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**"Online Resources for Finding Living Relatives, Part II: The Sources," by William Dollarhide**

*[The following is based on Bill Dollarhide's article, "The Best Internet Sites for Finding Living Relatives," which appeared in Everton's "Genealogical Helper," Vol. 61, Issue No. 5 (Sep-Oct 2007). Reprinted by permission. The first part of the article appeared in last week's issue of "Genealogy Pointers" (07-28-09).]*

Researchers have a number of good tools at their disposal for finding living relatives. Here are the top 25 People Finder websites from Everton Publisher's Best Rated Genealogy Sites:

#### FIRST PLACES TO LOOK

- Google ([www.google.com/advanced\\_search](http://www.google.com/advanced_search)). Free site. If the surname is fairly common, use the Advanced Search option, "with at least one of the words." Keywords might include "living," "born," "married," or "resides."
- Ancestry.com ([www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)). Subscription site. There are more names here from recent directories and public records databases than any other place on the Internet. Non-members may search the indexes for free.
- ProGenealogists.com ([www.progenealogists.com/genealogysleuthb.htm](http://www.progenealogists.com/genealogysleuthb.htm)). Free site. The Genealogy Sleuth pages are portals to the "Find Living Relatives" websites most used by professional genealogists. Contains direct links to all of the websites listed below.

#### LIBRARY RESOURCES

- ReferenceUSA ([www.slco.lib.ut.us/database-referenceUSA.htm](http://www.slco.lib.ut.us/database-referenceUSA.htm)). Free to library patrons only. This large database of names from current directories is found at subscribing libraries only. Check with your local library to see if they subscribe and perhaps allow home access via a library card ID.
- Telephone Directories and Locators ([www.slco.lib.ut.us/TELEDIRS.HTM](http://www.slco.lib.ut.us/TELEDIRS.HTM)). Free site. An

example of a portal with links to several online directories, this is a webpage sponsored by the Salt Lake County Library System. There are more of these types of sites at libraries all over the country.

#### FREE DIRECTORY LOOKUP SITES

- ZabaSearch.com (<http://zabasearch.com>). Free site. Free people search and much more. There are probably more names here than at any other free site. (For virtually every test name that I used at all of the free sites, ZabaSeach.com came back with five times the number of responses as the other sites.) But search the other sites as well--there will be sites where certain names appear nowhere else.

- 411.Info ([www.411.info/](http://www.411.info/)). Free site. Very complete U.S. directory lookups. See also [www.411.ca/](http://www.411.ca/) for Canadian directories.

- DA+ (Directory Assistance Plus) ([www.daplus.us/](http://www.daplus.us/)). Free site. A service of InfoUSA, this public directory lookup service is very complete.

- InfoSpace.com ([www.infospace.com](http://www.infospace.com)). Free site. The search engine for Dogpile, MetaCrawler, WebCrawler, and WebFetch, and with directory listings from SuperPages, BellSouth, and Yellow Book, this is an important stop in your directory searching.

- The Ultimate White Pages ([www.theultimates.com/white/](http://www.theultimates.com/white/)). Free site. Featuring six different directory lookups on the same page, this site may save you time and effort.

- SearchBug.com ([www.searchbug.com/peoplefinder/](http://www.searchbug.com/peoplefinder/)). Free site. Includes White Pages, Yellow Pages, and names from the PeopleFinders.com site (for fee-based extended searches).

- SuperPages.com ([www.superpages.com/](http://www.superpages.com/)). Free site. White Pages and Yellow Pages are well done at this site, with a good-sized database of names.

- WhitePages.com ([www.whitepages.com/](http://www.whitepages.com/)). Free site. Includes White Pages, Yellow Pages, and extended name lists from the USSearch.com site (for fee-based searches).

#### U.S. PUBLIC RECORDS DATABASES (Fee-based Searches)

- USSearch.com (1-800-U.S. Search) ([www.ussearch.com/consumer/index.jsp](http://www.ussearch.com/consumer/index.jsp)). Fee-based searches. Remember their TV ads back in the 1990s, "Find anyone, call Nick." The company has more than one billion names indexed from many public records.

- PeopleFinders.com ([www.peoplefinders.com/](http://www.peoplefinders.com/)). Fee-based searches. More than one billion names from public records. The lookup of names is free, but the results list will have only the name and city/state of residence. There's a fee if you want more information.

