

NEW BRUNSWICK BIBLE

One of the treasures genealogists are always on the lookout for is Family Bibles. The problem with many is that they have descended through the female line and the connection to the original names becomes remote. In my own family the names in Bibles are Penn from the 1700's and Ward and Trehearne from the early 1800's. With each generation the connection to these families becomes more remote.

It was therefore with excitement I read a recent email from Lawton "John" Johnson stating he had in his possession a Whitlock Family Bible for the Loyalist family that settled in New Brunswick in 1783!! Even better that there were entries dating back to the 1780's.

John Johnson Bible had the following entries:

"Charlotte Whitlock, the daughter of Thomas & Ann Whitlock was born in the year of our Lord 1771, the 9th day of September at half past nine o'clock in the morning.

William Whitlock, the son of Thomas & Ann Whitlock was married to Jane Haslett [Hallett], the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Haslett [Hallett], the 21st (??) day of February in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and eighty-five, Paiss Town (??) New Brunswick.

Edward Land (Sand), the son of Georg and Jamina (??) Land (Sand) was married to Anna Whitlock the daughter of Thomas and Ann Whitlock, August 4th in the year of our Lord, one thousand 700 and eighty five."

Unfortunately there is no place listed for the birth of Charlotte Whitlock in 1771. It would have been just too much luck to be able to confirm she was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania as I suspect (See March 2001 issue).

In all this gives an additional child for Thomas & Ann (Taylor) Whitlock and the dates of marriage for two of their children. A wonderful addition to our files and our thanks to John Johnson for adding this information to our files.

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