, Lindsay, Clifford  
and Ellen Harman.

Nathaniel -s.o. Peter, s.o. Charles, s.o. Henry & Esther.



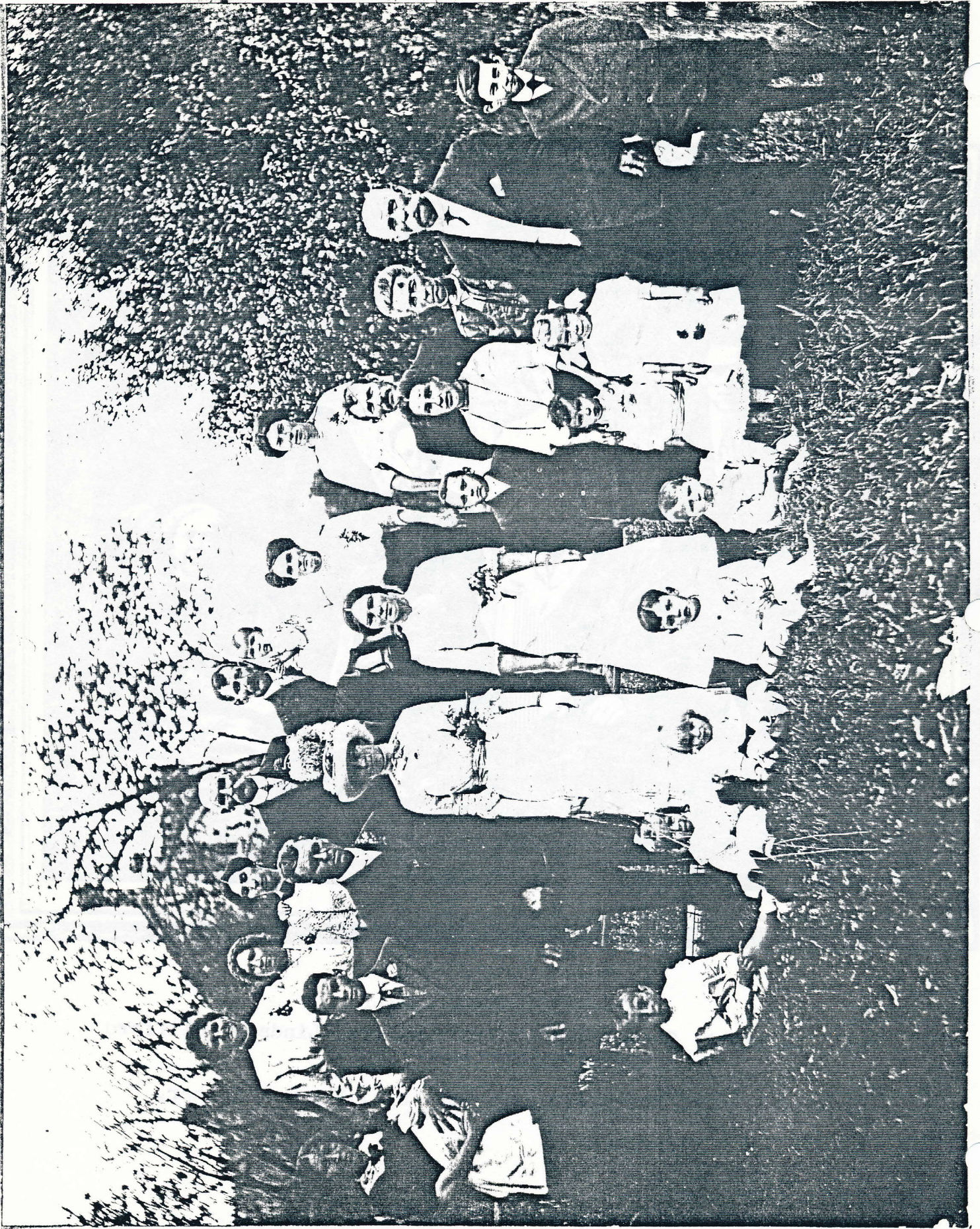




Photo on previous page - sent by Lillian Murray, given to her by Elsie Wilkenson.  
 Wedding of Eliza Harman & William Kidd - 27 August 1913.

