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## Lazier Reunion

Saturday August 17th 1991

Prince Edward Community Centre

### Schedule of events

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Registration at the Community Centre Browse the exhibits, view the family tree
All day	Linger and meet your cousins at the Community Centre or take all or part of the tour of Lazier Houses outlined on the following pages
Lunch	Make your own arrangements for lunch. There are nice spots for a picnic wherever you go on your tour today, try Northport Park, or the Lazier Cemetery!
4 to 8 PM	Cash bar at the Community Centre
5:00 PM	Group Photograph outside Community Centre
5:30 PM	Cold buffet
Evening	Adjourn

### Places of Interest

Welcome to Prince Edward County, Ontario known locally as "The County". Whether you have come across America, across Canada or as some of our cousins today, from across the Atlantic Ocean you are in for a treat if you have not seen the County before.

Two hundred years ago the American Revolution had been over for seven years. Nicholas Jacobus Lozier (as his surname was spelled) and his wife Charity Conklin already had 8 children, 7 of whom were still living. The 85 acres owned by them in the Hackensack Valley of New Jersey would not be enough to sustain the next generation and there was no more land to be had in that area. Settlers, including Loziers, had lived in that valley for over one hundred years, but it was time to move on in search of land for their children. So they sold their acreage to Nicholas' brother Peter and followed the example of their younger sister Maria, and her husband Peter Forshee who had come to Canada around 1788.

The Laziers (as it was spelled in Canada) travelled up the Hudson River and then spent a month at Schenectady building their own boat which brought them the rest of the way to Canada. Family records have them arriving November 6, 1791.

They brought slaves, cash, livestock, iron kettles to make maple sugar, a churn full of honey, and lengths of wire gauze which they had used in their fanning mill in New Jersey.

In Sophiasburgh Township, Prince Edward County, on the easterly 130 acres of lot 18, west of Green Point the family settled. First a log house would have been built. Later, around 1837, son John N. Lazier constructed a beautiful cut stone house which has been faithfully restored largely through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Pate.

### Lazier House at Northport

The Laziers were millers and operated one of the earliest mills in the County. There is reference made to it supplying the Town of York (now Toronto) during the War of 1812. Remnants of the mill are still to be found, in back of the house. Just to the east lies the Lazier/Cronk Cemetery with burials dating from 1805.

The front door opens into a square reception room and stairs are hidden, enclosed in a boxed staircase behind the hall. The door has a single key latch on the inside and no doorknob on the outside. During restoration the walls were reassembled to rest on the surface of the floor according to the plan of the original home. The dormers have been restored and the front windows refitted with appropriate twelve over twelve sash. The "Greek Revival" two-panel front door and the superbly fashioned "Palladian dormer" are of interest to architectural historians. As was customary for the more stately homes, the door and window mouldings in the dining room and parlour are much more elaborate than in the rest of the house.

The original kitchen has an open fireplace with a solid slab of stone forming a wide hearth. The oven attached to the fireplace was built so baking could be done without a door. Of special interest is the stone windowsill on the left side of the fireplace ... a perfect spot to cool pies and bread from the oven. Most of the rooms on the first floor were connected to the kitchen by a door. A large stone extension which led to a double

carriage shed, included a long summer kitchen and woodhouse tail, also housed kitchen help. Of note is the unusual indoor privy, which can be viewed even today.

Adjacent to the kitchen was a pantry. This is now a bathroom with the original bars still on the window. It is thought the bars were to prevent wild animals from helping themselves to the food stored there. The borning room, where generations of Laziers had their children, and where the sick were nursed, is now just a closet. The "slip room" where a small girl tended the fireplace has been removed to accommodate the modern kitchen off the sitting room. The upstairs front dormer area is thought to have been used as a chapel, and a prayer bench still remains.

This house was also equipped with an ingenious pipe and conveyor system to bring water from the bay up the bank, and into a trough which carried it into the house. French drains were also built around the outside of the house. These were trenches filled with round stones, and covered with flat stones and earth, leading away from the house. This "Lazier House" is presently owned by Prince Edward County native Mr. Peter Cole, who resides in Toronto, but spends much of his free time enjoying his home in Northport. The beautiful lawns, tennis court and swimming pool, now part of this homestead, are testimony to the pride he feels in ownership of this fine historic property. We thank Mr. Cole for permitting us to view the house on the day of our Reunion. Please remember that this is a private home and treat the property and all others on your tour today with appropriate respect, and care.

To get there from the Community Centre turn left on Highway 49, turn left on County Road 6, and right on County Road 5. Four kilometers (2.5 miles) from the Community Centre on your left you will pass the Abraham Lazier house mentioned next. Continue on County Road 5 through Demorestville (named after Nicholas' cousin Guillaume Demorest who founded the town. Guillaume was a son of the other sibling of Nicholas Jacobus, Maria and Peter, namely Catherine Lozier who married Jacobus Demorest, born 1732). At the stop sign, 12.5 km (7.7) miles from the Community Centre turn right to Northport. You will be on County Road 15. The Nicholas Lazier house mentioned below is on your left at 16.3 km (10 miles). Continue through Northport to Bayview Road on the left at 22.1 km (13.7 miles). At 22.6 km (14 miles) you will be at the Lazier house at Northport. To avoid over-crowding we suggest that those with even-numbered license plates take the trip to Mountainview, Milltown and Lonsdale first, and visit this house on the way back.

## Abraham Lazier House, Yerexville Road

The former home of Abraham Lazier is on Lot 10, concession 2, Hallowell Township, North-West of Carrying Place. Abraham was the second - youngest son of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier and Charity Conklin, the first born in Canada (1792). He was, like his father, a Magistrate. His sons John and James were the Lonsdale Laziers. The house has been featured in Belden's Atlas, 1878 and in *The Settlers Dream* at page 165. It probably dates to the 1830's.

## House of Nicholas Lazier

Fully half of those attending the Reunion today are here because of descent from Nicholas Lazier (1781-1864), and his wife Catherine Cogburn. All their descendants are entitled, provided they are loyal subjects of her Majesty the Queen, to append to their name the initials "UE". This honour was granted to those who remained loyal to the Crown in the American Revolution and who came to territory under the control of England by 1784 when the Treaty ending the Revolution took effect. All descendants of those people may use the initials - which stand for the Unity of the Empire. Catherine Cogburn was a daughter of Elizabeth Cole who in turn was the daughter of Simon J. Cole UE.

On lot 33 west of Green Point in Sophiasburg Township, between Northport and Demorestville, Nicholas and Catherine built a house which still stands today. Unlike Peter Cole's house, mentioned above, it has had most details of architectural significance removed over the years according to *The Settlers Dream* page 294. Nevertheless its age and its connection to so many of us makes it an important edifice for Lazier Reunion visitors.

## Mountainview

Richard Lazier (1805-1871) was the eldest son of Nicholas Lazier and Catherine Cogburn. One of the first of the family to move from the County, he went north around 1828 to Tyendinaga Township in Hastings County. Here on lot 5, concession 1, Tyendinaga he built a house known as "Mountainview" which was pictured in Belden's Atlas, 1878. It is still used as a residence today. The house can be reached by travelling east on County Road 15 from the Lazier House at Northport. You will meet Highway 49. Turn left and cross the big bridge. Proceed north to Marysville where you turn left on Highway 2 to Shannonville. At Shannonville take a right and go north on the main north -



south street that leads out of Town. Turn left at the first crossroad north of the railway. The house is at the south-west corner of the crossroad. The present owners, Brian and Vickie Williams have indicated a willingness to allow visitors on the grounds, and hopefully show them through the house. It is possible that this house predates the house at Northport, as it may have been built around 1830.

### Milltown

At Milltown Richard Lazier built saw and grist mills. This site is now abandoned with very few indications of its former enterprise left. It can be found by taking the road east from Mountainview to the next crossroad and turn right (south). You will come to the point where the railway crosses the Salmon River. Stop and you might see a few signs of a once thriving milling operation. Just south of Milltown turn left on Highway 2 and return to Marysville. Here you may either go right, re-crossing the bridge and return to the Community Centre via Highway 49, or turn left towards Lonsdale.

### Lonsdale

If you have time you should press on to perhaps the most picturesque of places - the little Town of Lonsdale. If you don't get to it today try again tomorrow. Going north from Marysville the road turns east. Stay on that road and it again turns north leading you to the edge of Lonsdale where it turns west and then north to cross the Salmon River in the Town itself. In this Town two of Abraham Lazier's sons, James and John, set up milling operations on the Salmon River. James' mill is now a private home - please stay off this property but you are welcome to look from the road. The owners dogs are protective of their territory! This mill was still operating in 1964. The ruins of the woollen mill that burned in 1904 can be seen on the south shore of the river. Also at the south end of the road crossing the river stands the imposing brick house which James Lazier built for his daughter, Josephine, in 1894.

Turn back towards Picton now and stop at the house at Northport if you bypassed it on the way up. This time, as you approach from the east you should see a small sign marking the Bayview Road on your right. This is the road you should take.

### Lazier Pottery

Back in Picton, 1 km (.6 miles) east of the Community Centre on Highway 49 is "Hove To House" owned by Mr. Bob Davis. Built around 1852 it was patterned after the

house of Samuel Hart an English potter who emigrated to Oswego, New York in 1828. In 1867 Samuel's daughter, Alcena, married George Lazier. The pottery business commenced in 1849 came under the management of George Lazier from 1867 until his death in 1879. The pottery moved to Belleville about 1888 where it continued its operations into the 1920s. Through the efforts of the Davis' a historic plaque has been placed on the front of the house.

### Also of Interest

Just before Christmas, 1883, Peter Lazier was murdered in the house of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Jones - described in *The Settlers Dream*, page 147, as the Hubbs/Matthie house lot 1, Con 1 Military Tract, Hallowell, west of Bloomfield. The murder by burglars caused a sensation and resulted in the last hanging in the County when two men by the names of Tompsett and Louder were executed at the site of the old jail in Picton. The door of the house still holds a bullet hole from this tragic episode. To get there go west from Picton to Bloomfield, turn left at Beckers on Highway 33 to Wellington. The house is on the right, just before Bowerman Road. The mailbox is marked Keith Mathie.

In addition to the cemetery beside the house at Northport there are other local cemeteries in which Laziers are buried. Glenwood in Picton, Belleville Cemetery in Belleville and the Shannonville cemetery are some examples. There undoubtedly are others.

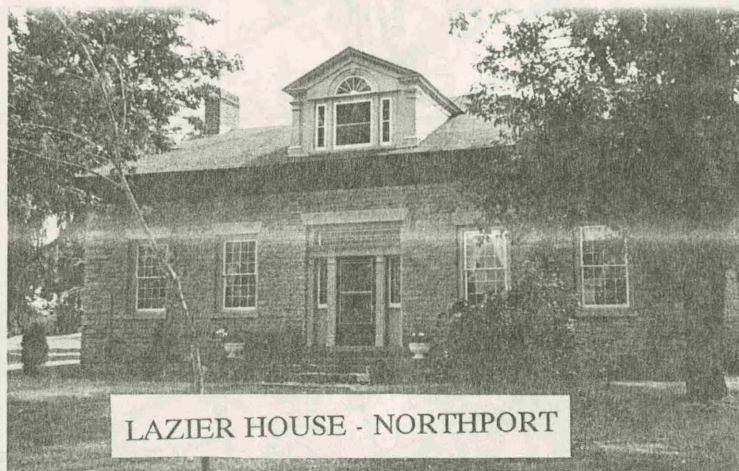
The county is said to have seven museums including those at Bloomfield and Picton. If you are able to stay over for an extra day or two you will no doubt find them interesting. For more information consult the Quinte's Isle Tourist Association, 116 Main Street, Picton, telephone 476-2421, or your own inn-keeper!

On Sunday, August 18, 1991 at 10:00 AM you are invited to attend St. Andrew's Church, 69 Victoria Ave., Belleville. Telephone 1-613-968-8998. This is not a special memorial service for the family as such, but a good turn-out will make it a special occasion. One hundred years ago Laziers were taking an active leadership role in this church - it is part of the heritage of many Lazier descendants.

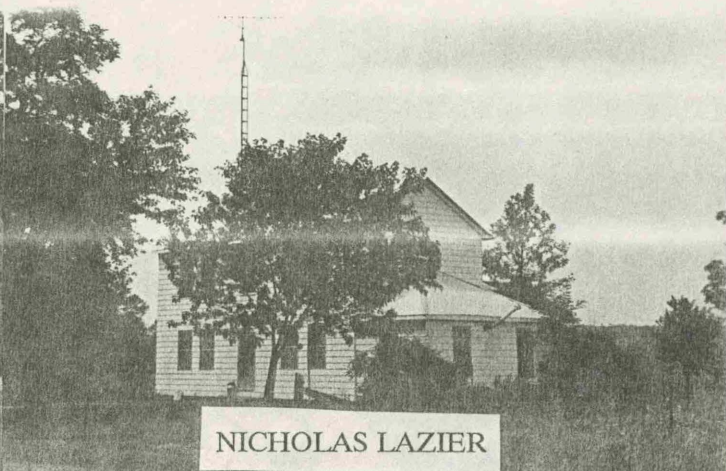
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Colin G. Lazier and Mary Woods.

