



15th ANNIVERSARY!!

Canadian Pilgrim

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Semi-Annual Meeting

DATE: 13th May 1995

TIME: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

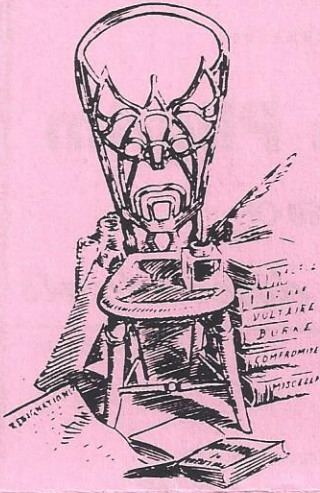
Our 15th Semi-Annual Meeting & Spring Tea will be held at the Eglinton Baptist Church, 152 Roehampton Ave., Toronto (one block north of Eglinton, two thirds of a block east of Yonge St.; Eglinton Subway stop.) Free parking.

Since this year is the 375th Anniversary of the landing of our Pilgrim ancestors, we are planning to show the video, "Of Plimouth Plantation". We showed this video a few years ago but many of our newer members have not seen it, and those who have would no doubt enjoy seeing it again as it is most interesting.

To take the burden off the members of our Board (who in the past have personally donated the food & refreshments), we are asking those who plan to attend to consider contributing (e.g., sandwiches, cookies, squares, punch). If you are able to help us in this capacity, please contact Board member Myrna Geldart at 416-244-7457. Myrna is the Co-ordinator for our Tea.

See you there!

WANTED



This will be my last newsletter as Editor, in January I handed in my resignation to the Board of Assistants. I was appointed Editor in 1982 by then Governor, Col. Harry Pierce and have continued in this capacity for the past 13 years - enjoying every minute of it! However, there are only so many hours in a day. My husband and I run our own business, have three children (& 2 cats and a rottweiler!). Since 1989 I have devoted a majority of my time to Mayflower research with five books being published and a new revision which will be published in June. In 1992 I was elected Historian of our Canadian Society which has added a tremendous amount of work which must be taken care of on a daily basis.

So, we are looking for a new Editor and ask those interested in this voluntary position to contact me. The requirements are few. The applicant must reside in an area of Ontario whereby he/she can attend Board Meetings held in Toronto 5-6 times per year. He/she should have some knowledge of, or interest in, Pilgrim

history and have easy access to books & research materials pertaining to Plymouth Colony. We would prefer someone with a computer who can produce a professional looking newsletter. And, most important of all, someone who can bring forth fresh ideas! If you are interested in taking on this challenge, please contact me. We need someone as soon as possible who can begin preparing the fall newsletter.

LIBRARIAN NEEDED!!!

Arthur Harris has resigned as Librarian and member-at-large. He has been a tremendous asset to our Society, serving in the past as Captain (1987-89) and Historian (1989-92). We appreciate the time and effort Arthur has put into our Society in the past 8 years and are now looking for someone who can "follow in his footsteps".

We are in need of a Librarian to catalogue by computer, our holdings at the North York Library. Until this task is done we are unable to deposit books which are presently waiting to go in. He/she will be responsible for keeping the catalogue list up to date and for keeping abreast of genealogical publications and making recommendations to the Board for their purchase. If you are interested in this position, please contact the Governor.

Congratulations

BRITISH COLUMBIA COLONY

On 14 January 1995, the Board of Assistants approved the charter for the British Columbia Colony, with 12 charter members. Congratulations to our B.C. members, particularly R. George Baldwin, Acting Regent, for his time & energies in securing signatures and putting it all together! We look forward to reporting on our new colony once elections & meetings are held.

15TH ANNIVERSARY!!



This year marks the 15th Anniversary of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants. Our "founding father" was Father James McGivern who organized our formation in 1980 with 29 charter members. By 1985 we had reached membership #102, by 1990 #145, by 1994 #216.

Our goal is to have a colony in each province. The western provinces have started us off with colonies in Alberta and B.C. We look forward to the day that our growth in membership results in each province being represented!

