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The descendants of Samuel Schwackhamer (Swackhamer) who, in 1730 settled in the New Jersey, in the Long Valley, and Philip DuFord (Dufford) who settled there in 1738.

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ANNUAL REUNION

Last Saturday of July at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Long Valley, N.J.

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS USED TO DESIGNATE FAMILY CONNECTION

(D) Dufford (S) Swackhamer (B) Dufford and Swackhamer (F) Friend

These symbols will not be used where the connection is obvious the absence of a symbol will be due to the uncertainty of connection. - Ed.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As of this writing a few remnants of summer still linger, but the evidence of fall cannot be denied. To our relatives in the distant past, this season of harvest and winter preparation would have been busy and demanding.

Today we labor in the name of progress, some with goals of worldly gain, but the vast majority still striving for home and family.

MAY YOUR HOLIDAY BE A PLEASANT ONE.

Stanley Dufford

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. Francis L. May (S) 56 Franklin Ave., Tunkhannock, Pa. 18657
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It is with regret that the business portion of the minutes must be deleted. Ed, "The twenty-first annual combined reunion of the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society was held on July 27, 1968, at the Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, New Jersey. Fifty persons signed the reunion register, somewhat fewer than last year. Regrets were received from a number of 'regulars' including Mr. C. Robert Brown and family of Morristown, N.J., who had to attend a wedding. The families of William Wert, Scotia, N.Y., and Jack Hughes, New York City, were absent because they are about to be 'enlarged'. Vice President James V. Wert found the pressure of personal affairs overwhelming, since he and his wife, Opal, had absented themselves from their farm earlier in the season for a Caribbean cruise. A number of persons in distant states and provinces found themselves unable to attend. By contrast, the reunion was glad to welcome back the former president, Dr. T. C. Swackhamer of the First Methodist Church in Stamford, Conn., who, after a bout of illness, found himself able to drive down with his wife. Mr. Geoffrey Hoffman (a Swackhamer) was the member from the most distant point - Chapel Hill, N.C. The vast majority of the members present was, as would be expected, from New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Some of these present had made the trip in spite of great age and considerable infirmity. It is to be hoped that their example of determination will inspire younger and more active members of the family to come to the reunion to renew ties and help preserve their heritage.

Mr. Christian Lanner of the Washington Township, Morris County, N.J., Historical Society, was presented. He spoke of the work being done to preserve historical documents, artifacts and sites in the area of the families' first settlement. He offered the families the use of the Historical Society facilities, suggested membership and displayed facsimilies of old maps.

Prior to the business meeting several hours of socializing and the traditional picnic were held.

The meeting unanimously voted thanks to Mr. Wesley Moren, Scotch Plains, N.J., retiring treasurer, who had indicated in the last issue of the 'Bulletin' his intention to resign. Mr. Moren recommended and nominated Mrs. Annette Wert Hart for the post. All other officers were renominated without opposition. The slate was elected unanimously and the secretary directed to cast a ballot for this purpose.

Mr. Robert Swackhamer of Dover, N.J., displayed a really fantastic heirloom blanket which was much admired. It is to be remembered that many of the progenitors are described in early records as 'weavers'.

Mr. Harold L. Gunther of Wanaque, N.J. spoke about the chart he showed several years ago on the Dufford ancestry. He said that since then many family members have sent him much information about their own branches so that now he is in the process of making a complete revision. He hopes that with the cooperation of Mr. Robert Brown (a Dufford) of Morristown, N.J. and Miss Eleanor Romaine (a Swackhamer) editor of the 'Bulletin', the chart, when complete, will be made available for all members of the family.

Mr. Edwin Huff, of Neshanic Station, N.J., a professional genealogist and a member of numerous patriotic and historical societies, extended his greetings and expressed approval of the reunion. Mr. Ronald Crater of Livingston, N.J. displayed a Swackhamer family Bible, dated 1736, which, unfortunately could be little more than admired since only a handful of persons present knew a few words of German.

