

The Bookworm—Judith Madore

The Brian O'Regan Memorial Library opened for regular business on May Day. Some 500 items are now catalogued and on the shelves, in addition to the fine collection of genealogical journals. The items include basic references offering guidelines to genealogical research, locations and addresses of record depositories, political and social history and bibliographies. For example:

General Alphabetical Index to the Townlands and Towns, Parishes and Baronies of Ireland. Dublin 1861. 314.15
GEN 1986

List of Londoners. Jeremy Gibson and Heather Creation
1999. 929.3421 GIB

The Irish in Ontario. Donald Harmon Akenson, 1985.
971.375 AKE

Notes From the Board—Cecil de Bretigny

The opening of our library has made a wealth of resources available to our members. The shelves contain a range of reference material, history books, how-to books and periodicals which can help you with your research.

An example of our publications is a series of county guides issued by the Federation of Family History Societies in the United Kingdom. These guides, published under the general title of *Genealogist Library Guides* cover a good range of genealogical resources which are available, by county, in England. Over the past month we have received a series of guides on Yorkshire covering, amongst other things, the publication of parish records, monumental inscriptions and probate records within that county. Another Yorkshire guide provides sources of published information on Yorkshire occupations while a third lists Yorkshire family histories and pedigrees. We also have on our shelves similar guides for Essex, Lancashire, Cheshire and Kent amongst others.

Internet users will be interested in the publication *Gemki—UK and Ireland Genealogy on the Internet (2000)*. Those who have used this source will know the range of subjects it covers but it can also be a bit daunting. This book describes how to use the information service for UK and

A Dictionary of Scottish Emigrants to Canada Before Confederation. Donald Whyte, 1995. 929.2 WHY v.2
Using Wills After 1858 and First Avenue House. Audrey Collins, 1998. 929.342 COL

Basic Facts About Family History Research in Yorkshire.
Pauline M Litton, 1995. 929.3428 LIT

Our very first visitor actually found the "missing link" in his research—the break in the stone wall which he had faced—using the library resources! Members are encouraged to visit the library at:

Montgomery Branch of the Canadian Legion
330 Kent Street, Lower Boardroom

Our library volunteers will sign you into the Guest Book and assist you in locating relevant material.

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AND VISIT.**

Irish genealogy. It is set up by topics in geographic areas at different levels (County, parish and place) to assist readers in finding the right web-site for their research.

Need more reasons to come and visit? There are books on heraldry and crests, a reference tome on American genealogy, a copy of the *Genealogical Research Directory* and a series of how-to guides to get you on your way. All this combined with a fine range of periodicals from the British Isles, The United States and Canada will be of assistance in your genealogical work.

Our initial donation from Brian O'Regan was strong on Irish history and genealogy but is now being supplemented by donations and exchanges with other associations. We are now moving to a more balanced selection of items from the British Isles which reflect the interests of our members.

Our Spring introductory course in genealogy has now finished and our thanks go out to Norm Crowder and Hugh Reekie for their work in organizing and presenting the course. Most of the course material was revised for the first time since the course began, a reflection of new material that has been gathered and the new techniques available to gather this information. Suggestions with respect to the next course are now being reviewed. Another course is in the offing so advise your friends who may be interested. 