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#### President's Message

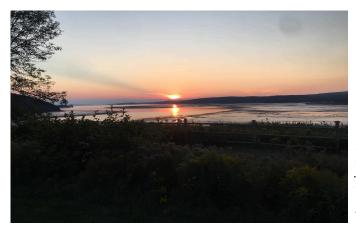
Welcome to the Spring 2025 issue of Loyalist Tidings!

Inside you will find various articles regarding Loyalists and Loyalist history.

2025 is the 250th anniversary of the Revolutionary War. To be exact April 19th marks the 250th anniversary of the war's beginning and while this is more of an American celebration, the "Call to Arms" effected all.

I am very excited about serving as the President of the NS Branch of the UELAC for the 2025-2026 term of the Executive Council. And would like to thank all members of the NS Branch for this opportunity.

> Loyally, Linda Jobe UE



Sunset at Bay of Fundy as taken from Five Island Provincial Park, NS. Taken by Linda



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#### Remembering Bishop Charles Inglis, UE

By Brian McConnell, UE

During the American Revolution, Charles Inglis while living in New York spoke out in favour of Loyalists and published articles siding with the British Crown. He is remembered in the place from which this happened. Born in the north of Ireland, after moving to America to 1756, then training to be a priest with the Church of England he was appointed the Rector of Trinity Church on Long Island in New York City. During the third week of May, 2025 I visited there and had the opportunity to visit the Church and view a plaque to him on one of the walls inside.

Inglis, while in New York, also served as Chaplain to a Loyalist Regiment, the New Jersey Volunteers. When the City was evacuated at the end of the American Revolution by the Loyalists he went to England. The Church of England appointed him the first Bishop in North America in 1787 at the time he was made Bishop of Nova Scotia which also then included responsibility for modern - day New Brunswick, Quebec, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, and Bermuda.



Trinity Church at 89 Broadway, New York City

When Inglis died in 1816 he was buried in the crypt under St. Paul's Anglican Church in Halifax, Nova Scotia where he is remembered well with plaques on the wall and floor. The plaque in Trinity Church in New York City is located in a hallway off the back of the building and I was pleased to have the photo taken below of it with me wearing my UELAC hat.



The plaque reads:

- In Memory of -

1754 Charles Inglis 1816

1777 Rector of Trinity Parish 1785

1787 Bishop of Nova Scotia 1816

First Colonial Bishop of

The Church of England

#### **Loyalist Lutheran (Luther) Morris**

#### Early Settler at Advocate Harbor, Parrsboro Township, NS

In February 2022, I assisted Nicholas Morris in applying for his Loyalist Certificate for his ancestor Loyalist Lutheran Morris.

The following is a gathering of information which we obtained in order to successfully acquire the Loyalist certificate.

**Lutheran Morris** was born in the state of New Jersey, ca. 1739. The Carleton Papers (Loyalists and British Soldiers 1772-1784) documents him as residing in Brooklyn Heights, Long Island, New York and being a carpenter. In late 1777, **Lutheran Morris** served as a Private in the 3rd Battalion of the NJ Volunteers in Capt. David Alston's Company which was under the commandment of Major Robert Drummond. **Lutheran Morris** arrived in St. John, NB, on the "Lord Townsend" from New Jersey in May 1783. He and 47 others were listed on that ship as members of Militia Company 16 (John Mersereau"s Company). **Lutheran** was listed as the only person in the "household". It is told that **Lutheran Morris** arrived in NS in May of 1786 by rowboat with 3 others, one who was Robert Spicer. They landed near Advocate Harbor. It has been published that **Lutheran Morris** was listed as the third English settler in and near Advocate, the first being Robert Spicer and the second being Daniel Knowlton.

Marion Gilroy's book "Loyalist and Land Settlement in NS" indicates that **Lutheran Morris** received a land grant in 1785 of 500 acres in the Parrsboro Township.

The NS Archives 1787 Land Grant, Report No. 565, gives William Raymond and 24 Others, 11,760 Acres at Parrsboro, Kings County, rec'd 25th July '87 & certified. **Lutheran Morris** received 500 acres.

Lutheran Morris married Catherine Ann Swan, date and place unknown, and had the following children:

John Morris (1780-1864) married Jane Hatfield

**Nancy Ann Morris** (1782-1871) married Benjamin Lovely Note: NS Vital Stats lists Nancy's age as 99 at time of her death meaning she would of been born 1772, which I think is incorrect.

Benjamin Morris (1787-1866) married Content Pettis

Samuel Morris (1789-1855) married Diadamia "Damy" Ward

Randal/Randolph Morris (1790-1874) married Lois Knowlton

Henry Morris (1791-1885) married Jane "Jenny" Spicer

Dorothy Morris (1792-1877) married Joshua Ward

**Isaac Morris** (b. 1795), no other information.

**Thomas Morris** (1796-1882) married Mary Knowlton

Catherine Morris (1798-1879) married Robert Knowlton

William Morris (1799-1897) married 1. Susan Pritchard, 2. Janet McLellan

**Lavinia Morris** (b. 1801), no other information.

Mary Morris (1802-1867) married Samuel Nichols

Two other possible children may be:

**Joshua Morris**, born ca. 1785, census 1761 lists the family as 1 male and 2 females. No further information. **Charles Morris**, born ca. 1794, no other information.