★★★ MEMBERSHIP DUES ★★★

A reminder to those who have been procrastinating - 1995 membership dues of \$25.00 were due on 30 Nov. 1994! Please send your cheque or money order, made out to the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants, to our Treasurer, Allyn Dean (address on pg.1).

Plymouth Church Records

(We began printing the Plymouth Church Records in 1982 with the year 1667 and have continued printing them alternately with the Plymouth Colony Records.)

1712

PERSONS BAPTIZED (cont-d)

- Sept. 7 - Marah, dau of Mercy Dunham - one unlawfully begotten (for which ye mother was ex-communicated at Plymton) but again restored & received to Communion. By ye way some scrupled the baptizing of it because a bastard, but I think their scruples groundless & unscriptural, and seems to be a revival of yet proverb which God said should be no more used in Israel, the fathers have eaten sour grapes etc., to deny it baptism would be to punish ye child for ye Iniquity of ye parent and to punish ye parent after reconciliation which is unjust & unchristian.
- () - Thomas, Lydya, Lemuel, Sarah, Nathaniel, Mary, chil. of Thomas & Mary Morton

PERSONS ADMITTED

- () - Martha Morton, wf of Thomas

1713

PERSONS ADMITTED

- Dec. 27 - Thomas Clarke & wf; John Faunce & wf
Feb. 8 - Joseph Faunce Feb. 21 - Francis Adams

MEMBERS DYED

- () - Mrs. Mary Rickard, wf of John Rickard

1714

MEMBERS ADMITTED

- Ignatius Cushing & wf Mercy
- John Morton
- James Cob & wf Patience
- Thomas Harlow & wf Jedidah

MEMBERS DYED

- Old Mr. Jackson
- Sarah Holmes, wf of Elisha

1715

PERSONS BAPTIZED

- () - Sarah Bartlett, wf of Benjamin and six of their children, Nathaniel, Jonathan, Joseph, Benjamin, Hannah & Sarah
() - Joanna, Jemima, Thomas & Abner, chil. of Thomas & Joanna Holmes

PERSONS ADMITTED

Mary Harlow, maiden
Jabez Shurtleff & wf Mary
Ebenezer Curtice & wf Mary

Sarah Bartlett, wf of Benjamin
Joannah Holmes, wf of Thomas

MEMBERS DYED

- June - James Warren, Esq. in ye 50th year of his age, an exceeding loss to ye church Town & Country
() - Mrs. Patience Nelson, widow
() - John Cobb, aged about 80
July 10 - Mr. Joseph Bradford, in ye 85th year of his age
July 18 - Samuell Rider Jr.
() - Eleazer Churchill Sr.
() - Mary Harlow, maiden
() - Mary Churchill, wf of Eleazer

TRANSACTIONS

God having been pleased to visit the Town with much sickness & Many deaths, about 40, dying within little more than a year...3rd day of June wee had another awfull Instance of Gods displeasure, Our Meeting house being struck and very much rent by a terrible clap of thunder. Said day was Attended and behold a Gracious God so farr heard the cryes of his people that ye sickness abated and wee had no death for many weeks after...

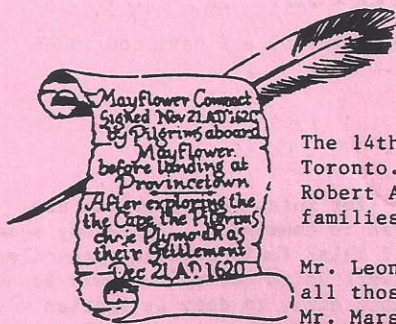
Aug. 7 - a contribution was moved & made both by the church & Congregation to defray the expense of Grave stones sett upon ye grave of that worthy & usefull servant of God Elder Thomas Cushman, the whole congregation were very forward to it.

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Society News

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING & COMPACT DINNER



The 14th Annual Meeting was held 12 Nov. 1994 at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto. Present were the Governor General of the General Society, Col. Robert Allan Greene and his wife and representatives of 18 Mayflower families and friends.

