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50% OFF SALE: Part One

(Sale prices in effect until 11:59 PM, EST, Monday, December 29, 2008)

We want you know that we have halved the prices of dozens of reference books from today through December 29, 2008. Many of the books on sale are popular, steady sellers, like Dorothy W. Potter's "Passports of Southeastern Pioneers." In the case of bargain basement Genealogy Warehouse titles in this sale, we've dropped the prices even further! For example, Terry Coleman's wonderful account of 19th-century Irish immigration, "Going to America," once sold for \$21.95. After we put it into our bargain basement Genealogy Warehouse, it sold for \$12.95. Today, you can purchase it for \$10.95--a full 50% below the original price.

The books in this sale run the gamut of our collection: lineage society indexes, passenger lists, military records, Native Americana, every kind of vital record, probate and land records, how-to books, and more. Geographical coverage includes many of the states east of the Mississippi, Canada, the British Isles, Germany, and more.

Between now and December 29, 2008 (the Monday after Christmas), don't miss out on this rare opportunity to pick up some terrific books at unusually low prices: books for the genealogist on your Christmas list, books for your genealogical society or public library, or books for your own reference shelf.

Below is the first of two installments describing the titles in this unprecedented sale:

EASTERN CHEROKEE CENSUS, Cherokee, North Carolina, 1915-1922, Taken by Agent James E. Henderson. Volumes I, II, and III [1915-1920]

We are offering here the first three volumes in a multi-volume series of transcriptions of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian census from Cherokee, North Carolina, living on the reservation known as the Qualla Boundary. Individuals enumerated in the census are descendants of the Cherokees who were not removed to Indian Territory during the years

1838-39 in the migration known as the Trail of Tears. Transcribed by Jeff Bowen, the information provided in the census almost invariably gives each individual's name, family relationship, date of birth, and sex--information that is critical in any genealogical research.

Volume I (1915-16): Was \$23.50 Now \$12.75

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EASTERN CHEROKEE BY BLOOD, 1906-1910. Volume I. Applications 1-3000 from the U.S. Court of Claims, 1906-1910. Cherokee-Related Records of Special Commissioner Guion Miller

Between May 1905 and April 1907, the U.S. Supreme Court authorized the Secretary of the Interior to identify the descendants of Eastern Cherokees entitled to participate in the distribution of more than \$1 million allocated by Congress. On May 28, 1909, Mr. Guion Miller, representing the Interior Department, submitted his findings with respect to 45,847 separate applications for compensation (covering about 90,000 individual claimants). This volume is the first in a series of books transcribed by Jeff Bowen based on the Guion Miller applications, and it comprises abstracts of the first 3,000 of the 45,847 examined by Mr. Miller.

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HOPEWELL FRIENDS HISTORY, 1734-1934, Frederick County, Virginia.
Records of Hopewell Monthly Meetings and Meetings Reporting to Hopewell

This compilation is divided into two parts. The first part is a historical section giving a broad survey of Hopewell Meeting from its origins nine years before the creation of Frederick County. Of far greater importance to genealogists is the second part, the documentary section, which encompasses 200 years of Quaker records--births, marriages, deaths, removals, disownments, and reinstatements--a good many of which cannot be found in public record offices.

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HISTORICAL REGISTER AND DICTIONARY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY,
from Its Organization, September 29, 1789, to March 2, 1903. Two
Volumes

This list gives the officers' full names and shows their services as cadets and officers in the regular or volunteer army. Part II is an alphabetical list of the officers, comprising some 60,000 entries. Each entry contains a brief paragraph on the officer and gives his state or country where born, state from which originally appointed, date of induction, rank, date of discharge, promotions, medals, battles participated in, and--in about one fifth of the entries--date of death after leaving the army.

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THE PROVINCIAL COUNCILLORS OF PENNSYLVANIA, Who Held Office
between 1733 and 1776, and Those Earlier Councillors Who Were Some Time
Chief Magistrates of the Province, and Their Descendants

This work covers many of the leading families of the mid-Atlantic region and includes the entire progeny of the councilors--including daughters of daughters of daughters, sons of sons of sons, cadet branches who moved west, plus English, French, German, and other foreign descendants.

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GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES IN ENGLISH REPOSITORIES

This work pinpoints the location of original records, microfilm, transcripts, and printed resources in the key record repositories and libraries in England. Two distinct lists of resources are given for most repositories. One includes those items that tie an individual to a specific location. The second includes classes of records and printed materials with information that may provide vital data and/or prove family relationships.

