

Canadian Polysim Newsletter of the Canadian Society of Mayflower Descendants

D. T. Lahey, Editor

Meet our guest speaker

PATRICIA MAE MOSELEY STANFORD

HEN DR. PAT WALKS INTO A ROOM, sun shine comes with her. It is not only that Dr. Pat knows Pilgrim History so well, she has talent in many other historical societies. Also her special kindness and friendliness draw people to her. Dr. Pat is one of California's special "treasures."



"I look all right, but my cap always looks like a lost dog," says Dr. Pat.

Dr. Pat's work in The General Society of Mayflower Descendants and other groups is a natural outgrowth of her personal life. Among the programs Dr. Pat gives, some of the favorites often requested are "The Old City Cemetery," "Colonial Medicine," "Pilgrims Who?" and "American Women.

Patricia Stanford is also a Registered Nurse with a Ph.D. in Nursing Education, with 28 years experience in the operating room at Sutter General Hospital in Sacramento, California.

Pat is a member of the Hawaii State Mayflower Society and the Daughters of Hawaii. She was born in

Sacramento on March 17, 1928, and was raised in Hawaii by her grandparents. Her strong love for Hawaii often takes her back there. She has been the featured speaker often in that state.

Dr. Pat includes time in her life for the hobbies of writing, photography, traveling, grandmothering and, of course, genealogy. She also takes time to relax. She and her husband, Roy Stanley Stanford, M.D., a General Surgeon, have seven children and fifteen grandchildren.

Semi-annual meeting and Fall Banquet 13 November 1999

Location: Toronto Skating Cricket and Curling Club, 141 Wilson Avenue, Toronto (between Avenue Road and Yonge, uphill from York Mills Station)

Time: 12 noon: cash bar. 1–4: lunch and meeting. Cash bar will be in the Lounge; Lunch and meeting in the Founder's Room.

Cost: \$35.

Menu: Soup or salad, Turkey, Dessert, Tea or coffee.

Guest Speaker: 'Dr Pat' Stanford of the California Mayflower Society. (Patricia Moseley Stanford is a cousin of our former Governor, Keith Bain.)

Those who have visited the TSCCC say it is "very nice" and "elegant." Plan to attend now, and let our Treasurer know by filling out the enclosed notice.



the editor's world

D T Lahey Editor

It's a bird! ... It's a plane! ...

No, it's mild-mannered Mel
Donald, our Superman of the
Canadian Society. While Mel
is nowadays enjoying the
relative quiet of serving as our
Elder, as his biography tells
us, his work on our behalf in
the past — juggling four
positions and attempting to
save our fledgling organization
— has been critical to the
success of the Canadian
Society. It is a great pleasure
to feature Mel in this issue.

Certainly the highlight of our year will be the Fall banquet and our guest speaker, Doctor Patricia Stanford. 'Dr Pat' is certainly one of the most untiring boosters of the Mayflower Society. She has spoken at dozens of State banquets in the last year or two, and when not travelling is the Governor of the California Mayflower Society. Her presence should be a treat for us all.

This issue is a real *pot* pourri — something for everyone, I hope. We hear of highly successful years for our two Colonies, and the possible creation of a third in Nova Scotia, and successes old and new of Mayflowerites over the centuries. Enjoy.

Dale

Newcomers

Mr. Jeffrey Chipman, 35 Wilberton Rd., Toronto, Ont. M4V 1Z2 [#303, Howland]

Dr. Roger Graves, 3914 Olivia Pl., Victoria, B.C. V8P 4T2 [#304, Chilton]

Mr. Barry Lahey, 1407, 1100 – 8th Ave S.W., Calgary, AB T2P 3T9 [#305, Brewster]

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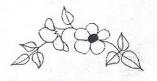
Mrs. Dorothy Franklin, 1111 Wesby Rd., Rt.3, DeRidder, LA 70634 [#307, Alden]

Mrs. Geraldine Schneider, 28 Lamont Close, Red Deer, AB T4R 2R5 [#308, Brewster]

Mrs. Sheila Schaap, 38 Glenavy Ave., Toronto, Ont. M4P 2T7 [#309, Bradford]

Mr. Gerald Spurr, 14460 Tulane St., Brookfield, WI 53005 [#310, Brewster]

FAMILY CONNECTIONS: Barry Lahey is the brother of our Editor, Dale Lahey; Tracey Maydaniuk is the daughter of member Doreen Corbett; Dorothy Franklin is the sister of member Bob White.