Mrs. Meta Swackhamer sang 'God Bless This House' and 'The Poor Man's Garden' to the applause of the gathering.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Alan Painter, editor of the 'Hackettstown, N.J. Gazette' took pictures of the officers of the Society.

For another hour many lingered and chatted and many planned short trips to the ruins of the old stone church, the new library, old homesteads, churches and friends in the area."

Robert O. Hart, Secretary

BLESS THESE FOLKS

Mrs. Wesley Moren was so greatly impressed that she wrote the following tribute and requestion it be included in the "Bulletin".

"At our last meeting, we had a demonstration of Christianity in action. Our friends and regular members, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Suydam of Hopewell, N.J., brought three of their foster children. They came equipped with a play-pen and high chair for the smallest one. He happened to be the happiest little guy you ever saw. The older boys, who were possibly three and eight or nine, were a credit to the family as well as our reunion.

What a wonderful thing for people, who are physically equal to so much responsibility and love children who have no home! Theirs must be a labor of love and very rewarding."

PENNSYLVANIA SWACKHAMER REUNION

It has just come to our attention and further inquiry is being made so that we can enlarge on this in a subsequent issue. A Swackhamer Family Reunion has been held the third Sunday in July each year at Standing Stone, Pa. The attendance equals ours - 50 to 60 persons.

WE ARE DELIGHTED and are anxious to hear more of their activity.

OLD GERMAN BIBLE

Two hundred and thirty years ago the ship "Robert and Alice" of Dublin set sail from Rotterdam. Aboard, when it arrived in Philadelphia September 11, 1738, were Hans Michael Torenberger and Stephen Terryberry. It is believed one of these men brought with him a Bible now owned by Mr. Ronald Crater of Livingston, N.J.

The large wood and leather-bound Bible is written in German and was published in 1736 by Friedrich Battier and Theodor Gernler in Basel, Switzerland. The corners are of beautifully-chased metal.

It contains no family records but speculative tracing of the ownerships of this cherished possession has been fun. Our deduction or "educated guess" is that it became the property of Susanna Margaret Terryberry who married Johannes Swackhamer (son of Samuel 1st). After this it became known as the "Swackhamer Bible."

Mr. Ronald Crater acquired the Bible from Elva Crater Schaaf, wife of the late Dr. Royal Schaaf, now on Bunnsville, N.J. Inside the Bible is a notation "Property of Mrs. Elias Crater 1889." Mrs. Elias Crater was the former Catherine or Elizabeth Catherine Swackhamer, daughter of David Swackhamer and his first wife, Elsie Trimmer. David was the son of Fritz Swackhamer and Cate Anthony. Fritz was the son of Johannes (John) Swackhamer and Susanna Margaret Terryberry.

From the record it is certain the Bible was carried on from Philadelphia to the Long Valley in New Jersey where these families settled.

DRUG ABUSE

John Dufford, the dean of students at Pingry School in Hillside, N.J., was among nearly 100 teachers from every section of New Jersey recruited by the State Education Department for a pioneering training program to combat the rising use of narcotics by school children.

A four-day workshop to give the teachers the facts about narcotics abuses was held at Trenton State College on August 26. It is believed to be the first project of its kind in the country.

The program was designed to provide teachers with the "basic content" on the history, pharmacology, physiological and psycho-social aspects of drugs generally abused by young people.

The teachers themselves feel the program is essential and hope the information received will help establish programs to stem the use of drugs by students.

Mr. Dufford was quoted as saying "I feel there are more and more students becoming involved in the use and bause of drugs often without knowledge of what they are doing. In order to help the students, teachers definitely need an education in this field."

EVALUATOR

Mr. Robert O. Hart was chosen to act on a Eastern Divisional School Evaluation Committee last spring. They visit schools and judge their work for college standards. Mr. Hart is an instructor at Asbury Park, N.J. High School.