It would be worthwhile to note that the Cumberland County 1787 - 1959 BMD Records for the Parrsboro Parish of St. George's Anglican Church, lists **Luther Morris** as being baptized as an adult on December 12, 1787.

The obituary of Lutheran Morris from The Provincial Wesleyan, Monday, November 4, 1839,

"Death: At Advocate Harbor on Sept 11 - **Lutheran Morris**, in the 100th year of his age; he was born in the State of New Jersey in 1739, and served in the British Army, during the Revolutionary War. He was one of the first settlers at Parrsboro. He enjoyed a sense of the favor of God for some years before his death, and died in joyous prospect of future glory."

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## For the purpose of this article, I will be providing an overview of Samuel Morris and family.

**Samuel Morris** "The Crowkeeper" was baptized at St. Georges Anglican Church, Parrsboro, on 24 May 1789. He married **Diadamia** "**Damy**" **Ward** on Dec 24, 1811. She was the daughter of Patrick and Judith Ward.

They had the following children:

Caleb Morris (1813-1890) married Matilda Stewart

Joshua Morris (1816-1902) married Rosa Morris

Charlotte Morris (1817-1900) married Charles S. Robarts

Erastus Morris (1817-1903) married Catherine Bennett

Samuel Morris (1823-1913) married 1) Elizabeth Jane Tate

then 2) Amelia Sandford Harvie

Enoch Morris (1830-1909) married Jane E MacIntosh

Charles Edward Morris (1836-1911) married Lavinia A "Vinny" Spicer

Maria Ann Morris (1838-1909) married Sidney Smith



**Samuel Morris Jr.** first married **Elizabeth Jane Tate** (1827-1881), he then married **Amelia Sandford Harvie**.

The children of **Samuel Morris Jr** and **Elizabeth J Tate** were:

James Edward Morris (1854-1925) married Damaris Tamson Blenkhorn

Frederick William Morris (1855-1931) married Catherine "Kate" Elizabeth Sullivan

Samuel Chesley Morris (1858-1938) married Susanna "Susie" McLaughlin

Edson Nathan "Polite Eddie" Morris (1864-1946) married 1) Mary Alressa Beaty

2) Emma Loretta Brown

#### Nicholas Morris's lineage continues with Frederick William Morris and Kate Sullivan.

Frederick W Morris and Kate Sullivan married on Nov 18, 1884 and had the following children:

Dimock Adams Morris (1885-1918) married Gladys Vernon Lunn

Raymond Frederick Morris (1887-1928) married Amelia Catherine "Mildred" Novak

**Millie Morris** (1888-1892)

Victor Hesse Morris (1890-1947) married Phyllis Antoinette Lorraine

**Stanley E Morris** (1892-1911)

Ruby Evelyn Morris (1893-1924) married Lloyd Dougall Elderkin

Irvine Samuel Morris (1896-1966) married Evelyn L Morris

Alice Mary Morris (1899-1949) married Lloyd Dougall Elderkin

#### Nicholas Morris's lineage continues with Dimock Morris and Gladys Vernon Lunn.

**Dimock Adams Morris** and **Gladys Vernon Lunn** married on January 12, 1915 and he died at the age of 33 on Oct 25, 1918 of pneumonia.

They had the following children:

Donald Montclair Morris (1915-1983) who never married

Ashley Harl Morris (1918-2007) married Mabel Florence Berringer

Ashley Harl Morris and Mabel Florence Berringer had son Richard Harl Morris. Richard Harl Morris married Dale Irene Falconer and they had son Nicholas Ashley Morris.









#### **Dimock Morris's** siblings all died young.

His brother, Raymond Frederick Morris (1887-1928) died at Dorchester, Mass. Below is his obituary.

Amherst Daily News, Thursday, December 20, 1928

**OBITUARY: Raymond F. Morris** 

There passed away on Thanksgiving Day, November 29th at Dorchester, Mass., Raymond F. Morris, aged 42 years. A short service was held at All Saint's Methodist Episcopal Church, Dorchester, on Sunday afternoon, after which the remains were brought to Advocate, his former home, for burial. His death came as a great shock to his many friends both in Dorchester and Advocate Harbour. Although he had not always enjoyed the best of health his death was unexpected. He was always of a very cheerful disposition and continued that way to the end. The funeral services were held at Advocate Harbour, Wednesday, December 5th, from the home of his father and conducted by the Rev. Mr. Sulston of the United Church, assisted by Rev. Mr. Rockingham of the Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Mildred Novac of Dorchester, Mass.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Morris; one sister, Mrs. Lloyd Elderkin of Advocate Harbour; and two brothers, \*\*Victor\*\* of Amherst and Irvine of Glenholm, Colchester County.

The WW1 Draft Card for him lists him as exempt due to being afflicted with asthma and poor eyes.

