

# **By Root and Branch**

The Pierre-Fort Pierre Genealogical Society Newsletter

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#### Note from the Editor

*Genealogy* (from Greek: genea, "generation"; and logos, "knowledge") is the study of families and the tracing of their lineages and history. The results are often displayed in charts or written as narratives.

"Generation-knowledge", I like that definition- mainly because it reminds me that the search for "generation knowledge" is much more than names and dates. It is how we place people in their time period and find out how they lived, putting the 'meat on the bones' so to speak.

As you can probably guess, I love the details – what was it like when my grandparents were young, when they married and were raising their children? When my dad told me he and his whole town had to wear face masks during the flu epidemic in 1918 I started researching that time period. I found about what people were going through and how they reacted. Did you know that World War I claimed an estimated 16 million lives and the influenza epidemic killed an estimated 50 million people? Within months, it had killed more people than any other illness in recorded history. It helped me understand a little more what was happening when my dad was young.

There are many ways I can get to know my ancestors, not just their names (which sometimes are very interesting) and when they were born and died.

A favorite poem of mine which mentions this very thing is *The Dash* by Linda Ellis. It is under copyright and you can read it at this website: <u>http://lindaellis.net/the-dash-poem-by-linda-ellis/</u> It tells of a man talking of a friend who had just died, saying that on her tombstone it listed her birth and death dates separated with a dash. But he said that what mattered most of all "was the dash between those years."

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### South Dakota's Past

From the pages of Capital Journal, Pierre

#### The following articles are from the Capital Journal

• September 11, 1891

The plasterers have about completed work on the interiour of the new capital addition and the carpenters are now at work putting on the finishing touches on the building. The outside of the building' is now completed and the new poarch and numerous other fixings add greatly to the looks of the building. The state officers who have had charge of the building of the addition have done well to make so many improvements upon the limited appropriation,

Mr. Waterfall, a farmer residing down the river was brought to the city this morning to receive medical attendance. A peculiar accident befell Mr. Waterfall. He was hitching up his team of horses and one of them started to bite the other one. In doing so it caught Mr, Waterfall's nose in its mouth and closing down its teeth nipped off the end of his nose. The accident is a very painfull one and he has suffered considerably from its effects.

#### Chief Engineer Myron Willsie and Attorney William Duff Haynie, of the

Rapid City, Missouri River and St. Paul railroad company, arrived in the city overland, last night. They followed the line of survey of the road from Rapid City. The corps of locating surveyors in charge of Engineer Haines is now about fifteen miles up Bad river and will have a line located to this city within the next week. Messrs. Willsie and Haynie will probably be in the city several days looking up matters at this end of the line.

• September 12, 1891

A. S. Guthrie and the mayor and chief of police of Fort Pierre are having quite an exciting time. It seems that the city council of Fort Pierre recently passed a dray and hack line ordinance. Now Mr. Guthrie runs a hack line between Pierre and Fort Pierre and has the contract for carrying the mail to Fort Pierre, He refused to pay any license and as a result when his driver drove over yesterday he was arrested on charge of violating the ordinance. Mr. Guthrie was out of town and did not return until evening. He then learned what had occurred and in the mean time his man had been unable to deliver the mail. Being a deputy U. S. marshal Mr. Guthrie at once had a warrant sworn out for M. P. Kennedy, the Fort Pierre chief of police, on the charge of stopping the United States mails. Loaded down with the warrant Mr. Guthrie went across the river and secured the chief of police and also his driver upon a subpoena as a witness. He got his men in his wagon and started for Pierre, but Mayor Erwin appeared on the scene and demanded the driver as he was under arrest for violating the ordinance. Ouite a scrap ensued and the result was that Mr. Guthrie got away with the chief of police but the mayor held the driver. Today Mr. Kennedy was brought before the U.S. court but his case was continued until next Tuesday. The driver was fined \$5 and cost to Fort Pierre. And still the war is on.

### **Researching on the Internet**

#### In A Nutshell – for the complete article, go to http://www.rideau-info.com/photos/storage.html

There are lots of words on the website detailing how to properly take care of your digital photos - but it all boils down to three simple rules:

**RULE OF ONE** - this rule states that there should be one set of untouched (unedited) photos. These are the original photos from your camera, in old school terms, these are your "negatives". Never overwrite these - if you're editing, **always edit a copy, never the originals**.

**RULE OF TWO** - at any given point in time, ensure that no matter what you are doing, there are at least two separate sets of your photos. Initially, when you copy photos you've just taken from your camera to your computer, the two sets are the photos on the camera's memory card and the copied set on your computer. Before you erase the photos on your memory card, ensure that that the Rule of Two is maintained, make a backup of the set on your computer (to another HD, memory stick, offsite storage, a DVD, etc.). So, when you erase your memory card, there are still **two separate sets of your digital photos**.