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AMERICAN DATA FROM THE RECORDS OF THE HIGH COURT of the Admiralty
of Scotland, 1675-1800

Scotland's High Court of the Admiralty, which was established in the mid-15th century, had jurisdiction over civil, criminal, and prize matters on the high seas. For this book, David Dobson culled the records of the High Court of the Admiralty--mostly from the court's Register of Decrees--for any reference to America between 1675 and 1800. These records are important because they identify the Scottish merchants and mariners who were trading with colonial America as well as the Scottish agents and their servants who, as Mr. Dobson has said, "formed the vanguard of subsequent settlement there."

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NINETEENTH-CENTURY EMIGRATION from Kreis Simmern (Hunsrueck), Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany, to Brazil, England, Russian Poland, and the United States of America

Compiler Clifford Neal Smith extracted the names in this booklet from two articles published in Germany in 1935 and 1938. Approximately 56% of these individuals emigrated to the U.S., 37% to Brazil, and 5% to England. The author arranged the 2,500 names found here according to hometown of origin and, thereunder, by the country of destination. In most cases, we learn the emigrant's name, year emigrated, occupation, date of birth, and, frequently, the city or state of destination.

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A HISTORY OF THE IRISH SETTLERS IN NORTH AMERICA, from the Earliest Period to the Census of 1850

This is a comprehensive survey of the Irish in all phases of their emigration, settlement, and life in North America. They are viewed under arms in the Indian wars, the Revolution, the War of 1812, and in the individual services; studied in their states as pioneers and prominent sons; studied as politicians and builders of the Republic; and surveyed in multiple lists and biographies. Hundreds upon hundreds of Irish-Americans are dealt with, from the first immigrants to Barbados in 1649 to the political refugees of the 1840s.

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ABSTRACTS OF THE TESTAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS of the Prerogative Court of Maryland: Volume II: 1670-1674. Libers 5, 6

The Prerogative Court was the focal point for probate in colonial Maryland. A judge and various clerks staffed the court. This volume consists of abstracts of Prerogative Court of Maryland records for the period 1670 to 1674. Compiler Vernon Skinner has arranged the data in chronological order by court session. In every instance he gives the names of the principals (testators, heirs, witnesses, administrators, and so forth).

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INDEX TO THE 1850 CENSUS OF PENNSYLVANIA: Berks County, Bucks County, Lancaster County, Luzerne and Wyoming Counties, Northampton County. Five Volumes in One

This book represents a consolidated edition of the five 1850 Pennsylvania census index volumes named in the subtitle. Each volume is arranged alphabetically by surname, with corresponding code numbers keyed to the borough or township and to the house numbers within the borough or township where individuals of a particular surname resided.

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PALATINE CHURCH VISITATIONS, 1609. Deanery of Kusel

The district of Kusel was situated in the western part of the German Palatinate, from which area came many early emigrants to America. Considering the almost permanent residence of the Palatines in a given area (prior to emigration), the proof that a particular name occurs in an early visitation, as this publication does for Kusel, is almost sufficient evidence of the linkage between the emigrant and his forebears--a full century before the great period of emigration.

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THE BOOK OF NAMES. Especially Relating to the Early Palatines and the First Settlers in the Mohawk Valley [New York]

When originally published in 1933, this classic work listed for the first time the names of the early Palatines of New York State, the original settlers of the Mohawk Valley. The estimated 20,000 names are classified, combined, and otherwise arranged to enable the researcher to identify Palatine immigrants in relation to specific categories of records.

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A PLACE APART: A Brief History of the Early Williamson Road and North Roanoke Valley Residents and Places [Virginia]

A PLACE APART begins with sketches of Roanoke Valley pioneers Mark Evans, Mathusalem Griffith, and Tobias Bright, who settled before 1744, and the following early land owners: Thomas Barnes, Robert Breckinridge, William Carvin, Sr., Israel Christian, Benjamin Denton, Francis Graham, William McClanahan, Daniel McCormick, Neal and John McNeil, John Mills, and Joseph and John Robinson. The second part of the book continues with sketches of families that arrived during the late 18th or early 19th century, including Barren, Bushong, Campbell, Cannaday, Fellers, Garst, Harshbarger, Huntingdon, Nelms, Nininger, Oliver, Petty, Read, Rudd, Stokes, Watts, and Williamson. Was \$29.50 Now \$14.75

