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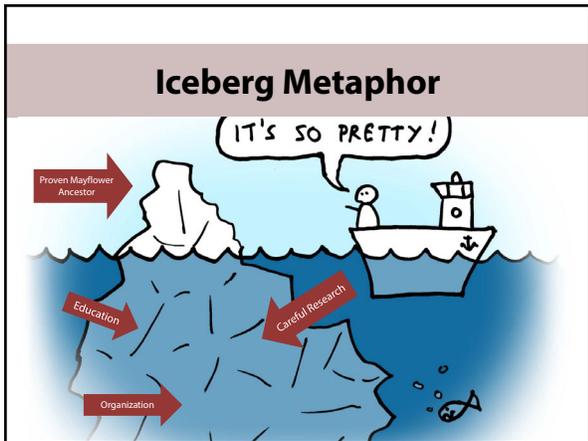
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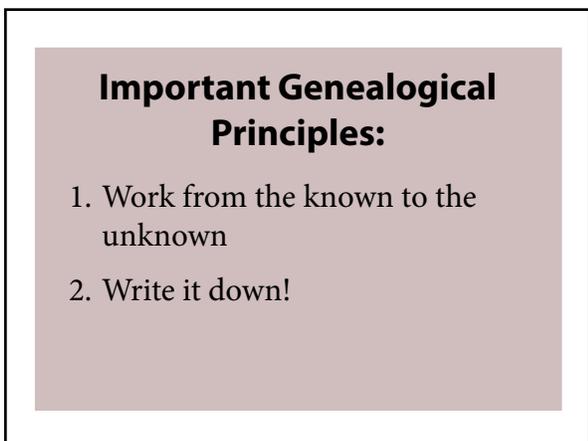
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Tip
Scholarship refers to a *Mayflower* passenger as **Generation #1**

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How to properly research your *Mayflower* line:

1. Organize
2. Look for best candidates
3. Find at least one document to connect each generation back to the *Mayflower* passenger
4. Start documenting the line

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Step #1
Get Organized
(or re-organized)

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Geographic Hot Spots

- Generations 6-10 (1750s-1880s)
 - Western Massachusetts
 - Midwest States (Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana)
 - New York State (not NYC)
 - Vermont and Maine
 - Nova Scotia and New Brunswick

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Geographic Hot Spots

- Generations 11-15 (1880s-present)
 - Less dependent on geography, as these generations tend to cast a wider geographic net

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Cold Spots for Mayflower
(Generations 1-5)

- Essex County, Massachusetts
- Quebec and Pacific Canada
- Hartford, New Haven and Fairfield, Connecticut
- Providence, Rhode Island
- Mid-Atlantic (small contingent in Long Island)
- Southern States

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General Considerations

- Migrants usually followed an east-to-west path
- Tended to move from populated areas to less densely settled areas
- Major period of migration was about 1790-1880
- Disconnect in record-linkage because of migration, poor record-keeping
- Was your ancestor REALLY from New England?

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Example of Ancestral Migration Trails from NEHGS Staff

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AmericanAncestors.org
by New England Historic Genealogical Society

Chart # 1 on this chart # 1 on chart # 1

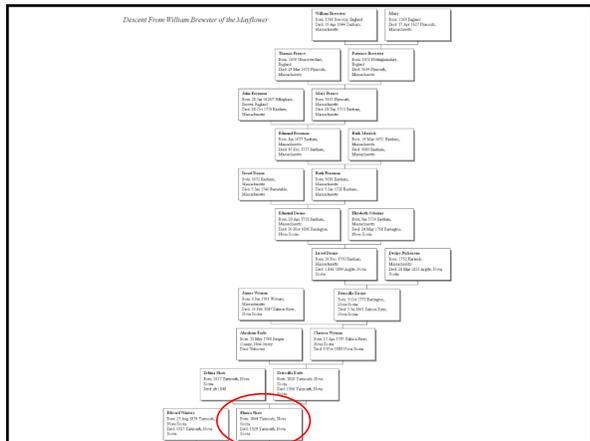
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2 Sherman WINTER 1861 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts 1887 Lowell, Middlesex, Massachusetts 1987 Lowell, Middlesex, Massachusetts	7 Alma E. Crosby 1877 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia 1971 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia	1444 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia 1929 Yarmouth, Nova Scotia	13 Zebina SHAW 13 Orinda EARLE
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Step #3

