

The Foster Family

of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia



A genealogy and history of the Foster family of the late 18th century to the 20th century that settled in Fisher's Grant (Pictou Landing area) of Nova Scotia

Shipbuilders and Seafarers

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Part I

This is the ongoing updating of the Foster family history that is gradually replacing the old version that is in Part II below. That old version was made in 2003 and converted to PDF format in 2018 with no new materials added.

Cover: A photograph of the modern schooner Bluenose II. One of the main type of ship that was built in Nova Scotia in the past and present. The Foster family, among other types, built schooners and were also ship captains on them.

Source:

1. Photograph of the schooner, Bluenose II. From the Nova Scotia Canada website at <https://www.novascotia.com/see-do/tours/bluenose-ii/2330>. Searched August 22, 2018 Wednesday 3:31 PM.

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1st generation

John Foster (before 1767 - late 1824 or January 1825)

Shipbuilder

1. **JOHN FOSTER** was born in 1767 or earlier in England.

Father: (unknown)

Mother: (unknown)

~ before 1767

He was recorded in the "age 50 or over" column in the 1817 census of Pictou, Nova Scotia. So that will make him born 1767 or earlier.

My feeling is that he probably was born in the 1750's or early 1760's. His son John Foster (junior) was born ca. 1786, then there is one son who is older than John Jr. Henry Foster was described in the father's Will as the oldest son.

Since John Foster junior was born in London, England, it would be normal to assume that John Foster senior was born in England.

~ early 1780's

John Foster married (name unknown) perhaps before 1785 in England.

~ before 1786

Their son, Henry Foster, was born before 1786 in England.

~ 1786

Their son, John Foster, was born ca. 1786 in London, England.

~ between 1786 and 1792

John Foster and his wife and two sons sailed from England, perhaps London, between 1786 and 1792.

That time period is base on son John being born in London, England in ca. 1786 and son William being born in 1792 on St. John's Island (Prince Edward island, Canada).

~ 1792

Their son, William Foster, was born 2 May 1792 on St. John's Island (Prince Edward Island, Canada).

~ 1794

Their son, Paul Foster, was born 9 December 1794.

~ 1796

Their son, George Foster, was born ca. 1796 on St. John's Island (Prince Edward Island, Canada).

~ 1798

In 1798, Mrs. "Forster" was living in Lot 64 of St. John's Island. There were 5 people in the household. 4 were males of the age under 16.

From the 1798 census of St. John's Island :

Heads of Household Census

Lot 64.

Head of Household / Males under 16 / Males 16 to 60 / Males 60+ / Females under 16 / Females 16 to 60 / Females 60+ / Total /

Nickl. Hughes / 1 / 1 / --- / --- / 1 / --- / 3 /

Wm. Shenshabach / 3 / 1 / --- / --- / 1 / --- / 5 /

Mrs. Forster / 4 / --- / --- / --- / 1 / --- / 5

John Foster and his oldest son were probably away at the time of the census of 1798 was taken.

St. John's Island is better known with its later name, Prince Edward Island.

When you look at the map of Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, you will see that Lot 64 or Murray Harbour of Prince Edward Island is the closest point on the Island to Pictou across the sea.

~ 1804 to 1805

John Foster gave in 5 shillings toward funds being raised for building a meeting house frame.

From the records of the First Presbyterian Church, Pictou:

List of payments received

Harbour Church, Pictou, NS

1804-1805 document.

(among many listed)

John Foster /--- / 5 / ---

(he paid in 5 shillings)

Received Pictou 3 January 1805 of Misters Patterson, Dawson, Lowden & Mortimer the sum of forty pounds, twelve shillings & six pence in cash in part payment of erecting a meeting house frame.

~ 1805 and 1813

On 8 May 1805, John Foster purchased a 100 acres lot of land at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. He paid 50 pounds to John Patterson Sr. His friend Francis Carmichael was the witness at the signing.

The deed was recorded on 3 October 1813.

From Land and Property records of Pictou county:

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Deed - John Patterson Senior to John Foster Reg^d the 3rd October 1813 on the Oath of Francis Carmichael ~~~~ X X X}

This Indenture made the Eight day of May on the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and five, Between John Patterson Senior of Pictou in the County of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia Yeoman of the one part and John Foster of said person of the other part witnesseth, that for and in Consideration the sum of Fifty pounds Current money of the province aforesaid whence paid by the said Foster the Receipt whereas is hereby acknowledged, he the said John Patterson hath Granted bargained sold aliened enfeoffed, conveyed & confirmed, and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien enfeoff convey & confirm unto the said John Foster his heirs and assigns forever a Lot of Land containing by Estimation One Hundred Acres situate laying and being in the District of Pictou aforesaid in that part or tract of said District, Known by the name of Fishers Grant being Lot Number beginning at the north west Corner of Lands granted to John Fraser of the said Fishers Grant, running thence South east five hundred & sixty perches, thence North East thirty perches thence Northwest five hundred & sixty perches to the Harbour, thence the several Courses of the Harbour to

the place of beginning with all accordances accordingly to the lines of the Original Grant, Together with all Houses, and out Houses hays [----] profits privileges & appertainances to the said premises belonging or on anywise appertaining, and all the right title claim interest, property & demand of him the said John Patterson in or to the said premises, unto him the said John Foster his Heirs & assigns forever to his and their only proper use benefit & behoof, and the said John Patterson for himself and his Heirs, the said hereby granted premises & every part thereof, against them and their Heirs, and against all and every other person and persons whatsoever, to the said John Foster his Heirs & Assigns, shall & will [-----] [-----] defend by these presents; In witness whereof the parties to these presents have [-----] [-----] their Hands & Seals the Day & Year just above written ~~~~~ John Patterson Senior

Signed sealed & del^d. in the presence of } Francis Carmichael
Simon L. Newcomb

Received of John Foster the Sum of Fifty pounds being in full payment for the consideration money within mentioned Pictou 8th May 1805

John Patterson Senior
Ann Patterson

Witness present Simon L. Newcomb

Images from the deed record

Dud
John Pattusson Senior
to
John Foster Reg^d the 3rd
October 1813 on the death of
Francis Carmichael ~~~~~

This Indenture made the Eight day of May in the Year
of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and five, Between
John Patterson Senior of Pictou in the County of Hants and
Province of Nova Scotia Yeoman of the one part, and John
Foster of said Pictou of the other part Witnesseth, That for
and in Consideration the sum of Fifty pounds Lawful Money

~ **date not known, between 1805 and 1825**

John Foster in a list of payments made in an Owners and Valuation of the Pews of the Harbor Church in Pictou. He paid in 5 pounds & 10 shillings in the first part of the record.

(see original document at the Haggis The McCulloch Heritage Centre website to see more data).

From the records of Harbor Church, Pictou:

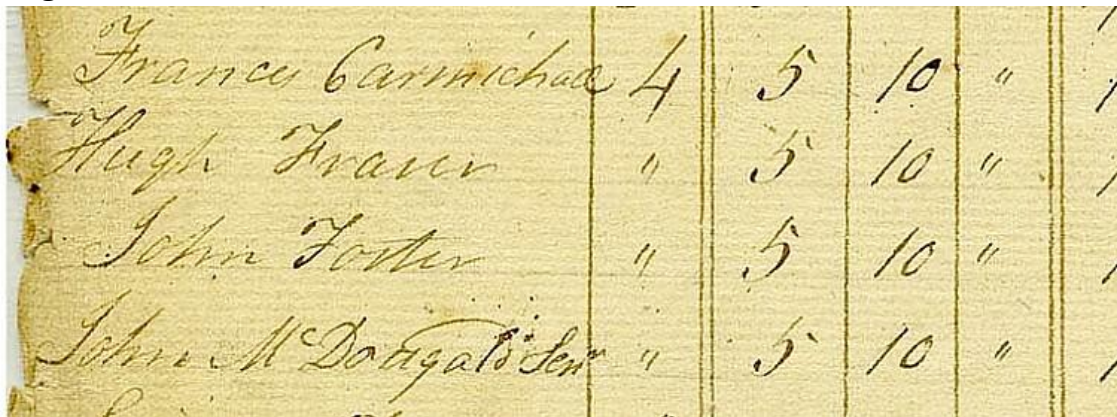
Owners and Valuation of the Pews.

Columns divided by name, valuation, 20 percent, quarterly payment, amounts paid in November, February, May, August and total.

(among others listed)

Francis Carmichael	/ 4 / 5 / 10 / --- /
Hugh Fraser	/ --- / 5 / 10 / --- /
John Foster	/ --- / 5 / 10 / --- /
John McDougald Sen ^r	/ --- / 5 / 10 / --- /

Image of the record



Francis Carmichael	4	5	10	"	1
Hugh Fraser	"	5	10	"	1
John Foster	"	5	10	"	1
John McDougall's Sen	"	5	10	"	1

~ 1812

On 11 January 1812, John Foster was a witness when his son, William Foster, bought a property in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia from Alexander Kennedy.

The indenture was registered on 1 February 1818.

See below in the history on William Foster (1792-1855) for details on the deed record.

~ 1814 and 1816

John McDougall, Senior, sold a property to his son William McDougall. The lot of land is situated in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

In the deed it mentioned that part of the land was next to John Foster, Senior, of Fisher's Grant.

The witnesses were John Foster, Junior, and William Foster, sons of John Foster, Senior. William Foster married John McDougall, Senior's, daughter, Isabella.

The deed was dated 11 April 1814 and was registered on 23 May 1816.

(See in separate history of the McDougall family for details of the deed).

~ 1817

In 1817, John Foster was living in Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

There were 4 people in his household.

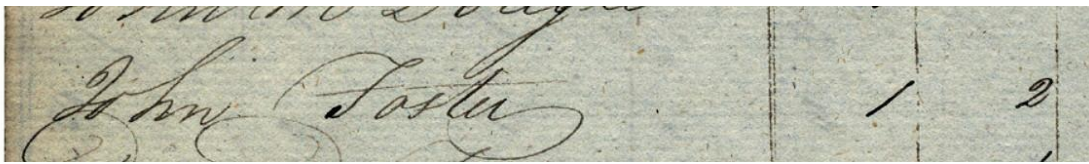
From the 1817 census of Pictou:

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*Names of the Mast' Or Mistress of each Family / Numbers in each Family.... Men
above 50 years / men between 16 & 50 years / Boys / Women / Girls /
Total Number of Persons /*

John Foster / 1 / 2 / ---- / 1 / ---- / 4 /

Images from the 1817 census



~ 1818

John Foster had his will written on 14 February 1818. His wife and his five sons, Henry, John, William, Paul, and George are mentioned in it. So we know they were all living at that date (see below at 1825 for the details of the Will).

~ late 1824 or January 1825

John Foster died at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia probably in late 1824 or in January 1825. His Will was proven at Pictou on 25 January 1825. The Will was written on 14 February 1818, it is not certain if John Foster's wife was still alive at the time of his death in 1824 or 1825.

From Nova Scotia Probate Records:

Image no. 54

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Will no. 19

The Last Will and Testament of John Foster (Senior)

I John Foster Senior of Fishers Grant being of sound and perfect mind and memory and seriously considering the uncertainty of this transitory life as well as the vicissitude of all human events and the present declining state of my health. Do now make and declare my last Will and Testament hereby making and declaring the same in manner and form following } Vizt

I most humbly recommend my Soul to God most earnestly deprecating his compassion Mercy and Favour I most humbly implore his mercy and acceptance in the name of Jesus Christ my blessed Redeemer and Savior and I resign my soul with humble confidence to him in whose hands are life and death and through whom I hope for a happy resurrection

I desire that my body may be decently buried in the burying ground above the Town of Pictou. All my real Estate which I now possess I bequeath as follows.

The farm I now live on granted one by the deceased John Patterson I bequeath to my Son Paul Foster his heirs and assigns forever in consideration of Paul's paying to my oldest son Henry the sum of Five Shillings and giving my son John one Cow and to my son William one pair of three year old oxen

All my personal property consisting of Boats Tools & c. I bequeath to my son Paul in consideration of his giving to my youngest son George the Lot of land he now holds lying on the Malignant Brook in the County of Sydney deducting from the whole of my property my Wives proportion agreeable to law and after her decease to return to my Son Paul for satisfying and executing the foregoing Will and Testament & I hereby make constitute and appoint George Ives of Fishers Grant and James Carmichael Senior my Joint Executors to this my last Will

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and Testament declaring this as such.

Last testimony whereof I have hereunto my hand and Seal to these presents at Pictou in the County of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia subscribed and set this fourteenth Day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand & Eight hundred and Eighteen

Signed Sealed Published and declared in the presence of us who in the presence of each other and the said testator have hereunto subscribed our Names as witnesses}

John Foster Senior {L S}

Witness Present

John Yorston

Joseph Bagg

Alex [Thacin?]

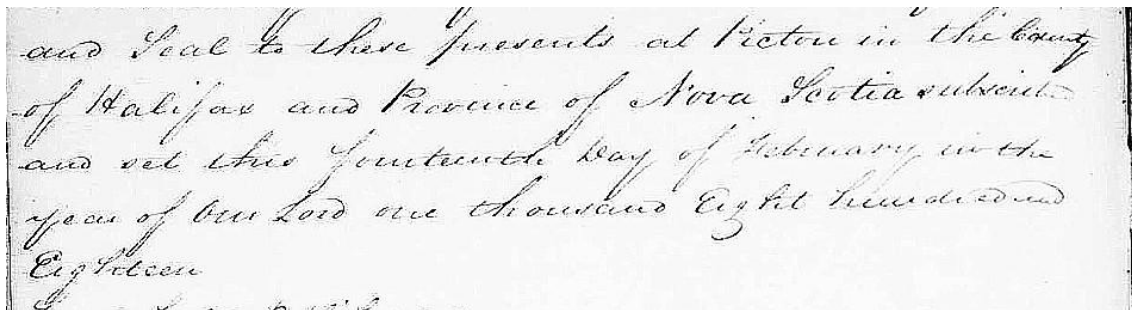
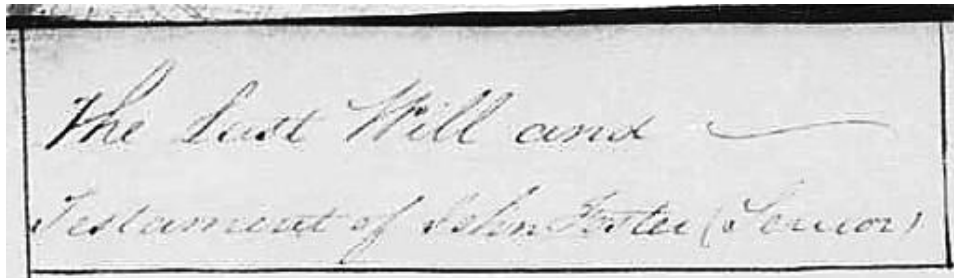
District of Pictou Court of Probate} [---] No. 19

Be it remembered that on this Twenty Fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and twenty five the foregoing Last Will and Testament of John Foster Senior was duly proved approved Registered and Probate thereof granted to the

Executors therein named they having been first duly sworn [-----] and faithfully to execute the duty and trust [-----] in them on the oath of Alexander Thacin one of the subscribing witnesses to the said Will ~~~

Tho^s Dickson Reg^r

Images from the Will record



Children of John Foster and his wife

2. **HENRY FOSTER** was born before 1786 in England.

Henry was described as the "oldest son" in the Will of his father. Since the next brother, John Foster, was born in England it is assumed that Henry was also born there.

In the father's Will, dated 1818 and proved in 1825, it is mentioned "... to my oldest son Henry the sum of Five Shillings."

Nothing further is known (yet) on what happened to Henry Foster after the 1818 mentioning of him in the father's Will.

3. + **JOHN FOSTER** was born ca. 1786 in London, England.

John foster married Nancy ---?--- .

4. + **WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 2 May 1792 in St. John's Island (Prince Edward Island), Canada.

William married Isabella McDougall.

5. + **PAUL FOSTER** was born 9 December 1794.

Paul married Mary McKay.

6. + **GEORGE FOSTER** was born ca 1796 in St. John's Island (Prince Edward Island), Canada.

George married Margaret --- ? ---.

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2nd generation

John Foster (1786-1868)

Husband of Nancy (---?---)

3. **JOHN FOSTER** (of John Foster¹) was born ca. 1786 in London, England

Father: John Foster (No. 1)

Mother: (unknown)

~ 1786

The birth year of 1786 was calculated from the age of 82 at his death in 1868. The death certificate also stated that he was born in London.

Currently there is no records found yet that states that John Foster junior of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county is the same person as the John Foster who settled at River John, Pictou county and later Tatamagouche, Colchester county.

However, some DNA matches on Ancestry.com with descendants of William Foster and Paul Foster Sr. both of Fisher's Grant occurred with descendants of Thomas Foster the son of John Foster of River John and Tatamagouche.

~ 1807

John Foster was licensed to keep a ferry at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From the book, A History of the County of Pictou, Nova Scotia, by George Patterson, 1877:

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The first notice of a ferry is in 1807, when we find "John Foster licensed to keep ferry at Fishers Grant, that he shall not charge more than 15d. for a single person, 9d. apiece for four, 6d. apiece over four, and for swimming across oxen or horses 1s. 6d. per head."

From the book, Pictou County's History, by James M. Cameron, 1972:

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Probably there was regular ferry service between Fisher's Grant (Pictou Landing) and Pictou long before 1807, a year from which there is a record of John Foster Jr., being

licensed to operate a ferry between the two places, a ferry which carried humans, and towed swimming horses and oxen at charge of 6d a head.

~ 1810s to 1820s

John Foster married **NANCY** ---?--- sometime in the 1810's to 1820's.

Nancy was born ca. 1788 in Nova Scotia.

Date information from age at death and from the 1891 census of the children indicating that their mother was born in Nova Scotia.

~ 1814 and 1816

John McDougald, Senior, sold a property to his son William McDougald. The lot of land is situated in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

In the deed it mentioned that part of the land was next to John Foster, Senior, of Fisher's Grant.

The witnesses were John Foster, Junior, and William Foster, sons of John Foster, Senior. William Foster married John McDougall, Senior's, daughter, Isabella.

The deed is dated 11 April 1814 and was registered on 23 May 1816.

(See in separate history of the McDougall family for details of the deed).

~ 1838

In 1838, John Foster and his family was living in Tatamagouche, Colchester county, Nova Scotia.

From the 1838 census of Tatamagouche:

Tatamagouche (page 9)

Names of heads of families / Occupation / Females above 6 & under 14 / Males above 6 & under 14 / Males above 14 not heads of family / Females above 14 / Totals /

John Foster / Farmer / 1 / 2 / 1 / 3 / 8 /

The above data translate to the following for the children:

Female - 14 above - born 1824 or before

Female - 14 above - born 1824 or before

Male - 14 above not head of family - born 1824 or before

Female - 6 to 13 - born 1825 to 1832

Male - 6 to 13 - born 1825 to 1832

Male - 6 to 13 - born 1825 to 1832

~ **1861**

In 1861, John Foster and his family were living in Colchester county, Nova Scotia.

From the 1861 census of Colchester county:

Nova Scotia Personal Census by Ages, 1860-1.

County of Colchester, Polling District, No. 9, Abstract, No. 4.

Heads of Families. / Males. / Females. / Totals. / Grand Total. / Cannot Write. Over 5 and under 15 years of age. M (Males).

John Foster / 2 / 3 / 5 / 5 / 1 /

On this census page were several Langille families, so this was probably Tatamagouche in Colchester county.

~ **1863**

Nancy Foster died at the age of 75 years on 22 January 1863 and was buried in the Salem Pioneer Cemetery in River John, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From the Nova Story Digital collections:

IN

MEMORY OF

NANCY

WIFE OF JOHN FOSTER.

DIED JAN^Y 22. 1863:

AGED 75 YEARS.

Image of the cemetery stone



~ 1868

John Foster, a widower, died at the age of 82 years on 24 August 1868 at Tatamagouche, Colchester County, Nova Scotia.

The death record states that he was born in London.

From Nova Scotia, Historical Vital Statistics:

Page no. 35

Deaths Registered in the County of Cumberland 1868

No. / Name and Occupation. / Sex. / Age. / Condition. / Where Born. / Parents' Names, whether living. / Occupation, and or dead. / Date, and Place of Death. / Certified Cause of Death. / Signature of Informant. / Where Registered and signature of Deputy Registrar.

194 / John Foster / M / 82 / Widower / London / Not Known / ----- / 24 Augst
1868 - Tatamagouche / Consumption / Thomas Foster / 29 Augst 1868 Rob^t Purvis

Children of John and Nancy (---? ---) Foster

(3-1). + **JOHN FOSTER** was born ca. 1814 in River John, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Canada.

John married Sarah McLean.

(3-2). (female) **FOSTER** was born 1824 or before (from 1838 census data)

(3-3). + **GEORGE FOSTER** was born ca 1821 in Nova Scotia, Canada.

George married Barbara Allen.

(3-4). (female) **FOSTER** was born 1824 or before (from 1838 census data)

(3-5). **HANNAH FOSTER** was born ca. 1826 in Nova Scotia, Canada.

In 1871, Hannah Foster, age 45 and not married and not widowed, was living with her brother Robert Foster and his family in Wallace, Nova Scotia, Canada (see below under Robert Foster for census details).

(3-6). + **THOMAS FOSTER** was born ca. 1828 to 1836 in River John, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Thomas married 1st Mary Logan, and 2nd Susan Campbell.

(3-7). + **ROBERT FOSTER** was born ca. 1831 in Tatamagouche, Colchester county, Nova Scotia.

Robert married 1st ----- , and 2nd Lucinda Eleanor Tid.

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2nd generation

William Foster (1792 - 1855)

Husband of Isabella McDougall

Shipbuilder

4. **WILLIAM FOSTER** (of John Foster¹) was born on 2 May 1792 in St. John's Island (which later became Prince Edward Island, Canada) .

Father: John Foster (No. 1)

Mother: (name not known)

~ 1792

William Foster was born 2 May 1792 according to the Foster family bible.

From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

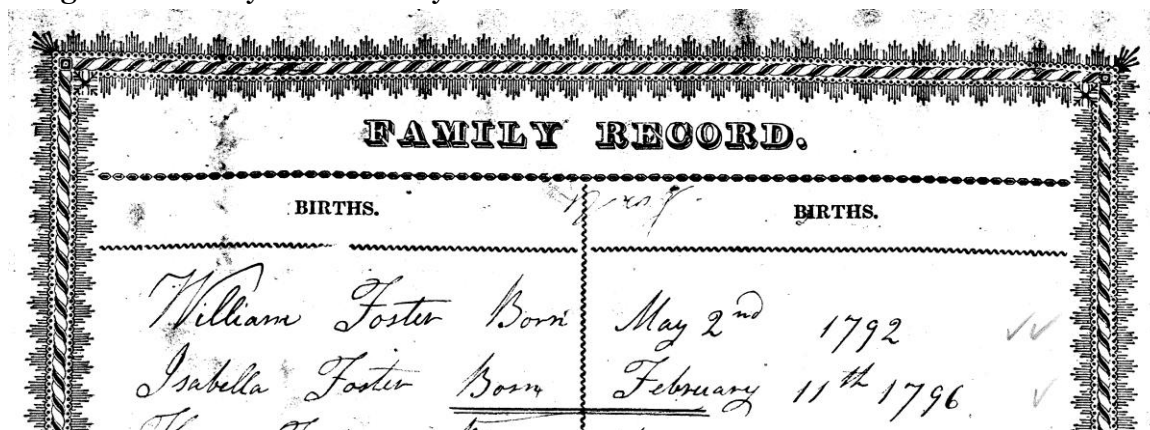
FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

William Foster Born May 2nd 1792

Isabella Foster Born February 11th 1796

Image of the entry in the family bible



~ before or in 1813

William Foster married **ISABELLA MCDOUGALL** before or in 1813 in Nova Scotia. Their oldest child, Henry Foster, was born in 7 November 1813.

Isabella McDougall was born on 11 February 1796 at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. The birth date came from the Foster family bible (see the image above).

She was a daughter of John and Margaret (Umlah) McDougall.

From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

William Foster Born May 2nd 1792

Isabella Foster Born February 11th 1796

(see image above for the entry in the family bible)

~ 1812 & 1818

On 11 January 1812, William Foster bought a property in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia from Alexander Kennedy. William's father, John Foster senior, was one of the witnesses.

The indenture was registered on 1 February 1818.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Deed Alex^r. Kennedy to W^m. Foster Reg^d. 1st. Feb^y. 1818 on the oath of Fra^s. Carmichael}

This Indenture made this eleventh day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve and in the fifty thrice year of the Reign of our sovereign Lord George the third -

Between Alexr Kennedy of Pictou Farmer and William Foster of Pictou aforesaid and province of Nova Scotia yeoman

Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the sum of Ten Pounds lawful money of Nova Scotia to the said Alexander Kennedy in hand paid by the said William Foster the Receipt....

....that tract or parcel of Land lying & being in the Bact^r.division of Fishers Grant, being N^o. ten and half of N^o. Seven of said Division Containing one hundred and fifty acres be the same more or less.....

..... Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of }

Fra^s. Carmichael

John Fraser Sen^r.

Pictou January 11th 1812 - Received from William Foster the sum of Ten Pounds
Currency being the within Consideration money -

Witness { Fra^s. Carmichael

~ 1814 and 1816

John McDougald, Senior, sold a property to his son William McDougald. The lot of land is situated in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

In the deed it mentioned that part of the land was next to John Foster, Senior, of Fisher's Grant.

The witnesses were John Foster, Junior, and William Foster, sons of John Foster, Senior. William Foster married John McDougald, Senior's, daughter, Isabella.

The deed is dated 11 April 1814 and was registered on 23 May 1816.

(See in separate history of the McDougall family for details of the deed).

~ 1814 and 1838

On 5 October 1814, William Foster bought a property from James Logie in McKay's Gut in East River, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

The deed was registered in October 1838.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

Pages 476-477

Deed James Logie To William Foster Registered [blank] October 1838 at [blank] oclock [blank] M. on the [blank]

This Indenture made at Pictou in the County of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia the fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one Thousand and Eight Hundred and Fourteen and in the Fifty fourth year of the Reign of our Sovereign King George the Third, Between James Logie of Pictou aforesaid [---] [---] of the one part William Foster yeoman of the other part Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the sum of Seventy five Pounds current money of the Province aforesaid in hand paid to the said James Logie at or before the enseal and delivery of these Presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hereto granted bargained and sold [-----] released and confirmed And

by [All?] presents Doth grant bargained Sell release and confirm unto him the sa[id?] William Foster his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or lot of Land Situate lying and being contiguous to the East River of Pictou aforesaid adjoining upon what is known by being denominated M^cKays Gut and is abutted and bounded as follows That is to say Beginning at the division line between Fishers Grant and the Lands granted to the Majestys late Eighty Second Regiment of the North west corner of an Hundred Acre Lot belong to William M^cKay Esquire and running thence upon his side line North Forty five degrees East four hundred perches Thence North Forty Seven degrees West forty perches Thence So[uth?] Forty five degrees West five hundred perches and Thence South Forty degrees East until it intersect the first mentioned boundary containing one Hundred Acres of Land be the same more or less on Hand and Hold the aforesaid described Premises with all the reversion and reversions rents issues profits and emoluments thereunto belonging or in any [--?] appertaining together with all the improvements presently thereon woods &c &c. unto him the said William Foster his heirs executors administrators and assigns for their own proper use benefit and behoof which the said James Logie Heirs Executors and administrators and assigns doth hereby warrant and forever defend against the lawful claim or claims of any person or persons which claims being lawful In Witness whereof the said James Logie to these Presents Have [hereinto?] See [-----] and set his hand and Seal the day and year first above written

James Logie {L.S.}

Signed Sealed and delivered In the presence of us

Robert Patterson

John Foster Sen^r.

Received day and year within written the Sum of Seventy five Pounds currency The same being the consideration money within specified

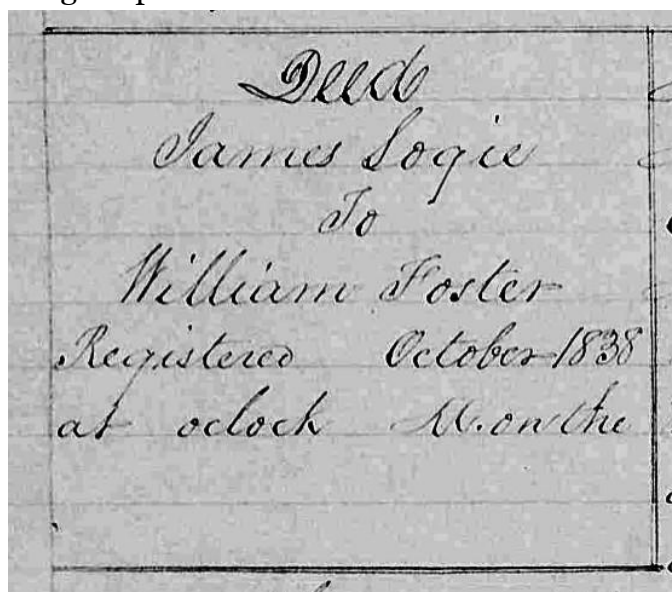
James Logie

Witnesses

Robert Patterson

John Foster

Image of part of the deed record



~ **1817**

In 1817, William "Forster" was living in Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

There were 5 people in his household.

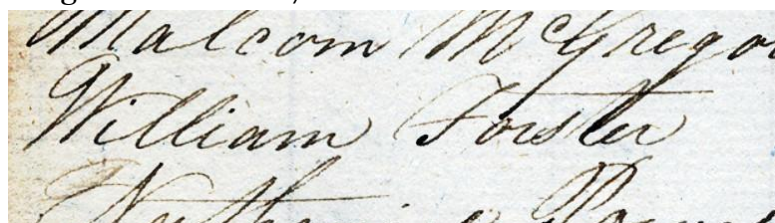
From the 1817 census of Pictou:

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*Names of the Mast^r Or Mistress of each Family / Numbers in each Family.... Men
above 50 years / men between 16 & 50 years / Boys / Women / Girls /
Total Number of Persons /*

William Forster / ---- / 1 / 3 / 1 / ---- / 5 /

Images from the 1817 census



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Names of the Master or Mistress of each Family	Numbers in each Family					
	Men Above 50 Years	Men Between 16 & 50 Years	Boys	Women	Girls	Total Number of Persons
Brought Forward	359	1510	1693	1069	2126	6757
Wm Fraser	.	1	2	1	2	6
Malcolm McGregor	1	1	4	1	2	9
William Foster	.	1	3	1	.	5
Wm. M.

~1830

The Post Office in Pictou mentioned that Wm. Foster of Fisher's Grant had mail waiting for him to pick up.

From the newspapers, The Colonial Patriot, 17 April 1830 and 1 May 1830:

Letters remaining in the Post Office at Pictou, 5th April 1830.

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Foster Wm Fisher's Grant

~ August 1836

On 1 August 1836, John and William Foster bought a property from George and Elizabeth Smith in Fisher's Grant in Pictou county, Nova Scotia. The deed was registered on 16 August 1836.

John Foster was a farmer and William Foster was a ship carpenter both of Fisher's Grant. John Foster may be the son of William Foster.

There were certain conditions mentioned that involved John McDougall and his wife Margaret McDougall. They were the parents of William Foster's wife, Isabella.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

Pages 399-401

Deed George Smith & Wife To John Foster & W^m. Foster Registered 16th. August 1836 at 1 O'clock P.M. on the Oath of Thomas Dickson

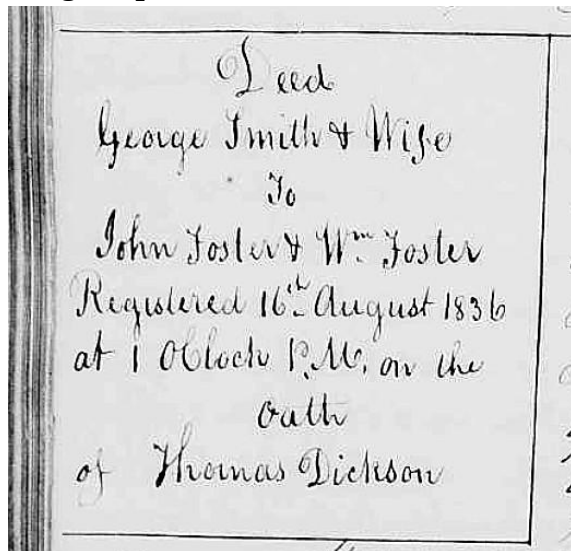
This Indenture made the first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six Between George Smith of Pictou in the District of Pictou in the Province of Nova Scotia Esquire and Elizabeth Smith his wife of the one part an John Foster of Fishers Grant in the District and Province aforesaid Farmer and William Foster of the place last aforesaid Ship Carpenter of the other part Witnesseth this that on and in consideration of the sum of One hundred and fifty pounds of lawful money of the Province aforesaid by the said John Foster and William Foster to the said George Smith in hand well and duly paid at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said George Smith and Elizabeth Smith his wife.....

(the land also runs along properties of William McDougall and George Foster)

..... containing one hundred acres more or less

..... subject to a [le]ase of Fifty Acres of the said lot of land heretofore leased from the said George Smith to one John McDougall Senior and Margaret McDougall his wife for and during the natural lives of the said John McDougall and Margaret McDougall or the survivors of them as by the Indenture of the said lease bearing date the third day of July in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty five

Image of part of the deed record



~ November 1836

A deed dated 24 November 1836 of William Foster from Thomas Lowden of land in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From the Haggis McCulloch Museum & Genealogy Centre:

Deed Thomas Lowden to William Foster 1836.

This indenture made at Pictou this twenty fourth day of November in the year of our Lord, One thousand, eight hundred and thirty six, Between Thomas Lowden and his wife Rachel Lowden of said Pictou of the one part, and William Foster of said Pictou on the other part, Witnesseth that the said Thomas Lowden for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty pounds, current money of Nova Scotia, to him in hand paid by the said William Foster, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Hath granted, bargained, sold, enfeoffed, released and confirmed by these presents, Doth grant bargain, sell, enfeoff, release and confirm, unto the said William Foster, his heirs, administrators, and assigns for ever, or certain tract of land situate, lying and being in said Pictou and in what is commonly called Fishers Grant, being the rear part of a lot of land, formerly owned by Francis Carmichael and bounded on the front or North by lands owned and occupied by Duncan Grant, on the east by lands owned and occupied by John Fraser and John Fulton, on the rear South, by lands owned by Henry Halton, and on the West, by lands owned and occupied by Donald McKenzie, containing one hundred acres more or less with all and singular, the houses, barns, buildings, ways, water, appurtenances and privileges, thereunto belonging with all rights and profits and the right title claim and demand of the said Thomas Lowden and of his wife Rachel Lowden, which they now have or may have to the before mentioned premises or any part thereof.

To have and to hold the before described grant of land sold granted and forever made over to him the said William Foster, His heirs, Executors, Administrators, and assigns, to his or their property and only benefit and behoof and also he the said Thomas Lowden, the said lot of land and premises and every part thereof, against the lawful claims of all and every person or persons, shall and will warrant and defend, by these presents-

In witness of all whereof, the said Thomas Lowden, and Rachel his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year above written

(signed) Thomas Lowden and Rachel Lowden

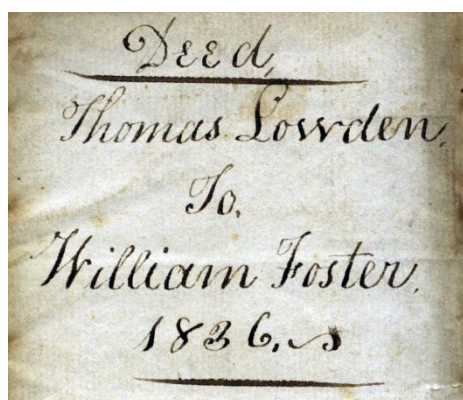
Signed, sealed, and delivered in presence of David Crichton and John McKinney

Received, Pictou the twenty fourth day of November 1836, from William Foster, sixty pounds current money of Nova Scotia, being the full consideration money mentioned in the foregoing Deed.

Personally appeared before me, one of his Majesty's justices of the peace for the County of Pictou Rachel Lowden wife of the before mentioned Thomas Lowden, who being by me examined apart from her said Husband, Declared that she voluntarily, and without compulsion, signed the foregoing Deed, and there by relinquished her right of Power to the Premises

Pictou Twelfth day of Dec 1836

Image of part of the deed record:



~ 1838

In 1838, William Foster was living in Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. He was listed as a Wright.

There were 12 people in his household.

From the 1838 census of Pictou:

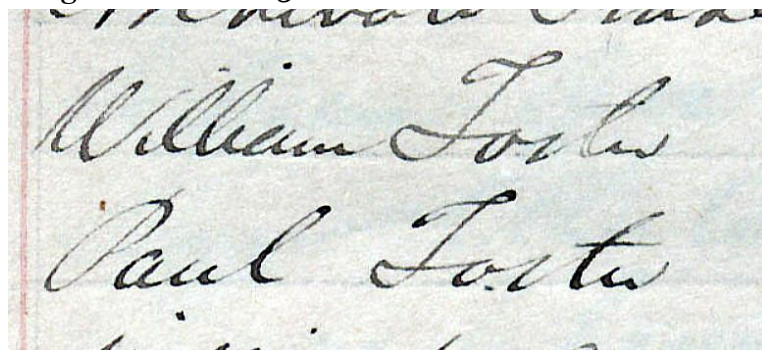
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For the Township of Pictou in the County of Pictou

Names. / No. of Male heads of Families. / No. of Female heads of Families. / Occupation. / No. of Male Children under six years of age. / No. of Female Children under six years of age. / No. of Males under fourteen years of age. / No. of Females under fourteen years of age. / No. of Males above fourteen years of age and not heads of Families. No. of Females above fourteen years of age. Total No. in Family. /

William Foster / 1 / --- / Wright / 2 / --- / 1 / --- / 5 / 3 / 12 /

Images from the 1838 census



William Foster	1	"	Wright	2
Paul Foster	1	"	Larmer	2

~ July 1838

On 19 July 1838, William Foster bought a property from Duncan and Nancy Grant in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. The deed was registered on 27 September. William Foster was mentioned as a shipwright.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

Pages 451 to 453

Deed Duncan Grant & wife To William Foster Registered 27th September [----] at 9 oclock A. M. on the oath of James W Miller

This Indenture made this nineteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Eight Between Duncan Grant of Fishers Grant in the County of Pictou and the Province of Nova Scotia yeoman and Nancy the wife of the said Duncan Grant of the one part and William Foster of the same place shipwright of the other part Witnesseth that the said Duncan Grant for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred and Thirty Pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia to him in hand well and duly paid at and before the ensealing and delivery of these presents....