In Memoriam

Harold Van Wyck died 28 August 1998

It is with a great feeling of sorrow that I inform you of the loss of our very able Secretary, **Jean Macleod** (Hopkins #248) who died on May 10, 1999. Jean was getting ready for a trip to Russia later this month. She died while sleeping Monday night. She certainly will be missed by all of us in the BC Colony who knew her. *Bill Brown*, *BC Regent*.

Ruth Ferguson (Warren #62), died June 27, 1999, of heart failure.



Ruth was an Elder of our Society from 1986 to 1993. A life member, she regularly attended Society functions, and will be deeply missed. Her husband, Ralph Ferguson, was our unofficial photographer and assistant auditor for several years.

The Governor's Column



DURING THE SUMMER the board has been active in a variety of ways. We had an information table at the Ontario Genealogical Society meeting in May and one at the New Brunswick Genealogical Society seminar in early August. There were many opportunities to have direct

contact with prospective members as well as meet some of our own members who we would not normally see because of distances.

We are still attempting to get Charitable Status for the Society. However, the interpretation of the rules has changed. It will be difficult to achieve what other similar organizations already have. Can any of our members help?

The General Society has voted to increase dues. In a way this is regrettable since the impact on us is proportionally greater than on other members (due to the value of the Canadian dollar). Our annual dues will go from \$25 to \$40, our application fees from \$50 to \$75 and supplementals to \$60. Life memberships will rise proportionally. Our margins, or revenues less costs, will stay relatively the same. It is hoped the necessity of these increases will be understood by both our existing and possible new members.

By now we all have (hopefully) received the missing Quarterlys from 1988. These were sent to all Canadian members at the request of the Board. The Quarterly is one of the services provided by the General Society and paid for by our dues. We appreciate the amount of time spent by the Governor General, Mr. Maxwell, in resolving this issue.

Meet your Board of Assistants Mel Donald, Elder



MELVIN WAS BORN in Medicine Hat, Alberta. His mother was from Yarmouth, N.S., which had been settled from Massachusetts in the early 1760s—hence the Mayflower connection. The Donalds had arrived in New Brunswick in 1784 from Glasgow, Scotland. On both sides of the family there was French and Dutch blood.

After graduation from the U. of Alberta with a B.Com. and after four years in business, in 1941 he came to Toronto to work with Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship. There the office secretary was Lola Turnbull and they were married in 1943. After two years in the army and three years at Knox College, Toronto, securing a B.D. degree, they and their two little girls left for Ethiopia to serve with S.I.M., an interdenominational mission. On a furlough he obtained a B.Ed. degree from the U. of Toronto.

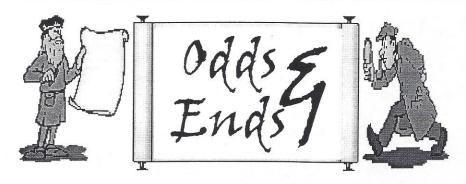
After 21 years with SIM, he taught high school for four years in Toronto, then served as a pastor in Toronto and in Barrie and spent the last ten years of his work life back with Inter Varsity.

Now fully retired he divides his time between Onatrio and Florida, where he is associate Pastor of Ranchero Chapel in Largo. The Donalds have five children and six grand-children, all in southern Ontario.

Mel traces his Mayflower connection to 20 of the 102 passengers—Brewster, Bradford, Tilley, Howland (2 lines), Billington, Allerton, Warren (2 lines), Rogers (2 lines), and Hopkins (3 lines).

At the founding meeting of the Canadian Society in 1980 Mel was elected Treasurer. Eighteen months later the Governor and Historian Rev. J. S. McGivern died suddenly, whereupon the deputy Governor, Harry Pierce, became Governor-Historian, and Mel was asked to become the deputy Governor. Sixteen months later in August, 1983, Mr. Pierce. suddenly died, and Mel found himself Governor, Deputy Governor, Historian and Treasurer. There remained one other Board of Assistants member, the Captain Margaret Owen. So it fell to Margaret and Mel to set to work to rebuild the Board of Assistants and seek to put the Society on a firm basis. By the end of a year or two the Board was up to six members with Mel continuing as Governor until 1988.

