

Genealogical Resources

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Recent Additions to the Collection

Items listed below without a **Ref.** designation may be borrowed. Call **604-331-3603** to request a book, or place your request through the online catalogue at **vpl.bibliocommons.com**.

Ref. items must be used in the library.

General

Family Photo Detective: Learn How to Find Genealogy Clues in Old Photos and Solve Family Photo Mysteries

by Maureen Alice Taylor, 2013 929.1 T24f Genealogy: Essential Research Methods by Helen Osborn, 2012 929.1 O81g

How to Archive Family Keepsakes: Learn How to Preserve Family Photos, Memorabilia & Genealogy Records by Denise S. May-Levenick, 2012 929.1 M46h

The Surnames Handbook: A Guide to Family Name Research in the 21st Century by Debbie Kennett, 2012 929.4 K36s

Canada

Searching Through the Old Records of New France: For All of Those Precious Genealogical Details: A Translation of Father Cyprien Tanguay's A Travers les Registres (Notes Recueillies par L'Abbe Cyprien Tanguay) by Cyprien Tanguay Ref. 929.371 T16s

Saskatchewan

Women Pioneers of Saskatchewan edited by Celeste D. Rider, 2009 929.37124 W87r

Ontario

Index to Wills Probated: Frontenac County, Ontario, Canada, 1858-1973: A Transcription of the Original Abstract Index Register Books

Kingston Branch, OGS, 1988 Ref. 929.3713 F98A110

Lennox & Addington County, Decade of Deaths, 1911-1920: Death Records From Lennox & Addington County

by Patti Keller, 2004 Ref. 929.3713 L56A11ka

St. Margaret of Scotland, Roman Catholic, Glen Nevis, Glengarry County, Ontario. Part One, Baptisms 1899-1999, Burials 1899-1930

compiled by Duncan Darby MacDonald, 2012 929.3713 G55A11s

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Register, Essex County, 1843-1901: A Transcription

Essex County Branch, OGS, 2001 Ref. 929.3713 E78A11W

York's Sacrifice: Militia Casualties of the War of 1812

by Janice Nickerson, 2012 971.034 N63y

British Isles

Birth, Marriage and Death Records: A Guide for Family Historians

by David Annal, 2012 929.341 A61b

Easy Family History: The Beginner's Guide to Researching Your Family History, 2nd ed.

by David Annal, 2012 929.341 A61e1

Family Feuds: An Introduction to Chancery Proceedings

by Susan T. Moore, 2003 929.341 M82f

The Home Front , 1939-1945: A Guide for Family Historians

by Stuart A. Raymond, 2012 929.341 R27h

Marriage Law for Genealogists: The Definitive Guide: What Everyone Tracing Their Family Needs to Know About Where, When, Who and How Their English and Welsh Ancestors Married

by Rebecca Probert, 2012 929.342 P96m



My Ancestor was a Gentleman

by Stuart A. Raymond, 2012 929.341 R27my

My Ancestor was Irish: [A Guide to Sources for Family Historians]

by Alan Stewart, 2012 929.3415 S84m

My Ancestor Was Scottish

by Alan Stewart, 2012 929.3411 S84m

No Quarter Given: The Muster Roll of Prince Charles Edward Stuart's Army, 1745-46

edited by Alastair Livingstone, Christian W.H. Aikman and Betty Stuart Hart, 2009 Ref. 929.3411 N73L

"Seven Pillars of Wisdom": The Art of One-Name Studies

Guild of One-Name Studies, 2012 929.341 S49g

Title Deeds for Family Historians

by Tim Wormleighton, 2012 929.342 W92t

Tracing Your Irish & British Roots, 2nd ed.