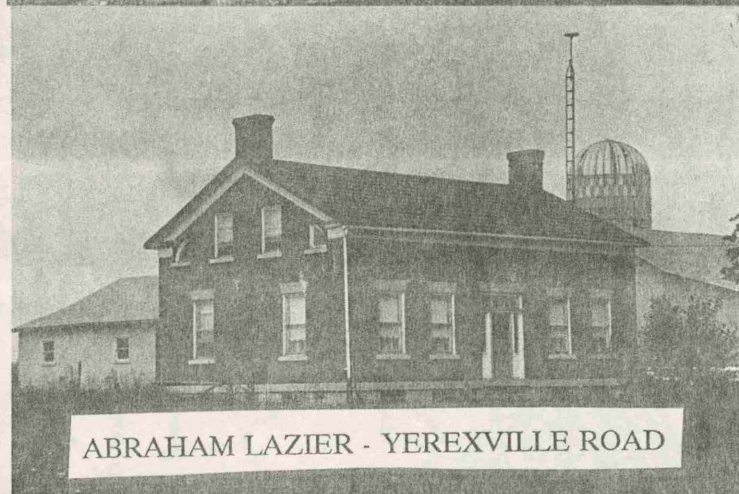
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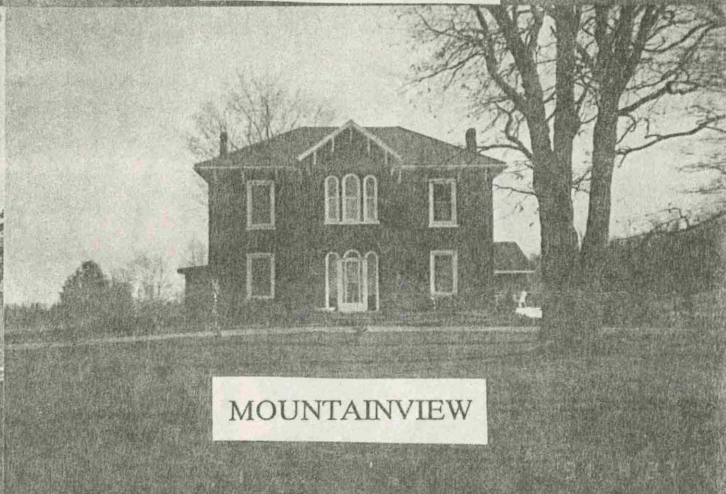
LAZIER HOUSE - NORTHPORT



NICHOLAS LAZIER



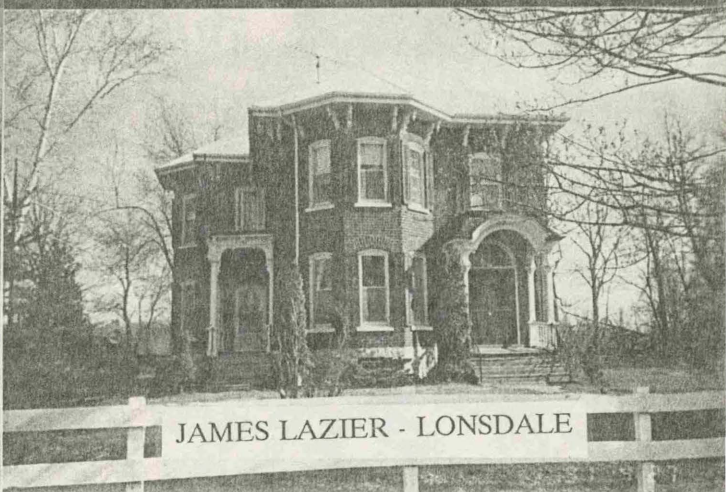
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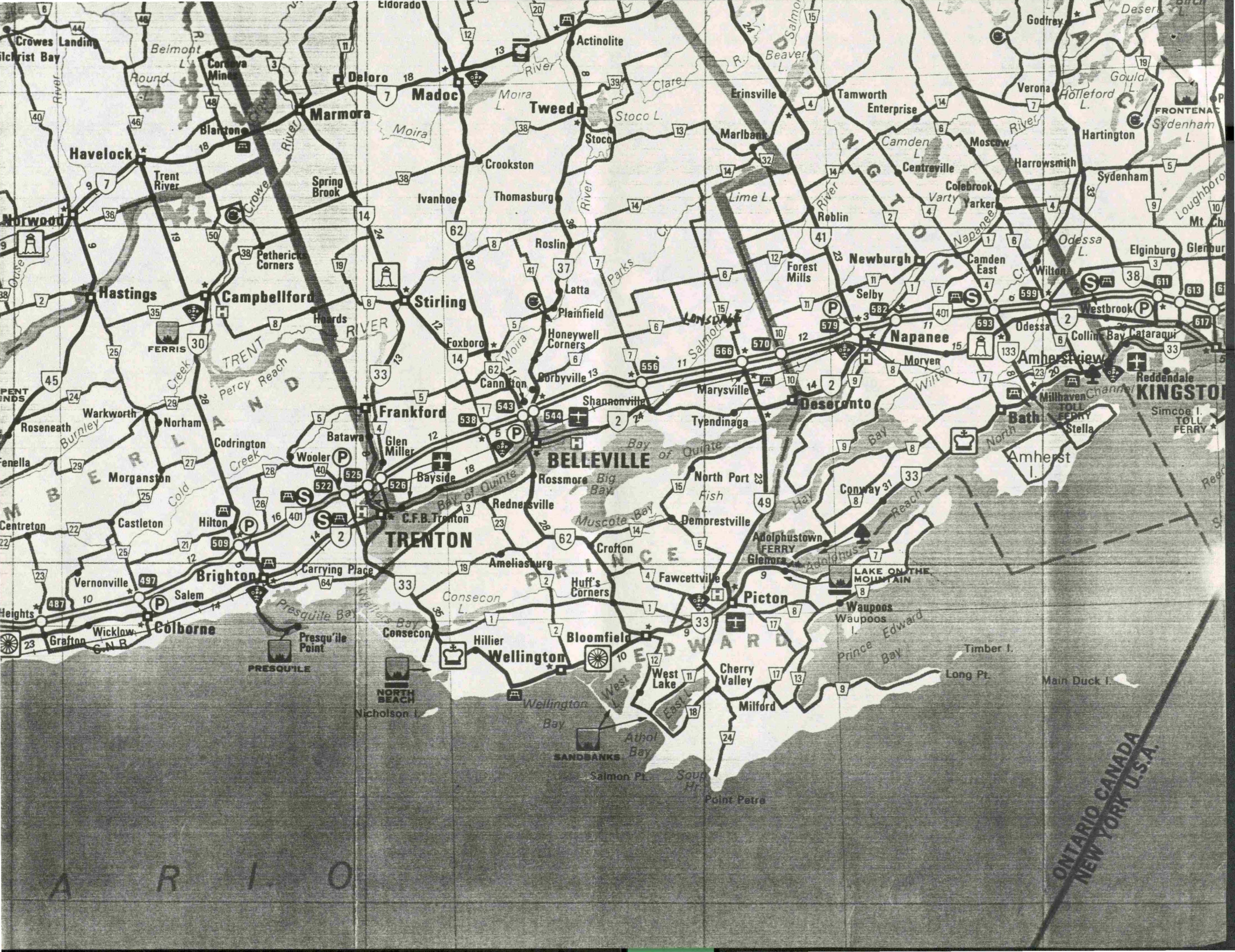
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LONSDALE MILL



JAMES LAZIER - LONSDALE



!!! ADVANCE NOTICE !!!  
LAZIER FAMILY REUNION  
SATURDAY AUGUST 17 1991  
AT NORTHPORT ONTARIO CANADA

In 1791 Nicholas Jacobus Lozier left the United States with his wife Charity and seven children to start a new life in Canada. They settled near Northport, north-east of Picton in Prince Edward County, Ontario. (By highway it is about two hours east of Toronto - almost directly across Lake Ontario from Rochester New York.)



Next year will mark the 200th anniversary of their arrival in Canada and the founding of the Lazier branch of the Lozier family. All descendants of Nicholas and Charity are invited to attend a Reunion next year on August 17, 1991 near the site of the old home, mill and Lazier family cemetery. A number of historic Lazier houses and one mill erected in the 1800's are still in existence.

Descendants are coming from all over North America and parts beyond to attend this extraordinary event. Please plan to be there. For details contact:

Colin G. Lazier  
P. O. Box 248  
Station "A"  
Hamilton, Canada  
L8N 3C8

Telephone 1-416-525-3652 during office hours or 1-416-525-1391 in the evenings. Please send me names and addresses of other descendants to be added to the mailing list.

Frances,

January, 1990

This is a fancier notice which I thought you ought to see. Best wishes - Colin

Edward Sprague Christian — ?  
fuller by trade.  
Dorsetshire, Eng.

Ralph Richard or William Sprague  
Eng. clergyman who emigrated to America early in 18th century. Settled on Long Island N.Y.

James Chilton  
Crossed in Mayflower 1620

Elijah Sprague

Hannah Golder

Jacobus N. Lazier b. 1708 d. 1792. Migrated from France during persecution of Huguenots  
Maria — ? — b. 1716 d. 1804

Mary Chilton  
First woman off Mayflower.

Sylvanus Sprague  
b. 1808. he and family emigrated to Canada in 1819.  
also

Nicholas Jacobus Lazier UEL. Charity Conklin UEL.  
b. 1739 Left Tappan, N.J. in 1790  
b. 1726

Simion Washburn  
Mary — ? — Lapham

Lawrence Sprague  
b. 1796 d. 1873.

Nancy D. Smith  
b. 1798 d. 1887

Nicholas Lazier  
b. 1781

Catherine Davenport  
b. 1785

Rev. Robert J. McDowall Hannah Washburn  
b. at Ballston, Saratoga Co. N.Y.

Col. Donald M<sup>c</sup>Dirmid  
Battle of Windmill Prescott.

Lucinda Sprague  
b. May 1823 d. Mar. 1909

John N. Lazier  
b. 1823

James Alexander M<sup>c</sup>Dowall

Henrietta M<sup>c</sup>Dirmid

Elda Lucinda Lazier  
b. Aug 16 - 1852 d. Jan 4 - 1931

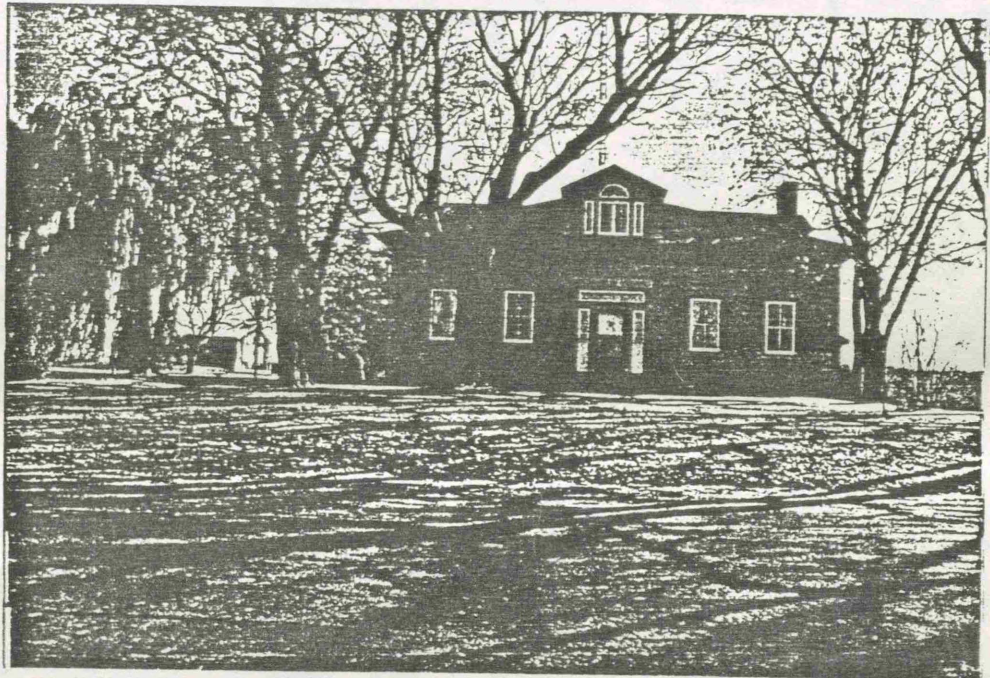
Robert John M<sup>c</sup>Dowall

Elda Lucinda Macdowall  
b. Aug 23 - 1892 at 473 Princess St Kingston.  
m. Dec 20 - 1920



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Bob  
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PRICE 395,000.00	DIST P.E. County	TYPE D-4	ADDRESS R.R. #2, Picton, Ont.	RESIDENTIAL			
House area: 3,500 sq. ft.	ZNG.	LEGAL DESC. East 1/2 Lot 18 1 WGP Sopiasburgh	LIST NO. B 1351				
BUILDER Nickolas Lazier	AGE 185	OWNER PATE William & Louise PHN.	DRIVE Newly paved				
KIT 14' x 13'	RMS 11	CONST. Limestone	LOTSIZE 559 x 90 acres	GARAGE Single Att.			
LR 17' x 18'6"	F.P. O	HTG. ** 3-FAO	EL/AMP 3Boxes 100 amp	BASEMENT 3/4 full 6'	SEWER O S.T. ●		
DR 16'6" x 19'	PLBG. Copper	BATHS 2-4pce 1-2pce	EXTRAS See attached	WATER M. WELL			
MBR (4 pce ens.) 19x12 (W.I. Closet)	WALLS plast/	FLOORS pine plank	EXCLUSIONS	ASSESSMENT			
BR (WI Closet) 16 x 12 (4pce ens)	Side Foyer 17' x 8'6"	F.P. O	ROOF INSULATION	TAXES/YEAR 1,279.62 ('85)			
BR Sitting Rm. 9' x 13'	Sitting Rm. 19' x 15'	F.P. O	H.W.TANK W/D HOOKUP	ES/ROW			
BR 12 x 8	Fr. foyer 11' x 11'6"		DIRECTIONS: SEE BELOW SCHOOLS:	SURVEY			
			TENANT PHONE	POSS.			
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R.R.#2 PICTON

MECHANICAL EMENITIES:

1. Satelite dish with motorized tracking motor complete with elaborate electronic tuning equipment. (negotiable)
2. Familyroom quadrofonicly wired for stereo and T.V. Master bedroom is wired for T.V.
3. Although this area is known for bad water, this estate is blessed with plenty of sweet water. There are four water systems for household use and the lawn irrigation system. The irrigation system has ten lawn outlets, two self propelled sprinklers and 600 feet of hose. The lawn area is approximately 10 acres. There is also a shore well and cistern. This water system is a feat of engineering and the present owner will instruct the Purchaser on its operation.
4. The estate has two newer Forced Air Oil furnaces for the main house and one for the shop.
5. A new chimney and roof were installed in 1976.
6. The only other building on the estate is the maintenance and machine shop (42 x 28). This shop was built upon the original barn foundations and is now two storeys. The floors are pre-stressed concrete and it is heated and wired. The top level is used for a professional quality machine shop which is fully equipped with milling and shaping equipment, welders and all manner of hand tools (negotiable). The lower level is a drive shed for the tractors, snow blower, and lawn equipment. (negotiable.)
7. The house and shop are situated on approximately 10 acres of manicured lawn and garden areas. To the west of the house is a 40 foot grape arbour and lot length hedge which in a few years will be tall enough for a privacy fence. There are also ten park benches strategically place around the area. The frontage of this portion of the estate is almost 600 feet of beautiful Bay of Quinte waterfront.