From 1989 to 1992 he served as Elder General to the General Society in Plymouth, attended General Congresses at Plymouth, and Board meetings at Newport and Wilmington. Mel has been our Elder since 1993.



DID YOU KNOW Trailing Arbutus, also known as the Mayflower, is the provincial flower of Nova Scotia.

RICHARD MORE is the only Mayflower passenger with a 'Canadian' connection: "He was at Port Royal, Nova Scotia, when the French fort was 'reduced to English obedience' in 1654, and from thence a bell was later brought to Salem 'in Capt Moor's ketch." (Thanks to the Mayflower Quarterly, Feb 1981, p. 18)

MATTER OF OPINION When asked the relative merits of early immigrants to Australia and the United States, an Australian replied, "Thank God, we got the convicts — they got the Puritans." (Thanks to George Taylor, Guelph ON)

FARFLUNG CORNERS The *Canadian Pilgrim* is sent to members in eight provinces, 9 US states, England, and New Zealand. We have no members yet in Newfoundland, the Yukon, NWT, or Nunavut.

WANT TO READ A NEWSPAPER, all in English, from almost anywhere in the world? Try www.ecola.com. I enjoyed the Vladivostok Daily News — I even read my 'goroscop' as they call it in Russian. Peggy enjoyed reading the letters to the editor from her home town of Shipley, England.

No Mayflower, This On our visit to London recently we toured Greenwich, where the *Cutty Sark* is on display. We were impressed by the sleek and graceful lines of this swift British tea ship. I remarked on its unusual name, but no one could explain it. However, I recently read this exposé of its name: "In old Scotland, seaport women of the night wore what the Scots called a 'cutty sark.' Dictionaries now define it as 'short shirt.' But back then, it had special meaning — fast. Such was what inspired the captain to name



The Cutty Sark FAST!

the world's fastest clipper ship — with its figurehead of a woman in scanty wrap — the Cutty Sark." (Thanks to Dona Madill, Branch News, the Waterloo Wellington Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society, May 1999)

A BUSY YEAR Last year they estimated 30,000,000 Mayflower descendants. This year it's 35,000,000.

Horsing Around "Frank McFarland, better known as 'Gypsy Frank,' arrived in town on Saturday. While tethering his horse, some evil-disposed person took off the nuts from his wheels. Horse having eaten his supper, Frank started for home. When opposite Burnham's meat market the wheels came off, letting the occupant fall to the ground. Fortunately no serious results are anticipated." (Thanks to the Mayflower Quarterly, Aug 1986, p. 144; from the Dover (NH) Republican, 28 Nov 1889; Gypsy Frank was a descendant of Myles Standish and John Alden.)

RETRIBUTION! A MACABRE TALE told by Governor Bradford.

Aboard the Mayflower, October 1620: "There was an insolent and very profane young man - one of the sailors, which made him the more overbearing - who was always harassing the poor people in their sickness, and cursing them daily with grievous execrations, and did not hesitate to tell them that he hoped to throw half of them over board before they came to their journey's end. If he were gently reproved by anyone, he would curse and swear most bitterly. But it pleased God, before they came half seas over, to smite the young man with a grievous disease, of which he died in a desperate manner, and so was himself the first to be thrown overboard. Thus his curses fell upon his own head." (Of Plymouth Colony. p. 82)

Who was the last survivor of the Mayflower passengers?

IF A PASSENGER LIST had been made of those individuals who embarked on the Mayflower at Plymouth, England, September 6, 1620 Old Style, the last male survivor of the group was certainly John Cooke, son of Francis Cooke, aged about ten at the time of the voyage, who died in 1695. Isaac Allerton's daughter, Mary, aged about four years in 1620, might be considered the last survivor, dying in 1699. Then there was Peregrine White, son of William and Susanna White, who lived until 1704. Peregrine was a passenger on the Mayflower voyage in a manner of speaking and was born aboard the ship as it lay at anchor off Cape Cod after the landing in America. Was Peregrine White the last survivor of the band of English immigrants, or was he the first native American among them? (Thanks to The Mayflower Quarterly.)