by W. Daniel Quillen, 2013 929.341 Q67t1

Tracing Your Merchant Navy Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians

by Simon Wills, 2012 929.341 W74t

Tracing Your Servant Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians

by Michelle Higgs, 2012 929.341 H63t

Understanding Documents for Genealogy & Local History

by Bruce Durie, 2013 929.341 D96u





Unlocking the Past: A Guide to Exploring Family and Local History in the Isle of Man

by Matthew Richardson, 2011 929.34279 R52u

Welsh Genealogy

by Bruce Durie, 2012 929.3429 D96w

The Wills of Our Ancestors, a Guide to Probate Records for Family and Local Historians

by Stuart A. Raymond, 2012 929.341 R27w

United States

Family Trees: A History of Genealogy in America

by Francois Weil, 2013 929.1 W42f



Australia

Bound for Australia: A Guide to the Records of Transported Convicts and Early Settlers

by David T. Hawkings, 2012 929.394 H39b

Miscellaneous

The Juggler's Children: A Journey into Family, Legend and the Genes That Bind Us by Carolyn Abraham, 2013 929.2 A15a

What Lies Behind the Picture?: A Personal Journey into Cree Ancestry by Vernon R. Wishart, 2006

929.2 W81w

Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library



To see a complete list of upcoming programs and events at the Vancouver Public Library visit www.vpl.ca/cgi-bin/Calendar/calendar.cgi. Be sure to check back as new entries are added all the time!

Cemetery Research for Family History

Monday, October 21, 2013 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. FREE

Alma VanDusen & Peter Kaye Rooms Lower Level, Central Library 350 West Georgia Street

This Cemetery Research session with members of the British Columbia Genealogical Society will focus on locating, researching and sharing information and images of family headstones and burial or other final resting places or memorials. Examples will be shown from around the world - related records, history, symbolism and cemetery etiquette will be discussed.

Registration is **not** required. Seating is on a first come, first served basis. For more information please contact Vancouver Public Library at **604-331-3603**.

Sponsored by B.C. Genealogical Society www.bcgs.ca

BCGS Downtown Vancouver Genealogy Group

Genealogy Discussion - bring your ideas, questions and latest discoveries. It's a friendly, helpful group - all interested in genealogy and family history are welcome.

Second Tuesday of each month 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Board Breakout Room Level 7, Central Library 350 West Georgia Street

Except for August 2014 meeting

Other Vancouver Public Library Programs of Interest

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A Lot Like You: Vancouver Asian Film Festival Screening Tuesday, October 8, 2013 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. FREE

Alice MacKay Room Lower Level, Central Library 350 West Georgia Street

Join VPL and VAFF for the award-winning documentary *A Lot Like You*. An evocative, intense journey of self-discovery of the director's Tanzanian and Korean heritage. Director Kimaro will introduce film and take questions after film.



Filmed on location in Tanzania, this personal journey of director Eliaichi Kimaro examines heritage and the complex ties children have to their parents and cultural background. In KiSwanhili, KiChagga, and English with English subtitles.

www.vaff.org

For more information, please contact Programming and Learning Services at **604-331-3603** or **info@vpl.ca**.

Denise Chong: Lives of the Family Book Launch

Friday, November 22, 2013 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. FREE

Alice MacKay Room Lower Level, Central Library 350 West Georgia Street

Join us for the launch of Denise's new book Lives of the Family: Stories of Fate and Circumstance. City of Vancouver Book Prize winner, Chong is a significant writer of Chinese Canadian history in Vancouver. The Concubine's Children, a memoir of her family, was a Globe & Mail best seller for 93 weeks. Her last book in 2009 was Egg on Mao: The Story of an Ordinary Man Who Defaced an Icon and Unmasked a Dictatorship.

This event will be in English.

For more information please contact Programming and Learning Services at **604-331-3603** or via email: **info@vpl.ca**.

Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

Monthly British Columbia Genealogical Society Meetings

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month throughout the year. Visitors are always welcome.

Danish Lutheran Church Downstairs Hall 6010 Kincaid Street, Burnaby, B.C.

www.bcgs.ca/

Deadlines: Obits of Memorable British Columbians Vancouver Historical Society Thursday, September 26, 2013 7:30 p.m. at Museum of Vancouver 1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, B.C. Speaker: Tom Hawthorn

A good newspaper obituary is more about life than death. Obits about British Columbia's departed reflect lives of an interesting cast of characters – athletes, authors, warriors, scholars, innovators, trailblazers, writers, boxers, cowboy singers, politicians, and murderers. Their nicknames – Baby Face, Mean Gene, Alberta Slim, Professor Midas, Cougar Lady – hint at lives rich in anecdote.

