

Kapiti Branch N.Z.S.G.

November 1998



New Zealand
Society
of
Genealogists,
Kapiti Branch
P O Box 6,
Paraparaumu.

Meetings held at
Masonic Lodge
Rooms,
Taraia St,
Paraparaumu,
4th Wednesdays
of months
January to
November,
7.30pm,

Branch Library
opens 7.00pm

Previews and Reviews

Tonight's Meeting:

Hold your hats! Tonight is the night! This is our final meeting for 1998, and as usual we will pit our wits against the wily Gwenda who is even now preparing one of her famous quizzes.



Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to everyone from the Committee.

October Meeting: The Kapiti Genealogy Group AGM and election of the 1998-1999 Committee took place, but owing to the VERY inclement weather, Angela Finnerty was not able to be with us. However **Jan Bonnett** more than adequately filled the bill and we spent an enjoyable evening learning about her

research for the Public Trust.

January Meeting: In our first meeting of the New Year which will take place on the 27th January, Sue Green, President of Otaki NZSG Branch for 10 years will talk on **Pre-1900 Families**.

Supper Duties: To assist our Committee, we are asking members to please help with suppers, particularly the serving & washing up.

November, S - Y
January, A - B



EDITOR Needed!!!
Are YOU able to help?
If you can produce a
"No Frills" document
once a month, please
phone Rosalyn 2987395

Kapiti Branch 1998 Committee

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We still need one!!!!!!

From The Family History Bookshelf

"A COMEDY OF ERRORS"

This is a book of some 220 pages, written by **Mike Foster** of Wellington, examining the origins and systems of the Marriage Records of England and Wales 1837 - 1899, as administered by the General Register Office - a system that most of us look upon as being St Catherine's Indices, even though they are now housed in Myddelton Street.

It is a very important insight into the inner workings of the reference source used by many of us at one time or another.

Copies of this book may be purchased by mail for \$20 (including postage and packaging) from the author: **Mike Foster**

**19 Khouri Avenue
Wellington 6005**

or, in person for \$15 from local Kapiti Branch member: **Derek Griffis,
94 Ngaio Road,
Waikanae 6454,
Phone 04-2931092**

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Genealogy Magazines - Ireland, Scotland, England, Australia - Are you interested in being part of the round robin distribution for a nominal cost? Phone John Glover 29 84936

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Genealogy Glossary

m1: married first; used in charts and genealogies.

m2: married second; used in charts and genealogies.

maiden name: a woman's surname prior to marriage. See also surname.

manuscript: previously a handwritten document; now, a typed or handwritten document (as compared to a published book).

mark: a written substitute for a signature; used by an illiterate person.

maternal: related through a person's mother.

microfiche: a sheet of microfilm containing greatly reduced reproductions of documents and records.

microfilm: a roll of film containing greatly reduced reproductions of documents and records.

migrate: to move from one place to another.

minor: a person who is not yet a legal adult.

Mormons: another name for Latter-day Saints, members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church).

mother-in-law: the mother of a person's spouse and biographies of local persons.

muster: to gather soldiers for military service. To "muster in" is to enlist; to "muster out" is to discharge.

nd: an abbreviation for "no date" given.

mug book: a slang term for a county history or a similar commemorative volume containing portraits

naturalization: the process of becoming a citizen of the United States.

neurology: a list of recently deceased persons.

ne (accent over 'e'): indicates original, former, or legal name of a man.

Sussex Research

Earlier this year a visitor from Sussex, Brenda Watson, attended one of our meetings. Brenda generously offered to help anyone doing Sussex research, but she lost the details of those who accepted her offer. Brenda made contact by email to try find those involved.

If you are one, please make contact with Brenda by email:
brenda@mariners6.freemove.co.uk

or ask a computer buff to help.

nee (accent over first 'e'): "as born"; precedes the maiden name of a married woman. Jane Smith married John Doe; she is "Jane Doe, nee Smith."

nephew: the son of a person's brother or sister.

niece: the daughter of a person's brother or sister.

obituary: a notice of a person's death, usually including a brief biographical sketch.

orphan: a child who has lost both parents by death. (Occasionally a child who has lost only one parent is described as an orphan.)

patent: land granted by a government to an individual: a document granting the land. Also, legal protection for an idea.

paternal: related through a person's father.

patronymics: naming system where by a person's surname is derived from the given name of his or her father. The surname changes with each generation. For example, "Sanchez" means son of Sancho; Lars Johnson's son would have the surname, "Larson" - son of Lars. Lars Johnson literally meant "Lars, son of John."

primary record: a record created at the time an event occurred.

primogeniture: a system of inheritance by the eldest son.

probate: originally, the proving of a will; now, describes the settling of an estate.

progenitor: a directly related biological ancestor.

proximo (from Latin): in the month after the present one.

relict: a spouse surviving after the death of the other; usually used to refer to a widow.

removed: moved; left.

requiescat in pace (R.I.P.) [Latin]: rest in peace.

SAE or SASE: abbreviation for a self-addressed, stamped envelope; business-size envelope with postage stamp.

Secondary record: a record created or copied from other sources.

senior: the elder of two persons. John Doe, Sr. and John Doe, Jr. may be used to show which is older

sibling: one of two or more children having common parents; a brother or a sister.

sic [Latin]: "thus"; used to show that a misspelled word was transcribed as it appeared.

sister: female having the same parents as another sibling; a female

1998 Calendar

November 25: End of year HIJINX...

January 27: Sue Green, President of Otaki NZSG Branch for 10 years will talk on **Pre-1900 Families**

February 24: Computer Group - scanning photographs

March 24: Lyane Kendall and NZSG **Strays Index**

Porirua FHC's hours are:

Monday 10 am to 3pm

Tuesday 10 am to 3pm

Wednesday 10 am to 3 pm

Saturday 10 am to 2pm

Librarian:

Debbie Nicholson, Ph 04-237 5412

source: a record or person that supplies information.

spinster: a woman who has never married, especially an elderly woman; an old maid.

spouse: a person's husband or wife as a result of legal matrimony.

stepchild: a child of a person's husband or wife by a previous marriage.

stepfather (or stepmother): the husband (or wife) of a person's parent by a later marriage.

stillborn: a child delivered deceased at birth.

surname: The (last or family) name that a person bears in common with others in his or her family; as distinguished from a given or Christian name.

testate: said of a person who died with a proper will.

twp: an abbreviation for "township"

uncle: brother of a person's mother or father.

ux (uxor) [Latin]: wife.

ultimo [from Latin]: last; usually used in letters-as "in your letter of the 13th ult."-the month immediately preceding.

vital records: civil records of birth, marriage, and death.

viz [from the Latin videlicet]: namely. widow (or widower): a woman (or man) whose spouse has died and who has not remarried.

will: a legal declaration of a person's wishes regarding the disposition of his or her property or estate after death.

ye: you, your.