**RULE OF THREE** - The Rule of Two is for immediately working with your photos, the Rule of Three states that at some point, you must have a backup of your photos located off-site (away from a catastrophic disaster such as fire or flood - which would wipe out all the backups in your house). So, the Rule of Three adds a **third, archival set, stored off-site**.

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#### Note from the Editor

The last few months I have been doing research in South Dakota newspapers for people who have contacted me through the Internet. When I do the searches for obituaries or whatever I can find about their people, I realize just how much the newspapers have to tell us.

Newspapers are the day-to-day (or week-to-week) diaries of community events. They are accounts of the lives of people written as events happened, making them an excellent source for family history.

While records of birth, marriage, and death are the most commonly sought and the most consistently helpful, only the genealogist's imagination and resourcefulness limit the newspaper's usefulness in supplying clues about historical events, local news items, probate court and legal notices, real estate transactions, political biographies, announcements, notices of new and terminated partnerships, business advertisements, and notices for settling debts.

There are many online historical newspapers now. Further on in this newsletter are helps about how to find a newspaper online.

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### South Dakota's Past

#### From the pages of Pierre's Newspapers

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#### The following articles are from the Pierre Weekly Free Press

• May 2, 1895

"A stone cross-walk has been put in at the Dakota avenue crossing on the Pierre street. This is a great improvement over the board crossing and while a little more expensive at first cost will prove cheaper in the long run."

"The heaviest rainfall of the season occurred Sunday evening about half past seven o'clock. It had been sprinkling during the latter part of the afternoon and at the hour mentioned the rain came down in torrents, flooding the streets to the depth of several inches in the space of ten minutes. The total precipitation during the afternoon was three quarters of an inch. The shower extended north and eastward, filling the ravines and waterholes. The bountiful supply of rain this spring has given a wonderful growth to the prairie grass and all kinds of grain, vegetables and wild fruits are a month further advanced than usual. Unless every indication fails, this year will be a prosperous one for everyone located in this vicinity. Observer Fitzgerald reports total rainfall from January 1, 1895, 6.16 inches, which was 2.58 inches more than last year during the same period, and 2.93 inches above the normal since the beginning of this year. During the past thirty-two days from March 31, 4.46 inches fell, 1.90 inches of it since last Sunday evening."

#### The following articles are from the Pierre Daily Capital

• May 3, 1895

"The five-year old daughter of Lewis DeWitt, a ranchman on Bad River, died last night."

• May 8, 1895

"Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rathmell have adopted a little girl baby about 3 weeks old, that was brought in night before last by W. B. Sherraid of the Sioux Falls orphans' home."

#### • May 9, 1895

"The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Lacy is reported dead. It has been a severe sufferer for some time."

### **Researching on the Internet**

Newspapers

Newspapers are especially important for family historians as they are a partial substitute for nonexistent civil records. Obituaries, for example, often fill the gap when a death record is nonexistent or cannot be found. Newspapers are also an important source of marriage information, particularly in those states where marriages were not recorded until the twentieth century. They take on added importance where official public records have been destroyed. All Cook County, Illinois, official records, for example, were destroyed in the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. Newspapers consequently become even more critical in reconstructing the history of the city and tracing the roots of its settlers.

As with any other genealogical or historical source, a degree of skepticism is needed as we read through the pages of the past. The hurried nature of news-gathering—then, as now—has often led to error. Not everything found in print is accurate. Yet, while the quality of information found in newspapers varies greatly, there's often no other way to glean more personal and personality-revealing details about ancestors and other family members. Sometimes newspapers fill in gaps in family stories, and sometimes they provide vital records where no other proof of birth, marriage, or death exists. They are entertaining and enlightening. They are accounts of the lives of famous and ordinary people written as they happened, making them an excellent source for family history.

In my own family research, my grandmother was reported to have died in two different counties in California – one in the far north edge of the state and the other in the middle of the state. She also had three children in one newspaper and four in the other. So you see, you really do have to be aware that there might be mistakes.

Another thing to be aware of is that there might be more articles in the newspaper than just the one you found first. To illustrate that point, I copied out the articles of a child's death that I found on microfilm at the South Dakota archives. Notice the difference in each article.

"About two o'clock this afternoon little Sammy Logan after an heroic struggle of eleven weeks with sickness quietly passed to his reward. The little one is the thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Logan of this city, and was one of the brightest of little boys and was full of promise. It is over eleven weeks since that the little fellow was stricken with the measles and in spite of the best of medical aid and the most careful treatment the dear little fellow had to relinquish his hold on this life to grasp the life in heaven. The bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community." - *Pierre Daily Capital, May 1, 1895* 

"Died – Logan – At the home of his parents in this city Wednesday, May 1, 1895, Samuel Albert Logan, oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Logan, of typhoid pneumonia and measles.