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SUFFOLK COUNTY WILLS. Abstracts of the Earliest Wills upon Record in the County of Suffolk, Massachusetts

Based on a long series of will abstracts that appeared over a period of 45 years in "The New England Historical and Genealogical Register," this work covers what amounts to the first 30 years or so of the Suffolk County, Massachusetts, estate records (1640-1670). Altogether, the series refers to some 12,000 persons with regard to family relationships. Was \$38.50 Now \$18.95

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PASSPORTS OF SOUTHEASTERN PIONEERS, 1770-1823. Indian, Spanish and Other Land Passports for Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Mississippi, Virginia, North and South Carolina

The southern states east of the Mississippi were in a territory that was for a long time under Spanish or Indian jurisdiction. By law, only persons issued passports were allowed to enter the southeastern territories. After eight years researching the records of the War Department, the State Department, the archives of the individual states, as well as records of the Spanish and the British in West Florida, Dorothy W. Potter assembled a complete collection of the passports and travel documents issued to individuals and families going to the Mississippi Valley area from Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Mississippi, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

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QUAKER ARRIVALS AT PHILADELPHIA, 1682-1750 Being a List of Certificates of Removal Received at Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of Friends

This work is instrumental to the researcher interested in tracing early immigrants to William Penn's Colony. Of the 19 monthly meetings established in Pennsylvania prior to 1750, the Philadelphia Monthly Meeting easily ranks first in the number of certificates received. As a rule, the certificates give the following information: name, date of certificate, former place of residence, former meeting, date of receipt, and other details of quaint and useful interest.

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS. Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, 1623-1666. Volume I

This work records, under the name of the patentee or grantee, the earliest Virginia land grants and patents from 1623 to 1666, giving the number of acres, locations and dates of settlement, and names of family members. It also has the names of some thousands who were transported or brought over by the early settlers as "headrights."

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AN INDEX OF THE SOURCE RECORDS OF MARYLAND

The major part of this work is an alphabetically arranged and cross-indexed list of some 20,000 Maryland families with references to the sources and locations of the records in which they appear.

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CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE GENEALOGIES of the Descendants of the First Settlers of the Patent & City of Schenectady [NY] from 1662 to 1800

This is an extensive collection of genealogies of the first settlers of Schenectady, tracing families in the direct male line for at least three generations. The compiler based his research, in large part, on the baptism and marriage registers of the First Reformed Church of Schenectady, but also drew on records of the Secretary of State of New York, the Clerks of the City and County of Albany, and the Court of Appeals.

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INHABITANTS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1776

In 1776, at the outset of the American Revolution, the New Hampshire Committee of Safety directed that all males over the age of 21 sign the Association Test--a kind of loyalty oath to the Patriot cause. The surviving roster is the most comprehensive list of New Hampshire residents available before the Census of 1790. The present publication has placed all the names--well over 9,000--in one alphabetical sequence to enable the researcher to find a person and his town of residence at a glance.

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PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN IMMIGRANTS, 1709-1786

The lists making up this remarkable work try to identify German immigrants in their homeland and in Pennsylvania. Thus, immigrants are cited with reference to manumission records, parish registers, passports, and other papers of German and Swiss provenance, and noted again, where possible, with reference to an equivalent range of Pennsylvania source materials, notably church records, wills, and tax lists. The materials antedating immigration often indicate causes, dates of emigration, occupation, dates of birth and marriage, place of birth and residence, and names of family members, sometimes with lines of descent for several generations.

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30,638 BURIALS IN GEORGIA

This list of burials was copied over a 35-year period from headstones and markers in 600 cemeteries located in nearly 100 Georgia counties. Arranged alphabetically by surname, entries include some or all of the following information: birth and death dates, names of parents and/or spouse, county, name of cemetery, and miscellaneous remarks such as armed forces affiliation.

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PRE-1841 CENSUSES AND POPULATION LISTINGS in the British Isles. Fifth Edition

Colin Chapman here describes hundreds of pre-1841 name lists (censuses, poll lists, national surveys, tax lists, parish enumerations, etc.), explaining most of them, as far as possible, in their historical framework. He interweaves simple enumerations of people, even surveys and numbers of houses, with detailed listings that furnish names, ages, addresses, occupations, religious affiliations, and more. The work also includes a list of decennial censuses containing names of individuals from 1801 to 1831. This fifth edition, completely rewritten, incorporates over 200 additional listings for Ireland, making it a unique chronological account of censuses and enumerations in the British Isles from 1086 to 1841.