All that lot Piece or Parcel of Land Situate lying and being at Fishers Grant

..... (Long and difficult to read).....

Signed Sealed and Delivered

Duncan Grant { L. S. }

Nancy her X mark Grant { L. S. }

In the presence

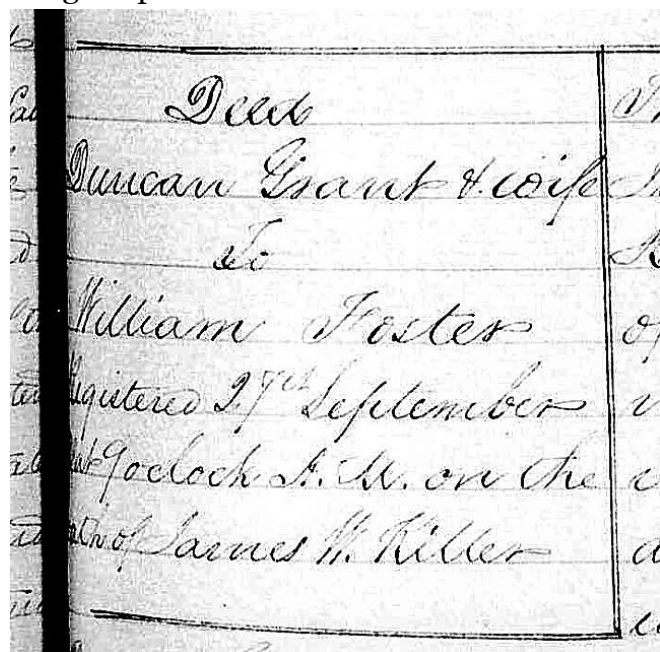
James Killer

George W A Loudon

Received from William Foster the sum of Two Hundred and Thirty Pounds lawful money of Nova Scotia being the full consideration money in the within Deed mentioned Pictou 19th July 1838

Duncan Grant

Image of part of the deed record



~ October 1838 and March 1839

On 7 October 1838, William Foster and his wife, Isabella Foster, sold a property at McKay's Gut in East River, Pictou county, Nova Scotia to Donald Ross.

The deed was registered on 11 March 1839 at 12 o'clock noon.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

Pages 150-151

Deed William Foster & wife To Donald Ross Registered 11th. March 1839 at 12 oclock noon on the oath of Robert M^cKay

This Indenture mad at Pictou in the Province of Nova Scotia the twenty Seventh day of October in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Eight Between William Foster and his wife Isabella Foster of Pictou aforesaid of the one part and Donald Ross of Pictou aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that for and in Consideration of the sum of Fifty five pounds current money of the Province aforesaid in hand paid to the said William Foster at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents.....

..... a certain tract of Land situate lying and being contiguous to the East River of Pictou aforesaid upon what is known by being denominated M^cKays Gut and is abutted and

bounded as follows that is to say Beginning at the [---] [----] line between Fishers Grant and the lands granted to His Majestys late Eighty Second Regiment at the north western Corner of a Lot of Land owned and occupied by William McKay and running thence upon his side line north forty five degrees East Four Hundred perches Thence north Forty Seven degrees West forty perches thence South Forty five degrees West Four Hundred perches and thence South Forty Seven degrees East until it intersects the first mentioned boundary Containing One Hundred Acres of Land be the same more or less To Have and To Hold the aforesaid described premises with all the Reversion and Reversions rents issues profits and emoluments thereunto Belonging or in any wise appertaining Together with all the improvements presently thereon woods, waters, &c &c unto him the said Donald Ross His Heirs Executors administrators and consigns for their ocon proper use benefits and [----] of which the said William Foster his Executors and administrators with consent of his wife Isabella assigning over her rights and title to Dower unto the said Donald Ross His heirs.....

.... In Witness whereof the said William Foster and Isabella his lawful wife Have hereunto their names Subscribed and Seals affixed at Pictou aforesaid day and year first above written

W^m Foster {L.S.}

Isabella her X mark Foster {L.S.}

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of

Geo. Mackay

Robert M^cKay

Received day and year within written Fifty five pounds Currency The same being the consideration money

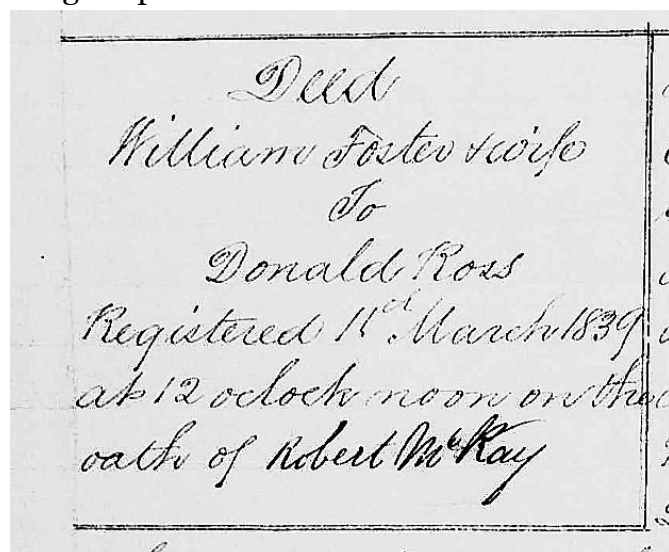
W^m Foster

Witness Robert M^cKay

Personally appeared Before me one of Her Majestys Justice of the Peace for the County of Pictou Isabella wife of the within mentioned William Foster who being by me examined apart from her said Husband declared that she voluntarily and without compulsion signed the foregoing Deed and thereby relinquished her rights of Dower to the premises

Robert M^cKay J.P.

Image of part of the Deeds record



~ 1840

On 18 March 1840, William Foster sold a property in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia to Henry Foster.

The deed was registered on 19 March 1840 at 10 o'clock A.M.

Both William and Henry Foster were listed as shipwrights.

It doesn't state it in the deed, however Henry Foster was a son of William Foster.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Deed William Foster to Henry Foster Registered March 19th. 1840 at 10 O Clock A.M.
on the certificate of David Crichton J P

This Indenture made this eighteenth day of March in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight Hundred and Forty, Between William Foster of Pictou Shipwright and Henry Foster of Pictou aforesaid and Province of Nova Scotia Shipwright.....

..... Lot or Parcel of Land lying and being in Fisher Grant

..... And containing Twelve Acres of Land more or less

.... In presence of

William Gordon

John Foster

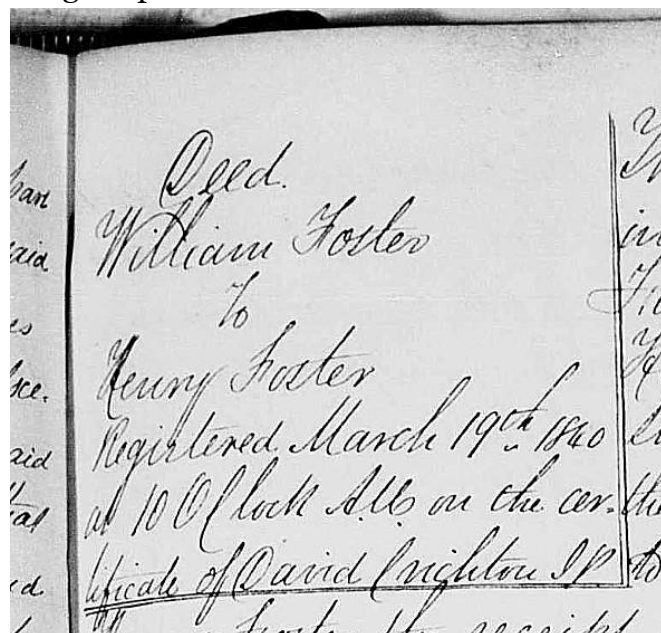
Pictou March 18th. 1840.

Received from Henry Foster the sum of thirty six Pounds Currency being the within
Consideration money

W^m. Foster

Witness John Foster

Image of part of the Deeds record



~ 1844

In the 4th quarter of 1844, William Foster, age 50, and his son Henry Foster, age 30, were listed on a passenger list of the Bark Lucretia that sailed from Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and arrived at Providence, Rhode Island.

Both were listed as shipwrights.

From the Atlantic Ports Passenger Lists:

Fourth Quarter of the year 1844.

List of Passengers taken on board Bark Lucretia of Providence. John S. Adamson
Master from Pictou N. S.

*Names of Passengers / Age / Sex / Occupation / Country to which they belong /
Country of which they intend to become inhabitants /*

William Foster / 50 / Male / Ship wright / Nova Scotia / United States /

Henry Foster / 30 / " / D^o / D^o / D^o /

There were several other Fosters going down to Providence, Rhode Island in the 1840's to 1860's mainly to work in the shipbuilding industry there.

Some stayed there and some then went to other parts in the United States. Some worked there and return to Nova Scotia.

~ **1847**

In 1847, William and Isabella Foster's son, James Foster, died at the age of 18.

William Foster then wrote a poem.

From the papers of David Christie and transcribed by him:

"On the Death of a Beloved Son", James Foster 1847, Age 18

How shall I write this tale of woe
That makes my tears so often flow
And makes me to complain
How shall I tell the reason why
I hang my head both night and day
I now take up my pen to try
The reason to explain
I weep the fall of blooming youth
The soul destroying tale of truth
The tale of real woe
The loss of my dear son I mourn
_____ now has passed that bourn
From whence no traveler ever returns
To tell us what they know
And he was fair, by all beloved
By all esteemed by all approved
A faithful pleasing friend
With manners clever always kind
With genius blessed and since refined
And every human sweet combined
But o how soon his end.
Although he was both young and fair
Death seized him in the open air

And marked him for his own
I think I see his roving eyes
Turned upward gazing to the skies
And hear his heavy moans and sighs
And last his dying groan
O ye that walk in folly's ways
That spend in sin your precious day
Think on your better end
When you must leave your friend
That dwell upon this earthly ball
A friend you shall not find at all
If Christ is not your friend
Behold how swiftly time doth fly
Prepare to meet your judge on high
When jorden you pop over
And you shall taste of joys sublime
Your spirit live in a happier clime
When time old weary worn out time
Shall run his rounds no more

~ 1851

On 21 February 1851, William Foster Senior sold a property in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia to Paul Foster, Junior.

The deed was registered on 21 July 1851 at 11 o'clock A.M.

Paul Foster, Junior was a son of William's brother, Paul Foster Senior.

The witnesses were Matthew Sproull and Charles R. Foster.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Deed William Foster To Paul Foster Reg^d 21st. July. 1851 at 11 O Clock a. m. on the oath of Matthew Sproull

This Indenture made this Twenty first day of February One thousand Eight hundred and fifty one. Between William Foster Senior of Fishers Grant in the County of Pictou, Province of Nova Scotia of the one part and Paul Foster Junior of the same place County and Province aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth That the said William Foster for

and in consideration of the sum of Thirty Pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted, bargained, Sold, remised, released enfeoffed, and confirmed and by these presents Doth grant, bargained, sell, remise, release, enfeoff and confirm unto the said Paul Foster his Heirs and assigns forever that certain lot piece or parcel of Land situate lying and being on Fishers Grant, aforesaid bounded and described as follows. Beginning at the rear of a lot of land at present owned and occupied by one George McLeod on the East line of lands now owned and occupied by one William Gordon running thence South Forty Five degrees East along said until it comes to the North East corner of a lot of land owned by one Donald McKenzie thence along said line in same direction Five hundred and sixty seven Rods from the place of beginning thence at a right angle North Easterly from said line Twelve Rods thence North Westerly to the rear of the aforesaid George McLeods land thence Southwesterly Twelve Rods along the rear of said George McLeods land to the place of beginning containing Twenty acres be the same more or less with all the Houses Tenements and hereditaments to the same belonging or in any way appertaining with the Reversion and Reversions Rents and Profits thereof and also all the Estate Right, To the Interest, claim or Demand of him the said William Foster in and to the said premises aforesaid unto the said Paul Foster his Heirs and assigns, to them and their only proper use, benefit and profit forever.

In witness whereof the said party to these presents hath hereunto his hand and seal subscribed and set the day and year first above written

Signed, Sealed, and delivered

William Foster { L. S. }

In the presence

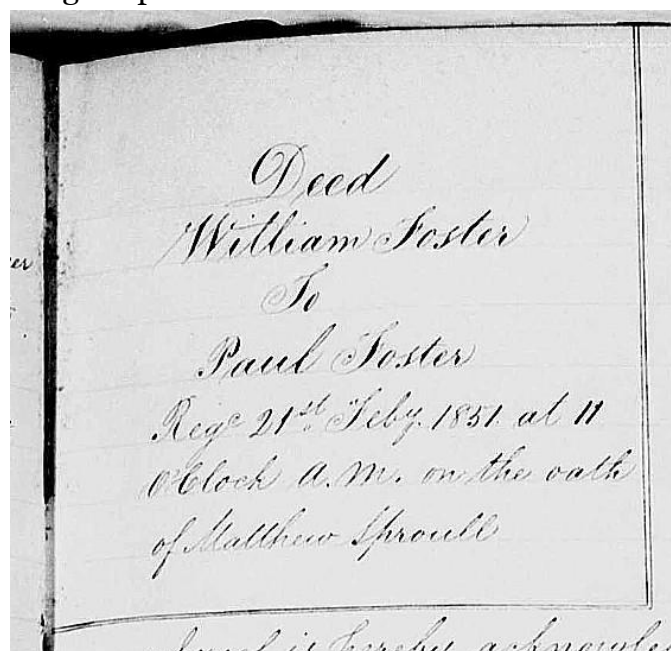
Matthew Sproull

Charles R. Foster

Received this Twenty first day of February one thousand and Eight Hundred and fifty one the sum of Thirty Pounds being the Consideration money mentioned in the foregoing Indenture

William Foster

Image of part of the deed record



~ 1855

William Foster died at the age of 63 years on 18 May 1855 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

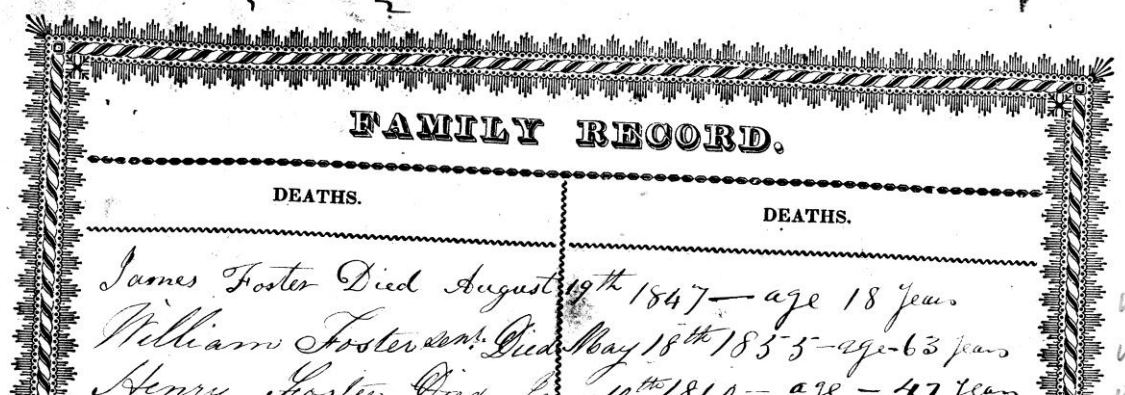
From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

William Foster sen^r. Died May 18th 1855 - age 63 years

Image of the entry in the family bible



~ 1861

In 1861, Isabella Foster was recorded in the Polling District No. 1 of Pictou county, Nova Scotia. That district would cover Fisher's Grant area of Pictou county.

There were a total of 8 people in her household.

From the 1861 census of Pictou county:

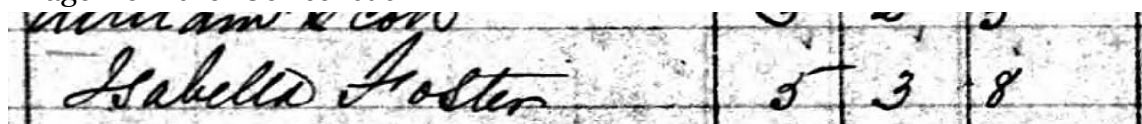
Nova Scotia Personal Census by Ages, 1860-1.

County of Pictou, Polling District No. 1, Abstract No. 2

Line / Heads of Families. / Males. / Females. / Totals. / (etc. from second page)

24 / Isabella Foster / 5 / 3 / 8 / Grand Total. 8 / Married (during the year). 1 /

Image from the 1861 census



A handwritten entry from the 1861 census. The name 'Isabella Foster' is written in cursive in the first column. To its right, the numbers '5', '3', and '8' are written in the subsequent columns, separated by vertical lines. Above the name, the words 'Married' and 'during the year' are partially visible in a smaller, less legible script.

Isabella Foster	5	3	8
-----------------	---	---	---

~ 1870

Isabel Foster, died at the age of 74 years, on 30 August 1870 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From Nova Scotia Death records for Pictou county:

Page 83 Deaths Registered

No. / Name and Occupation. / Sex. / Age. / Condition. / Where Born. / Parents' Names, Occupation, and whether living or dead / Date and Place of Death. / Certified Cause of Death. / Signature of Informant. / Where Registered and signature of Deputy Registrar.

232 / Isabel Foster / F / 74 / Widow / Fishers Grant / John and Margaret M^cDonald / 30 Augst 1870 Fisher's Grant / Paralysis / Smith Foster / Pictou Alexander M^cPhail

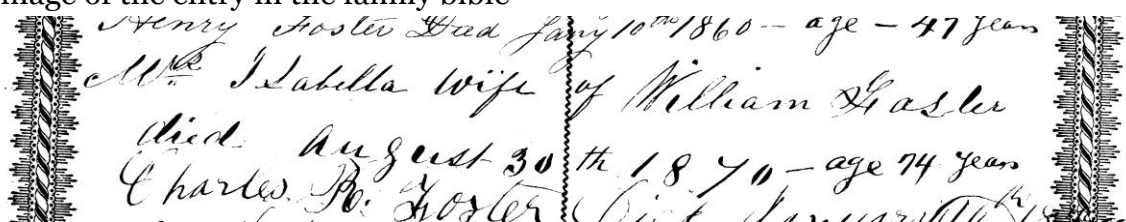
From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

M^{rs}.Isabella Wife of William Foster died August 30th 1870 - age 74 years

Image of the entry in the family bible



William Foster and his wife Isabella are buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

From the webpage on Greenwood cemetery:

Greenwood Cemetery

Pictou County, Nova Scotia GenWeb

The following is a list of headstones found in the Greenwood Cemetery,

Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Located on Hwy 348, about 1 mile north of Big Gut, and 200 metres from road.(Sign at the road.). Recorded 29 August 2001 by Roger MacPherson.

William FOSTER d. 18 May 1855 aged 63

wife Isabella d. 3 Aug 1870 aged 74

r. side: son Capt William FOSTER d. 6 Dec 1900 age 83

l. side: Sons of Wm and Isabella FOSTER:

Henry d. 10 Jan 1860 aged 46

James d. 19 Aug 1847 aged 18

Smith FOSTER d. 6 Feb 1907 aged 67

Margaret C. FOSTER d. 30 Jan 1906 aged 66

From Find A Grave:

In the Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Photographs of the cemetery stone.





William and Isabella Foster, named their first five children, all sons, with the same names and in same order as his father John Foster did before.

Children of William and Isabella (McDougall) Foster

(4-1). x **HENRY FOSTER** was born 7 November 1813 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

(4-2). + **JOHN FOSTER** was born 20 July 1815 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

John Foster married Margaret Fraser.

(4-3). x **WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 16 June 1817 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

(4-4). + **PAUL FOSTER** was born 9 June 1819 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Paul Foster married Catherine McKay.

(4-5). + **GEORGE FOSTER** was born 12 April 1821 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

George Foster married Mary --- ? ---.

(4-6). + **ANN FOSTER** was born 8 March 1823 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Ann Foster married John Nairn.

(4-7). + **DANIEL FOSTER** was born 3 May 1825 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Daniel Foster married Waity A. Humphries.

(4-8). x **DAVID FOSTER** was born 12 April 1827 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

(4-9). x **JAMES FOSTER** was born 10 May 1829 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

(4-10). + **SAMUEL ARCHIBALD FOSTER** was born 15 February 1831 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized in 1831 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

Samuel Foster married Eliza Catherine Doyle.

(4-11). + **CHARLES R. FOSTER** was born 13 December 1832 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized in 1833 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

Charles Foster married Annie Bell --- ? ---.

(4-12). x **CHRISTIAN ISABELLA MCDOUGALL** adopted by the Foster family, was born 15 September 1833 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

(4-13). x **THOMAS R. FOSTER** was born 19 May 1835 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Thomas Foster married Mary Mikahale Robinson.

(4-14). + **JOSEPH FOSTER** was born 28 November 1837 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Joseph Foster married Jessie McArthur.

(4-15). x **SMITH FOSTER** was born 17 February 1840 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

(4-16). x **MARGARET CATHERINE FOSTER** was born 24 July 1842 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Sources:

1. 1792 birth of William Foster. From the Foster family bible pages in the possession of Dave Christie of Nova Scotia. Received a copy of the records, mailed from him on April 28, 2003 Monday and received on May 7, 2003 Wednesday.
2. 1796 birth of Isabella Foster (Isabella McDougall). From the Foster family bible pages in the possession of Dave Christie of Nova Scotia. Received a copy of the records, mailed from him on April 28, 2003 Monday and received on May 7, 2003 Wednesday

3. 1812 deed of William Foster from Alexr. Kennedy, registered in 1818. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 6-8, 1816-1821. Film # 008189476, Vol. 7, images 222 and 223, page 30-31. Searched on March 14, 2020 Saturday 11:18 PM.
4. 1814 and 1816 deed of John McDougald to William McDougald. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 6-8, 1816-1821. Film # 008189476. Image nos. 16-17, pages 24-25. Searched on May 19, 2020 Tuesday 11:34 PM.
5. 1814 deed William Foster from James Logie, registered in 1838. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 21-22, 1838-1840. Film # 008189483, Vol. 21, Image no. 245, pages 476-477. Searched on March 18, 2020 Wednesday 1:15 AM.
6. 1817 census of Pictou, Pictou county, Canada.
<https://novascotia.ca/archives/census/returnsRG1v445.asp?ID=1628>. Nova Scotia Archives, Census Returns, Assessment and Poll Tax Records 1767-1838. Census Returns, 1811, 1817 and 1818. Pictou, Pictou County - 1817, Reference no.: Commissioner of Public Records Nova Scotia Archives RG 1 vol. 445 no. 13. Page 40, household of William Forster. Searched on July 24, 2018 Tuesday 5:46 PM.
7. 1830 Wm. Foster mentioned having mail in the Pictou Post Office. Google News online at <https://news.google.com>. The Colonial Patriot, 17 April 1830, page 3 and The Colonial Patriot, 1 May 1830, page 4. Searched on May 29, 2019 Wednesday 3:56 PM.
8. 1836 deed George Smith and wife to John and William Foster. It also mentioned John and Margaret McDougall. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 17-18, 1834-1836. Film # 008189481, Vol. 18, images 483-484, pages 399-401. Searched on March 16, 2020 Monday 1:22 AM.
9. 1836 deed William Foster from Thomas Lowden. Haggis McCulloch Museum & Genealogy Centre, online at <http://haggis.mccullochcentre.ca/document/4532>. File number: 17D-1132L, Contributor: Amelia English. Searched on September 2, 2020 Wednesday 11:25 PM.
10. 1838 census of Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada.
<https://novascotia.ca/archives/census/returns1838.asp?ID=24137>. Census Returns, Assessment and Poll Tax Records 1767-1838. Census Returns, 1838. Pictou Township, Pictou County – 1838. Commissioner of Public Records Nova Scotia Archives RG 1 vol. 449 no. 166. Page 42, household of William Foster. Searched on May 16, 2019 Thursday 5:24 PM.
11. 1838 deed of William Foster from Duncan Grant and wife. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 21-22, 1838-1840. Film # 008189483, Vol. 21, images 232 to 233, pages 451 to 453. Searched on March 21, 2020 Saturday 12:33 AM.
12. 1838 deed of William and Isabella Foster to Donald Ross. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 21-22, 1838-1840. Film # 008189483, Vol. 22, Image no. 362, pages 150-151. Searched on March 17, 2020 Tuesday 1:23 AM.
13. 1840 deed of William Foster to Henry Foster. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 23-24, 1840-1841, Film # 008189484, Vol. 23, image 153, page 285. Searched on March 15, 2020 Sunday 12:25 AM.
14. Rhode Island Passenger Lists, by Maureen A. Taylor, 1995. ISB No. 0-8063-1459-1, Pages 75 & 76. William and Henry Foster.
15. 1844 William and Henry Foster on the Bark Lucretia. U.S., Atlantic Ports Passenger Lists, 1820-1873 and 1893-1959, online at Ancestry.com. State, Rhode Island, Providence, 1844, Not Stated, image no. 3. Fourth Quarter of 1844. Rechecked on May 31, 2019 Friday 12:22 AM.
16. 1847 poem written by William Foster on the death of his son James Foster. In the possession of David Christie of Nova Scotia, Canada. Also transcribed by him.

Copy of the records sent by postal mail from David Christie of Nova Scotia on April 28, 2003 and I received on May 7th 2003 Wednesday.

17. 1851 deed of William Foster to Paul Foster. Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Deeds, 1771-1905, online at Familysearch.org. Deeds, vol. 35-36, 1850-1852. Film # 008189491, Vol. 35, Image no. 160, page 318. Searched on March 23, 2020 Monday 2:05 AM.

18. 1855 death of William Foster. From the Foster family bible pages in the possession of Dave Christie of Nova Scotia. Received a copy of the records, mailed from him on April 28, 2003 Monday and received on May 7, 2003 Wednesday.

19. 1861 census of Canada, online at Ancestry.com. Nova Scotia, Pictou, image no. 75 & 76. County of Pictou, Polling District No. 1, Abstract No. 2. Line 24, household of Isabella Foster. Searched May 15, 2019 Wednesday 11:11 PM.

20. 1870 death of Isabel Foster. Nova Scotia, Historical Vital Statistics, Deaths, <https://www.novascotiagenealogy.com/ItemView.aspx?ImageFile=1813-83&Event=death&ID=42263>. Registration Year: 1870, Book: 1813, Page: 83, Number: 232. Searched on May 16, 2019 Thursday 9:10 PM.

21. 1870 death of Isabella Foster. From the Foster family bible pages in the possession of Dave Christie of Nova Scotia. Received a copy of the records, mailed from him on April 28, 2003 Monday and received on May 7, 2003 Wednesday.

22. 1855 and 1870 cemetery stones on William and Isabella Foster. Greenwood cemetery, Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia. https://sites.rootsweb.com/~nspictou/cemeteries/cem_greenwood.htm. Searched on March 29, 2020 Saturday 1:04 AM.

23. Photographs of the Foster family cemetery stone. Find A Grave online at <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/157336962/william-foster>. Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Canada. Memorial ID no. 157336962, Maintained by Jody MacKeil (contributor 47631621). Searched on September 19, 2020 Saturday 11:25 PM.

2nd generation

Paul Foster (1794 - 1886)

Husband of Mary McKay

5. **PAUL FOSTER** (of John Foster¹) was born 9 December 1794 in Nova Scotia, Canada.

Father: John Foster (No. 1)

Mother: (name not known)

~ 1794

The birth date came from the cemetery stone of Paul Foster in Taylor City cemetery in Taylor, Williamson county, Texas (see below in 1886).

Several censuses mentions that Paul Foster was born in Nova Scotia.

His older brother, William Foster, and his younger brother, George Foster, were shown to have been born in Prince Edward Island, Canada. It was then called St. John's Island.

So there is the possibility that Paul Foster may have been actually born in Prince Edward Island too.

Or that Paul Foster's father who was a boat builder got a project to do in Nova Scotia and the family went there too and Paul was born there then went back to Prince Edward Island .

~ by 1826

Paul Foster married **MARY MCKAY** by 1826 in Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Their daughter, Mary Ann Foster, was born May 1827, so the marriage occurred before 1827.

Mary McKay was born ca 1803 in Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was a daughter of Donald McKay and Mary Fraser.

The birth year was calculated from the age of 57 years at her death in 1860 according to her cemetery stone (see below at 1860).

In the marriage of son, Henry H. Foster, in 1874 Bolton, Massachusetts, the mother's name is listed as "Mary A".

Since I don't see another record stating that Paul Foster's wife was Mary A., I'm leaving it as Mary McKay or Mary Foster for now.

~ 1824

Paul Foster was one of the signers on a petition by the Presbyterian congregation, commonly known by the name of the congregation of Pictou Harbour. It was signed on 3 August 1824.

From a document in the Haggis McCulloch Museum & Genealogy Centre:

Call to Reverend John McKinlay 1824

We the subscribers, composing the Presbyterian congregation, commonly known by the name of the congregation of Pictou Harbour, taking unto consideration our destitute situation in consequence of the Reverend Thomas McCulloch D.D. our former pastor's demission of his charge, and especially that we are deprived of the public ordinances of the gospel whereby sinners are gathered unto Christ and built up in him, and in this respect are as sheep without a shepherd: and being well apprized of the piety, [prudence], literature, and other ministerial qualifications of you the Rev. John McKinlay and the suitableness of the gifts bestowed on you by the blessed head of the church for our edification, we call and invite you to become our pastor, to take the charge of our souls, and the dispense to us the ordinances of grace; and we promise you all due subsistence, encouragement, and subjection in the Lord.

And we pray the Reverend the Presbytery of Pictou, under whose inspection we are, to take the necessary steps to have you placed over us as soon as circumstances will permit.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto subjected our hands this third day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty four

John Patterson

Robt Dawson

Dagal Carmichel

James Millar

Mathew Patterson

James Patterson

Mrs Mortimer

Edwd Patterson

James Fraser

David Patterson

Thos Dickson

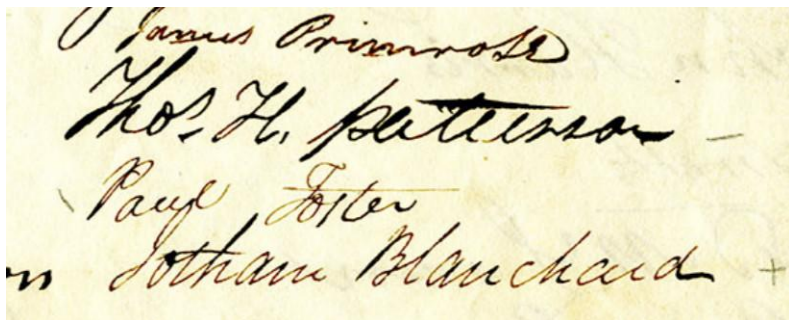
A W Patterson

David Lowden

John Geddie
William Patterson
John W Harris
James Primrose
Thos. H. Patterson
Paul Foster
Jotham Blanchard

The above Eighteen Signatures are the hand writing of the said individuals respectively attested to by Duncan Ross, John McLean
(the above is the first page. On the second page was more signatures)

Image of part of the document:

A photograph of a section of a handwritten document. It shows four signatures in cursive ink on aged, yellowed paper. The signatures are stacked vertically: 'James Primrose' at the top, followed by 'Thos. H. Patterson', then 'Paul Foster', and finally 'Jotham Blanchard' at the bottom. The ink is dark brown or black.

~ **January 1825**

John Foster Senior died at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia probably in late 1824 or in January 1825.

His Will was signed on 14 February 1818 and was proven at Pictou on 25 January 1825. It mentioned that Paul Foster received the land and all the personal property from the father.

From Nova Scotia Probate Records:

Image no. 54

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Will no. 19

The Last Will and Testament of John Foster (Senior)

"..... The farm I now live on granted one by the deceased John Patterson I bequeath to my Son Paul Foster his heirs and assigns forever in consideration of Paul's paying to my oldest son Henry the sum of Five Shillings and giving my son John one Cow and to my son William one pair of three year old oxen

All my personal property consisting of Boats Tools & e. I bequeath to my son Paul in consideration of his giving to my youngest son George the Lot of land he now holds lying on the Malignant Brook in the County of Sydney deducting from the whol of my property my Wifes proportion agreeable to law and after her decease to return to my Son Paul for satisfying and executing the foregoing Will and Testament....."

(see above under the father, John Foster, for details on the Will).

~ May and June 1826

Mary Foster's father, Donald McKay of the East River of Pictou, died between 10 May 1826 when his Will dated and 14 June 1826 when his Will was proved.

From the Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Probate Office wills:

" I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Foster three sheep"

(See in separate history of the McKay family for details of the will).

~ December 1826 and 1827

Paul Foster, a farmer, of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, mortgaged a property to William Liddell, Esquire of Glasgow, Scotland.

The indenture was dated 12 December 1826 and registered on 2 April 1827.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Mortgage Paul Foster To William Liddell Regd. 2 April 1827 on the oath of Jotham Blanchard }

This Indenture made the Twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Twenty six Between Paul Foster of Fishers Grant in the District of Pictou Farmer of the one Part and William Liddell of Glasgow in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland Esquire of the other Part

Witnesseth that the said Paul Foster for and in consideration of the sum one hundred & fifty six Pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia to him in hand paid at on before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged Hath granted bargained sold remissed released enfeoffed and conformed and by these presents do grant bargain sell remiss release enfeoff and confirm unto the said William Liddell his heirs and assigns a certain lot parcel or tract of Land situate lying and being in Fishers Grant so called abutted bounded, and described as follows that is to say

Beginning at the shore of the Harbour of Pictou at the west side line of William Mc Dougalds Farm thence northerly along said West line until it comes to land formerly

called the Common now belonging to Archibald M^c Arthur thence westardly along said M^c Arthur line till it comes to land belonging to David Ferguson thence Southerly along his line to the road leading through Fishers

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Grant thence Easterly along the road till it comes to a small brook running nearly down the centre of the said Paul Foster's Farm thence the course of the brook to the shore aforesaid thence Easterly along the said shore to the place of beginning with all and singular the ways waters water courses wood trees buildings improvements privileges and appurtenances thereof or thereto in any wise belonging or appertaining and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rent issues and profits thereof together with all the Estate right title interest claim properly and demand of him the said Paul Foster in to or upon the said lot or parcel of Land and premises with the appurtenances and Every part thereof to Have and to Hold the said lot parcel or tract of Land and premises with the appurtenances to him the said William Liddell, his heirs and assigns to his and their only proper use benefit and behof for Ever --- Provided always and the true intent and meaning of the parties to these presents are that of the said Paul Foster shall well and truly paid or cause to be paid to the said William Liddell his Executors administrators and assigns the said sum of One hundred and fifty six Pounds with lawful interest thereon within three years from the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Twenty seven by three Equal and yearly instalments of Fifty two pounds according to the [----] and effect thrice interest and meaning of three several promisory notes made by the said Paul Foster payable to the said William Liddell and having date on the said first day of January in the year last aforesaid then this present deed of Indenture and Every claim matter and thing herein contained shall cease determine and [-----] of none effect

In Witness whereof the said parties have hereunto their hands and seals subscribed and set the day and year first above written

Paul Foster LS.

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of }

William Sutherland

Jotham Blanchard

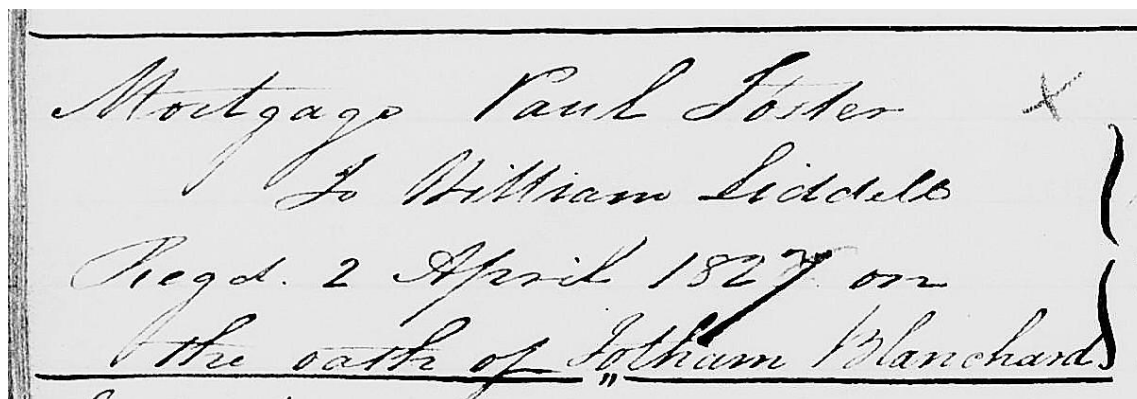
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Received on the day of the date of the foregoing Deed of Indenture of Mortgage from the therein named William Liddell the said sum of one hundred and fifty six Pounds being the full consideration money in the said deed mentioned

Paul Foster

Witness} William Blanchard }

Image of part of the mortgage record:



A photograph of a handwritten document, likely a mortgage record, showing the names 'Mortgage Paul Foster' and 'To William Liddell' in cursive script. Below this, it says 'Regd. 2 April 1827 on the oath of Jotham Blanchard'. The text is written in dark ink on a light-colored paper.