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The Web

Don't forget our web site at www.mayflower.org/canada/canada.html or

www.mayflower.org.

Canadian Certificates

CANADIAN MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES are still available at a cost of \$5.00. Please contact the Canadian Historian Susan Roser if interested).

Dues Notice!

PLEASE REMEMBER that year 2000 membership dues of \$40 are due Nov 30, 1999. Please send payment to:

Allyn Dean, Treasurer 86 Constance St Toronto ON M6R 1S6

Our society depends on your dues and donations. Why not pay for several years in advance?

Donations

WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE the following donors. Please consider making a donation to Your Society.

#250 **Gregory Biefer** Nepean ON

West meets East

We are pleased to learn that **Philip Thorpe**, Deputy Regent of our Alberta Colony, spoke this summer to a group in Kentville NS. His topic was "Mayflower ancestry in the Maritimes."

New Dues

Annual dues: \$40.00

Supplementals: \$60.00

Application: \$75.00

Life memberships: will rise at a ratio comparable to the rate of increase of dues. If interested, please contact Treasurer Allyn Dean.

These increases were made necessary by the new General Society dues rates, and the rising cost of doing business everywhere.

Librarian's Report

Joyce Cutler

THE LIBRARY HOLDINGS for the Canadian Mayflower Society have been updated in three lists under the categories Author, Title and Subject. These lists are available in the Canadiana Room on the sixth floor of the North York Public Library in Toronto where our collection is housed. We have the set of silver books called The Mayflower Families for Five Generations up to Volume 17 (of 18) as well as several of the Mayflower Families in Progress books. In addition we also have the Mayflower books written by our Historian Susan Roser. These books are invaluable to anyone doing Mayflower research.

Newest Colony?

Our N.S. Colony is being worked on with the assistance of Wilfred Allan of N.S. and members in N.S. will be contacted by him.

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee is pleased to submit the following slate of nominees for election at the Fall meeting:

Captain – Dale Lahey Recording Secretary – Deborah. Clarke

Report of the General Assembly

The 35th General Congress was held in Plymouth, Mass. Sept. 13th & 14th. The Canadian Society was represented by DGG Marshall M. Dean, AG Susan E. Roser and delegates Wilfred Allan, Joyce Cutler, Allyn Dean and Lynn Webb.

Our delegation was among 357 voting representatives from 48 of the 52 societies, including 97 General Officers and 256 delegates.

Highlights include:

Historian Susan Roser was presented with a certificate of appreciation for her internet work on behalf of the Society.

A new Mayflower line has been approved, thru Robert² Tilley, son of John & Joan Tilley.

New books include MFIPs for Jonathan Delano and Jonathan Brewster and MF (part 1) for Richard Warren.

A computer position has been approved for the Historian General's office. Duties will include maintaining the web site, and entering approved lineages & documentation into a data base (MIDS) that can reproduce a lineage paper.

The per capita assessment fee that state societies pay yearly for each member has increased, as have the General Society fees for approval of lineage papers and supplementals. For this reason, our fees have increased to meet this need.

Minutes of the Spring Meeting

THE SPRING TEA was held 24 April 1999 at the John McKenzie House, Toronto. Governor Paul Hill opened the meeting with a warm welcome to all those attending.

Treasurer's Report. Financial Statement April 23 1999. Latest member number is 304 which includes 72 life members, 158 regular members and 74 who are no longer members. Of the 158 regular members, 90 have paid for 1999, 66 have paid for 1998 and 2 have not paid for 1997. Bank accounts 543-800117 - \$220.88; 543-50163 - \$594.88; 543-750125 - \$629.62 U.S; GICs \$10,000 @ 7.875% due April 15 2000; \$2500 @ 3.450% due Apr 15 2000. Plymouth assessment of \$2202.00 U.S. has been paid.

Editor's Report. The Canadian Pilgrim has been enriched by the articles by Marian Worthen and Lois Stephens, and pictures, letters and notes contributed by other members who visited places of historical interest. Keep these pictures coming. Mr. Lahey also expressed his appreciation to members of the

Board of Assistants who have allowed themselves to be featured in the 'Know your Board of Assistants' column. He is considering adding another item to the newsletter called "How I learned I was a Mayflower Descendant." Mr. Lahey invites members to send him their stories, articles or anything that will help make The Canadian Pilgrim a better newsletter.

