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WHAT IS CHRISTMAS?

The day we have come to call Christmas has by its very name a religious meaning. It was the time in which everyone in a neighborhood or the country would gather in a Church or convenient place to offer up the most important of their religious services in thanksgiving for the coming of Christ on earth to begin the great work of man's, of our redemption. As it was the official day to honor the birthday of Christ - his actual or real date of birth has been lost in the mists of historical time it took on special meanings. The saying of Mass combined with the name of Christ gives us our modern name of Christmas.

It is a day dear to the heart of all Christian believers and the story has been told in every language - in verse and song - in chapters, almost inspired and in words that live in all our very hearts. The story of the Christ-child born in a stable cared for by our own spiritual mother and looked after by one we hold as a great saint is not only an appealing one but is extremely heart warming. In the churches and in many homes the scene is brought to life by statue and by picture. And when we add the story of the shepherds and the wise men it is all a beautiful story - true and real.

This birth is one that is most important to us. And this day is a day of blessings sought for and given. We also have it as a day of giving - The children receive gifts not because of themselves but each child in a family represents to-day the Christ-child and the gifts one might give this day are as it were given to Christ. Too bad that our modern world has forgotten this and has made it a day of commercialism and worldly abundance.

It is a day of blessing - let us remember.

So I wish to each and everyone a true Christmas blessing from the Infant Jesus.

And a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

J.S. McGivern S.J.

Rev. J.S. McGivern, S.J. = Governor.

Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants First Annual Dinner and Meeting



Saturday, 21 November 1981
Holiday Inn, Chestnut St.
Toronto, Ontario

7:00 pm for 7:30 pm
St. George Room East
\$15.00 each

The Toronto Daily Star of November 23, 1981 had a brief note telling in a slightly muddled way of our first annual banquet meeting held at the downtown (Toronto) Holiday Inn.

(Following is a corrected version of what they should have said.)

It wasn't the landing of the Mayflower at Plymouth Rock but it was perhaps just as important for some descendants of the Pilgrims who met for the first time Saturday night to carry on the hopes and aspirations of their ancestors.

Rev. James McGivern, governor of the Canadian Mayflower Descendants, said all families who attended the banquet at the Holiday Inn had proved their Ancestral links with the Pilgrims who landed at Plymouth, Mass. in 1620.

"There could be as many as 200,000 of us in Canada." said McGivern who is archivist for the Roman Catholic

Archdiocese of Toronto.

Those attending the Banquet were Mayflower Descendants and their spouses.

The names are here given: -

MR. & MRS H. ROSER,
MR & MRS V. RICHARDSON,
MRS RICHARD H. OWEN,
MR & MRS KEN THOMPSON,
LILA LEEDY,
MR & MRS R. FERGUSON,
MARSHALL M. DEAN,
MR & MRS R. SPOONER,
MARION SMITH,
DONNA EDWARDS,
MRS NOEL LEE,
MR. GEORGE WHITTAKER,
MR & MRS L.F. WHITE,
MRS. B. MCGIVERN,
MR. BRUCE MCGIVERN.

T.C. SMITH,
 D.CHAPION SMITH,
 DAN CAMPBELL,
 JUDITH CAMPBELL,
 LOLA McDONALD,
 MR.H.F.PIERCE(DEPUTY-GOVERNOR)
 CAROL McKAY,
 JUDITH DURNFORD,
 MR & MRS O'KEEFE,
 DERRICK B. CROSWELL,
 J.S.McGIVERN S.J.-GOVERNOR
 MISS MARGARET OWEN

OUR PROGRAM WAS FOR NOV.21,1981-
 AS FOLLOWS: -

PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION: - THE GOVERNOR

TOAST

Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II-
 Queen of Canada.

Colonel H.Feltus-Pierce

Mayflower Compact

GRACE

Rev.Melvin Donald

MAYFLOWER DINNER

AN ADDRESS

Our Purpose

Major Rev.JamesS.McGivern,S.J,

TOAST

To Our Ancestors

THANK-GOD.

OUR CHARTER MEMBERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES ARE:-

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Notice of Annual Dues

It is that important time when notice must be given that the annual fees must be paid.

OUR READING ROOM

Very shortly we are to form a small Reading Place to help in the research for our Mayflower families. Their names and their places of origin or residence & Town histories etc.

Special hours will be announced as soon as possible.

Naturally we will have a constant need for new and old books. It is our hope to ultimately have the finest of libraries on Mayflower ancestry - in Canada.

Our most recent acquisitions are;

1. Mayflower Families - Vol. 1-2-3
2. The Mayflower Index - Vol. 1.
3. Descendants of Colonial Clergy.
4. Society of Mayflower Descendants in the District of Columbia & supplement.

(3 & 4 are the gifts of Mr. Robert Thurtle)

5. "Not always a Spectator"

By: Boyd DeWolf Lewis.

(Gift of the Author a descendant of: William Brewster)

PLEASE HELP!!!!

PICTURES -

As most of those present at our Banquet know we had a photographer present.

Most of the pictures are beautifully processed, although seemingly not all taken, turned out.

You will be sent - (the Banqueters) zerox copies.

These by their nature are poor reproductions.

If anyone wishes copies - same size as in reproductions (5 x 3½)
- sixty cents per copy.

3--7--8--10--13--14--
16--17--18--19--20--21--
22--23--24--25--26--27--
29--30--32--33--

Pictures suitable for framing -- \$3.00.

Insignia

The insignia for our executive is very expensive and at the moment beyond our means. So I am suggesting the raising of a fund to buy both the Governor's Medallion and the Deputy Governor's.