Tom Hawthorn is a reporter and columnist editor who writes for many newspapers and magazines, including the *Globe and Mail*, *Reader's Digest*, and *TheTyee.ca*. He is also heard on CBC Radio. The Victoria writer is the author of "Deadlines: Obits of Memorable British Columbians," released by Harbour Publishing.

For more information visit www.vancouver-historical-society.ca



Tracing Children from Early Native and Non-Native Relationships
Throughout the Pacific Northwest
British Columbia Genealogical Society
Wednesday, October 9, 2013
7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Downstairs Hall, Danish Lutheran Church,
6010 Kincaid Street, Burnaby, B.C.
Speaker: Bruce Watson

For more information visit www.bcgs.ca/?p=3366 or call the BCGS Walter Draycott Library at 604-502-9119.

Using Ancestry
Surrey Public Library
Saturday, October 12, 2013
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Cloverdale Branch
5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C.
Instructor: Paul MacDonell
Free

Learn how to navigate Ancestry Library Edition!

Ancestry Library Edition is a great tool, but can be a challenge to use. Join us to find out how it works, how to search, and how to interpret your results. This session is for beginners, but even experienced searchers may learn some valuable tips.

Please pre-register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7327**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca**.





Genealogy 101 – Organizing Your Genealogy session with Eunice Robinson

British Columbia Genealogical Society Thursday, October 17, 2013 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. BCGS Walter Draycott Library 211-12837 76th Avenue, Surrey, B.C. Charge: \$10

For more information contact Eunice Robinson at **604-596-2811** or **eunice@dccnet.com**.

French, German, Austro-Hungarian Research

British Columbia Genealogical Society Friday, October 18, 2013 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. BCGS Walter Draycott Library 211 – 12837 76th Ave. Surrey, B.C.

Heidi G. Sugden, AG, will be speaking on Internet research for France, Germany and the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

Space is limited, register now with Lorraine Irving at Lorraine.irving42@gmail.com.



Finding Your Roots: Tri-Stake Seminar Surrey Family History Center Saturday, October 19, 2013 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Surrey Family History Center 6270 – 126 Street, Surrey, B.C. Free - Preregistration is required

The Finding Your Roots Seminar is a FREE family history workshop with well over 35 classes with excellent instructors to choose from. Come and enjoy learning how to research your family history.

For more information: www.findingyourroots.ca/ or call 604-597-9695



Family History: A Kitchen Table Approach

Surrey Archives, Surrey Museum and Surrey Public Library Saturday, November 2, 2013 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Surrey Museum 17710 – 56A Avenue, Surrey, B.C. Presenters: Sandra Borger (Museum), Ryan Gallagher (Archives), Paul MacDonell (Library)

Arm yourself with new research tools!

Charge: \$15.00 - Light lunch included

Every Family History researcher needs a variety of tools. Sometimes the most neglected ones are the ones closest at hand. Join Museum, Archives and Library staff for food, refreshments and a presentation on topics such as learning family interview techniques, what to do with family photographs, and what can be uncovered in your family papers.

Visit www.surrey.ca/culturerecreation/1698.aspx to register, or call 604-592-6956 or 604-501-5100 and quote 4336610. Space is limited for this event.

Fifth Annual Family History Show and Tell Surrey Public Library Saturday, November 30, 2013 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Cloverdale Branch 5642 – 176A Street, Surrey, B.C. No charge, but donations welcome!

We continue the tradition by inviting people who document their family history to bring in their creations or artifacts belonging to an ancestor – anything that tells a story. There have been family quilts, scrapbooks, storyboards, an artificial limb, digital collages and much more.

You are welcome to share by describing what you have brought or you may simply have a table and showcase your items. A laptop and a projector will be available to demonstrate family history websites or digital collections.