Samuel Albert Logan was born August 27, 1881, at Philadelphia, Pa., to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Logan, being their oldest child. In 1884 he came with his parents to Dakota, and in 1890 accompanied them to Pierre.

Little Sam, as he was called, was a fine boy. He was old beyond his years and sought rather than the company of children of his age that of men, and was a little man in every respect. He displayed this quality in the fortitude with which he bore his final sickness of eleven weeks, in which he was always hopeful and pleasant, and offering words of encouragement to his loving parents. He was a favorite

among those with whom he had to associate, as he carried for a boy of his years a wonderful respect for those older than he, and listened to and heeded their teachings.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan are almost heart-broken over the loss of their first-born, but they must find condolence in the hundreds of sympathizing hearts who mourn their loss with them, and comfort in the dear little ones that yet remain to bless their fireside.

Very appropriate funeral services were held at the Congregational church this afternoon and Rev. Lyman made a few appropriate remarks. The school children of little Sam's grade attended in a body to pay a fitting and last tribute to their dear playfellow, and the pallbearers were taken from his Sunday school fellows. At the close of the services at the church the remains, followed by a large number of loving relatives and friends were taken to Riverside cemetery and consigned to their last resting place." – *Pierre Daily Capital, May 2, 1895* 

"The oldest boy of Mr. and Mrs. S. Logan died yesterday afternoon of pneumonia. Sammy was one of the brightest of a family of 5 children and could be ill spared from the circle. The funeral services were held at the Congregational Church this afternoon and the remains interred in the Riverside cemetery. Rev. Lyman officiating. A large number of friends of the family and playmates of the little fellow followed the remains to his last earthly resting place. The sorrowing parents and family have the condolences of the people of this city in their hour of affliction." – *Pierre Weekly Free Press, May 2, 1895* 

As you see, it took all three of the articles to get a more complete picture. Only one told how many siblings he had, only one told where he was born and interestingly in one he died of measles, one of pneumonia and one he died of both.

Newspapers give hints and information that you can build on. There are many newspapers online that you can browse. If you can't find one that you need online, do a search for the state archive you are interested in and find out if they have microfilm that can to borrowed on interlibrary loan.

There are sites that require a fee online, but I am only going to mention the ones you can access freely – some on you own computer and some at the local Family Search Center (506 N. Jefferson, Pierre, contact Linda Lowe at pierregen@pie.midco.net or 224-8914)

#### Wikipedia's list of online newspapers

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:List\_of\_online\_newspaper\_archives

**Chronicling America** provides free access to millions of historic American newspaper pages. <u>http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/newspapers/</u>

#### Newspaper Subscription Sites with Free Access from Family Search Center

#### 19th Century British Library Newspaper Digital Archive – find.galegroup.com/bncn/

The collection contains full runs of 48 newspapers specially selected by the British Library to best represent nineteenth century Britain.

#### Access Newspaper Archives-http://www.newspaperarchive.com

NewspaperArchive.com is the world's largest online newspaper archive, spanning more than 400 years.

#### Godfrey Memorial Library - www.godfrey.org

Provides access to the 19th century U.S. news, accessible archives to 19th century newspapers, African American newspapers, and the London Times digital archives newspaper databases.

#### World Vital Records - www.worldvitalrecords.com

There are more than 300 newspapers with 100,000 pages added a month.

If you want to learn more about newspapers, there are free online videos and tutorials on FamilySearch.org.

On main page, go to the HELP down arrow and click on HELP CENTER. On the HELP CENTER page, click on the LEARNING CENTER tab at the top of the page to open a search page for the online classes.

<u>Newspaper Research</u> Video and Slides (60 Minutes)