~ 1832

Paul Foster, a farmer, of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, mortgaged a property to William Matheson of the West River at Pictou.

The indenture was dated 1 September 1832 and registered on 24 September 1832.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

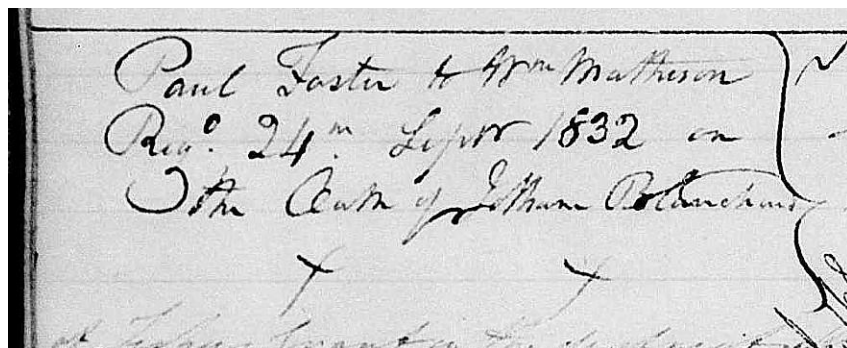
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Paul Foster to W^m Matheson Reg^d. 24th. Sepr 1832 on the Oath of Jotham Blanchard }

This Indenture made the first Day of Sep^r in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred & thirty two Between Paul Foster of Fishers Grant in the district of Pictou Farmer of the one part & William Matheson of the West River at Pictou in the district aforesaid [Tay^r.?] of the other part Witness at Pictou in the district aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said Paul Foster for & in Consideration of the sum of [Seventy] One Pounds ten Shillings of Lawful money of Nova Scotia to him in hand well & truly paid at or before the sealing & delivery of these presents the Receipt whereof the Benefit & whereof is hereby acknowledged Hath Granted Bargained Sold Remitted Released Enfeoffed & Confirmed by these present Doth Grant Bargain Sell Remiss Release Enfeoff & Confirm unto the said William Matheson his heirs & Assigns a certain Lot parcel or tract of Lands Situate lying & being on Fishers Grant abutted bounded & described as follows that is to say beginning on the Shore of the harbour of Pictou at the West side line of William M^c Dougalds Farm, thence Southwardly along said West line until it comes to Land formerly called the Commons now belonging to Archibald M^cArthur thence Westwardly along said M^cArthurs line till it comes to Land belonging to David [Longerson] thence Northerly along his line to the shore of the Harbour aforesaid thence Easterly along the shore to the place of beginning being the whole of

the Farm on which the said Paul Foster resides with all the Singular the Ways Waters
Water cources buildings Improvements priveledges & appurtinances

Image of part of the mortgage:



~ 1838

In 1838, Paul Foster was living in Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. He was listed as a Farmer.

There were 9 people in his household.

From the 1838 census of Pictou:

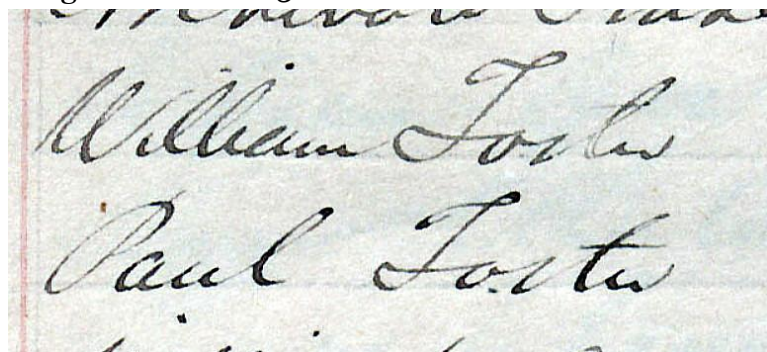
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For the Township of Pictou in the County of Pictou

*Names. / No. of Male heads of Families. / No. of Female heads of Families. /
Occupation. / No. of Male Children under six years of age. / No. of Female Children
under six years of age. / No. of Males under fourteen years of age. / No. of Females
under fourteen years of age. / No. of Males above fourteen years of age and not heads
of Families. No. of Females above fourteen years of age. Total No. in Family. /*

Paul Foster / 1 / --- / Farmer / 2 / 1 / --- / 2 / 1 / 2 / 9 /

Images from the 1838 census:



William Foster	1	"	Wright	2
Paul Foster	1	"	Larmer	2

~ 1840

A record of mortgage release dated 9 March 1840 of Paul Foster from William Matheson.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Release William Matheson To Paul Foster Registered March 9th 1840 at 3 O Clock P. M.
on the oath of David Matheson

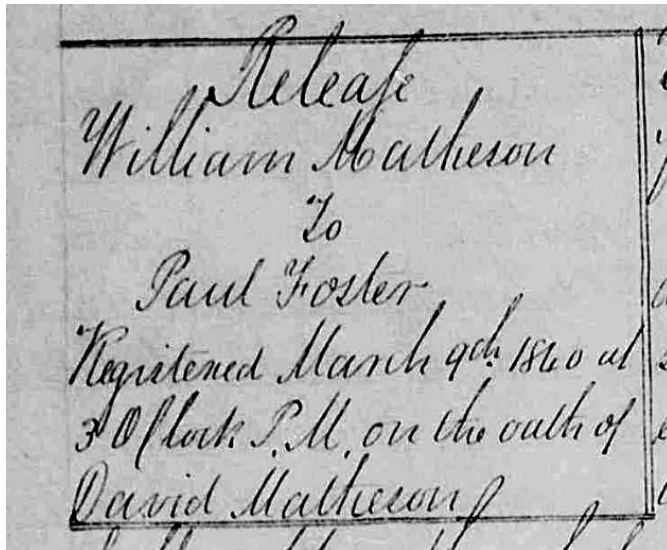
To Peter Crerar Esquire Deputy Registrar of Deeds for the County of Pictou

Whereas the within named Paul Foster did for the security of the sum of seventy one pounds ten shillings and all interest that might become due thereon execute to the within named William Matheson the within written Mortgage as by reference thereto will more fully appear the whole of which said sum and interest has been paid are the said William Matheson by the said Paul Foster agreeably to the Proviso therein contained Now I the said William Matheson do hereby Certify the name to you the said Registrar and direct you to cause this Certificate to be Registered in your Books of registry in conformity with the directives of the Statute in such case made and Provided. In Witness whereof I have hereunto my hand and seal subscribed and set this twentieth day of February A.D. 1840

W^m. Matheson { L. S. }

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of
David Matheson

Image of part of the Mortgage Release:



~ 1843 and 1844

Paul Foster, a farmer, of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, mortgaged a property from Thomson Carmichael of Bridgewater, Pictou county.

The indenture was dated 9 October 1843 and registered on 6 August 1844.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Mortgage Thomson Carmichael To Paul Foster Sen^r, Regst^d. 6th August 1844 at 5 O Clock P.M. on the oath of John Foster

This Indenture made the ninth day of October in the Year of our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred and Forty three Between Thomson Carmichael of Brodgewater in the County of Pictou Yeoman and Elizabeth B Carmichael his Wife of the one part and Paul Foster Sen^r. Of Fishers Grant Farmer of the other part, Whereas the said Thomson Carmichael by his certain Bond or obligation duly executed and bearing every [-----] [---] date [---] with stands bound to the said Paul Foster Sen^r. in the penal sum of Thirty one Pounds of Lawful money of the Province of Nova Scotia with a condition thereunder written for the payment of the full and Just Sum of Fifteen Pounds ten Shillings, and lawful interest therenfore on or before the twenty fifth day of Aprile next then the said obligation to be wholly void as by reference thereto will

(written vertically on the above)

This Mortgage is Settled and Discharged

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more fully appear, Now this Indenture Witnesseth that in Consideration of the said debt of Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings in the Condition of said obligation mentioned and for the better securing the payment of the same with Interest, according to the said condition, and also in Consideration of Five Shillings of Lawful money of the Province aforesaid by the said Paul Foster Sen^r well and truly paid to the said Thomson Carmichael before the Sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt where of is hereby acknowledged They the said Thomson Carmichael and Elizabeth B his Wife Have and each of them Hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released and Confirmed and by these presents Do and each of them Doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release and Confirm unto the said Paul Foster and his Heirs and Assigns for ever, All that certain lot piece or parcel of Land, Beginning at the South side of a certain water known by the name of Bidwater (formerly M^cKay's Gut) at a certain Pine stump on the West side of a Lot of Land owned by Donald M^cKenzie running thence South Forty five Degrees East one hundred and eight rods till it comes to lands now in possession of James M^cDonald, Thence West along said M^cDonald's line till it comes to the Water aforesaid, thence Northwardly by the several courses of said water to the place of beginning Containing twenty six Acres more or less, Together with all the houses, outhouses, ways, tenements and hereditaments to the same or in any way belonging thereunto and also all the right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever of him the said Thomson Carmichael and all the Dower or thirds of Elizabeth B Carmichael in to and out of the said lot of Land and premises hereby granted and conveyed or intended so to the and every part and parcel thereof, To Have and to Hold the said Lot of Land and premises

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hereby granted or intended so to be with them Appurtenance to the said Paul Foster his Heirs and Assigns to and for his and their purpose and benefit and behoof For ever, Provided always never the less and these presents are upon condition and is the true intent and [---aning] thereof and of the parties thereto, that if the said Thomson Carmichael his Heirs or Assigns shall and will well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said Paul Foster his administrators or Assigns the said sum of Fifteen Pounds ten Shillings and the Lawful interest then upon in manner and form as the same are secured to be paid in and by the said obligation herin before [-----] then these presents and the Estate hereby conveyed shall cease determine and become absolutely null and void And further that if default shall happen to be made in the payment of the said principal

money and Interest that the said Estate hereby conveyed shall remain continual and be to and to the use of the said Paul Foster his heirs and Assigns and be by him occupied and enjoy it without any hindrance whatsoever of or from any person or persons Lawfully or equitably the same.

In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereunto their hands and seals subscribed and set the day and year first above written

Thomson Carmichael { L S }

Signed, sealed and Delivered in presence of us }

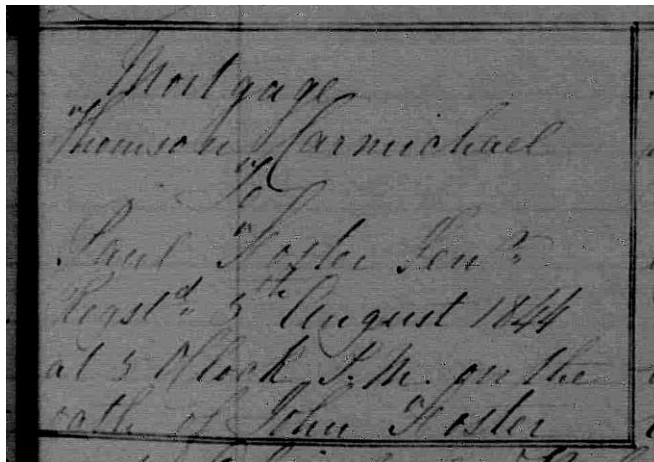
John Foster

Alexander Blackie

Received on the day of the date of the foregoing Indenture from the therein named Paul Foster the sum of Fifteen Pounds ten Shillings being the consideration money therein mentioned

Witness Thomson Carmichael

Image of part of the mortgage:



~ 1845

William McDougall, a Ferryman, of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia left a last Will and Testament. It was signed on 1 March 1845 and proved on 28 March 1845.

He appointed Paul Foster Senior, Charles Ives and John Foster as his executors.

The witnesses to the Will signing were Archibald Fraser, Matthew Ramsay and Paul Foster Junior.

(See in separate history of the McDougall family for details of the Will).

~ 1846

Paul Foster, age 50 and a Farmer, was on a passenger list, dated 3 August 1846, of the Brig Brothers that sailed from Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and arriving at Boston, Massachusetts.

He was probably visiting his brother's family.

From the Massachusetts Passenger and Crew lists:

Copy of Report and List of the Passengers taken on board the Brig Brothers of Pictou, N.S. whereof W Sunderland is Master, burthen 138 tons..... bound from the Port of Pictou for Boston

Names. / Age. / Sex. / Occupation. / Country to which they severally belong. / Country of which they intend to become inhabitants.

Paul Foster / 50 / Male / Farmer / Nova Scotia / Canada

Man. 1193 Brig Brothers [Pictou] Aug^t. 3^d. 1846. B 976

~ 1847

A record of mortgage release dated 15 July 1847 of Paul Foster, Senior, to Thomas Carmichael

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Release of Mortgage Thomas Carmichael To Paul Foster Sen^r. Reg^d. 15 July 1847 at 1/2 past 12 O'clock noon on the oath of Hon^r Alex^r Munro - Subscribing Witness there to Pursuant to Law

To Peter Crerar Esquire Deputy Registrar of Deeds for the County of Pictou

Whereas the within named Thomas Carmichael did for the Security of Fifteen pounds Ten shillings and all Interest that might be come due thereon execute to the within named Paul Foster Sen^r. The within

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written Mortgage as by reference there to will more fully appear the whole of which sum and Interest has been paid me the said Paul Foster by the said Thomas Carmichael agreeably to the proviso therein contained now I the said Paul Foster do here by Certify the sameto you the said Registrar and direct you to cause this certificate to be Registered

in your Book of Registry in conformity the directions of the statute in such case made and provided.

In Witness where of I have hereunto my hand and seal subscribed and set this fourteenth day of July A D 1847

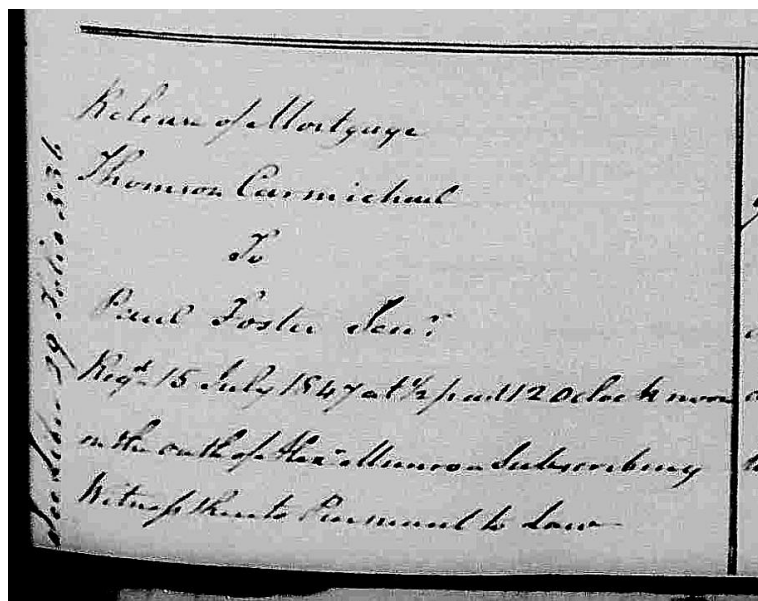
Paul Foster Sen^r. L.S.

Witness

Daniel Foster

Alex^r. Munro

Image of part of the record:



~ 1854 and 1855

Paul Foster, Senior, of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Farmer, and his wife Mary Foster, John Foster, of the same place, Farmer, and his wife Margaret Foster, Charles Ives of the same place, Farmer, and John McDougall of the same place, Farmer sold a property situated by a road at West River near the town of Pictou, Nova Scotia. They sold a property containing eight acres to Philip Carroll of Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

The deed was dated 3 August 1854 and registered on 2 May 1855.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Deed Paul Foster & others To Philip Carroll Reg^d. 2^d. May 1855 at 9 O Clock A. M. on the oath of John T. Ives

This Indenture made this Third day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and fifty four.

Between Paul Foster of Fishers Grant in the County of Pictou Farmer and Mary his Wife John Foster of the same place Farmer and Margaret his Wife and Charles Ives of the same place Farmer of the first part. John M^cDougall of the place aforesaid Farmer of the second part And Philip Carroll of Pictou in the said County Truckman of the third part.

Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred and Twelve pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia to them the said Paul Foster John Foster and Charles Ives in hand paid by the said Philip Carroll at or before the Execution of these present the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said Paul Foster and Mary his Wife John Foster and Margaret his Wife and Charles Ives Have and each of them Hath granted bargained sold aliened

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remised released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these present and each of them Doth grant bargain sell alien remise release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Philip Carroll his heirs and assigns all that certain lot of Land Situate lying and being on the South side of the New Road or Highway leading from the Town of Pictou to the West River abutted bounded and described as follows that is to say Beginning on the South side of the said Highway at the North East corner of a lot of Land belonging to James Dawson thence running South four and three quarter degrees West along the East side line of said James Dawson lot Eleven chains and twenty six links, thence South Eighty five and one quarter degrees East six chains and Seventy seven links to the West side of the Road leading to Thomas Dickson's Mills, thence North four and three quarter degrees East along the West side of said last mentioned Road twelve chains and twenty six links to the South side of the said highway and thence Westwardly along the South side thereof to the place of beginning Containing Eight Acres more or less together with the appurtenances to the said Lot of Land belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversions and remainders thereof and all the right claim and Interest whatsoever both at Law and in Equity of them the said Paul Foster John Foster and Charles Ives and all the Dower or Third of them the said Mary wife of the said Paul Foster and the said Margaret wife of the said John Foster or either of them in and to the same, To Have and to Hold the same with the appurtenances and the said Philip Carroll his heirs and assigns and to his and their only use benefit and belong forever.

And the said Paul Foster John Foster And Charles Ives for them also their heirs executors and administrators do hereby covenant with the said Philip Carroll his heirs and assigns as follows that is having that they the said Paul Foster John Foster and Charles Ives are lawfully seized of an indefensible Estate of the simple in the said

described lot of Land and that the same together with the appurtenance he the said Philip Carroll his heirs and assigns shall peaceably possess and enjoy without any lawful let suit or eviction whatsoever, and the said John M^cDougall by signing and sealing these present Doth thereby holify and acknowledge that the same is done and executed by and with this knowledge and assent and he thereby hath ratified and confirmed the same in all respects.

In Witness whereof the parties to these present have hereunto their hands and seals subscribed and set the day and Year first before written.

Paul Foster Senr { L. S. }

Mary her X mark Foster { L. S. }

John Foster { L. S. }

Margaret her X mark Foster { L. S. }

Charles Ives { L. S. }

John his X mark M^cDougall { L. S. }

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of

John T. Ives

Peter Grant

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Received on the day of the date of the foregoing Deed of Indenture from the therein named Philip Carroll the sum of One hundred and Twelve punds of lawful money of Nova Scotia being the full consideration money therein mentioned to be paid by him to us.

Paul Foster Senr

John Foster

Charles Ives

Witness

John T. Ives

Peter Grant

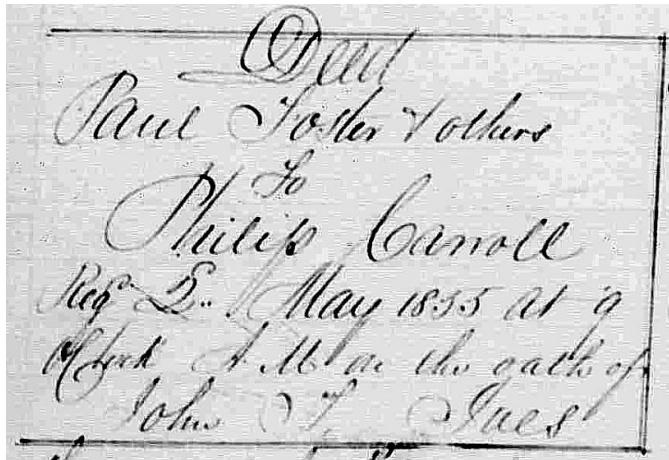
On this third day of August in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty four Before me the Subscriber one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Pictou personally appeared Mary Foster Wife of Paul Foster and party to the foregoing Deed who being examined by me did acknowledge that she had Signed and executed the same for this purpose therein contained freely and voluntarily and without any force or compulsion from her husband

On the third day of August in the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and fifty four before me the subscriber one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Pictou personally appeared Margaret Foster Wife of John Foster and party to the

foregoing Deed who being examined by me did acknowledged that she had Signed and executed the same for this purpose therein contained freely and voluntarily and without any force or compulsion from her husband

Ja^s. Skinner J.P.

Image of part of the deed record:



~ 1855

Paul Foster, Senior, of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Farmer, and his wife Mary Foster, John Foster, of the same place, Farmer, and his wife Margaret Foster, Charles Ives of the same place, Farmer, and John McDougall of the same place, Farmer sold a property situated by a road at West River near the town of Pictou, Nova Scotia. They sold a property containing four acres and 29 poles to Philip Carroll of Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

The deed was dated 28 April 1855 and registered 2 May 1855.

From the Pictou county Deeds records:

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Deed Paul Foster & others To Philip Carroll Reg^d. 2^d. May 1855 at 9 O Clock A. M. on the oath of John T. Ives

This Indenture made this twenty eight day of April in the Year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and fifty five

Between Paul Foster of Fishers Grant in the County of Pictou Farmer and Mary his Wife John Foster of the same place Farmer and Margaret his Wife and Charles Ives of the same place Farmer of the first part. John M^cDougall of the place aforesaid Farmer of the second part And Philip Carroll of Pictou in the said County Truckman of the third part.

Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty Nine Pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia to them the said Paul Foster John Foster and Charles Ives in hand paid by the said Philip Carroll at or before the execution of these present the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said Paul Foster and Mary his Wife John Foster and Margaret his Wife and Charles Ives Have and each of them Hath granted bargained sold aliened remised released enfeoffed and confirmed and by these present Do and each of them Doth grant bargain sell alien remise release enfeoff and confirm unto the said Philip Carroll his heirs and assigns all that certain lot of Land Situate lying and being on the North side of the highway leading from the Town of Pictou

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aforesaid abutted bounded and described as follows viz Beginning at an angle forward by the North side of the said highway and the West side of the Road leading to Thomas Dickson Mills, thence Running North four and three quarter degrees East along the West side of the said last mentioned Road five chains and ninety five links thence North eighty five and one quarter degrees West six chains and seventy seven links, thence South four and three quarters West along the East side line of Land belonging to Widow McLaren six chains and ninety five links to the North side of the said highway and thence Eastwardly along the North side thereof to the place of Beginning containing Four Acres and twenty nine poles more or less together with the appurtenances to the said Lot of Land belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversions and remainders thereof and all the right claim and Interest whatsoever both at Law and in Equity of them the said Paul Foster John Foster and Charles Ives and all the dower or third of them the said Mary Wife of the said Paul Foster and the said Margaret Wife of the said John Foster or either of them in and to the [saides?] To Have and to Hold the same with the appurtenances and the said Philip Carroll his heirs and assigns and to his and their only use benefit and belong forever.

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Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of

John T. Ives

Peter Grant.

Received on the day of the date of the foregoing Deed of Indenture from the therein named Philip Carroll the sum of Sixty nine Pounds of lawful money of Nova Scotia being the full consideration money therein mentioned to be paid by him to us.

Paul Foster

John Foster

Charles Ives

On this first day of May in the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight

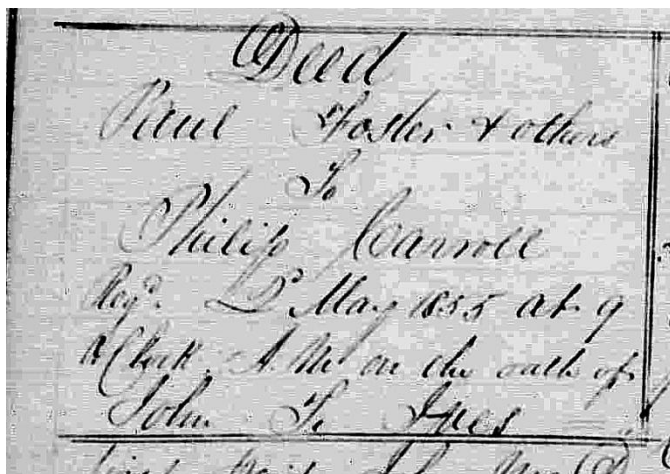
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W. Gordon J.P.

Image of part of the deed record:



~ 1860

Mary Foster died at the age of 57 years on 4 August 1860 and was buried in Greenwood cemetery in Pictou Landing, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From the webpage on Greenwood cemetery:

Greenwood Cemetery

Pictou County, Nova Scotia GenWeb

The following is a list of headstones found in the Greenwood Cemetery,

Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Located on Hwy 348, about 1 mile north of Big Gut, and 200 metres from road.(Sign at the road.). Recorded 29 August 2001 by Roger MacPherson.

Mary, wife of Paul FOSTER, d. 4 Aug 1860 aged 57 yrs.

~ 1861

In 1861, Paul Foster was recorded in the Polling District No. 1 of Pictou county, Nova Scotia. That district would cover Fisher's Grant area of Pictou county.

There were a total of 5 people in his household.

From the 1861 census of Pictou county:

Nova Scotia Personal Census by Ages, 1860-1.

County of Pictou, Polling District No. 1, Abstract No. 1

Line / Heads of Families. / Males. / Females. / Totals. / (etc. from second page) /

29 / Paul Foster / 3 / 2 / 5 / Grand Total. 5 / Deaths. F (Females). 1 /

~ 1871

In 1871, Paul Foster Senior was living in Division 3 of Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. He was listed as a Farmer. Division 3 includes Fisher's Grant.

From the 1871 census of Division 3 of Pictou:

Page 13, District 200, Pictou Division 3

Name. / Sex. / Age. / Country or Province of Birth. / Religion. / Origin. / Occupation. / Married or Widowed /

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Foster Paul Sen^r. / M / 75 / N. S. / Presb. C. L. P. / English / Farmer / W. /
" Henry / M / 34 / " / " / " / Painter / --- /
" [----] Jos. R. / M / 24 / " / " / " / Joiner / --- /

44/46

Foster Paul Jun^r. / M / 29 / N. S. / Presb. C. L. P. / English / Farmer / M /
" Mary Jane / F / 29 / " / " / " / ----- / M /

45/47

Foster Joseph / M / 33 / N. S. / Presb. C. L. P. / English / Captain / M /
" Jessie / F / 31 / " / " / Scotch / ----- / M /
" Thomas / M / 4 / " / " / " / ----- / --- /

~ between 1871 and 1884

Paul Foster Senior left Fisher's Grant and went to Taylor, Williamson county, Texas in the United States. His sons were living there.

They were not found in the 1880 census of the United States and the 1881 census of Canada. It is likely Paul Foster senior was in Texas at that time. The 1884 city census of Taylor, Williamson county, Texas is the earliest document that I find with him mentioned in Taylor.

~ 1884

In 1884, Paul Foster, age 90, was living with his son J. R. Foster's family in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

From the 1884 city census of Taylor:

Last Name / First Name / Middle Initial / Age / Occupation / Gender / Nativity / Ethnicity

Foster / J / R / 37 / Carpenter / M / Nova Scotia / W

Foster / E / M / 8 / ----- / F / TX / W

Foster / Agnes / --- / 35 / ----- / F / Nova Scotia / W

Foster / P / B / 6 / ----- / F / TX / W
Foster / M / J / 5 / ----- / F / TX / W
Foster / H / W / 3 / ----- / F / TX / W
Foster / A / J / 2 / ----- / F / TX / W
Foster Paul / --- / 90 / ----- / M / Nova Scotia / W

~ 1886

Paul Foster died, at the age of 91 years, on 19 February 1886 in Taylor, Williamson county, Texas.

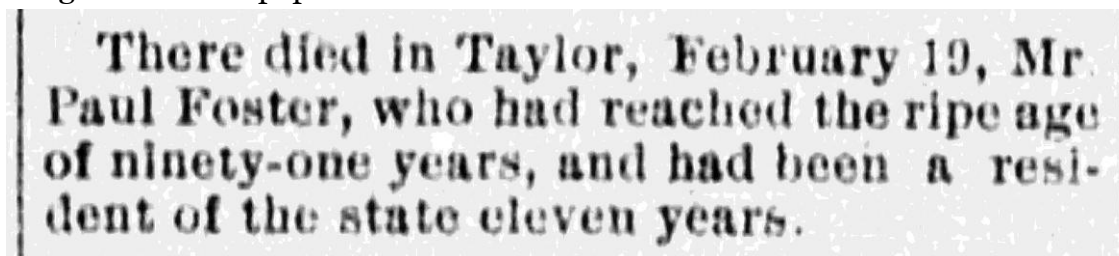
From the newspaper, Fort Worth Daily Gazette, 26 February 1886, Friday:

TEXAS IN TYPE.

The Drift of Events in Various Quarters of the Lone Star State.

There died in Taylor, February 19, Mr. Paul Foster, who had reached the ripe age of ninety-one years, and had been a resident of the state eleven years.

Image of the newspaper article:



From Find A Grave:

In Taylor City Cemetery in Taylor, Williamson county, Texas

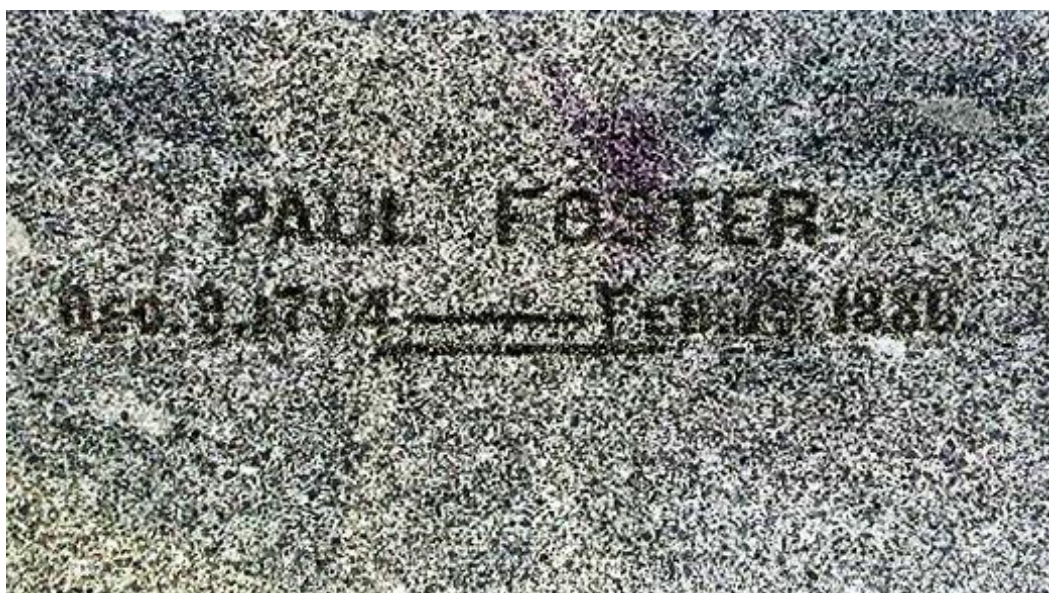
Paul Foster's gravestone

PAUL FOSTER

DEC. 9. 1794. --- FEB. 19. 1886.

(hard to read the dates in the pictures)





Children of Paul and Mary (McKay) Foster

There may be other children born in the period of 1826 (or earlier) to 1833.

(5-1). + **MARY ANN FOSTER** was born May 1827 in Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Mary Ann Foster married Orsemus L. Buck.

(5-2). **JOHN C. FOSTER** date of birth unknown.

John C. Foster drowned in 1849 and was buried.

From Marble, A. E. Deaths, burials and probate of Nova Scotians, 1800-1850:

Foster, John C., d. or bur. 1849. Pictou, no age, kin Paul. Source, Prince St. Presb. (B[urial]) drowned.

Since there was another Paul Foster (son of William Foster) having children born around this time, it makes it difficult to say which Paul Foster this child belongs to.

However seeing that this Paul Foster senior was involved with this church and had most of his younger children baptized in this church, I'm more leaning to that this child was from Paul Foster, senior.

There was no other records showing that the other Paul Foster (son of William) was attending this church.

(5-3). + **WILLIAM E. FOSTER** was born 16 May 1834 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized 15 July 1834 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

William E. Foster married Diadama Jane Owens.

(5-4). x **HENRY H. FOSTER** was born in 1835 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized 2 August 1835 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

Henry H. Foster married Martha Moore.

(5-5). + **CATHERINE FOSTER** was born in 1838 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized 18 March 1838 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

Catherine Foster married Joseph H. Ivey.

(5-6). + **PAUL J. FOSTER** was born 17 February 1841 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized on 27 June 1841 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

Paul J. Foster married 1st Mary Jane Powell and 2nd May Rose.

(5-7). + **JOSEPH RODERICK FOSTER** was born in 1845 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was baptized 23 September 1845 at the Presbyterian church on Prince Street in Pictou, Pictou county.

Joseph R. Foster married Agnes Sproul.

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2nd generation

George Foster (1796 - after 1881)

Husband of Margaret --- ? ---

6. **GEORGE FOSTER** (of John Foster¹) was born ca. 1796 on St. John's Island (later known as Prince Edward Island, Canada).

Father: John Foster (No. 1)

Mother: (name not known)

~ 1796

Most of the censuses gave an age that calculates him being born in 1796 and that most of the census indicates that he was born in Nova Scotia.

However, the 1881 census of Nova Scotia gives his birthplace being in Prince Edward Island. Also the following information shows that the family was living in P.E.I. in 1798. He was most likely born in Lot 64 in Kings county, P.E.I.

~ 1798

In 1798, Mrs. "Forster" was living in Lot 64 of St. John's Island, Canada. There were 5 people in the household. 4 were males of the age under 16.

George Foster would be the youngest of the 4 males listed in the "Males under 16" column.

From the 1798 census of St. John's Island :

Heads of Household Census

Lot 64.

Head of Household / Males under 16 / Males 16 to 60 / Males 60+ / Females under 16 /
Females 16 to 60 / Females 60+ / Total /

Nickl. Hughes / 1 / 1 / --- / --- / 1 / --- / 3 /

Wm. Shenshabach / 3 / 1 / --- / --- / 1 / --- / 5 /

Mrs. Forster / 4 / --- / --- / --- / 1 / --- / 5

St. John's Island is better known with its later name, Prince Edward Island, Canada.

~ 1818

In the Will of his father, John Foster, written in 1818 and proved 1825, it is mentioned that George Foster was his youngest son.

From Nova Scotia Probate Records:

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"All my personal property consisting of Boats Tools & e. I bequeath to my son Paul in consideration of his giving to my youngest son George the Lot of land he now holds lying on the Malignant Brook in the County of Sydney....."

~ before 1822

George Foster married **MARGARET** --- ? --- before 1822.

The marriage was before 1822, as their daughter Ann Foster was born ca. 1822.

Margaret was born ca. 1802 in Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Canada.

~ 1826 & 1829

George Foster, a ship carpenter of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia bought some land in Fisher's Grant from Thomas Graham, a yeoman of New Glasgow of the same county and province. The indenture was dated 25 May 1826 and was registered on 1 December 1829.

George's brother Paul Foster was a witness.

From the deeds of Pictou county, Nova Scotia:

(handwriting too difficult to read, so the following is just a part of it)

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Deed Tho^s. Graham to Geo Foster Reg^d. 1st Dec^r 1829 on the Oath of Paul Foster X X X
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This Indenture made the twentieth Day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred & twenty Six Between Thomas Graham of New Glasgow in the County of Halifax & Province of Nova Scotia Yeoman of the one Part & George Foster of fishers Grant Ship Carpenter of the other Part

[-----] in Consideration of the sum of Forty pounds Currant Money of Nova Scotia to him in hand Paid by the said George Foster to the said Thomas Graham the Receipt [] thereof is hereby acknowledged the said Thomas Graham hath granted Bargained [-----]

~ 1829 and 1830

In 1829, the hull of the first steamboat in the area was built by George Foster at his shipyard in Fisher's Grant. The boat was completed by the summer of 1830.

From the book, A History of the County of Pictou, Nova Scotia, by George Patterson, 1877:

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A wharf was built at Pictou, long known as the miners wharf, and for a time coal kept there, but a depot there was found unnecessary and unprofitable. As mentioned above, the hull of a small steamer, intended to be used for towing lighters and vessels, was launched from the shipyard of Mr. George Foster, Fishers Grant, on the 19th August following.

She was called the "Richard Smith." She was towed up the river, where she remained all winter receiving her machinery, and did not commence her work till the following summer.

The Patriot of July 17th, 1830, contains the following announcement: "We stop the press to announce that the steamboat 'Richard Smith' has just appeared in the harbour for the first time."

It being the first time a steamer was seen on these waters, the whole town turned out to see the marvellous spectacle. She was first commanded by Capt. McKenzie and continued for some time to ply on the harbour.

~ 1838

In 1838, there was a George Foster living in Maxwelton, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. He was listed as a Shipwright.

There were 35 people in his household. Some of them probably were workers at George Foster's shipyard that were lodgers on his property

From the 1838 census of Maxwelton:

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For the Township of Maxwelton in the County of Pictou

Names. / No. of Male heads of Families. / No. of Female heads of Families. / Occupation. / No. of Male Children under six years of age. / No. of Female Children under six years of age. / No. of Males under fourteen years of age. / No. of Females under fourteen years of age. / No. of Males above fourteen years of age and not heads of Families. No. of Females above fourteen years of age. Total No. in Family. /

George Foster / 1 / --- / Shipwright / 3 / 1 / 3 / 2 / 22 / 3 / 35 /

~ 1844

In the third quarter of 1844, there was a passenger list from the Bark Lucretia that came from Pictou, Nova Scotia and arrived at Providence, Rhode Island. George Foster, age 48 and his son John Foster, age 22, both listed as carpenters.

