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### Cash in on Our Ohio 4-CD Bundle Now!

(Sale price expires Thursday, December 2nd, at 11:59 p.m. EST.)

Our [Ohio Genealogy Bundle](#) packs the punch of a small library of stellar reference books for Ohio genealogists. The bundle consists of all four of our Ohio CDs:

- *Early Ohio Land and Tax Records*
- *Ohio Vital Records #1*
- *Ohio Vital Records #2*
- *Early Ohio Settlers*

When purchased individually, these four CDs would cost a total of about \$160.00. These CDs are already terrific bargains in their own right in that they contain the imaged, indexed pages of seventeen collections of Ohio genealogy source records and compiled genealogies--including the massive two-volume *Gateway to the West*, valued at hundreds of dollars. Ordinarily, you can buy the CD equivalent of several shelves of Ohio genealogy books for just \$99.99 plus postage and handling. At that price, you would be getting many of the best reference books in all of Ohio genealogy for, literally, pennies on the dollar. BUT, if you place your order online by 11:59 p.m. EST this Thursday night, you can get this spectacular 4-CD Bundle for just \$84.99, a savings of another \$15.00. For more information or to order, access the following URL:

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If you are a CD user with Ohio roots, don't hesitate before taking advantage of this great opportunity. To learn more about the contents of this bundle, read the following brief descriptions of the component CDs, or click on the link below each description for more details:

#### 1. [Early Ohio Land and Tax Records](#)

With information on Ohio's earliest settlers, this CD contains the following five publications, all linked by a single electronic name index and a unique search engine: *Early Ohio Settlers: Purchasers of Land in Southwestern Ohio, 1800-1840*, by Ellen T. Berry and David A. Berry; *Early Ohio Settlers: Purchasers of Land in East and East Central Ohio, 1800-1840*, by Ellen T. Berry and David A. Berry; *Early Ohio Settlers: Purchasers of Land in Southeastern Ohio, 1800-1840*, by Ellen T. Berry and David A. Berry; *Early Ohio Tax Records*, by Esther Weygant Powell; and *First Ownership of Ohio Lands*, by Albion M. Dyer.

## 2. Ohio Vital Records #1

This CD consists of a fully indexed and searchable version of the Ohio genealogy magazine *Gateway to the West*, which was published by Anita Short and Ruth Bowers from 1967 to 1978. From common pleas court records, guardianships, naturalizations, and deed abstracts to the more conventional births, marriages, deaths, cemetery records, and wills, *Gateway* offered a range of genealogical source material spanning 76 of Ohio's 88 counties. Serious students of Ohio genealogy have always recognized the value of *Gateway*, but because it ceased publication a generation ago many researchers have never heard of it. *Gateway to the West* is now available on a single CD entitled *Ohio Vital Records #1, 1800-1850*. This terrific CD covers 93,000 Ohio settlers from the first half of the 19th century--every one of whom is searchable by means of the CD's electronic index. Compared to the original \$125.00 selling price of the book version, *Ohio Vital Records #1* is a true genealogist's bargain.

## 3. Ohio Vital Records #2

This Family Archive CD contains images from the pages of the following three books originally published by the Genealogical Publishing Company: (1) *Ohio Cemetery Records*, (2) *Ohio Marriages*, and (3) *Ohio Source Records*. Composed of articles that originally appeared in either *The 'Old Northwest' Genealogical Quarterly* or *The Ohio Genealogical Quarterly*, the records name approximately 71,000 individuals. Articles in *Ohio Cemetery Records* consist mainly of tombstone inscriptions. Articles in *Ohio Marriages* provide the names of the brides and grooms and the dates and places of the marriages. *Ohio Source Records*, on the other hand, contains a wide variety of materials, including family histories, Bible records, will abstracts, vital records, newspaper abstracts, and tax lists.

## 4. Early Ohio Settlers

This CD collection of Ohio genealogical records refers to approximately 165,000 individuals and contains everything from vital records to the biographies that bring your Ohio research to life. Based on marriage records, cemetery inscriptions, genealogies, censuses, biographical sketches, tax lists, newspaper abstracts, and vital records, it is the gold standard for traditional genealogical source records. Not surprisingly, many of these records date from as early as 1787, when the Northwest Territory was opened to settlement, or from 1803, when Ohio became a state.

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## **Fourth and Final Volume of *Erin's Sons: Irish Arrivals in Atlantic Canada to 1863***

Author Terrence M. Punch, has compiled the fourth and concluding book in his series documenting Irish immigration to Atlantic Canada through the mid-19th century. [Erin's Sons: Irish Arrivals in Atlantic Canada to 1863—Volume IV](#) brings the coverage of this groundbreaking work forward to 1863, citing an additional 7,000 Irish-born residents of Atlantic Canada. By that year, Irish immigration into Atlantic Canada had diminished almost to a trickle, as ever bigger and faster steam ships allowed immigrants to set out for the more distant factory towns of New England, by passing Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland entirely. By the 1860s, even traffic to Saint John, New Brunswick, had been overtaken by Quebec City as the

favorite Canadian destination of Irish emigrants.

