

Family History Newsletter

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FamilySearch Revisited

By *Andrea Lister*

As a follow-up to our September Computer Lab time meeting here are some tips for Family Search.

There is more to FamilySearch than the 1880/1 census.

Library Catalogue

Search the catalog of materials (including microfilm, microfiche, and publications) found at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. Many items can be loaned to local Family History Centers around the world.

Some items have been digitized and can be downloaded as a PDF.

1. From your navigation bar type:
<http://www.familysearch.org>.
2. From the Library drop-down menu select **Library Catalogue**.



3. Search by: place, surname, keyword, title, film, author, subject or call number.

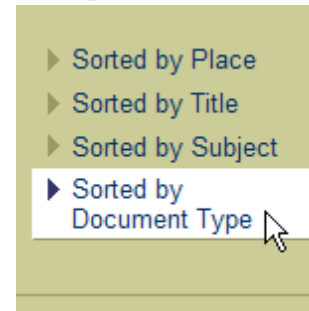
Research Helps

Hit a brick wall? Check out research helps.

1. From the Research Helps drop-down menu select **Articles**.



2. Click **Sorted by Document Type**.



There are a variety of guides on: document types, letter-writing guides, maps, research outlines, resource guides, step-by-step guides, and language word lists.

FamilySearch Labs: Record Search

The first thing to remember about FamilySearch Labs is that it is a work in progress. "FamilySearch Labs showcases new family history technologies that aren't ready for prime time. Your feedback will help us refine new ideas and bring them to market sooner." Thus, it changes frequently.

1. From your navigation bar type:
<http://search.labs.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#start>
2. Click **Browse our record collection**.



3. Click on an area of the world map to see what records are available. Have fun exploring.

Photographers in England

By Annette Fulford

In my collection of photographs I have quite a few albums that were my grandmother's while she lived at Sheffield, England. A few of them include the photographer's names on the back. I have two taken at A. Seaman and Sons in Sheffield.

I located a great website with info on the history of A. Seaman and Sons:

Photographers & Photographic Studios in Derbyshire, England by Brett Payne
<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~brett/photos/dbyphotos.html>

Brett Payne also has a blog with more articles about photos and photographers at Photo Sleuth
<http://photo-sleuth.blogspot.com/>

New Online Resources

French-Canadian Newspapers: An Essential Historical Source (1808-1919)

<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/canadian-newspapers-french/index-e.html>

French-Canadian Newspapers: An Essential Historical Source (1808-1919) presents selected French-language newspapers from across Canada, in a digitized, fully-searchable format. These newspapers form the Library and Archives Canada (LAC) collection of first, final and special editions of French-Canadian newspapers.

Family History Events

Maple Ridge Family History Group – Maple Ridge Library

- **Computer Lab Time: Focus on Specific Online Resources**, Wednesday, November 4, 2009 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Fee: Free.

Abbotsford Genealogical Society

- **Since you went away - Women in World War II Song**, with Molly Ungar, Tuesday, October 20, 2009 6:00 pm. Fee: Free.

Cloverdale Library

5642-176A Street, Surrey offers free orientations the 1st Saturday of every month 9:30 – 10:30 am.

Fall 2009

- **Digging up the Dead on All Hallow's Eve: Finding Interments, Headstones and Obituaries** with Laurie J. Cooke, Saturday, October 31, 2009, 10:30 am – 11:30 am. Fee: \$10:00.
- **United Kingdom Roots** with Chris Longley. Saturday, November 14, 2009, 10:30 am – Noon. Fee: \$10:00.

- **Family History Show and Tell!** Participants will be given up to 10 minutes to have the floor for Show and Tell. Saturday, November 21, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm. Free.

Pre-registration is required – please check the Genealogy section of the Surrey Public Library website www.spl.surrey.bc.ca or call us at 604-598-7328.

Burnaby Village Museum

- **Super Sleuths Genealogical Workshop III: Analyzing Historical Photographs**, Thursday, November 12, 2009, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Fee: \$10.50 code 191641.

<http://burnabyvillagemuseum.ca/>

Surrey Family History Centre

- **Tri-Stake Family History Seminar "Finding Your Roots"**, Saturday, October 17, 2009, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. 6270 126th Street, Surrey, British Columbia. Fee: Free.

For more info call 604 597-9695

Vancouver Public Library

- **Tracing Your Ancestors in Continental Europe**, Tuesday, December 15, 2009, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm in the Alma VanDusen Room, Lower Level, Central Library. Fee: Free.

If you would like to attend please call 603-331-3716 or register in person with the information staff.