Stephen (Etienne) MAY

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RESEARCH REPORT

OBJECTIVES

Research Stephen (Etienne) May and his wife Isabelle Sherman, his origins, and where he lived.

RESULTS

The complete sources for names, residences, occupations, immigration are listed further in this report.

Given the allotted budget, the research was partially positive. The research permitted to clarify some information, but at the same time, it created other enigmas.

Stephen May was born circa 1764. At this point in the research, his place of birth is unknown. Although an English name, he could have been born anywhere the British had colonies. Stephen married Euphrosine Doré prior to 1789. Their marriage record has never been located. Stephen and Euphrosine had seven children several of them dying at a very young age. Sadly, Euphrosine died in 1797.

Marriage Stephen May and Elizabeth Williamson, 1804
Source Citations


Bibliography


RECOMMENDATIONS

I therefore recommend the following steps be researched in order to complete and further this research project:

- Search for the death/burial records of Stephen May, Isabelle Sherman and/or Elizabeth Williamson;
- Search for Stephen May’s will and any other records in the notary records;
- Research settlers and military personnel with the surname of May in the late 18th century in Quebec;
- Attend and research the Archives de l’Archidiocèse de Québec and ascertain if Stephen May had to confirm he was a catholic on his arrival or he converted to Catholicism;
- Search records in Great-Britain, concentrating in the area around London in order to locate birth and/or death records for Stephen and Isabelle’s children and themselves;
- Attend the land records office in Napierville County and consult the register of names for mentions of Stephen May; and
- Research Joseph May in Quebec City in 1786.