Mr. Leon Warmski, Governor, opened the meeting with a warm welcome to all those attending. After the singing of some verses (contributed by Mr. Marshall Dean, Deputy Governor) to the tune of God Save the Queen and America, the meeting began. Mr. Robert Cruikshank, Captain, read the Mayflower Compact. Each guest received a copy of the Compact contributed by Mrs. Susan Roser, Historian. The descendants roll call was read by Ms. Deborah Clarke, Rec. Secretary. This year there were only seven Mayflower families that were unrepresented. Mr. Allyn Dean, Treasurer, read the Necrology. The Society lost two members this year: John Chipman #44 and Gwendolyn Bushell #185. Mr. Dean sent the best wishes of the Society to two members, Mr. Harry Mutton and Mrs. Lucille Cron who were unable to attend due to illness. Following dinner, the General Business of the meeting was carried out.

Mr. Leon Warmski, Governor, asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting; this motion was passed. The Reports from the Board of Assistants followed. Mr. Allyn Dean, Treasurer, announced that the finances of the Canadian Society have improved this year. (See the Financial Statement on page 8.) Mrs. Susan Roser, Historian reported that our Society is growing every year. We gained 35 new members last year (1993) and 18 new members to date this year. Three of those new members were present, Robert White, William Hosking and Mary Nichols who were each presented with their membership certificates by Governor General Greene. Mr. Arthur Harris, Librarian, stated that a new catalogue of our collection is needed before the North York Library will accept further additions. Recent acquisitions include Mayflower Deeds & Probates, donated by the author, Susan Roser. Mr. Members Dr. Stephen White and Lucille Cron have made generous donations to the Library fund. (Mrs. Cron paid for two dinners for the Banquet but could not attend. She very kindly added this amount to her annual donation.). Ms. Deborah Clarke, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the report. As there were no nominations from the floor, the nominees were elected. Newly elected Governor, Robert Cruikshank, was presented with the Governor's Medal by Governor Gen. Greene. This concluded the business part of the meeting.

Mr. Leon Warmski introduced our guest speaker, Col. Robert A. Greene, Governor General of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. After an interesting talk on the importance & history of the Mayflower Compact, Col. Greene offered to answer questions. Many events are planned in Plymouth in 1995 to celebrate the 375th Anniversary of the arrival of the Mayflower. In honour of the occasion the Dutch authorities have offered to fill the gardens of Plymouth with tulips. Col. Greene concluded his talk by suggesting that it would be well worth our while to visit Plymouth this summer and join in the festivities.

FROM THE GOVERNOR



The year 1995 is of particular significance to Mayflower Descendants, celebrating the 375th Anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower and the 15th Anniversary of the founding of the Canadian Society.

In January, approval was given to proceed with a colony in British Columbia and the General Society approved our first member of 1995, Marion Tait, U.E.

On behalf of the Canadian Society, Board members and I expressed our sympathy to the Warmski Family at the January 17th 1995 passing of Beatrice Warmski, a Charter member and mother of our Past Governor, Leon Warmski. An enthusiastic and active participant at our Society functions as long as her health permitted, she will be greatly missed.

The January 14, 1995 Board of Assistants Meeting, my first as Governor, made me appreciate what a fine calibre of individuals we have serving in the interests of this Society. Also in January, I regretfully accepted the resignation of Susan Roser as Editor of the newsletter and Arthur Harris as Librarian and Member at large. We appreciate the significant contribution made to our Society by these dedicated members over the past several years. Your Board of Assistants is actively seeking applicants for the positions of Editor and Librarian, as detailed elsewhere.

I encourage and recommend members to seriously consider including the July 375th Anniversary festivities in Plymouth as part of your summer vacation plans.

Meanwhile, I hope to see many of you at our Spring Tea on May 13th.