BACK ROW, left to right: Eva (McLennan) Wilkinson, Lena Spalling, Laura (Harman) Jagger, Charles Harman (father of the bride), Bert McMinn & son Wilfred, Ruth Harman (wife of Norman) and Ida Harman (Harman) Shanks.

MIDDLE ROW: Ella (Harman) Gould & three week old daughter, William Harman, William Kidd (groom), Eliza Harman (bride), Elsie McLennan, Roy Harman, Norman Harman, Mrs. Bert McMinn, Mrs. John Harman, John Harman and George Harman.

FRONT ROW: Walter Shanks, Mary Wilkinson, Jimmy Gould, Allen Jagger, Frank Shanks, Mary McMinn and Elsie Wilkinson.

(Relationships.....

Charles, John & Norman Harman are sons of John & Sarah, s.o. Charles & Phoebe, s.o. Henry & Esther. Laura, Ida, Ella, William and Ellen are children of Charles Harman, s.o. John & Sarah, etc. Eva & Elsie are daughters of William & Jane (Harman) McLennan, d.o. John & Sarah, s.o. Charles, etc. Norman & Ruth's son, Roy, was killed in a car accident.

Two of the people in this picture were mentioned in Vol.3 #1 -

P.16 - Ida (Harman) Shanks

P.33 - Ruth Weir, widow of Norman Harman.



Sarah (Huffman) Phelps and daughters - Pearly, Diamond and Ruby.

Sarah - dau. of Wm. & Mary Huffman, d.o. Adam, s.o. Henry & Esther.



TRUAX FAMILY - c1900

Back row: Katurah, Russell, Gordon, Alice & David.

In front: Edna and Markham.

Katurah, dau. of Peter, s.o. Adam, s.o. Henry & Esther.



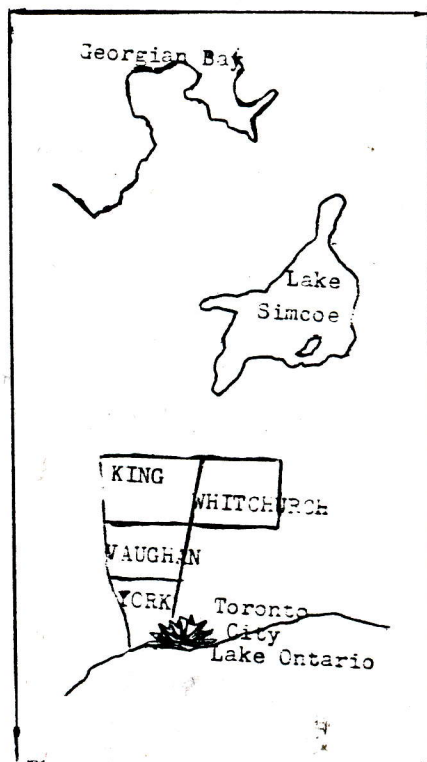
# CENSUS

1861

King Twp. York County

#1088

(No proof as yet but I believe that the two following entries, Henry & John Hoover, to be sons of Francis & Margaret (nee Harman). We know that Francis & Margaret had several children born in the years 1812 to 1830, and while the following Henry appears to have been born c1809 it must be remembered that that is a census age and "census age" are notoriously unreliable. From cemetery records we learned that Sarah Hoover's maiden name was Harman (see p15, Vol.1#1). Thus it is likely that the children of John and Sarah are "doubly descended" from Henry & Esther.