From the Atlantic Ports Passenger Lists:

Third Quarter of the year 1844.

List of all the Passengers taken on board the Bark Lucretia of Providence, John S. Adamson Master from Pictou N. S.

Names of Passengers / Age / Sex / Occupation / Country to which they belong / Country of which they intend to become inhabitants /

John Foster / 22 / Male / Carpenter / Nova Scotia / United States /

George Foster / 48 / D^o / D^o / D^o / D^o /

George Foster was drawn to the shipbuilding industry in Rhode Island in the United States.

~ 1845

Margaret Foster and her children were listed on the passenger list dated 3 July 1845 of the Bark Lucretia that sailed from Pictou, Nova Scotia and arrived at Providence, Rhode island.

They were joining George Foster who went to Providence the year before.

From Atlantic Ports Passenger Lists:

Bark Lucretia, John Jones from Pictou, N.S. July 3^d. 1845.

Name of Passengers / Age / Sex / Occupation / Country to which they belong / Country to which they intend to be inhabitants /

Margaret Foster / 37 / female / Lady / British Province / United States /

Catharine Foster / 17 / " / " / " / " /

George Foster / 15 / Male / Lad / " / " /

Charles Foster / 12 / " / " / " / " /

Walter Foster / 11 / " / " / " / " /

Henry Foster / 10 / " / " / " / " /

Mary Foster / 4 / Female / Child / " / " /

Infant " / 1 / " / " / " / " /

~ 1847

George Foster was listed in the directory for Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island.

From U.S. City Directories of 1847 Providence:

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Providence Directory

Foster George, ship-carpenter, rear 61 Allen

~ 1850

In 1850, George and Margaret Foster were living in Swansea, Bristol county, Massachusetts. George and several sons were listed as Ship Carpenters.

From the 1850 census of Swansea:

Enumerated 25 day of Sept 1850.

Name. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Occupation. / Birthplace. / Attended School within the year. /

210/252

George Foster / 53 / M / --- / Ship Carpenter / Nova Scotia / --- /

Margaret Foster / 48 / F / --- / ----- / " " / --- /

John M Foster / 27 / M / --- / Ship Carpenter / " " / --- /

George Foster Jr / 20 / M / --- / Ship Carpenter / " " / --- /

Charles Foster / 18 / M / --- / Ship Carpenter / " " / --- /

Henry Foster / 14 / M / --- / ----- / " " / X /

Walter Foster / 16 / M / --- / Ship Carpenter / " " / X /

Catherine Foster / 21 / F / --- / ----- / " " / --- /

Mary Foster / 9 / F / --- / ----- / " " / X /

Lilley Foster / 7 / M / --- / ----- / " " / X /

~ 1854

George Foster was listed in the directory for Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island.

From U.S. City Directories of 1854 Providence:

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Providence Directory.

Foster George, ship carpenter, 63 Allen

~ 1858

George Foster was listed in the directory for Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island.

From U.S. City Directories of 1858 Providence:

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Providence Directory.

Foster George, ship-carpenter, h 49 Pearl

~ July 1860

In 1860, George and Margaret Foster were living with their daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Lafayette Burdick, in the 5th Ward of Providence City, Providence, Rhode Island.

George Foster was listed as a Carpenter. Seeing that it was George Foster that has Real Estate value listed, it more likely that George Foster is actually the head of the household.

From the 1860 census of Providence City:

5th Ward Providence City, Enumerated on 20th day of July 1860.

Name. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Occupation. / Value of Real Estate. / Birthplace. /

1399 / 2145

Lawrence Burchet / 37 / M / --- / Teamster / ----- / Ct /

Ann " / 38 / F / --- / ----- / ----- / Pictou /

Adelaide " / 9 / F / --- / ----- / ----- / R I /

Sarah A " / 8 / F / --- / ----- / ----- / " /

Charles H. " / 1 / M / --- / ----- / ----- / " /

George Foster / 64 / M / --- / Carpenter / 600 / Pictou /

Margaret " / 58 / F / --- / ----- / ----- / " /

Mary " / 18 / F / --- / Packer / ----- / " /

Lilly " / 16 / F / --- / Cloth Trimmer / ----- / " /

~ December 1860

George Foster, a ship carpenter, was listed in a passenger list dated 5 December 1860 of the Barque Maja Norton that sailed from Pictou, Nova Scotia and arrived at Boston, Massachusetts.

He was returning from visiting the family in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and for that matter concerning his son, William Foster of Mobile, Alabama, discussed next below.

From Massachusetts Passenger and Crew Lists:

Copy of Report and List of the Passengers taken on board the Barque Maja Norton of Arichat, C B whereof D [-]erroy is Master, burthen 337 tons, bound from the Port of Pictou for Boston

Names. / Age. / Sex. / Occupation. / Country to which they severally belong / Country of which they intend to become inhabitants / Part of vessel occupied during the voyage. /

George Foster / 60 / M / Ship Carpenter / Nova Scotia / United States / Cabin /
3270 Barque Maja Norton Dec 5 1860 [Pictou]

~ 1860-1861

William Foster, of Mobile, Alabama, had his father, George Foster of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island, become a Power of Attorney for him.

William wanted his father to handle selling off his properties, a 100 acres and a 50 acres lots, that were near New Glasgow, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From Pictou county, Nova Scotia Deeds:

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Power of Attorney William Foster to George Foster Reg^d Noon 10th June 1861 on the oath of George Foster

Know all men by these presents that I William Foster of the City of Mobile and State of Alabama have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint George Foster of Pictou Nova Scotia my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name place and stead to sell and convey to the purchaser thereof by any deed duly executed to secure to the purchaser thereof such interest and may have in a certain so piece parcel on tract of land with the buildings and improvements to thereon (if any) situate lying and being in Pictou in the vicinity of the town of Glasgow on the Fishers Grant road in Nova Scotia and for me to require the consideration therefor and an acquittance therefor to give containing one hundred acres more or less giving or granting unto my said Attorney full and whole power and authority in and about the premises and generally to do and perform all and every act and acts thing and things device and devices in the law whatsoever needful and necessary to be done in and about the premises and for me and in my name to do execute and perform as largely and

amply to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if I were personally present and an Attorney or Attorneys under him for the purpose aforesaid to make and substitute, hereby satisfying and confirming all that my said Attorney or his substitute or substitutes shall lawfully do by virtue hereof

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the thirty first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty

William Foster L. S.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

J. R. Eastbourne

Walter Foster

The State of Alabama Mobile County } I Joseph R Eastbourne a Justice of the peace of said County and State hereby certify that William Foster name is signed to the within Power Attorney acknowledged before me on this day being informed of the contents of the said power of Attorney he executed the same voluntarilly in the day it bears date -

Given under my hand at Mobile this 31st day of December A. D. 1860

J. R. Eastbourne, Justice of the Peace

I George Foster of Pictou in the County of Pictou Shipbuilder make oath and say that the subscribing witnesses to the within power of Attorney are both absent from the Province and that I am acquainted with the handwriting of Walter Foster one of said witnesses, and that the signature Walter Foster to the within Instrument is the own handwriting of the said Walter Foster now of Mobile aforesaid

George Foster

Sworn before me at Pictou this 17th June A. D. 1861

John Ferguson Reg^r. Of Deeds for the County of Pictou

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Power of Attorney William Foster to George Foster Reg^d Noon 10th June 1861 on the certifigate [sic] of Ja^s Macgee Acting Consul

Know all men by these presents that I William Foster of the County of Mobile State of Alabama have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint George Foster of Providence Rhode Island my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name place and stead to enter into and take possession of the following tract or parcel of land viz that certain tract tract or parcel of land together with the improvements and buildings thereon situate lying and being in the County of Pictou Province of Nova Scotia said land being in the vicinity of the town of new Glasgow and

near to the Fishers Grant road containing about fifty acres more or less and for me and in my name place and stead to sell the same for the best price he can obtain therefor in cash and for for me and in my name to make execute sign seal acknowledge and deliver a good and sufficient deed for the name to the purchaser thereof and to ask demand collect recover and receive the amount of money coming to me for the sale of the said tract of land and for me and in my name to make sign and deliver to the purchaser of said land a proper receipt discharge on acquittance for the money so paid by him for said lands hereby giving and granting to my said Attorney full power and authority to do and perform every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents and acting therein and I hereby ratify and confirm all that my said Attorney shall lawfully do by virtue of this power of Attorney In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty one
William Foster {seal}

State of Alabama Mobile County } I Sidney T. Douglas a Notary Public in and for said County duly commissioned and qualified hereby certify that William Foster whose name is signed to the foregoing power of Attorney and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the said power of Attorney he executed the same voluntarilly on the day the same bears date
Given under my hand and seal notarial March 27th A. D. 1861
{ L. S.} Sidney T. Douglas Notary Public

I James Macgee H. B. May's Acting Consul at Mobile do hereby certify that the within written name of Sidney T. Douglass is the is the signature & handwriting of a duly commissioned Notary Public in and for the County of Mobile State of Alabama and to whose signature due credit is done
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and affixed my seal of Office on this twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one
{L. S.} James Macgee Acting Consul

~ 1870

The family was not found in the 1870 census of the United States.

It was noticed that some pages were hard to read or faded to blank for Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island.

~ 1871

The family is not found in the 1871 census of Canada either.

~ before the 1881 census

Margaret Foster died before the time of the 1881 census was taken. The last record of her we have is in the 1860 census of Providence, Rhode Island. She died between 1860 and 1881. Location not known either.

~ 1881

In 1881, George Foster, age 85 and a widower, was living in the household of his niece, Mrs. Catherine Ivey, in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. He is listed as Out of Business.

The census list George Foster as being born 1796 in Prince Edward Island. Mrs. Catherine Ivey was a niece of George Foster, a daughter of Paul Foster Sr.

From the 1881 census of Fishers Grant:

Name. / Sex. / Age. / County or Province of Birth. / Religion. / Origin. / Occupation. / Married or Widowed /

15/15

Ivey M^{rs} Catherine / F / 42 / N. S. / C. Presbyterian / English / ----- / W /

" Alice / F / 10 / " / " / " / ----- / --- /

" Henry R F / M / 7 / " / " / " / ----- / --- /

Foster George / M / 85 / P. E. I. / " / " / Out Busin^s / W /

~ after the 1881 census

It is not known when or where George Foster died or where he was buried.

As of now, the 1881 census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia is the last I have of George Foster.

Children of George and Margaret (--- ? ---) Foster

(6-1). + **ANN FOSTER** was born ca. 1822 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Ann married Lafayette Burdick.

(6-2). **JOHN M. FOSTER** was born ca. 1823 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1844, John Foster, age 22, a carpenter, went with his father, George Foster, to Providence, Rhode Island on July 20, 1844 (see above under George and Margaret Foster for passenger list details).

In 1850, John M. Foster, age 27 a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts (see above under George and Margaret Foster for census details).

(6-3). x **WILLIAM FOSTER** was born ca. 1825 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

William married Adelaide Vanderslice.

(6-4). + **CATHERINE FOSTER** was born ca. 1828 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Catherine married 1st Purchase D. Jewett and 2nd Daniel Pierce.

(6-5). **GEORGE FOSTER** was born ca. 1830 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, George Foster Jr., age 20 a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts (see above under George and Margaret Foster for census details).

(6-6). **CHARLES FOSTER** was born ca. 1832 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Charles Foster, age 18 a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts (see above under George and Margaret Foster for census details).

In 1860, there was a Charles Foster, age 27, born in Nova Scotia, that was a Wood Cutter living in Conecuh County, Alabama.

From the 1860 census of Conecuh county, Alabama:

Enumerated 6th day of July 1860.

Name / Age / Sex / Color / Occupation / Real Estate / Personal Estate / Birthplace /
853/819

W^m Shield / 36 / M / --- / Carpenter / ---- / ---- / S. C. /

Lewis Sullivan / 20 / M / --- / Millwright / ---- / ---- / N. Y. /

Cha^s Foster / 27 / M / --- / Wood Cutter / ---- / 1200 / Nova Scotia /

W^m Waschen / 33 / M / --- / " " / ---- / ---- / Ala /

B B Fielder / 28 / M / Carpenter / ---- / 600 / Ga /

(6-7). + **WALTER FOSTER** was born ca. 1834 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Walter married 1st Anna McCarty/McCarthy and 2nd Emma Kairk.

(6-8). **HENRY FOSTER** was born ca. 1836 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Henry Foster, age 14, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts (see above under George and Margaret Foster for census details).

In 1870, there was a Henry Foster, age 34, born in Nova Scotia, that was a carpenter living in Natick, Middlesex county, Massachusetts.

But I was not able to find more information on this family yet to say that this is the same Henry Foster.

From the 1870 census of Natick:

Enumerated on 9th day of July 1870

Name / Age / Sex / Color / Occupation / Personal Estate / Birthplace / Father of foreign birth / Mother of foreign birth / Attended school with the year / Denied voting rights /

---- / 541

Foster Henry / 34 / M / W / Carpenter / 200 / Nova Scotia / x / x / --- / x /

----- Jane / 29 / F / W / Keeping house / ----- / " " / x / x / --- / --- /

----- Mary E / 3 / W / ----- / ----- / " " / x / x / --- / --- /

----- Ada M / 5 / F / W / ----- / ----- / " " / x / x / x / --- /

----- Sarah / 7 / F / W / Attends School / ----- / " " / x / x / x / --- /

----- Clara / 10 / F / W / " " / ----- / " " / x / x / x / --- /

(6-9). **MARY FOSTER** was born ca. 1841 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Mary Foster, age 9, was living with her parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts (see above under George and Margaret Foster for census details).

In 1860, Mary Foster, age 18, was living with her parents in Providence, Rhode Island in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Lafayette Burdick (see above under George and Margaret Foster for census details).

(6-10). + **LILLY FOSTER** was born August 1843 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Lilly married 1st to Emanuel Edward Joseph, 2nd to Charles Francis Carpenter and 3rd to Frank R. Lincoln

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3rd generation

David Foster (1827 - ?)

Ship Carpenter

(4-8). **DAVID FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 12 April 1827 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

~ **1827**

David Foster was born 12 April 1827 according to the Foster family bible.

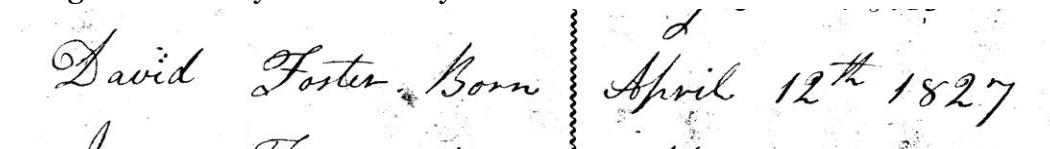
From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

David Foster Born April 12th 1827

Image of the entry in the family bible

A photograph of a handwritten entry in a family bible. The text is written in cursive ink on aged paper. It reads "David Foster Born" followed by a vertical line and then "April 12th 1827". There are some faint, illegible markings below the main text.

~ **1850**

David Foster age 22 and Thomas Foster age 26 both carpenters were listed on a passenger list of the Bark Providence of Warren that sailed from Pictou, Nova Scotia to Providence, Rhode Island on 17 August 1850.

From the U.S., Atlantic Ports Passenger Lists:

Per Bark Providence of Warren, Henry J Carr Master, from Pictou NS

Providence August 17 1850

*Names of Passengers / Age / Sex / Occupation / Country to which they belong /
Country of which they intend to become inhabitants /*

David Foster / 22 / Male / Carpenter / British Nh Colonies / United States /

Thomas Foster / 26 / Male / Carpenter / British Nh Colonies / United States /

David Foster's brother, Thomas R. Foster, was born in 1835, so he would have been only 15 in 1850. David's cousin, Thomas Foster, was born between 1828 to 1836 depending on what records you look at.

The cousin is closer to the age of the person with David Foster in the 1850 passenger list.

William Foster of Mobile, Alabama had a partner in the building of the schooner Clotilda and his name was David Foster. It would seem logical that this David Foster was William Foster's cousin. William's brother, Walter Foster, also went to Mobile, Alabama. The David Foster of Nova Scotia was a carpenter.

The thing that goes against this is that in the 1860 census, David Foster was listed as being born in New York.

In my researches, I come across errors in the censuses. It could be because the head of the household thought he was born in New York. Or that David Foster for some reason didn't want it to be known as coming from Nova Scotia.

So the following concerns with the David Foster that was in Mobile, Alabama.

~ 1855

From the Archaeological Investigations of a Nineteenth Century Shipwreck site in the Mobile River:

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William Foster and David Foster became joint owners of Clotilda after launching, rigging and fitting out, and then first-registering the vessel. David Foster may have been related to William, as a David Foster, age 35, is listed in the 1860 Federal Census as a carpenter, and as such, could have been William's partner in the construction and hence cost of the vessel (US Customs Service Coasting Licenses 1855; United States Federal Census 1860b).

~ 1860

In 1860, David and Julia Foster were living in the household of Mahala J. Collins in Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama. David Foster was listed as a carpenter.

From the 1860 census of Mobile:

Enumerated on 21st day of June 1860.

Name. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Profession. / Value of Real Estate. / Value of Personal Estate. / Birthplace. /

525/479

Mahala J Collins / 55 / F / --- / ----- / Georgia /

David Foster / 35 / M / --- / Carpenter / New York /

Julia " / 35 / F / --- / ----- / Alabama

In the 1850 census of Mobile it is apparent that Julia was a daughter of Mahala Collins. In 1850, the family name was Pattan (or Patton?). As I mentioned earlier, sometimes the censuses have mistakes. It mentioned that Mahala was born in Germany in 1850 and in Georgia in 1860.

From the 1850 census of Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama:

Enumerated on 21 day of July 1850.

Name. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Profession / Value of Real Estate / Place of Birth /

2141/2432

Mahala Pattan / 46 / F / --- / ----- / ----- / Germany /

Julia / 24 / F / --- / ----- / ----- / Ala /

~ 1861

From the 1861 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

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Foster, D, ship carpenter, res ns chestnut, bt cleveland and second

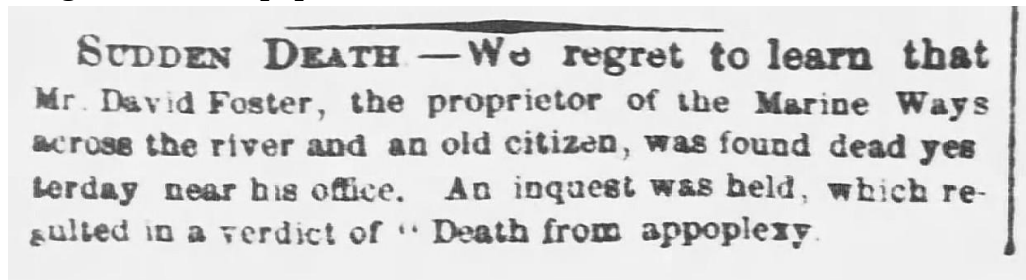
~ 1866

David Foster died on 12 March 1866 in Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama.

From the newspaper, The Mobile Daily Times, 13 March 1866, Tuesday:

SUDDEN DEATH --- We regret to learn that Mr. David Foster, the proprietor of the Marine Ways across the river and an old citizen, was found dead yesterday near his office. An inquest was held, which resulted in a verdict of [] Death from apoplexy.

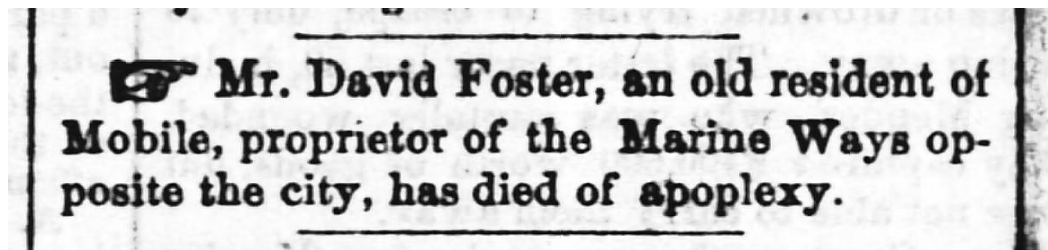
Image of the newspaper article:



From the newspaper, The Times-Picayune (New Orleans, Louisiana), 15 March 1866, Thursday:

Mr. David Foster, an old resident of Mobile, proprietor of the Marine Ways opposite the city, has died of apoplexy.

Image of the newspaper article:



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3rd generation

Joseph Foster (1837 - 1917)

Husband of Jessie McArthur

Ship Captain

(4-14). **JOSEPH FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 28 November 1837 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

~ 1837

Joseph Foster was born 28 November 1837 according to the Foster family bible.

From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Joseph Foster Born November 28th 1837

Image of the entry in the family bible:



~ before 1867

Joseph Foster married **JESSIE MCARTHUR**. They were married before 1867.

Their son Thomas Foster was born in 1867, so the marriage occurred before that.

Jessie McArthur was born in ca. 1839 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. She was a daughter of Donald and Isabella McArthur.

~ 1871

In 1871, Joseph and Jessie Foster were living in District 3 of Pictou county, Nova Scotia. District 3 contains Fisher's Grant.

Joseph Foster was listed as a Captain.

From the 1871 census of district 3 of Pictou county:

*Names. / Sex. / Age. / Country or Province of Birth. / Religion. / Origin. / Profession. /
/ Married or Widowed. /*

Foster Joseph / M / 33 / N. S. / Presb. C. L. P. / English / Captain / M /

" Jessie / F / 31 / " " / " " " " / Scotch / ----- / M /

" Thomas / M / 4 / " " / " " " " / " / ----- / --- /

Foster Effie / F / 2 / N. S. / Presb. C. L. P. / Scotch / ----- / --- /

~ July 1879

Information about the barque Orquell in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Shipping and Mercantile Gazette, Tuesday 01 July 1879:

THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SIGNALS.

The following International Code Signals have been allotted by me to the undermentioned Ships during the week ended June 28, 1879:---

Signal Letters. / Name of Ship and Port of Registry. / Tons. / Horse Power.

WBPH / Orquell of Pictou (N.S.) / 729 / ---

Robert Jackson, Registrar-General.

General Register and Record Office of Shipping and Seamen, 82. Basinghall-street, London, E.C., June 30, 1879.

~ 21 August 1879

Information about Foster and the barque Orquell in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Shipping and Mercantile Gazette, Tuesday 21 August 1879:

NORTH AMERICA &c

ST. LAWRENCE.

MONTREAL.

Orquell (new bq). Foster [17] Europe --- left Quebec 20th, for St Michel (to fill up)

~ 25 August 1879

Information about Foster and the barque Orquell in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Shipping and Mercantile Gazette, Monday 25 August 1879:

GRAVESEND.

Arrived ----- from

Orquell, Foster, Quebec

~ 12 September 1879

Information about "Forster" and the barque Orquell in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Lloyd's List, Saturday 13 September 1879:

LONDON CUSTOM-HOUSE ENTRY.

Cleared In Ballast, September 12.

Pictou (NS) --- Orquell, Forster, A, 729, J Campbell & Co

~ March 1880

Captain Joseph Foster wrote a report that the barque Orquell was in a collision with a steamer.

From the newspaper, Shipping and Mercantile Gazette - Wednesday 03 March 1880:

MARITIME DEPOSITIONS.

The following Depositions, continued from our Paper yesterday, have been made to Receivers of Wreck, the reports from our own Correspondents....

ORQUELL. - Report of Joseph Foster, Master of the barque Orquell, of Pictou (N.S.), 729 tons, from Rouen, Feb. 8, for Workington, in ballast: - Passed Havre on the 10th, and proceeded on her voyage. On the 11th, at 11 30 P.M., tide at latter part of flood, weather dark, with light rain, wind S.S.W., fresh, with a heavy rolling sea from the westward, the ship carrying maintopgallants, topsails, and courses, running with square yards, heading N. by E., Longships Light bearing about S. 14 miles; both side lights burning brightly, having been put up at 7 P.M., James Page, Second Mate in charge of the deck, and two men on the look-out forward on forecastlehead, a steamer, steering about W., showing masthead light and red light, three points on our starboard bow, struck the vessel amidships on the starboard side, breaking waterways between decks, starting the decks, and cutting into the outside plank 12 strakes down. Deponent ran on deck, when the steamer again struck this vessel by the mizenrigging, doing slight damage to bulwarks and rigging. Deponent hauled his ship to the wind, and hove to for about half an hour, and, finding that she was making no water, proceeded.

He observed the steamer until near midnight in about the same position as when the collision occurred. Deponent proceeded, and arrived at Barrow on the 13th, at 12 P.M. for repairs. The steamer appeared to be a loaded ship of about six or seven hundred tons, flush-decked, but could not ascertain her name or nationality. - Barrow, Feb. 21.

~ September 1880

In the early part of September 1880, the barque Orquell was in a collision with a large ship and was badly damaged. It occurred in thick fog in the English Channel near the coast of southern Cornwall.

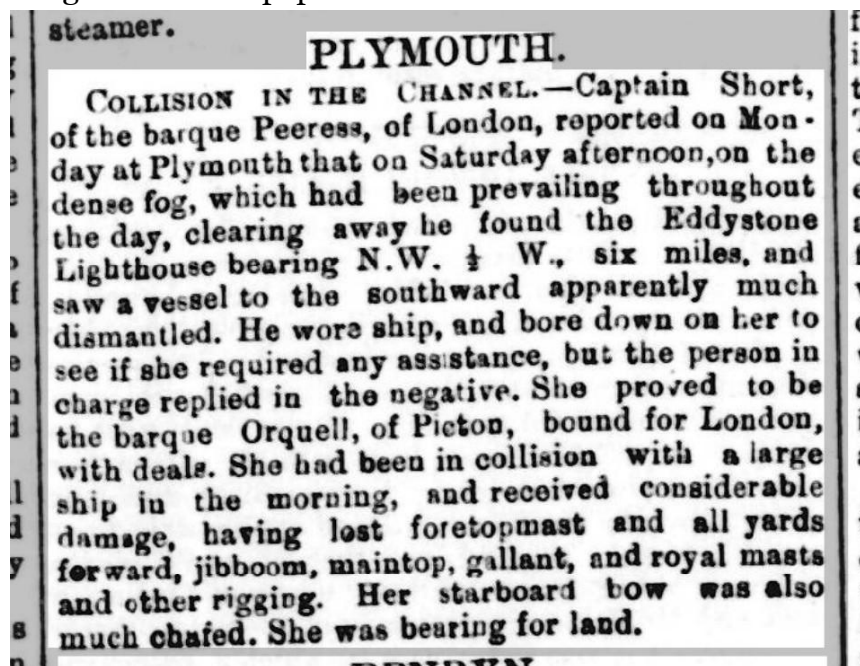
From the newspaper, Cornubian and Redruth Times, Friday 10 September 1880:

PLYMOUTH.

COLLISION IN THE CHANNEL. - Captain Short, of the barque Peeress, of London, reported on Monday at Plymouth that on Saturday afternoon, on the dense fog, which had been prevailing throughout the day, clearing away he found the Eddystone Lighthouse bearing N. W. $1\frac{1}{2}$ W., six miles, and saw a vessel to the southward apparently much dismantled. He wore ship, and bore down on her to see if she required any assistance, but the person in charge replied in the negative.

She proved to be the barque Orquell, of Pictou, bound for London, with deals. She had been in collision with a large ship in the morning, and received considerable damage, having lost foretopmast and all yards forward, jibboom, maintop, gallant, and royal masts and other rigging. Her starboard bow was also much chafed. She was bearing for land.

Image of the newspaper article:



From the newspaper, Lloyd's List - Wednesday 08 September 1880:

HOME.

DOVER, Sept. 7. 1 45 P.M. --- ORQUELL --- The Orquell, British barque, Foster, from Montreal for London, passed here at one o'clock in tow of Geo. Peabody tug, with all head yards, foretopmast and jibboom carried away.

~ 7 December 1880

The barque Orquell and Captain Foster mentioned in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Glasgow Herald, Tuesday 07 December 1880:

GENERAL SHIPPING ITEMS.

FAST SAILING. - The barque Orquell, 730 tons, Captain Foster, arrived on Saturday at the Tall of the Bank from Quebec, with deals (for orders), after a passage of 17 days. The Orquell left Gravesend on 12th October last for Quebec, and arrived at the outport after a passage of 18 days.

Reloading, she sailed from Quebec on 17th ult., and arrived as above stated, the time occupied on the round being 33 days.

The Orquell is a comparatively new vessel, and amid the prolonged voyages made by "timbermen" this season, her passage is an exceptionally favourable one.

~ January 1881

The barque Orquell and Foster mentioned in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Clyde Bill of Entry and Shipping List, Tuesday 11 January 1881:

JANUARY 4.

ORQUELL, Pictou, Foster, MATANZAS, 729 - Murray & Murphy

1114 tons coal £370

~ 1881

In 1881, Joseph and Jessie Foster were living at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Joseph Foster was listed as a Ship Captain.

From the 1881 census of Fisher's Grant:

Names. / Sex. / Age. / Country or Province of Birth. / Religion. / Origin. / Married or Widowed. / Going to School. /

36/36

Foster Joseph / M / 43 / N. S. / Ch. Scotland / English / Ship Captain / M / --- /

" Jessie / F / 40 / " / " / Scotch / ----- / M / --- /

" Thomas / M / 13 / " / " " / English / ----- / --- / X /
 " Effie / F / 12 / " / " " / " / ----- / --- / X /
 " Arthur / M / 6 / England / " " / " / ----- / --- / X /
 Foster Joseph / M / 4 / United States / Ch. Scotland / English / ----- / --- / --- /
 " Jessie / F / 3 / N. S. / " " / " / ----- / --- / --- /
 " Eliza / F / 1 / " / " " / " / ----- / --- / --- /

~ 1882 and 1883

Captain Joseph Foster, master of the barque Orquell, was charged with breaching a detention order placed on his ship by the Board of Trade in Great Britain. He unlawfully left the port of Bristol and headed out to sea on 12 October 1882.

When Captain Foster returned to Bristol with the barque Orquell on his next voyage, he was charged and tried at the Police court in Bristol on 9 February 1883.

From the newspaper, Gloucester Citizen, Friday 19 January 1883:

Local and District News.

Serious Charge Against a Captain. - At the Bristol police-court, on Thursday, before Mr. J. F. Lucas and Mr. W. Spark, Joseph Foster, master of the barque Orquell, now lying at Sharpness Dock, Gloucester, was summoned that he, on the 12th October last, being captain of the British ship Orquell, did, after the said ship had been under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 and 1876, ordered to be detained by a detaining officer of the Board of Trade, unlawfully proceed to sea with the said ship before it was released by competent authority.

Mr. Ingledew, of Cardiff, prosecuted on behalf of the Board of Trade, and Mr. Carter (instructed by Messrs. Clifton and Carter) represented the defendant.

The defendant was fined £20, including costs.

From the newspaper, Bristol Mercury, Friday 19 January 1883:

BREAKING A SHIP'S DETENTION ORDER.

At the Bristol Police-court, yesterday, before the sitting justices (Aldermen Spark and Lucas), Joseph Foster, master of the barque Orquell, now lying at Sharpness Dock, was summoned for unlawfully proceeding to sea from the port of Bristol on October 12 last, he having been served with a Board of Trade provisional order for the detention of his ship, so that she might be surveyed before proceeding on her voyage to Shediach, North America. Mr. Ingledew, Cardiff, prosecuted, and Mr. Carter (instructed by Messrs. Clifton and Carter) defended.

Mr. Ingledew, in opening the case, said defendant had been guilty of a breach of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1876. The Board of Trade, acting upon the power derived

from that Act, issued a provisional order, so that the Orquell should be surveyed before proceeding to sea and her condition reported on. On the 12th October, Mr. Neate, the detaining officer of the Board of Trade, received a report to the effect that the ship could not go sea without danger to life. On this the provisional detention order was issued, and served on defendant. In defiance of this the ship proceeded to sea, and under the circumstances the Board felt it was very necessary to prosecute.

Mr. Carter said he had gathered from what had fallen from his friend that there was no imputation that the barque herself was unseaworthy, and that the defendant was simply proceeded against for non-compliance with the Board of Trade order. He might at once state that his client had no desire to evade the law. He was placed in such a position that he was bound to rely solely upon his judgment, but in leaving the port there was no wilful disobedience on his part. Under the circumstances in which he was placed, and knowing the condition of his ship much better than any informer could, he felt bound to go. The ship was Canadian built, and was classed A 1, for a long period.

Mr. Ingledew pointed out that the order was issued for the express purpose of having the vessel surveyed. The defendant was served with the proper notice.

Mr. Carter was bound to admit that this was so. He did not complain at all of the action taken by the Board of Trade. The captain was served with a detention order which alleged that the vessel was in a condition which endangered human life. He had gone to sea and had come back to England in perfect safety. He, however, admitted that he had been guilty of a formal breach of the order.

The magistrates pointed out that if the vessel had been detained, and the survey showed that the delay occasioned was unnecessary, the Act provided that the Board of Trade should compensate the owners for any loss which might have been incurred.

Mr. Carter explained that the Orquell was bound to a place in the northern latitudes, and a week's delay or even two days meant that she would have been caught by the Arctic winter, and had to remain icebound throughout the season. His confidence in the seaworthiness of his ship was unbounded, and the result justified it, as he brought her and the crew safely back to the Bristol Channel.

Mr. Ingledew stated that the nature of the ballast which defendant had shipped was the real cause of the provisional order being issued. It was of the same description as taken on board the Golden Sea and the Acme, and which was proved at the inquiries held into the loss of those vessels to be exceedingly dangerous. It consisted of nothing more than road scrapings, red marl, and brick ends. Ships only just off the stocks would occasionally make water, and had the Orquell done so the greater part of her ballast would have been soluble, and, as in the other cases, her pumps become choked.

The magistrates said the Act was particularly clear, and there could be no doubt but that defendant had committed a breach of the section under which he was summoned.

Mr. Carter replied that he could not gainsay that defendant had broken the letter of the Act, and asked the bench to regard the fact that the ship was brought back to England safely. As to the ballast he was in a position to prove that it was of the best description,

and not of the nature pronounced by his friend. He was informed that there was a considerable quantity remaining in her hold at the present moment which could be produced if required.

The magistrates said this was scarcely the point, Defendant was charged with going to sea before the detention order on the ship had been properly released.

Mr. Ingledew asked the magistrates not to take into consideration that the ship had returned safely, but to support the authority of the Board of Trade, and thus assist in the prevention of a recurrence of a matter of that description.

Mr. Carter thought the justices could very well take the point into their consideration as a mitigating circumstance. He would also submit to the court that it was no wilful infringement of the order on the part of the defendant, but, being in a dilemma, he had to rely on his own will, and for his owners' sake chooses the lesser evil of the two, or, in other words, he went to sea knowing that his vessel was thoroughly seaworthy, rather than by a late passage run the risk of becoming ice-bound. On his return to England he at once wrote to the Board of Trade explaining the matter.

Formal evidence on both sides having been taken, The magistrates said there was no doubt that there had been a breach of the law. There was no insinuation in the case that the ship was not seaworthy, but the clause under which the proceedings were taken was very clear. Making every allowance for the position the captain found himself in, they were still of opinion that, as a good subject, he ought to have respected the detention order. The court imposed a penalty of £20.

Costs were not awarded, as the Board of Trade in such cases does not ask for any.

~ 7 January 1884

The barque Orquelle and Foster mentioned in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Lloyd's List, Monday 07 January 1884:

LOADING AT SWANSEA.

Destination Vessel. Tons. Captain. Brokers.

Campasa - Orquelle, 729, Foster, Poingdestre & Mesnier

~ 17 January 1884

The barque Orquelle and Foster mentioned in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Shipping and Mercantile Gazette, Thursday 17 January 1884:

SWANSEA ... sailed

Orquelle, Foster, Buenos Ayres

~ 5 April 1884

The barque Orquelle and Foster mentioned in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Shipping and Mercantile Gazette, Saturday 05 April 1884:

BUENOS AYRES.

Orquelle, Foster [17] Swansea

The "17" was for "January 17".

~ 23 June 1884

The barque Orquelle and Foster mentioned in the newspaper.

From the newspaper, Lloyd's List, Monday 23 June 1884:

BUENOS AYRES sailed

Orquelle, Foster [19] Mntvideo

The "19" was for "May 19"

~ after June 1884

After June of 1884, it appears that Captain Joseph Foster was no longer the master of the barque Orquell.

~ 1887

In September 1887, the barque Orquell laden with heavy iron ore started taking on water in a major storm out in the Atlantic Ocean. The ship was sinking. By a miracle, there happened to be another ship, the steamer Endymion, in the area and spotted the barque Orquell. The crew of the ship rescued all the crew and Captain William Brown.

Captain Joseph Foster hasn't been the master of the barque Orquell for about 2 or 3 years, but he would be saddened by the news of the ship sinking as he was the captain of it for the first five years.

From the newspaper, The Scotsman, Monday 12 September 1887:

CASUALTIES TO SHIPPING. ---

A report from Lloyd's, dated September 10, says: --- The steamer Endymion, which arrived at Gravesend last evening from New York, has on board the captain and crew of the barque Orquell, of Picton, N.S., from Barrow to New York, with a cargo of iron ore. The Endymion fell in with her in a sinking condition on Monday last, in lat. 48.26 N., long. 17.31 W., and with extreme difficulty succeeded in getting the whole of the crew safely on board.

In doing this, two of the steamer's boats were damaged, and one of the davits broken. The Endymion experienced very heavy weather during the voyage, in which they lost 30 head of cattle.