- Intelius.com ([www.intelius.com/](http://www.intelius.com/)). Fee-based searches. For over one billion names, the index search is free, but the results list will give you only the name and city/state of residence.

#### PEOPLE & ADDRESS DATABASE FINDING TOOLS

- SearchSystems.net ([www.searchsystems.net/](http://www.searchsystems.net/)). Subscription site. The largest directory of U.S. Public Records on the Internet, this site is a resource for business information, corporate filings,

property records, deeds, mortgages, criminal and civil court filings, inmates, offenders, births, deaths, marriages, unclaimed property, professional licenses, and much more. The site is a portal to searchable databases containing billions of names. This is not a master index, but rather an identification and link to more than 46,313 public records databases where online searching for people can take place. At \$9.95/month, a SearchSystem.net subscription may provide "more bang for the buck" than any other site.

- NetrOnline.com ([www.netronline.com/public\\_records.htm](http://www.netronline.com/public_records.htm)). Free site. This site is a portal to find any county of the U.S. with real estate records online. Not all counties have these records online, but those that do can be found here from a list of all 3,146 U.S. counties. The county Assessors, Recorders, Auditors, etc., are the official repositories for recorded deeds, tax assessments, and property histories--all excellent sources for names, addresses, and phone numbers.

- VirtualGumshoe.com ([www.virtualgumshoe.com/](http://www.virtualgumshoe.com/)). Subscription site. Designed for private investigators, this site has the largest nationwide criminal database on the Web. Maybe your missing relative is not lost at all, just serving time.

- MilissaData.com ([www.melissadata.com/lookups/index.htm](http://www.melissadata.com/lookups/index.htm)). Free site. Designed for direct marketers, this site has a Free Lookups page with direct links to websites relating to the nature of places in the U.S., i.e., addresses, zip codes, area codes, sub-division maps, house numbers, street names, radius searches, carrier route searches, county maps, census maps, school district maps, city maps, U.S. place name databases, world place name databases, and much more. Another name for this site might be, "A Genealogist's Find-the-Place Toolbox."

## INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORIES

- Infobel.com (<http://infobel.com/world/default.asp>). Free site. This is a portal to directory name lists online for more than 200 countries around the world. At each country, a list of directory titles is shown, and a click on a title takes you directly to the website with that online name list. Although many of the directories are in the language of the country, virtually every country has directories in English as well.

- Numberway.com ([www.numberway.com](http://www.numberway.com)). Free site. At first, Numberway.com looks like a rip-off of Infobel.com because it uses the same maps and regions and it lists the countries in the same order. But a look at the directory titles reveals that the Numberway lists are often unique and not repeats of the Infobel lists, and Numberway usually contains more directories listed for a particular country. On the other hand, Infobel.com has directory titles not listed at Numberway. Therefore, one should use both of these world directory portal sites to see what is available online.

- 192.com ([www.192.com](http://www.192.com)). Free site (plus fee-based details). The free portion is for a directory lookup for all of Great Britain. There are some unique databases here, such as the annual British voter lists (Electoral Rolls) for 2002-2007, which are fee-based searches. Criteria for a search requires the name of the village/town/city.

- The Phone Book (BT) ([www.thephonebook.bt.com/](http://www.thephonebook.bt.com/)). Free site. British Telecom, now just BT, is the dominate telecommunications system in the UK. Free lookups in current telephone directories for all of Great Britain are at this site. A search requires the name of the village/town/city.

- UK Phonebook.com ([www.ukphonebook.com](http://www.ukphonebook.com)). Free membership site. This is a private

directory publisher for all of Great Britain, and the enhanced name lists are very good. Searching here is also by place, but this site includes an interactive map at the search box screen, which can be very useful in finding a place name. [End of article]

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

We should add that Mr. Dollarhide's book, [GETTING STARTED IN GENEALOGY ONLINE](#) is another good source of links to websites with information on living forebears, including records of birth, marriage, or death. Pick up a copy and learn which websites can open the doors for you to the most important genealogy collections in libraries, archives, and genealogical societies for all 50 states. Designed as a beginner's guide, this book's 64 pages pack more clout than any 64 pages ever written on the subject of online genealogy. The book includes the author's unique seven-step system for gathering facts essential for any genealogical project. At the back of the book are Master Forms the reader can use to keep track of research information. What more could you ask for in such a small package?