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R.R.#2 PICTON

MECHANICAL EMENITES (cont.)

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7. The Pates' recently had a local nursery plant the following:

125' cedar hedge - 3' high

12 Carolina poplars

3 white spruce

3 silver maples

These plants are generally guaranteed.

The back (approximately) 80 acres was reforested with 18,000 oak, maple, cedar, walnut and poplar trees. Cutting restrictions are still in effect for 5 years by the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Mr. Pate has cleared a path with an all terrain vehicle to the end of the property.

Bayview Road is plowed early in the morning and a school bus stops at the door to take students to Sophiasbury Public School and Picton High School.

Many pieces of equipment and furniture with the estate will be negotiable at time of sale.

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MAIN HOUSE

The main house consists of approximately 3500 sq. ft. of living space comprised of the front two storey portion and the one storey rear wing. The front section includes the following:

PARLOUR (17' x 18'6)

This, like most rooms in the house has 10' ceilings, massive white baseboards, pine plank floors and ornate original trim around the three large windows. (two facing the water and one to the side yard) Like the formal dining room. the parlour is painted blue with white trim. There is an entrance to both the side foyer and front entrance.

DINING ROOM (16'6x19')

This room is the most magnificent area of the home. Although similar in size and motif to the parlour, the furnishings in this room (negotiable) defy description. The view from the three windows in this room provide a panoramic view of the Bay of Quinte and side grounds of the estate. There are doors to the kitchen, sitting room and front foyer from the Dining Room.

MAIN FOYER (11' x 11'6)

This entrance harks back to a time when entertaining was an art unto itself. The massive front door (weighing hundreds of pounds) has the original lock installed with the sliding knob only one side as the guests were always formally received at the door. A large crystal chandelier graces the centre of the entrance foyer. Doors from the foyer lead to the Dining Room and to the Parlour.

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KITCHEN

This area of the home is a pleasant contradiction of centuries! Although the present owners have retained the pine floors and the plaster of the original house, the appliances (built-in) are "state of the art". The refrigerator is cleverly disguised in wood, there is a wall oven, countertop stove, microwave and dishwasher. The counter is quite new with ceramic tile surface and double stainless steel sinks.

SITTING ROOM (19 x 15)

Historically, this is the most special room in the house. Originally used as the focal point of life in pioneering days, the ten foot wide fireplace was used both for cooking and heating. The kettle crane still hangs inside the mammoth opening. There is still a fully usable bread oven at the right side of the fireplace. Before the house was remodelled, there were several smaller rooms adjacent to the kitchen, such as the "borning room" where the sick and the pregnant were housed. There was also the "slip room" where a female slave would tend the fire at night. At present, the sitting room is a gracious but comfortable area adorned with historical bric-a-brac found on the property.

SIDE FOYER (17 x 8.6)

Even for a traditionally unassuming area of a home, the side foyer has had no expense spared in its appointments.

Originally a bedroom with a side window, the foyer is fashioned with white wainscoting in the hall area and the floors are formed of imported Vermont Slate that the present owner has meticulously hand split and oiled. This area leads to the parlour and a hallway to the sitting area. A large two piece powder room is conveniently located off this foyer.

REAR WING - FAMILYROOM (45 x 22)

The rear wing of the house was once used as a stable and slaves quarters and until recently was in a poor state of repair. The present owners' efforts have transformed the wing into a warm, bright family area - highlighted by two 11' patio doors on either side of the room.

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REAR WING - FAMILYROOM (cont.)

The room is two levels with the top level boasting red brick floor and the original forge changed to a very efficient fireplace with glass doors and thermostatically controlled blowers. The lower level is a concrete floor warmed by vents under the steps. The stone walls were covered with insulation and wide pine planks. Laundry facilities and a refrigerator are cleverly hidden in custom-made cupboards. The slaves lavatory, complete with a drawer type "two holer" is now a small storage area off this wing. There is also a closet and pantry at the far end of the room with an entrance to the rear furnace room and garage.

# Restoring home quite a challenge

BY JANICE FLAKE  
Staff Reporter

**NORTHPORT** - Off the old Northport Port, overlooking the Bay of Quinte, is an unusually interesting house, owned by Mr. and Mrs. William Pate.

The Pates, who came to the

county 13 years ago searching for a shoreside country home, had no idea that they would become so involved with the historic aspects of the house.

With their main concern making the house comfortably habitable, the Pates discovered clues as to the

original state of the homestead and decided to restore it as closely as possible.

The limestone house was built sometime in the early 1800's by Nicholas Lazier, a miller from New York.

Lazier, who was 53 when he came to Canada, had refused to take an oath of allegiance to the American government, and in turn, his farming and milling properties were confiscated.

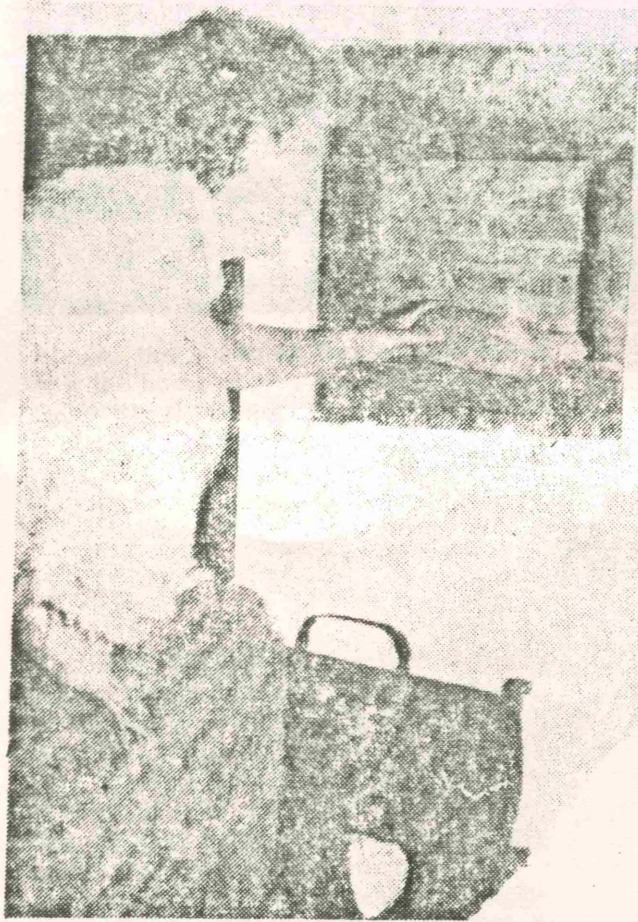
While some changes were necessary when the Pates first purchased the house, such as the installation of a modern heating system, they were done with great care, so as not to detract from either the interior or the exterior appearance.

For example, the heating ducts were carefully placed inside the walls, the walls were also insulated, because although they are two feet thick, the stone absorbs and loses heat to the outside quickly.

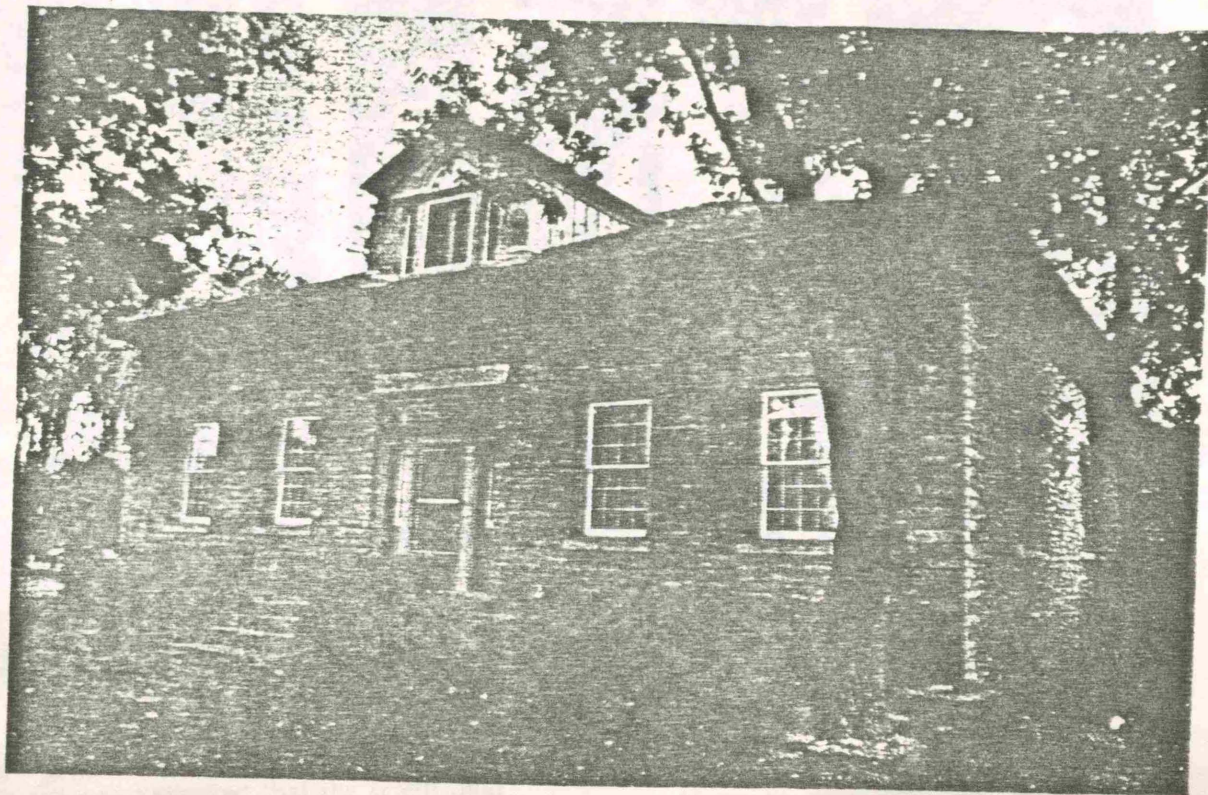
The brick chimneys

also rebuilt to return the exterior of the house to its original appearance.

A examination of the windows revealed that the traditional 24-paned windows had been replaced with larger panes. Pate set to work rebuilding the windows, not an easy task as the short, narrow frame crossmembers were no longer available. As a result, he designed a set of tools to create the pieces, and successfully restored all the windows.



R.A.Z.  
Bloomfield, Ont.



Above: the Nickolas Lazier homestead, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pate. Opposite: the living room and dining room in the Pate home.

## Rebuilding a Lifestyle

If the legendary Sherlock Holmes were assigned the task of reconstructing the scene of a crime that took place over 150 years ago, he would doubtless have tackled it with the same careful interest in which Mr. and Mrs. William Pate studied their home overlooking the Bay of Quinte east of Northport.

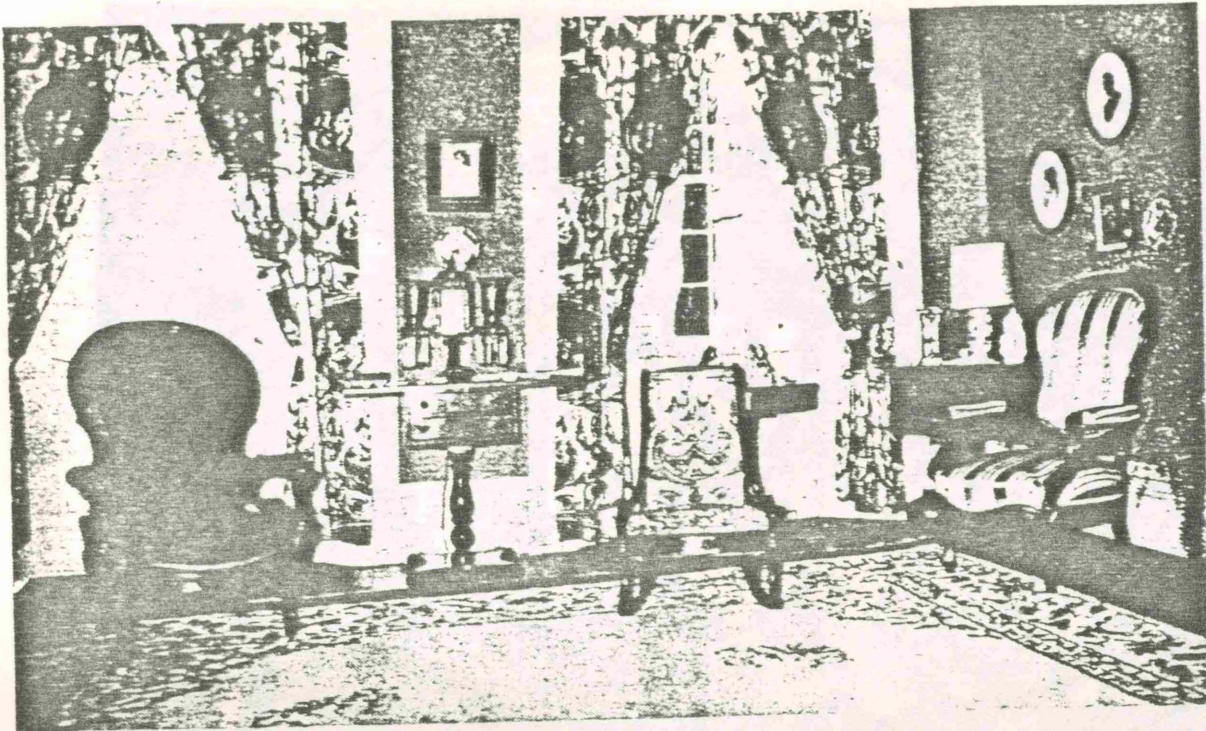
The house was the homestead of Nickolas Jacobus Lazier, who received a Crown grant of 120 acres in 1802 after leaving his home in the Eastern United States.