TO STUDY 'AFLOAT'

Miss Wendy Harriman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cy Harriman, of Westport, Conn., was accepted for enrollment on the fall 1968 semester-at-sea aboard World Campus Afloat, Chapman College.

Miss Harriman joined 500 other students from throughout the United States in New York October 9 for orientation and boarded the S.S. Ryndam October 10 to begin the 110 day study voyage to ports in South America, Africa and Europe.

She plans to study art during her semester "afloat".

Students carry a regular semester's units on the shipboard campus drawing from a liberal arts curriculum parallel to that offered on most land-based campuses. They attend classes six days a week at sea on the vessel which is equipped with classrooms, laboratories, library, art studio and student union.

Ashore, the academic program continues with pre-arranged lectures and seminars related to course work and visits to art galleries, museums, houses of government, religious institutions, factories, housing developments and hospitals. Overnight homestays with families, often are arranged as are social events with students from local universities.

Chapman, located in Orange, near Los Angeles, administers the one-semester transfer program which begins its fourth year and seventh voyage this fall.

THEIR ADDRESS ON HOMES TOURS

The Parsonage of the First Methodist Church of Stamford, Conn. was visited on a tour of homes sponsored by the Women's Club of Stamford on October 17. On display was the crewel embroidery done by Mrs. T. Cecil Swackhamer and the Swackhamer collection of Wedgwood and candle holders. October 18 and 19 the house was open to members of the Parish for viewing of the same collections.

THE INN SET

Miss Eleanor Romaine of Chatham, N.J. was accepted for membership in Flagon & Trencher, a society for descendants of Colonial Tavern Keepers. Miss Romaine is a descendant of the 17th century Tavern Keeper, Joris Jansen Rapalje.

GIVES ENCOURAGEMENT AND HOPE

Mrs. Frank L. Dufford is a member of the Board of Managers of Market Street Mission, Inc. of Morristown, N.J. They provide a home for homeless and transient men and are a member of the International Union of Gospel Missions.

SOUND OF MUSIC

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Paulu moved from Oklahoma City to Madison, Wisc. Mrs. Paulu is the former Catherine Dufford.

Norman is now at the University of Wisconsin and first violinist of the Pro Arte Quartet. Catherine continues to play and teach Oboe in that area.

STARTS THE TAKE-IT-EASY WAY OF LIFE

Mr. Frank E. Swackhamer of 155 Franklin Ave., Maplewood, N.J. retired from his position with the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company. Mr. Swackhamer completed forty-two years of service on September 30. He was a Representative in the East Orange Commercial Office.

Be LA-Z and enjoy yourself.

HALLELUJAH - NO COMMUTING

Mr. Norman E. Tufford accepted a new position on January 1, 1967 and has now moved his family to Munster, Indiana. With no more time wasted on commuting, he hopes to be able to work on his family history.

ZIP CODE NOW 33020

Mrs. Morgan Heede wrote "I hereby bequeath unto you my share of the cold weather from this day forth." She and her husband left September 24 on a one-way safari to Hollywood, Florida.

ILL HEALTH OF COUPLE FORCES MOVE

Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Murphy moved from Peapack, N.J. to an apartment attached to their daughter's home. The move was due to the poor health of both. Mrs. Murphy is the former Juliet Tiger, daughter of Mary C. Swackhamer Tiger and granddaughter of Samuel Swackhamer.

GOOD TIMES NOT FORGOTTEN

Mrs. Wendell P. B. Flynn (nee Verna Suydam) of Pemberton, Va. subscribed to the "Bulletin". She wrote "I looked forward to and enjoyed the Long Valley Reunions for many years. Mr. George Dufford and my grandfather, John Suydam, were old friends. They used to play the piano and violin together and have great fun.

