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Good morning to all and a belated Happy Thanksgiving as well as a timely Merry Christmas to all. For whatever reasons which are not of much use here, I did not get out a newsletter for the past couple of months, so we are indulging in make-up version.

I keep wondering when the weatherman is going to tell us that winter has finally arrived. These nice days are not conducive to getting much accomplished indoors. And if I am inside you will find me in my sewing room working on gifts and such. I hope I have not bitten off more than I can chew, as Mother used to say. I did get my quilts and totes finished for the veterans at the VA in Topeka. And I am making good progress on the fights I decided to make for my family. Now if my machines just do not lie down on me, at least until after these holidays. That sounds like the same old song, I know and it is.

Dan is still doing a little wrangling with our taxes as he fell heir to the treasurership without being able to use the old records for guidance. That is due to Bill's untimely demise. if course. Dan is very capable and so we know he will get it shaped up in good time.

I really hope you took advantage of all those opportunities to visit with family members and learn what you could about your family history from those who lived it, at Thanksgiving dinner. You get another wonderful chance this month, or most of you will.

Do take what you know and apply for your ancestor to be included in our Forgotten Settler Series. The information you need to apply is on our website: www.KCGS.us

I have been reading:

New Irish records available:

CAVAN, Genealogy Archives - Headstones

Drung Old Cemetery (Updated)

Laragh (CoI) New Graveyard

Ballyjamesduff (CoI) Graveyard

<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/cavan/photos/tombstones/marker-s.htm>

DONEGAL, Genealogy Archives - Headstones

Alt Upper, Presbyterian Church Graveyard

Raymoghy (CoI) Graveyard, Manorcunningham

Stranorlar, Parish Church (CoI) Graveyard Part 1(Updated)

<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/donegal/photos/tombstones/marker-s.htm>

DUBLIN, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Mt Jerome, Dublin - Part 181
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/dublin/photos/tombstones/mt-jerome-ndx4.htm>

DUBLIN, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Deansgrange Cem., St. Anne's Section, Pt. 8
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/dublin/photos/tombstones/deans-grange-ndx.htm>

DUBLIN, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Golden Bridge Cemetery - Part 3 (H-L)
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/dublin/photos/tombstones/gold-en-bridge.htm>

LEITRIM, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Gortletteragh Cem., Cloone (Additional)
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/leitrim/photos/tombstones/markers.htm>

MONAGHAN & FERMANAGH, Genealogy Archives - Church Records
Clones Registers, Burials 1811-1814 (E. Division)
Clones Registers, Marriages 1826-1829 (Eastern Division)
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/monaghan/church.htm>

MONAGHAN, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Corlea Presbyterian Graveyard

<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/monaghan/photos/tombstones/markers.htm>

ROSCOMMON, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Bumlin Cem., Strokestown
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/roscommon/photos/tombstones/markers.htm>

SLIGO, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Sligo Cem. - New Pt., Section A (Surnames D-G)
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/sligo/photos/tombstones/sligo-cem.htm>

TYRONE, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Fivemiletown Cemetery (Additional)
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/tyrone/photos/tombstones/markers.htm>

WATERFORD, Genealogy Archives - Headstones
Johns Hill, Waterford City - Parts 1-3
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/waterford/photos/tombstones/johns-hill.htm>

WEXFORD, Genealogy Archives - Newspapers
Work House Admissions & Deaths, As-sorted
<http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/ire/wexford/news.htm>

from Fantasyland by Kurt Andersen. From the earliest days, and continuing for decades and even centuries, promoters of the New World enticed colonizers with the promise of riches, causing the historian Daniel Boorstin to suggest that 'American civilization [has] been shaped by the fact that there was a kind of natural selection here of those people who were willing to believe in advertising':

"Although [Sir Walter] Raleigh never visited North America himself, he believed that in addition to its gold deposits, his realm might somehow be the biblical Garden of Eden. ... A large fraction of the first settlers dispatched by Raleigh became sick and died. He dispatched a second expedition of gold-hunters. It also failed, and all those colonists died. But Sir Walter continued believing the dream of gold. ...

