
Subject: Re: Lake Family Ancestor

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Hi Wesley:

I have completed 3 hours of work on your family. I can provide scans of pretty well anything that is listed here, if you desire. Here is what I have:

The book on the Loyalist families of Ernestown by Russ Waller does not show a Mary Lake who seems to fit the description. The only Ward in the book is Samuel Ward, born 1808, and his wife Mary Simmons and their family.

Rev. John Langhorn's register:

marriage of Andrew Bartels and Elizabeth Lake, a widow, both of Ernestown, Apr. 23, 1812
marriage of James Lake and Elizabeth Storms, both of St. Thomas's, Ernestown, March 18, 1813
marriage of Nathan Fellows and Mary Lake, both of Ernestown, Aug. 6, 1812
marriage of John Lake and Sarah Stover, both of Ernestown, July 29, 1810
marriage of John Longwill and Margaret Lake, both of Ernestown, Sept. 15, 1790
marriage of Gideon Shurtleff and Mary Ward, both of Ernestown, Feb. 1, 1798
baptism of Mary Ward, daughter of William and Mary, in Ernestown, Dec. 28, 1796
burial of William Ward of Ernestown, Feb. 10, 1797

Rev. John Stuart's register:

burial of Elias Lake, Mar. 9, 1801

From Early Methodist Records of the area:

Joseph Johnson married Mary Ward, her second marriage. She was the daughter of Ashel Ward, U.E.
Jacob Dennis (Denyes) married Sarah Lake
John Sine married Letty Lake, daughter of Nicholas Lake, U.E.

Rev. Robert McDowall's register:

Simon Althouse married Sarah Lake in Ernestown, Aug. 17, 1818
David Perry married Elizabeth Ward in Ernestown Oct. 18, 1802
Moses Ward, of Ernestown, married Polly Colton of Richmond, Apr. 20, 1802
Samuel Ward married Lydia Smith in Ernestown, Sept. 17, 1805
John Ward married Christiana Hough in Ernestown, July 26, 1807
Samuel Ward, born May 15, 1768, baptized Nov. 14, 1802
Sabara Ward, daughter of Samuel Ward and Lydia Smith, born Sept. 25, 1810

Wm. Madden, will probated July 22, 1846, willed his belongings to his wife Margaret and his adopted son James Madden Lake.

Guardianship rolls of Midland District show Daniel P. Lake, Ebenezer Perry, Jeremiah Storms and Daniel W. Perry taking over the guardianship of 3 Ventin children, sons of John J., in 1845

Upper Canada Land Petitions for Mary Lake:

1. FELLOWS/LAKE Mary Ernestown (Mamora) 1829
2. FELLOWS/LAKE Mary Ernestown 1818
3. FREEL/LAKE Mary Loughborough 1809
4. Hagle/Lake Mary Ernestown 1850
5. Lake Mary Ernestown 1810 (You had to be either married or 21 to put in a petition, so that rules out this one and many of the others)
6. Lake/Reed Mary Thurlow 1807
7. Lake/Willson Mary Grenville 1794
8. Laughlen/Lake Mary Loughborough 1818

Upper Canada Land Petitions for Mary Ward:

1. Edmunds/Ward Mary York 1812
2. Playter/Ward Mary Cramahe 1803
3. Simmons/Ward Mary Ernestown 1833

Searching petitions from all Mary's from Ernestown did not bring up anything that stood out as a likely candidate. I can look up and scan any petitions that you consider interesting.

I found no Mary Lake in the marriage bonds of Upper Canada. Bonds from the correct area were: Alexander Lake and Mary Blackaby, both of Loughborough, 1832 Kingston
Christopher Lake and Christianna Napp, both of Loughborough, 1832 Kingston
Davis Harley (an error for Hawley) of Fredericksburgh and Amelia Lake, 1832, Napanee

There was nothing in "More Notices from Methodist Papers, 1830-1857"

From Reid's "Marriage Notices of Upper Canada":

Denis Lake to Mary Ann Pickle, both of Ernestown, Nov. 17, 1831
Thomas Empey of Ernestown to Samantha Lake of Portland on Dec. 18, 1853

From "Ontario Marriage Notices":

Christopher G. Cramer & Mary Lake, both of Napanee on Apr. 3, 1839

From "Obituaries from Canada's Christian Guardian":

James Lake, father of Rev. J.N. Lake, Wesleyan minister, London, died Oct. 19, 1867 at his residence in Morven (Ernestown), aged 75.