<u>His sister, Millie Morris</u> (1888-1893) is listed only on the census 1891 (age 2). Find a grave has her death listed as May 10, 1892.

His brother, Victor Hesse Morris (1890-1947) died of Myocardial Degeneration and High Blood Pressure at age 57.

<u>His brother, Stanley Morris</u> (1892-1911) died of Lobular Pneumonia and Chronic Endocarditis at age 19, in Boston, Mass. Dimock had signed the death certificate and Stanley was buried in Advocate Harbor, NS.

His sister, Ruby Morris Elderkin (1893-1924) died of Ptomaine Poisoning (Food Poisoning) at age 29.

<u>His brother, Irvine Samuel Morris</u> (1896-1966) died of Congestive Heart Failure and Atherosclerotic Heart Disease at age 70.

<u>His sister, Alice Mary Morris</u> (1899-1949) died of exhaustion and cancer of the stomach at age 50. She had married in 1926, the widower of her sister Ruby, Lloyd Dougall Elderkin.

#### A Morris Family Tragedy.

A grandson of Lutheran Morris was **Captain Malcolm Morris**, whose father was William Morris (1799-1897). **Malcolm Morris** was born Nov. 16, 1865 in Advocate Harbor and married **Acheah Keith** who was born Nov. 14, 1868 at Advocate Harbor and was the daughter of Abram C Keith and Hannah Lucretia Duff.

They had 6 children:

Ford Woodman Morris (born 1886)

Ella Morris (born 1888)

Jesse Bloomfield Morris (born 1889) died in WW1, 2nd Lt Company K, 103rd Infantry 26 Division

Blair Keith Morris (born 1891)

**Vivian Maude Morris (born 1894)** 

Nita Barres Morris (born 1895)

On or about February 6, 1903, Captain **Malcolm Morris** (Master Mariner), his wife **Acheah** and daughter **Ella** left French Guinea on the four masted schooner "George C Thomas". The ship was loaded with plaster rock bound for New York and they were expected to arrive in 20 - 30 days. The ship never arrived and all were been deemed lost at sea. **Hannah Keith**, had applied for guardianship of her grandchildren. The 1910 census for Newton City, Mass, has **Vivian and Nita** living with their uncle George A Morris, Hannah's son/Acheah's brother.

I could not find Ford, Jesse or Blair on any 1910 census.



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#### **Upcoming Event**

2025 UELAC Conference

July 10-13, 2025

#### Saint John, New Brunswick

The UELAC Conference Committee is pleased to announce that the 2025 UELAC CONFERENCE will be held in Saint John NB, July 10th-13th, 2025. The conference will be hosted at the Delta Hotel in downtown Saint John beside the harbour.

Some of the highlights will be guest speakers Dr. Leah Grandy and Loyalist Trails contributor Stephen Davidson. There will be tours of Trinity Anglican Loyalist church, the Old Loyalist cemetery, The Black Loyalist History Centre, and the Loyalist House. The Gala Dinner will feature speaker and newly appointed honorary fellow Dr. Bonnie Hoskins. We will cap off the Conference with a Drumhead church service at Trinity Church with DeLancey's Brigade.

There will be free time to tour downtown Saint John to take in the stores, restaurants, markets, the container village of artisans on the newly renovated harbour front. Details concerning registration will be announced soon, so m

great summer conference!

- Conference Committee

### **Genealogy Corner**

## Loyalist Certificate Applications that were successfully approved between April 2024-May 2025

#### Member

#### Ancestor and where settled

Peggy Chapman (NS) Connor Withers (Ont) Caroline Hensel (NY) Ken Bronson (Ont) Andrew Banks (Penn) Loyalist Henry Siteman (Ship Harbor, NS)
Loyalist James Cosman (Sissiboo, NS)
Loyalist Christian Hennigar (Douglas Township, NS)
Loyalist Daniel Brunson (NB, then Ont)
Loyalist Andrew Gaffield (Ont)

<u>Change to payment:</u> the UELAC National Office no longer accepts the NS fee portion of the Loyalist Certificate Application payment. Their fee (\$50) can be paid via the UELAC website.

The NS Branch fee (\$10) can be paid directly to our Branch via etransfer to our email address (novascotia@uelac.org)

or by cheque to: Nova Scotia Branch, PO Box 421, Halifax, NS, B3J 2P8

We thank all of our members who apply for Loyalist Certificates!

Linda Jobe & Margaret Nickerson-Dorey

#### We want your stories!

If you have an United Empire Loyalist story to share, please send it in! No matter how great or small, if you have a Loyalist in your family heritage, we want to hear about it!

Email:

novascotia@uelac.org

#### Volunteers Needed!

Do you enjoy history and want to make a connection with your Loyalist past?

Do you enjoy meeting new people with similar interests, then join us as we are always looking for new volunteers.

To find out more about how you can become involved as a volunteer with the Nova Scotia

Branch

Please email Linda Jobe, President, NS Branch at: novascotia@uelac.org

#### **Attention Members:**

Are we missing something!

What content would you like to see?

What could we do better to interest you in participating in our Branch?

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