Participants will be strictly limited to a maximum of ten minutes talk time.

Visitors without stories are welcome. You might discover a great Christmas gift idea, or simply be inspired! Light refreshments provided.

Please pre-register in person at the Cloverdale Library, call **604-598-7327**, or email **familyhistory@surrey.ca**.

The History of Art and Artists in Vancouver

Vancouver Historical Society
Thursday, April 24, 2014
7:30 p.m. at Museum of Vancouver
1100 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, B.C.
Speaker: Gary Sim

Since Vancouver was founded in 1886, it has had resident visual artists who have interpreted and presented the city to the rest of the world. Many are familiar with the more contemporary Jack Shadbolt, Toni Onley, Gordon Smith or even Mildred Valley Thornton. However, few are aware of Vancouver surveyor Lauchlin Hamilton's early watercolours, or museum curator William Ferris's painting of Coal

Harbour replete with Hawaiian Rancherie. From the beginning, Vancouver's narrative has been captured in drawings, paintings, prints, and photographs, but most of the artists and their work have faded from our memory into the mists of time. Fortunately for us, Gary Sim has managed to bring to light the names and works of the artists who called Vancouver their home or who captured it in passing.

Our speaker, Gary Sim, is an artist, print maker, researcher and publisher. He is very familiar with the Vancouver art scene having chronicled 16,000 artists who exhibited throughout B.C. from the 1700s to today.

For more information visit www.vancouver-historical-society.ca

Also Noted...



2013 Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Conference October 4-6, 2013

Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan

For more information:

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~skmjbsgs/

International Society for British Genealogy and Family History: 2013 British Institute

October 7-11, 2013 Salt Lake City, Utah

For more information: www.isbgfh.org/cpage.php?pt=7

14th CGSI Genealogical and Cultural Conference

October 23-26, 2013

Lombard, Illinois

For more information:

www.cgsi.org/news/events/2013/10/23/14th-cgsi-genealogical-and-cultural-conference-lombard-illinois

RootsTech February 6-8, 2014 Salt Lake City, Utah

For more information: https://rootstech.org/

Who Do You Think You Are – International Conference February 20-22, 2014
Olympia, London, England

For more information:

www.whodoyouthinkyouarelive.com/default



National Genealogical Society 2014 Family History Conference May 7-10, 2014

Richmond, Virginia

For more information:

www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/conference_info

FIBIS (Families in British India Society) Conference 2014 May 16-18, 2014

Meriden, West Midlands, England

For more information:

www.conference2014.fibis.org/



1921 Census of Canada

The 1921 Census of Canada is finally here!
You can now browse approximately 200,000 images of the collection for FREE via
Ancestry.ca, who is also busy indexing all 8.8 million records. Be sure to return often for updates – the entire collection will be indexed and ready to search later this year (subscription required)
Ancestry is a popular collection of databases for international genealogical research.
Highlights include images and indexes to Canadian, UK and US census records, Ontario birth, marriage and death records, and much more. It's a subscription website, but there's also a library version known as Ancestry

Library Edition. Visit any VPL branch location and access the Ancestry collections for FREE.

(Tip: bring your USB flash drive or mobile

Census of Manitoba, 1870 – Now Available Online

device)

"Manitoba joined Confederation on July 15, 1870 and a census took place in the following months. It officially began on October 27, 1870.

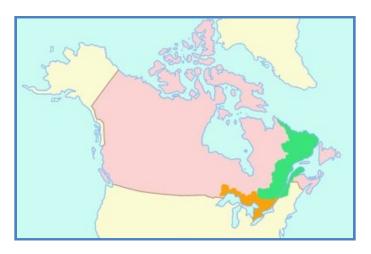
A total of 10 enumerators (one Frenchspeaking and one English-speaking for each district) were appointed to coordinate the census and collect information for all people living in Manitoba (First Nations, Metis and white) according to their residence as of July 16, 1870.



Enumerators visited five districts, divided into 34 parishes (the equivalent of sub-districts). They collected information for more than 12,200 individuals using one document, known as a schedule, which included 20 questions. Forms with English or French headings were used, depending on the language spoken by the enumerator.