The Atlantic colonies of British North America were beginning to see the sons and daughters of their Irish immigrants reach maturity. Better economic prospects beckoned settlement in the western parts of North America. In areas such as Halifax City the percentage of the population that was Irish peaked in the early 1860s. After that, the combination of out-migration to the United States and “upper Canada,” the reduction in Irish immigration, and the influx of non-Irish elements began the proportionate decline of the Irish in the population. The number of people claiming to be Irish stabilized or grew very slowly after 1870. Whereas in 1860-1863 the Irish accounted for about 44% of the residents of Halifax, the proportion fell below 30% fifty years later.

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The backdrop for the final ten years of Irish immigration treated in this series—the earlier three volumes stopped in 1853—are the onset of the American Civil War and stirrings of the confederation movement in Canada. Public opinion in Atlantic Canada was strongly anti-slavery, and the man in the street—who often was Irish—disliked slavery. Thousands of men from the Atlantic Canada, most from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, fought on the Union side of the American conflict. With respect to domestic politics, in 1864, a meeting of delegates to discuss the formation of a union of the Atlantic “colonies” convened at Charlottetown, capital of Prince Edward Island. As events unfolded, those discussions were turned in the direction of a wider confederation, leading to the Dominion of Canada in July 1867. Irish-Canadians figured prominently in that process, witness the orator/writer, Thomas D’Arcy McGee, from County Louth; and Archbishop Thomas Louis Connolly, from County Cork.

As with the earlier volumes, Mr. Punch has extracted his evidence of Irish emigration from a variety of primary sources. Fully one-third of the volume comes from newspaper listings of marriages and deaths of Irish born. Mr. Punch has also uncovered a substantial group of entries among the census records and gravestone transcriptions for Atlantic Canada. Still other records cited include probate records, ads for runaways and deserters, charitable society files, old county histories, Catholic marriage records, ships’ lists, and more.

For more information about the final volume of Erin’s Sons, please visit the following URL:  
[http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main\\_page=product\\_info&item\\_number=4712](http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&item_number=4712)

See also the other volumes in this series:

[Volume I: Erin’s Sons: Irish Arrivals in Atlantic Canada 1761-1853](#)

[Volume II: Erin’s Sons: Irish Arrivals in Atlantic Canada 1761-1853](#)

[Volume III: Erin’s Sons: Irish Arrivals in Atlantic Canada 1751-1858](#)

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## **New Releases and Popular Reprints for November**

### [A History of Louisa County, Virginia](#)

Malcolm Harris’s *History of Louisa County, Virginia* features a cornucopia of information for genealogists and historians alike; however, author’s primary aim was to highlight the

contributions of Louisa people. He organized the first half of the book around five institutional themes: politics, military history, country roads, churches and parishes, and education. In this way we observe the milestones of settlement and jurisprudence, turning points in wars from 1756 to 1919, location of venerable homes and other structures, a who's who of the religious establishment, and the foundation of schools, newspapers, and the professions. Even within these chapters, Dr. Harris introduces lists of the individuals who were there when the history was being made: land patentees, brides and grooms, Revolutionary and Civil War veterans, teachers and their students, and so on. The second half of the volume, misleadingly labeled "Appendix," hits full stride genealogically. Following a list of Louisa marriage bonds from 1767-1800, Dr. Harris treats the genealogist to 150 pages of family sketches of pioneering Louisa families.

#### [Directory of Scots Banished to the American Plantations, 1650-1775. New 2nd Edition!](#)

This new second edition of the *Directory of Scots Banished to the American Plantations, 1650-1775* contains fully 30% more convict passengers than in the original. Dr. David Dobson has made some modifications as well; for example, some men who were thought to have been Covenanters are now classed as rebels and English transportees have been omitted, while the references used have been enhanced to facilitate further research. In total, somewhere between 4,000 and 5,000 Scots were banished to the Americas during the Colonial period (whereas England transported around 50,000 and Ireland in excess of 10,000), all of whom contributed to the settlement and development of Colonial America.

#### ["Drinks Hard, and Swears Much" White Maryland Runaways, 1770-1774](#)

By one estimate, between 350,000 and 500,000 colonists came to America as compulsory laborers. Some came as indentured servants, others as convicts. The transportation of servants into Maryland, in particular, reached its height in the middle of the 18th century, while convicts arrived there in ever-increasing numbers prior to the onset of the American Revolution. For the investors who underwrote the transportation of forced labor—brokers, ships' captains, landowners—the risks to their investment included death in passage, injury, chronic maladies, and running away. Out of necessity colonial newspapers carried ads offering rewards for the apprehension of runaways and/or notices about their capture. These ads, compiled mainly from a half-dozen Maryland and Pennsylvania newspapers, form the basis of Joseph Lee Boyle's new book, *"Drinks Hard, and Swears Much" White Maryland Runaways, 1770-1774*.