Librarian's Report. Bill Hosking was forced to give up the post of Librarian because of ill health. Mrs. Joyce Cutler has volunteered to become the new librarian and hopes to have the catalogue finished in two weeks time. Our library can be found on the sixth floor of the North York Public Library

Historian Report. Mrs. Roser announced that there are enough members living in Nova Scotia for them to form a Colony.

Charitable status. The Government is reviewing our application for Charitable Status.

Twentieth Anniversary of the Canadian Mayflower Society. We will have existed for 20 years in the year 2000. Our pressing problem is the lack of funds. We have taken steps to make ourselves better known among the genealogical societies. We will have a table at the OGS Congress. Mrs. Geldart will represent us at the New Brunswick Genealogy meeting in August. We will also become part of Heritage Day Celebrations held annually at the Scarborough Town Centre. Mr. Hill felt that we should make Thanksgiving our point for recognition since the Pilgrims are identified with this holiday.

This concluded the business part of the Meeting.

Noted Black Creek Pioneer Village 'Phrenologist' Dr. Zebadiah Zonk, also known as John Dale Warburton. examines Governor Paul Hill's head for a reading. Mr. Warburton shares a given name with the editor, but as Mr. Hill explained, "There are more Hills than Dales." Dr. Zonk's 'lecture' is outlined on page nine.





Past Governor Keith Bain and Treasurer Allyn Dean

Member at large Mary Nichols, Deputy Governor Marshall Dean, and Corresponding Secretary Myrna Geldart.



Gary Bagley and Lynne Webb of Ottawa.



The Spring Jea

We met again in the informal setting of Mc Kenzie House, the headquarters of the Ontario Historical Society. The pleasant afternoon was highlighted by the entertaining performance of "Dr. Zebadiah Zonk, Phrenologist" from Black Creek Pioneer Village.

Left: Helen Bain and Recording Secretary Debbie Clarke.

Below left: Lois Abraham of Toronto coaxes her mother, Betty Abraham, to have her picture taken, while Corresponding Secretary, Myrna Geldart listens in.

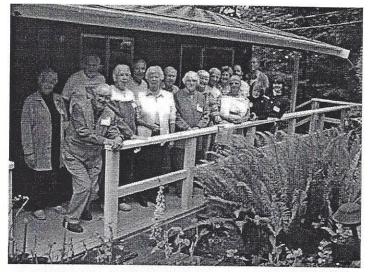
Below right: Lois Abraham with her father, Fred Abraham of Guelph.





B.C. Colony Report

NINETEEN NINETY-NINE has been a year with a lot of changes to the B.C. Colony. First, George Lydiard stepped down as Regent, and Bill Brown, a relatively new member, replaced him. The next change was the publication of a newsletter, The B.C. Pilgrim. Our first semi-annual meeting was held in April. A few days later we suffered a great loss when our Secretary Treasurer Jean MacLeod passed away unexpectedly in her sleep. A second newsletter was sent out with a notice for a June Meeting. This was to be just a social get together between the two official meetings and located between the two major groups of members, those on the Mainland and those on Vancouver Island. We held a short meeting of about six minutes. Joan Stace-Smith volunteered to act as Secretary Treasurer, and Pat Walker volunteered to help as assistant Newsletter Editor. Two minutes of silence was observed in Memory of Jean MacLeod. A thank you and round of applause went to our hosts George and Eleanor. Many spent time on research using the large number of books brought to the meeting. Much time was spent on just getting to know each other better, while enjoying the delicious



Back row: Abbie Thompson, Bill Brown, Dale Philpot, Bob Prince, Joan Stace-Smith, George Lydiard, Eleanor Lydiard, Frank Fishleigh, Robert Frost.