Nicholas Lake was born at Little Husic, Bennington Co., N.Y. in 1781 and came to Canada as a child with his father, a U.E.L., settling on the Rideau. He died in Mariposa, June 12, 1863, aged 82; survived by a daughter.

From "More Notices from Ontario's Methodist Papers, 1858-1872":

Aaron Lake Sr., who joined the P.M. church in Storrington with several members of his family 11 years ago, died in Storrington, 4th inst., aged 76; survived by his children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lake, born in the U.S. in Dec., 1877, died in Storrington in Feb., 1872, after a fall on her cellar stairs; survived by 11 sons and daughters, 4 of whom are local preachers.

From "Obituaries from Ontario's Christian Guardian, 1873-1880:

Mrs. Margaret Lake, daughter of Samuel and Jane McChesney Bell, was born at Clifton Park, near Albany, N.Y., July 4, 1778 and raised Protestant. In the spring of 1812, because of the prospect of war between Britain and the U.S., the family moved to Canada, and settled in Ernestown Twp., near the village of Bath. On Jan. 26, 1822, she married James Lake, and joined the Methodist Church. In Jan., 1853, her 4 sons and 3 daughters-in-law were converted. She died Jan. 25, 1876 at the residence of her son Silas F. Lake, Ernestown; predeceased by her husband 8 years earlier.

From "More Obituaries from Ontario's Methodist Papers":

John Lake was converted when a boy upwards of 50 years ago under the ministry of the Reformed Methodists in Storrington....Three years ago, he moved from Storrington to a rented farm near Elginburg. Because of liver complaint, he retired 2 years later to the village, where he died Jan. 2, 1883; survived by his wife and children.

From "Ernestown" by Larry Turner: "In the same month, or thereabout, Rev. Losee undertook to build a second church. The site was in second township or Ernestown, and on the front, not far east of the village of Bath. The principal persons who aided in building this meeting house were James Parrot, John Lake, Robert Clarke, Jacob Miller and others. According to a document dated March 26, 1802, Joseph Jewell, presiding elder of the Methodist Societies in Upper Canada, appointed James Parrot, Robert Clark, Jacob Miller, John Lake, George Miller, James Lake and Matthew Clark to be trustees to the Methodist meeting house now standing on lot 27, first concession in Ernestown.

"Families like the Fairfield's and Clark's may have prospered along the front, but others, like the Parrott's, Lake's, Shibley's and Aylesworth families moved to rear concessions."

"James P. Lake moved his carriage-making business to Napanee to be closer to the GTR station there."

From "Men of Upper Canada, militia rolls, 1828-1829"

In the Addington militia were Daniel Lake (aged 22), another Daniel Lake, (aged 24), James Lake Jr. (aged 33), Nicholas Lake (aged 28), and William Lake (aged 23), Christopher Ward, James Ward and William Ward. (no ages given for the Wards)

I have the estate documents of John Lake Sr. He doesn't mention a daughter Mary.

The John Collins Clark diary has several mentions of the Lake family, but nothing for Mary. It says that John Lake Sr. of Adolphustown, died Oct. 21, 1857. William Lake died May 22, 1859. William Ward died July 28, 1860, aged 88. Mrs. William Ward died Oct. 2, 1842. There is no mention of Robert Harrison in it.

I have a locations register or assessment roll from 1820 Ernestown. It shows that James Lake is leasing all of lot 13, concession 4 from the government. John Lake is located on the west half of lot 15, concession 4. A James Lake is located on the east half of lot 19, conc. 4. A John Leak (i.e., Lake) is located on the west half of lot 20, conc. 4. A John Lake is on the west half of lot 24, conc. 4. Samuel Ward was on lot 25, conc. 7. William Ward was on lot 28, conc. 7.

I also looked at the family names in the index to the Kingston newspaper: I have underlined the one I thought might be relevant. I have a scan of that notice.