Although Manitoba was a province when the federal census was taken in 1871, the province is not included in that federal census. The Census of Manitoba, 1870 is to be consulted when researching residents of this province for the decade from 1871 to 1881."

www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/1870/Pages/about-census.aspx



Censuses of Canada West and Canada East, 1842 Now Available Online

"Library and Archives Canada is pleased to announce that Canadians can now access the Census of Canada West, 1842 as well as the Census of Canada East, 1842 online. In 1841, Upper Canada was renamed Canada West, whereas Lower Canada became Canada East. These two jurisdictions are now known as the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Each census is partly nominal and contains the names of heads of family, their occupation and the number of residents for each family.

Users can search these new databases by the names of heads of family, as well as by geographical information such as district and sub-district names."

Census of Canada West, 1842 www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/1842canada-west/Pages/about-census.aspx

Census of Canada East, 1842 www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/1842-Canada-East/Pages/about-census.aspx

Census for Lower Canada, 1831 Now Available Online

"In the first half of the 19th century, a series of census were done to determine the distribution of parliamentary representation. The Census of Lower Canada, 1831 marked the second collection of statistics. It took place between June 1 and October 1, 1831.

Enumerators visited 36 census districts, divided into 259 multiple enumeration units known as sub-districts. These units were made up of cities, towns, parishes, villages and townships. The total count of the population of Lower Canada in 1831 was 553,134 individuals.

This census is partly nominal, meaning that only the names of the heads of families or households were collected. The other members of the families or households were counted, but not named, and totals were recorded per category.

The enumeration data were collected using one document, known as a schedule, which included a total of 61 questions, spread across two sheets."

www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/1831/Pages/about-census.aspx



Census for Lower Canada, 1825 Now Available Online

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www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/1825/ Pages/about-census.aspx

For more information on Canadian census records, see our **Census Records** page.

http://guides.vpl.ca/genealogy/census

Recent Additions to LAC Website

Library and Archives Canada has added new images on Flickr to their website. These new images include:

The Prince of Wales Royal Visit, 1919
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Louisbourg
Canada in Sicily, 1943
Calgary Stampede
Korean War
Canadian Arctic Expedition
Battle of the Atlantic
Images from Early 20th-Century Canadian
Books

www.flickr.com/photos/lac-bac/sets/

News from



This popular database for genealogical research is available at all branches of Vancouver Public Library.

1921 Census of Canada is Finally Here

"Canada added 1,581,840 new residents between 1911 and 1921, a 22 percent increase. The Prairie Provinces were the big gainers, with Albert and Saskatchewan each growing by more than 50 percent, while the Yukon lost half of its population.

Those are some of the large-scale stories the 1921 Canadian census tells. But the real treasures lie in the little ones, the details on almost 8.8 million Canadians that have been waiting 92 years to be told. This database contains images of the Sixth Census of Canada, which was taken in 1921 and has just been released to the public after a 92-year privacy period. We are working on a searchable, every-name index for the census. In the meantime, you can browse these census records by province, district, and sub-district."

Canada, Loyalist Claims, 1776-1835



"Following the American Revolutionary War (1775-1783), also known as the American War of Independence, British commissioners were appointed to examine claims of losses sustained by those loyal to the British crown or "Loyalists" during and following the war.

Records in this database relate to Loyalist claims and cases heard by the American Loyalist Claims Commission.

What You Can Find in These Records

These documents include books of evidence and memorials given by witnesses, accounts of losses (which can provide detail about places and possessions), evidence of claims, correspondence, indentures, and other documents collected over the course of these examinations.

Documents may mention names, residences (place and year), accounts of battles, estimates of losses, references to other documents presented in support of claims, power of attorney, and other details giving an account of both the Loyalist's claims and life in America before and during the Revolutionary War."