page	name	occupation	birth place	religion	age
45#4-	HOOVER, Henry	farmer	C.W.	W	52
	" Susannah		"	"	50
	" Margaret	servant	"	"	19
	" William		"	"	12
45#26-	HOOVER, John	farmer	C.W.	W	34
	" Sarah		"	"	28
	" James A.		"	"	8
	" Ann		"	"	5
	" Joseph		"	"	3
	" Thomas		"	"	1
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45#39-	HARMAN, Mary	servant	C.W.	W	26
	in the John Vandeburg home.				
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53	-HOOVER, Francis	farmer	U.S.A	W	94(?)
	" Margaret		"	"	78
	" James	farmer	C.W.	"	35
	" Joseph		"	"	25
	HUFFMAN, Jacob	labourer	"	"	19
	BROWN, Esther	servant	"	"	17

(The following household is another possible tie-in with the above Francis & Margaret Hoover. Quite possible that Esther Huffman is a daughter of Francis & Margaret, and that the 19 year old Jacob Huffman in the above household is a son of Esther & John. In other words, Jacob was a grandson of Francis & Margaret. What about Esther Brown could she, too, be a grandchild??)



75 #40	HUFFMAN, John	farmer	U.S.A.	W	53
"	Esther		C.W.	"	38
"	Margaret		"	"	17(?)
"	Elizabeth		"	"	12
"	John (?)		"	"	9
"	Sarah		"	"	6
"	Joseph		"	"	2

p80	ROGERS, Mary Agnes		U.S.A	W.M.(?)	75
#8	" Juluis		C.W.	"	13
"	" John	farmer	"	Quaker	40
"	" Annie S.		"	"	40
"	" William		"	"	19
"	" Timothy		"	"	14
"	" Jonathon		"	"	12
"	" Albert		"	"	10
"	" (female name)		"	"	8
"	" Phoebe		"	"	5
"	" Paulina		"	"	2

(Mary Agnes Rogers (nee Harman) apparently living with her son, John and his family...or was John living with his mother? Juluis was most likely a grandson.)

p96	EDWARDS, James	farmer	England	C of E	38
#10	" Electy		C.W.	"	45
"	" (male)		"	"	17
"	" Henry		"	"	11
"	" William		"	"	9
"	" Matilda		"	"	6
"	" Fanny		"	"	5
"	" Ira	"	"	"	4

(Again our mysterious Electa Harman, who md. 1) Hiram Lloyd and 2) James Edwards. Still not known who her parents were but a strong feeling that she was raised by William (H5) and his wife, Mary, although she may not have been their child, see p11 Vol.2 #1. The following household is of Margaret Cutting (nee Lloyd), eldest daughter of Electa & Hiram Lloyd).

p96	CUTTING, John	farmer	C.W.	W	24
#46	" Margaret		"	"	24
"	" Hiram		"	"	6
"	" Jane		"	"	5
"	" William		"	"	4
"	" Electy		"	"	2
"	" Mathew (?)		"	"	1

p102	HARMAN, John	farmer	C.W.	?	32
#16	" Sally		"	"	24
"	" John	"	"	"	9
"	" Mary		"	"	8
"	" Jean		"	"	4
"	" Charles		"	"	1
#22	HARMAN, Charles, Sr.		C.W.	?	60
"	" Pheby		"	"	59

(Land number is given as 37½ acres on L21 C2 of King Twp.)



p102	SMITH, John	labourer	C.W.	?	27
#24	" Ellen		"	"	27
	" Walter		"	"	6
	" Pheby	"	"	"	4

(Believe Ellen Smith to be a daughter of Charles & Pheby Harman - on the 1851 census they had a daughter, Ellen, aged 17, living with them. In this (1861) census, the Smith family was enumerated on the next line after the Charles Harman entry, but proof is needed.)

p102	HARMAN, John	?	C.W.	W.	30
#34	" Sarah		"	"	30
	" Mary		"	"	10
	" John		"	"	5
	" Charles		"	"	1