By the time the Pates purchased the house in 1966, many changes had been made to the interior structure by other families. They were faced with a double problem: to alter the house to meet with modern standards of convenience and comfort, and to restore the house in such a way as to preserve its rich history.

It seems that no problem is without a solution, and the Pates began their renovation and restoration. As it turned out, through the renovation, dozens of clues kept turning up that encouraged Mr. Pate to draw out a floor plan of the house as he believes it stood in the early 1800s.

When the house was built, for example, the wall studs were set into the floor. (Today the walls are assembled resting on the surface of the floor.) The arrangement of the holes in the pine floor allowed him to sketch the original walls on the floor plan, even though the walls themselves had been removed earlier in the house's history.

From this point, with a little speculation based on the position and size of the rooms created on the plan, Mr. Pate was able to gain insight into the lives of an entire family!



Meanwhile, other clues started turning up. A close examination of the window frames revealed that the traditional 24-paned windows had been replaced with larger panes. Mr. Pate immediately set to work rebuilding the windows, not an easy job since the short, narrow frame crossmembers were no longer available. As a result, he designed a set of tools to create these pieces, and successfully restored all of the windows.

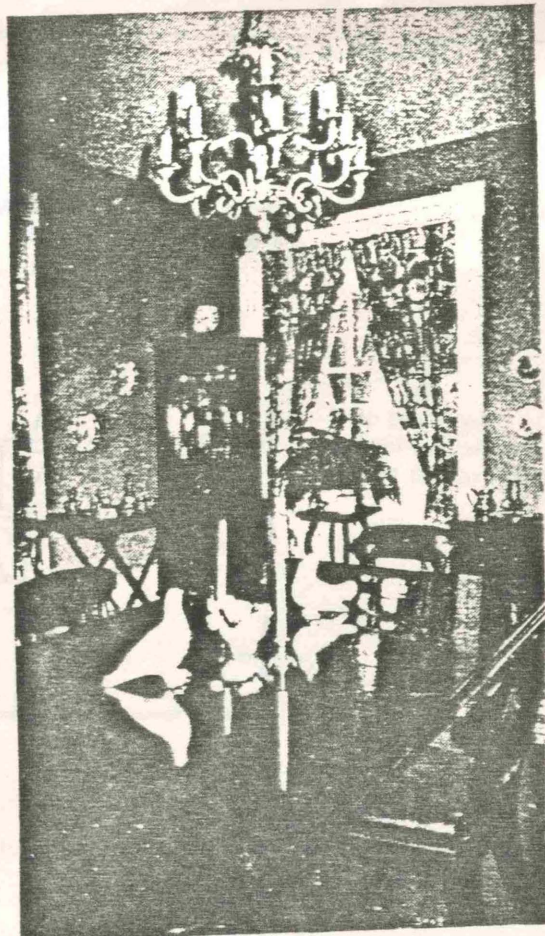
The brick chimneys were also rebuilt to return the exterior of the house to its original appearance. New interior baseboard molding in some of the rooms was also necessary to match the existing molding, where changes had been made.

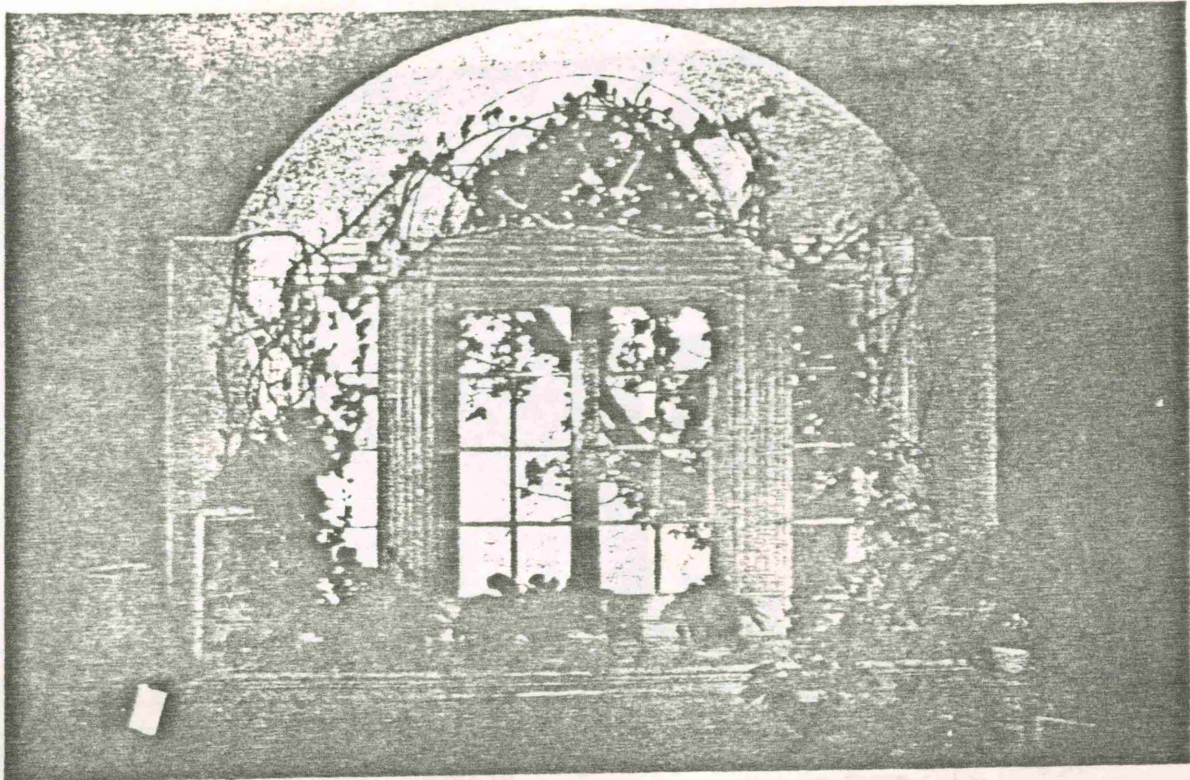
Yet, with all of this attention to restoration of the house, the Pates still managed to modernize it.

A new central heating system was installed, with the ducts running throughout the house inside the walls where they cannot be seen. New insulation was added to reduce the ability of the two-foot thick stone walls to absorb and release heat.

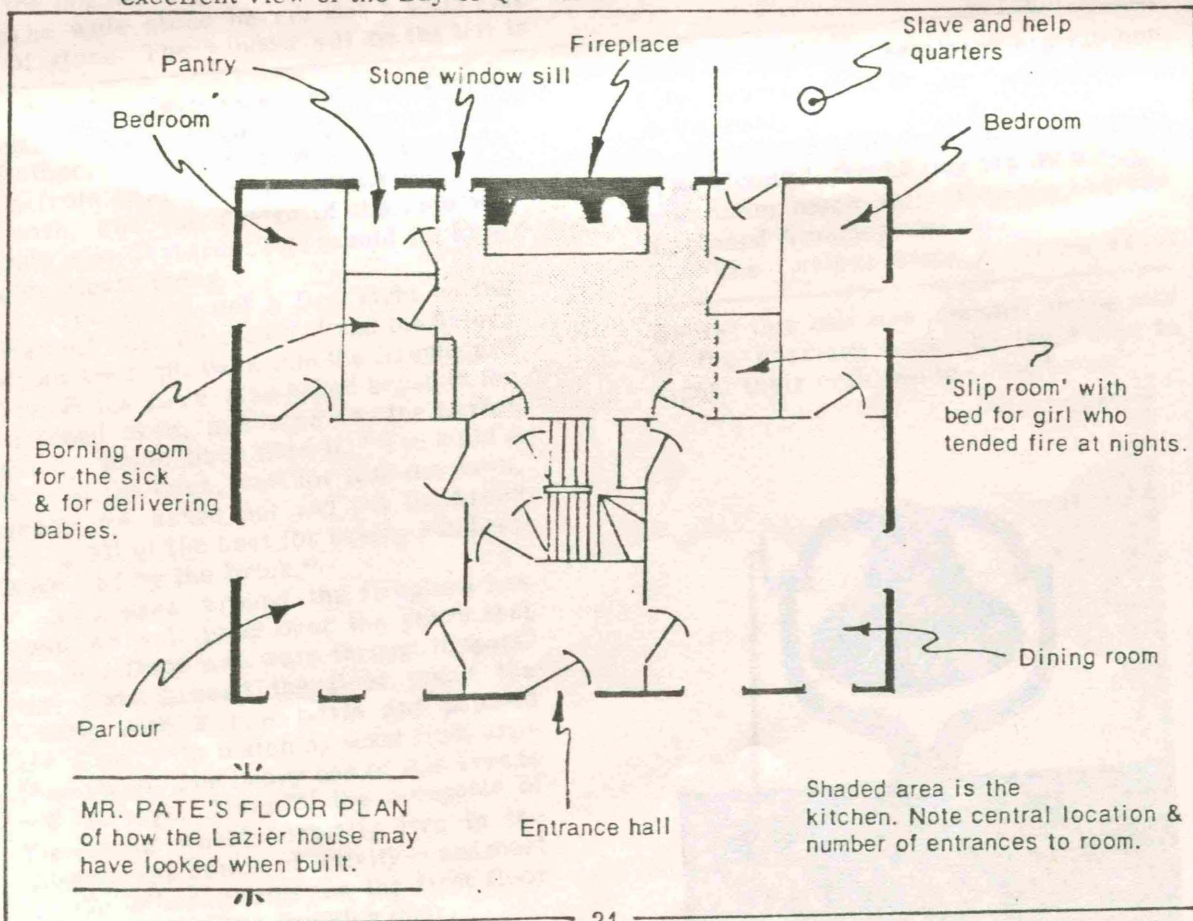
A new kitchen was added in one of the former bedrooms, and equipped with modern appliances.

"We considered using the original kitchen," said Mrs. Pate, "but the fireplace makes it such a nice living room."

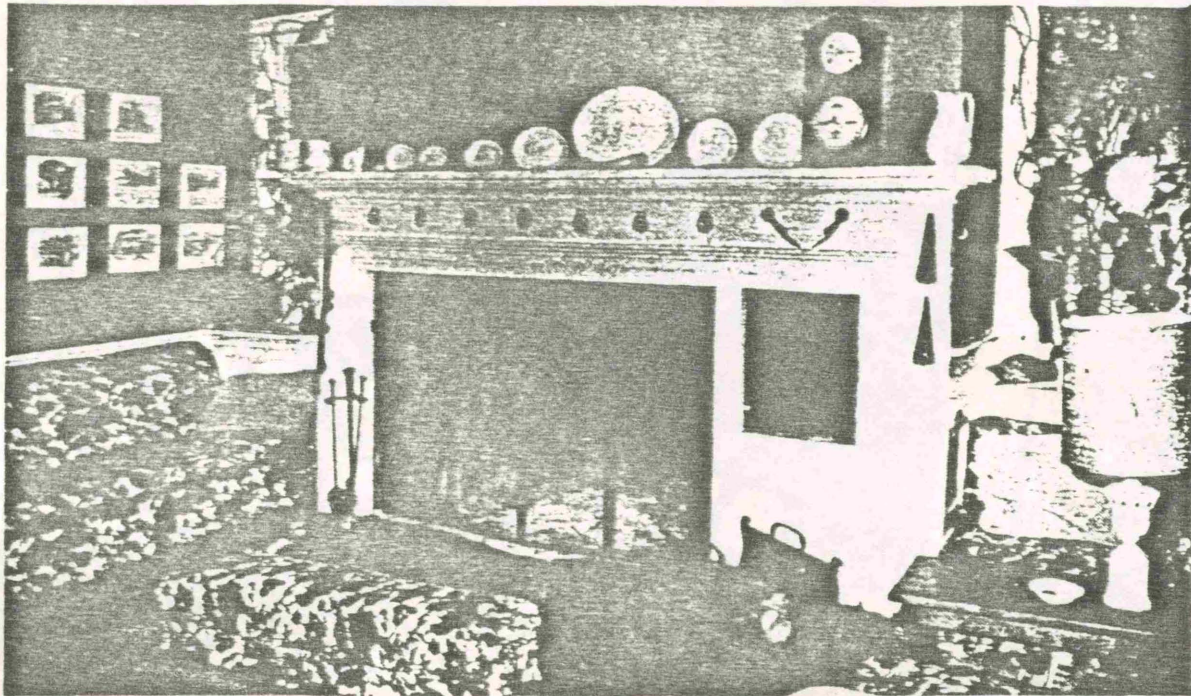




Above: The upstairs sitting room at the front of the house provides an excellent view of the Bay of Quinte.







The fireplace is an excellent example of the engineering abilities of the pioneers. The wide stone hearth was a solid slab of stone. The window sill on the left is

also made of stone; Mr. Pate believes that this was used for cooling pies and bread from the fireplace bake oven.

The fireplace represents a beautiful piece of early engineering: a solid slab of stone, now cracked and worn to a polish from heat and use, forms the wide hearth, and the design of the chimney draft has features that would be hard to duplicate today.

"You could set a fire right on the hearth," Mr. Pate said, "and the flames would lie right back into the fireplace." The Pates have also baked bread in the attached oven, much the way the Lazier family would have done it. "You build a fire in the oven, wait for it to die down, scoop the ashes out and put the bread in ... all of the heat for baking has been absorbed by the brick."