Updated and New Canadian Databases

- Acadia, Canada, Vital and Church Records (Drouin Collection), 1670-1946
- Border Crossings: From Canada to U.S., 1895-1956
- Canada, British Army and Canadian Militia Muster Rolls and Pay Lists, 1795-1850
- Canada, British Army Regimental Rolls of Non-commissioned Officers and Soldiers, 1806-1892
- Canada, British Navy Ship Muster Rolls and Pay Lists, 1757-1836
- Canada, British Regimental Registers of Service. 1756-1900
- Canada, Pension Applications for Widows and Family of British Military Officers, 1776-1881
- Canada, Records of British Military Headquarters, 1775-1856
- Canada, Registers of Prisoners of War, 1803-1815
- Canada, Rideau Canal Rents, Property and Employment Correspondence, 1826-1855
- Ontario, Canada, County Marriage Registers, 1858-1869
- Saskatchewan, Canada, Burial Index, 1802-2011
- Saskatchewan, Canada, Gazette Changes of Name, 1917-1950

- Saskatchewan, Canada, Residents Index (SRI), 1800-2012
- Saskatchewan, Canada, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Obituary Index, 1933-1989

New U.K. Database Added

London, England, Clandestine Marriage and Baptism Registers, 1667-1754

"Ecclesiastic laws governing marriage have changed during England's history, and during this period (1667-1754), marriage within the church came with certain restrictions. Banns required a couple to post an announcement of the intended union for three weeks prior to the marriage. Banns could be waived by obtaining a license, but church officials could also dictate where and when a couple could marry. Residency requirements although at times loose, had to be met, and there were certain times during the ecclesiastic calendar when marriages were not to be performed. There were also age restrictions: parental consent was required if either party was under the age of 21.

Most couples were married at the family church, but a significant portion of the population, for various reasons, chose to skirt these regulations and get married outside the church. Here, requirements were much looser. Grooms could be as young as 14, and brides 12. The bride and groom needed only to give their consent to the union for it to be recognized. Clergy and witnesses were not necessary, though they were often present to provide proof that the marriage had taken place. These marriages are commonly referred to as "irregular" or "clandestine.""



News from FAMILY SEARCH.



B.C. Land Records Addition

FamilySearch has added another browsable image collection for British Columbian land records.

British Columbia, Crown Land Pre-emption Registers, 1860-1971

"These records include registers of pre-emptions which is purchased land that has not been fully surveyed. The registers summarize the information from the pre-emption certificates. The pre-emptions are listed in numerical order, with an alphabetical index at the back of each volume.

Many people in Canada owned land and thus a very high percentage of the population is named in land records. The availability of land attracted many immigrants to Canada and encouraged westward expansion.

Land ownership was generally recorded in an area as soon as settlers began to arrive. These were often the first records available in an area.

The registers include land petitions, fiats and warrants, land grants and patents, and deeds. The federal homestead era in the Prairie Provinces lasted almost 60 years (1872 to 1930). Homestead record files cover all those years."

https://familysearch.org/search/collection/ 2053657

For more information on historical land records for British Columbia and other areas of Canada, see our **Land Records** page.

http://guides.vpl.ca/genealogy/landrecords

Canadian Collections Recently Completed or Updated

- Canada Census, 1851
- Canada Census, 1871
- Canada Census, 1881
- Canada Census, 1891
- Canada Deaths and Burials, 1664-1955
- Manitoba, Census Indexes, 1831-1870
- New Brunswick Census, 1861
- Nova Scotia Census, 1861
- Prince Edward Island Census, 1861

BillionGraves Index

"This collection is a name index of burial records posted on BillionGraves.com. BillionGraves has shared the index to the website billiongraves.com, a large family history database of records and images from the world's cemeteries, all tagged with GPS locations. Volunteers around the world capture images of headstones in a cemetery and upload them to the site."

https://familysearch.org/search/collection/ 2026973

Other Notable Collections Recently Completed or Updated

- Belgium, Namur, Civil Registration, 1800-1912
- Brazil, Pernambuco, Civil Registration, 1804-2013
- Brazil, Sao Paulo, Immigration Cards, 1902-1980
- Chile, Civil Registration, 1885-1903
- China, Collection of Genealogies, 1239-2011
- England, Cheshire Non-conformist Records, 1671-1900
- England, Derbyshire, Church of England Parish Registers, 1538-1910
- England, Sussex, Parish Registers, 1538-1910
- Germany, Mecklenburg-Schwerin Census 1867
- India, Hindu Pilgrimage Records, 1194-2012
- Ireland, Calendar of Wills and Administrations, 1858-1920