(This John Harman entry and the one at the bottom of the previous page, are the confusing entries referred to on p100 Vol.2 #4. Are they one and the same family or do we, in fact, have two entirely different families with a great similarity in names?? While we have a tendency to assume that there was only one family which was accidentally entered twice, it is still only an assumption and needs proof. And if we are dealing with one family - which enumeration are we to believe??)

p113	AKEY, Joseph	labourer	C.W.	Meth	30(?)
#33	" Hester		"	"	38
	" Lavina		"	"	17
	" Jas.		"	"	13
	" Jos.		"	"	11
	" Harriet		"	"	10
	" Mary		"	"	5
	" Martha		"	"	4
	" Jno.		"	"	2

(Page 46 Vol.1 #2 we printed a marriage record in August 1843 between Joseph Akey and Esther Harman. Not known to which family she belongs but as Adam and William already have daughters named Esther, then possibly she belongs to Henry, Jr's first marriage, or she could be a daughter of Charles.)

P113	HILBORNE, William	farmer	U.S.A.	Chris	57
#17	" Sarah		C.W.	"	55
	" Thomas		"	"	26

(Sarah Hilborne was a daughter of James & Mary Agnes Rogers, and a granddaughter of Henry & Esther Harman).

p127	SHILSON, Robert	cooper	Eng.	C of E	49
#11	" Elizabeth		C.W.	"	43
	" Agnes		"	"	15
	" Obediah		"	"	14
	" Matilda		"	"	11
	" Mary		"	"	10
	" Martin		"	"	4
	" Henry		"	"	3
	" Elizabeth		"	"	1

(P68 Vol.1 #3 has the 1856 marriage of Robert Shilson and Elizabeth Harman. Research has led to the possibility of: Elizabeth was the widow of Henry Harman, son of William (b.1826 - d.1854). Therefore the four oldest children in the above are in reality "Harmans". There



was also an older child - Ira born c1842. Note: how the names of the five Harman children fit into the naming pattern of William's branch).

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REEL #1089 VAUGHAN TWP.

p49 HARMAN, Caroline C.W. C of S 23  
#13 (not a member of family but living in Wm. Cook household - not known where she fits into Harman family).  
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WHITCHURCH TWP.

p ?	ROGERS, Sarah	farmer	C.W.	Friends	50
#1	" Alfred	labourer	"	"	22
	" Esther		"	"	19
	" Benjamin		"	"	15
	" Martha		"	"	13
	" Elias		"	"	11

(This LIKELY Obediah Rogers family - he may have been absent taking up a new farm in Mariposa Twp. Further proof is needed to connect this family to James & Mary Agnes Rogers).  
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p47	HARMAN, James	labourer	C.W.	W.M.	37
#1	" Jane		"	"	37
	" Ellis		"	"	11
	" David		"	"	9
	" Nancy(?)		"	"	7
	" Eliza		"	"	3

(James was a son of Wm(H5), and at the time of this census was living on the first concession of Whitchurch).  
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p60	HERMAN, Henry	farmer	C.W.	M	24
#40	" Jane		"	"	23
	" Diana		"	"	2
	HERMAN, Robert	labourer	"	"	22

(Henry and Robert were sons of Henry, Jr. Henry's wife, Jane was aslo a Harman (possibly a daughter of Charles). At the time of this census the family was living on 48 acres of L11 C2 Whitchurch, of which 13½ acres were in crop, 9 ac. pasture and 25 ac. of wood or still in the wild state. Livestock consisted of two oxen, one milk cow and six pigs.)  
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REEL #1090 WHITCHURCH TWP.