#### [Abstracts of Carteret County, North Carolina Deed Books A-F, 1713-1759](#)

John Anderson Brayton's abstracts of the earliest extant deeds for Carteret County tell us a great deal about the origins and identities of its pioneering families. Many of them flowed in from Beaufort, Craven, Pasquotank, and Perquimans counties, North Carolina, and Norfolk County, Virginia. Mr. Brayton has extracted everything from these early deeds possessing a kernel of genealogical value, including the date, names of all parties noted in the deed including prior owners, terms of sale, name and geographical markings of the property, and the names of witnesses. The abstracts identify upwards of 3,000 inhabitants of Carteret County, as revealed in the volume's name index. To expedite the research process further, Mr. Brayton has also added a location index, and index to slaves, and a list of his previous publications.

#### [English Origins of New England Families from The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. First Series](#)

This present work is a consolidation of all the articles published by the New England Historic Genealogical Society's Committee on English and Foreign Research in the pages of its journal, The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Treating the immigrant origins of perhaps 1,000 or more families, 200 or so in the most thoroughly documented monographs ever published, these articles are now among the most sought after of the many thousands of Register articles. Almost all living Americans with colonial Yankee forebears descend from several of the 1,000 immigrants and from one or more of the 200 immigrants, treated here.

### [History of Baltimore City and County \[Maryland\]](#)

This two-volume set covers subjects as diverse as, say, inns and hotels, secret societies and orders, manners and customs, houses and parks, mobs and riots, benevolent and charitable societies, and roads and transportation. One minor chapter alone, for example, contains abstracts of the obituary notices of no fewer than 3,000 19th-century Baltimoreans. In addition, the researcher will find biographical sketches (most of them illustrated) of nearly 200 luminaries of author J. Thomas Scharf's day or their predecessors.

### [Early Settlers of Alabama. With "Notes and Genealogies" by Elizabeth Saunders Blair Stubbs](#)

The first part of this volume, originally published by Col. Saunders in a series of newspaper articles between 1880 and 1899, is a compendium of genealogical and biographical sketches of the early settlers of Lawrence County, Alabama and of Alabama itself. The second part of the work, compiled by Col. Saunders' granddaughter, contains detailed genealogies of nearly 100 Alabama families.

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## **What's New at the Genealogy Warehouse for November**

For November, we have added two titles to our [Genealogy Warehouse](#): (1) An authoritative account of 18th-century Swiss emigrants to North America, and (2) a scarce monograph documenting the colonial transportation between the Bahamas and the North American colonies.

The [Genealogy Warehouse](#) is our bargain basement for genealogy books. Every one of the roughly 200 titles in the Warehouse has been discounted by 40%, 50%, or more below its original selling price. Since we are always adding new titles to the Warehouse, you may want to get in the habit of checking it on a regular basis--especially since many of these books are in short supply.

If neither of our two November additions strikes your fancy, we've highlighted thirteen other low-in-stock Warehouse books. (See the [November 9 issue of "Genealogy Pointers,"](#) available in our online archives, for details.) If you still don't see a book you need, why not browse our complete collection of Genealogy Warehouse titles at the following URL:

[http://www.genealogical.com/content/products\\_warehouse.html](http://www.genealogical.com/content/products_warehouse.html)

**\*\*New!\*\***

### [Lists of Swiss Emigrants in the Eighteenth Century to the American Colonies](#)

This is the authoritative work on Swiss emigration to the Carolinas and Pennsylvania in the 18th

century. Volume I identifies approximately 2,000 emigrants from the Canton of Zurich during the period 1734-1744, most references containing such useful data as age, date of birth or baptism, trade, name of wife, names of children, and place of origin and destination. Volume II extends the scope of investigation to Bern (1706-1795) and Basel (1734-1794) and surpasses Volume I in the quantity and variety of assembled data.

**Was \$45.00 Now \$25.95**

**\*\*New\*\***

[The Early Settlers of the Bahamas and Colonists of North America](#)

Persons searching for Bahamian ancestors will want to study the various lists of names that appear in this book, including the census of inhabitants for New Providence in 1671, a mid-17th-century list of the first settlers of Eleuthra, a list of some 800 Loyalists who fled to the Bahamas from East Florida in 1784, a 1791 census of lot owners on Harbour Island, and various lists of Bahamian officials. The book also includes biographical sketches of descent for more than 200 contemporary Bahamians of distinction.

**Was \$26.50 Now \$19.50**

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**Blog: Orphan Trains**

This week on our blog, [www.genealogyandfamilyhistory.com](http://www.genealogyandfamilyhistory.com), Carolyn Barkley goes into the history and genealogy of the “Orphan Train” phenomenon of that began after the Civil War. Orphan Train riders were, as the term suggests, the thousands of orphaned children living in cities like New York, who were shipped to destinations in the American Midwest for the purpose of adoption. If your ancestor was adopted, you will want to know about the records that preserve the identities of the Orphan Train riders.

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