"In 1606 the new English king, James, despite Raleigh's colonization disasters, gave a franchise to two new private enterprises, the Virginia Company of London and the Virginia Company of Plymouth, to start colonies. The southern one, under the auspices of London, they named Jamestown after the monarch. Their royal charter was clear about the main mission: 'to dig, mine, and search for all Manner of Mines of Gold ... And to HAVE and enjoy the Gold.' As Tocqueville wrote in his history two centuries later, 'It was ... gold-seekers who were sent to Virginia. No noble thought or conception above gain presided over the foundation of the new settlements.' Two-thirds of those first hundred gold-seekers promptly died. But the captain of the expedition returned to England claiming to have found 'gold showing mountains.' ... In fact, Jamestown ore they dug and refined and shipped to England turned out to be iron pyrite, fool's gold....

"The gold fantasy wasn't limited to colonists in the South. Those dispatched at the same time by the Plymouth Company, 120 of them, landed up on the Maine coast, also looking for gold and a faster route to Asia. They found signs of neither. But their desperation to believe the impos-

sible is funny and sad. No gold so far, the colony president wrote home, but 'the natives constantly affirm that in these parts there are nutmegs, mace and cinnamon.' Tropical spices growing in New England?...

Advertisement for the Virginia Company

"Down in Virginia, meanwhile, more than six thousand people had emigrated to Jamestown by 1620, the equivalent of a midsize English city at the time. At least three-quarters had died but not the abiding dream. People kept coming and believing, hopefulness becoming delusion. It was a gold rush with no gold. *Fifteen years* after Jamestown's founding, a colonist wrote a friend to request a shipment of nails, cutlery, vinegar, cheese -- and also to make excuses for why he hadn't quite yet managed to get rich: 'By reason of my sickness & weakness I was not able to travel up and down the hills and dales of these countries but doo now intend every day to walk up and down the hills for good Minerals here is both gold [and] silver.'

"The sickness and weakness and death continued. Gold remained a chimera. Two decades into the seventeenth century, English America was a failing start-up, a vaporware tragedy and farce. But back in England the investors and their promotional agents continued printing posters, hyperbolic testimonials, and dozens of books and pamphlets, organizing lotteries, and fanning out hucksterish blue smoke. Thus the first English-speaking Americans tended to be the more wide-eyed and desperately wishful. 'Most of the 120,000 indentured servants and adventurers who sailed to the [South] in the seventeenth century,' according to the University of Pennsylvania historian Walter McDougall's history of America, *Freedom Just Around the Corner*, 'did not know what lay ahead but were taken in by the propaganda of the sponsors.' The historian Daniel Boorstin went even further, suggesting that 'American civilization [has] been shaped by the fact that there was a kind of natural selection here of those people who were willing to believe in advertising.' Western civilization's first great advertising campaign was created in order to inspire enough dreamers and suckers to create America.

"As a get-rich-quick enterprise, Virginia was a bust. The colonists who stayed resorted to the familiar drudgery of agriculture, although the cash crop that saved them was a harbinger of a certain future America -- it was indigenous, nov-

el, glamorous, inessential, psychoactive, and addictive: tobacco."

Exclusive Ellis Island and Other New York Passenger Lists Content Added to MyHeritage

We're excited to announce that we've added the collection, Ellis Island and other New York Passenger Lists, 1820 – 1957, consisting of 90 million records, to SuperSearch™. The new collection has 94 million names, and includes 26.6 million names of the relatives of the passengers, that are not found on any other genealogy website! We've also stitched together double pages into single images for the first time, overcoming a problem that genealogists have faced for years on other websites, of missing key information.

US -The Federation of Genealogical Societies and the website Fold3 have put online additional pension records from the War of 1812. This latest addition covers the last names from M(Moore) to Q.

As described on the Fold3 website, "This series consists of approximately 180,000 pension and bounty land warrant application files relating to claims based on service between 1812 and 1815. The files generally contain documentation submitted in support of a claim, such as the original application form, affidavits, and statements from witnesses." A typical file lists the veteran's name, age, place of residence, widow's name, date of marriage, military service, date of the veteran's death, etc.

For those who are not familiar with Fold3, they are an ancestral record website that specializes in historic US military records. Fold3 is owned by Ancestry. It is a subscription website, but for this record set access is free. [[War of 1812 Pension Application Records](#)]

Denmark — FamilySearch has put online the 1930 Danish census. There are some 3.6 million records in this collection. The 1930 Danish census was actually taken on 5 November 1929. The information varies in each census record depending on where the person lived in the country. Essentially, there were three schedules – one for rural residents, one for city residents, and one for Copenhagen residents.