The area around the fireplace has been so well-used over the years that the pine floor was worn through in spots. Mr. Pate braced the floor under the hearth with a new beam and patched the floor with matching wood from another room. The heavy use of this area is not strange. Many of the occupants of the house would virtually live in the kitchen, the centre of activity -- and most of the other rooms on the first floor were connected to it with a door.

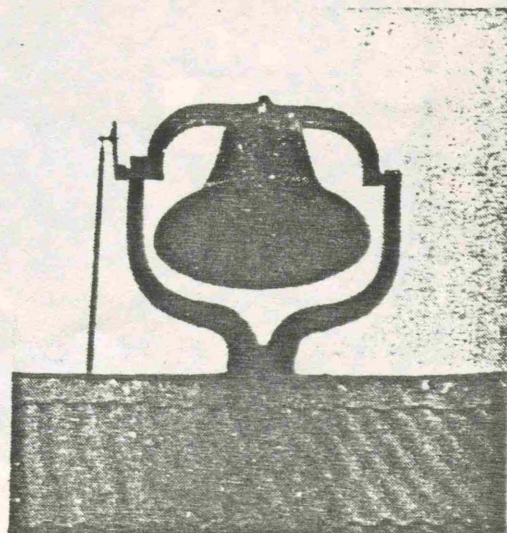
Apart from the main house, there is a large extension that was added at the

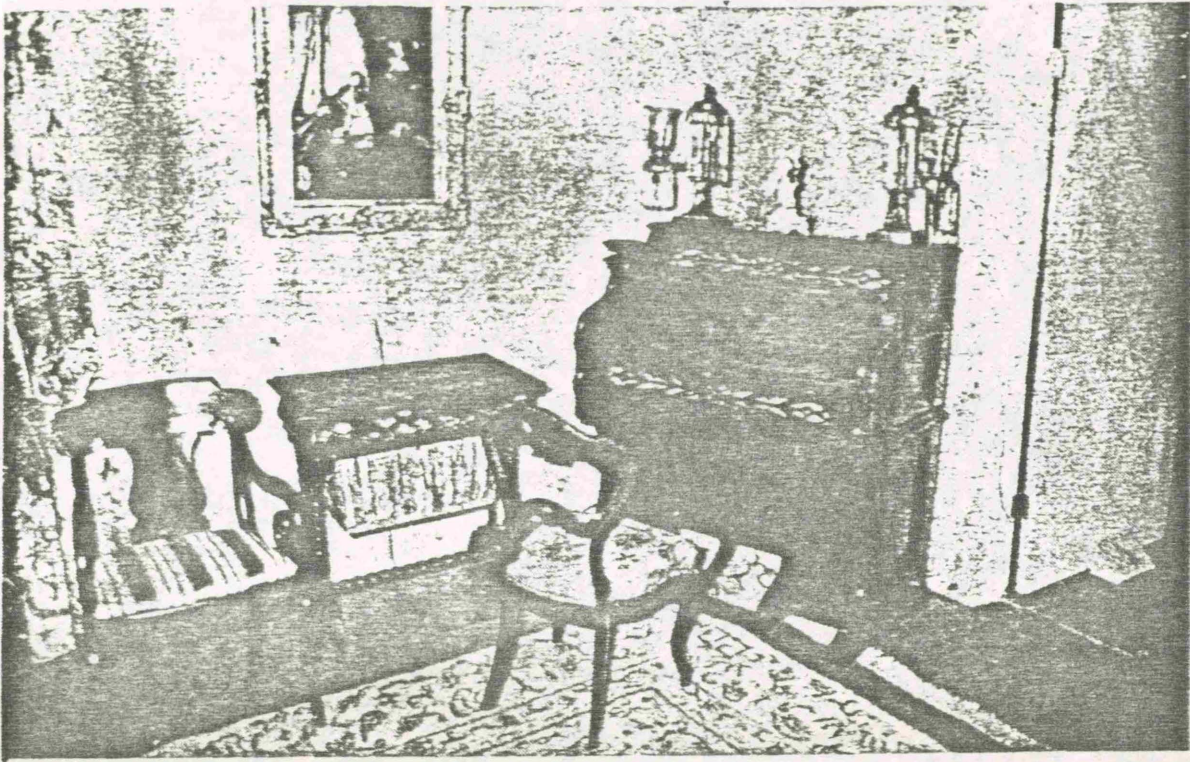
back as quarters for slaves and kitchen help, leading to a double carriage shed in the rear.

According to Richard Lunn in his book 'The County', the Lazier family brought with them much more than the average displaced American family.

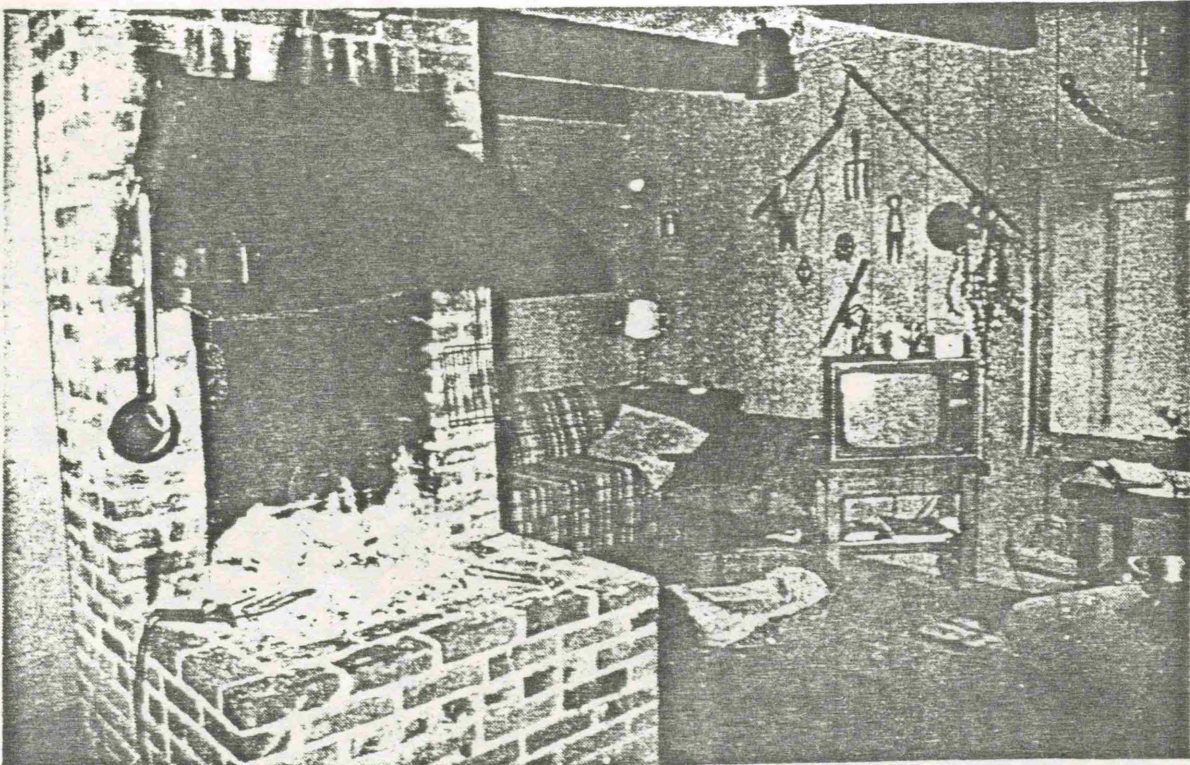
"The Laziers came to Green Point

Below: this bell was mounted on the roof of the carriage house by the Pates to signal their children to come home.





Above: one corner of the 'blue room', the Pates' living room. Below: the back room of the house was once the living quarters for slaves and house help; now it is a comfortable family room.



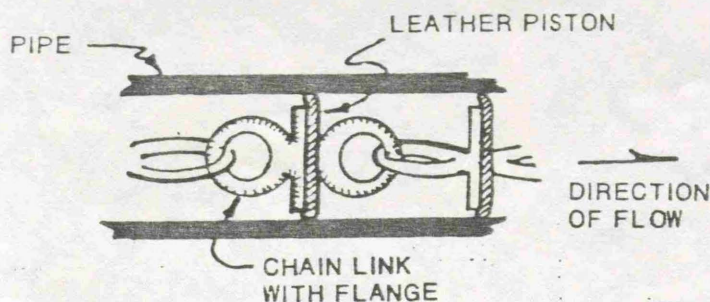
quite well off. They owned slaves, had cash, livestock, iron kettles to make maple sugar, a churn full of honey and lengths of wire gauze Nickolas used in his fanning mill (in the United States)."

Mrs. Pate adds, "He must have been a man of remarkable determination." Lazier was 53 when he came to Canada, after refusing to take an oath of allegiance to the American Government. Although his farming and milling operations and his land were taken from him, the design and structure of the house indicate that he was still more prosperous than other settlers of the time.

It would appear that the Lazier homestead was the scene of a fair bit of entertaining in its time. As was customary at the time for the more stately homes, the door and window moldings in the dining room and parlour are much more elaborate than in the rest of the house. This of course is mainly for the benefit of house guests ... in fact, it is not uncommon to find one side of a door decorated with fancy molding and the other side, generally seen by the kitchen help, flat and plain!

The front door is equipped with a latch that would seem unusual by today's standards -- there is no front doorknob. This can be explained by remembering that this house was built at a time when no-one knocked and walked into a house ... they were "welcomed from within" and were walked to the door on departure. All of the work was done from inside the house, hence the single key latch on the inside.

The Lazier house was also equipped with an early version of a utility service. An ingenious pipe and conveyor system was installed to bring water from the Bay, up the bank, and into a trough which carried it to the house. The clever chain link design used to draw the water through the pipe was an inspired bit of technology, even by today's standards.



'French drains' were also built around the outside of the house at that time, and they still operate today during rainstorms. These were trenches filled with round stones and covered with flat stones and earth leading away from the house -- an early sewer system!

While Lazier appeared to have money when he arrived, he also amassed a great deal before he died. He built and operated a grist mill with an overshot wheel on his arrival here, although it is no longer standing today. The business proved so profitable that Lazier was able to give each of his sons a farm before he died.

Times have changed a lot since then. Time has seen a lot of changes made to the house.

And, unlike so many old houses, time has seen a house restored ... if not to its original condition ... to its original grandeur.



#### GENEALOGY OF THE HOUSE

- Nickolas Jacobus Lazier  
Born 1739 - arrived about 1792  
House built about 1800
- Passed to William Lazier
- Sold to John & Amelia Lazier, 1822
- To Phinley & Minerva Lazier, 1867
- Phinley Lazier by Foreclosure  
to Edward Roblin, 1893  
(executor of last will of W.H.  
Cotter Roblin)
- Wm. Henry Cotter Roblin to  
Thomas Albert Potter, 1909
- Potter to Edward Ulmont Foster,  
1943
- Sold to Wm. Pate, 1966



A ROUGH DIAGRAM OF  
THE OPERATION OF  
LAZIER'S WATER CONVEYOR  
SYSTEM

The Exchange Tower  
2 First Canadian Place  
Suite 3100  
P.O. Box 21 Toronto Ontario M5X 2P9

# First Marathon Securities Limited

James Lazier b 1776.  
w. Meredith Darland.  
children Elizabeth, Nicholas  
Lewis, Franklen, Elizabeth, Charity,  
Maria, Lydia, Balthasar, Melietable

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Joseph Franklen Lazier b 1814 of Hallowell  
w. Leonora Clark

↓  
Stephen Franklen Lazier b. 1841 - Ycton  
w. Alice Lister in 1871

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Ernest Franklen Lazier  
↓  
Harold Franklen Lazier

↓  
Harold Lister Lazier

Colin Sampson Lazier  
1920 - w. Marjorie Gillies 1948  
Colin Gillies Lazier  
b 1949

↓  
Richard Lazier b. 1805 - w. Anne Appleby 1825

Their son was Judge  
Thomas A. Lazier  
of Belleisle - 1883  
b 1826. w. Frances Mackintosh  
Issue - Francis Stuart b 1885  
first engineer.

and son Nicholas Wellington  
b 1826 w. (1) Hetty Redell  
(2) Lydia Stockue of

Issue - Hester, Richard, George,  
Frank, Walter, Alker, Henry

and son Richard Leonard Lazier  
b 1830 w. Allison Campbell 1858  
Issue - none - Col. James Lazier

Son - Stephen Allen Lazier  
b 1833

1869 Stephen Deubar  
and son Meredith Anne b 1885

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Francis Stuart Lazier ←  
b 1885 Charlottetown VA.  
d 1960 at Toronto.  
w. 1911 - Klara McKinnon

- Issue -
- (1) Thomas Alston Lazier b 1912 Peterboro  
d. 1987  
w. Julia Steacy of Kingston  
Issue - Mary Catherine w. Joe Parkell  
Susan Rose w. Klaus Karlson  
Francis Stuart w. Victoria McKinnon
  - (2) Francis Helen d. 1914 William Steacy
  - (3) Prof. Sam Stuart Lazier b 1914 William Steacy  
w. Mary Anderson
  - (4) Katherine Rose b 1916  
w. Charles Payne

James Lazier  
son of the  
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First Emigrant  
Francis Le Sueur - b 1645 near Drope, France  
d. 1671  
emigrated to New Amsterdam 1657.  
Settled at Esopus N.Y.  
m. Jannatie Heldkraud 1657.  
Children - Jannatie, Heldkraud,  
John, Jacob, Nicholas.

Nicholas Lazier - b 1668 at Esopus.  
m. Tryuko Slot 1691 - 10 children  
m. Antje Banta 1709 - 9 children

Jacobus Lazier b. 1709 Yonkers N.Y.  
m. 1732 Maria David Durea.

Nicholas Jacobus Lazier b 1738 at Yonkers  
emigrated to Canada 1791  
Settled at Sophiasburg.  
m. Charity Conklyn in 1771  
10 children - Maria James,  
Lewis, Nicholas b. 1781,  
Mehitable, Peter, John, Abraham,  
William.