I have a letter written to my grandfather by Mr. Dufford dated January 21, 1928. Enclosed was a copy of a poem written in honor of grandfather and the 'Old Violin'. The poem was later published in a book of poems by Mr. Dufford."

WORD GETS AROUND

Another new subscriber is the nephew of Miss Marion Henry of Loveland, Colo. Mr. Richard Leigh Henry of Flint, Michigan is employed by the Continental Insurance Company. Mr. Henry, who has become interested in family history, is the son of the late Laurimer Luther and Jeanette Wagner Henry. His grandparents, being Luther Philip and Gertrude DeLamartre Henry. Luther Philip was the son of Andrew B. and Elizabeth Dufford Henry.

Miss Marion Henry wrote that she had recently returned from a spring trip to the mid-west where she visited Henry and Dufford relatives in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Flint, Michigan. She said few of her generation were still living.

FOLLOWS HIS GRANDFATHER'S TRADE

Mr. Stanley Dufford of Austin, Texas has written for information on the family. He is the son of John Dufford who lives in West Richfield, Ohio and related to others living in Findlay, Ohio. Like his grandfather, the late James S. Dufford, Stanley is a butcher.

Mr. Dufford's family consists of his wife and two sons.

Although he has traveled in Europe and toured most of these United States, Mr. Dufford had not heard of any bearing the family name outside of the State of Ohio. As a subscriber of the "Bulletin" he will be amazed how widespread this family is.

UP, UP AND AWAY

Aloha! Miss Romaine is off to learn the Hula. Flying to Los Angeles on December 17, she will stay at The Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel in Hollywood. A friend will meet her there and they will leave on the 21st for a 15-day tour of Hawaii. When she returns she will be the guest of a friend who resides in Twentynine Palms, Calif. - located in the Mojave Desert. A "fling" in Las Vegas, Nevada is planned before she leaves for home.

Mrs. R. W. Cochran of Orlando, Florida took a month's tour of Japan. At at least one Inn in Japan, she slept on a mat on the floor. She expected to return home in September.

During the summer, Gladys Swackhamer of Santa Barbara, California took a trip with a friend. They visited five National Parks: Zion, Bryce, Grand Canyon, Yellowstone and Grand Teton. Enroute they stopped overnight in Battle Mountain, Nevada where they were told of members of a "second" generation Swackhamer family living and doing business there. They are William, Bruce and Richard Swackhamer and Grace Daley. Gladys regretted they arrived too late and left too early to get acquainted.

FOCUS ON LOVE

Dufford-Sadler Engagement

In August, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh H. Dufford, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft, N.J. announced the engagement of their daughter, Diane Patricia, to James Sadler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Sadler, 113 Alameda Court, Shrewsbury, N.J.

Miss Dufford is a graduate of Red Bank Catholic High School and Katharine Gibbs School, New York. She is employed by United Merchants and Manufacturers, Inc., N.Y.

Mr. Sadler was graduated from Christian Brothers Academy, Lincroft, N.J. and attended the University of Oklahoma at Norman. He is a radioman, serving in the Navy aboard the USS John King, based at Norfolk, Va.

HOPING YOU ARE FULLY RECOVERED

Mrs. Sarah E. Hastings of Piscataway, N.J. fell and dislocated the elbow of her left arm. Those who remember the heat and humidity suffered in August can appreciate Mrs. Hastings' added discomfort—a heavy plaster splint from wrist to armpit.

Constance Linster (Mrs. Donald) of North Plainfield, N.J. was hospitalized in February for virus pneumonia. She was still convalescing in July.

Mr. C. Robert Brown, who had planned to attend a family wedding so couldn't attend the Reunion, underwent surgery that day instead. He has just recently discarded the inflated rubber ring he carried to sit on.

Dr. T. Cecil Swackhamer reported he and Mrs. Swackhamer are well and going at a rapid rate now that the fall and winter programs have started.