HARRISON

Harrison, Robert One of a detachment of men who escorted weapons from Kingston to Toronto. Kingston Chronicle and Gazette Dec. 19, 1837 p. 2, col. 4

Harrison, Robert Letter at the Kingston Post Office. Kingston Chronicle and Gazette Sept. 8, 1841 p. 3, col. 5, 6

Harrison, R. R. Harrison of Wilton forbids persons to harbour his wife Polly Harrison. British Whig Aug. 22, 1834 p. 1, col. 3

Harrison, Robert Letter at the Napanee Post Office. Kingston Chronicle June 18, 1831 p. 3, col. 3

Harrison, Robert Letter from Camden at the Bath Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Jan. 1, 1831 p. 3, col. 6

Harrison, Robert Letter from Camden at the Bath Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Dec. 11, 1830 p. 3, col. 4 weekly to Kgt. Chr., Dec. 25, 1830 1830, p. 3, col. 4

- Harrison, Robert Letter at the Bath Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Apr. 13, 1827 p. 3, col. 5
 Harrison, Robert Letter at the Kingston Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Oct. 13, 1825 p. 3, col. 3
 Harrison, Robert Letter at the Kingston Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Oct. 11, 1822 p. 3, col. 3

LAKE

- Lake, John Of Ernestown, assaulted by Mr. Lennon and Mr. O'Conner. Kingston Chronicle Sept. 11, 1830 p. 2, col. 4-5
 Lake, Mr. James Letter at the Kingston Post Office. Kingston Chronicle and Gazette Dec. 6, 1834 p. 3, col. 4, 5
 Lake, Mr. James Present at the meeting of the Midland District Agricultural Society. Kingston Chronicle Sept. 17, 1831 p. 3, col. 3
 Mr. Lake Chosen to view the Bulls, Cows, and Horned Cattle at the Napanee Fair, Sept. 1838. Kingston Chronicle and Gazette Feb. 20, 1839 p. 3, col. 1-2

WARD

- Ward, Wm. Letter at the Kingston Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Apr. 8, 1825 p. 3, col. 4
 Ward, Wm. Letter at the Bath Post Office. Kingston Chronicle Oct. 24, 1823 p. 3, col. 2
 weekly to Nov. 21, 1823 p. 1, col. 1
 Ward, Wm. Marries Susannah Dell. Kingston Chronicle Sept. 22, 1820 p. 3, col. 5
 Ward, Wm. Signature on Ernestown address to Lt. Gov. Maitland. Kingston Chronicle Jan. 29, 1819 p. 2, col. 4, 5 (I have a scan of this)
 Ward, Wm. Letter at the Ernestown Post Office. Kingston Gazette June 14, 1818 p. 3, col. 5
 Ward, Samuel John Kirby and Allan Macpherson. Ad for farm in Ernestown Township. Lots No. 25 and 26, in the 7th Concession, formerly the property of Samuel Ward. Kingston Chronicle June 17, 1825 p. 4, col. 5
 Ward, Samuel Letter at the Kingston Post Office. Chronicle and Gazette Sept. 6, 1843 p. 3, col. 4-6
 Ward, Samuel Letter at the Bath Post Office. Kingston Chronicle June 18, 1829 p. 2, col. 6
 Ward, Moses Ernestown, For sale, a farm in the 7th concession about 6 miles from Napanee Mills. Kingston Gazette Sept. 23, 1817 p. 1, col. 5
 Ward, Moses Ernestown, For sale, a farm in the 7th concession about 6 miles from Napanee Mills. Kingston Gazette Sept. 16, 1817 p. 1, col. 5
 Ward, Moses Ernestown, For sale, a farm in the 7th concession about 6 miles from Napanee Mills. Kingston Gazette Sept. 9, 1817 p. 3, col. 5
 Ward, Moses Ernestown, For sale, a farm in the 7th concession about 6 miles from Napanee Mills. Kingston Gazette Sept. 2, 1817 p. 3, col. 5

That's as far as I was able to get on the 3 hours. So, first of all, let me know if there is anything here of which you wish me to email scans. Secondly, do you wish me to continue?

My suggestions for further research include:

the Burleigh papers at Queen's University Archives, the Anglican Archives, for the early Anglican registers (I consider this one a must--if you don't wish to continue, but have not done this, then please arrange to get these registers searched--they are indexed at the Archives, which are in Kingston), the Township papers at the Archives of Ontario, for the lots we have identified as Lake property and possibly Ward property, the early deeds for any identified lots, together with memorials of transactions which may mention a wife's name.

Oh yes, I don't know if you are interested or not, and if not, that's fine, but I thought you might like to know that I have a really good used copy of Larry Turner's Ernestown for sale. I'm asking \$25.00 plus postage for it.

Hope you will find something of interest here.

Linda