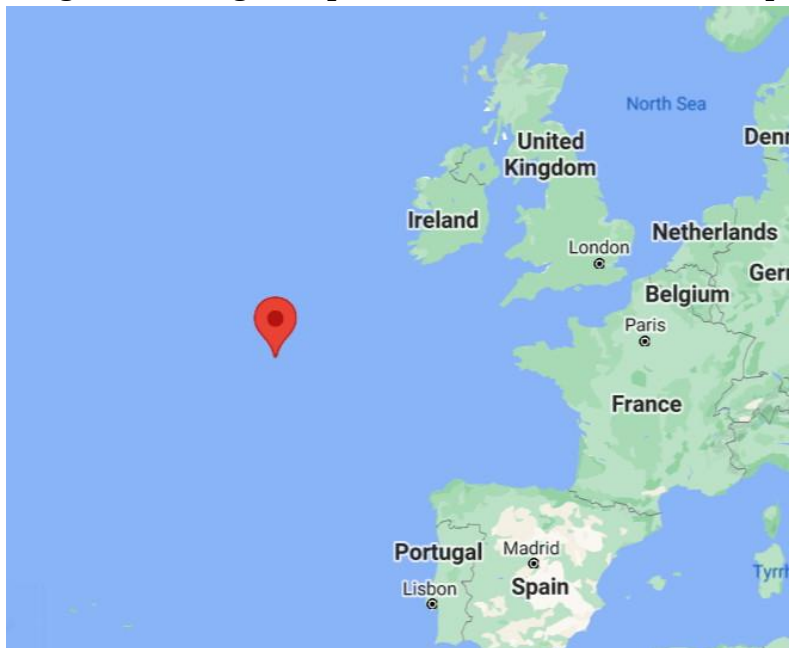
From the newspaper, Lloyd's List, Tuesday 13 September 1887:

THANKS. --- To the Editor. --- I shall be obliged if you will kindly convey publicly through your Paper the sincere thanks of myself and crew, to the master, officers, and crew, of the Endymion (s), for the able and seamanlike manner in which they effected our rescue from the abandoned barque Orquell, under circumstances of extreme difficulty, and at the risk of their own lives.

Also for the kind and considerate treatment we received from Captain Saterley and his officers, whilst on board the Endymion. --- Yours truly, Wm. BROWN, late master of abandoned barque Orquell. --- London, Sept. 12, 1887.

From where the barque Orquell was found sinking, Latitude 48° 26 North Longitude 17° 31 West, it was very lucky that there was another ship in the area to be able to rescue the crew that far out in the sea. In most case it would be a ship lost at sea with all crew drowned.

Image from Google Map of the location where the barque Orquell sank:



~ 1889

In 1889, Jessie Foster's father, Donald McArthur, died. He had a Will written in 1882 and it mentions that he gave Jessie a property.

From the Haggis, The McCulloch Heritage Centre:

(excerpts from the webpage)

"Will of Donald McArthur of Fisher's Grant, Pictou Co., NS

Estate of Donald McArthur, late of Fisher's Grant, Farmer, deceased, Testate

Copy of Will for the Registrar of Deeds"

"In the name of God, Amen. I Donald McArthur of Fisher's Grant in the County of Pictou, being advanced in years, and weak in body, but of perfect mind & memory, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament."

"2. I hereby give bequeath and devise to my daughter Jessie wife of Joseph Foster that certain lot of land at Fisher's Grant "commonly called the Point" bounded on the East by the waters of the Cove, on the West by the lands of Mrs. McKenzie, on the north by the waters of Pictou harbour, and running Southeasterly to the rear line of the lands of Mrs. McKenzie "Sixteen Rods", to her and her heirs and assigns forever."

"9th. And I hereby appoint my beloved wife Isabella McArthur and Joseph Foster my Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament."

"In witness whereof I have hereunto my hand and Seal Subscribed and Set at Fisher's Grant this 30th. day of October A.D. 1882.

Signed Donald McArthur L.S."

"County of Pictou Sf

In the Court of Probate of Wills

I do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument consisting of three pages, is an exact and literal copy of the last Will and Testament of Donald McArthur late of Fisher's Grant in the County of Pictou, Farmer, deceased, Testate, which has been duly filed and admitted to Probate in accordance with the practice of the Court.

Given under my hand at Pictou, this 19th day of November A.D. 1889."

~ 1891

In 1891, Joseph and "Jennett" Foster were living in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Joseph Foster was listed as a Master Mariner.

From the 1891 census of Fisher's Grant:

Enumerated on 13 day of April 1891.

Names. / Sex. / Age. / Marital status. / Relationship. / Country or Province of Birth. / Place of Birth of Father. / Place of Birth of Mother. / Religion. / Occupation. / Wage Earner. / Read. / Write.

Foster Joseph / M / 52 / M / ---- / N. S. / Scotland / N. S. / Presb / Master Mariner / X / X / X /

" Jennett / F / 50 / M / W / N. S. / " / " / " / ----- / --- / X / X /

" Thomas / M / 22 / --- / S / " / N. S. / " / " / Master Mariner / X / X / X /

" Effie / F / 20 / --- / D / " / " / " / " / ----- / --- / X / X /
 " Arthur / M / 16 / --- / S / " / " / " / " / ----- / --- / X / X /
 " Joseph / M / 14 / --- / S / " / " / " / " / ----- / --- / X / X /
 " Jessie / F / 13 / --- / D / " / " / " / " / ----- / --- / X / X /
 " Eliza / F / 11 / --- / D / " / " / " / " / ----- / --- / X / X /

~ 1901

In 1901, Joseph and Jessie Foster were living in Pictou Landing, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Joseph Foster was listed as Seafaring.

From the 1901 census of Pictou Landing:

Names. / Sex. / Colour. / Relationship. / Marital status. / Month and date of birth. / Year of birth. / Age. / Country or place of birth. / Race. / Nationality. / Religion. / Profession. /

18/18

Foster Joseph / M / W / Head / M / 28 N^r / 1839 / 62 / N. S. / English / Canada / Presⁿ / Seafaring - Employed /

Foster Jessie / F / W / Wife / M / July / 1840 / 61 / N. S. / Scotch / " / " / ----- /

Foster Joseph / M / W / Son / S / 22 Aug / 1876 / 24 / N. S. / English / " / " / Seaman - Employed /

Foster Jessie / F / W / Daughter / S / 6 No^r / 1882 / 22 / N. S. / " / " / " / ----- /

~ 1902

Joseph Foster was appointed to be a member of the Pilotage Authority for the District of Pictou.

From the Canada Gazette for 1902:

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The Canada Gazette

Ottawa, Saturday, October 4, 1902.

Dominion of Canada.

Department of the Secretary of State of Canada.

His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to make the following appointment :-- Ottawa, 22nd September 1902.

Captain Joseph Foster, of Pictou Landing, in the Province of Nova Scotia, to be a Member of the Pilotage Authority for the District of Pictou, in the Province aforesaid.

~ 1911

In 1911, Joseph and Jessie were living in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Joseph Foster was listed as a Farmer.

Their daughter and grandchildren were visiting them.

From the 1911 census of Fisher's Grant:

Names. / Address. / Sex. / Relationship. / Marital status. / Birth month. / Birth year. / Age. / Birth place. / Race. / Nationality. / Religion. / Occupation. /

19/19

Foster Joseph / F. Grant / M / Head / M / Novr / 1838 / 72 / N. S. / English / Canadian / Presbyterian / Farmer /

" Jessie / F. Grant / F / Wife / M / July / 1840 / 71 / N. S. / Scotch / Canadian / Presbyterian / None /

Yacubian Jessie / F. Grant / F / Daughter / M / March / 1881 / 31 / N. S. / English / Canadian / Presbyterian / ----- /

" Le Vom / F. Grant / M / Grandson / S / Sept. / 1904 / 6 / U.S.A. / Armenian / U. S. A. / Congreg----- / ----- /

" Louisa / F. Grant / F / G. Daughter / S / Sept. / 1907 / 3 / U. S. A. / Armenian / U. S. A. / Congreg----- / ----- /

" Gamaaelial / F. Grant / M / G. Son / S / Jan / 1908 / 2 / U. S. A. / Armenian / U. S. A. / Congreg----- / ----- /

" Jean / F. Grant / F / G. Daughter / S / Dec / 1910 / 6-12 / U. S. A. / Armenian / U. S. A. / Congreg----- / ----- /

Shakerjian [----] / F. Grant / F / [-----] / S / Dec / 1886 / 24 / U. S. A. / Armenian / U. S. A. / Domestic - Employee /

~ 1917

Joseph Foster died, at the age of 79 years, on 26 February 1917 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and was buried in Greenwood cemetery in Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia.

From the family bible in Dave Christie's possession:

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

Joseph Foster Died Feb 26th. 1917 - age 80 Yrs

Image of the bible entry:



From the Canada, Find A Grave Index:

Name / Birth Date / Death Date / Cemetery / Cemetery Place

Joseph Foster / 1837 / 1917 / Greenwood / Pictou Landing, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, Canada.

~ 1920

In 1920, Jessie Foster, age 80, was living with her daughter, Jessie Yacubian, and her family on Day Street in Somerville, Middlesex, Massachusetts.

From the 1920 census of Somerville:

Name / Relationship / Sex / Race / Age / Marital status / Year of Immigration / Naturalization status / Year of Naturalization / Birthplace / Native Tongue / Father's Birthplace / Father's Native Tongue / Mother's Birthplace / Mother's Native Tongue / Speaks English / Occupation / Industry /

Day Street

Yacubian, Gamaliel M. / Head / M / W / 54 / M / 1883 / Na / 1900 / Armenia / Armenian / Armenia / Armenian / Armenia / Armenian / Yes / Proprietor / Grocery Store /

----- Jessie F. / Wife / F / W / 39 / M / 1888 / Na / 1900 / Canada / English / Canada / English / Canada / English / Yes / None. / ----- /

----- Levon M. / Son / M / W / 15 / S / ---- / ---- / ---- / Massachusetts / ---- / Armenia / Armenian / Canada / English / Yes / None. / ----- /

----- Louise M. / Daughter / F / W / 12 / S / ---- / ---- / ---- / Massachusetts / ---- / Armenia / Armenian / Canada / English / Yes / None. / ----- /

----- Gamaliel M. / Son / M / W / 10 / S / ---- / ---- / ---- / Massachusetts / ---- / Armenia / Armenian / Canada / English / Yes / None. / ----- /

----- Jean F. / Daughter / F / W / 9 / S / 1910 / Na / 1900 / Canada / English / Armenia / Armenian / Canada / English / Yes / None. / ----- /

----- Josephine P. / Daughter / F / W / 3/12 / ---- / ---- / ---- / Massachusetts / ---- / Armenia / Armenian / Canada / English / --- / None. / ----- /

Foster, Jessie / Mother-in-Law / F / W / 80 / Wd / 1918 / A1 / ---- / Canada / English / Canada / English / Canada / English / Yes / None. / ----- /

Shekerjian, Flora N. / Neice / F / W / 33 / S / 1904 / A1 / ---- / Armenia / Armenian / Armenia / Armenian / Armenia / Armenian / Yes / Saleslady / Grocery Store /

~ 1925

Jessie Foster died on 30 January 1925 in Somerville, Middlesex, Massachusetts and was buried in Greenwood cemetery in Pictou Landing, Pictou, Nova Scotia.

From the U.S. City Directories:

Massachusetts, Middlesex, Somerville

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Somerville Directory, 1925
Foster Jessie wid Joseph died Jan 30 1925

From the Canada, Find A Grave Index:

Name / Birth Date / Death Date / Cemetery / Burial Place

Jessie Foster / 1839 / 1925 / Greenwood Cemetery / Pictou Landing, Pictou County,
Nova Scotia, Canada

Children of Joseph and Jessie (McArthur) Foster

(4-14-1). **THOMAS FOSTER** was born 1867 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

(4-14-2). + **EFFIE DELL FOSTER** was born 1869 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Effie Dell Foster married Simon Hugh Holmes Cameron.

(4-14-3). **ARTHUR FOSTER** was born 1875 in England (1881 census) or Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia (1891 census).

(4-14-4). **JOSEPH FOSTER** was born 22 August 1876 in U.S.A. (1881 census) or Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia (1901 census).

(4-14-5). + **JESSIE FOSTER** was born 1878 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Jessie Foster married Gamaliel Marderos Yacubian.

(4-14-6). **ELIZA A. H. FOSTER** was born 1880 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

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25. 1902 Captain Joseph Foster appointed a member of the Pilotage. The Canada Gazette, 1902 online at Google Books. Page 595. Searched on December 15, 2021 Tuesday 1:50 AM.
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28. 1917 burial of Joseph Foster. Canada, Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current, online at Ancestry.com. Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. Searched December 14, 2021 Tuesday 12:20 AM.
29. 1920 census of Massachusetts, Middlesex, Somerville Ward 7, District 0453, image no. 18, online at Ancestry.com. Somerville City, Ward of City 7 (Part of), Supervisor's District No. 4, Enumeration District No. 453, Sheet No. 9 B. Lines 87 to 95, 29/140/192, Jessie Foster in the household of Gamaliel M. Yacubian. Searched on December 14, 2021 Tuesday 10:34 PM.
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3rd generation

William Foster (1825 - 1901)

Husband of Martha Adelaide Vanderslice

Ship Builder and Ship Captain



(6-3). **WILLIAM FOSTER** (of George Foster², of John Foster¹) was born Aug 1825 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Father: George Foster (No. 6)

Mother: Margaret --- ? ---

~ 1825

The year of birth was calculated to him being born in 1825 in several records. The 1900 census gives the birth month and year as August 1825.

~ 1844

The 1900 census states that William Foster immigrated to the U. S. in 1844 and that he became a naturalized citizen (see 1900 census below for details).

Research note:

There are two passenger lists that have a William Foster arriving in Providence, Rhode Island in 1844 from Nova Scotia and were carpenters by trade. But the ages of each William Foster were off by several years so I could not declare which one was the right one.

~ 1850

William Foster was not found in the 1850 census of United States. It could be that he was listed as born in U.S. or on a page faded or writing difficult.

~ 1855 & 1860

Earliest record found to date of William Foster being in Mobile, Alabama was when they finished building the Schooner Clotilda in 1855. Obviously he was there before 1855.

The following excerpts are from the book by Silviane A. Diouf which mentions about the Clotilda and the voyage. It is an interesting book.

From the book, *Dreams of Africa in Alabama*, by Silviane A. Diouf, 2007:

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"This time around, to go to the African coast Meaher and Foster chose the Clotilda, a schooner Foster had built a few years earlier. The ship's birth had not gone unnoticed. On October 17, 1855, a Mobile newspaper published news of the vessel:

The Clotilda. Such is the name of a beautiful schooner built by Mr. Foster at his shipyard opposite the city, and which is now receiving her rigging at the foot of St. Anthony Street. This vessel in model and fastness does great credit to her builder, and afford another evidence of the capacity of our city for successful and economical shipbuilding. She is light and commodious, draws thirty inches forward and forty-two inches aft, and

is intended for the Texas trade. Her tonnage is 137, Custom House measure, and her model is of that graceful turn which confers assurance that she will prove a fast sailor. Foster had registered the Clotilda on April 19 (1855) with the Customs Service. Her length was eighty-six feet; her breadth, twenty-three; and she had two masts and one deck. Her tonnage was given as 120 81/91 tons."

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"The man at the origin of their dreadful journey, Timothy Meaher, owned a plantation and, with his brothers James and Burns, a shipyard and several steamers. As some people in the South were agitating for the reopening of the international slave trade, he had bet a large sum that he could bring a "shipful of n-----s" to Mobile and not be caught.

His accomplice in the scheme, William Foster, was the builder of the Clotilda. With his schooner disguised as an innocuous cargo ship, Foster sailed to Ouidah in March 1860. There in a barracoon near the beach, he selected nineteen-year-old Kossola -who became Cudjo Lewis; Kehounco, a young girl who had been kidnapped; Arzuma, a Muslim woman from the North; and dozens of their companions."

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"Captain Foster climbed aboard the now empty Clotilda, where he had spent sixteen weeks. He had one more thing to do. His ship was not going to get a new life after all."

"The Clotilda sailed into Bayou Canot, northwest of Twelve-Mile Island, and put down anchor. Seven cords of lightwood were placed in strategic locations. Foster lighted them up, walked down the plank, and took a last look at his fine ship. The infamous Clotilda went up in smoke."

~ 1859

The schooner Clotilda arrived in Mobile, Alabama on 25 July 1859 from a trip from Galveston, Texas.

From the newspaper, Advertiser and Register, 26 July 1859, Tuesday:

MARINE LIST.

Port of Mobile - July 25.

Arrived.

Schooner Clotilda, Wright, from Galveston, in ballast, to master.

Image of the newspaper content

MARINE LIST.	
PORT OF MOBILE—JULY 25.	
ARRIVED.	
Schooner Clotilda, Wright, from Galveston, in ballast, to master,	
Steamboat LeGrande, Cloudis, from Montgomery with 301 bales cotton	
Steamboat Jeanette, Johnson, from Demopolis, with sundries	
Steamboat Lecompte, Walker, from New Orleans.	
Steamboat California, Myers, from New Orleans.	
Steamboat Florida, Hopkins, from New Orleans.	

~ July 1860

The schooner Clotilda with Captain William Foster arrived in Mobile Bay on 12 July 1860 with a cargo of 124 African slaves.

From the newspaper, Montgomery Weekly Post, 18 July 1860, Wednesday:

Arrival of a Slaver at Mobile.

Mobile, July 12. - The schooner Clotilda, with one hundred and twenty-four Africans on board arrived in the bay to bay [sic]. A steamboat immediately took the negroes up the river.

Base on other newspaper's copy of this article, "bay to bay" should be "bay to-day"

Image of the newspaper content

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~ August 1860

In 1860, William Foster, was living in the household of Jacob and Mary J. Vanderslice in Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama.

William Foster was listed as a Ship builder.

Jacob Vanderslice was a Carpenter and he had many lodgers at his place.

From the 1960 census of Mobile:

Enumerated on the 27th day of August 1860.

Name. / Age. / Profession. / Value of Real Estate / Value of Personal Estate / Place of Birth. / Attended School within the year. /

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Jacob Vanderslice / 66 / M / Carpenter / 2000 / 6000 / Pennsylvania / ---- /

Mary J. Vanderslice / 48 / F / ----- / ----- / ----- / Tennessee / ---- /

James S Vanderslice / 26 / M / Carpenter / ----- / ----- / Alabama / ---- /

William T. Vanderslice / 22 / M / " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

Margaret E Vanderslice / 24 / F / ----- / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

Margaret A Vanderslice / 19 / F / ----- / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

Sarah F Vanderslice / 16 / F / ----- / ----- / ----- / " / X /

John L. Vanderslice / 10 / M / ----- / ----- / ----- / " / X /

George Campbell / 35 / M / Carpenter / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

Owen Englas / 31 / M / " / ----- / ----- / Massachusetts / ---- /

William Englas / 33 / M / " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

George Hinds / 32 / M / " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

George Carver / 30 / M / " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

Henry Curtis / 35 / M / " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

William [Hobder?] / 37 / M / " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

William Foster / 35 / M / Ship Builder / 500 / 200 / " / ---- /

Peter [Daymire?] / 20 / M / " / ----- / ----- / Alabama / ---- /

Notice the two Vanderslice daughters listed "Margaret E." and then "Margaret A.", the second Margaret was written in error. The second should be "Martha A." who later married William Foster.

~ September 1860

William Foster married **MARTHA ADELAIDE VANDERSLICE** on 6 September 1860 in Montgomery County, Alabama.

From Alabama, Marriage Indexes:

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Alabama Montgomery County Marriage Records. 1854-1864 Volume 4 *F*

Marriage Date / Male & Female / Married By

9-6-1860 / Foster, William & Adalaide Vanderslice, / Jas A. Heard, M. G.

She was born in Alabama in Aug. 1840. She was a daughter of Jacob and Mary J. Vanderslice.

The birth year and month was given in the 1900 census.

~ 1860-1861

William Foster had his father, George Foster of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island, become a Power of Attorney for him.

William wanted his father to handle selling off his properties, a 100 acres and a 50 acres lots, that were near New Glasgow, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

From Pictou county, Nova Scotia Deeds:

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Power of Attorney William Foster to George Foster Reg^d Noon 10th June 1861 on the oath of George Foster

Know all men by these presents that I William Foster of the City of Mobile and State of Alabama have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint George Foster of Pictou Nova Scotia my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name place and stead to sell and convey to the purchaser thereof by any deed duly executed to secure to the purchaser thereof such interest and may have in a certain so piece parcel on tract of land with the buildings and improvements to thereon (if any) situate lying and being in Pictou in the vicinity of the town of Glasgow on the Fishers Grant road in Nova Scotia and for me to require the consideration therefor and an acquittance therefor to give containing one hundred acres more or less giving or granting unto my said Attorney full and whole power and authority in and about the premises and generally to do and perform all and every act and acts thing and things device and devices in the law whatsoever needful and necessary to be done in and about the premises and for me and in my name to do execute and perform as largely and amply to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if I were personally present and an Attorney or Attorneys under him for the purpose aforesaid to make and substitute, hereby satisfying and confirming all that my said Attorney or his substitute or substitutes shall lawfully do by virtue hereof

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the thirty first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty

William Foster L. S.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

J. R. Eastbourne

Walter Foster

The State of Alabama Mobile County } I Joseph R Eastbourne a Justice of the peace of said County and State hereby certify that William Foster name is signed to the within Power Attorney acknowledged before me on this day being informed of the contents of the said power of Attorney he executed the same voluntarilly in the day it bears date -

Given under my hand at Mobile this 31st day of December A. D. 1860

J. R. Eastbourne, Justice of the Peace

I George Foster of Pictou in the County of Pictou Shipbuilder make oath and say that the subscribing witnesses to the within power of Attorney are both absent from the Province and that I am acquainted with the handwriting of Walter Foster one of said witnesses, and that the signature Walter Foster to the within Instrument is the own handwriting of the said Walter Foster now of Mobile aforesaid

George Foster

Sworn before me at Pictou this 17th June A. D. 1861

John Ferguson Reg^r. Of Deeds for the County of Pictou

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Power of Attorney William Foster to George Foster Reg^d Noon 10th June 1861 on the certificate [sic] of Ja^s Macgee Acting Consul

Know all men by these presents that I William Foster of the County of Mobile State of Alabama have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint George Foster of Providence Rhode Island my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name place and stead to enter into and take possession of the following tract or parcel of land viz that certain tract tract or parcel of land together with the improvements and buildings thereon situate lying and being in the County of Pictou Province of Nova Scotia said land being in the vicinity of the town of new Glasgow and near to the Fishers Grant road containing about fifty acres more or less and for me and in my name place and stead to sell the same for the best price he can obtain therefor in cash and for for me and in my name to make execute sign seal acknowledge and deliver a good and sufficient deed for the name to the purchaser thereof and to ask demand

collect recover and receive the amount of money coming to me for the sale of the said tract of land and for me and in my name to make sign and deliver to the purchaser of said land a proper receipt discharge on acquittance for the money so paid by him for said lands hereby giving and granting to my said Attorney full power and authority to do and perform every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents and acting therein and I hereby ratify and confirm all that my said Attorney shall lawfully do by virtue of this power of Attorney In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty one
William Foster {seal}

State of Alabama Mobile County } I Sidney T. Douglas a Notary Public in and for said County duly commissioned and qualified hereby certify that William Foster whose name is signed to the foregoing power of Attorney and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the said power of Attorney he executed the same voluntarilly on the day the same bears date
Given under my hand and seal notarial March 27th A. D. 1861
{ L. S. } Sidney T. Douglas Notary Public

I James Macgee H. B. May's Acting Consul at Mobile do hereby certify that the within written name of Sidney T. Douglass is the is the signature & handwriting of a duly commissioned Notary Public in and for the County of Mobile State of Alabama and to whose signature due credit is done
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and affixed my seal of Office on this twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one
{L. S.} James Macgee Acting Consul

~ 1869

W. Foster was listed as a Captain and a Ship builder in the directory. His brother, Walter Foster, was also listed as a Ship Carpenter.

From the 1869 Directory of Mobile, Alabama:

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Foster Walter, ship carp, res Cedar, bt Bloodg and Earle

Foster W capt, ship builder, res 63 St Michael

~ 1870

In 1870, William Foster and Martha were living in Beat 3 (Mobile), Mobile county, Alabama. William Foster was listed as a Ship Builder.

The Fosters were living next door to Martha's parents, Jacob and Mary Vanderslice.

From the 1870 census of Mobile:

Enumerated on the 15th day of July, 1870.

Name. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Profession. / Value of Real Estate. / Value of Personal Estate. / Birthplace. / Father of Foreign Birth. / Mother of Foreign Birth. / Male Citizen over 21. /

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Foster William / 41 / M / W / Ship Builder / ----- / ----- / Nova Scotia / X / X / X /

" Martha / 25 / F / W / House Wife / ----- / ----- / Ala / ---- / ---- / ---- /

Moog Frank / 46 / M / W / Carpenter / ----- / ----- / Germany / X / X / X /

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Vanderson Jacob / 78 / M / W / Carpenter / 1000 / 200 / Penn / ---- / ---- / X /

" Mary / 58 / F / W / House Wife / ----- / ----- / Ala / ---- / ---- / ---- /

" Sara / 20 / F / W / At Home / ----- / ----- / " / ---- / ---- / ---- /

" John / 19 / M / W / " " / ----- / ----- / " / ---- / ---- / ---- /

~ 1873

William Foster is listed as a Ship builder in the directory.

From the 1873 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

Page 66

Foster William, ship builder 9 s Front, res Telegraph road 4 miles

~ 1875

William Foster is listed as a Ship builder in the directory.

From the 1875 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

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Foster William, ship builder, res old Telegraph road 4 miles from city

~ 1876

William Foster is listed as a Ship builder in the directory.

From the 1876 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

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Foster William, ship builder, res Old Telegraph road 4 miles

~ 1880

William and Adalaide Foster were living in Whistler precinct, Mobile county, Alabama.

William Foster was listed as a Ship Builder.

Adalaide's sister, Sarah F. Vanderslice, was living with them.

From the 1880 census of Whistler:

Enumerated on the 22^d & 23^d day of June, 1880.

Name. / Color. / Sex. / Age. / Relationship. / Marital Status. / Profession. / Birthplace / Father's Birthplace / Mother's birthplace /

Foster William / W / M / 58 / ----- / ----- / Ship Builder / N. Scotia / England / Eng /

" Adalaide / W / F / 38 / Wife / ----- / Keeps House / Alabama / Tenn / Ala /

Vanderslice Sarah F / W / F / Sister in law / ----- / At Home / Alabama / Penn / Ala /

Whistler is actually part of the city of Mobile according to the modern day maps.

~ 1892

William Foster is listed as proprietor of Foster's Marine Ways in the directory.

From the 1892 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

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Foster William, prop Foster's Marine Ways, res Telegraph road 3 miles

Foster's Marine Ways, 3 mile creek at Telegraph road, William Foster prop

~ 1893

William Foster is listed as proprietor of Foster's Marine Ways in the directory.

From the 1893 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

Page 112

Foster's Marine Ways, Three mile creek on Telegraph road, William Foster prop

Foster William, prop Foster's Marine Ways, res Telegraph road 3 miles

~ June 1900

In 1900, William and Martha Foster were living in Whistler, Mobile County, Alabama.

William Foster was listed as a Ship Builder.

From the 1900 census of Whistler:

Enumerated on 6 day of June, 1900.

Name. / Relation. / Color. / Sex. / Date of Birth. ...Month. / Year. / Age. / Number of years married. / Mother of how many children. / Number of those children living. / Birthplace. / Father's Birthplace. / Mother's Birthplace. / Year of Immigration / Years in U.S. / Naturalization. / Occupation. / Months not employed. / Can read. / Can write. / House owned or rented. / Owned free or mortgaged. / Farm or House. /

93/94

Fostr. William / Head / W. / M. / Aug / 1825 / 74 / M. / 44 / ---- / ---- / Nova scotia / Nova scotia / Nova scotia / 1844 / 56 / Na / Ship Builder / 12 / yes / yes / yes / O / F / H /

----- . Martha / Wife / W. / F. / Aug / 1840 / 59 / M. / 44 / o / o / Alabama / Alabama / Alabama / ---- / ---- / ---- / ----- / ---- / yes / yes / yes / ---- / ---- / ---- /

Vanderslice Margaret / Boarder / W. / F. / Dec / 1835 / 64 / S / ---- / ---- / ---- / Alabama / Alabama / Alabama / ---- / ---- / ---- / ----- / ---- / yes / yes / yes / ---- / ---- / ---- /

Martha Foster's sister, Margaret Vanderslice, was a boarder at the house.

~ November 1900

The Will of William Foster was written and signed on 8 November 1900 in Mobile county, Alabama.

From the Alabama, Wills and Probate Records:

(Image no. 309)

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Know all Men by these Presents

That I Wm Foster of Mobile Co. State of Alabama being in failing health but of sound mind, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me at anny time heretofore made.

As to my worldly estate, and all the real, personal or mixed property of which I shall die seized and promised of orto which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease I devise, bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following. To wit: My will is that all my past debts and funeral expenses shall be paid by my Executors hereinafter named out of my estate, as soon after my decease as convenient, I give, devise and bequeath, to my beloved wife Martha Adelaide Foster all my household furniture, including china glass and plate ware and any Horse Carriage and harness, and I also give to her to have and to

hold durement the term of her natural life with Power to dispose of my dwelling house and lot of Eight Acres with all the tenements and apurtanances thereunto belonging on Telegraph road in Turnervill Mobile Co in the State of Alabam, Also my claim on the (Image no. 310)

U.S. Government for 1/12 of three hundred and seventy three thousand Dollars (\$373000) now in the hands of the United States Comissioner

I hereby Appoint my wife Martha Adelaide Foster Executor of this will, without Bond. in Testamoney whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of November 1900 Signed and Published as his last will, by the said Wm Foster in our presence; and we in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names on the day of the date of said will } W^m Foster

Jacob J Hauser

Kate Hauser

M. E. Vanderslice

~ 1901

William Foster died on 9 February 1901 or 11 February 1901 at his home on Telegraph Road in Turnerville, Mobile county, Alabama.

The 9 February 1901 death date was given by Silviane A. Diouf in her book. She did not mentioned the source for it.

The 11 February 1901 death date was calculated from the information given in the newspaper obituary.

From the newspaper, Davenport Morning Star, 14 February 1901, Thursday:

BROUGHT LAST SLAVE CARGO.

Captain Foster, Once Famous In Contraband Trade, is Dead - His Last Trip From Africa. Mobile, Ala., Feb. 13. - Captain William Foster, commander of the last American slave vessel to make the perilous voyage to the slave market of Africa, died at his home near this city Monday.

The captain was the commander of the slave ship Clotilda that brought the last cargo of slaves to the United States. The trip was made only after many thrilling scenes, requiring weeks of skillful maneuvering and dangerous exploits, but was successfully accomplished just before the North and South engaged in war.

Captain Foster built the Clotilda and announced that he would make a trip to the Gulf of Guinea, despite the fact that the United States war vessels had burned and sunk the ships of many who tried the voyage. He reached the African coast and remained there for a month. He succeeded in getting 100 negroes on board before he was detected by

the vessels of the United States . He was pursued but easily outdistanced his pursuers and two months later arrived in Mobile bay with his human cargo. A steamboat met the slave ship during the night and the negroes were transferred in order to avoid the custom-house officials.

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From the book, Dreams of Africa in Alabama, by Silviane A. Diouf, 2007:

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".... William Foster, seventy-seven, died. He had been in failing health since at least November 1900, when he had made his will, and he passed away on February 9, 1901."

The author did not say where she got this death date.

~ 1904

Martha A. Foster, widow of William, was listed living at Telegraph road in Mobile, Alabama.

From the 1904 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

Page 237

Foster Martha A (wid Wm), res Telegraph rd, 4 miles.

~ 1909

Mrs. Martha A. Foster, widow of William D., was listed living at Telegraph road in Turnerville, Alabama.

From the 1909 directory of Mobile, Alabama:

Page 275

Foster Martha A. Mrs. (wid Wm. D.), Telegraph rd, Turnerville.

~ 1910

In 1910, Martha A. Foster, was living on Telegraph Road in District 69 of Mobile County, Alabama.

Martha's sister Margaret E. Vanderslice, was living with her.

From the 1910 census of Mobile county:

Enumerated the 30th Day of April 1910.

Name. / Relation. / Sex. / Color. / Age. / Marital status. / Years present Marriage. / Mother of No. Children Born. / Number of Children now living. / Birthplace. / Father's Birthplace. / Mother's Birthplace. / Language Speaks / Occupation. / Can Read. / Can Write. / Own or Rent / Owned Free or Mortgage. / Farm or House /

Telegraph Road

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Foster Martha A / Head / F / W / 68 / Wd / --- / o / o / Alabama / Pennsylvania /
Alabama / English / Own Income / Yes / Yes / O / F / H /

Vanderslice Margaret E / Sister / F / W / 73 / Wd / --- / o / o / Alabama / Pennsylvania
/ Alabama / English / None / Yes / Yes / --- / --- / --- /

~ 1913

Martha A Foster, died at the age of 75 years, on 4 March 1913 in Turnerville, Mobile county, Alabama. She was buried in the Turnerville cemetery.

From the newspaper, The Montgomery Advertiser, 6 March 1913, Thursday:

MRS. MARTHA A. FOSTER.

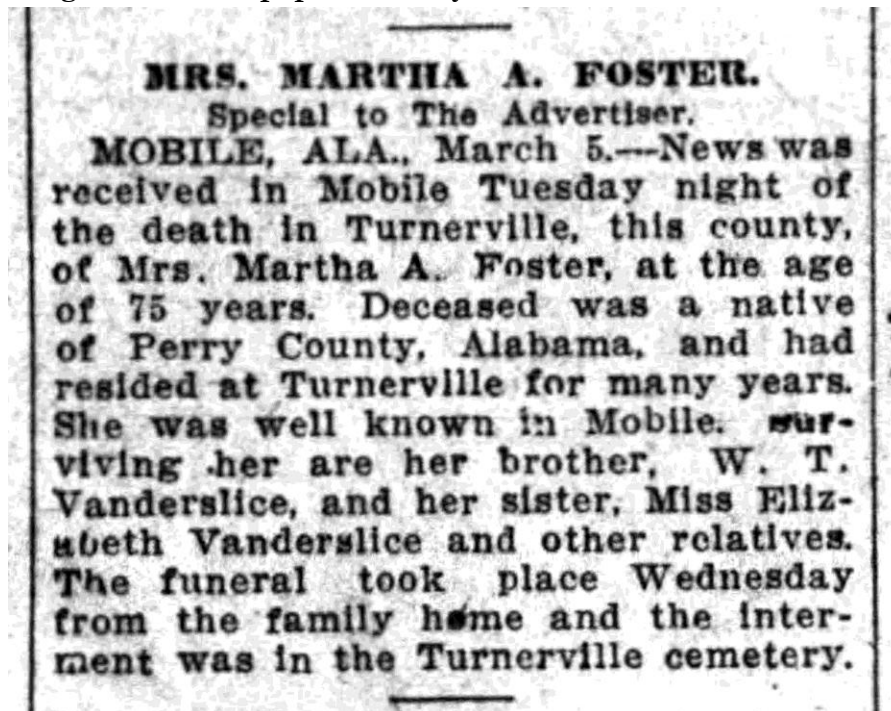
Special to The Advertiser.

MOBILE, ALA., March 5. --- News was received in Mobile Tuesday night of the death in Turnerville, this county, of Mrs. Martha A. Foster, at the age of 75 years. Deceased was a native of Perry County, Alabama, and had resided at Turnerville for many years.

She was well known in Mobile. Surviving her are her brother, W. T. Vanderslice, and her sister, Miss Elizabeth Vanderslice and other relatives.

The funeral took place Wednesday from the family home and the interment was in the Turnerville cemetery.

Image of the newspaper obituary



~ 1913

Mrs. Martha Adelaide Foster had her will written on 28 February 1913 and it was proven on 14 April 1913.

From the Alabama, Wills and probate Records:

Image no. 351

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The last will and testament of Martha Adelaide Foster, made this 28th. Day of February 1913 wherein I bequeaths to Thomas Young and wife, and George Vanderslice the place known as the Foster Homestead, situated on the Telegraph Road, north of Plateau, Mobile County, State of Alabama, consisting of a one story and a half frame house shingle roof and Five (5) acres more or less of land and the three houses thereon, it is my wish and demand that my sister, Margaret Elizabeth Vanderslice, is to receive ~~the~~ ~~rent~~ all rents from the houses on this property, as long as she lives and is not to be disturbed.

The bill of Dr Edly W. Cawthon for Forty-five & 85/100 Dollars is to be paid.

This bill covers medical services for myself and sister, Margaret Elizabeth Vanderslice.

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Page #2 of Will of Martha Adelaide Foster -

On the event of the bill ~~before~~ before Congress of the United States being favorably, carried out , and my share, amounting to one twelfth (1/12) interest of Three Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars for the Gypsy a vessel seized by the United States during the war between the states, which was owned by ~~Mr~~ my husband Capt. William Foster and eleven others, is hereby bequeathed to Thomas Young and wife and George Vanderslice. My sister has authority to dispose of any personal effects she my desire.

M. A. Foster

Witness

Mrs. B. F. Thomas - Miss V. Key } Telegraph road just beyond Cawthon store

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Personally appeared before me, Thos. B. Allman, a Notary Public and Ex Office Justice of the peace of in and for Mobile County, State of Alabama, Mrs. Martha Adelaide Foster, who being duly sworn states that the foregoing instrument is her last will and testament and that she executed the same of her own free will and accord the 28th. day of February 1913.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 28th. day of February 1913.