Robert M. Cruikshank,
Governor



***** WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! *****

We have had 13 new members since our Fall Newsletter, a very warm welcome to:

- Robert V. White, Box 138, 72 Sherwood St., Bobcaygeon, Ont. KOM 1A0 (#205,#60875, Alden)
- Mary E. Nichols, 59 Aragon Ave., Agincourt, Ont. MIT 1Y1 (#206,#60876, Hopkins)
- William B. Hosking, 16 Oak Lea Circle, Markham, Ont. L3P 3M5 (#207,#60877, Eaton)
- Murray G. Abraham, 35 Campion Ave., Guelph, Ont. N1H 5L5 (#208,#60878, Rogers)
- Gail A. Johnson, 2847 W. 15th Ave., Vancouver, B.C. V6R 3A1 (#209,#60968, Brewster)
- Michael M. Johnson, c/o 278 Lytton Blvd., Toronto, Ont. M5N 1R6 (#210,#60969, Brewster)
- John V. White, c/o Box 138, 72 Sherwood St., Bobcaygeon, Ont. KOM 1A0 (#211,#60970, Alden)
- David A. Goodrich, 574 Burton Dr., Lake Forest, IL 60045 (#212,#60967, Cooke)
- Elizabeth A. Goodrich, 574 Burton Dr., Lake Forest, IL 60045 (#213,#60966, Cooke)
- Lois E. Abraham, #1508-177 Redpath Ave., Toronto, Ont. M4P 2W3 (#214,#60971, Rogers)
- Mary E. Hosking, c/o 16 Oak Lea Circle, Markham, Ont. L3P 3M5 (#215,#60972, Eaton)
- Sherri L. Pettit, 1588 Nairn Ave., London, Ont. N5V 2P2 (#216,#60946, Alden)
- Marion S. Tait, U.E., 107 Anderson Ave., Dunnville, Ont. N1A 3A6 (#217,#61278, Brown)

(Talk about family connections! Among the above new members are: father & son (White), mother and son (Hosking) and 3 sets of brothers & sisters (Abraham, Johnson, Goodrich)! The Abrahams are the children of member Fred Abraham; the Johnsons are the siblings of member Karen Johnson and children of member Ann Johnson; the Goodriches are the children of member Keith Goodrich.)

In Memoriam



Our Society has lost three members, our sincere condolences to the families of the following:

- Miss Charlotte Winslow, #68, 1904-1993, Woodstock N.B.
- Mrs. Louise Alma Bean, #163, 1922-1994, Vancouver, B.C.
- Mrs. Beatrice Warmski, #14, 1911-1995, Oakville, Ont.

Mrs. Warmski was a member of the California Mayflower Society for many years and transferred to the Canadian Society when it was formed in 1980; she was one of our 29 charter members. She was the mother of past Governor, Leon Warmski. Bea was an active member who attended our Teas and Banquets and those of us who had the pleasure of her company at these meetings can attest to the fact that she was a delightful lady and will be greatly missed.

PHOTO FROM THE NOV. COMPACT DINNER

(L to R: Gov. General, Col. Robert Greene & wf Marilyn; Gov. Robert Cruikshank & wf Lorraine; newly retired Governor, Leon Warmski; taken at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto.)



TREASURER'S REPORT

The Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants lost a relatively large amount of money in 1994. When we have a large number of new members in the previous year we have a large deficit due to the fee charged by Plymouth to approve each new member. Therefore, because in 1993 we had a large number of new members we had a profit of \$614.91 which turned into a loss in 1994 of \$1404.93. Over the last six years, five have had losses as follows: (accumulated loss - \$1977.05)

1989 - loss 302.73	1992 - loss 576.02
1990 - loss 136.96	1993 - profit 614.93
1991 - loss 171.32	1994 - loss 1404.93

Being interested in where the losses are I calculated the cost of a new member. Our application fee is \$35 but the cost to us is between \$40 and \$45 of which approx. \$25 goes to Plymouth. Of the \$25 annual dues we receive, \$11 goes to Plymouth, so we operate on \$14. And - the interest on life memberships is not enough to cover these costs.

The other financial strain in 1994 was the visit of the Governor General. The hotel costs & luncheon amounted to almost \$450.