Front row: Ken Thompson, Pat Walker, Gwen Philpot, Patrica Prince, Joan Fishleigh, Doreen Corbett, Karen Johnson

snacks members had brought, plus all that Eleanor and George had ready for us. The friendly relaxed atmosphere made it one of the best meetings we have held. *Bill Brown*, *Regent*

Alberta Colony Report

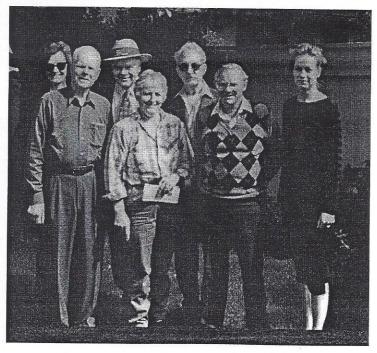
The Alberta Colony executive meeting was held on June 28th at the home of our Secretary Leslie Chisholm and her husband Richard. We had a full agenda, which included the report of the nominating committee. With approval at our annual meeting on November 8th, we will have a number of new executive members. It was not all business. Leslie and Richard supplied a delicious luncheon and we had favorable conditions for a good visit.

We are distressed to report that our Vice-Regent, Virginia Wallace, is recovering from serious surgery; however, we are happy to hear that she is making satisfactory progress. We have been fortunate to have Virginia representing our Edmonton members.

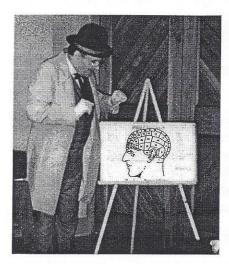
Neil Lund is looking after our Edmonton dinner this year which will be held October 23. The location at this writing has not yet been confirmed. We are very happy that Neil has taken on this assignment, to replace Virginia Wallace who handled it so ably the past two years. Our Calgary dinner this year will be held November 6th, again at the Willow Park Golf and Country Club. Leslie Chisholm will be looking after the program.

Peter Young, Alberta Regent.

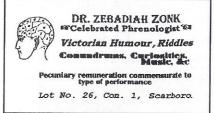
Below: The executive of the Alberta Colony at its meeting on June 28, 1999. Back Row L-R: Margaret Brodylo, Captain; David Kelley, Vice Regent; Al Collins, Publicity Director; Front Row L-R: Peter Young, Regent; Kaaren Matthews, Genealogist and Historian; Phillip Thorpe, Past Regent and Treasurer; Leslie Chisholm, Secretary. Missing from the picture were Virginia Wallace, who is recovering from surgery, and Terry Smith, Elder.



Phrenology as Science and Whimsy



John Warburton in his character of Dr. Zebadiah Zonk, explains the 'science' of phrenology at the Spring Tea.



R. ZEBADIAH ZONK, practicing Phrenologist at Black Creek Pioneer Village introduced himself, and his topic, the history of phrenology. A very entertaining lecture began, complete with Victorian riddles, puns, and of course readings of the bumps on the heads of some brave Volunteers to determine their characters.

Dr. Zonk, aka John Warburton, told us that phrenology was discovered by the Austrian physician Franz Joseph Gall, who was one of the first to consider the brain as the home of all mental activities, and to see a connection between character to precise brain locations. He believed the shape of the head represented the form of the brain, and therefore the development of the brain organs. He and other phrenologists, such as Johann Spurzheim, George and Andrew Comb, and the Fowler brothers, Lorenso and Orson, brought the study of phrenology to North America. Phrenology became quite

popular during the nineteenth century. Thomas Edison consulted a phrenologist, and Mrs. Susanna Moodie was amused by a lecture by a visiting phrenologist. It was also quite profitable. The lessons were often free, but a reading could cost \$2.00. Although unscrupulous con men often exploited the gullible, a reputable phrenologist could help parents push their children in the right direction by a careful and judicious reading of the bumps on their heads. Phrenology is still studied by those learning psychiatry. It is no longer considered a science, but rather an empirical sys-

At the end of the lecture Mr. Paul Hill thanked John Warburton for his entertaining speech, and hoped he would see him soon as a member of our Society. Mr. Warburton is working with our Historian, Susan Roser, to prove his Mayflower ancestry. (Thanks to our Recording Secretary Debbie Clarke for this fine condensation of John Warburton's 'lecture.')