IN MEMORIAN

"He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds." Psalms 147:3
 William B. Romaine, Sr. (a Swackhamer) of Williamsport, Pa. died on June 19, 1968 at the age of 58. Mr. Romaine was born in Newark, N.J., the son of Robert W. Romaine and Eleanor A. Tunison. He is survived by his wife Margaret Meyers Romaine and three sons by a former marriage to Jessie Healy: William B. Romaine, Jr. of Marlboro, N.J.; MSGT Melville Robert Romaine U.S. Air Force, Ramey A.F.B., Puerto Rico and Douglas Healy Romaine of Dover, N.J. He also left seven grandchildren and his sister, Miss Eleanor L. Romaine of Chatham, N.J.

Failing health forced his retirement. He had been a salesman for Breeze Corp. of Union, N.J. and Cooperative Industries of Chester, N.J.

Before moving to Williamsport, Pa. five years ago, Mr. Romaine had lived in East Orange and the Morris County area of New Jersey.

Services were conducted by the Pastor of the Church of which he and his wife were members. The Rev. Max Creswell of Northway United Presbyterian Church in Williamsport, Pa. comforted and helped the family to accept God's will. Interment was in Montoursville, Pa. Cemetery.

The "Bulletin" addressed to Miss Belle Dufford of Oberlin, Kansas was returned with the notation "Deceased". We extend sympathy to her family and will pay tribute in another issue if details are furnished.

G E N E A L O G Y

THE VALUE OF THE STUDY OF GENEALOGY by Robert C. Hart

I have been asked occasionally why I was interested in genealogy. Usually the people asking are showing a distaste for those who have become snobs in the reflected glory of some accomplished ancestor. Personally if I had a choice, I would pick famous rather than infamous ancestors but I would still say it is wrong to be a snob on this account. Others trot out their ancestors as a sort of compensation for their own lack of sense of personal worth. If you don't amount to anything, you can at least brag about your family.

The first thing that appeals to me about genealogy is the challenge of the intellectual hunt. There is a great satisfaction in tracing an elusive line back through the centuries, the migrations and the vicissitudes of human life. The feeling leads eventually to a sense of personal involvement in history; in fact, genealogy is history in microsm. Can you be moved by a general statement of a sailing vessel a hundred feet long, without heat, refrigeration or sanitary facilities, without a galley or bunks, bringing 50 persons to the new world during a two-months voyage? Not much--but if someone of your own flesh and blood was aboard, then it's a different story. Finally, you begin to appreciate that this imperfect world that we live in is actually a marvel of ease and security when you read what your ancestors did to keep alive. Before they baked their own bread they had to make their own yeast and flour; two men had to make two laborious cuts by hand the full length of a log to produce one board; and you raised sheep to spin wool into thread to weave into cloth before making your own clothes. Amidst all this labor, these people had time to invent the devices which make our life easier.

In short, I am interested in genealogy because it is fun to study it; it gives me more interest in history and I have a greater appreciation of the "head start" I had in life because of the stamina and inventiveness of my predecessors.

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MORE ABOUT THE REV. LAMBERT SWACKHAMER

In August, Mr. Payson Dufford wrote that he and his wife had just returned from their camp at Otsego Lake, seven miles north of Cooperstown, N.Y. which is four miles north of Rev. Lambert Swackhamer's grave at Hartwick Seminary and where the little church, which was built or partly-built by the Swackhamers, is located. Mr. Dufford said that he was confirmed in that Church and attended services there only a few Sundays ago. The old school, Hartwick Seminary, is across highway #28 from the Church. It is now a part of Hartwick College situated at Oneonta, N.Y. 18 miles south of the site of old Hartwick Seminary.

Mr. Dufford spent his boyhood there and has camped at Cooperstown 61 years.