The information common for all records includes the full name of the person, where they lived, whether they were present the night of the census, sex, date of birth, place of birth, occupation and relationship to the head of the household. Marital status and citizenship were also included in the rural and city schedules (but oddly enough, not for the Copenhagen schedule).

The digitized images for this collection come from MyHeritage. The original records come from the National Archives of Denmark. The records can be searched by first name and last name. Access is free. [[Denmark 1930 Census](#)]

Denmark — FamilySearch has significantly increased their collection of Danish church records. Some 18.7 million additional indexed records have recently been added to the collection, which spans the years from 1484 to 1941.

These church records are mainly baptism, marriage and death records. It is interesting to note that in Denmark, baptism records listed the mother's maiden name, marriage records listed the address of the couple and death records listed both the date of death and the date of burial.

These records can be searched by first name and last name. Access is free. [[Historic Danish Baptism Records](#)]

US – FamilySearch has added another one million indexed records to their 1895 New Jersey state census collection. This is an important collection because many immigrants who arrived at the port of New York would often live in New Jersey for a year or two before heading off to other parts of America (see [Ellis Island Immigration Facts](#)). Bottom line: your ancestors may have spent some time in the state.

This collection can be searched by first name and last name. Access is free.

Croatia – FamilySearch has indexed an additional 42,000 records from their Delnice Catholic Church collection. Delnice is a town in western Croatia about 40 kilometers from Rijeka.

These are baptism, marriage and death records that span the years from 1725 to 1926. The records in this collection can be searched by first name and last name. Access is free.

[[Historic Delnice Baptism Records](#)]

Canada – FamilySearch continues to add more records to their collection of Canada passenger lists. These lists cover the period from 1881 to 1922 and the latest additions add a further 33,000 records to the collection. This collection can be searched by first name and last name. Alternatively, you can browse through the 145,000 images in the collection, which are organized by port of arrival and month/year. Access is free. [[Historic Canada Passenger Lists](#)]

US – The *Troy Irish Genealogy Society* in Troy, New York continues to add new records to their online collection. The latest additions are transcripts of headstones from St Agnes cemetery in Menands, New York.

Most headstones list such things as full name, date of birth and date of death of the deceased. Also, many headstones are shared

with the spouse and other family members, so this information will be available as well.

The city of Troy is on the banks of the Hudson River just north of Albany, the capital of New York State. It was once a popular stop for Irish immigrants, who were drawn to the area by its steel making and shirt making facilities. The population of Troy today is roughly the same as it was 100 years ago. Access to the online records of the Troy Irish Genealogy Society is free. [[Troy New York Genealogy Records](#)]

Canada – The Canada 1921 census is now available for free on the Library and Archives Canada (LAC) website.

Several years ago, LAC signed a contentious contract with Ancestry whereby in exchange for Ancestry taking the time to digitize and transcribe the Canada 1921 census (or more specifically, the microfilm of the census), Ancestry had the exclusive rights to put the census records on their subscription website for a period of four years starting in August 2013. Now four years later, LAC has put the records on their website.

With some exceptions, national censuses in Canada are done every ten years. The Canada 1921 census was the sixth national census and it follows the one taken in 1911. One big advantage of the 1921 census is that it asks questions about the birthplace of both parents. The 1921 census was taken on 1 June 1921. At that time, Canada had a total population count of 8,788,483 people, or about 25% of the country's population today.

One thing to note with this collection is that the original records from the 1921 census were destroyed when the records were transferred to microfilm back in 1955. The quality of these microfilm images varies enormously, and the odd image is (unfortunately) unreadable.

These records can be searched by first name, last name, age, province and keyword. If you cannot find your ancestors by searching by name (we had this problem), you might want to consider scanning the images by location if you happen to know where your ancestors lived. Alternatively, try searching for your ancestors by alternative name spellings (the Ancestry translation was not always the best). See the LAC website for more details. Access is free. [[Canada 1921 Census](#)]

Australia – FamilySearch.org has created a new record collection of South Australia immigrant ship papers. So far, some 200,000 records have been indexed.

This collection spans the years from 1849 to 1940 and consists mainly of passenger lists for both arrivals and departures from South Australia. A typical record lists the ship's name, name of the passenger, age, sex, occupation, nationality, date, port and the destination. The original records come from the State Records of South Australia.

These records can be searched by first name and last name. Access is free. [[South Australia Immigrant Ship Records](#)]

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are free to access.*

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