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GOING TO AMERICA

This is Terry Coleman's grim story of the British and Irish immigrants who came to America during the middle of the 19th century. By far the largest contingent was the Irish, whose departure to America as diseased, half-starved, bewildered, cheated and cheating people made the immigrant way across the Atlantic as degrading as the convict route to the South Seas and almost as cruel as the Middle Passage of the slave ships.

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EARLY ONTARIO SETTLERS: A Source Book

This source book contains official records of the early settlers of Upper Canada, or Ontario. The core of the work consists of two provisioning, or ration, lists for 1784 and 1786, which provide the name of the head of household, place of settlement, and statistical details of the family. Most of the settlers named in the records were from the American colonies, and a very substantial proportion were from New York.

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HEREDITARY SOCIETY BLUE BOOK. 1994 Edition

This work furnishes information on no fewer than 147 lineage organizations, their officers, and other members. In this sense it is both a 1994 Who's Who among lineage society members and a guidebook for learning about the purpose of each organization and how to contact it.

Was \$38.00 Now \$18.95

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"REVOLUTIONARY WAR LAND BOUNTIES," by Lloyd Bockstruck

A land bounty is a grant of land from a government as a reward to repay citizens for the risks and hardships they endured in the service of their country, usually in a military-related capacity.

By the time of the Revolutionary War, the practice of awarding bounty land as an inducement for enlisting in the military forces had been a long-standing practice in the British Empire in North America. Besides imperial bounty land grants, both colonial and municipal governments had routinely compensated participants in and victims of military conflicts with land. Land was a commodity in generous supply, and colonial governments seized upon its availability for accomplishing their goals.

The American colonies' governments copied Great Britain's practice of awarding bounty lands. They generally offered free lands in exchange for military service, but they strategically did so on the presumption that they would be victorious in their struggle. They did not actually award the lands until the Revolutionary War was concluded and the British defeated. Such a policy not only imposed no financial constraints on the war effort, it also insured a degree of support for the Revolutionary cause. The Revolutionary governments were aware that "to the victor belongs the spoils" and that defeat brought no reward. Bounty lands were an effective propaganda technique for enrolling support for the war among the citizenry and for preventing them from defecting to the British if the tide of battle ebbed.

Those colonies with unseated lands used this advantage to enlist support for the cause with the offer of free lands. Unfortunately, some of the Original Thirteen enjoyed no such advantage. There was no bounty land policy in Delaware, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, or Vermont. Those states lacked enough vacant land to support such a policy. Bounty lands were a feature, however, in Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Virginia. Administratively, these nine states selected reserves in their western domains for the location of bounty lands. Such a choice was quite logical. By placing veterans on the frontier, the states could rely on a military force that, in turn, could protect the settlements from Indian incursions. These state governments also realized that they had to encourage the ex-soldiers to occupy their newly awarded bounty lands, so they granted exemptions from taxation ranging from a few years to life to those veterans who would locate on their respective bounty lands. Such a policy also had the effect of retarding the exodus of a state's population.

Since most of the Indian nations had supported the British during the Revolutionary War, the Thirteen States were cautious in approaching their former enemies. Populating the

frontier with citizens skilled in defense offered the best prospect in enticing other settlers to join them. Veterans were knowledgeable in the use of firearms and in military strategy. Knowing that they would be defended if the need arose was reassuring to many settlers. The state governments also realized that revenue derived from the sale of vacant lands in the west was badly needed. The extension of settlements on the frontier would, in time, also increase the tax rolls and contribute to the reduction of their Revolutionary War debts. In the aftermath of the war, the states with trans-Appalachian claims ceded some of those claims to the federal government, but not until they had the assurance of being able to fulfill their bounty land commitments.

The issue of bounty lands has far wider geographical implications than the area encompassed by the nine state governments that instituted the practice. Besides the original states of Connecticut, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Virginia, the future states of Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Ohio, and Tennessee also were directly affected by the bounty land system. While the administrative records were, with one exception, the purview of the former nine, the bounty land reserves involved the five trans-Appalachian states. The states of Georgia, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina either had no claims to trans-Appalachian territory or relinquished their claims to the federal government. Accordingly, their reserves for bounty lands lay within their own western borders. In the cases of Georgia and New York, these reserves were to be situated on the definition of their western borders as they existed in 1783. The bounty land reserves in those two states today would be described as being centrally located. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts allotted its bounty lands in the then District of Maine, which in 1820 achieved statehood status.