Thos. B Allman

Notary Public & Ex Office Justice of the Peace.

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State of Alabama, Mobile County.}

I, Price Williams, Jr., Judge of the Probate Court and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing, has this day in said Court, and before me as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the genuine last will and testament of M. A. Foster deceased, and that said will together with said proof thereof have been recorded in my office in Book of Wills No. 70 and on page 321.

In Witness of all which I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Court, this 14th. day of April 1913.

William and Martha Foster did not have any children.

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3rd generation

Walter Foster (1834 - 1888)

Husband of Anna McCarty and Emma Kairk

(6-7). **WALTER FOSTER** (of George Foster², of John Foster¹) was born ca. 1834 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Father: George Foster (No. 6)

Mother: Margaret --- ? ---

~ 1834

The year of birth is calculated from the records below

Some has it 1836, but the earlier ones points to his birth in 1834.

~ 1845

Walter Foster, age 11, was listed with her mother and siblings on the passenger list of 3 July 1845 for the Bark Lucretia from Pictou, Nova Scotia that sailed to Port of Providence, Providence, Rhode Island (see above under the parents, George and Margaret Foster, for passenger list details).

~ 1850

In 1850, Walter Foster, age 16 and a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts (see above under the parents, George and Margaret Foster, for census details).

~ between 1850 and 1858

Walter Foster went to Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama before his marriage in 1858. The previous record of Walter was when the family was living in Swansea, Bristol county, Massachusetts during the 1850 census.

His parents were living in Rhode Island on the 1850's after the 1850 census, so Walter may have been there before he went to Mobile.

His brother, William Foster was in Mobile, Alabama before 1855 when the schooner Clotilda was built.

It is possible that Walter Foster came to Mobile, Alabama to work for his older brother when he was building the schooner Clotilda. That would be in 1854 to 1855 and Walter was 20 to 21 years old at the time.

He probably also did work on other ships that William Foster was building in the second half of the 1850's to early 1860's.

Walter also advertized in the directories of Mobile, Alabama from the late 1850's to 1870 as a Ship carpenter and carpenter to take on other works.

~ 1858

Walter married **ANNA MCCARTY** on 31 May 1858 in Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama.

From the Alabama, County Marriage Records:

(page 214)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA. MOBILE COUNTY. }

To the Judge of Probate of said County:

I hereby certify, That I this day solemnized the rites of Matrimony between Walter Foster and Anna M^c Carty who are within named, at Mobile in said County.

Witness, my hand, this the 31 day of May 1858

G. A. Cleveland J. P.

Image of the record

THE STATE OF ALABAMA. }
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May 1858
G. A. Cleveland
J. P.

Anna was born ca. 1842 in New York state.

~ 1860

In 1860, Walter and Anna Foster were living in Ward 6 of Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama. Walter Foster was listed as a Ship Carpenter.

From the 1860 census of Mobile:

Enumerated on 29th & 30th day of June 1860

Names. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Profession. / Value of Real Estate. / Value of Personal Estate. / Birthplace. / Attended School within the year. /

409/418

Walter Foster / 24 / M / ---- / Ship Carpenter / ----- / ----- / Nova Scotia / ---- /

Anna Foster / 18 / F / ---- / ----- / ----- / ----- / New York / ---- /

Margaret E Foster / 1 / F / ---- / ----- / ----- / ----- / Alabama / ---- /

410/419

James M^cCarthy / 45 / M / ---- / Laborer / 10000 / 1000 / Ireland / ---- /

Ann M^cCarthy / 47 / F / ---- / ----- / ----- / ----- / " / ---- /

Cath M^cCarthy / 15 / F / ---- / ----- / ----- / ----- / Alabama / X /

Joanah Milnick / 8 / F / ---- / ----- / ----- / ----- / " / X /

The next family listed on the census page was the family of James and Ann McCarthy and two children. They are probably the parents of Walter Foster's wife. The father and mother were born in Ireland.

~ 1860-1861

William Foster, of Mobile, Alabama, had his father, George Foster of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia and Providence, Providence county, Rhode Island, become a Power of Attorney for him.

William wanted his father to handle selling off his properties, a 100 acres and a 50 acres lots, that were near New Glasgow, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

Walter Foster was the witness and he is also mentioned in the document.

From Pictou county, Nova Scotia Deeds:

Power of Attorney William Foster to George Foster Reg^d Noon 10th June 1861 on the oath of George Foster

Know all men by these presents that I William Foster of the City of Mobile and State of Alabama have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint George Foster of Pictou Nova Scotia my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name place and stead to sell and convey to the purchaser thereof by any deed duly executed to secure to the purchaser thereof such interest and may have in a certain so piece parcel on tract of land with the buildings and improvements to thereon (if any) situate lying and being in Pictou in the vicinity of the town of Glasgow on the Fishers Grant road in Nova Scotia and for me to require the consideration therefor and an acquittance therefor to give containing one hundred acres more or less giving or granting unto my said Attorney full and whole power and authority in and about the premises and generally to do and perform all and every act and acts thing and things device and devices in the law whatsoever needful and necessary to be done in and about the premises and for me and in my name to do execute and perform as largely and amply to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if I were personally present and an Attorney or Attorneys under him for the purpose aforesaid to make and substitute, hereby satisfying and confirming all that my said Attorney or his substitute or substitutes shall lawfully do by virtue hereof

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the thirty first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty

William Foster L. S.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

J. R. Eastbourne

Walter Foster

The State of Alabama Mobile County } I Joseph R Eastbourne a Justice of the peace of said County and State hereby certify that William Foster name is signed to the within Power Attorney acknowledged before me on this day being informed of the contents of the said power of Attorney he executed the same voluntarilly in the day it bears date -

Given under my hand at Mobile this 31st day of December A. D. 1860

J. R. Eastbourne, Justice of the Peace

I George Foster of Pictou in the County of Pictou Shipbuilder make oath and say that the subscribing witnesses to the within power of Attorney are both absent from the Province and that I am acquainted with the handwriting of Walter Foster one of said witnesses, and that the signature Walter Foster to the within Instrument is the own handwriting of the said Walter Foster now of Mobile aforesaid

George Foster

Sworn before me at Pictou this 17th June A. D. 1861

John Ferguson Reg^r. Of Deeds for the County of Pictou

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Power of Attorney William Foster to George Foster Reg^d Noon 10th June 1861 on the certifficate [sic] of Ja^s Macgee Acting Consul

Know all men by these presents that I William Foster of the County of Mobile State of Alabama have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint George Foster of Providence Rhode Island my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name place and stead to enter into and take possession of the following tract or parcel of land viz that certain tract tract or parcel of land together with the improvements and buildings thereon situate lying and being in the County of Pictou Province of Nova Scotia said land being in the vicinity of the town of new Glasgow and near to the Fishers Grant road containing about fifty acres more or less and for me and in my name place and stead to sell the same for the best price he can obtain therefor in cash and for for me and in my name to make execute sign seal acknowledge and deliver a good and sufficient deed for the name to the purchaser thereof and to ask demand collect recover and receive the amount of money coming to me for the sale of the said tract of land and for me and in my name to make sign and deliver to the purchaser of said land a proper receipt discharge on acquittance for the money so paid by him for said lands hereby giving and granting to my said Attorney full power and authority to do and perform every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents and acting therein and I hereby ratify and confirm all that my said Attorney shall lawfully do by virtue of this power of Attorney

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty one

William Foster {seal}

State of Alabama Mobile County } I Sidney T. Douglas a Notary Public in and for said County duly commissioned and qualified hereby certify that William Foster whose name is signed to the foregoing power of Attorney and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the said power of Attorney he executed the same voluntarilly on the day the same bears date

Given under my hand and seal notarial March 27th A. D. 1861

{ L. S. } Sidney T. Douglas Notary Public

I James Macgee H. B. May's Acting Consul at Mobile do hereby certify that the within written name of Sidney T. Douglass is the is the signature & handwriting of a duly commissioned Notary Public in and for the County of Mobile State of Alabama and to whose signature due credit is done

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and affixed my seal of Office on this twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one

{L. S.} James Macgee Acting Consul

~ 1861

Walter Foster was listed as a ship carpenter in the directory for Mobile, Alabama.

From the 1861 directory for Mobile:

Page 24

Foster, Walter, ship carpenter, res 132 canal

~ 1864

Walter Foster married 2nd to **EMMA KAIRK** in 1864.

The marriage bond was dated 26 July 1864 and issued in Mobile county, Alabama.

The State of Alabama, Mobile County.}

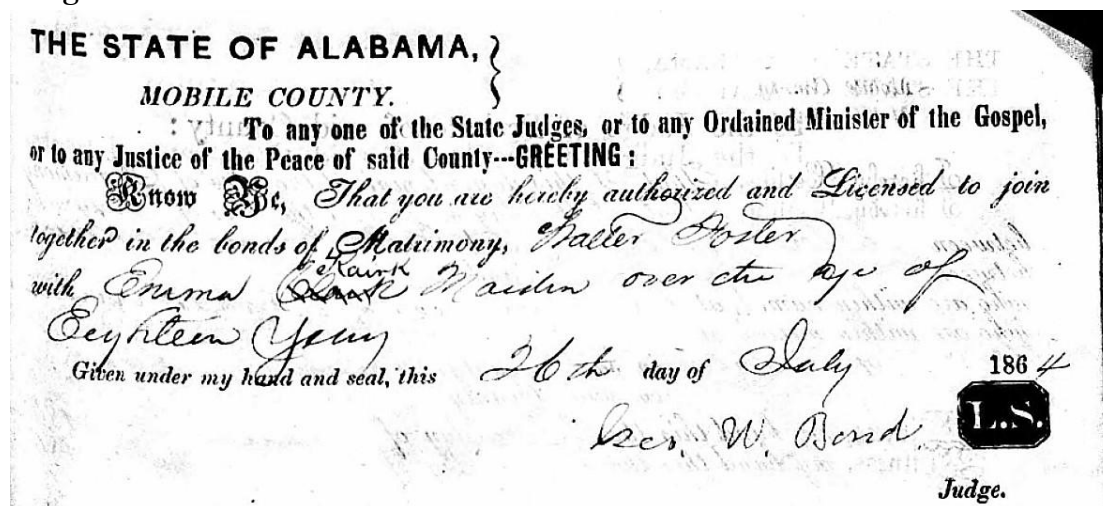
To any one of the State Judges, or to any Ordained Minister of the Gospel, or to any Justice of the Peace of said County --- Greeting:

Know [The or Be?], That you are hereby authorized and Licensed to join together in the bonds of Matrimony, Walter Foster with Emma Kairk Maiden over the age of Eighteen Years

Given under my hand and seal, this 26th day of July 1864

Geo. W. Bond Judge.

Image of the record



Emma Kairk was born in Alabama. Her birth year calculates from 1837 to 1843 depending what source you look at.

~ 1866

Walter Foster was listed as a ship carpenter in the directory for Mobile, Alabama. From the 1866 directory for Mobile:

Page 24

Foster, Walter, ship carp, res es cedar, n bloodgood

~ 1869

Walter Foster was listed as a ship carpenter in the directory for Mobile, Alabama. Also listed was his brother, William Foster, he was listed as a captain and a ship builder.

From the 1869 directory of Mobile:

Page 31

Foster Walter, ship carp, res Cedar, bt Bloodg and Earle

Foster W capt, ship builder, res 63 St Michael

~ 1870

Walter Foster was listed as a carpenter in the directory for Mobile, Alabama.

From the 1870 directory of Mobile:

Page 61

Foster Walter, carpenter, res ws Cedar n Bloodgood

~ 1870

In 1870, "Willie" and Emma Foster were living in Shieldsborough, Hancock county, Mississippi. "Willie" Foster was listed as a Carpenter.

From the 1870 census of Shieldsborough:

Enumerated on 13 day of June, 1870.

Name. / Age. / Sex. / Color. / Profession. / Place of Birth. / Father of Foreign Birth. / Mother of Foreign Birth. / Male Citizen of U.S. over 21 /

74/88

Foster Willie / 24 / M / W / Carpenter / Nova Scotia / X / X / X /

----- Emma / 27 / F / W / ----- / Alabama / --- / --- / --- /

----- May / 11 / F / W / ----- / " / X / --- / --- /

----- Lilvey / 4 / F / W / ----- / " / X / --- / --- /

----- Martha E / 2 / F / W / ----- / " / X / --- / --- /

There seems to be several errors in the listing of this family.

~ 1880

In 1880, Walter and Emma Foster were living in Biloxi, Harrison county, Mississippi. Walter was listed as a R. R. Worker.

Living with them was an Aunt, Frances Luther, a widow. She was born in Prussia.

Emma Foster's mother was born in Prussia.

From the 1880 census of Biloxi:

Enumerated on the 5th. Day of June, 1880.

Name / Color / Sex / Age / Relationship / Single / Married / Widowed or Divorced / Profession / Attending School / Birthplace / Father's Birthplace / Mother's Birthplace /

43/43

Foster Walter / W / M / 44 / ----- / --- / X / --- / R. R. Work / --- / Nova Scotia / Unknown / Unknown /

Foster Emma / W / F / 43 / Wife / --- / X / --- / Keeping House / --- / Alabama / Unknown / Prussia /

Foster Lilly / W / F / 14 / Daughter / X / --- / --- / Going to school / X / Alabama / Nova Scotia / Alabama

Foster Rosa / W / F / 12 / Daughter / X / --- / --- / Going to school / X / Alabama /
Nova Scotia / Alabama

Foster Fannie / W / F / 8 / Daughter / --- / --- / --- / Going to school / X / Mississippi /
Nova Scotia / Alabama

Foster Louisa / W / F / 6 / Daughter / --- / --- / --- / Going to school / X / Mississippi /
Nova Scotia / Alabama

Luther Francis / W / F / 50 / Aunt / --- / --- / X / Boarding / --- / Prussia / Prussia /
Prussia /

~ 1888

Walter Foster died in 1888 and was buried in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery in Slidell,
St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

From findagrave.com:

Walter Foster

Birth: 1830

Death: 1888

Burial: Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

Memorial ID: 58503121

~ 1889

Emma Foster died in 1889 and was buried in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery in Slidell,
St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

From findagrave.com:

Emma Foster

Birth: 1838

Death: 1889

Burial: Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery in Slidell, St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

Memorial ID: 58503151

Children of Walter and Anna (McCarty) Foster

(6-7-1). **MARGARET E. FOSTER** was born ca. 1859 in Mobile, Mobile county,
Alabama.

In 1860, Margaret, age 1, was with her parents in Ward 6 of Mobile, Alabama (see above under the parents above for census details).

In 1870, "May" age 11 was living with her father and stepmother in Shieldsborough, Hancock County, Mississippi(see above under the parents above for census details).

She was not listed with the family in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1880, she may have been married by then.

There was a marriage of a Margaret E. Foster to a F. M. McVoy on 23 December 1880 in Jefferson county, Mississippi.

But I have not found further information about this couple to help in determining if this was the same Margaret that was the daughter of Walter Foster.

Children of Walter and Emma (Kairk) Foster

(6-7-2). + **LILLY E. FOSTER** was born 15 August 1865 in Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama.

Lilly Foster married James Thomas Swetman.

(6-7-3). + **ROSA / ROSE / MARY ELIZABETH / FOSTER** was born 10 February 1867 in Mobile, Mobile county, Alabama.

Rosa Foster married Matthew Joseph Holt.

(6-7-4). + **FANNIE E. FOSTER** was born 21 September 1871 in Bay Saint Louis, Hancock county, Mississippi.

Fannie Foster married Edgar Joseph Perilloux.

(6-7-5). x **LOUISA / LOUISE E. / FOSTER** was born ca. 1874 in Mississippi.

Louisa Foster married William Edward Gause.

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Part II

The following is the old version of the history, made in 2003 and converted to PDF format in 2018 with no new materials added.

This remains the same until the new version in Part I is completed. The only changes below is that I deleted the old history of the individuals that is finished in Part I. Replacing it with "See above in Part I for updated history on this person".

The Foster Family of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia

Old Versions:

1st. edition June 15, 2001

2nd edition April-May 2003

3rd edition November-December 2003

(the version dated, April 10, 2004, that is on the website: www.islandregister.com is a copy of the November-December 2003 version. The sources was not included)

Researched and compiled
by William Wallworth

This version was finished on August 17, 2018 Friday 8:27 PM.
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Ramblings

No new information was added to this version, as I first wanted a PDF version of the November-December 2003 work done. Once this PDF version is uploaded to my site, then I will be adding new information to the work and make further updated versions to upload.

In this version, I did changed the format to the way I do Word/PDF documents now. All in Georgia font style instead of the old Arial font. All the dates are changed from the month-day-year format to day-month-year format.

I was planning to do this sooner or later, but decided to work on it now.

After I done the 2003 version, I went on to other projects. Did occasional checking for any new stuff concerning the Foster family. The fact that I don't know where John Foster was born and the names of his parents kept me checking for new information.

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John Miles of Texas. He is a descendant of William Foster, of Paul Foster, of John Foster.

David Christie of Nova Scotia, Canada. He is a descendant of Ann Foster, of Mitchel Foster, of George Foster, of William Foster, of John Foster.

1st generation

John Foster (before 1767 - 1825)

1. **JOHN FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

Children of John Foster and his wife

2. **HENRY FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

3. + **JOHN FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

4. + **WILLIAM FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

5. + **PAUL FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

6. + **GEORGE FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

2nd generation

William Foster (1792 - 1855)

Husband of Isabella McDougall

4. **WILLIAM FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

Children of William and Isabella (McDougall) Foster

7. **HENRY FOSTER** was born 7 November 1813 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died in 10 January 1860 at the age of 46 years. Henry Foster is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

Henry Foster was one of the two sons of William that was in Hugh Dunbar's school at Fisher's Grant in 1822.

In the fourth quarter of 1844, the Bark "Lucretia" of Providence, Rhode Island, with John S. Adamson as its Master, arrived at Providence after a voyage from Pictou, Nova Scotia on November 11, 1844. In the Passenger lists was William Foster, age 50, Shipwright and Henry Foster, age 30, Shipwright.

8. + **JOHN FOSTER** was born 20 July 1815.

John married Margaret Fraser.

9. **WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 16 June 1817 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died in December 6, 1900 at the age of 83 years.

He was a ship captain. In 1842, a season in which two ferry lines operated between Pictou and Fisher's Grant; one boat, operated by William Foster, was half decked for stormy weather.

In 1866 there was a deeds record of William Foster of Fisher's Grant, yeoman, to John Foster of the same place, Farmer.

In 1881, Smith Foster, age 41, a Ferryman, his brother, William Foster, age 63, a Master Mariner, his sister, Margaret, age 38 were living in the Foster home at Fisher's Grant. Also living with them was Christiana McDougall.

William Foster is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

10. + **PAUL FOSTER** was born 9 June 1819.

Paul married Catherine McKay.

11. + **GEORGE FOSTER** was born 12 April 1821.

George married Mary --- ? ---.

12. + **ANN FOSTER** was born 8 March 1823.

Ann married John Nairn.

13. + **DANIEL FOSTER** was born 3 May 1825.

Daniel married Waity A. Humphries.

14. **DAVID FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

15. **JAMES FOSTER** was born 10 May 1829 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died August 19, 1847 at the age of 18 years. James Foster is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

16. + **SAMUEL ARCHIBALD FOSTER** was born 15 February 1831.

Samuel married Eliza Catherine Doyle.

17. + **CHARLES R. FOSTER** was born 13 December 1832.

Charles married Annie Bell --- ? ---.

18. **CHRISTIAN ISABELLA MCDOUGALL** adopted by the Foster family, was born 15 September 1833 in Nova Scotia and died August 29, 1922 at age 89 years in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Christy Bell McDougall lived all her life with the Foster family, so it is apparent that she was adopted by William and Isabella Foster. She was a cousin of the family. In Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, there is a stone that has the following:

"Christian Fraser wife of James McDougall died 15 sep 1832 aged 42" and "Christy McDougall 1833 - 1922"

It would appear that, James McDougall and Christian Fraser, were the parents of Christy McDougall, but the problem is the dates, Christian Fraser McDougall died September 15, 1832 and Christy McDougall was born 1833. There must be some errors

in the dates. If she is the mother of Christy, then it appears that she may have died at the time of the birth of the daughter.

James McDougall was a brother of William Foster's wife Isabella.

In 1871, Smith Foster, age 30, a Ferryman, her sister, Margaret Foster, age 28, a Seamstress, and their cousin, Christie Bell McDougall, age 38, a servant, were living at Fisher's Grant in the family home that was William and Isabella Foster's.

Also living with them in 1871 was three other people, William Allison McDougall, age 12, Robert Fraser, age 40, and James McGregor, age 30. (I wonder if William Allison McDougall was a son of Christy ?)

In 1881, Smith Foster, age 41, a Ferryman, his brother, William Foster, age 63, a Master Mariner, his sister, Margaret, age 38 were living in the Foster home at Fisher's Grant. Also living with them was Christiana McDougall, age 47.

In 1901, Smith Foster, age 61, a Farmer, his sister, Margaret Foster, age 59, and their cousin, Christy McDougall, age 65 were living in Fisher's Grant.

19. **THOMAS R. FOSTER** was born 19 May 1835.

Thomas married Mary Mikahale Robinson. Thomas R. Foster is covered in more details in the next generation

20. + **JOSEPH FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

21. **SMITH FOSTER** was born 17 February 1840 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Smith Foster, age 30, a Ferryman, her sister, Margaret Foster, age 28, a Seamstress, and their cousin, Christie Bell McDougall, age 38, a servant, were living at Fisher's Grant in the family home that was William and Isabella Foster's.

Also living with them in 1871 was three other people, William Allison McDougall, age 12, Robert Fraser, age 40, and James McGregor, age 30.

In 1881, Smith Foster, age 41, a Ferryman, his brother, William Foster, age 63, a Master Mariner, his sister, Margaret, age 38 were living in the Foster home at Fisher's Grant. Also living with them was Christiana McDougall, age 47.

In 1901, Smith Foster, age 61, a Farmer, his sister, Margaret Foster, age 59, and their cousin, Christy McDougall, age 65 were living in Fisher's Grant.

Smith Foster died in February 6, 1907 in Fisher's Grant at the age of 67 years. He is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

22. MARGARET CATHERINE FOSTER was born 24 July 1842 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Smith Foster, age 30, a Ferryman, his sister, Margaret Foster, age 28, a Seamstress, and their cousin, Christie Bell McDougall, age 38, a servant, were living at Fisher's Grant in the family home that was William and Isabella Foster's.

Also living with them in 1871 was three other people, William Allison McDougall, age 12, Robert Fraser, age 40, and James McGregor, age 30.

In 1881, Smith Foster, age 41, a Ferryman, his brother, William Foster, age 63, a Master Mariner, his sister, Margaret, age 38 were living in the Foster home at Fisher's Grant. Also living with them was Christiana McDougall, age 47.

In 1901, Smith Foster, age 61, a Farmer, his sister, Margaret Foster, age 59, and their cousin, Christy McDougall, age 65 were living in Fisher's Grant.

Margaret C. Foster died January 30, 1908 at age 66 years in Fisher's Grant. She is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

Sources:

1. 1817 Census of Pictou County, Nova Scotia. (for William Foster, Sr.) Public Archives of Nova Scotia.
2. List of Hugh Dunbar's Scholars at Fisher's Grant 1822, from the book "The Pictou Book" by George MacLaren, 1954.
3. Pictou County, Nova Scotia Deeds, Index to Deeds 1771 - 1840. Several with William Foster, 1818, 1836, 1838, 1839, 1840.
4. Rhode Island Passenger Lists, by Maureen A. Taylor, 1995. ISB No. 0-8063-1459-1, Pages 75 & 76. William, Henry, and David Foster.
5. Passenger Lists and Arrivals, District and Port of Providence, RI 1820-1849. <http://members.fortunecity.com/sneirish/ProvPassengers.htm>. 4th quarter 1844.
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10. 1871 Census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia 3-18-19, Smith Foster, Margaret Foster, and Christy McDougall.
11. 1881 Census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia Pictou Subdivision I Pg 1, 1/1 For William Foster, Jr., Smith Foster, Margaret Foster, and Christy Bell McDougall.
12. 1901 Census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, Dist. 38, m, schedule 1, Ref: RG31 Microfilm No. T-6454, online, Canada Archives. Page 1, 10/10. Family of Smith Foster, Margaret Foster, and Christy McDougall.
13. Foster family bible, copy from John Miles, original bible in David Christie's possession.
14. Further Family Bible information from David Christie May 7, 2003

2nd generation

Paul Foster (1794 - 1886)

Husband of Mary McKay

5. PAUL FOSTER

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

Children of Paul and Mary (McKay) Foster

There may be other children born in the period of 1826 (or earlier) to 1833.

23. + **WILLIAM E. FOSTER** was born 16 May 1834.

William married Diadama Jane Owens.

24. **HENRY FOSTER** was born in 1835 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Henry was baptized August 2, 1835 at Prince Street Presbyterian Church in Pictou, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Henry, age 34, was living at his father's place in Fisher's Grant. Henry Foster was a Painter.

25. + **CATHERINE FOSTER** was born in 1838.

Catherine married Joseph H. Ivey.

26. + **PAUL J. FOSTER** was born 17 February 1841.

Paul married 1st Mary Jane Powell and 2nd May --- ? ---.

27. + **JOSEPH RODERICK FOSTER** was born in 1845.

Joseph married Agnes --- ? ---.

Sources:

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4. Church Records, Prince Street Presbyterian, Pictou, Nova Scotia NSARM MFM11775-X, information from John Myles 9-13-2002
5. 1838 Census of Pictou County, Nova Scotia. From Pictou Antigonish Regional Library.
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10. Newspaper, Presbyterian Witness PW Sat. 13 Mar 1886 v. XXXIX no. 11 p. 88 Information from John Myles 9-13-02.
11. Digital Photos of Gravestones in Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas. Paul Foster. Photos from John Myles.
12. Information submitted by Diane Ollivett-Miles Feb. 19, 2002 Ancestry.com
13. Information submitted by Roy Giddens Jr. Nov. 1, 2001 Ancestry.com

2nd generation

George Foster (1796 - after 1881)

Husband of Margaret --- ? ---

6. **GEORGE FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

Children of George and Margaret (--- ? ---) Foster

28. + **ANN FOSTER** was born ca. 1822 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Ann married Lafayette Burdick.

29. **JOHN M. FOSTER** was born ca. 1822 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

John Foster, age 22, a carpenter, went with his father, George Foster, to Providence, Rhode Island on July 20, 1844. In 1850, John M. Foster, age 27 a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts.

30. x **WILLIAM FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

31. + **CATHERINE FOSTER** was born ca. 1828 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Catherine married Purchase D. Jewett.

32. **GEORGE FOSTER** was born ca. 1830 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, George Foster Jr., age 20 a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts.

33. **CHARLES FOSTER** was born ca. 1832 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Charles Foster, age 18 a ship carpenter, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts.

In the 1860 census of Nathansville, Conecuh County, Alabama, there was a Charles Foster age 27 born in Nova Scotia in the household of William Shield, age 36 carpenter. Charles Foster was listed as a Wood Cutter. This is probably the same Charles Foster. His brothers, William and Walter Foster, were in Mobile, Alabama in 1860.

34. + **WALTER FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

35. **HENRY FOSTER** was born ca. 1836 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Henry Foster, age 14, was living with his parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts.

36. **MARY FOSTER** was born ca. 1841 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Mary Foster, age 9, was living with her parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts. In 1860, Mary Foster, age 18, was living with her parents in Providence, Rhode Island in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Lafayette Burdick.

37. **LILLY FOSTER** was born ca. 1843 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1850, Lilly Foster, age 7, was living with her parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts. In 1860, Lilly Foster, age 16, was living with her parents in Providence, Rhode Island in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Lafayette Burdick.

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<http://members.fortunecity.com/sneirish/Prov/Passengers.htm> Third Quarter 1845.
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9. 1860 Census of Alabama, Conecuh County Roll 6 Book 1, Page 1073, Nathansville PO Image 21. Charles Foster in household of William Shield.
10. 1881 Census of Nova Scotia, Pictou Co., Pictou Subdivision I, Pg. 4 Household No. 15. FHL 1378511 FamilySearch.com Mrs. Catherine Ivey's household with George Foster.

3rd generation

John Foster (1815 - 1893)

Husband of Margaret Fraser

8. **JOHN FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born in 20 July 1815 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died in 1893.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

John Foster was one of the two sons of William that was in Hugh Dunbar's school at Fisher's Grant in 1822.

John Foster married **MARGARET FRASER** before 1846. Margaret was born [December?] 26, 1819 in Nova Scotia and died in 1911 at the age of 91 years old.

In 1871, John Foster and his wife, Margaret, and four children were at Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. John Foster was a Farmer.

In 1881, John Foster, his wife Margaret, and daughter Catherine, were living at Fisher's Grant. John Foster, age 65, was a Farmer.

In 1901, Margaret Foster, age 81, widow, was living with her daughter and son-in-law, Catherine and James Scott at Fisher's Grant.

John and Margaret Foster are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

Children of John and Margaret (Fraser) Foster

38. **ISABELLA FOSTER** was born in 1846 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Isabella, age 25, was living with her parents at Fisher's Grant. Isabella was a Seamstress.

39. + **WILLIAM JAMES FOSTER** was born in 1851 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

William married Henrietta McArthur.

40. **MARGARET ANN FOSTER** was born in 1853 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Margaret, age 18, was living with her parents at Fisher's Grant.

41. **CATHERINE FOSTER** was born 1856 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Catherine, age 15, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant. In 1881, Catherine, age 24, was living with her parents at Fisher's Grant.

Catherine married James Scott.

James was born 31 August 1842 in Nova Scotia and died in 1932. James Scott was a widower before he married Catherine Foster. James Scott is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Sources:

1. List of Hugh Dunbar's Scholars at Fisher's Grant 1822, from the book "The Pictou Book" by George MacLaren, 1954.
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3. 1881 Census of Nova Scotia, Pictou, Pictou Subdivision I, Pg. 9 37/37. John Foster's family.
4. 1901 Census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, Dist. 38, m, schedule 1, Ref: RG31 Microfilm No. T-6454, online, Canada Archives. Page 4, 40/41. James and Catherine Scott and Margaret Foster.
5. Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing transcription records.
6. Foster family bible, copy from John Miles, original bible in David Christie's possession.
7. Further Family Bible information from David Christie May 7, 2003

3rd generation

Paul Foster (1819 - 1898)

Husband of Catherine McKay

10. **PAUL FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 9 June 1819 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died in 12 November 1898 (November 15th according to grave stone) in Fisher's Grant.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

Paul Foster married **CATHERINE MCKAY** on 21 November 1839. Catherine was born 1814 in Nova Scotia and died 1 January 1896 at the age of 82. (another source says 21 February 1896), The 1 January 1896 date comes the Presbyterian Witness Newspaper.

The marriage notice in the newspaper mentioned that Paul Foster was of Fisher's Grant and Catherine McKay was of Narrows.

In 1871, Paul Foster, his wife Catherine, and their 4 children were at Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Paul Foster, age 52, was a Farmer.

In 1881, Paul Foster, his wife Catherine, and daughter, "Nellie", were living at Fisher's Grant. Paul Foster was a Farmer.

Both Paul and Catherine Foster are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Children of Paul and Catherine (McKay) Foster:

42. **ISABELLA FOSTER** was born 1843 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. In 1871, Isabella, age 28, was living with her parents at Fisher's Grant. Isabella Foster was a Seamstress.

43. **JAMES WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 1848 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, James, age 23, was living with his parents at Fisher's Grant. James W. Foster was a Seaman. He was listed as a Seaman in the 1881 census.

In the Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia, is a stone for a J. W. Foster who died in Norfolk, Virginia in 1888 at the age of 40 years.

The following is from Charles Foster Gill, July 11 2001 letter --

"Captain J. W. Foster was the Master of the Canadian Barque XEMA. A gold watch was presented by the President of the United States to Captain Foster for his efforts in rescuing the crew of the American Schooner Richard Rhodes. The watch is being passed down through James Foster's sister Mary Ann's male descendants, all of which bear the Christian name "Foster"....."

" unfortunately there is no date on the watch but the presentation very likely took place in the 1880's under the presidencies of Chester Arthur or Grover Cleveland"

44. + **MARY ANN FOSTER** was born 20 June 1850 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Mary married Charles J. Gill.

45. **ELLEN FOSTER** was born 2 April 1854 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, "Helen", age 17, was living with her parents at Fisher's Grant. In 1881, "Nellie", age 26, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Ellen Foster, age 47, was living at Fisher's Grant. Her parents both died in the previous 2 to 4 years. Ellen Foster was alone in 1901 and was a Farmer.

Ellen Foster died in 1902 at the age of 47 years and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Sources:

1. 1871 Census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, 3-15-16. Paul Foster's family.
2. Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, transcription records.
3. LDS Church records, IGI source from Film No. 1903594. Marriage of Paul Foster and Catherine McKay.
4. Hymen's Doings In Years Gone By. From The Free Lance, Feb. 27, 1908. Covers 1829 - 1865 NSARM MG100 v. 207 #7 p. 11+. marriage of Paul Foster and Catherine McKay 1839. From John Miles 9-13-2002.
5. 1881 Census of Pictou county, Nova Scotia. Pictou Subdivision I, Pg. 16, 66/66 Paul Foster's family.
6. Foster family bible, copy from John Miles, original bible in David Christie's possession.

7. Pictou Advocate 18N 1898 - P 1 death of Paul Foster. From Charles Foster Gill.
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12. Email from Charles Foster Gill, about Captain James W. Foster and the Xema. July 11, 2001

3rd generation

George Foster (1821 - ?)

Husband of Mary ---?---

11. **GEORGE FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 12 April 1821 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

George Foster married **MARY --- ? ---**. Mary was born 15 December 1822 (according to family bible) in Nova Scotia and died 1922.

In 1871, the family is at Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, George Foster and his wife, Mary, and seven children. George Foster was a farmer.

George Foster died before 1901.

In 1901, David Foster, age 34 and his mother, Mary Foster, age 76, a widow, were the only ones left of the family at their farm. David Foster was a Farmer

George and Mary Foster are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Children of George and Mary (---?---) Foster

46. **JAMES FOSTER** was born 7 August 1847 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, James, age 23, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant. James Foster was a Saddler.

James Foster died 13 September 1889 at the age of 42 years.

47. **WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 29 February 1849 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, William, age 21, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant. William Foster was a Saddler.

48. **ANNIE FOSTER** was born 24 March 1851 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Annie, age 19, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant. Annie Foster was a seamstress.

Annie Foster died in 2 July 1888 at the age of 37 years.

49. **GEORGE FOSTER** was born 12 January 1853 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died there 27 May 1860 at the age of seven. George Foster is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

50. + **MITCHEL FOSTER** was born 11 September 1854.
Mitchel married Jemima Powell.

51. **MARY BELL FOSTER** was born 2 September 1856 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Mary, age 14, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

52. **MARGARET FOSTER** was born 4 July 1858 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died there 19 March 1867 at the age of 8 years. Maggie Foster is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing.

53. **"BABY SISTER" FOSTER** was born 3 April 1861 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died there 7 May 1861 at age 1 month.

54. **GEORGINA FOSTER** was born 2 February 1864 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Georgina, age 6, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

55. **DAVID HENRY FOSTER** was born 5 February 1866 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, "Donald" Henry, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, David Foster, age 34 and his mother, Mary Foster, age 76, a widow, were the only ones left of the family at their farm. David Foster was a Farmer.

Sources:

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3. Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, transcription records.
4. Foster family bible, copy from John Miles, original bible in David Christie's possession.
5. Further family bible records from David Christie, May 7, 2003

3rd generation

Ann Foster (1823 - 1889)

Wife of John Nairn

12. **ANN FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) (also known as Anna) was born 8 March 1823 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died in 11 April 1889 age 66 years at Fisher's Grant.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

Anna Foster married **JOHN NAIRN** before 1852. John Nairn was born 1815 in Pictou, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died in 7 September 1885 at Pictou Landing (Fisher's Grant), Nova Scotia. He was a son of James and Agnes (McNeil) Nairn.

John Nairn's father, James Nairn, died when they were living in Pictou when he was 3 years old. His mother, Agnes, then married Peter Christie and they moved across the harbour to Fisher's Grant in the 1820's to 1830's.

In 1833, John Nairn's grandfather, John McNeil Sr., died and in his Will, John McNeil Sr. left his grandson, John Nairn, ten pounds.

John Nairn became a Ferryman with a ship going back and forth across the harbour from Fisher's Grant to Pictou transporting people, horses, cattle, and supplies.

Also he has been buying properties in different locations according to deeds records from the years 1844 to 1866.

In 14 January 1846 a petition was made by John McPherson and John Nairn, both of Fisher's Grant. John McPherson and John Nairn were licensed ferrymen and they petitioned to the Representatives of the People of Nova Scotia in the General Assembly.

It mentioned the ongoing problem that an unlicensed ferryman, Donald McDougall, was operating a ferry between Pictou and Fisher's Grant and took away about half the earnings that would of otherwise gone to John McPherson and John Nairn.

Donald McDougall continued even that he was summoned and convicted of several offense.

"...That no Sooner did the said Donald McDougall find that he could not ferry in opposition to your petitioners for hire than he fell upon a new plan and fixed a box in the stern of his boat on which the words "poor box" were painted and there was an aperture in it into which those who encouraged his boat or took passage therein were in the habit of dropping the fare "

The results of this petition is not known.

On 4 February 1856 another Petition from John McPherson and John Nairn, ferrymen was started. “..... That the Ferry Wharf at Fisher’s Grant is in great want of Repairs and Extention. That it is now landed up so that Boats cannot land sometimes at low tides at the outer end of said Wharf.....”