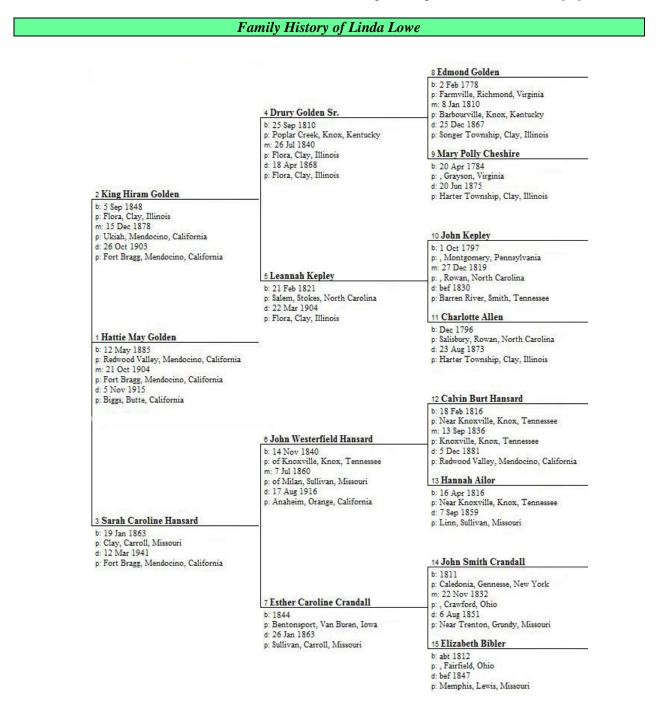
In this lesson, you will learn how to find and search *newspapers* for genealogical Finding and Using Historic *Newspapers*, Part 1 Video and Slides (29 minutes)

Learn why historical *newspapers* are an important resource for family history Finding and Using Historic *Newspapers*, Part 2 Video and Slides (34 minutes)

Learn how to search historical *newspapers*.

Ancestors Season 2: Newspapers as Records Video (24 minutes)

One of the best and most underused resources in genealogical research is newspapers.



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#### Note from the Editor – Do you use PAF (Personal Ancestral File)

FamilySearch.org has announced that it will not be supporting PAF any longer. Just what does this mean to a PAF user?

According to FamilySearch, if a user calls them for help, they will not assist with features of PAF. They will, however, provide limited support for moving PAF data to a compatible third-party app.

PAF will continue to work on all versions of Windows as of 2013, including Windows 8. Just be aware that it will no longer be improved. FamilySearch strongly recommends choosing an alternative product.

If you are using FamilySearch Family Tree, PAF does not integrate with the Tree directly; you will need to use an alternative product. These products will be able to import your PAF data directly, enabling you to connect to FamilySearch and copy your data to and from the web as desired.

Deciding which third-part program is completely subject to personal preferences and needs. FamilySearch suggests checking out each of the apps and comparing them. They have provided a simple set of links to information and downloads about the products with their recommended partners at <u>www.FamilySearch.org/products</u>

I have used PAF and found that Ancestral Quest is very much like that program. In fact, the Windows versions of PAF were created from an earlier version of AQ, so PAF users will feel right at home using the screens, reports, and other functions.

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#### Be sure to check out the Free Genealogy Seminar coming in October.

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#### August 4, 1903 p3, c1

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors in Pierre and Aberdeen for their kindly assistance and sympathy in our late bereavement in the loss of our son. Mrs. and Mrs. George Sergent **August 4, 1903 p3, c3** 

St. Mary's hospital is proving itself to be a great benefit to the people of this part of the state, and is becoming more and more appreciated as the years go by. It is securing a reputation in surgical cases which will dray greater patronage, which was been going to eastern hospitals. Within the past few days Dr. Robison of this city assisted by Dr. Lavery of Fort Pierre, has at that hospital performed two difficult abdominal operations, patients being Mrs. Parr of this city and Mrs. Cook of Stanley county, in both of which cases the patients are progressing nicely and are on the road to recovery unless complications should arise.

#### August 5, 1903 p3, c2

Two Boys Injured

Philip Nelson, little son of Mrs. Nellie Nelson of Pierre was run over by a wagon yesterday and sustained a broken thigh. The accident happened on the range west of the river and an all night drive was made to get the boy home.

Nelson Barnes of Canning, was thrown from a horse this morning and dislocated the radius at the elbow. The fracture was set and the dislocation successfully reduced today by Drs. Ruble and Clark.

#### <u>August 11, 1903 p3, c1</u>

A son was born last evening to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones of Philip. Mrs. Jones has been at the hospital for some time where she could secure proper care.

#### <u>August 18, 1903 p3, c1</u>

Word was received this morning by Rev. G. T. Nelson from Faulkton stating that Rev. Colin T. Cooper, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at that place was dead.

This information will be sad news to many friends of the deceased and highly esteemed minister in Pierre. Previous to his assignment to Faulkton, the Rev. Mr. Cooper was pastor at Blunt during which time he frequently visited Pierre and upon several occasions preached in the city.

He was regarded as one of the ablest and most promising among the Methodist ministry in this Conference and his decease will be deplored by a wide circle of friends.

Rev. G. T. Nelson left this afternoon for Faulkton to attend the funeral services which occur tomorrow.

#### August 19, 1903 p3, c3

Mrs. Joseph Root died at her home about four miles up Bad river from Ft. Pierre Monday night. She had not been well for some time but was not considered seriously ill. She was about 36 years of age, and is survived by her husband and two children, a girl of 5 and a boy of 8 years. The remains were sent to Athol this afternoon for interment.