P83 HARMAN, John ? C.W. Quaker 22  
in the home of Michael & Elizabeth (G)(J)ones.  
(This may be the John referred to on p.40 of this issue, son of Jacob)  
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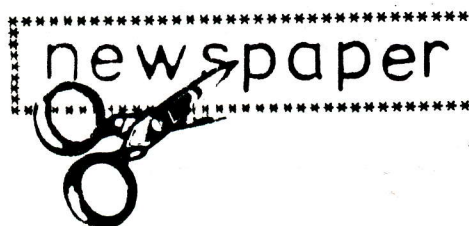
p84 HARMAN, Jefferson ? C.W. Meth 17  
in the home of Wm. & Ann Yarton.  
(At present not known where Jefferson fits in - or if he does.)  
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YORK TWP.

p30	HARMAN, John	labourer	U.S.A.	W.M.	62
#41	" Mary		"	"	49
	" Thomas	sailor	"	"	23
	" Edward	"	"	"	22

(This family not likely of our family line, but the possibility of John being one of Henry & Esther's older children should not be discarded).  
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#4.

#1. HARMAN, Margaret N. - Entered into rest at the Ajax-Pickering Hospital on Thursday 6 May 1976. Margaret N. Haintz, beloved wife of the late Robert Harman (formerly of Parry Sound), dear sister of Freida (Mrs. C. McLean) of Toronto, loving aunt of Gladys, Lenore & Ivan. Mrs. Harman will rest at the McEachnie Funeral Home, 28 Kingston Rd. W. Pickering (No. 2 Hwy. Pickering Village, Town of Ajax) after 2pm Friday. Funeral service in the Chapel on Saturday May 8 at 2:30pm. Interment Mount Albert Cemetery upon arrival of motors about 3:45pm.

#2 HARMAN, Evelyn E. - At Simcoe Manor, Beeton, Ontario on November 2nd, Dear wife of Robert (wife of the late E. Charles Turner) Sister of Lloyd Myers and the late Bernice Inrig. Beloved mother of Allan Turner, Jim Turner & Donna Unger. Dear Nana of Ronald, Barry, Debbie, Peter, Kimmie, Korrian & Michael. Service to be held at Jennell's Funeral Home, corner of Bradford & John Street, Barrie, Ont. Friday 5th, 11am. Interment Saturday Nov. 6th 10:30am at Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Scarborough.

#3. HARMAN, George - Suddenly at York County Hospital, Newmarket, George Harman of Bradford, son of the late Annie & Henry Harman, brother of Annie (Mrs. Stewart) Toronto, the late Albert (Bert), and Florence of Bradford. Friends may call at the Lewis Funeral Home, 30 Simcoe Street, Bradford. Service in the chapel on Friday at 2pm.

## Hewed Homestead From Virgin Pine

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harman  
80 Years Wed

• Mount Albert, Jan. 3—Hale and hearty and very much interested in current events, despite their ages, Mr. John W. Harman, 76, and Mrs. John W. Harman, 72, were hosts to their seven children, who came from all parts of Canada for the Golden Jubilee of their parents' wedding.

The celebration was held in the old homestead, which was hewed out of the virgin pine by Mr. Harman's father, J. Harman, 80 years ago. The Harman family has lived on the premises ever since.

Mr. Harman was born at the old homestead and his wife, formerly Miss Elizabeth Jane Pickering, was born at Zephyr, but moved to Mount Albert in her teens.

The three sons and four daughters present were: Garnet Harman, of Wolsley, Sask.; Herbert Harman, at home; Robert Harman, of Parry Sound, and Ben Harman, of Ridgedale, Sask.; Mrs. H. Brooks, Saskatoon, Sask. Mrs. W. H. Theaker, Mt. Albert, and Miss Bertha, Mt. Albert.

Among the grandchildren present were: James and Donald Brooks; Miss Beth Theaker; William Harman, of Uxbridge, and Reuben Harman, of Zephyr; Mrs. J. Oldham, of Mt. Albert; Hamilton Pickering, Zephyr. Other relatives and guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Willmot Lake, Zephyr; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Anderson, Aurora; Thomas and William Oliver, Maple; Mrs. M. Pickering, Zephyr; Mrs. Wm. Harman, Uxbridge; Miss Ruth Oldham, Mount Albert and Mrs. Reuben Harman, of Mount Albert.



#5.