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**Virginia and New England CD & Book Bonanza for August**

Throughout the month of August, we are placing scores of our best New England and Virginia publications (both CDs and books) on sale. The first grouping of New England and Virginia titles follows below; we will announce the rest of them over the course of the month.

You can purchase any or all of these titles for 20% off the retail price simply by entering the special code NEVA09 (all caps, no spaces) in the Discount Coupon Redemption Box on the Payment Information page of the check-out process.

You can use your special NEVA09 discount code as many times as you like, so long as you place your final order by 11:59 PM EDT, Monday, August 31, 2009. Whether you have Yankee or Cavalier roots (or both), August is a great time to add to your reference collection of these crucial resources. Read on and see if you don't agree!

***Virginia CDs Discounted in August (Use Code NEVA09)***

[Colonial Virginia Source Records](#)

This Family Archive CD identifies 350,000 individuals in a unique collection of colonial Virginia source records--wills and administrations, marriage records, family histories, tax records, newspaper abstracts, and military records. In all, this CD contains images of the pages of 10 books originally published by GPC. Among the 10 are some of the most important Virginia reference books ever published, many of them classics!

[Genealogies of Virginia Families from VMHB](#)

This CD contains all five volumes of "Genealogies of Virginia Families from 'The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography'," published originally by GPC in 1981. The five volumes together contain all the family history articles that appeared in VMHB from its inception in 1893 to 1977.

[Genealogies of Virginia Families from W&MCQ](#)

This CD contains all five volumes of "Genealogies of Virginia Families from 'The William and Mary College Quarterly'" and the single volume of "Virginia Gleanings," which had originally been published serially in "The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography."

#### [Virginia Colonial Records](#)

Naming nearly a quarter-million Virginians living in the colony between 1607 and 1776, this is the largest and most complete collection of Virginia colonial records ever assembled on CD. This rich CD is derived from 13 prominent Virginia genealogical reference works. From records of immigration, headright records, land and tax records, and early census records, to records of the colonial militia, vital records of birth, marriage, and death, and court records of wills, deeds, and administrations, this CD has it all--including the names of those who were listed in the colony's first census of 1623/24.

#### [Southside Virginia Genealogies](#)

This CD is a compilation of several hundred family histories, each of which, typically, extends back to the colonial period in Southside Virginia. Based on the multi-generational family history of the author, John W. Pritchett, and the histories of various allied families, it includes hundreds of genealogies and nearly 400 autobiographical narratives of residents of Southside Virginia--the area of Virginia south of the James River, east of the Blue Ridge Mountains, and north of the North Carolina border. Altogether Southside Virginia Genealogies contains more than 67,000 citations. *Adobe Acrobat Reader is needed to access this CD.*

***New England (General Titles) Discounted in August. Use Code NEVA09***

#### [The English Ancestry and Homes of the Pilgrim Fathers](#)

This critically acclaimed work contains biographical sketches of 112 passengers who sailed on the first four ships to New England. Along with data on the passengers' origins, family connections, and later histories, it substitutes proof for guesswork and disproves many cherished traditions. It includes many little-known facts about the Pilgrims' place of residence in England and their parentage and ancestry.

#### [The Winthrop Fleet of 1630](#)

This is an authoritative list of the 700 passengers who are believed to have come to New England with John Winthrop in 1630. Based on research undertaken in England and America, it provides as much data as could be verified on each passenger--name, place of departure, places of residence in England and America, occupation, church affiliation, dates of birth, marriage, and death, and relationships to other passengers.

#### [The Planters of the Commonwealth, 1620-1640](#)

Scrupulous in every detail, this work contains the names of 3,600 passengers on the 96 ships that brought them to New England between 1620 and 1640. Working with the same records employed by Savage, Drake, and Hotten and with records unknown or inaccessible to them, Dr. Banks here pulls the several classes of records together to form the most complete and authoritative collection of passenger lists for the period ever published. In addition to the names of passengers and ships, places of origin, and places of residence in America, the book includes indexes to surnames, ships, English parishes, and New England towns.

[Topographical Dictionary of 2885 Emigrants to New England, 1620-1650](#)

This "Dictionary" comprises notes on nearly 3,000 emigrants, giving their English homes, the names of ships in which they sailed, the New England towns in which they settled, and references to the printed or manuscript sources from which the information is derived.