The petition asks for a sum so they can do repair and extension. It is signed by 55 of Fisher’s Grant’s men. The results of this petition is not known.

John Nairn was in the ferry business for many years and later became a Ship Captain.

In 1861 John Nairn and his family, a total of 4 males and 2 females were living in Fisher’s Grant.

Construction of the railroad to Pictou Landing in 1867 brought the large iron steamship, May Flower, into service for InterColonial Railway (ICR) between the railhead at Pictou Landing (Fisher’s Grant) and Pictou, a service which connected train passengers, freight, and mail.

The May Flower carried sixty passengers in her Saloon. It was a large steam ferry that was 125 feet long and a beam of 23 1/2 feet.

In 14 April 1871, John Nairn, age 54 and his wife Ann Nairn age 47 and their 5 children were living in Fisher’s Grant. John Nairn was a Captain

In McAlpine’s Maritime Provinces, 1871, it listed Captain John Nairn as master mariner. In Lovell’s Province of Nova Scotia Directory of 1871, it listed at Fisher’s Grant, Captain John Nairn, Pictou ferryboat.

From a List of Patrons in the 1879 Pictou county Atlas it mentioned “Nairn, Capt. John Capt. of the Mayflower born in N.S.”

In 1881, John Nairn, age 65, and his wife Ann Nairn, age 60, and three of their children were living in Fisher’s Grant. John Nairn was a Steamboat Captain.

John and Anna Nairn’s son, John George, died at the age of 28 years.

John Nairn died in 1885. The obituary mentioned “NAIRN - At Pictou Landing, September 7th, Capt. John Nairn in his 70th year”.

John Nairn’s will is dated 22nd day of June 1883 and proved and registered 19th September 1885. It was probably written shortly after the death of his son John George Nairn.

“..... I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann all my personal property remaining after my lawful debts are paid I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann all my Real Estate to be held in trust during her natural life for my two daughters Anna Bell and Catherine Bain and at her death to be equally divided between them, Share and Share alike..... I hereby nominate and appoint my Son James Nairn to be my Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament”

Anna Foster died in 1889 at the age of 66 in Fisher’s Grant.

At Greenwood Cemetery in Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia, there is a stone:

John Nairn died 1885 age 70 yrs

wf. Anna Foster died 1889 age 66 yrs

John G. Nairn died 1883 age 28 yrs

Concerning the steamship May Flower, it was built in 1868 at Pictou by Sandford Fleming of Halifax. After its service for ICR, it was sold in 1879 and renamed the May Queen. The ship was destroyed by fire June 8, 1898 in Baddeck Harbour.

Children of John and Anna (Foster) Nairn

56. + **JAMES WILLIAM NAIRN** was born 1852 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

James married Julia E. Spencer.

57. **ANNA BELL NAIRN** was born 1853 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Anna Bell age 18 was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant. She was a Seamstress.

In 1881, Annabella, age 27, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant. Anna Bell was mentioned in the will of her father, dated 22 June 1883.

58. **JOHN GEORGE NAIRN** was born 1855 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, John George age 16 was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1881, John, age 26 was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

John G. Nairn died in 1883 at the age of 28 years and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

59. + **JOHNSON ARCHIBALD NAIRN** was born 1858 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Johnson married Ann Petina Wall.

60. **MARGARET CATHERINE NAIRN** was born 1862 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Margaret Catherine age 9 was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1881, Catherine, age 18, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

Catherine Bain was mentioned in the will of her father dated 22 June 1883.

Did Catherine married a Mr. Bain ?

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3rd generation

Daniel Foster (1825 - 1891)

Husband of Waity A. Humphries

13. **DANIEL FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 3 May 1825 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died 4 November 1891 at age 66 years.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

In the third quarter of 1844, the Brig "Lucretia", with John S. Adamson as its Master, arrived at Providence, Rhode Island after a voyage from Pictou, Nova Scotia on 9 September 1844. In the Passenger lists was Daniel Foster, age 19, Shipwright. Also in the list was his cousin Ann Foster, age 22, Servant; Jane Foster, age 18, Servant (do not know how she is related to the Foster family); and David McDougall, age 23, Farmer (probably a cousin).

In the second quarter of 1846, the Brig "Rainbow", British, with Israel Church as its Master, arrived at Providence, Rhode Island after a voyage from Pictou, Nova Scotia on 23 June 1846. In the Passenger lists was Daniel Foster, age 21, Ship Carpenter.

In the late 1840's, Daniel Foster went to Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island where he was in the shipbuilding business. His brother Thomas R. Foster went there too.

In 1850, Daniel Foster age 24, shipwright was living with the family of Waite Humphrey age 45 in Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island. Daniel soon married one of Waite Humphrey's daughters.

Daniel Foster married **WAITY A. HUMPHRIES** on 14 December 1851 at Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island. Waity was born ca. 1826 in Rhode Island. She was a daughter of Waite Humphrey, her father's name is not known. He was probably dead by 1850, since Waite Humphrey (age 45) was the head of the family.

In 1853, a Clipper Ship named "Pride of the Ocean" was launched at Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island. It was built by Daniel Foster. It was owned by Cady, Aldrich & Reid of the port of Providence, Rhode Island.

Daniel Foster's wife Waite died 24 April 1861 in Warren, Bristol Co., Rhode Island. She is buried at South Burial Ground in Warren.

In 1857, Daniel and Thomas Foster decided to move to Hawaii to try the shipbuilding business in the Pacific. It appears that Thomas Foster was the main brother involved in

the Shipbuilding business in Hawaii (See Thomas R. Foster for more about the business in Hawaii)

In 1880, Daniel Foster was in Oakland, Alameda County, California. Daniel is age 54 and is a Coal Dealer. Daniel's son and daughter, William and Hattie are present. They have a Chinese cook living with them, his name was Jo, age 20 born in China.

There was also another family living with them, Margarette and Nellie Fuller. Nellie was also born in Sandwich Island (Hawaii).

Children of Daniel and Waite (Humphries) Foster

61. **(UNNAMED MALE) FOSTER** was born 10 June 1854 in Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island. Probably died at birth.

62. **WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 24 May 1856 in Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island.

In 1880, William, age 24, a lawyer, is living at his father's home in Oakland, Alameda County, California. According to the census information, William Foster was married, but like the father, the wife was not listed.

63. **HATTIE FOSTER** was born 1861 Sandwich Island (Hawaii).

In the 1880 census, Hattie, age 19, is listed at her father's home in Oakland, Alameda, California.

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3rd generation

Samuel Archibald Foster (1833 - 1898)

Husband of Eliza Catherine Doyle

16. **SAMUEL ARCHIBALD FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 15 February 1831 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died at Fisher's Grant on 24 August 1898 at age 67 years.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

Samuel A. Foster was baptized at Prince Street Presbyterian church, Pictou in 1831.

Samuel married **ELIZA CATHERINE DOYLE**. Eliza was born in 22 July 1847 in Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Samuel A. Foster, his wife Elisa Catharine were at Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Samuel Foster was a Seaman.

In 1881, Samuel A. Foster, his wife Eliza and their two children, Hayward and Ella were living at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. Samuel Foster was a Merchant.

In 1901, Eliza Foster, and her children Ella and Smith Foster were living in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Also living with them was her adopted son, William Faulkner.

Both Samuel and Eliza Foster are buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Children of Samuel A. and Eliza C. (Doyle) Foster

64. **A. HAYWOOD FOSTER** was born 1872 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, A. Hayward, age 9, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

65. **ELLA FOSTER** was born 25 October 1873 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Ella, age 7, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Ella, age 27, was living with her mother at Fisher's Grant.

66. **SMITH FOSTER** was born 7 November 1881 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1901, Smith, age 19, was living with her mother at Fisher's Grant. Smith Foster was a Farm laborer.

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3rd generation

Charles R. Foster (1832 - 1879)

Husband of Annie Bell ---?---

17. **CHARLES R. FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 13 December 1832 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died 14 January 1879 in Buenos Aires, Argentina at age 47 years.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

Charles was baptized at Prince Street Presbyterian church, Pictou in 1833

Charles R. Foster married **ANNIE BELL** --- ? --- .

Annie was born 1820 in Nova Scotia.

In the 1871 Census of Pictou, Pictou County, Nova Scotia, Charles R. Foster is listed with his wife, Anniebell, and son Samuel. Charles R. Foster was a ship captain.

From the Halifax Morning Chronicle of March 5, 1879: Died - Capt. Charles R. Foster, of Pictou, commanding the Nova Scotia brig. 'TRUST', died suddenly of heart disease, at Buenos Ayres, on the 14th January.

Children of Charles R. and Annie B. (---?---) Foster

67. **SAMUEL FOSTER** was born 1861 in Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Samuel, age 10, was living with his parents in Pictou, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

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3rd generation

Thomas R. Foster (1835 - 1889)

Husband of Mary Elizabeth Mikahala Robinson

19. **THOMAS R. FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster³) was born 19 May 1835 at Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died 20 August 1889 in San Francisco, California at age 54 years.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

Thomas R. Foster went to work with for his brother, Daniel Foster, in his shipbuilding business in Warren, Bristol County, Rhode Island in the 1850's

In 1857, Daniel and Thomas Foster decided to move to Hawaii to try the shipbuilding business in the Pacific. It appears that Thomas Foster was the main brother involved in the Shipbuilding business in Hawaii

Thomas Foster married **MARY ELIZABETH MIKAHALA ROBINSON**, the eldest daughter of James Robinson, the prominent local ship builder, in 1861.

James Robinson, an Englishman, who arrived in Honolulu in 1820, established a ship building business and leased major O`ahu lands prior to the Great Mahele. Following the Great Mahele, the land was purchased by Robinson.

Today in Hawaii the Robinson influence still exist. The Mark A. Robinson Trust, the current landholdings include 2,860 acres of primarily commercial, residential and agricultural usage.

On March 4, 1866, the Brennen barque Libelle, under command of Captain Tobias, went ashore on the east reef at Wake Island. On board were several prominent passengers and a cargo valued at over \$300,000.

Several vessels went to Wake Island to salvage the cargo, which included several hundred flasks of quicksilver. The sloop Hokulele, with a party headed by T.R. Foster, left Honolulu May 9, 1867, reached Wake on May 31st, left there June 22, and returned to Honolulu July 29, 1867 with 247 flasks of quicksilver.

Thomas Foster, Captain, returned to Wake Island with eight Hawaiian divers , landed at Wake Island from the Hawaiian schooner Moi Wahine in September, 1867.

Three days after their arrival their schooner, with Captain Zenas Bent in command, mate Wight, and a crew of five, was driven to sea by a gale and not heard again.

The salvage party was rescued by the English brig Cleo, Captain Cargell, in March, 1868, and returned to Honolulu on April 29, with 240 flasks of quicksilver, some copper, anchor and chain.

Captain Thomas R. Foster was having a fleet of steamers built by Hall Brothers at Port Ludlow, Washington. His steamers were the James Makee (June, 1879), C. R. Bishop (1880) and Iwalani (March, 1881).

In 1883, Foster's fleet became known as the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company. Mail among the islands in the 1880's and 1890's was carried almost solely by the steamers operated by Thomas Foster and two other companies.

The Foster Botanical Garden is the oldest in Hawaii and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Garden originated in 1853 when the Hawaiian Queen, Kalama, leased land to William Hillebrand, a German physician and botanist who built his home here and planted trees that now grace the area.

Mr. Hillebrand who started the botanical garden in Honolulu, sold his Hawaiian home in 1880 to a neighbor, a young entrepreneur from Nova Scotia and his part-Hawaiian wife, Thomas and Mary Foster.

With financial help from Mary's father, the Fosters bought property just mauka of the Hillebrands' driveway near the intersection of Nu'uanu Avenue and School Street. There, they built a modest residence and settled down. Years later in 1880 when Hillebrand decided not to return to Hawai'i, he sold the house and gardens to the Fosters.

In 1884, the Fosters removed the existing Hillebrand house and built a mansion with a 5-story tower which would allow Thomas to see his passing ships. Mary enjoyed the gardens and spent much of her time renovating them. One of her contributions was the building of an auwai, or canal system for irrigation. The gardens remained a place for the Foster family to play and relax.

Thomas passed away five years later in 1889 and left Mary alone. For several years, Mary chose to live at her sister's home. With the Nu'uanu house empty, the Foster gardens fell into a state of disrepair. Mary later returned, but found the tangles of the garden appealing and refused to have them thinned. She continued to add to the gardens and is responsible for the exceptional Bo Tree found in the garden today, a specimen propagated from what is believed to be the oldest historical tree in the world.

Another figure of great importance to Foster Botanical Garden was Harold L. Lyon. Lyon moved to Hawai'i from Minnesota in 1907 to work for the Hawaii Sugar Planters Association (HSPA). Besides working on projects to cure diseases afflicting sugar cane, Lyon also worked on projects that sought to reforest the watershed areas of the island, an issue important to sugar planters. Lyon was a botanist who specialized in trees and it is understandable how the towering trees of the Foster gardens enticed him to seek out Mary Foster and develop a formal relationship with the widow.

Through encouragement from Lyon, Mary decided the gardens were special, yet were in need of constant maintenance to repair years of neglect. In an agreement which helped the sugar planters, but was also an opportunity for Mary to ensure Lyon would remain on-site to supervise her gardens, Mary leased the HSPA nearly two acres of her property fronting Vineyard Street as an addition to their nursery. Her only stipulation required that the HSPA gardens were made to complement her already existing gardens. As a result, the grounds were graded and one of the first HSPA experiment stations was established at the property. By 1925, Lyon had developed what he considered the best-equipped plant nursery in the Hawaiian Islands.

In the 1930 Census of Honolulu we find Mary Mikahale Foster, age 86, widow, living at the home of her sister, Victoria Ward at the corner of King and Ward Street. She was listed as a Manager - General Merchandise.

Victoria Ward and her husband, Curtis Perry Ward, once owned an estate comprising over 100 acres in central Honolulu. At its greatest extent, these lands stretched all the way from Thomas Square to the shore. Until Hawaiian property laws changed in the 1870's, the Ward's stewardship responsibilities included all of the fringing reef fronting their property as well as fishing rights that extended indefinitely out to sea. Victoria was born in Nu'uanu in 1846, the daughter of English shipbuilder, James Robinson and his wife, Rebecca Previer, a woman of Hawaiian ancestry whose chiefly lineage had roots in Ka'u, Hilo and Honokowai, Maui.

On December 19, 1930, Mary Foster died at the age of 86. She bequeathed her home and gardens (approximately 5 acres) to the City of Honolulu. She placed a stipulation on the transferal of the property that required the City and County of Honolulu to "accept and forever keep and properly maintain the (gardens) as a public and tropical park to be known and called Foster Park" and left \$10,000 for initial improvements.

The Department of Parks was able to accept the gift and Foster Park and Gardens opened its doors to the public on November 30, 1931.

Dr. Harold Lyon, the first director of Foster Garden, introduced thousands of new plants and trees to Hawaii, and started the famous orchid collection. Paul Weissich, director from 1957 to 1989, expanded Foster Garden to 14 acres of native plants and introduced plants in the heart of bustling downtown Honolulu, and developed four additional sites on Oahu Island to create the 650-acre Honolulu Botanical Gardens system.

The five gardens feature rare species from tropical environments ranging from desert to rainforest.

Thomas and Mary Foster did not have any children. But the Foster Botanical Gardens and Park is still around to remind us about them.

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3rd generation

Joseph Foster (1837 - 1917)

Husband of Jessie ---?---

20. **JOSEPH FOSTER** (of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 28 November 1837 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died 26 February 1917.

Father: William Foster (No. 4)

Mother: Isabella McDougall

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

Children of Joseph and Jessie (---?---) Foster

68. **THOMAS FOSTER** was born 1867 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Thomas, age 4, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1881, Thomas Foster, age 13, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

69. **EFFIE FOSTER** was born 1869 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Effie, age 2, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1881, Effie, age 12, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

70. **ARTHUR FOSTER** was born 1875 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Arthur, age 6, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

71. **JOSEPH FOSTER** was born 22 August 1876 in U.S.A. (in the 1901 census it is Nova Scotia).

In 1881, Joseph, age 4, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Joseph, age 24, was living with his parents at Fisher's Grant. Joseph Foster was a Seaman.

72. **JESSIE FOSTER** was born 1878 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Jessie, age 3, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Jessie, age 22, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

73. **ELIZA A. H. FOSTER** was born 1880 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Eliza, age 1, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

Eliza A. H. Foster, died at the age of 11 years and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

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6. Further Family Bible information from David Christie May 7, 2003

3rd generation

William E. Foster (1834 - 1886)

Husband of Diadama Jane Owens

23. **WILLIAM E. FOSTER** (of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 16 May 1834 (1836 another source) in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada and died 24 December 1886 (1887 another source) in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Father: Paul Foster (No. 5)

Mother: Mary McKay

William Foster was baptized 15 July 1834 at Prince Street Presbyterian Church in Pictou, Nova Scotia.

William married **DIADAMA JANE OWENS**.

Diadama (also known as Dama) was born 23 May 1852 at Clearfield, Clearfield, Pennsylvania and died 18 September 1937 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas. She was a daughter of Aaron and Emily (Estes) Owens.

William E. Foster probably left Fisher's Grant, Nova Scotia in the 1860's and went to Minnesota. William met Diadama Owens in Hutchinson, McLeod County, Minnesota where she was living with her widowed mother. They probably got married in 1870.

During the time of the 1870 Census, W. M. and Damma J. Foster were living in Acoma, McLeod County, Minnesota. According to the census, it is erroneously listed that W. M. Foster was born in Massachusetts.

In 1880, William and Dama J. Foster with their 3 children were living in Swan Lake, Meeker County, Minnesota. William Foster was listed as a farmer.

In 1884, William Foster and family moved from Hutchinson, Minnesota to Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

From an article in the Taylor Press 1956, it mentioned "Mr. Foster was in the hauling business and the family home was located where the Lone Star Gas Company office is located today, and Mr. Foster owned that block including the corner where the Methodist church is now."

In Taylor, he was joined up with his brothers, Paul J. Foster, Joseph R. Foster, and their father, Paul Foster, Senior who was in his late 80's at that time.

In the 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, William Foster's is listed there. William was a Carpenter.

In the 1890 Census of the City of Taylor, Williamson, Texas, Dama Foster is listed with her 4 children.

In the 1900 Census of Williamson County, Texas, Walter and Roxia Smith, were listed with their two daughters Mary and Mildred. Also living with them were, John P. Smith the father and D. J. Foster the mother-in-law.

Diadama Foster married 2nd to John Poindexter Smith after 1900. John P. Smith was born 14 October 1836 in Tennessee and died 18 July 1906 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas. John P. Smith was married before and had a son Walter C. Smith, who married Diadama Foster's daughter.

In the 1920 Census we find Dama J. Smith in Precinct 1, Bexar County, Texas, she was a widow 65 years old.

Diadama Smith died at Taylor 18 September 1937.

Children of William and Diadama (Owens) Foster

74. + **EMILY ANN FOSTER** was born 21 January 1871 in Hutchinson, McLeod County, Minnesota.

Emily married William T. Hume.

75. + **ROXA EDITH FOSTER** was born 29 August 1873 in Hutchinson, McLeod County, Minnesota.

Roxa married Walter C. Smith.

76. + **NEWTON WILLIAM FOSTER** was born 21 November 1876 in Dassel, McLeod county, Minnesota.

Newton married Louise --- ? ----.

77. **JOSEPH FOSTER** was born 12 July 1879 in Dassel, McLeod County, Minnesota and died there in September 1880.

78. + **ROSCOE RODERICK FOSTER** was born 8 February 1885 in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

Roscoe married Gertrude Camille Kibler.

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3. 1880 Census of Minnesota, Meeker County, Swan Lake, ED No. 57 Pg. 19, Ancestry.com.
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5. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
6. 1900 Census of Texas, Williamson County, All Townships, E.D. No. 134, Image 10, Ancestry.com. Walter and Roxia Smith's family.
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3rd generation

Catherine Foster (1838 - ?)

Wife of Joseph H. Ivey

25. **CATHERINE FOSTER** (of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 1838 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Father: Paul Foster (No. 5)

Mother: Mary McKay

Catherine was baptized 18 March 1838 at Prince Street Presbyterian Church in Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Catherine Foster made at least two trips to Providence, Rhode Island according to passenger lists. Catherine Foster, age 19, servant, arrived at Providence, R. I. on 20 August 1857. Catherine Foster, age 22, House Maid, arrived at Providence, R.I. on 17 September 1860.

Catherine married **JOSEPH H. IVEY** around 1867. Captain Joseph H. Ivey was born ca. 1834 a native of Liverpool, Lancashire, England.

Capt. Joseph H. Ivey died on 3 June 1876 at the age of 42 years and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia. It is noted that there is a Masonic symbol on his grave stone.

In the 1881 census, Catherine Ivey, widow, was listed with her two children, Alice and Henry Ivey. Also listed with her was, George Foster, age 85. George Foster was Catherine Ivey's Uncle (brother of Paul Foster Sr.)

Catherine Ivey is also buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia.

Children of Joseph and Catherine (Foster) Ivey

79. **JOSEPH E. IVEY** was born 1868 and died 25 December 1868 at the age of 8 months and 9 days. Joseph Jr. is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia.

80. **ALICE M. C. IVEY** was born 29 October 1870 in Pictou, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia. In the 1881 census, Alice age 10, is listed with her mother at Fisher's Grant.

81. **HENRY R. F. IVEY** was born 1874 in Nova Scotia.

In the 1881 census, Henry age 7, is listed with his mother at Fisher's Grant, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia.

In the 1930 Census of Sherman, Grant County, Kansas, we find Henry Ivey, age 58, single, a lodger at the household of Owen B. McCollm. Henry Ivey was a Farmhand laborer.

Sources:

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2. Church Records, Prince Street Presbyterian, Pictou, Nova Scotia NSARM MFM11775-X, information from John Myles 9-13-2002.
3. Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou Co., Nova Scotia, transcription records.
4. 1881 Census of Nova Scotia, Pictou Co., Pictou Subdivision I, Pg. 4 Household No. 15. FHL 1378511 FamilySearch.com.
5. Register of Births, deaths, marriage Nova Scotia, 1864-1875, Batch C534631 or FHL Film 1298875 It 2, for the birth of Alice Ivey 1870. On FamilySearch IGI v5.0, Familysearch.com.
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3rd generation

Paul J. Foster (1841 - ?)

Husband of Mary Jane Powell and May ---?---

26. **PAUL J. FOSTER** (of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 17 February 1841 at Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Father: Paul Foster (No. 5)

Mother: Mary McKay

Paul Foster, Jr. was baptized 27 June 1841 at Prince Street Presbyterian Church in Pictou, Nova Scotia.

William Gordon of Fisher's Grant gave to Paul Foster, Jr. 1/2 acre of land according to William Gordon's Will proved 27 November 1856.

Paul Foster married **MARY JANE POWELL**.

Mary was born 22 June 1841 in Nova Scotia and died 22 May 1881 age 39 years 11 months in Texas.

In 1871, Paul Foster Jr. and his wife Mary are at Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Paul was a Farmer.

By 1883 Paul Foster married 2nd to a young lady, **MAY ---- ? -----** .

May was born 1867 in Tennessee.

In the 1884 Census of the City of Taylor, Williamson, Texas, Paul Foster is listed as a Blacksmith.

In the 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Paul Foster is again listed as a Blacksmith.

From a newspaper article of 1956 about Robert Ray Foster, it mentioned " the elder Fosters (P. J. and son Ivey) had a blacksmith shop in Forth Worth and later in Taylor".

In 1900, Paul J. Foster age 57 a widower and his two sons from his second marriage were living in Union township, Washita County, Oklahoma. Paul J. Foster was a Blacksmith.

Children of Paul J. and Mary J. (Powell) Foster

82. + **LAURA NOVILLA FOSTER** was born 25 June 1873 in Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

Laura married George Milton Burke.

83. + **IVEY RODERICK FOSTER** was born 1875 in Nova Scotia.

Ivey married Cora --- ? ---.

84. **WARREN FOSTER** was born 1877 in Texas.

Warren Foster at age 7 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Also listed with the parents in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Warren is listed age 9.

Children of Paul J. and May (---?---) Foster

85. **HARLEY FOSTER** was born 1883 in Texas.

Harley Foster at age 1 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Also listed with the parent in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Harley is listed age 5.

In 1900, Harley, age 16, was living with his father in Union Township, Washita County, Oklahoma. Harley was a Blacksmith.

(In the 1920 census, there is a Harley A. Foster, age 35, a Lodger, in a Hotel in Grand Avenue, Oklahoma, Oklahoma Co., Oklahoma. The census indicates that Harley Foster was married. This Harley Foster is born in Texas with father born in Texas and mother born Texas. The discrepancy is the parents birth locations) (source - 1920 census of Oklahoma, Oklahoma Co., Oklahoma, ED No. 154, Image 1, Ancestry.com).

(In the 1930 census, there is a Harley Foster, age 46, a boarder, in Lexington, Lafayette County, Missouri. The census indicates that Harley Foster was married. This Harley Foster is born in Texas with father born in Massachusetts and mother born Tennessee. The only discrepancy is that our Harley Foster's father was born in Nova Scotia) (source - 1930 census of Missouri, Lafayette County, Lexington, District 20, Image 16, Ancestry.com).

86. + **EDGAR D. FOSTER** was born 1887 in Texas.

He married Pearl Lillian ---?----.

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1. Will of William Gordon, Proved 1856. Pictou County, Nova Scotia Wills.
2. 1871 Census of Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, 3-44-46, Paul Foster Jr. and Mary his wife.
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3rd generation

Joseph Roderick Foster (1846 - 1898)

Husband of Agnes --- ? ---

27. **JOSEPH RODERICK FOSTER** (of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 1846 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died 17 December 1898 at Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

Father: Paul Foster (No. 5)

Mother: Mary McKay

Joseph Foster was baptized 23 September 1845 at Prince Street Presbyterian Church in Pictou, Nova Scotia.

In 1870, Joseph R. Foster age 23 and Mathew Sproull age 35, both House Carpenters were living in the household of Frank Folda a General Merchant in Colfax County, Nebraska. (Mathew Sproull is a Fisher's Grant, N.S. person too and possible relative of Joseph Foster)

They went back to Nova Scotia soon.

In 1871, Joseph, age 24, was living at his father's farm at Fisher's Grant. Joseph R. Foster was a Joiner.

Joseph Foster married **AGNES** ---- ? ---- before 1876.

Agnes was born August 1846 in Nova Scotia and died 4 August 1901 in Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas.

In the 1884 Census of the City of Taylor, Williamson, Texas, Joseph R. Foster is listed as a Carpenter. His father, Paul Foster Sr. age 90, was living with them.

In the 1890 Census of the City of Taylor, Williamson, Texas, Joseph R. Foster is again listed as a Carpenter. Joseph Foster died in December 17, 1898 at Taylor at age 52.

In the 1900 Census of Williamson County, Texas, Agnes Foster, a widow, age 63 is listed with her 5 children.

Both Joseph and Agnes Foster are buried in the cemetery in Taylor, Texas.

Children of Joseph R. and Agnes (---?---) Foster

87. **EDNA FOSTER** was born October 1876 in Texas.

Edna Foster at age 8 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Also listed with the parents in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Edna is listed age 12.

In 1900, Edna, age 23, school teacher, is living with her widowed mother in Taylor.

88. **ISABEL PAULINE FOSTER** was born August 1876 in Texas.

Isabel Foster at age 6 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Also listed with the parents in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Isabel is listed age 11.

In 1900, Pauline, age 21, is living with her widowed mother in Taylor.

89. **MARY J. FOSTER** was born October 1879 in Texas.

Mary Foster at age 5 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Also listed with the parents in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Mary is listed age 9.

In 1900, Mary, age 20, dressmaker, is living with her widowed mother in Taylor.

In the same cemetery group of Joseph and Agnes Foster in Taylor, Texas is also the following two names: Mary J. Hafner died 12 June 1953 and Carl J. Hafner died 15 October 1918. This is probably Mary J. Foster and her husband or son ?

90. + **HERBERT W. FOSTER** was born April 1881.

Herbert married Lelia Avery.

91. **AGNES. J. FOSTER** was born June 1882 in Texas.

Agnes Foster at age 2 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Also listed with the parents in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Agnes is listed age 7.

In 1900, Agnes, age 17, drygoods saleswoman, is living with her widowed mother in Taylor.

Miss Agnes Foster died 30 March 1959 and is buried in the cemetery in Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas.

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2. 1870 Census of Nebraska, Colfax County, All Townships, Image 14. Post Office Schiyler 140/119 Frank Fulda household with Joseph R. Foster and Mathew Sproull. Ancestry.com.
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6. Newspaper, Presbyterian Witness PW Sat. 15 Jan 1898 v. LI no. 3 p. 24 death of Joseph R. Foster. Information from John Myles 9-13-02.
7. 1900 Census of Texas, Williamson County, All townships, E.D. No. 136, Image 11. Agnes Foster's family.
8. Digital Photos of Gravestones in Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas. Joseph R. Foster, Agnes Foster, and others. Pictures from John Myles.

3rd generation

Ann Foster (1822 - 1890)

Wife of Lafayette Burdick

28. **ANN FOSTER** (of George Foster², of John Foster¹) born 1822 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died 4 December 1890 in Rhode Island.

Father: George Foster (No. 6)

Mother: Margaret --- ? ---

In the third quarter of 1844, the Brig "Lucretia", with John S. Adamson as its Master, arrived at Providence, Rhode Island after a voyage from Pictou, Nova Scotia on September 9, 1844. In the Passenger lists was Ann Foster, age 22, Servant. Also on the same list was, her cousin Daniel Foster, age 19, Shipwright; Jane Foster, age 18, Servant (do not know how she is related to the Foster family).

Ann Foster married **LAFAYETTE BURDICK** around 1849 in Rhode Island. Lafayette was born in Connecticut around 1823 (age 37 1860 Census) or 1825 (age 55 1880 Census) and died April 26, 1894 in Rhode Island.

In the 1860 census of the 5th Ward of Providence, Rhode Island, we find "Laurence Burchet" (Lafayette Burdick) age 37 born in Connecticut, his wife Ann age 38 born "Pictou", and their three children. Lafayette Burdick was listed as a Teamster.

Also living with them in 1860 was Ann Burdick's parent's family, George and Margaret Foster and their children Mary and Lilly.

Lafayette Burdick served in the Union Army during the Civil War. He was a Wagoner when he was induced and by the time he was discharged he was a private. Lafayette was in the 1st Company of the 11th Rhode Island Infantry.

In the 1880 census of East Providence, Rhode Island, we find Lafayette Burdick age 55 born in Connecticut, his wife Ann age 54 born in Nova Scotia, and 6 of their children. Also two son-in-laws, Thomas Johnson and Royal Leach, and two grandsons were living with the Burdicks.

Children of Lafayette and Ann (Foster) Burdick

92. **ADELAIDE BURDICK** was born 1850 in Rhode Island.

In 1860, Adelaide age 9 was living with her parents in the 5th Ward of Providence, Rhode Island.

Adelaide Burdick married Thomas Johnson before 1880..

In 1880, Thomas Johnson, age 35 born in New York a watchmaker, and Adelaide Johnson, age 30, were living in Lafayette Burdick's home in East Providence, Rhode Island.

93. + **SARAH BURDICK** was born 1852 in Rhode Island.

Sarah Burdick married Royal B. Leach.

94. **MARGARETTA BURDICK** was born 1854 in Rhode Island.

Margaretta Burdick died on 13 June 1859 at the age of 5 years.

95. **ALFRED BURDICK** was born 1 July 1857 in Rhode Island.

Alfred Burdick died on June 1, 1858 at the age of 11 months in Rhode Island.

96. **CHARLES H. BURDICK** was born 14 March 1859 in Rhode Island.

In 1860, Charles age 1 was living with his parents in the 5th Ward of Providence, Rhode Island.

In 1880, Charles Burdick, age 20 a Roll Coverer, was living with his parents in East Providence, Rhode Island.

Charles H. Burdick died in Rhode Island on August 6, 1900

97. **LAFAYETTE BURDICK** was born 5 October 1861 in Rhode Island.

Lafayette Burdick died on 22 August 1867 at the age of 5 years in Rhode Island.

98. **NANCY BURDICK** was born 7 June 1863 in Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island.

In 1880, Nannie Burdick, age 17, was living with her parents in East Providence, Rhode Island. Nannie Burdick was working in a Jewelry shop.

99. **HARRIET PERRY BURDICK** was born 23 February 1866 in Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island.

In 1880, Hattie Burdick, age 15 was living with her parents in East Providence, Rhode Island.

100. **LILLIE AUGUSTA BURDICK** was born 5 April 1868 in Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island.

In 1880, Lillie Burdick, age 11 was living with her parents in East Providence, Rhode Island.

101. **LAURA S. BURDICK** died 28 December 1871 in Rhode Island.

Sources:

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<http://members.fortunecity.com/sneirish/ProvPassengers.htm>. 3rd quarter 1844.
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8. Birth record of Lillie Augusta Burdick, 1868 FamilySearch IGI Index v5.0 Source FHL Film No. 0914405 V. 9-10 FamilySearch.org
9. Civil War Service Records Index, Ancestry.com Lafayette Burdick
10. 1880 Census of Rhode Island, Providence County, East Providence, FHL Film 1255214, NA Film T9-1214 Page No. 218B, Familysearch.com Lafayette Burdick family, including Johnson and Leach members.

3rd generation

William Foster (1825 - ?)

Husband of Adelaide Vanderslice

30. **WILLIAM FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

3rd generation

Catherine Foster (ca. 1828 - ?)

Wife of Purchase D. Jewett

31. **CATHERINE FOSTER** (of George Foster², of John Foster¹) was born ca. 1828 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Father: George Foster (No. 6)

Mother: Margaret --- ? ---

On July 3, 1845, the Bark "Lucretia", that came from Pictou, Nova Scotia, arrived in the Port of Providence and aboard the ship as one of the passengers was Catherine Foster, age 17. She was with her mother, and brothers and sisters. They were joining up with George Foster and another brother who went to Rhode Island earlier.

In 1850, Catherine Foster, age 21, was living with her parents in Swansea, Bristol County, Massachusetts.

Catherine Foster, also known as Katy, married **PURCHASE D. JEWETT** on 2 June 1857 in Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island.

Purchase Jewett was an older man and Catherine was probably his second wife.

In 1870, Purchase Jewett, age 60, his wife Catherine, age 37, and their son were living in the 5th Ward of Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island. Purchase Jewett was a carpenter.

In 1880, Purchase Jewett, age 72, his wife Catherine, age 50, and their son were living in Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island. Purchase Jewett was a carpenter.

Children of Purchase D. and Catherine (Foster) Jewett

102. **GEORGE M. JEWETT** was born 11 April 1858 in Cranston, Providence County, Rhode Island.

In 1870, George M. Jewett, age 12, was living with his parents in Providence, RI, he was attending school.

In 1880, George M. Jewett, age 22, was living with his parents in Providence, RI. George was a Polisher of Jewelry.

Sources:

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3rd generation

Walter Foster (1834 - ?)

Husband of Mrs. Anna McCarthy and Emma Kairk

34. **WALTER FOSTER**

See above in Part I for updated history on this person

Children of Walter and Anna Foster

103. **MARGARET E. FOSTER** was born 1859 in Mobile, Mobile co., Alabama.

In 1860, Margaret, age 1, was with her parents in Ward 6 of Mobile, Alabama.

In 1870, "May" age 11 was living with her father and stepmother in Shieldsborough, Hancock County, Mississippi.

She was not listed with the family in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1880, she may have been married by then.

Children of Walter and Emma (Kairk) Foster

104. **LILLY FOSTER** was born 1866 in Mobile, Mobile Co., Alabama.

In 1870, Lilly age 4 was living with her parents in Shieldsborough, Hancock County, Mississippi.

In 1880, Lilly, age 14, was with her parents in Biloxi, Harrison Co., Mississippi.

105. **ROSA FOSTER** was born 1868 in Mobile, Mobile Co., Alabama.

In 1870, "Martha" age 2 was living with her parents in Shieldsborough, Hancock County, Mississippi.

In 1880, Rosa, age 12, was with her parents in Biloxi, Harrison Co., Mississippi.

106. **FANNIE FOSTER** was born 1872 in Mississippi.

In 1880, Fannie, age 8, was with her parents in Biloxi, Harrison Co., Mississippi.

107. **LOUISA FOSTER** was born 1874 in Mississippi.

In 1880, Louisa, age 6, was with her parents in Biloxi, Harrison Co., Mississippi.

4th generation

William James Foster (1850 - 1925)

Husband of Henrietta McArthur

39. **WILLIAM JAMES FOSTER** (of John Foster³, of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 21 February 1851 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died in 1925.

Father: John Foster (No. 8)

Mother: Margaret Fraser

In 1871, William, age 20, was living with his parents at Fisher's Grant. William J. Foster was listed as a Farm laborer.

William J. Foster married **HENRIETTA MCARTHUR**.

Henrietta was born May 1855 in Nova Scotia and died in 1918.

In 1881, William James Foster, his wife Henrietta, and their three children, were living at Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. William J. Foster was a Conductor for I.C.R. (InterColonial Railway).

In the New Glasgow newspaper, The Enterprise, dated September 29, 1888 is this comment "Railway Conductor Foster is on the road every day from 6am to 10pm - long hours for any man".

In 1901, William J. Foster, his wife, Henrietta, and 6 of their children were in Fisher's Grant. William Foster, 58, is a Farmer.

William and Henrietta Foster are buried at Greenwood cemetery, Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia.

Children of William and Henrietta (McArthur) Foster

108. **EMMA FOSTER** was born 11 November 1873 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Emma, age 6, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

Emma Foster married a Mr. Faulkner.