Nicholas Lazier b 1781  
at Sophiasburg.  
m. Catherine Dauwen (Coghena) 1804  
children - Richard b 1805  
Abraham b 1819, John Nicholas 1823,  
Nicholas 1807, William 1809, Christina 1812,  
Sarah 1813, Charity 1815, James 1817,

John Nicholas Lazier b 1823 - d. 1898 -  
m. Amanda Sprague in 1843.  
daughter Elda - b 1852.

Elda Lazier b 1852 m. Robt J. Mac Dowall of Kingston  
daughters, Ethel, Henrietta, Elda.

Henrietta Mac Dowall b. - m. Dr. John J. Robertson of  
Belleville -

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WIFE  
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Sept. 20, 1989

To: Descendants of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier

*Mrs. Ross* ,

Re: Lazier Reunion, 1991

I am writing this letter to a representative sample of those descendants of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier. If I have not written to any of your near relatives (see list below) it is because I am counting on you to spread the word.

It is time now to start the planning for the great Lazier Bicentennial Reunion of 1991. It is tentatively set for late August, two years from now. Your assistance would be invaluable. This event will require a lot of organization, but with your help no one individual will be overburdened. All that is asked at present is that you reply expressing an interest. If there is a particular job that you would like, or some that you'd like to avoid, just say so. At the very least, it would be appreciated if you could act as the correspondent for your branch of the family.

The organizing "committee" will probably never meet as a whole until the actual Reunion! Parts of it will have to communicate in smaller meetings and by telephone. We are just too widely spread out (and busy) to do it any other way.

Please let me have the name and address of anyone else in the family who you think might be willing to assist. Thanks for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,

*Colin*  
Colin G. Lazier

cc: Mary Woods, Mississauga, Ont.  
Mrs. Cole, Picton, Ont.  
Mary Detlor, Allen Park, MI  
✓ Catherine Ross, Kingston, Ont.  
Mary Smith, Markdale, Ont.  
Gwen Braidwood, Wellington, Ont.  
Meribeth Cameron, S. Hadley, Mass.  
Mary Lazier, Toronto, Ont.  
Amelia Engels, Lyons, NY  
Ed Lazier, Corbyville, Ont.  
John R. N. & Catharine Lazier, Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Maxine Lazier, Dayton, OH  
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Bob & Della Mae Lazier, Fort Atkinson, WI



!!! SECOND NOTICE !!!  
LAZIER FAMILY REUNION  
SATURDAY AUGUST 17 1991  
AT PICTON, ONTARIO, CANADA

All descendants of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier (1738-1817), their families and close friends are invited to a special Reunion to mark the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the Lazier family in Canada.

Your Committee has unanimously agreed on the Prince Edward County Community Centre (Arena) in Picton, Ontario as the site of the Reunion. A large, modern meeting room will be available for our use all day, Saturday, August 17, 1991. Registration and information tables will be staffed starting at 9 A.M.

During the day you are welcome to stay and chat with long lost cousins, view the exhibits or take a leisurely drive around the County. Various points of interest will be identified in the information package distributed at registration. We understand that, due to the kindness of owner Peter Cole, the distinguished Nicholas Lazier house at Northport will be open for viewing for several hours during that day.

Starting at 4 P.M. there will be a cash bar at the Community Centre with a buffet dinner following at 5:30. The whole affair is planned as informal, with fun and friendship the object.

Lazier pottery has become quite a collectable in the past several years. It was manufactured in Picton from 1849 to about 1888, when it moved to Belleville where it ceased operation in 1925. You will be able to see the location of the old house and factory close by the Community Centre in Picton.

Mary Lazier, a member of the Reunion Committee, is a noted potter in her own right. Especially for this occasion she is going to make "hand thrown" coffee mugs decorated with the Blue Bird motif of Lazier Pottery and the Latin inscription "TENETE NULLAM CURAM LAZIER ADEST" (which loosely translated means "Never fear Lazier is here"). This has been adopted by the Reunion organizers

as the Official Motto of the 1991 Lazier Reunion! These mugs will be on sale at the Reunion for those wishing a memento of the event.

Accommodation information can be obtained by writing or calling the Quinte Isle Tourist Association, Box 50, 116 Main St., Picton, Ontario, Canada, K0K 2T0. Telephone 1-613-476-2421. Fred Lazier surveyed much of the available accommodation this past summer and produced sixteen pages of notes. If you wish a copy please send \$2.00 to cover postage to the address below (don't ask the Tourist Association for this information we are the only ones who have it.)

In setting the price for this affair our aim will be to cover costs. We are hopeful of keeping it at, or under, \$25 per adult and at, or under, \$15 for children younger than 12. Final prices will be announced in our Spring mailing. At that time you will be asked to confirm how many of you are coming and pay the appropriate amount.

For further information contact:

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Telephone 1-416-525-3652 during office hours or 1-416-525-1391 in the evenings. Please send me names and addresses of other descendants to be added to the mailing list.

October, 1990

Committee members at inaugural meeting -  
Gwen Braidwood, Wellington, Ontario  
Kathleen Cole, Picton, Ontario  
Mary Detlor, Detroit, Michigan  
Colin G. Lazier, Hamilton, Ontario  
Fred Lazier, Montreal, Quebec  
Mary Lazier, Toronto, Ontario  
Mary Woods, Mississauga, Ontario

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Thanks for your recent note.  
I'll incorporate the info. into my computer  
as soon as possible.

I trust you are well

- Chris

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McDonnell Registers - See "Contents" pages.

Nicholas Logie & Catharine Cogburn - Sophiasburg  
married May 9, 1804

Griffith Howell - Sophiasburg & Elizabeth Logie  
Sept 6, 1806

Nicholas Logie & Catharine Davenport of Sophiasburg  
parents of William born 10 May 1809.

William Logie and Hannah Stickle married  
Mar 29, 1817.

William Logie and Hannah Stickle, parents  
of Nicholas - born 27 Sept 1821.

Peter Logie & Jane Stone of Sophiasburg  
married Mar 26, 1818.

Baptisms - Tyndinaga Township - Rev. R. McDonald.  
Richard Logie & Anna Appleby parents

of - Thomas Appleby born 20 Jul. 1826.  
Nicholas Wellington 10 Mar 1828  
Richard Leonard 28 Sept 1830  
Stephen Allen 29 Sept 1833  
Elizabeth Ann 3 Sept 1837.

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John Logie & Amelia Jenkins - Sophiasburg  
Township - married Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1829 - Witnesses  
Allen Munro & Ely. Munro.

Harlow Owen - Mauda Dorland of Hillier  
married Sept 13, 1860.

David Reginald Palmer, son of R. Clayton &  
Florence L. Palmer, Farmer Sophiasburg  
Born. ~~Jan 10, 1853~~, baptised ~~Jan 7, 1858~~ <sup>Dec 20, 1881</sup>  
Sept. 5, 1881

## GENEALOGY OF LAZIER FAMILY

The following data was copied from a volume entitled "Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte". The publication has no author but was published by Rolph and Clark, Limited, Toronto, in either 1904 or 1905. This book was the property of the late Col. S.S. Lazier of Belleville, Ontario.

### THE LAZIER FAMILY

Data furnished from the memoranda transcribed from the old Lazier family bible, record no: Jacobus R. Lazier was born in 1708 and left France for America during the time the extreme persecutions were being inflicted on the Huguenots. Settling presumably at Yonkers, near New York, where his son subsequently owned considerable property, he married an English woman whose Christian name was Maria. They had at least one son called Nicholas Jacobus Lazier; but whether there were other children cannot now be ascertained, although the assumption is that there were, as other Lazier descendants have been traced living in the vicinity of Yonkers. Jacobus R. Lazier died in 1792, and was survived twelve years by his wife, who died at the age of eighty-eight years. 1708

Nicholas Jacobus Lazier arrived in Canada on November 6th, 1791, being in the year before his father's death. He was then a man well advanced in years, being at the time fifty-three years of age, having been born in 1739; and came accompanied by his wife and eight children. His migration is stated to have been the effect of a refusal to take the oath of allegiance to the American Government and the confiscation of the considerable milling and farming properties he possessed at Yonkers, near New York.

Twenty years before settling in Upper Canada he married Charity Conklin, who, although thirteen years his junior was a sympathetic companion in his days of adversity and a faithful helpmate among the stress of his pioneering hardships. The old homestead where he first settled in Sophiasburg was beautifully situated on the eastern one hundred and twenty acres of lot 18 west of Green Point. It stood on a knoll that looked across the sylvan girt of the Bay of Quinte. A little way to its rear a grist mill was erected beside a creek which flowed from a small lake enclosed by his land; and close by, not much farther along the shore, the sad demands of later years placed a lonely burial ground, where the Laziers and other pioneers of the Sophiasburg Bay Front have since been laid to their rest, beneath the land of their adoption and within the sounds of their Bay.

Prosperity attended the efforts of the Lazier family pioneer with such good effect as to enable him before he died to bequeath a farm to each of his sons. Most of them settled on the road leading from Picton to Demorestville but Nicholas located on one hundred and fifty-five acres between Northport and Demorestville and opposite Big Island. John was left the old homestead which afterward passed into the possession of his son Finlay. With reference to the possessions of the Pioneer it is worthy to note that, like others of the better-off pioneers, he brought slaves with him to Canada. Dr. Canniff, the historian of the settlement of Upper Canada, relates how one

slave, named Sal, who belonged to Nicholas Lasier, was noted for her attachment to Methodism, and would go long distances to attend meetings. As Black Betty, also a slave, was a member of the first congregation in New York before which the first Methodist minister in America preached, so Sal was one of the first Methodists in Upper Canada. For a long time John Cronk and she were the only Methodists in the township of Sophiasburg. The Lasiers were Presbyterians.

The old homestead of Nicholas Lasier, the fifth child of the Pioneer, passed into the possession of his youngest son, John N., whose widow and family still own it. Nicholas Lasier had eight other children. Richard Lasier the eldest of the family, after marrying and farming for a time in Prince Edward County moved to Tyendinaga. Continuing to farm in that township, and perceiving the prosperity to be derived from the lumbering business he started saw and grist mills at Milltown near Shannonville, of which latter place he afterward became the collector of customs. Himself a grandson of the old pioneer he had a distinguished family. His eldest son, Thomas Appleby Lasier a great-grandson of the Canadian Pioneer, is the present Senior Judge for the County of Hastings (1904).

A younger brother of Judge Lasier is another member of this family who holds a distinguished position in legal circles. Samuel Shaw Lasier, the present Master-in-Chancery and Deputy Registrar for the counties of Hastings, Prince Edward, Lennox and Addington. Some years ago he relinquished the Deputy-Registrarship, but still retained the office of Master-in-Chancery for Belleville and Napanee. The acceptance of this appointment prevented his standing for Parliament when nominated as the Liberal-Conservative candidate for the riding of East Hastings. On occasions he has had the honour of being appointed Deputy Judge for the County.

Although the duties of his office have been onerous, at times taxing his energies to the utmost, he has managed to devote a great deal of his time to two hobbies: Volunteering and Free Masonry. As far back as 1838 he obtained a first class military certificate, and in August following was gazetted as ensign in the 15th Battalion Argyll Light Infantry. He obtained his captaincy in June 1856, when on active service at Prescott with his regiment during the Fenian he was gazetted Major in June 1871, and Lieutenant-Colonel in June 1876, from which time until January 1895 when he retired retaining his rank, he commanded his regiment to the credit of the city and the force. None but those who have commanded a volunteer regiment can form any idea of the time and money expended by him in his thirty years service. Several generations of young men of the city passed through this regiment while it was under his command, and wherever an old Bellevillian is found he has a word of praise for his old commanding officer and a strong feeling of affection for the old 15th.

Colonel Lasier's services and progress in Freemasonry have been as Marked and distinguished as in the military. He joined Moira Lodge, No. 11, G.R.Co in February, 1864; Moira Chapter (Royal Arch), in July 1870; King Baldwin Perceptory Knights Templar, in April 1875; was Master of Moira, Aurora and Quinte lodges for some ten years; was District Deputy Grand Master of the Prince Edward District for 1874 and 1875; Provincial Prior of Knights Tem-

plar for the Kingston District for 1883 and 1884, and has been, and still is, in office as Eminent Perceptor of King Baldwin Perceptory for upwards of twelve years. He received the 33rd degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in July 1882; the Egyptian Rites of Memphis also in July 1882 and is a member of Rameses Shrine.

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Colonel Lazier married in 1865, and has resided all his life in Belleville. His home is a very imposing residence known as "Kirkclawn" which he built in 1880, and where his wife and he have entertained bountifully. They have enjoyed the privilege of travelling considerably having been round the world and taken on several tours of the British Isles and on the European continent. While in England Mrs. Lazier had the honour to be presented in 1886 by the late Countess of Roseberry at a Drawing Room held by Her Majesty the late Queen Victoria at Buckinham Palace, Colonel Lazier was presented by Lord Granville to the Prince of Wales, now King Edward VII, at a levee held at St. James Palace. Their presentation at Court procured them invitations to all the noted functions of the season, notably the Queen's State Ball, the Princess' Louise's Garden Party and a reception held by the Countess of Granville at her London Residence. In their home circle Colonel and Mrs. Lazier are much esteemed. They have for many years been prominent in the affairs of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Colonel Lazier being chairman of the Board of Managers, and Mrs. Lazier president of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Stephen Allen Lazier, another great-grandson of the old pioneer and a member of the Richard branch of the family, after completing his education by graduating with honours from Victoria University of Cobourg, joined his father in fulfilling a large contract with the Grand Trunk Railway, the lines for which were being laid through the country. He then embarked on a mercantile career on his own account, and settled for varying periods at Prescott and Ottawa, and at Milltown on the Salmon River, where he operated flaring and saw mills and conducted a large carriage factory. As a Conservative, he was strongly pressed to allow himself to be a candidate for election to the Dominion House of Commons; but he generously abrogated the honour in favour of John White. Stephen Allen Lazier, himself a great-grandson of the pioneer, is assisted in his paper milling business in Belleville by his two sons, Thomas Cameron and Robert Elliot. The former having completed his education at Dr. Tassie's school at Galt with a course at the Ontario Business College. Having joined the militia in 1880 and had been promoted to the rank of Major by 1885, he commanded "A" company in the Midland Battalion during the Northwest Rebellion. The younger son Robert Elliott was like his brother, educated at the Dr. Tassie School. He decided on law for a profession, and was admitted to the Bar in 1888, after which he practised for two years, when he joined his father's growing business. He also has been an active volunteer, for after serving a short while in the ranks, he was gazetted in 1883 as Second Lieutenant in the 15th Argyll Light Infantry. Later, he graduated from the Kingston Royal School of Gunnery, and when he retired from the service in 1885, was adjutant of the regiment. In 1894 he married Iathleer Bell, the daughter of the late John Bell, K.C.