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**Tracing Belgian Ancestors**

The history of Belgium is entwined with the religious and political wars of early modern Europe. Part of the Low Countries--which today comprise Belgium, Holland, and Luxembourg--Belgium was ruled by Hapsburg Spain from 1516 until 1713 and was an important battleground in the extraordinarily violent Thirty Years War from 1618 to 1648. Over the next hundred years, Austria, France, and Holland (which had attained its own independence) alternately ruled over Belgium. Belgium became an independent constitutional monarchy in 1830 and continues to be one today.

Unlike Protestant Holland, whose Flemish language is identical to Belgium's, the population of the latter is almost entirely Roman Catholic. Flemish is the official language of Belgium's northern provinces, home to the Flemings, while French dominates among the Walloons of the south.

Belgium has been a relatively small source of immigrants to the U.S. According to one source, less than a quarter-million Belgians have emigrated over the course of U.S. history. Most of these newcomers arrived before 1950, with most having arrived before the outbreak of World War I. More persons of Belgian heritage live in Michigan and Wisconsin than in any other states, although small pockets exist in Illinois, Minnesota, North Dakota, and other Midwestern states. During the 19th century, Belgians comprised the backbone of the eastern glass industry. As more and more took up residence in the Midwest, they divided their energies between skilled trades--especially building trades--and farming.

The foregoing narrative is by way of introducing our groundbreaking title for May, [SEARCHING FOR FLEMISH \(BELGIAN\) ANCESTORS](#), by Jozef Goethals and Fr. Karel Denys. This first-ever guidebook to Belgian genealogy teaches the reader the ins-and-outs of Flemish records and repositories in the U.S. as well as in Flanders.

Among other things, this new book contains a glossary of Flemish genealogical terms and instructions for reading ancient Flemish documents--advice that can be applied to deciphering Flemish genealogical documents for Holland as well. For Americans of Flemish ancestry, whose knowledge of the Flemish language is waning, this feature of [SEARCHING FOR FLEMISH \(BELGIAN\) ANCESTORS](#) is crucial if they wish to delve into their Flemish family history.

To provide our readers with a greater understanding of the design and objectives of this guidebook, we have reprinted Mr. Goethals' "Note to the Reader" from the book itself:

"An examination of guidebooks on genealogical research of European countries has convinced us that there is a need for the present publication. There are outstanding research manuals in Flemish showing the way through genealogical sources. Publications in English, however, treat Belgium only in a skeletal manner. Fr. Karel Denys, a life-long genealogy enthusiast and co-founder of the Genealogical Society of Flemish Americans, published a series of articles in the "Flemish

American Heritage" magazine, filling, in part, this void. We decided that presenting our combined experiences to a wider American public would benefit the Flemish American researcher.

"The main thrust of this work is to introduce you to the genealogical sources that are obtainable in the United States, i.e. sources that could save you a trip to the 'old country,' and to assist you in finding and interpreting these sources. The introduction sketches the history of Flanders and Belgium and the waves of emigration to America. This basic information will allow you to place your ancestors in a historical context.

"The first section describes some Belgian sources available in the United States which should be reviewed before you venture into the civil and parish records of Flanders: Internet websites, genealogical societies, library collections, etc.

"In the second and third sections you find a detailed analysis of the vital records of the Civil Registry (1796-1900) and Parish Registers (ca 1600-1796). Birth, marriage, and death records are analyzed and translated from Flemish, French, and Latin.

"The fourth section introduces you to the history and content of other sources of the so-called Ancien Regime (Old Regime) before 1796: court records, orphan bench records, notary records, tax records, et al. These sources provide you with information which make the vital records come alive.

"In the appendices we provide some practical research tools: among other things, an introduction to Flemish first names and surnames, state archives in Flanders, and a glossary of genealogy terms in Flemish, French, and Latin.

"Since the greatest number of emigrants to the United States originated from Flanders and our combined research experience concentrated on Flemish sources, the book is limited to the search for Flemish/Belgian ancestors, as the title suggests."

In our judgment, for persons of Flemish ancestry **SEARCHING FOR FLEMISH (BELGIAN) ANCESTORS** will prove to be a godsend. To buy or learn more about this exciting new guidebook, please consult the following link:

[http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main\\_page=product\\_info&item\\_number=9313&NLC-GenPointers1](http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&item_number=9313&NLC-GenPointers1)

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

If you're looking for bargain basement genealogy books, find your way to the [GENEALOGY WAREHOUSE](#), where hundreds of them are reduced by 40%, 50%, or more below original cost. Be sure to stop by at the beginning of every month to search for new Warehouse titles and other titles that may be in short supply.