While most of the states awarded bounty lands for military service, there were two exceptions. Connecticut compensated its citizenry with lands in Ohio if their homes, outbuildings, or businesses had been destroyed by the British. The Nutmeg State seemingly awarded no bounty land for military service per se. Georgia also issued lands to its civilian population who had remained loyal--or at the very least neutral--to the Revolutionary cause after the British restored royal control during the war. There were no Revolutionary War bounty land grants within the present-day borders of the southern states of North Carolina and Virginia. North Carolina issued its bounty lands in its western lands, which became the state of Tennessee. Virginia selected reserves for its bounty lands in Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio before ceding its claims to the federal government.

It is important to emphasize that the Continental Congress also made use of the policy of bounty lands. The index to those claims appears in the "Index to Revolutionary War Pension Applications" in the National Archives (Washington, D.C.: National Genealogical Society, 1976). The federal bounty land records are included in the National Archives micro-publication, "Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files, 1800-1900," Series M804, 2,670 rolls. Abstracts of these files appear in the four-volume work by Virgil D. White, "Genealogical Abstracts of Revolutionary War Pension Files" (Waynesboro, Tenn.: The National Historical Publishing Company,

1990-1992). The federal government likewise selected a reserve in the Northwest Territory where bounty land warrants could be used to locate land. The U.S. Military Tract in Ohio encompassed portions or all of the counties of Coshochton, Delaware, Franklin, Guernsey, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Marion, Morrow, Muskingum, Noble, and Tuscarawas. These records appear in the micro-publications, "U.S. Revolutionary War Bounty-Land Warrants Used in the U.S. Military District of Ohio and Related Papers" (Acts of 1788, 1803, 1806), Series M829, 16 rolls, and in "Register of Army Land Warrants Issued under the Act of 1788 for Service in the Revolutionary War: Military District of Ohio," Series T1008, 1 roll.

With the exception of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the other states permitted qualified veterans and/or their dependents to receive bounty lands from both the federal and the respective state governments. Accordingly, there may be relevant bounty land files for soldiers in the Continental Line at both the federal and state levels. While New York made some adjustments, double dipping was the norm in the other states.

Following the American victory at Yorktown in 1781, the various state governments sought to implement their bounty land programs. The delay in establishing a governmental agency to fulfill the bounty land pledge holds dual benefits genealogically. First, it increases the likelihood of the survival of a paper trail for proving Revolutionary War participation for many individuals who may not be mentioned in any other record. Second, because the benefits were still being processed as late as the 1870s in some jurisdictions, there may be a wealth of information pertaining to heirs in bounty land files. Not only do the records locate the veteran in time and place him in a given locality during the Revolutionary War, they also do so for him and/or his dependents in the years following independence, when internal migrations within the nation can complicate the identification of specific individuals in their various removals.

The appearance of an individual or family in the west after 1783 offers considerable challenge in finding the former domicile or in establishing filiation. A master index to the bounty land grants of the relevant state governments seemed to offer expeditious access to the records holding the potential solution to such a dilemma. While access to the federal records has long been available in a master index, and while many localities have been treated individually by other works of varying quality, the absence of an overall index to state and territorial bounty lands--until now--has impeded effective use of these significant records.

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Merit, and in 1989 the Daughters of the American Revolution gave him the History Award.

The foregoing article was taken from the Introduction to Mr. Bockstruck's 1996 book, now back in print, REVOLUTIONARY WAR BOUNTY LAND GRANTS Awarded by State Governments. This remarkable book is a master index to all 30,000 state bounty land records awarded for service in the Revolutionary War. Typically, each of the 30,000 entries gives the name of the claimant (usually a veteran), state of service, rank held, date of the record, acreage, and any additional comments of genealogical interest, when available.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR BOUNTY LAND GRANTS not only pulls together all this disparate information in the form of a master index, it also explains the kinds of grants issued by each state, how they conformed or differed from the norm, and, of course, where the researcher can find the actual records in question. In short, if your ancestor lived during the American Revolution, REVOLUTIONARY WAR BOUNTY LAND GRANTS is one book you must examine.

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Of Related Interest:

BOUNTY AND DONATION LAND GRANTS in British Colonial America

This is Mr. Bockstruck's newest book. When viewed in tandem with his Revolutionary War bounty land book, it closes the circle on all bounty lands awarded by the British government and our newly independent states between 1607 and the aftermath of the War for Independence.