Susie Dunn, daughter of Michael Dunn, was buried at Ft. Pierre this forenoon. She died at the hospital in this city after an illness of long duration. She was about sixteen years old.

#### August 19, 1903 p3, c1

Miss Helen Little gave a birthday party yesterday afternoon in honor of her fifth birthday. A very pleasant time was had by the little folks.

#### August 19, 1903 p3, c2

J. G. Thayer, of Spring Valley, Minn., is visiting his brother, Burdette C. Thayer. Mr. Thayer is the owner of a quarter section on the other side of the river.

#### August 20, 1903 p3, c1

A son was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schomer. He is a fine ten pound fellow, and Joe is correspondingly happy.

#### August 20, 1903 p3, c2

Firm Walker and Charles Simon have leased the restaurant of Edwin Oldfield and took possession this morning. Robert Gleckler has been retained as day clerk with Theodore Stuff on the night shift. Messrs. Walker and Simon are well known in the city and will no doubt make popular and efficient caterers.

#### August 25, 1903 p3, c2

Virgil Laughlin, son of Sheriff Laughlin, who has been acting as carrier of the Capital Journal East Pierre route, was badly injured last night by his pony falling with him near the East Pierre school house. The pony caught his foot in a piece of loose wire, and fell upon the boy, breaking his collar bone and bruising him badly. He was picked up and taken to the hospital and his parents notified of the accident

#### Sept. 1, 1903 p3, c1

Mrs. Thomas Brown returned last night from her trip to San Francisco, to attend the G.A.R. meeting. She bought back a large collection of souvenirs of different kinds as mementos of her visit to the coast, and is enthusiastic over the beauties and pleasures of the visit. She met several old time Dakotans while on the coast, among them McGinnis family which went from Sully county, and Peter Bayard, who announced his intention of returning to Pierre. The other members of the party who went from Pierre are visiting at various places on the coast and will return later in the month. Sept. 1, 1903 p3, c2

Mrs. J. C. Eager, accompanied by her daughter Mildred, and her cousin, Miss Eddy, left this morning for a visit with friends in St. Paul.

Ernest Burroughs was crushed between cars at Roscoe last Friday, and instantly killed. The death of Mr. Burroughs leaves doubly orphaned twin babies, the mother, formerly Miss Tessie Clark of this city dying at the time of their birth.

#### Internet Information The Cloud

#### The Cloud Explained

The best way to understand the Cloud is to go back to the beginning. Back in the day, your data -- your photos, your files, your music -- used to be stored on a physical piece of hardware, perhaps on a floppy disk or a CD or a hard drive in your computer.

But today, you might be looking at a photo that's on Facebook or Flickr or listening to music on a service like Pandora. You might even watch a movie on Netflix or Amazon. And if that's the case, well, that photo, movie or music isn't on your computer; it's someplace else. And that place is called the Cloud.

In the most basic terms, the Cloud refers to the Internet. Lots of engineers might yell at us for being that basic, but when someone says, "I stored it in the Cloud," they mean they stored it on an Internet service. For example, email or webmail services are in "the cloud."

Now, of course, it isn't really that simple. The Cloud or cloud computing refers to an application that is hosted on or run on Internet servers. All the companies that have these services – Amazon, Google, Facebook, Yahoo, Flickr, Apple -- have servers or server farms. That's where your media is actually stored.

But, hey, if you want to think of it as a floating bubble or hard drive in the sky, we won't tell anyone.

#### **Benefits of the Cloud**

There are a lot of advantages to using Cloud-based services or Cloud computing. The first is that your media lives in a place not on your own device, so you can get it on multiple devices. You can check your email on any computer or access your photos on Flickr or iCloud on any computer. And with cloud storage services like Google Drive, Dropbox, or SugarSync, you can store your files.

That also means that those photos, files or songs are being backed up on those various services. So if your hard drive crashed, you'd have a backup of all your files instantaneously; you'd just log in on another computer to one of those services.

Another benefit? Less computing power is required. The games you play on Facebook are using some of your computer's power, but they are also running on Facebook's or Zynga's (the company that makes most of those games) servers. Similarly, because you might listen to more music through Cloud services like Pandora or Spotify, you might not need as much hard-drive space.

#### **Cloud Caution**

But there are, of course, some things to be mindful of when using these Cloud services. The first is bandwidth and Internet costs. Sending email or looking at photos through these services don't use a lot of bandwidth, but playing games and streaming movies can eat up your monthly data or bandwidth allocation. Make sure you don't go over your monthly allocation, if you have one. The second is that you will need that Internet connection to get to your data. So if you are on a plane with no WiFi or in an area with no connectivity you won't have access to those files or photos in the Cloud.