This August we have added standard works on Kentucky and Long Island, New York ancestors, as well as the classic handbook on Scottish Heraldry. If you, so we are also drawing attention to other Warehouse values this month dealing with the mid-Atlantic region.

Still don't see something you need among our new or featured bargain titles for August? Browse

the complete collection of GENEALOGY WAREHOUSE titles at:  
[http://www.genealogical.com/content/products\\_warehouse.html&NLC-GenPointers1](http://www.genealogical.com/content/products_warehouse.html&NLC-GenPointers1) and find yourself some hot bargains!

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

[SCOTS HERALDRY. A Practical Handbook on the Historical Principles and Modern Application of the Art and Science. 2nd, Revised and Enlarged, Edition](#)

This is the standard reference work on all aspects of Scottish heraldry with complete details on the history, science, and practice. It contains full details on the procedure for obtaining a grant of arms. The plates include reproductions of heraldic bookplates, extracts of matriculations of arms, and illustrations of heraldic design in architecture.

**Was \$39.50 Now \$22.95**

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

[SOUTHOLD CONNECTIONS. Historical and Biographical Sketches of Northeastern Long Island \[New York\]](#)

This work examines the early families and history of the North Fork of Long Island, New York, from the earliest settlement through the Revolutionary War. Following an introductory chapter on the founding of Southold, the author presents genealogies on 17 families who settled there during the 17th and 18th centuries.

**Was \$18.50 Now \$12.50**

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

[THE BIG SANDY VALLEY \[Kentucky\]. A Regional History Prior to the Year 1850](#)

This excellent regional history is crammed with lists of early settlers, heads of families, and Revolutionary pensioners. It deals with the region (mostly in eastern Kentucky) known as the Big Sandy Valley, which today encompasses all or part of 16 counties in Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia.

**Was \$24.95 Now \$18.50**

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**\*\*MID-ATLANTIC BOOKS in the Genealogy Warehouse\*\***

[PASSENGER ARRIVALS at the Port of New York, 1830-1832](#)

This compilation by Mrs. Bentley, a sequel to the book above, is a direct transcription of the original microfilmed passenger lists for the port of New York for the period 1830 through 1832. In this one encyclopedic volume are the names--in alphabetical order--of 65,000 passengers with their age, sex, occupation, place of origin, etc., and the names of the 1,700 ships that brought them to New York.

**Was \$85.00 Now \$42.50**

[THE BURLINGTON COURT BOOK: A Record of Quaker Jurisprudence in West New Jersey, 1680-1709](#)

In 1676, shortly after the English seized the territory from the Dutch, New Jersey was divided into the colonies of East and West Jersey. Organized by a group of Quaker proprietors in London in 1676/7, West Jersey was settled by Quakers and was, in fact, the first Quaker colony in

America, preceding Pennsylvania by six years. The minutes of the Burlington court contain the day-to-day minutiae of Quaker temporal life. The majority of the court minutes concern property rights; civil suits; grievances involving slaves, servants, and Indians; and all manner of domestic complaints. Many of the cases brought before the court--such as inquests, petty civil suits, and criminal cases--give the names of spouses, children, and other related individuals. Since the majority of the persons named in this work were Quakers, researchers may be able to profit even further from clues it contains by probing among New Jersey Quaker meeting records for the same period.

**Was \$40.00 Now \$19.95**

#### [FREE AFRICAN AMERICANS of Maryland and Delaware from the Colonial Period to 1810](#)

Paul Heinegg has here assembled genealogical evidence on more than 300 Maryland and Delaware black families (naming nearly 6,000 individuals). The work contains copious documentation from the federal censuses of 1790 to 1810 and colonial sources consulted at the Maryland Hall of Records, county archives, and other repositories. His documentation proves that most of these free black families descended from mixed-race children who were the progeny of white women and African-American men. While some of these families would claim Native American ancestry, Mr. Heinegg offers evidence that they were, instead, the direct descendants of mixed-race children.