In 1901, Emma Faulkner, age 28, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant. Emma was married at the time but her husband was not at Fisher's Grant.

109. **CHARLES HERBERT FOSTER** was born 1 July 1875 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Charles Herbert, age 5, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Charles, age 25, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant. Charles was a Mail Clerk.

110. **MAUDE DOROTHY FOSTER** was born 24 February 1878 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Maude, age 3, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Maude, age 23, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

Maude married Joseph L. Eaton.

Joseph was born in 1881 and died in 1940. Maude died in 1929. Both Joseph and Maude Eaton are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

111. **BELBA FOSTER** was born 13 January 1881 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1901, Belba, age 19, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

112. **ELIZA FOSTER** was born 19 May 1892 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1901, Eliza, age 8, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

113. **JANE FOSTER** was born 2 August 1896 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1901, Jane, age 2, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

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2. 1881 Census of Nova Scotia, Pictou. Pictou Subdivision I, Pg. 9 38/38. William James Foster's family.

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5. The Enterprise, New Glasgow, 29 September 1888. About Railway Conductor Foster's hours.

4th generation

Mary Ann Foster (1850 - 1941)

Wife of Charles J. Gill

44. **MARY ANN FOSTER** (of Paul Foster³, of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 20 June 1850 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou, Nova Scotia and died 24 October 1941.

Father: Paul Foster (No. 10)

Mother: Catherine McKay

In 1871, Mary, age 19, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant. Mary Ann Foster was a servant.

Mary Foster married **CHARLES J. GILL**. on 16 November 1889.

Charles was born 1850 in England and died 1904. He was a son of James and Louisa Gill.

At the time of their marriage they were living in Boston, Massachusetts. Charles Gill was a Teamster and Mary was a nurse. In 1892, they were in Newton, Massachusetts where Charles Gill was a bookkeeper. By 1895 the family was back in Pictou where their daughter Rosa was born.

Charles Gill died in 1904 and is buried at Duff Cemetery, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Mary Gill is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia.

Children of Charles and Mary (Foster) Gill

114. + **JAMES FOSTER GILL** was born 15 March 1892 at Newton, Massachusetts and died 21 October 1966.

115. **ROSA LOUISE GILL** was born 28 September 1895 at Pictou, Nova Scotia and died October 1895 age 5 weeks.

Sources:

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4th generation

Mitchel Foster (1854 - 1880)

Husband of Jemima Powell

50. **MITCHEL FOSTER** (of George Foster³, of William Foster², of John Foster¹) born 11 September 1854 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died 12 December 1880.

Father: George Foster (No. 11)

Mother: Mary --- ? ---

In 1871, Mitchel, age 16, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant, he was a Farm servant.

Mitchel Foster married **JEMIMA POWELL** around 1874.

Jemima was born 18 July 1856 in Nova Scotia and died 2 June 1935 in Rhode Island.

Mitchel Foster died 12 December 1880 at the age of 26 and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou county, Nova Scotia.

In 1881, Jemima Foster, age 25, widower, and her daughter, Ann were living in the home of John and Martha Ann Dee. John Dee's wife was Martha Ann Powell, she probably was a sister of Jemima Foster.

Jemima Foster remarried with **MICHAEL MCKINNON** by 1883.

He was born 1857 in Nova Scotia. His parents were born in Scotland. Michael McKinnon died between 1920 and 1930 in Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island. He was a Blacksmith.

In 1883, Jemima and her husband and her two oldest daughters from Mitchel Foster went to the United States. They moved to Providence, Providence Co., Rhode Island. Her youngest daughter from Mitchel Foster, Annie, who was a young child at the time, was left behind to live with her grandfather's brother and sister, Smith and Margaret Foster, in Fisher's Grant, Nova Scotia.

In 1910, Michael McKinnon, age 52, a blacksmith and his wife Jemima, age 53 and their 3 sons were living in Providence, Rhode Island.

In 1920, Michael McKinnon, age 63, a blacksmith and his wife Jemima age 64, were living in Providence, Rhode Island. Also living with them were, their 2 sons and a daughter-in-law.

In 1930 in Providence, Rhode Island, Jemima McKinnon, age 73 and widowed was living in the household of son John F. McKinnon age 48 a trainer at College. Also in the household was son William age 37 a Lieutenant in a Fire Department, his wife Ellen age 35 and his daughter Hope E. McKinnon age 9.

Children of Mitchell and Jemima (Powell) Foster

116. **ELLA MAY FOSTER** was born 2 March 1875 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

117. + **MARGARET GEORGINA FOSTER** was born 29 April 1877 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Known as Maggie.

Margaret married Charles H. Huggins.

118. + **ANN CATHERINE FOSTER** was born 29 June 1879 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. Known as Annie.

Ann married John Robert Christie.

Children of Michael and Jemima (Powell) McKinnon

1. **RODERICK MCKINNON** was born 1884 in Rhode Island.

In 1910, Roderick, age 26, a Ship "Chandler", was living with his parents in Providence, Rhode Island.

2. **JOHN F. MCKINNON** was born 1885 in Rhode Island.

In 1910, John, age 24, was living with his parents in Providence, Rhode Island. John was a Bench hand in a Jewelry shop.

In 1920, John F. age 35, was living with his parents in Providence, R. I. John F. McKinnon was an Athletic Trainer at a College

In 1930, John F. McKinnon age 48 single, was living in Providence, Rhode Island.

3. + **WILLIAM MCKINNON** was born 1894 in Rhode Island.

In 1910, William, age 16, was living with his parents in Providence, Rhode Island.

William was a toolmaker in a Jewelry shop.

He married by 1920 Helen ---?-----.

In 1920, William age 26 and his wife Helen age 25 were living in the home of his parents in Providence, Rhode Island. William McKinnon was a Fireman.

In 1930, in Providence, R.I., in the household of his brother, John F. McKinnon, was William age 37 a Lieutenant in a Fire Department, his wife Ellen age 35 and his daughter Hope E. McKinnon age 9.

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3. Newspaper, Presbyterian Witness Index 1848-1908 NSARM, obituary of Mitchell Foster, P[resby] W[itness] Sat 15 Jan 1881 v. XXXIV no. 3 pg. 24. Information from John Miles 9-13-2002.
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5. 1910 Census of Rhode Island, Providence, Roll 1441 Book 2, 1-WD Providence. Image 297 (Page 149a), 96/82/163 or 153. The family of Michael McKinnon. genealogy.com.
6. 1920 Census of Rhode Island, Providence Co., Providence ED No. 171 Image 20, 96/94/183. The family of Michael McKinnon. Ancestry.com.
7. 1930 Census of Rhode Island, Providence Co., Providence District No. 147, Image 27, 201/151/199. The family of John F. McKinnon. Ancestry.com.

4th generation

James William Nairn (1852 - 1921)

Husband of Julia E. Spencer

56. **JAMES WILLIAM NAIRN** (of Ann Foster³, of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born in 6 November 1852 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died 20 June 1921 in Truro, Colchester County, Nova Scotia.

Father: John Nairn

Mother: Ann Foster (No. 12)

James Nairn was born and raised in Fisher's Grant, Nova Scotia.

In April 14, 1871, James William Nairn, age 19, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant. He was a Farmer.

By 1879, James moved to Londonderry, Colchester County, Nova Scotia and was by that time a train engineer.

James W. Nairn married **JULIA E. SPENCER** on 31 December 1879 at Londonderry, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia.

Julia was born in 12 December 1854 in Londonderry and died 19 June 1907 probably at Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia. She was a daughter of John C. and Sarah Spencer. Julia's father was a Railway Station Agent.

In 1881, James Nairn age 29 and his wife Julia age 26 were living in Truro, Colchester, County, Nova Scotia. J. W. Nairn was a Engine Driver.

James Nairn was made the sole Executor of his father's Will, dated June 22, 1883 and Proven and Registered September 19, 1885.

In 1885, James and Julia Nairn's son Frank died at the age of 3 years.

In 1891, James W. Nairn age 39 and his wife Julia age 36 and their two children were living in Truro, Colchester, County, Nova Scotia.

In 1901, James Nairn age 48 and his wife Julia age 46 and their two children were living in Truro, Colchester, County, Nova Scotia.

James and Julia Nairn are buried in Robie St. Cemetery in Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia.

Children of James W. and Julia E. (Spencer) Nairn

119. **FRANK SPENCER NAIRN** was born 1882 and died 14 October 1885 in Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia at age 3 years. Frank is buried at Robie St. Cemetery in Truro.

120. **WINIFRED NAIRN** was born 10 January 1886 in Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia.

In 1891, Winifred age 5 was living with her parents in Truro.

In 1901, Winifred age 15 was living with her parents in Truro. Winifred and her brother, Jack Nairn, lived in Sydney (Nova Scotia?) for years.

121. **JAMES or JOHN NAIRN** born 1 November 1888 in Truro, Colchester Co., Nova Scotia.

In 1891, "John" age 3 was living with her parents in Truro.

In 1901, "James" age 13 was living with his parents in Truro.

Jack Nairn and her sister, Winifred, lived in Sydney (Nova Scotia?) for years.

Sources:

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2. Marriage Slip from Public Archives of Nova Scotia, James Nairn and Julia Spencer, 1879.
3. 1881 Census of Nova Scotia, Colchester Co., Truro, Pg. 19, 84/89. J.W. and Julia E. Nairn. From the Colchester Historical Society January 16, 1984.
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5. 1891 Census of Nova Scotia, Colchester Co., Truro. James Nairn's family. From internet, http://genealogynet.com/cgi-bin/webdata_1891.pl May 21, 2000.
6. 1901 Census of Nova Scotia, Colchester Co., Truro. James Nairn's family. From internet, http://genealogynet.com/cgi-bin/webdata_1901.pl May 21, 2000.
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8. Colchester County, Nova Scotia, Estate Index for 1900-1915, Julia E. Nairn, No. 1920.
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4th generation

Johnson Archibald Nairn (1858 - 1911)

Husband of Ann Petina Wall

59. **JOHNSON ARCHIBALD NAIRN** (of Ann Foster³, of William Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 1 January 1858 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia and died 28 August 1911 in New York City, N.Y.

Father: John Nairn

Mother: Ann Foster (No. 12)

Johnson Archibald Nairn was born and raised in Fisher's Grant, Nova Scotia.

In April 14, 1871, Johnson Archibald Nairn, age 13, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

His father was a ship captain. Johnson Nairn probably met Annie Wall in the late 1870s when the Wall Family moved from Pictou across the harbor to Pictou Landing.

Annie Wall's father, Isaac Wall, was the switchman for the I.C.R. at Pictou Landing. Johnson's father, John Nairn, was the captain of the I.C.R. Steamship Mayflower that picked up people and freight at the railhead at Pictou Landing and transported them across the harbor to Pictou.

Eventually Annie Wall's brother, Judson Wall, joined the I.C.R. and became a train engineer. Johnson Nairn's brother, James W. Nairn, became a train engineer too. So the Wall family and the Nairn family had several connections with the Intercolonial Railway.

Johnson Nairn around 1880 went to New York City. Johnson found a place to live and took a job as a machinist. In 1881, Johnson Nairn returned to Pictou Landing to marry Annie Wall.

Johnson A. Nairn married **ANN PETINA WALL** on 21 September 1881 at Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia.

Annie Wall was born 28 July 1860 at Freetown, Prince Edward Island and died 8 August 1942 at the age of 82 years in Ridgewood, New Jersey. She was a daughter of Isaac Wall and Jane Van Buskirk.

Then the two of them went back to New York City. Johnson and Annie were living at 427 Grand Street in New York City.

Johnson Nairn made his intentions of becoming a U.S. Citizen on October 1, 1885, they were then living at 168 Clinton Street, New York City. He was granted citizenship on the 22nd day of October 1888. His witness was Nathan J. Wadhaus who knew him since June 1882.

Johnson was for a while a member of the Royal Arcanum, a lodge in New York City. It was similar to the Masonic lodges. Johnson had a gold watch chain with a medallion attached to the chain. The medallion has a crown on it which is the symbol of the Royal Arcanum.

Over the years Johnson moved up to higher positions. He started as a machinist, then became a mechanical engineer, and it was mentioned in the family that he later became superintendent of a shipyard probably located in New York City or Brooklyn in New York or in Newark or Hoboken area of New Jersey. The exact location is not known.

By the year 1900 they were living at 344 Kosciusko Street in Brooklyn, New York.

In 1908 to 1911 they were living at 784 Quincy Drive. Annie Nairn may have been a member of the Green Avenue Baptist Church of Brooklyn.

According to the family, there was a story about Johnson Nairn. Before, or in 1911, there was a labor strike going on in which some violence broke out at the shipyard where Johnson Nairn was a superintendent. Johnson, because he was a boss, had to worry a lot about the situation and also work a lot harder.

In August of 1911, Johnson fell very ill and was suffering convulsions which led to his death on 28 August 1911. In the New York Times issue of 30 August 1911 "Johnson A. Nairn - 784 Quincy Street Aug. 28 Funeral notice later"

Annie Petina Nairn remained a widow for the next 31 years. Later Annie Nairn lived at President Street in Brooklyn. Two of her grand-children Everett H. Hendrickson and Mildred Nairn Hendrickson were born at that location.

In 1930, Anne P. Nairn was living with her daughter, Mildred Wallworth, and her family in Glen Rock, Bergen County, New Jersey. My father, Robert Wallworth, remembers his grandmother living with them when he was a kid.

My father, Robert Wallworth, also remembers Mr. Van Buskirk, a relative came to New Jersey to visit Annie Nairn. He remembers that he had a bushy mustache. He also remembers that Annie Nairn had many visits from her sister Ruby Whiston, with her husband the Reverend Robert Whiston, and another sister Janie Fisher during the 1930s. Annie Nairn told her grandchildren stories about the family, about the Walls, the Nairns and the Van Buskirks and about the family being Tories during the Revolution.

Annie Nairn later lived at 17 Christopher Place, Ridgewood, N.J. at the Hendrickson home until she died three years later on August 8, 1942 at the age of 82 years.

Johnson and Annie Nairn are both buried at Maple Grove Cemetery at Kew Gardens, Long Island, N.Y. Johnson was buried on August 31, 1911 and Annie was buried August 11, 1942.

Children of Johnson A. and Ann P. (Wall) Nairn

122. + **OLGA MAY NAIRN** was born 17 June 1883 in Brooklyn, New York. Olga Nairn married Everett H. Hendrickson Sr.

123. + **MILDRED JANE NAIRN** was born 28 July 1889 in Brooklyn, New York. Mildred Nairn married Alfred H. Wallworth.

Sources:

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3. Marriage Slip, 1881 Johnson Nairn and Annie Wall in Wall Family Bible.
4. Marriage Slip, Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia September 21, 1881 of Johnson Nairn and Annie Wall, from Public Archives of Nova Scotia January 5, 1982.
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6. Census of New York, 1900 Soundex, Kings County, Brooklyn Johnson A. Nairn (was listed as John A. Nairn)
7. Uppington's General Directory of the Borough of Brooklyn , City of New York. 1908 - page 717, 1909 - page 745, 1910 - page 823 Johnson A. Nairn
8. New York Times, August 30, 1911 Obituary of Johnson A. Nairn.
9. 1930 Census of New Jersey, Bergen County, Glen Rock, ED 100 [Page 7?] ancestry.com, Alfred H. Wallworth's family, Anne Nairn mother-in-law.
10. Obituary of Mrs. Annie Nairn 1942.
11. Letter from Royal Arcanum, dated December 17, 1982.
12. Stories about the family told from memory of Robert N. Wallworth.
13. Stories about the family told from memory of Donald and Norma Wallworth, Jan. 1982.
14. Letter from Maple Grove Cemetery, Kew Gardens, New York May 5, 1982 Nairn burial plots.
15. Letter from Mrs. Mildred Swanson January 25, 1992.

4th generation

Emily Ann Foster (1871 - 1953)

Wife of William T. Hume

74. **EMILY ANN FOSTER** (of William E. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 21 January 1871 in Hutchinson, McLeod County, Minnesota and died 18 June 1953 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Father: William E. Foster (No. 23)

Mother: Diadama Jane Owens

Emily Ann Foster (known as Emma) was with the family in Swan Lake, Meeker County, Minnesota in 1880.

Between 1880 to 1884, they moved to Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

In the 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson, Emily Foster age 13 is listed with her parents family. Emma age 18 is also listed with her widowed mother in the 1890 Census of the city of Taylor.

According to a newspaper article about her father, William Foster, 1956, Emily attended a private school called McFarland School.

Emily Ann Foster married **WILLIAM T. HUME**.

William was born 16 February 1866.

In the 1930 Census, William and Emily Hume were living in Alamo Heights, Bexar County, Texas. William Hume was listed as a Claims Agent ? for Steam Rail Road ? (the handwriting was hard to decipher in the 1930 Census)

Emily lived in San Antonio, Texas and was buried in Taylor, Williamson, Texas

Children of William T. and Emily A. (Foster) Hume

124. **ELEANOR HUME**

Sources:

1. Information submitted by Diane Ollivett-Miles Feb. 19, 2002 Ancestry.com
2. 1880 Census of Minnesota, Meeker County, Swan Lake, ED No. 57 Pg. 19, Ancestry.com
3. 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
4. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
5. Taylor Press, newspaper article about William Foster, November 23, 1956. From John Myles.
6. 1930 Census of Texas, Bexar County, Alamo Heights, District 148, Image 97, Ancestry.com.

4th generation

Roxa Edith Foster (1873 - 1966)

Wife of Walter C. Smith

75. **ROXA EDITH FOSTER** (of William E. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 29 August 1873 in Hutchinson, McLeod, Minnesota and died 24 October 1966 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Father: William E. Foster (No. 23)

Mother: Diadama Jane Owens

Roxa Edith Foster was with the family in Swan Lake, Meeker County, Minnesota in 1880.

Between 1880 to 1885, they moved to Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

In the 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson, Roxa Foster age 11 is listed with her parents family.

Roxy age 16 is also listed with her widowed mother in the 1890 Census of the city of Taylor.

Roxa E. Foster married **WALTER C. SMITH** on 22 February 1893 in Williamson County, Texas.

Walter was born June 26, 1866 in Williamson county, Texas.

According to a newspaper article about her father, William Foster, of 1956 it mentioned that Mrs. Walter Smith is the only child of William Foster remaining in Taylor, Texas and that she attended the first public school in Taylor.

The 1956 article also mentioned "Mr. & Mrs. Walter Smith lived in the old two story frame house that can be seen from the road when they first married. They moved to town in 1898 and lived in a small cottage replaced in 1905 by their present brick home."

In the 1900 Census of Williamson County, Texas, Walter and Roxia Smith, were listed with their two daughters Mary and Mildred. Also living with them were, John P. Smith the father and D. J. Foster the mother-in-law.

In the 1920 Census in Precinct 6 of Williamson County, Texas, Walter and Roxa Smith were listed with their two daughters, Mary and Mildred. Walter Smith was a Farmer.

In the 1930 Census, Walter and Roxa Smith were living in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. Walter Smith was listed as a Farmer.

Children of Walter C. and Roxa E. (Foster) Smith

125. **MARY EDITH SMITH** was born 13 January 1895 in Williamson County, Texas. In 1900, Mary was living with the parents in Williamson County, Texas. In 1920, Mary, age 24, a school teacher, was living with her parents in Precinct 6, Williamson County, Texas.

126. **MILDRED WALTER SMITH** was born 29 January 1899 in Williamson County, Texas. In 1900, Mildred was living with the parents in Williamson County, Texas. In 1920, Mildred was living with her parents in Precinct 6, Williamson County, Texas.

Sources:

1. Information submitted by Diane Ollivett-Miles Feb. 19, 2002 Ancestry.com
2. 1880 Census of Minnesota, Meeker County, Swan Lake, ED No. 57 Pg. 19, Ancestry.com
3. 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
4. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
5. 1900 Census of Texas, Williamson County, All Townships, E.D. No. 134, Image 10, Ancestry.com. Walter and Roxia Smith's family.
6. 1920 Census of Texas, Williamson County, Precinct 6, E.D. No. 164, Image 3, Ancestry.com. Walter and Roxa Smith's family.
7. 1930 Census of Texas, Williamson County, Taylor, District 19, Image 44, Ancestry.com.
8. Taylor Press, newspaper article about William Foster, November 23, 1956. From John Myles.

4th generation

Newton William Foster (1876 - ?)

Husband of Louise ---?---

76. **NEWTON WILLIAM FOSTER** (of William E. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) born 21 November 1876 in Dassel, McLeod, Minnesota and died 20 April 1949 in Cook County, Illinois.

Father: William E. Foster (No. 23)

Mother: Diadama Jane Owens

Newton W. Foster was listed in the 1880 Census with the family in Swan Lake, Meeker, Minnesota, he was 4 years old.

Between 1880 to 1884, they moved to Taylor, Williamson County, Texas

In the 1884 City Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas, Newton is listed with the family and is 8 years old.

Newton at age 12 was also listed with his widowed mother in the 1890 Census of Taylor. By 1900 or earlier Newton Foster moved to Illinois.

Newton W. Foster married **LOUISE** ----- ? ----- . She was born 1876 in Illinois, her parents were born in Germany.

In 1920 Census of Chicago, Cook, Illinois, Newton Foster is listed with his wife, Louise, and 3 children, Mildred, Beatrice, and Hume. Newton Foster was a (----?----) Printing.

Children of Newton and Louise (---?---) Foster:

127. **MILDRED FOSTER** was born 1902 in Illinois.

In 1920, Mildred, age 18, was living with her parents in Chicago, Cook, Illinois.

128. **BEATRICE FOSTER** was born 1904 in Illinois.

In 1920, Beatrice, age 16, was living with her parents in Chicago, Cook, Illinois.

129. **HUME FOSTER** a son born 1909 in Illinois.

In 1920, Hume, age 11, was living with the parents in Chicago, Cook, Illinois.

Sources:

1. Information submitted by Diane Ollivett-Miles Feb. 19, 2002 Ancestry.com
2. 1880 Census of Minnesota, Meeker County, Swan Lake, ED No. 57 Pg. 19, Ancestry.com
3. 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
4. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
5. 1920 Census of Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, ED No. 1578 Image 27. Ancestry.com
6. Illinois Statewide Death Index, 1916-1950, Newton W. Foster, 1949.
<http://www.sos.state.il.us/GenealogyMWeb/IDPHDeathSearchServlet> Nov. 22, 2003.

4th generation

Roscoe Roderick Foster (1885 - ?)

Husband of Gertrude Camille Kibler

78. **ROSCOE RODERICK FOSTER** (of William E. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 8 February 1885 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Father: William E. Foster (No. 23)

Mother: Diadama Jane Owens

Roscoe was the only one of William and Dama Foster's children to be born in Taylor. Roscoe Foster at age 4 was listed with his widowed mother in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Before 1915, Roscoe R. Foster moved to El Paso County, Texas.

Roscoe married **GERTRUDE CAMILLE KIBLER** on 29 November 1915. Camille Kibler was born 29 September 1895 in Waco, McLennan County, Texas.

She was a daughter of John Albert Kibler and Pearle Satterfield.

In the 1920 census, we find Roscoe Roderick Foster age 35 in Precinct 2 of El Paso County, Texas. Roscoe was a Mining Engineer in the Copper Mines. But his wife, Camille Foster, and their daughter Faith Foster age 3 were in the same Precinct but living with her mother and stepfather, Thomas and Pearle Parker.

It is not known if Roscoe had died or if they got a divorce (Roscoe Foster was not located yet in the 1930 census).

Camille married next to **ROY EDSON CRAIG** in 15 August 1928.

Roy E. Craig was born 1895 in Ohio.

In the 1930 census for El Paso, Texas we find Roy E. Craig and his wife Camille and Faith Foster age 13. Also living with them was Pearle S. Parker, Camille's mother. Roy and Camille Craig divorced in 1935.

Children of Roscoe R. and G. Camille Foster

130. **FAITH FOSTER** born 1917 in Texas.

In 1920, Faith Foster, age 3, was living with her mother at her grandmother and step-grandfather, Pearl and Thomas Parker, in Precinct 2, El Paso county, Texas.

In 1930, Faith Foster was living with her mother and Step-father in El Paso, Texas

Sources:

1. Information submitted by Diane Ollivett-Miles Feb. 19, 2002 Ancestry.com
2. Information submitted by Linda C. York Feb 6, 2003 Ancestry.com
3. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
4. 1920 Census of Texas, El Paso County, Precinct 2, ED No. 94, Image 9, Ancestry.com Roscoe Rodric Foster.
5. 1920 Census of Texas, El Paso County, Precinct 2, ED No. 94, Image 39, Ancestry.com
6. 1930 Census of Texas, El Paso County, El Paso, District 47, Image 4, Ancestry.com

4th generation

Laura Novilla Foster (1873 - 1952)

Wife of George Milton Burke

82. **LAURA NOVILLA FOSTER** (of Paul J. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster ¹) was born 25 June 1873 in Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts and died between November 8 to 10 1952 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Father: Paul J. Foster (No. 26)

Mother: Mary Jane Powell

Laura Foster who was born in Boston, Massachusetts came to Taylor, Williamson, Texas with her parents in the 1880's.

In the 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson, Laura Foster age 11 is listed with her parents family. Laura age 15 is also listed with her parents in the 1890 Census of the city of Taylor.

Laura married **GEORGE MILTON BURKE** on 14 September 1895 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

George M. Burke was born 24 December 1863 in Illinois and died 12 July 1936 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas. He was a son of John K. Burke and Elizabeth A. Gillespie.

In the 1920 Census, George M. Burke, age 56, wife, Laura N. age 46 and their 2 children, Foster and Laura were living in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. George Burke was a Plumber.

In the 1930 census, George Burke, age 67, and his two children, Laura and Foster were living in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. George was a Plumber. The census indicated that George Burke was a widower. But the fact was that Laura Burke died in 1952.

Further checking of the 1930 census did located her. Laura Burke, age 56 and divorced, was a patient at the Austin State Hospital in Austin, Travis County, Texas.

Children of George and Laura (Foster) Burke:

131 + **MARY ELIZABETH BURKE** was born 22 April 1899 in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

She married Randell Smith Cobb.

132. **FOSTER A. BURKE** was born 21 September 1906 in Texas and died 29 August 1985 in Texas.

In 1920, Foster A. Burke was age 13 and living with his parents in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

In 1930, Foster Burke was age "21" and living with his father in Taylor, Williamson county, Texas.

133. **LAURA LEE BURKE** was born 1913 in Texas.

In 1930, Laura Burke was age 17 and living with her father in Taylor, Williamson, Texas.

Sources:

1. Information submitted by Roy Giddens Jr. Nov. 1, 2001 Ancestry.com.
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3. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
4. 1920 Census of Texas, Williamson County, Taylor, E.D. 170, Image 8, Ancestry.com. Family of George and Laura Burke.
5. 1930 Census of Texas, Williamson County, Taylor, District 18, Image 26, Ancestry.com. Family of George Burke and children Foster and Laura.
6. 1930 Census of Texas, Travis County, Austin, District 10, Image 23, Ancestry.com. Laura Burke.
7. Social Security Death Index. Foster Burke 1985

4th generation

Ivey Roderick Foster (1875 - ?)

Husband of Cora ---?---

83. **IVEY RODERICK FOSTER** (of Paul J. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 1875 in Canada and died 3 March 1953.

Father: Paul J. Foster (No. 26)

Mother: Mary Jane Powell

Ivey Foster at age 9 is listed with the family in the 1884 Census of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

Also listed with the parents in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Ivey Foster is listed age 13.

Ivey R. Foster married **CORA** ----- ? ----- .

Cora was born 1885 in Texas and died 15 September 1970.

Ivey Foster became a citizen of the United States in 1915.

In the 1920 Census, Ivey R. Foster and his wife Cora and their two sons Ivey and Robert, were living in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. Ivey R. Foster, age 42, who was born in Nova Scotia, became a citizen of the United States in 1916. Ivey Foster was a Manager.

In the 1930 Census, Ivey and Cora Foster and their son Robert were living at Davis Street in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas. Ivey Foster was in the Laundry Business. Also living with the family was Ivey's mother-in-law, (Min ?) Phillips.

In a 1956 newspaper article about Robert Ray Foster, it mentioned that Paul J. Foster and his son Ivey Foster had a blacksmith shop in Taylor, Texas. The shop burned down in 1903 and when the building was rebuilt, the Fosters decided to enter the laundry business. The laundry business employed 17 people in 1956. Ivey Foster's son Robert Ray Foster was running the business in 1956.

Both Ivey and Cora Foster are buried in the cemetery in Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas.

Children of Ivey R. and Cora (---?---) Foster

134. **IVEY FOSTER** was born 1908 in Texas.

In 1920, Ivey Foster Jr., age 12, was living with his parents in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

Ivey Foster died in 22 January 1927 and is buried in the cemetery at Taylor, Texas.

135. + **ROBERT RAY FOSTER** was born 14 March 1913 in Taylor, Williamson Co., Texas.

Robert married Edna Richardson.

Sources:

1. 1884 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
2. 1890 Census of the city of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas, from John Myles 9-13-2002.
3. Index to Naturalization Records for Williamson County, Texas, Ivey Roderick Foster 1915.
4. 1920 Census of Texas, Williamson County, Taylor, E. D. No. 170, Image 16. Ivey Foster's family.
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4th generation

Edgar D. Foster (1887 - ?)

Husband of Pearl L. ---?---

86. **EDGAR D. FOSTER** (of Paul J. Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 1887 in Texas.

Father: Paul J. Foster (No. 26)

Mother: Mary Jane Powell

Edgar Foster at age 3 is listed with the family in the 1890 Census of Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

In 1900, Edgar, age 14, was living with his father in Union Township, Washita County, Oklahoma. Edgar was a Blacksmith.

Edgar moved to Massachusetts, it is not clear when he moved there but the oldest son, Edgar D. Foster, Jr. was born in Massachusetts in 1915

Edgar Foster married **PEARL L. --- ? ---** before 1915.

Pearl was born 1896 in Maine.

In the 1920 Census, Edgar Foster and his wife, Lillian and their 3 children Edgar Jr., David, and Ellen were living in Belmont Street, Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. Edgar Foster was a laborer in the shipbuilding industry.

In the 1930 Census, Edgar D. Foster, his wife, and 8 children were living at Dolphin Ave. in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts. Edgar Foster, age 43, was listed as a Lather Plasterer.

From the Social Security Death Index, there is a Edgar Foster born October 16, 1887 died November 1963. S.S. Card issued in Massachusetts, Death in Massachusetts.

Children of Edgar D. and Pearl A. (---?---) Foster

136. **EDGAR D. FOSTER** was born 1915 in Massachusetts.

In 1920, Edgar Jr., age 3, was living with his parents in Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

In 1930, Edgar Jr., age 15, was living with his parent in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

137. **DAVID D. FOSTER** was born 1918 in Massachusetts.

In 1920, David, age 2, was living with his parents in Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

In 1930, David, age 12, was living with his parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

138. **HELEN FOSTER** was born 1919 in Massachusetts.

In 1920, "Ellen", age 1, was living with her parents in Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

In 1930, Helen, age 11, was living with her parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

139. **RUTH FOSTER** was born 1921 in Massachusetts.

In 1930, Ruth, age 9, was living with her parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

140. **HARLEY FOSTER** was born 1922 in Massachusetts.

In 1930, Harley, age 8, was living with his parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

141. **PAUL FOSTER** was born 1927 in Massachusetts.

In 1930, Paul, age 3, was living with his parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

142. **WALTER FOSTER** was born 1928 in Massachusetts.

In 1930, Walter, age 2, was living with his parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

143. **PEARL FOSTER** was born 1929 - 1930 in Massachusetts.

In 1930, Pearl, age 8 months, was living with her parents in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

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4th generation

Herbert W. Foster (1881 - ?)

Husband of Lelia Avery

90. **HERBERT W. FOSTER** (of Joseph Roderick Foster³, of Paul Foster², of John Foster¹) was born April 1881 in Texas.

Father: Joseph Roderick Foster (No. 27)

Mother: Agnes ---?---

In 1884, Herbert Foster, age 3, is living with his parents in Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.

In 1890, Herbert, age 8, is living with his parents. In 1900, Herbert, age 19, grocery salesman, is living with his widowed mother in Taylor.

Sometime before 1920, Herbert Foster, moved to Amarillo, Potter County, Texas.

Herbert W. Foster married **LELIA AVERY** by 1920.

Lelia was a daughter of Virginia W. Avery. (The father's name is not known as Virginia W. Avery was a widow in 1920).

In 1920, Herbert W. Foster and his wife, Lelia, were living at the home of Lelia's mother, Virginia Avery, and her sister and brother Cora and Eugene Avery. Herbert Foster, age 38, was a Sales Manager. This was in Amarillo, Potter county, Texas.

In 1930, at Amarillo, Potter County, Texas, Herbert W. Foster and his wife Lelia, and their two children, Herbert Jr. and Agnes were living at the home of Lelia's mother, Virginia Avery. Herbert age 48 was a stockman at the ranch.

Children of Herbert and Lelia (Avery) Foster

144. **HERBERT W. FOSTER** was born 1920 in Amarillo, Potter County, Texas. In 1930, Herbert, age 10, was living with his parents at his grandmother's place in Amarillo.

145. **AGNES FOSTER** was born 1925 in Amarillo, Potter County, Texas.

In 1930, Agnes, age 5, was living with her parents at her grandmother's place in Amarillo.

Sources:

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4th generation

Sarah Burdick (1852 - ?)

Wife of Royal Bellows Leach

93. **SARAH BURDICK** (of Ann Foster³, of George Foster², of John Foster¹) was born 1852 in Rhode Island.

Father: Lafayette Burdick

Mother: Ann Foster (No. 28)

In 1860 census, Sarah age 8 was living with her parents in the 5th Ward of Providence, Rhode Island.

Sarah Burdick married **ROYAL BELLOWS LEACH** before 1875.

Royal B. Leach was born on 31 January 1843 Middlebury, Addison Co., Vermont. He was a son of Hiram Leach and Eliza Parker.

In 1880, the Leach family were living in the home of Lafayette and Ann Burdick, Sarah's parents in East Providence, Rhode Island. Royal Leach age 35 born in Vermont, his wife Sarah age 28, and their two sons.

Children of Royal and Sarah (Burdick) Leach

146. **ROYAL BELLOWS LEACH** was born 26 November 1874 in Providence, Providence Co, Rhode Island.

In 1880, Royal B. Leach, age 5, was living with his parents in the Lafayette Burdick family home in East Providence, Rhode Island.

147. **CHARLES H. LEACH** was born 19 October 1877 in Providence County, Rhode Island.

In 1880, Charles H. Leach, age 2, was living with his parents in the Lafayette Burdick family home in East Providence, Rhode Island.

Sources:

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3. Birth record of Royal Bellows Leach, 1874 FamilySearch IGI Index v5.0 Source FHL Film No. 0914405 V. 9-10 FamilySearch.org
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It is not known how Jessie (Foster) Sproull fits in the family

(2018 note added --- according to two or three family trees on Ancestry.com, they have Jessie Foster as a daughter of Paul Foster and Mary McKay)

Jessie Foster (1828 - 1916)

Wife of Mathew G. Sproull

1. **JESSIE FOSTER** was born 1828 and died 1916.

Father: unknown

Mother: unknown

Jessie Foster married **MATHEW G. SPROULL**.

Mathew Sproull was born 1836 in Nova Scotia and died 1913.

John Foster and wife sold lands in Fisher's Grant to Mathew G. Sproull in 1865, to John T. Sproull in 1874, and Wm. J. Sproull in 1879. Paul Foster, Senior sold land in Fisher's Grant to Edwin Sproull.

In 1870, Joseph R. Foster age 23 and Mathew Sproull age 35, both House Carpenters were living in the household of Frank Folda a General Merchant in Colfax County, Nebraska.

They went back to Nova Scotia soon.

In 1871, Mathew G. Sproull, his wife Jessie and their three children were living at Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. Mathew Sproull, age 35, was a Carpenter.

In 1881, Mathew G. Sproull, age 45, his wife Jessie, age 51 and two of their children were living in Fisher's Grant. Mathew Sproull was a builder.

In 1901, Matthew G. Sproull, his wife Jessie, and their son, Charles, were living in Fisher's Grant, Pictou county, Nova Scotia. Mathew Sproull, age 65, was a Farmer. Also living with them in 1901, was two "Domestic" William McDonald, age 14 and Liddia Campbell, age 20.

Both Mathew and Jessie Sproull are buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

Children of Mathew and Jessie (Foster) Sproull

1. **FOSTER KAY SPROULL** was born ca. 1853 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Foster, age 8, was living with his parents at Fisher's Grant.

Foster K. Sproull died in 1880 at age 17 years 7 months and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

2. **GEORGE EDWIN SPROULL** was born ca. 1861 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

George E. Sproull died 1865 at age 4 years 6 months is buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

3. **JESSIE ISABELLA SPROULL** was born ca. 1865 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Jessie, age 6, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1881, Jessie Isabel, age 16, was living with her parents in Fisher's Grant.

4. **CHARLES JAMES SPROULL** was born ca. 1869 in Fisher's Grant, Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

In 1871, Charles, age 2, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1881, Charles, age 12, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant.

In 1901, Charles, age 31, was living with his parents in Fisher's Grant. Charles was a Sand Dealer.

Sources:

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It is not known where Priscilla Foster fits in the Foster family.

Priscilla Foster (1840 - 1911)

Wife of William Christie

1. **PRISCILLA FOSTER** was born 23 August 1840 in Nova Scotia and died 1911.

Father: unknown

Mother: unknown

Priscilla Foster married **WILLIAM CHRISTIE**.

William Christie was born 1 January 1829 in Nova Scotia and died 1904.

They are buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Pictou Landing, Nova Scotia.

Sources:

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