These can be engraved with the names of successive officers, as they are passed on.

May I suggest 25 cents a week.

(or \$1.00 a month) from each of us.

PASSENGERS ON THE MAYFLOWER

Your Governor has just received a letter from Miss Orlo Jones, genealogist of the Prince Edward Island Heritage Foundation which reads as follows:

The Prince Edward Island Heritage Foundation has the largest collection of genealogical material housed in any one place in this province, for this reason I should like to add information on your society to this collection.

Several persons from here think they may have Mayflower Antecedents; would you suggest publications which would be useful in establishing a connection. Please?

Is a passenger list available for this ship, which we might procure?

Please!!!

This letter brings up some points that may be of interest to us and certainly to them. To the list of books or publications already mentioned, we add - (Magazine) - The Mayflower Quarterly - Address - Miss Mildred Ramos, 3800 Montrose Ave., Richmond, Va. U.S.A. 23222.

(For non-member subscription)

(General History) Saints and Strangers - By: George F. Willison.

As to a passenger list - this has been printed in many books. But as some of our own new members may not have this list for ready reference I think it useful to reprint this list from Descendants of the Mayflower, in the District of Columbia.....p.62-63.

From: William Bradford's History -

"OF PLIMOTH PLANTATION."

"The names of those which came over first, in the year 1620, and were by the blessing of God the first beginner (in a sort) the foundation of all the Plantations and Colonies in New England and their families.

Mr. John Carver; Kathrine, his wife; Desire Winter; and 2 man-servants, John Howland, Roger Wilder; William Lotham, a boy; & a maid-servant & a child yt was put to him, caled, Jasper More.

Mr. William Brewster; Mary, his wife; with 2 sons, whose names were Love & Wrasling; and a boy was put to him called Richard More; and another of his brothers. The rest of his children were left behind, & came over afterwards.

Mr. Edward Winslow; Elizabeth, his wife; & 2 men servants, caled George Sowle and Elias Story; also a little girle was put to him, caled Ellen, the sister of Richard More.

William Bradford, and Dorothy, his wife; having but one child, a sone, left behind, who came afterward.

Mr. Isaack Allerton, and Mary, his wife; with 3 children, Bartholomew, Remember, & Mary; and a servant boy, John Hooke.

Mr. Samuel Fuller, and a servant, caled William Butten. His wife was behind & a child, which came afterwards.

* John Crakston, and his sone, John Crakston.

Captain Myles Standish, and Rose, his wife.

Mr. Christopher Martin, and his wife, and 2 servants, Salamon Prower and John Langmore.

Mr. William Mullins, and his wife, and 2 children, Joseph and Priscilla; and a servant, Robert Carter.

Mr. William White, and Susana, his wife, and one sone caled Resolved, and one borne a ship-bord, caled Peregriene; and 2 servants, named William Holbeck and Edward Thomson.

Mr. Steven Hopkins, & Elizabeth, his wife, and 2 children, caled Giles, and Constanta, a doughter, both by a former wife; and 2 more by his wife, caled Damaris & Oceanus; the last was born at sea; and 2 servants, called Wdward Doty and Edward Litster.

Mr. Richard Warren; but his wife and children were lefte behind, and came afterwards.

John Billinton, and Elen, his wife; and 2 sones, John & Francis.

Edward Tillie, and Ann, his wife; and 2 children that were their cossens, Henery Samson and Humility Coper.

John Tillie, and Ann, his wife; and Elizabeth their doughter.

Francis Cooke, and his sone John, but his wife & other children came afterwards.

Thomas Rogers, and Joseph, his sone. His other children came afterwards.

Thomas Tinker, and his wife, and a sone.

John Rigdale, and Alice, his wife.

James Chilton, and his wife, and Mary their doughter. They had another doughter, yt was married, came afterward.

Edward Fuller, and his wife, and Samuell, their sonne.

John Turner, and 2 sones. He had a daughter came some years after to Salem, wher she is now living.

Francis Eaton, and Sarah, his wife, and Samuell, their sone, a young child.

Moyses Fletcher, John Goodman, Thomas Williams, Digerie Preist, Edmond Margeson, Peter Browne, Richard Britterige, Richard Clarke, Richard Gardenar, Gilbert Winslow.

John Alden was hired for a cooper at South-Hampton, wher the ship viculed; and being a hopfull yong man, was much desired, but left to his owne liking to go or stay when he came here; but he stayed, and married here.

John Allerton and Thomas English were both hired, the later to goe mur of a shalop here, and ye other was reputed as one of ye company, but was to go back (being a seaman) for help of others behind. But they both syed here before the shipe returned.

Ther were also 2 seamen hired to stay a year in the country, William Grevore and one Ely. But when their time was out, they both returned.

These, bening aboute a hundred sowls, came over in this first ship; and began this worke, which God of his goodnes hath hitherto blesed; let his holy name have ye praise.

According to William Bradford's listing there were 102 passengers on the Mayflower when she sailed from Plymouth, England, on 16 September, 1620. He has included John Alden in his list. On 21 November, 1620, 102 passengers were still aboard when the Mayflower arrived at Cape Cod. A child, Oceanus Hopkins, had been born at sea and one male passenger, William Batten, had died and been buried at sea, keeping the status quo. Bradford's list records 104 names; Oceanus Hopkins would have been the 103rd passenger and Peregrine White, who was born on the Mayflower in Cape Cod Harboe on 8/9 December, 1620 would have been the 104th. Peregrine White was, in truth, a passenger on the Mayflower - from Cape Cod Harbor to Plymouth Harbor.