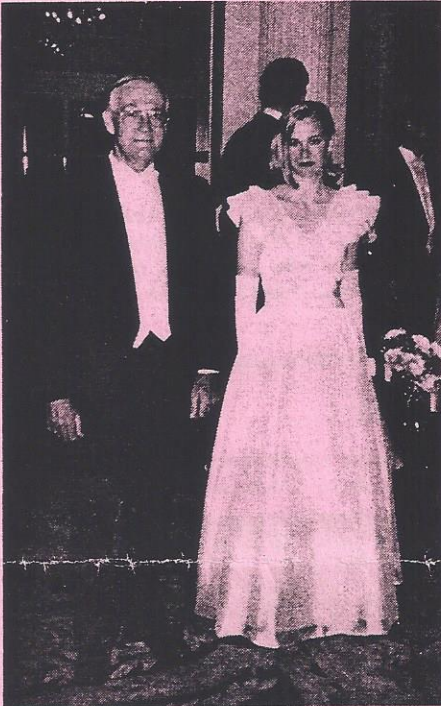
The membership is now up to #215 which consists of 74 life members, 93 annual members and 49 now defunct, for a total of 167 members. Of the 93 annual members, only 32 have paid their 1995 dues (as of Feb.'95).



TIRED OF BEING JUST ANOTHER NUMBER?

Get to Know Us!

MAYFLOWER BALL



Elizabeth Anne Goodrich (member #213), daughter of Keith (member #150) & Sara Goodrich made her debut at the 41st annual Mayflower Ball held at the Plaza Hotel, New York City on 4 Nov. 1994. Elizabeth attends the University of Western Ontario in London. She was presented by her father and escorted by Christopher Sellers of Hamilton, Ont. (and student at Western) and her brother David Goodrich (member #212) of Nashville, Tennessee.

Sara writes: "The evening was one we will always remember. It was very special. The newly renovated ballroom at the Plaza glistened with candlelight, the music of Lester Lanin and camaraderie of the crowd - all added to the joy of the evening. The members of the New York Mayflower Society all made us feel so welcome and Adelaide Farrah, chairwoman of the Ball is truly a warm, gracious, well-organized lady who led us through the rehearsals with ease and professionalism!"

Elizabeth looked elegant in her white gown purchased from a bridal shop in Oakville, Ont. She waltzed beautifully with her Dad after the presentation.

We would strongly encourage Society members to consider attending the Ball - not only as a means of introducing a daughter or granddaughter but as a wonderful evening providing the means to make new friends in a special environment aiding a cause we are all familiar with."

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Alberta member, Duane Adams (#190) had a very busy year in 1994. He went to Las Vegas for Easter (but doesn't say whether his pockets were empty or full when he left!). In April he attended a Montessori conference in New York. In June he graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Education, majoring in Science and minoring in Mathematics. He spent the summer of 1994 as the Director of a Science Camp at the Bilingual Montessori Learning Centre where he re-wrote the botany curriculum for the school. He currently teaches at the Montessori school and attends night classes to further his training. Duane documented his lineage to Richard Warren and joined our Society in 1993 at the age of 23. How refreshing to hear of a young man who has the ambition and drive to succeed in life - and interested in his family history too! Congratulations on your accomplishments Duane!!



NEWS

U.E.L. CONVENTION 1995

The 1995 United Empire Loyalists Convention was to have been held in Oshawa however, due to the untimely death of Robert Senetsinger, other arrangements were necessary. It will now be held at the Inn-On-The Park, Toronto, Ont., June 2, 3, 4, 1995.

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THE PILGRIM JOHN HOWLAND SOCIETY

The March 1995 issue of The Howland Quarterly reports that its members have contributed \$3500.00 for the repair of the roof of St. Mary the Virgin Church in Henlow, England where Elizabeth Tilley was baptized in 1607. The church has raised about £7000 of the £50,000 needed to complete the work.

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NEW MAYFLOWER BOOK

Historian, Susan Roser has just completed a total revision of her book "Mayflower Increasesings", which was published in 1989.