**Was \$41.95 Now \$19.95**

#### [SCOTS ON THE CHESAPEAKE, 1607-1830](#)

David Dobson here attempts to bring together all available references to Scots in Maryland and Virginia from sources scattered throughout Great Britain and North America. The result is an exhaustive list of several thousand Scots known to have been in the Chesapeake region between 1607 and 1830, including, where known, details of birth, marriage, and death, occupation, age, date of emigration, place of settlement, and family relationships.

**Was \$20.00 Now \$11.95**

#### [WESTERN NEW YORK LAND TRANSACTIONS, 1825-1835](#)

For this volume, compiler Karen Livsey extracted all useful genealogical data from the Land Tables of the Holland Land Company. For each of the 70,000 land transactions that took place between 1825 and 1835, the Mrs. Livsey supplies the name of the purchaser, date of the transaction, location of the land, type of transaction (original article, subsequent receipt, or renewed contract), and a reference to the original source and the microfilm.

**Was \$60.00 Now \$36.00**

#### [THE EARLY RECORDS of the First Presbyterian Church at Goshen, New York, from 1767 to 1885](#)

This transcription of births, marriages, and deaths from the records of the First Presbyterian Church is of importance because no public vital records exist for Orange County before the mid-19th century. Goshen, the county seat, was founded only two generations after the county's inception.

**Was \$25.00 Now \$14.95**

#### [THE PROVINCIAL COUNCILLORS OF PENNSYLVANIA Who Held Office Between 1733](#)

[and 1776](#)

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, and English, French, German, and other foreign descendants.

**Was \$45.00 Now \$27.00**

[NEW YORK COLONIAL MUSTER ROLLS, 1664-1775. In Two Volumes](#)

Originally published as appendices, or supplements, to the "Annual Report of the State Historian of the State of New York" for the years 1897 and 1898, these two volumes contain transcriptions of all colonial muster rolls on deposit in the state capital at Albany for the years 1664 to 1775. This work identifies approximately 30,000 men who served in the various militia companies during the period before the Revolution, including privateers and free-lancers such as Captain William Kidd. At a minimum, each militiaman is noted in connection with his date of enlistment, company and company commander, rank, and place of residence. More often than not, the muster rolls also include place of birth, age, occupation, height, and a physical description.

**Was \$85.00/set Now \$42.50/set**

[NEW YORK IN THE REVOLUTION as Colony and State. \[Together with Supplement\]. 2nd. Edition](#)

Second only to Massachusetts in furnishing troops for the Revolutionary War, New York put at least 43,645 men in the field, all of whom are identified in this work. Sources include original muster rolls and payrolls in the State Comptroller's Office, as well as records concerning regiments of the "Line" in rolls on file in the old War Department in Washington.

**Was \$60.00 Now \$36.00**

[CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA MARRIAGES, 1700-1896](#)

The bulk of this work is composed of marriage records of Union and Snyder counties in Pennsylvania. Other sections of the book include miscellaneous marriage records from other central Pennsylvania counties, 1700-1896. In all, about 15,000 brides and grooms are identified.

**Was \$10.00 Now \$5.95**

[INDEX TO THE 1850 CENSUS OF DELAWARE](#)

This work is divided into three sections for the Delaware counties of Kent, New Castle, and Sussex, with heads of household arranged alphabetically. Researchers will find information regarding the age, place of birth, and the census sheet number from the manuscript census for every person enumerated in Delaware (for the first time in U.S. census history this includes all household members). Names more than 92,500 persons.

**Was \$32.50 Now \$17.95**

[TO MARYLAND FROM OVERSEAS](#)

Harry Wright Newman's last book, TO MARYLAND FROM OVERSEAS, was published just before his death in 1983, but the edition was so small that few people know of it. This work contains documentation on the British and continental European origins of 1,400 people who settled in Maryland between 1634 and the beginning of the Federal period. Each colonist is dealt with in a separate paragraph, the contents of which range from abstracts of wills, deeds, patents, judgment records, pension records, and naturalizations to abstracts of private papers, visitations,

and parish registers.

**Was \$25.00 Now \$14.95**

[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.

**Was \$28.50 Now \$17.00**

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**Blog: Geographic Names in Virginia**

Conley Edwards is the director of the Virginia State Archives in Richmond. He has prepared a special article on Virginia place names for this week's installment on our blog, [www.genealogyandfamilyhistory.com](http://www.genealogyandfamilyhistory.com). Given how many of us have Virginia forebears and how difficult it can be to find the records pertaining to an ancient location, Conley's article is must reading.

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