Find at least one document to connect the generations until you reach a Mayflower passenger

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Verified vs. Documented

Verified:	Documented:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will have verified the line when you locate at least one document (preferably and original document) that connects each generation back to the <i>Mayflower</i> passenger Creates the skeleton of your <i>Mayflower</i> line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You will have located documents for each individual in a generation (both the blood line and the spouse) using original documentation for every vital event Includes creation of a qualification outline

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Some records for proof of parents:

- Vital Records
- Church Records
- Census
- Cemetery Records
- Immigration Records
- Naturalization Records
- Land and Property
- Probate
- Military
- Newspapers
- Compiled genealogies
- Finding aids
- Local histories
- Family papers
- ...and more!

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The screenshot shows a genealogical chart on the AmericanAncestors website. A red box highlights a specific family branch starting with Judson B. Winter (1834-1894) and his wife Elizabeth Helton (1835-1927). Other names visible in the chart include Alfred Marley Winter, Charles W. Crosby, and various other family members with their birth and death dates and locations.

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Generations 11-16

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Vital Records

- Often provide the names of the individual's parents and/or spouse
- Depending on the state, records may be held on the state, county, and/or town/city level
- Privacy restrictions may limit access
- Certified vs. genealogical or informational copies



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Tip

Be sure you order the long form!

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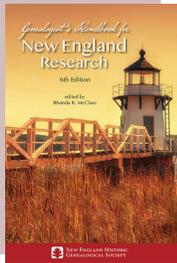
Civil vital records birth, marriage, and death

- Modern vital records vary from state to state
 - Massachusetts (1841)
 - Connecticut (1897)
 - Maine (1892)
 - New Hampshire (1866)
 - Rhode Island (1853)
 - Vermont (1857)
 - New York (1881)

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Vital Records: Resources

- *Genealogist's Handbook for New England Research*, 6th ed. (NEHGS, 2021)
- *Red Book: American State, County, and Town Sources*, 3rd ed. (Ancestry Publishing, 2004)
- *The Source: A Guidebook to American Genealogy*, 3rd ed. (Ancestry Publishing, 2006)
- Family Search Wiki



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Judson B. Winters

- Born in 1874 in Lake George, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
- Married about 1915 in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia to Alma E. Crosby
- Died in 1937 in Lake George, Yarmouth, Nova Scotia

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Vital Record

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA - CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF DEATH

1. PLACE OF DEATH: *Lake George*

2. SEX OF DECEASED: *Male*

3. NAME OF DECEASED: *Judson B. Winters*

4. DATE OF BIRTH: *February 18 1874*

5. RESIDENCE: *Lake George*

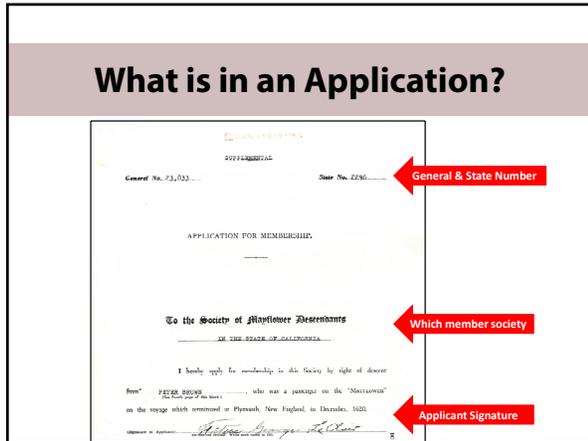
6. OCCASION OF DEATH: *Heart Disease*

7. SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR: *Alma E. Crosby*

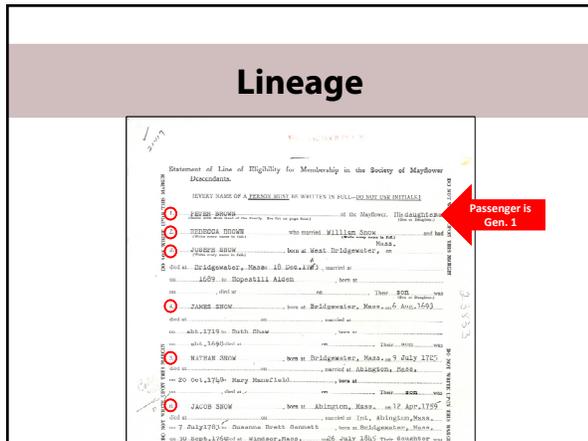
8. SIGNATURE OF DECEASED: *Judson B. Winters*

9. SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES: *Alma E. Crosby, [unclear]*

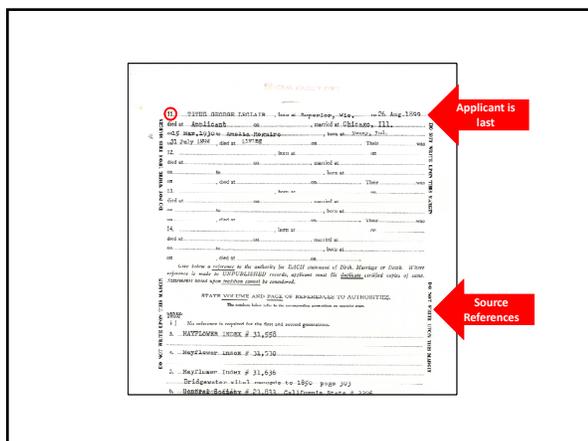
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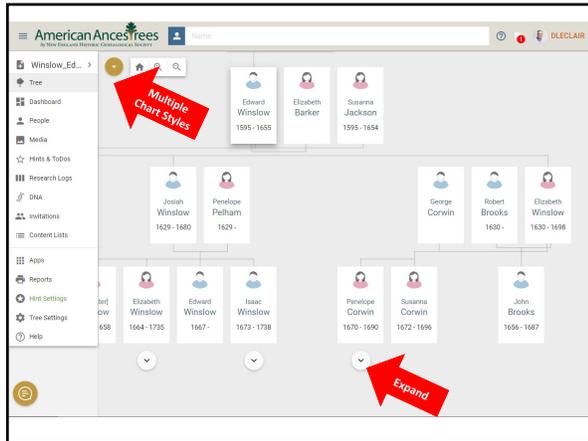
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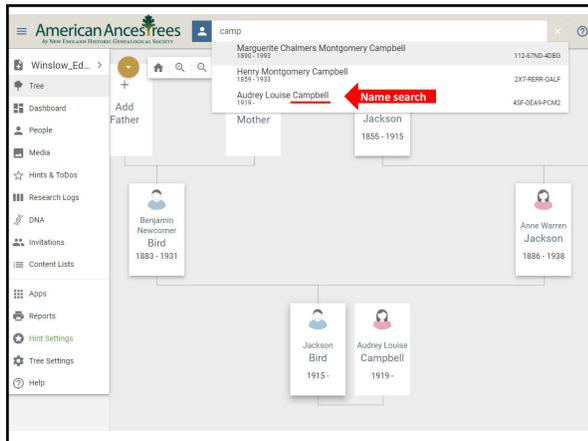
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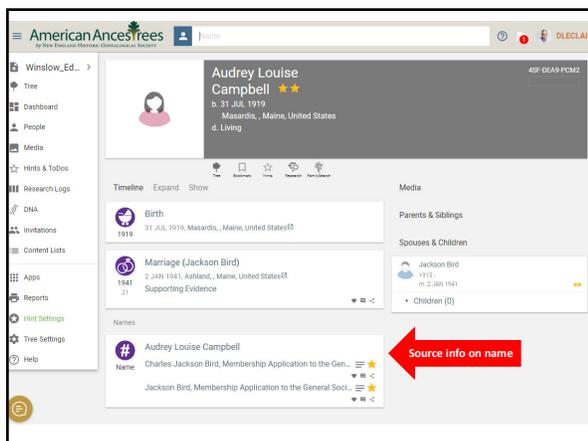
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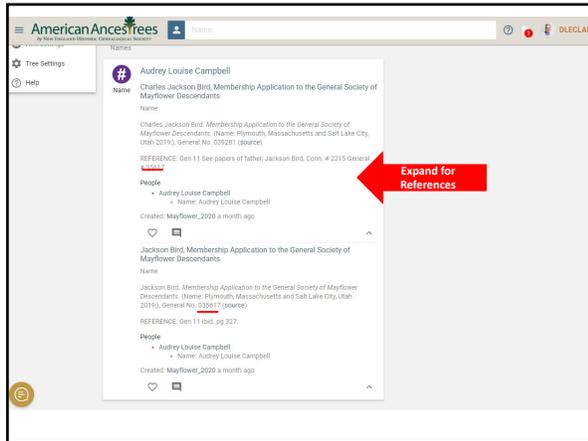
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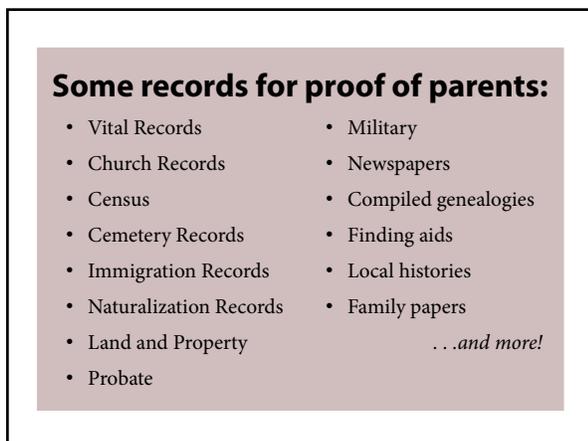
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Again, geography will play a role