Third: be mindful of privacy settings and make sure you are using strong passwords with these services. Your data now lives someplace other than the hard drive in your computer -- it lives in that fluffy blue cloud -- so you just want to be safe in case it decides to turn gray and dark.

There are many cloud servers. The following chart lists some of the popular sites.

Stora		Storage Space	e	
Service	Free	25-30GB	50GB	special use
Amazon Cloud Drive	5GB	1	\$25 per year	-
Amazon Cloud Player	250 songs			music
Apple iCloud	5GB	\$40 per year (25GB)	\$100 per year (55GB)	
Apple iTunes Match	n/a	1		music
Bitcasa	10GB			
Box (Personal)	5GB	\$9.99 per month (25GB)	\$19.99 per month	
Cubby	5GB		2	peer-to-peer sharing
сх	10GB	\$4.99 per month (25GB)	\$9.99 per month	
Dropbox	2GB			
Google Drive	5GB	\$2.49 per month (25GB)		real-time collaboration
IDrive	5GB			for backup, not syncing
IDriveSync	10GB			
Microsoft SkyDrive	7GB	\$10 per year (27GB)	\$25 per year (57GB)	
MiMedia	7GB			
SugarSync	5GB	\$9.99 per month \$99.99 per year		



Will be hosting a

# **Free Genealogy Seminar**

Saturday, October 12, 2013 10:00 - 2:30pm LDS Church

### 506 N. Jefferson, Pierre

10:00 - Virginia Hanson, archivist with the SD State Archives -

"Can't Find Great Grandpa? Unique Sources at the SD State Archives"

11:30 - Linda Lowe - "FamilySearch Center - What is it?"

12:00 - 12:30 Lunch of Sloppy Joes, Salads and Desserts

12:30 - Ken Stewart, SD Archives - "Bizarre Characters in South Dakota History"

1:30 - Lorraine Kintz - "Hunting for Witches in Your Family Tree"

Everyone Welcom<sup>e</sup>Lunch will be provided at no charge for those who pre-register so we have a count for the food. Email: pierregen@pie.midco.net Phone: 605-773-3804 Mail: Box 1101, Pierre, SD 57501

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# **By Root and Branch**

The Pierre-Fort Pierre Genealogical Society Newsletter

Volume 35, Number 4, November 2013

#### Where did the summer go?

Quite often lately I have asked myself where has time gone to so fast. Seems like spring was just getting started last week! But now that we are into the cooler months, I get more chances to read! One of my favorite places to get books from is the online library for my Kindle.

But there are many books online besides just the ones from our local library. There are books that can be accessed through Google and also FamilySearch. The books that can be found are family and local history books which are a rich source of genealogical information.

Until recently, it was difficult to find these useful books. Many were rare and out-of-print which you had to travel to large genealogy libraries to access them. But now we can find many of them online to freely browse.

In the *Internet Tips* section of this newsletter I have included tips on how to search for these wonderful books. Hope you find the tips useful – and good hunting!

On another subject – if you have any genealogy hints or information to put in the newsletters, I would love to have you email them to me. Our newsletters go out in February, May, August and November.

Linda Lowe (pierregen@pie.midco.net)

Need Help with a Membership Problem? Have a Suggestion for presentations? Contact a Society Officer! Society Officers for 2013

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### **Pierre/Fort Pierre Society Meeting Schedule**

The Pierre/Fort Pierre Genealogical Society meets each month, except December, at 7pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. Our meetings are usually held at the LDS Church at 506 N. Jefferson, Pierre, SD. If there is a change, the members will be notified via email or phone.

If you haven't been to the society's website lately, it is well worth a visit. It is located at <u>http://www.rootsweb.com/~sdfpgs/</u>. You'll find databases and what up-coming events are planned.

#### At the meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> we will be electing the officers for the coming year. The program about comparing free genealogy software will be by Linda Lowe.

The October Seminar hosted by our Society and the Pierre Family Search Center was well attended and many had high praise of not only our speakers, but of the wonderful lunch which was provided by our Society. We had 27 people attending (not including our members), so that was a fine turnout. The following picture is of Virginia Hanson giving her presentation.



### South Dakota's Past

#### From the pages of Pierre's Newspapers

These news articles are typed as originally seen in the papers. Remember that capitalization and spelling might be different than what we are used to now.