- Ireland, Tithe Applotment Books, 1814-1855
- Isle of Man, Parish Registers, 1598-1950
- Italy, Mantova, Mantova, Censuses (Comune), 1750-1900
- Jamaica, Civil Registration, 1880-1999
- Mexico, San Luis Potosi, Miscellaneous Records, 1570-1876
- New Zealand, Immigration Passenger Lists, 1855-1973
- South Korea, Collection of Genealogies, 1500-2012
- Spain, Province of Valencia, Municipal Records, 1611-1935
- United Kingdom, World War I Service Records, 1914-1920
- United States, Casualties of the Vietnam War, 1956-1998
- United States Census, 1910
- United States Census, 1920
- United States Census, 1930
- United States Census, 1940
- United States, Korean War Battle Deaths, 1950-1957
- United States, Public Records Index
- United States Social Security Death Index
- United States World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918
- United States, World War II Prisoners of War of the Japanese, 1941-1945
- U.S., Washington, County Records, 1856-2009
- U.S., Washington, Seattle, Passenger Lists, 1890-1957
- Wales, Court and Miscellaneous Records, 1542-1911

New FamilySearch Online Guide to Lancashire England Ancestors

"FamilySearch is pleased to announce a new online guide to tracing Lancashire England ancestors. Historic Lancashire, home of the Beatles, heart of the industrial revolution, and port of departure for millions of emigrants, is a bustling place families from around the globe connect with. This guide has been published in the FamilySearch Research wiki and includes major cities Manchester and Liverpool.

Features include articles on each of Lancashire's 75 ancient parishes and 400+ chapelries packed with descriptions of records available online at Ancestry, BMD Registers, FamilySearch, FindMyPast, FreeREG, Genogold, GenealogyLinkUK, Google Books, HathiTrust, Internet Archive, Joiner's Marriage Index, Lancashire BMD, Lancashire Online Parish Clerks, Lancashire Will Search, Liverpool History Projects, Manchester City Council, the Manchester and Lancashire Family History Society, and Origins.

Genealogists will find tables describing where to find parish registers online, maps to pinpoint places Lancastrians lived, locate census-like records dating back to the Middle Ages, jurisdictional information, determine where to find wills of historic residents of Lancashire, view photos of old churches where ancestors worshiped, track down passenger lists, identify major Lancashire archives and libraries, and learn about the tremendous resources available through local family history societies."

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Lancashire

FamilySearch has more online guides to help with researching your English ancestors.
Check out these guides at:

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/England

New on the Web

2013 Best Genealogy Websites

Family Tree Magazine has posted their 101 Best Genealogy Websites 2013. Some are familiar favourites, many of which have added new records and/or new features and then there are the new websites to review and explore. Have a look at their list:

http://familytreemagazine.com/article/101-Best-Websites-2013



Welsh Newspapers Online

"Welsh Newspapers Online Beta is a free online resource from the National Library of Wales where you can discover millions of articles from the Library's rich collection of historical newspapers.

Welsh Newspapers Online Beta currently lets you search and access over 420,000 pages from 40 newspaper publications generally up to 1910 and will grow to over 1 million pages as more publications are added during 2013. This resource will also include some newspaper content that is being digitized by **The Welsh Experience of World War One** project and some publications will grow to include editions published up to 1919."

www.llgc.org.uk/index.php?id=4723



Europeana

More than 2,000 institutions from Europe's foremost libraries, archives, museums and galleries have contributed to Europeana. This multilingual and audiovisual collection of incredible digital resources consists of millions of items, everything from books, manuscripts, diaries, maps, paintings, and photographs to crafts, sculptures, sound recordings, film and television.

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Fichier Origine

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