- Published vital records
- Church records
- Study projects
- Scholarly journals
- Compiled genealogies and local histories

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New England

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Published Vital Records

- Connecticut
 - Barbour collection-Available at AmericanAncestors.org
 - Ricker compilation- Available at NEHGS library
 - *Massachusetts Vital Records to 1850*- Available at AmericanAncestors.org
 - *Town and City Clerks of Massachusetts, Massachusetts Vital and Town Records* (known as Holbrook Collection) Available at the NEHGS library and Ancestry.com
 - *Massachusetts Vital Records, 1841-1914; 1915-1920* Available at AmericanAncestors.org and FamilySearch.org

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Published Vital Records

- New Hampshire
 - *New Hampshire Vital Records Early to 1900* Available at NEHGS library
 - *New Hampshire: Births, Deaths, and Marriages, 1654-1969* Available at AmericanAncestors.org
 - *New Hampshire Vital Records, 1901-1915 (births); 1654-1947, 1938-1959 (deaths); 1637-1947, 1948-1959 (marriages)* Available at FamilySearch.org
- Maine
 - Individual town vital records, published by Picton Press-Available at NEHGS library
 - *Maine Vital Records to 1892* contains information on 80 of the 488 incorporated municipalities- Available at NEHGS library and FamilySearch.org
 - *Maine Vital Records, 1892-1907; 1908-1922; 1923-1936; 1937-1955* Available at NEHGS library

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Date	Loc.	County	Parent	Daughter	Note	VR	CR
1821		Franklin			Birth date; registered as parents 1841		
1830	York		Shapleigh	Shapleigh	Settled 1860	M	F
1837	Washington						
1804	Henneco	Orono	Orono	Orono	Called father's 1811, 1812, 1813, 1814, 1815, 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1822, 1823, 1824, 1825, 1826, 1827, 1828, 1829, 1830, 1831, 1832, 1833, 1834, 1835, 1836, 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843, 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847, 1848, 1849, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 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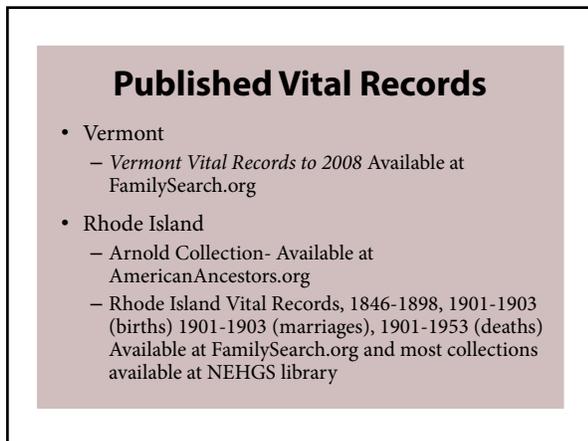
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- *Massachusetts: Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston Records, 1789-1920* Available at AmericanAncestors.org
- Arnold Collection (RI), Tan Books (MA), Barbour Collection (CT), Picton Press books from Maine all culled some information from church records
- Catholic Church Repertoires in Vermont and Maine Available at NEHGS Library