#### May 1, 1895 - Daily Capital

About two o'clock this afternoon little Sammy Logan after an heroic struggle of eleven weeks with sickness quietly passed to his reward. The little one is the thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Logan of this city, and was one of the brightest of little boys and was full of promise. It is over eleven weeks since that the little fellow was stricken with typhoid pneumonia and was convalescing when was stricken with the measles and in spite of the best of medical aid and the most carful treatment the dear little fellow had to relinquish his hold on this life to grasp the life in heaven. The bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

#### May 2, 1895 - Daily Capital

LOGAN—At the home of his parents in this city Wednesday, May 1, 1895 Samuel Albert Logan, oldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Logan, of typhoid pneumonia and measles.

Samuel Albert Logan was born August 27, 1881, at Philadelphia. Pa., to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Logan, being their oldest child. In 1884 he came with his parents to Dakota, and in 1890 accompanied them to Pierre.

Little Sam, as he was called, was a fine boy. He was old beyond his years and sought rather than the company of children of his age that of men, and was a little man in every respect. He displayed this quality in the fortitude with which he bore his final sickness of eleven weeks, in which he was always hopeful and pleasant, and offering words of encouragement to his loving parents. He was a favorite among those with whom he had to associate, as he carried for a boy of his years a wonderful respect for those older than he, and listened to and heeded their teachings.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan are almost heartbroken over the loss of their first-born, but they must find condolence in the hundreds of sympathizing hearts who mourn their loss with them, and comfort in the dear little ones that yet remain to bless their fireside.

Very appropriate funeral services were held at the Congregational church this afternoon and Rev. Lyman made a few appropriate remarks. The school children of little Sam's grade attended in a body to pay a fitting and last tribute to their dear playfellow, and the pallbearers were taken from his Sunday school fellows. At the close of the services at the church the remains, followed by a large number of loving relatives and friends were taken to Riverside cemetery and consigned to their last resting place.

#### May 2, 1895 - Pierre Weekly Free Press

Too oldest boy of Mr. and Mrs. S. Logan died yesterday afternoon of pneumonia. Sammy was one of the brightest of a family of five children and could be ill spared from this circle. The funeral services were held at the Congregational church this afternoon and the remains interred in the Riverside cemetery, Rev. Lyman officiating. A large number of friends of the family and playmates of the little follow followed his remains to its last earthly resting place. The sorrowing parents and family have the condolence of the people of this city in their hour of affliction.

#### August 28, 1903 p3, c2 - Daily Capital

Aberdeen, S.D., Aug. 26. – Walter Jacobs came in last night from Standing Rock Indian reservation and reports that Louis P. Primeau, the noted interpreter, was buried Saturday, his death having been caused by Bright's disease, with which he had suffered for several months. Mr. Primeau was here a few days ago and went from here to Epiphany to consult Father Kruger about his case. It was known here that he was failing but it was not known that his case was so near an end. Louis Primeau was the most eminent interpreter among the Sioux, occupying about the same position among them that Uncle Paul Bouleau did among the Chippewas of the northwest. For a great many years both were noted for the excellence with which they could turn the Indian language into English, and the reverse, and both were strong with their people.

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Mr. Primeau carried a \$3,000 policy in the Catholic Order of Foresters. The local officers have heard nothing of his death.

#### October 1, 1903 p3, c3 - Daily Capital

Shot Himself Accidently – Sheriff Laughlin and S. C. Yarnell, who acted as coroner in the case of Israel Trumbo, returned late last evening, having completed the hearing in the case, the jury bringing in a verdict of accidental death. The body of Trumbo was found near a gate through a wire fence about ten o'clock in the morning, by Charles West, a small sheep herder, who was working for Wm. McNamara. West had seen Trumbo past the place he was working about seven o'clock in the morning, and did not see him again until he found the dead body at ten. He at once informed his employer, who notified the relatives of Trumbo.

It was found that the wound which caused his death was from a Winchester rifle ball which entered his left breast just below the nipple and came out of his back just below the shoulder blade. The rifle was found about four feet from the body with an empty shell in it. The supposition from all circumstances was that the gun was discharged in some way while Trumbo was attempting to open the gate. The funeral service will be held at Blunt, Sunday morning at ten o'clock. Trumbo's sister, Mrs. G. W. Harris, is in Texas, and the funeral will be delayed until she can arrive.

#### October 2, 1903 p3, c1 - Daily Capital

Dr. Rubie reports the arrival of a daughter at the home of Ambrose Forsythe, at Fielder. This makes the fourteenth child in the family.

#### October 2, 1903 p3, c2 - Daily Capital

Mrs. Goltz closed her services as housekeeper at the Locke Hotel with the first of the present month, and her many friends living sat the Locke presented her with a diamond ring as an appreciation of her services.

#### October 5, 1903 p3, c2 - Daily Capital

Mrs. Penrose, of Burlington, Iowa, who has been here on a visit with her brother, B. J. Binford, left on the afternoon train for her home.