All 6,500 soldiers known to have received land grants for their participation in the numerous conflicts with the French and their Indian allies, as well as in various colonial insurrections, are listed here with details of their place and dates of service, rank, military campaigns, location of bounty land grants and donation land grants, acreage, and, most importantly, assignment of title to heirs, relatives, and friends.

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ancestry, or ascertaining who qualifies as a descendant of William the Conqueror, please browse one or more of the following book descriptions or access the corresponding links for more details.

THE COMPLETE BEGINNER'S GUIDE to Genealogy, the Internet, and Your Genealogy Computer Program

Author Karen Clifford shows how to combine traditional genealogy research methods with today's computer and Internet technology when doing research in the National Archives, the LDS Family History Library, courthouse records, censuses, and vital records.

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THE HIDDEN HALF OF THE FAMILY: A Sourcebook for Women's Genealogy

The first part of this book discusses the special ways women are dealt with in federal records, such as immigration, naturalization, land, and military records, and censuses. The bulk of the book deals with the individual states, showing how to use their laws, records, and resources to determine the identity of female ancestors.

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IN SEARCH OF YOUR CANADIAN ROOTS. Tracing Your Family Tree in Canada. Third Edition

The heart of this book is a province-by-province guide to the records and record repositories in each of the ten provinces and the Yukon and Northwest territories, giving a detailed breakdown of vital records, wills, land records, censuses, church records, as well as listings of libraries, societies, and archives.

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MY ANCESTORS CAME WITH THE CONQUEROR. Those Who Did, and Some of Those Who Probably Did Not

A consolidated list of the Companions of William the Conqueror, this work is the most comprehensive version of the Battle Abbey Roll ever compiled. It also includes scholarly papers which discuss the validity of historical evidence used to compile the list.

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A Family History Book from Flemish Genealogist Jozef Goethals--GOETHALS 880-1900: The Story of the Goethals Story

Jozef J. Goethals, author of the first English-language guidebook for Flemish (Belgian) genealogy, has written a family history that is a model of genealogical scholarship and presentation.

The Goethals are one of a handful of families that can trace their documented ancestry back to the 9th century. The Goethals family reportedly originated in Italy ca 880, a tale of fact and legend consistently retold throughout the centuries. From the beginning of the 12th century, however, the Goethals flourished in Ghent in Flanders (Belgium).

A notable series of publications in the 19th century focused on the Goethals history. Subsequently, commentaries, expansions and corrections have been added. These genealogical sources, available only in French, Dutch and Latin, are scattered over the span of more than 200 years.

Jozef Goethals' book, GOETHALS 880-1900: The Story of the Goethals Story, not only describes the genealogical literature of the 19th century, it also publishes, for the first time in the English language, three classical branches of the Goethals of Ghent, capital of East-Flanders in Belgium. Corrections of erroneous data and incorrect links, resulting from the discovery of new sources, are incorporated in the history. For anyone interested

in the Goethals family, or wanting to know how this family lived through a thousand years of Flemish history, this book becomes a primary source of information on both sides of the Atlantic.

Inserts throughout the text, 77 illustrations, and the historical essays of Flanders and Ghent provide the reader with a cultural and historical background. A chronological list of 718 Goethals households and 1,150 baptisms (including the godparents) in eight parishes of Ghent and three neighboring churches from 1584 to 1796 will be a rich source for Goethals researchers. The 296-page book ends with an extensive bibliography and an index of names and their spouses.

From the Foreword by Dr. Marc vanderHeyden: "This review of a millennium filled with Goethals stories brings us in touch with the evolution of early medieval Western Europe into the 20th century. It brings to life individual family members and communities. It is a grand procession of humanity: scholars of everlasting reputation, grantees who served their masters and country, traders and craftsmen, entrepreneurs and adventurers, persecutors and persecuted, fervent religious men and women, and opportunists. The proud and humble, the successful and not so fortunate are all bound by their common ancestry, by a simultaneous presence of ambition and sense of service."

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SEARCHING FOR FLEMISH (BELGIAN) ANCESTORS

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BLOG: World War I Resources

This week at www.genealogyandfamilyhistory.com you can read a fine article by our blogster-in-chief, Carolyn Barkley, about the online and offline resources available for researching World War I genealogy records. Carolyn has timed this week's special article to coincide with the annual Veteran's Day Commemoration.

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