This book contains genealogical data on three generations - the Mayflower passengers, their children & grandchildren. The revision includes many improvements and much additional data. Updated sources are now included with each individual date; parentage, birth & death dates are included for the spouses who married into the Mayflower families, as well as for any additional spouses that these spouses married. References are given to show the reader where to look for the 4th generation children. At the end of each family is a Probate Appendix which transcribes wills & probate records for the purpose of identifying 4th generation children (in some cases 5th). The revision is now indexed, with over 6,000 names. This revision of *Mayflower Increasesings* will be available in June from the Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore MD 21202.



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PLANS FOR PLYMOUTH ROCK



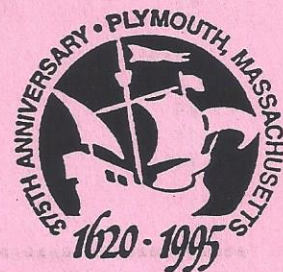
The Arizona Society newsletter reports that the state of Massachusetts plans to restore the area around Plymouth Rock to more closely resemble the landscape as it was in 1620. Plans are to remove the white Grecian portico which houses the remaining portion of the rock with the area restored as a natural salt marsh.

The portico was built in 1920 by the National Society of Colonial Dames of America to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims.

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375th Anniversary

This year marks the 375th Anniversary of the arrival of the Mayflower and landing of our Pilgrim ancestors. If you have never been to Plymouth, or have been thinking about a return visit, now is the time! Events are planned throughout the year, but of particular interest is the re-enactment of the landing of the Pilgrims and a Historic Regiments Parade - both on 23 July.



The Pilgrim Regatta, a sailing race and cruise, will retrace the ocean route of the Mayflower, leaving from Holland and arriving at Provincetown by July 21 & 22 where the Mayflower II will be awaiting their arrival. The Mayflower II will then set out for Plymouth, to arrive at Plymouth Harbor on July 23rd. What a sight that will be - the Mayflower sailing into the harbor!



TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 1994

(inc. comparison to 1993 figures)



1. <u>STARTING AMOUNTS as of Jan. 1st</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>
Bank Accounts & GIC's	\$14389.71	\$ 9582.57
Petty Cash	150.00	50.00
	<u>\$14539.71</u>	<u>\$ 9632.57</u>
 2. <u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Annual Dues	\$ 2050.00	\$ 2185.00
Donations	180.00	362.23
Life Memberships	250.00	4250.00
Application & Historian fees	747.00	1621.00
GIC & Bank Interest	290.07	434.15
	<u>\$ 3517.07</u>	<u>\$ 8852.38</u>
 3. <u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>		
Postage	\$ 204.01	\$ 562.71
Library	288.81	288.49
Stationery & Printing	251.28	394.02
General Society dues	2514.00	1480.00
Alberta Colony		46.00
Incorporation fee		30.00
Historian fees	240.00	594.00
Banquet Loss (Gain)	(31.14)	(105.22)
Governor General's visit	448.71	
Rental Premises	107.04	102.72
Newsletter	425.71	454.06
Misc.	28.58	46.72
Bank Charges	15.00	51.74
	<u>\$ 4492.00</u>	<u>\$ 3945.24</u>
 4. <u>FINISH AMOUNTS as of Dec. 31st</u>		
Bank Accounts	\$ 2414.78	\$ 5276.07
Petty Cash	150.00	150.00
Canada Trust GIC:		
due 13 Feb. 1994		8113.64
due 16 Apr. 1994		1000.00
due 15 Apr. 1995		
	<u>11000.00</u>	
	<u>\$13564.78</u>	<u>\$14539.71</u>
 5. <u>BALANCE</u>		
#1	\$14539.71	\$ 9632.57
#2	3517.07	8852.38
Total	<u>\$18056.78</u>	<u>\$18484.95</u>
 #3	\$ 4492.00	\$ 3945.24
#4	13564.78	14539.71
Total	<u>\$18056.78</u>	<u>\$18484.95</u>

***** Submitted by: *****
L. Allyn Dean, Treasurer