Mr. Dufford kindly copied the biography of Rev. Lambert Swackhamer from "A Memorial Volume of the Semi-Centennial Anniversary of the Hartwick Lutheran Synod of the State of New York" published in 1881 by the Philadelphia Lutheran Publication Society. In part it reads:

"LAMBERT SWACKHAMER by Rev. James Pitcher

In the thickly populated little graveyard at Hartwick Seminary, there is an unpretending marble slab with this simple inscription:

Rev. Lambert Swackhamer

Died November 2, 1857 Aged 52 years 6 months 11 days

"Thou hast been faithful over a few things

I will make thee ruler over many things"

Rev. Lambert Swackhamer was born at German Valley, Morris County, New Jersey the 21st day of April 1805. He entered Hartwick Seminary to receive his preparation and theological education and in 1831 graduated from that institution. He was licensed by the New York Ministerium on September 9, 1831 and two years later was ordained at Dansville, N.Y. He continued twenty-five years in active Lutheran ministry. These years he accepted calls and served churches in Manheim and "The Osquack", Herkimer County. He formed congregations at Newville and Minden. Ill health forced him to retire for one year during which time he visited South Carolina, New Jersey and Otsego County, N.Y. He accepted a call to Lebanon, Hunterdon County, N.J. and here formed a congregation and built a church which he served five years. In April 1849 he moved to and became Pastor at Berne and Gullupville. From there he moved to Rockville (near Sharon Springs) where he continued until six weeks prior to death.

On June 19, 1828 he married Jennet McNaughton. They had four daughters and one son. The son died in 1875. Rev. Swackhamer's widow lived with a daughter, Mrs. Charles Whitbeck, of the Village of Hartwick Seminary.

In the biography Rev. Pitcher concluded "Scores and even hundreds of sinners had been awakened by his earnest preaching and exhortation, and we doubt not that many of these will rise up, at the last day and call him blessed because he was the means of their salvation." In the first year of his ministry he had one hundred fifty-one conversions.

WINNER '68

FROM PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF CANADA - Continued from Summer 1968 Issue of Bulletin

Sincere appreciation is expressed to the Dominion Archivists whose extensive research of indexes and logical sources provided the following information:

TUFFORD FAMILY

John Tufford

- 1 - On 12 December 1831, a marriage bond was issued to John Tufford of Ancaster, yeoman, and Margaret Gaffaney of West Flamborough, spinster, and was witnessed by William Petrie of West Flamborough and Jacob Lott of Ancaster
- 2 - On 8 January 1834, a marriage bond was issued to John Tufford of Brantford, carpenter and joiner, and Eliza Jane Duncomb of Brantford, spinster, and was witnessed by William L. Wadsworth of Brantford and M. Crooks of Ancaster
- 3 - In Brantford on 15 July 1839 John Tufford stated that he and his wife Eliza Jane Tufford were the assigners of Charles Duncomb for 200 acres of land, being lot numbers 5, 6, 7, and 8 in the 1st concession of Brantford, sold to him at the sale of Indian lands on 29 September 1835. He petitioned to be purchaser of said land and Robert Kirkpatrick to whom he had assigned a portion of the land be allowed to purchase that portion. It was recommended that the sale be perfected to the claimants, Tufford and wife and Kirkpatrick on payment of the purchase money with interest from the time of sale
- 4 - In Brantford on 19 July 1839, John Tufford of Brantford petitioned to be granted the patent for the south half of lot number 2 in the 2nd concession of Brantford by paying the money due to the government. He stated that he was the purchaser of the right of Charles Duncombe at the sheriffs sale at the Quit of Moses Duncombe who purchased it at the last sale of Indian lands. The Council did not recommend it as they did not recognize any sales of "convict traitors"

Leonard Tufford - The name of Private Leonard Tufford appears on a Roll of the 10th Company 1st Regiment Lincoln Militia dated 4 June 1821

Manassa Tufford - name appears on a list of Quakers, Menonists and Tunkards in the limits of the 10th Company 1st Regiment Lincoln Militia dated 23 April 1824

P. Dufford - name appears on a Roll of Captain John Jones' company of militia 1st Lincoln Regiment dated 4 June 1812

Philip Tufford - the name appears on an undated list of Menonists and also the name of Philip Tufford appears on a return of Quakers, Menonists and Tunkers within the limits of the 1st Regiment Lincoln Militia. He lived on lot number 23, 3 concession of Louth from 1 December 1812 to 1 December 1814 and 23 April 1824.