Attends reunion

DAVID KELLEY, VICE REGENT of the Alberta colony, attended his graduating class of 1949 (50 year reunion) at Harvard University in late May. He received the Tatiana Proskouriakoff award granted by the Peabody Museum of Harvard, for work in deciphering Maya script. While in Boston he attended the Institute of Medieval Genealogy sponsored by The New England Historical & Genealogical Society. David received his Ph.D. from Harvard in 1957, in Archeology, and accepted a position at the University of Calgary in 1968. The Alberta Colony appreciates his knowledge in the genealogy of Mayflower descendants in addition to many other aspects of genealogy. (Thanks to Peter Young, Alberta Regent)

Early massacre

AN INTERESTING LITTLE FOOTNOTE about one line of Mel Donald's ancestors. Hannah⁷ ROGERS in 1790 married Amos Hilton. Amos's greatgrandfather James Stilson was shot dead in Maine in 1689 by a marauding group of French-inspired Micmacs from New Brunswick. His infant child was bashed against a tree and thrown on the fires. The widow and three other children were taken captives, taken on a trek to Quebec City, where they were sold as household servants. They were later redeemed and brought back to New England. Life was a bit hazardous for our New England ancestors. (Thanks to Mel Donald, Canadian Society Elder)

Help Wanted!

Someone to Help us update and maintain our Web Page. If interested please contact Susan Roser.

Moving?

WITH EACH ISSUE of the Canadian Pilgrim several are returned with the notation "Moved — left no address." IF YOU ARE MOVING, please let the Society know, so we can ensure delivery to you.

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An incorrect postal code may be the cause of non-delivery of your *Mayflower Quarterly*. If your MQ envelope has an incorrect address, please let us know.

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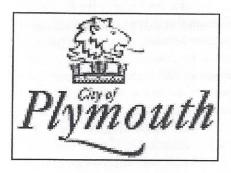
Where our readers *always* have the last word

"I have just finished reading the Spring 1999 issue of the *Canadian Pilgrim*, which arrived this morning. The layout, photos, graphics, and content are wonderful. Thanks so much for keeping us so well informed in such an entertaining and professional way." *Wilfred Allan, Nova Scotia*

"Dale: You are doing a great job on Canadian Pilgrim. I really appreciate the detail. You may be interested in this: I recently obtained from the Royal Mint a 1998 Bermuda coin, a \$3.00 proof silver triangular coin depicting the small ship, the Deliverance, the ship built from the wreckage of the Sea Venture, against a background map of the general area. It is very attractive and I am pleased to have it, as one of my seven ancestor Mayflower passengers, Stephen Hopkins, was one of the people who survived the wreck." Vernon R. Vickery, Kentville NS

"I am contacting you from Plymouth, England. Plymouth City Council is intending to build a new visitor centre to tell the history of the Barbican area. One of the major stories to be celebrated is that of the departure of the Pilgrim Fathers in 1620. The Barbican area, actually known as Sutton Harbour or historically Sutton Pool has other historical stories which demand interpreting. This project is long overdue. Part of

the Sutton Harbour Project is to build a new visitor centre merely a stones throw from the Mayflower Steps. The project also involves the creation of a living history museum at Elizabethan House where William Butten was reputedly to have dined his last meal in England. The living history museum will focus on the departure of the Pilgrim Fathers. It is an international story which Plymouth, as is typical of my countrymen, gloriously understate. I hope with this project we can begin to do justice to this incredible history." Tim Bacon, Plymouth. England



Editor's note: Two men died on the Mayflower passage of 1620. One was William Button, mentioned above, a young servant to Samuel Fuller, who died without known descendants on 6 Nov 1620, when the Mayflower was nearing Cape Cod. The other was a sailor whose death is related with vengeful glee by Governor Bradford on page four of this newsletter.

"Last year I sent gift subscriptions for the *Canadian Pilgrim* to seven relatives from Ontario to British Columbia who are qualified to become official members, but have not yet taken the steps to do so. This year I have taken out two subscriptions for two married grand daughters. I am impressed with the newsletter, and hope it will prick potential members to become members. Peter Young, Alberta Regent

Editor's note: What can I say? ... except to ask Others to consider taking out subscriptions for your own non-member relatives to encourage them to join up. Please see the enclosed gift subscription form.

Wanted

Have you had your photo taken at a Mayflower monument or site or occasion? Send a picture with names and story for inclusion in the Newsletter. I have not yet received any pictures for the Spring edition. Get yours in early!

Do you have anecdotes or stories about your Mayflower ancestors? (See Mel's story on p. 3 of this newsletter).

Any good yarns and stories suitable for the 'Odds and Ends' section?

We welcome these.

We welcome Your Letters to the Editor

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