## Bied

In Bradford, on

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28th, 1926

**Phoebe A. Harman**

Beloved wife of Arthur Mousley

In her 88~~th~~ year.

NEWSPAPER FILES: Due to aging of the paper it was necessary to re-type the first three items. We have Ken Saint to thank for the majority of these clippings.

1. Margaret Harman, wife of Robert - son of John - s.o. Jacob - s.o. Jacob - ?
2. Relationship and year of death not known at present.
3. George Harman - s.o. Henry - s.o. Benj. - (possibly) s.o. Charles - Henry.
4. 1933 Aurora Banner: John Harman - s.o. Jacob - Jacob - ?
5. Phoebe Harman, daughter of Benjamin - (poss.) s.o. Charles - Henry.

RESEARCH: In preparing the newspaper clippings for this issue, I re-read the Golden Wedding item on John & Elizabeth Harman. The mention of their son, Garnet of Wolsely, Sask. reminded me that I had once thought of "tracking" him through our local records, and I realized this would be an ideal time to do it. The results of my search could be included in this issue with the rest of Jacob's family line. There was no time to do an in-depth search but I could hit a few high spots.

The publication of local community history books has been prolific in Saskatchewan, the Wolsely district is no exception: Unfortunately the Wolsley history book contained no story on Garnet.

We have Garent's death date from the cemetery inscriptions for Mount Albert cemetery in Ontario. A quick trip to the Sask. Archives provided this meager obituary:

"Wolsely News" Wednesday 11 November 1970

GARNET HARMAN: Garnet Harman, long time resident of Wolsely district, passed away on Nov. 2nd, 1970 in Saskatoon. For the past two years he lived at the Sunnyside Nursing Home in Saskatoon. He was 86 years old. The funeral was held on November 6th in Mount Albert, Ontario. Interment was in the family plot at the cemetery in Mount Albert, his birth place."

The "Saskatoon Star-Phoenix" for that date carried no obituary for Garnet. A quick skimming of older Wolsely newspapers unearthed one further tid-bit.....

"3 Feb. 1965

Garnet Harman who underwent surgery in Regina General Hospital is making favorable progress towards complete recovery."



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**?   Answers   &   Corrections   ?**  
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A newsy letter from Leonard Harman commenting on items in the two previous newsletters. I shall share some of his comments with you as they give added insight into the lives of our ancestors.

..."(Speaking about the 1891 census of King Twp.) Delighted to have the big Richard list (enumeration of Leonard's grandfather). Jimmy and Steve (hired hands listed in Richard's home) worked again with Arwood and me as late as 1938.

Used to hear of the McCombs but never knew the (family) connection. Think they lived a quarter of mile south of our corner.

Ira Fleury was crippled by a stroke and in a wheelchair. We would phone him we were bringing a grist of feed grain to be ground at Baldwin's Mill in Aurora and that we had two bushels of winter apples and bags of potatoes. He would direct us to take them to stores and restaurants and they would pay him a commission.

page 13 - there's Lecty Edwards of whom they (his parents) used to speak and son Fred who built the garage at Spruce Hill in 1923.

p17 - There were various lodges and secret societies besides masona and orangemen. Mechanics who built the hall in Aurora - it's still standing. Grandad Richard was a member of Sons of England. Forresters were active. Some became modern insurance societies. The Grange became our.....farm organizations in U.S. and Canada."

Leonard wondered about the sources available to search the 1891 census? The Public Archives of Canada (PAC) has available on interlibrary loan the census for 1842-48-50-51-61-71-81, and in the past few months the government has released the 1891 census to the public. (Cen sus are kept under wraps for 100 years for the privacy of living persons, however genealogical societies lobbied to have the 1881, and now the 1891, released a few years early). We are fortunate, those of us who live in or near Regina, as the provincial genealogical society has purchased the Ontario, Manitoba and N.W.T. (Sask. & Alberta) 1891 census. As a member in good standing of that society I have ready access to the use of these films - the big problem is to find the time to do it!

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