Susan Tufford - on 14 December 1822 at Grimsby, Francis Vansickle of Louth and Leonard Tufford of Clinton witnessed the marriage bond of John Albright of Clinton, blacksmith, and Susan Tufford of Louth, spinster.

SWACKHAMER FAMILY

LAND GRANT PETITIONS

Christopher Swackhamer - At Grimsby on 26 May 1819 - of Grimsby petitioned for a grant of land. He stated that he had been in the township for 14 years and had never received any land. He was granted 100 acres.

Hannah Swackhammer - At Hamilton 14 Jan. 1834 - Hannah Swackhammer, wife of John Swackhamer of Esquising, petitioned for a grant of 200 acres of land. She stated she was the daughter of Albert Hanes late of Grantham, an enrolled United Empire Loyalist. She was 21 years of age, married, and had never received any land. The petition was recommended.

John Swachamer - At Grimsby 26 May 1819 petitioned for a grant of land. He stated that he had lived in the province for over 14 years and had never received any land. The petition was recommended for 100 acres.

Jacob Swachamer - At Grimsby on 26 May 1819. Jacob Swachamer of Grimsby petitioned for a grant of land. He stated that he had a wife and 3 children and had never received any land. During the War of 1812 he had served in the 1st Flank Company of the 4th Lincoln Militia. The petition was recommended for 100 acres

William Swachamer - At Grimsby on 26 May 1819 William Swachamer petitioned for a grant of land. He stated that he was the son of Christopher Swachamer of Grimsby, was nine months short of being 21. The petition was recommended for 100 acres.

Christopher Swackhamer's name also appears on a list of names of absentees belonging to Captain Philip House's Company. The document is not dated but was probably written during the War of 1812.

FAMILY BIBLE FURNISHES VALUABLE LINEAGE

James W. Swackhamer, Q.C. of Coningsby Farm, RR 3, Hillsburg, Ontario, Canada sent a copy of their family bible entries. They have provided dates we did not have. In return I am sure he will find the foregoing of interest.

Christopher Swackhamer, born July 9, 1767
 died April 28, 1840
 Elizabeth Swackhamer, born April 4, 1772
 died June 7, 1858
 Catharine Hare, born February 22, 1781
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 William Swackhamer, born May 29, 1799
 married Sarah Walker May 1, 1823
 * * * Sarah Walker being born September 23, 1804

Offspring:

Elizabeth, born June 24, 1824
 Sarah Ann, born May 10, 1825
 Mary Catharine, born January 15, 1827
 Isaac Walker, born February 9, 1829
 Eleanor Jane, born December 23, 1832
 Eliza, born September 9, 1839
 Susan, born February 21, 1841
 William, born October 27, 1845

James W. Swackhamer's grandfather was William who married _____ Bennett and the offspring were William, Alexander, Colbourne and Norah. On the death of _____ Bennett, William married Sara Lavina Allen and the offspring were:

Eva, born 1886 (now deceased)
 Lyman, born 1888
 Stinson, born 1891 (now deceased)
 Edward, born 1893
 Harry William, born 1895
 Ethel May, born 1898 (now deceased)
 Clara Eleanor, born 1900
 Hilda Fern, born 1904

James W.'s father is Edward who married Helen, and the offspring were James William Swackhamer and Joseph Edward Swackhamer.

Edward Swackhamer's name and address has also been added to our mailing list. We welcome these new members to our Association.

WISHING YOU ALL - THE HAPPINESS OF A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS SEASON

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