Peter Lazier, the younger son of Peter and grandson of Nicholas Lazier, was murdered while defending the home of the Jones family against burglars. His murderers, Lother and Tomsit, were executed for the crime, although ably defended by the late Dalton McCarthy. At the trial the Crown was represented by the present Justice Clute, then in active practice, and one of the foremost advocates of the Bar of Ontario.

Frazier H. Lazier, son of Gilbert D., and great-grandson of Nicholas Lazier, was born March 26, 1862, in South Marysburg, near Millford. His father was then living upon the VanDusen homestead. He soon after moved to Brighton, and settled upon the homestead now owned by Frazier H. Lazier. The latter was educated at the public and High Schools of Brighton, and for three years served as book-keeper for the Pennsylvania and Ohio Railway Construction Company. He then took up farming, later inheriting his father's property. In 1886 he married Miss Ellen Gertrude Youmans of Prince Edward County. He has devoted his attention to the breeding of standard horses and the cultivation of fruit and in both lines has achieved remarkable success. He has been active in the A.O.U.W. of which he has been District Grand Master for a longer period than any of his predecessors, and at the last Grand Lodge was re-elected for the ensuing year.

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to wit, Smauel, Mary, Sarah, David, Hannah, Elizabeth, Arthur, Hannah, Jemima, Jane and John. The youngest, John, married Tabitha Bugaley Farley, and it was his daughter who became Mrs. Frazier H. Lazier. He was a talented musician, travelled extensively, and died while upon a tour in the State of Texas.

Of the brothers and sisters of Mrs. Lazier it may be noted in passing that James Arthur is a large landholder in the Northwest; that Wilmot Casey married Adelia Minaker and resides in Toronto; that Samuel is a druggist in Indiana, and that Henry settled in California. Of the sisters, Mary Elizabeth pursues her chosen profession as a teacher in the public schools of Toronto; Sarah Melissa married George Garland, an editor, who resides at Clarksburg, in the State of Mississippi.

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NICHOLAS LAZIER

THE CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN:

- I. Maria Lazier, b. 1772, d. 1874; m. Abraham, son of Gilbert set. Fredenchasburgh.
- II. James Lazier, b. 1776; m. Meredith Dorland; set. old Lazier homestead. Issue; (1) Elizabeth, (2) Nicholas, (3) John, (4) Lewis, (5) Franklin, (6) Gilbert D., (7) Charity, (8) Maria, (9) Lydia, (10) Bathsheba, and (11) Mehetable.
- III. Lewis Lazier, b. 1779, d. 1813; m. Eliza Cronk.
- IV. Nicholas Lazier, b. 1781; m. Catherine Davenport, b. 1785; set. Sophiasburgh. Issue: (1) Richard, (2) Nicholas, (3) William, (4) Christina, (5) Sarah, (6) Charity, (7) James, (8) Abraham, (9) John N.
- V. Mehetable Lazier, m. Lyman Hill; set. Sophiasburgh; Issue: (1) John, (2) Almira, (3) Diana, (4) Nicholas, (5) James.
- VI. Peter Lazier, b. 1786; m. Jane Holmes; set. Sophiasburgh; Issue: (1) Betsy, b. 1810, d. 1853; (2) Charity, b. 1811, d. 1893; (3) Nathaniel, b. 1813, d. 1902; (4) Nicholas, b. 1815, d. 1816; (5) Margaret, b. 1817 d. 1859; (6) Lydia, b. 1819, d. 1860; (7) William, b. 1821, d. 1829; (8) Sarah Jane, b. 1823, d. 1899; (9) Meribeth Ann b. 1825, d. 1854; (10) Peter, b. 1837, d. 1883; (11) Olive, b. 1829, d. 1860; (12) Lewis, b. 1832, d. 1832.
- VII. John Lazier, m. 1st. Olive Munro and 2nd. Amelia Jenkins; set old homestead Sophiasburgh. Issue (1) John, (2) Susan, (3) Allen, (4) Samuel, (5) Finlay, and (6) Amelia.
- VIII. Abraham Lazier, m. 1st. Miss Way and 2nd. Janey Corey, nee Lyons; set. Sophiasburgh; Issue: (1) Nicholas, (2) John, (3) Hiram, and (4) James.
- IX. William Lazier.

## THE GRANDCHILDREN AND ISSUE:

### Sec. 111. The James Lazier Branch:

- (1) Elizabeth Lazier, m. Abel Cooney; set. Sophiasburgh. Issue (a) Meribeth, (b) William, (c) Lewis, (d) John, (e) James, (f) Elizabeth, (g) Eliza, (h) Milanda, and (i) Charity.
- (2) Nicholas Lazier, m. Mary Wright; set. old homestead; Issue: (a) Catherine, (b) Dorland, (c) Bathsheba, and (d) Danora.
- (3) John Lazier, d. aged 18.
- (4) Lewis Lazier, m. 1st. Eliza Brown and 2nd. Mrs. Pennell; set. Tyendinaga. Issue; (a) James, (b) Alice.
- (5) Franklin Lazier, m. and settled Pictou and finally Dundas. Issue: (a) James, (b) Stephen, barrister-at-law, and (c) Willett.
- (6) Gilbert D. Lazier, m. Maud H. VanDusen; set. Brighton. Issue: (a) Amelia L. m. Richard Carr, set. Adolphustown (Issue Eleanor & Lilly) (b) Mary C. m. Capt. James Dunning; set. Barrie. (Issue Annie & Oston L.) (c) Emma M. m. Albert Post; set. Cramahe (Issue Mary O.) (d) Frazier H. Lazier, m. Ella Gertrude Yowmans; set. Brighton. (Issue Dora, Ida, Vivian and Harold.)
- (7) Charity Lazier, m. Andrew Quickenbush; set. Napanee. Issue: (a) Peter, (b) James, (c) Jane, (d) Anne.
- (8) Mary Lazier, m. Henry Werden, set Tyendinaga. Issue: (a) Menina, (b) Morewina, (c) Alonzo, (d) Emma Jean, (e) Bertha, (f) James Elias, (g) Stephen, (h) Therza, (i) Florence J.
- (9) Lydia Lazier m William Yoro; set. Thurlow. Issue; (a) Nicholas, (b) Catherine, (c) Marebeth, (d) James, (e) Charity, (f) John, (g) Rose.
- (10) Bathsheba Rose, m. Milo Park; set. Hay Bay. Issue: (a) John, (b) James, (c) Albert, (d) Charles, (e) Rosella.
- (11) Mehetabel Lazier, m. John M.G. Detlor; set Tweed. Issue: (a) Elizabeth, (b) Maria, (c) William.

### Sec. V. The Nicholas Lazier Branch:

- (1) Richard Lazier, b. 1805, d. 1871; m. Anna B. Appleby, b. 1805, d. 1903; daughter of Thomas D. Appleby and Meribeth Solmes; set. Tyendinaga. Issue: (a) Thomas Appleby Lazier, Judge, b. 1826; m. at Clifton Springs, N.Y., Frances E. Hanckel, b. 1848; set Belleville. (Issue: Francis Stuart Lazier, b. 1885; civil engineer- student at Queen's University and Susan Rose b. 1897.)  
(b) Nicholas Wellington Lazier, b. 1828; 1st Letty Ann Bedell, b. 1828 d. 1864; and 2nd. Lydia E. Stickney, b. 1835; set. Belleville. Issue by 1st: Hester A., Richard O., George B., Frank B.,; and by 2nd Walter S. Albert Wellington and Lena May.)  
(c) Richard Leonard Lazier - b. 1830 m. Allison Wilson Campbell, b. 1837. (Issue: Henrietta, John C., Samuel W., Anna B., Mary J., Donaldson, Florence A., Richard A., and Arthur K. The majority of the members of this family are married and settled in California; the others are in Manitoba.)  
(d) Steven Allen Lazier, b. 1833; m. 1st Mary Jane Leatch, b. 1836, d. 1869 and 2nd Marion Brownlee, b. 1851. (Issue by 1st. Thomas C. b. 1862 Robert E. b. 1864, and Stephen D. born 1867; and by 2nd. David E. b. 1877; and Katherine M. b. 1886)  
(e) Meribeth Ann Lazier, b. 1837; m. Robert Elliott, a Belleville merchant. Issue: Two sons and three daughters now settled in Chicago - Arthur Robert, Annie, Katherine & Margaret)  
(f) Samuel Shaw Lazier, b. 1840; m. Margaret only daughter of late William Robertson of Belleville and sister of Alexander Robertson f

Sec. V. - cont'd

- (2) Nicholas Lazier, b. 1807; m. 1837 Ellen Frizzell; set Tyendinaga.
- (3) William Lazier, b. 1809; m. 1828. Jane Lewis; set. Tyendinaga.
- (4) Christina Lazier, b. 1818. m. 1830, Royal Munro, merchant, set. Belleville.
- (5) Sarah Lazier, b. 1813; d. y.
- (6) Charity Lazier, b. 1815, m. 1837, Benjamin Smith; set. Sophiasburgh
- (7) James Lazier, b. 1817; m. Diana Hill; settled finally in Missouri.
- (8) Abraham Lazier. b. 1819.
- (9) John N. Lazier, b. 1823; son of Lewis, m. 1843 Lucinda Sprague; set. on the old Nicholas Lazier homestead in Sophiasburgh, opposite Big Island.

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June 19, 1989

Dear Mrs. Ross,

You can't imagine how thrilled I was to receive the Bible. Already I have spent some time going over the entries carefully. Several things lead me to believe that the Bible dates from the early part of the 19th century, say 1825:

1) The entries for the parents of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier (1707, 1715) and the entries for his children, and for the children of his son John (ending with the entry for Mary Amelia Lazier born April 13, 1841) were all done in the same handwriting. Pen, ink and composition match so well that these entries might have all been made at one or two sittings.

2) If the family had the Bible in the States then surely they would have recorded the birth of the first Mahitable in 1774. She died young.

3) My ancestor Jacobus is shown as James. Jacobus would have been his official first name and the one that would have been recorded in the Bible if it was being used at the time of his birth.

4) In speaking to a man who restores old books, I was told that 18th century books used paper with a high rag content. The pulp paper used for this Bible is what leads to the brittle, crumbling damage which is now occurring. It is more typical of books produced in the early 19th century. To prevent further damage I am having this man give me an estimate on repairs. Otherwise, I am afraid that there won't be much of it left in a few years.

There is no doubt that this book is one that will be treasured. You know how difficult it is to make it available to interested people. The idea of a "Lazier Museum" was a good thought but it would be awfully small! No Library or Archive seems to want to assume responsibility. So the Bible will have to remain in private hands - but with a definite obligation to (somehow) share it with the family. Copies of the entries are enclosed for your records. Please accept my thanks for preserving this record of our heritage, and for entrusting it to my care.

Yours very truly,

  
Colin G. Lazier

LAZIER

From "Historical Sketch of Hastings and Prince Edward Counties"  
1878

The Lazier Family, of French extraction-French Huguenots- went to Holland during the persecution of Protestants in France by the Catholics. They came to America and settled above Manhattan Is. on the Hudson R.

JACOBUS LAZIER was born near Yonkers N.Y. in 1707 and died there in 1792. His descendants lived in that vicinity till the Revolution divided the Colonies into hostile factions. The Laziers espoused the Royal cause and to avoid trouble and at the same time enjoy freedom of their political opinions, many of them left their homes after the war.

NICHOLAS, the eldest son of Jacobus, born in 1738, came to Canada in 1791 and settled in Prince Edward County, where he remained until his death. His wife's maiden name was Charité Conklin, and their whole family of seven sons and two daughters lived to be very old. Mary, the eldest child, afterwards Mrs. Bogart, died at Adolphustown in 1874 at the age of 102.

RICHARD LAZIER, Nicholas Lazier's eldest son was born in Prince Edward County in 1805. He married Anna Appleby and moved in 1823 to Tyendinega being among the very first settlers in that neighborhood, now Shannonville. Richard became the first clerk of the old Court of Requests of Hastings County and continued, until the Court was abolished, as one of the Commissioners of same.

*Great-grandfather*

He was a Captain of Volunteers in Active Service in 1837-38 and afterwards was promoted to Lieut-Col.

He was a man who deserved well of the country, and the Government recognized his ability and public service by appointing him to the position of Collector of Customs for Shannonville, a position he held up to the time of his death on June 29, 1871.

To Richard and Anna here was born five sons and two daughters.

THOMAS APPLEBY LAZIER was the eldest son. He was educated at Victoria College and studied law, chiefly with Hon. Lewis Wallbridge of Belleville, finishing his studies in the office of the Hon. Judge Adam Wilson of Toronto. He was called to the bar in 1854.

*Grandfather*

He commenced the practice of his profession soon after at Belleville where his talents and application soon won him a large and lucrative practice, and made him the man to fill the Judgeship of the County Court of Hastings County, to which position he was appointed July 11, 1873.

The Judge has always lent his valuable assistance to the development of all public and private enterprises which promised for the benefit of Belleville, Hastings County and the Province of Ontario. He was a very active advocate of the Grand Junction Railway, the organization of which was in a great measure due to him and a few more

like him, and he became the first Secretary of the Corporation.