#### Internet Tips and Information Google Books

#### Finding Family and Local History Books on Google Books

Maybe someone has written a local or family history book which is relevant to your genealogy.

- Search for a person. Instead of the basic search form, try Google Book' Advanced Search <br/><books.google.com/advanced\_book\_search>. Search on an exact name plus the word <br/>genealogy, family or history as a title word or subject. You may find other matches by <br/>searching on the name as an exact phrase with the last name first.
- 2. <u>Add a year range</u>. If you got too many matches, narrow your search by adding a range of years. Type in the years with three dots between (1900...1925) to search for a range of years.
- 3. <u>Search on alternate name spellings</u>. We all know how the same name was spelled many ways in the censuses.
- 4. <u>Add another term</u>. If still too many results are showing up, try adding another name (such as a spouse or child), a place, an occupation, or any word closely associated with that person or family.
- 5. Search for town and county histories. Don't put the person's name. These books can hold valuable background information that'll help you put your family's story into historical context. You also might come across your ancestor's name spelled in ways you wouldn't have thought to search on.

Google Books is among the best places to start when looking for books online, but it's not the only option. Try checking libraries in your ancestors' area and search online for sites with digitized books.

Here are a few more places to access online genealogy and history books.

- FamilySearch < https://familysearch.org/search >. You'll find digitized books in the Family History Books collection (from the main search page click the Books tab) containing more than 40,000 searchable genealogy publications from Brigham Young University and other libraries.
- Although it's not family history specific, the University of Pennsylvania's Online Books Page <**onlinebooks.library.upenn.edu>** is another online catalog that features a million-plus free books, as well as news, features and access to archives in English and other languages.

Access Genealogy's Online History and Genealogy library
<www.accessgenealogy.com> has locality-specific pages with links to e-books and online sources for each place. Books come mostly from the United States, but also from Australia, Britain and Canada.

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#### The following story was submitted by Marianne Girten

#### CHRISTMAS 1917

I remember about 65 years ago now. We left the Ranch with around 500 horned steers. We had a load of hay In front of the cattle. John Holland Sr. was driving the hay wagon. John Jr., me and a Mexican were handling the cattle. It was bitter cold and that nite we stayed at the J.O. Thomas Ranch on the mouth of Agency Creek.

The next day about 11:00 A.M. we were up by Tom Tolton's place where we were going to cross the Missouri River on the ice. We sanded the river and drove the hay wagon on the ice but the cattle wouldn't follow. Roy Tolton came down and helped us to no avail.

I was riding Rambler and I had him shod all around with never slip shoes and I finally roped a steer and started across the river with him. All of the cattle followed and in no time at all we had a load of hay, four cowboys and 500 cattle on the ice. It started cracking and popping but we went on across and landed at a place on the other side where the Boss had bought several hundred tons of hay.

The next morning the Boss told me to leave Rambler up there and to saddle up Fox, a bay Bronc the Mexican had rode up there, and head back across the Missouri and back to the Ranch. I was furious about having to leave my shod horse and ride a salty bronc home.

I had to pass H.P. Miners place at Ft. Bennett and I saw about 20 turkeys there. I dealt him out of a big gobbler and we caught him and put him in a gunny sack with a hole for his head to stick out. We had considerable trouble trying to load the turkey on Old Fox. So we unsaddled him, tied the turkey's legs to the saddle strings on the long latigo side and the end of the sack to the strings on the other side, saddled up again and took off for home.

Down below John Benton's and close to the mouth of "Deep Creek" there was about 40 feet wide of good going with shale banks about 40 ft. high on one side and glare ice of the Missouri River on the other. This was where the turkey worked his way out of that old beat up sack, and hanging by his legs started fanning that Bronc with both wings. The horse bucked over to one of those shale banks, changed ends and was headed straight for the river Ice. I stepped off and hung onto a bridle rein. The next Jump he landed on glare ice and fell real hard. I walked out on the ice and unsaddled, fixed a new hole for the turkeys head and saddled up again. I started to lead Old Fox off the ice and he wouldn't take a step in that direction. I led him across to the east side and went down the river 'til I came to Old Ft. Sully. Crossed over the river again at the Holland Ranch.

It was a good feeling when I came off the river and up the bank. I could see a light and smoke coming out of the chimney. I stepped off my horse at the Round Corral Gate and led him Into the log barn. He was snow white from his breath freezing on him. And soon I discovered the cinch was froze to his belly. I gave the cinch a quick Jerk, Old Fox Jumped and kicked me right on my left knee. But I still had my turkey.

So ends the story of the Christmas Turkey and the Bay Bronc.

by Pat Holland

From The Ranch of a Thousand Bronc Rides, Ft. Pierre, So. Dak.

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