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Study Projects

- *Western Families in 1790*- Berkshire and Hampden Counties- edited by Helen Ullmann (5 vols. to date)
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- *New Hampshire Families in 1790* (1 vol.)
- *Early Vermont Settlers to 1784*- Scott Andrew Bartley
- *Early New England Families*- Alicia Crane Williams
- *Great Migration Study Project*- New England- Robert Charles Anderson (1620-1640)

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Scholarly Journals

- *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*
- *The Mayflower Descendant*
- *The American Genealogist*
- *The National Genealogical Society Quarterly**
- *The Connecticut Nutmegger*
- *Rhode Island Roots*
- *The Maine Genealogist*

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Published Vital Records

Fred Q. Bowman's Series:

- 7,000 *Hudson-Mohawk Valley (NY) Vital Records, 1808-1850*
- 8,000 *More Vital Records Of Eastern New York State, 1804-1850*
- 10,000 *Vital Records Of Central New York, 1813-1850*
- 10,000 *Vital Records Of Eastern New York, 1777-1834*
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Published Church Records

- Vosburgh Collection- New York State Protestant Church records (101 vols. NEHGS microfilm)
- *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*, vols. 1-7 by William Wade Hinshaw (NEHGS library-covers Long Island)
- *New York: Early Records of the Lutheran Church, 1697-1771* (AmericanAncestors.org)

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Study Projects

- *Beekman Patent*- Frank Doherty
(14 vols.- 11 searchable at AmericanAncestors.org)
 - Alphabetical genealogies of the early inhabitants of Dutchess County’s Beekman Patent including many families that migrated into that area from Massachusetts and Connecticut
 - End of each surname sketch lists “other and unplaced” individuals who appear throughout the state

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Scholarly Journals

- *New York Genealogical and Biographical Register*
- *The Mayflower Descendant*
- *The American Genealogist*
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- *Tree Talks*

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Published Vital Records

- Town records- Familysearch.org and NEHGS
- Online access to births (1864-1877, 1908-1912, delayed registrations 1830-1912); Marriages (1864-1937) and marriage bonds (1763-1864); Deaths (1864-1877, 1908-1962); and City of Halifax deaths (1890-1908) novascotiagenealogy.com
- Online access to births (1800-1918, 1869-1901 (index), 1898-1918 (index); marriages (1789-1950 (index), 1887-1919, 1920-1950); 1815-1938, 1815-1919, 1885-1921 (index), 1920-1964 (index), 1815-1919 (index), 1941-1947 (index) <http://archives.gnb.ca/>

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- Many at Provincial Archives in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick




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- *American Loyalist Claims*- Peter Wilson Coldham
- *New Englanders in Nova Scotia*- Fred E. Crowell
- *Loyalists of New Brunswick*- Esther Clark Wright

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Scholarly Journals

- *Generations: the Journal of the New Brunswick Genealogical Society*
- *Nova Scotia Historical Review*
- *The Nova Scotia Genealogist*
- *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*
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 Freeman Doane, d. Sept. 1806. m. 1749, Elizabeth, dau. of
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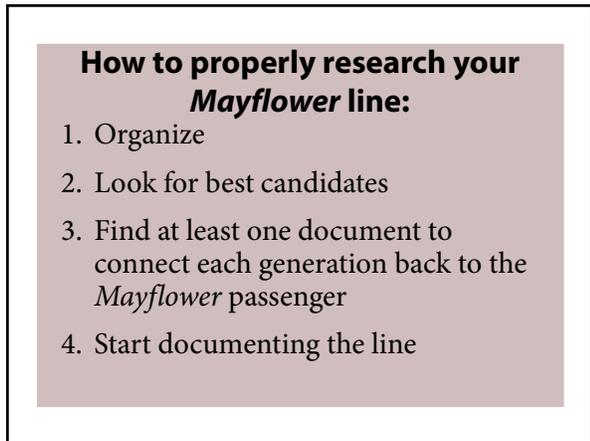
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