RICHARD LEONARD LAZIER was born in 1830 in the village of Milltown a mile from Shannonville. He was appointed Collector of Customs for the port of Shannonville in 1871. He was also Justice of the Peace. He also engaged in the milling business, owning a large flour mill at Milltown. Mr. Lazier is highly esteemed by all who know him, and is distinguished for his many virtues and dignified conduct.

The LAZIERs are a very numerous family throughout the Bay of Quinte district and their intelligence and high social position enable them to exert a very strong influence in all affairs of public or political nature. They have among them a number of representative men who hold distinguished positions of public trust in various branches of public service.

Trinity Church & St. Thomas'  
Shannonville - Belleville Registers

- Thomas Cameron Lazier - s. of Stephen Allen & Mary ? Lazier.  
a road surveyor - born at Shannonville  
Aug. 29, 1862. Baptized 8 Aug. 1865.
- Robert Elliott Lazier - s. of as above, born Dec. 2, 1864, and  
baptized 8 Aug. 1865. Private - by Wm.  
Lewin.
- Caroline Emma Appleby - daughter of Nathaniel & Sarah Appleby,  
a miller - Milltown. Baptized Sept. 8,  
1868. Sponsors: Jas. & Nancy Reid.  
Wm. Lewin, priest.
- Carrie Helena May - d. of Thomas Dorland & Mary Jane Appleby -  
miller - Born May 1st, 1879, baptized July  
15, 1879. private - Stuart Foster, priest.
- Mary Jane Lazier - aged 33 - born Lisbon N.Y., Buried 26 Jan. 1869,  
Shannonville Cemetery.
- James Brown Appleby - aged 25 - clerk, of typhoid fever - Shannonville  
cemetery. (no date) Between entries of Jan.  
28, 1882 and March 17, 1882.
- Levi Appleby - buried in Shannonville cemetery April, 1864.
- Appleby's - Ellen, Emma & Mary J. (Mrs.) all confirmed on May 6, 1882.
- Benjamin Glenday - son of Thomas Dorland & Mary Jane Appleby.  
born Jan. 11, 1874, baptized Dec. 25, 1881.  
Sponsors - mother & Wm. Mayles.
- John Harrison Butler - son of Thomas Dorland & Mary J. Appleby - born  
21 Jan. 1878, baptized June 16, 1881.
- Marriage: Alexander Cameron, aged 46, of Colborne (Presbyterian),  
widower - travelling agent - married Amelia C. Shaw,  
aged 34 (Ch. of England) of Shannonville - single, born  
in Ont. Canada. Parents: <sup>Am</sup>Sam & Lydia Shaw.  
Witnesses: G.W. Fauckner, M/D.  
Kate Lazier, Belleville.  
Married at Trinity Church, Shannonville by James  
Mockridge. (No date except the year 1871.)



LAZIER, LOZIER, LeSUEUR

Compiled by Colin Gillies Lazier

October 19, 1988

Note to Readers

This compilation is an on-going, changing work. As new and, better information is received and assimilated the document evolves. Parts of what you read here may disappear from subsequent drafts, or at least get moved around a bit. In the interest of keeping the promise to share information, which I made to my correspondents I am distributing material believed to be accurate, but some details will require correction. Please do not hesitate to provide additional information, corrections and suggestions.

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Abbreviations:

b = born	
d = date of death	bap = baptism date
r = residence	m = married

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Sept. 20, 1989

To: Descendants of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier

*Frances*

Re: Lazier Reunion, 1991

I am writing this letter to a representative sample of those descendants of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier. If I have not written to any of your near relatives (see list below) it is because I am counting on you to spread the word.

It is time now to start the planning for the great Lazier Bicentennial Reunion of 1991. It is tentatively set for late August, two years from now. Your assistance would be invaluable. This event will require a lot of organization, but with your help no one individual will be overburdened. All that is asked at present is that you reply expressing an interest. If there is a particular job that you would like, or some that you'd like to avoid, just say so. At the very least, it would be appreciated if you could act as the correspondent for your branch of the family.

The organizing "committee" will probably never meet as a whole until the actual Reunion! Parts of it will have to communicate in smaller meetings and by telephone. We are just too widely spread out (and busy) to do it any other way.

Please let me have the name and address of anyone else in the family who you think might be willing to assist. Thanks for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,

*CL*  
Colin G. Lazier

cc: Mary Woods, Mississauga, Ont.  
Mrs. Cole, Picton, Ont.  
Mary Detlor, Allen Park, MI  
Catherine Ross, Kingston, Ont.  
Mary Smith, Markdale, Ont.  
Gwen Braidwood, Wellington, Ont.  
Meribeth Cameron, S. Hadley, Mass.  
Mary Lazier, Toronto, Ont.  
Amelia Engels, Lyons, NY  
Ed Lazier, Corbyville, Ont.  
John R. N. & Catharine Lazier, Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Maxine Lazier, Dayton, OH  
Phil La Zier, Sacramento, CA  
Bob & Della Mae Lazier, Fort Atkinson, WI

*Frances*

Roger Lazier, Arlington, TX  
Wellington Lazier, Ballwin, MO  
Mark & Cynthia Lemon, Coldwater, Ont.  
Catharine McArthur, Chatham, Ont.  
Paul McFarland, London, UK  
Frances Storey, Kingston, Ont.  
Alice Rose Willets, Rochelle, IL  
Barbara Frankel, Annandale, VA  
Naomi Wingfield & Lyle Hurd, Hamilton, Ont  
William C. Lazier, Corona Del Mar, CA  
Alice Lazier, Trenton, Ont.  
H. Frank Lazier, Vancouver, B.C.  
Doris Dawson, Whitney, Ont.  
Ann Wegman, Cleveland, OH  
Peter Lazier, Hamilton, Ont.  
Stephen Lazier, Hamilton, Ont.  
R. Douglas Lazier, Ottawa, Ont.  
Harold Lazier, Dundas, Ont.  
Colin S. Lazier, Hamilton, Ont.  
Thomas Lazier, Hamilton, Ont.  
Sarah Keating, Toronto, Ont.  
Betty Mullin, Hamilton, Ont.  
Duncan Bull, Guelph, Ont.  
F. Stuart Lazier, Toronto, Ont.  
Samuel Lazier, Kingston, Ont.  
Richard Lazier, CA  
Agar Adamson, Acadia U.  
Nora Losey c/o U. of Manitoba  
Viola Lazier  
F. R. L. Lazier, Owen Sound, Ont.  
Fred Lazier, Montreal, Quebec  
Peter Lazier, Vancouver, B. C.  
Robert L. Elliott, Chicago, IL  
Irene Bush, Kitchener, Ont.  
Sherman Lazier, Corbyville, Ont.  
Orley G. Lazier, Toronto, Ont.  
Douglas J. Lazier, Shannonville, Ont.  
Wilma Lazier, Burlingame, CA  
Jerry H. Lazier, Vancouver, WA  
J. Fred Lazier, Belleville, Ont.  
Allan Lazier, Shannonville?  
Donald C. Lazier, Portland, OR  
Jerry A. Lazier, San Francisco, CA  
Garnet Lazier, Orillia, Ont.  
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LAZIER REUNION

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1991

TIME - 9:00 A.M. TILL EVENING

The descendants of NICHOLAS JACOBUS LAZIER and CHARITY CONKLIN, their family and guests are invited to attend a special Family Reunion to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the family's migration to Canada.

The Reunion will take place at the Prince Edward County Community Centre (the Picton Arena) in Picton, Ontario, Canada. Directions to get to the Arena are set out below.

COST

In order to cover the expense of the buffet dinner, a souvenir pin, postage and other expenses, the charge will be \$20.00 per person payable in advance (\$17.50 U.S.). Children age eleven and under will be \$12.00 (\$10.00 U.S.). Please send your cheque payable to Colin G. Lazier before July 15th, 1991, indicating how many adults and children are in your party (late comers might not be accommodated due to space restrictions). The cheques should be sent to

Lazier Reunion,  
25 Main Street West,  
17th Floor,  
Hamilton, Ontario,  
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## DIRECTIONS

### FROM THE WEST

- From Detroit take Highway 401 East past Toronto to Exit 522.
- From Buffalo take the Queen Elizabeth Way to Highway 427, take Highway 427 North to Highway 401, go East on Highway 401 to Exit 522.
- At Exit 522 proceed South on Wooller Road to Highway 33 (the Loyalist Parkway) and turn right and follow it to Picton. In Picton, bear left at the main intersection (don't turn left and don't turn right and go down the hill!). You will now be on Highway 49. The Community Centre is just outside Town on the left-hand, or north side of the Road.

### FROM THE EAST

If you are coming from the United States, take Interstate 81 North from Syracuse, New York, cross into Canada on the Thousand Islands Bridge. Take Highway 401 West to Exit 545.

Proceed South on Highway 49, crossing the Skyway Bridge into Prince Edward County. Continue on to the eastern outskirts of Picton and the Community Centre is on the right-hand side (North side of the Road).

## ACCOMMODATION

For accommodation information contact

Prince Edward County Chamber of Commerce,  
(Quinte Isle Tourist Association),  
Box 50, 116 Main Street East,  
Picton, Ontario,  
K0K 2T0

Telephone 1-613-476-2421

### WEATHER

In August the normal day time temperature would be in the mid-70's, going to the low-50's at night. Provided enough of us bring raincoats, we're sure to have a sunny day!

### ACTIVITIES

Organized events are confined to Saturday. You are welcome to spend the rest of your time in the area exploring the countryside and taking advantage of the many recreational opportunities that are available. Reunion guests are invited to attend St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Belleville for its regular Sunday service the day following the Reunion.

### SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. Attend at the Community Centre, register, pick up your information package, view displays, mingle and chat with other visitors.

During the Day Visit Lazier sites (you can conduct your own tour using the information package to be provided).

4:00 p.m. At the Community Centre there will be a cash bar.

5:30 p.m. Buffet dinner and the event will continue on into the evening.

### THINGS TO BRING

Dress for this function is casual. Please feel

free to bring any Lazier artifacts that you may have, old family photos, etc. If you have family history information, please bring a copy and leave it with Colin G. Lazier who is putting together a history of the family. For the day time touring on Saturday you might do well to organize a picnic lunch, as Prince Edward County has not yet been invaded by fast food restaurants. Perhaps the place at which you stay Friday night can prepare this for you, if you give them some warning.

#### SOUVENIRS

All those in attendance (or at least the first 320 of us) will receive a souvenir pin. Mary Lazier is making hand thrown mugs with the Lazier Reunion Motto (see below) on them. These cost \$20.00 each and can be purchased direct from Mary Lazier who will be in attendance.

#### MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

At the present time \$100.00 American money is worth about \$116.00 Canadian money. If you are looking forward to using your high school French, you will be disappointed as the Picton area is entirely English speaking.

And remember...

TENETE NULLAM CURAM LAZIER ADEST

(Never fear Lazier is here!)



Colin G. Lazier  
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Sept. 20, 1989

To: Descendants of Nicholas Jacobus Lazier

*Mrs. Ross*, Re: Lazier Reunion, 1991

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Please let me have the name and address of anyone else in the family who you think might be willing to assist. Thanks for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you at your early convenience.

Yours very truly,

*Colin*  
Colin G. Lazier

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Mrs. Cole, Picton, Ont.  
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Marybeth G... ..

Roger Lazier, Arlington, TX  
Wellington Lazier, Ballwin, MO  
Mark & Cynthia Lemon, Coldwater, Ont.  
Catharine McArthur, Chatham, Ont.  
Paul McFarland, London, UK  
Frances Storey, Kingston, Ont.  
Alice Rose Willets, Rochelle, IL  
Barbara Frankel, Annandale, VA  
Naomi Wingfield & Lyle Hurd, Hamilton, Ont  
William C. Lazier, Corona Del Mar, CA  
Alice Lazier, Trenton, Ont.  
H. Frank Lazier, Vancouver, B.C.  
Doris Dawson, Whitney, Ont.  
Ann Wegman, Cleveland, OH  
Peter Lazier, Hamilton, Ont.  
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R. Douglas Lazier, Ottawa, Ont.  
Harold Lazier, Dundas, Ont.  
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F. Stuart Lazier, Toronto, Ont.  
Samuel Lazier, Kingston, Ont.  
Richard Lazier, CA  
Agar Adamson, Acadia U.  
Nora Losey c/o U. of Manitoba  
Viola Lazier  
F. R. L. Lazier, Owen Sound, Ont.  
Fred Lazier, Montreal, Quebec  
Peter Lazier, Vancouver, B. C.  
Robert L. Elliott, Chicago, IL  
Irene Bush, Kitchener, Ont.  
Sherman Lazier, Corbyville, Ont.  
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Douglas J. Lazier, Shannonville, Ont.  
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Mrs. Donald Ross  
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Kingston, Ontario,  
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Sept. 20, 1989

Dear Mrs. Ross,

Thanks for your nice note describing your visit to Peter Cole's home in Northport. I have written to him and a copy is enclosed for your information. Lets keep our fingers crossed.

At your convenience I would be glad to get the details of your family from you. In the meantime I am sending you a copy of a letter going out to family members interested in a reunion. With every best wish I remain,

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LAZIER HOUSE 1800

This home was built in or around 1800 by Nickolas Lazier who fled the Eastern United States after refusing to swear allegiance to the new republic.

Lazier was a prosperous miller and lumber merchant who spared no expense in the construction of his home. The main walls are actually two stone walls with scrap rock, mortar and stone chips poured in between, resulting in most casements being over two feet thick.

Over the years the house has been remodelled by successive generations of the Lazier family and other owners to suit the living requirements of the day.

The present owners have pain-stakenly researched the history of the home and have successfully made the home as comfortable and efficient as a modern structure, but have retained the structural and historical integrity of this magnificent home to the finest detail.

There have been volumes written about the family Lazier and their estate, but due to limited space here, please direct any of your questions to

Chris Armer.