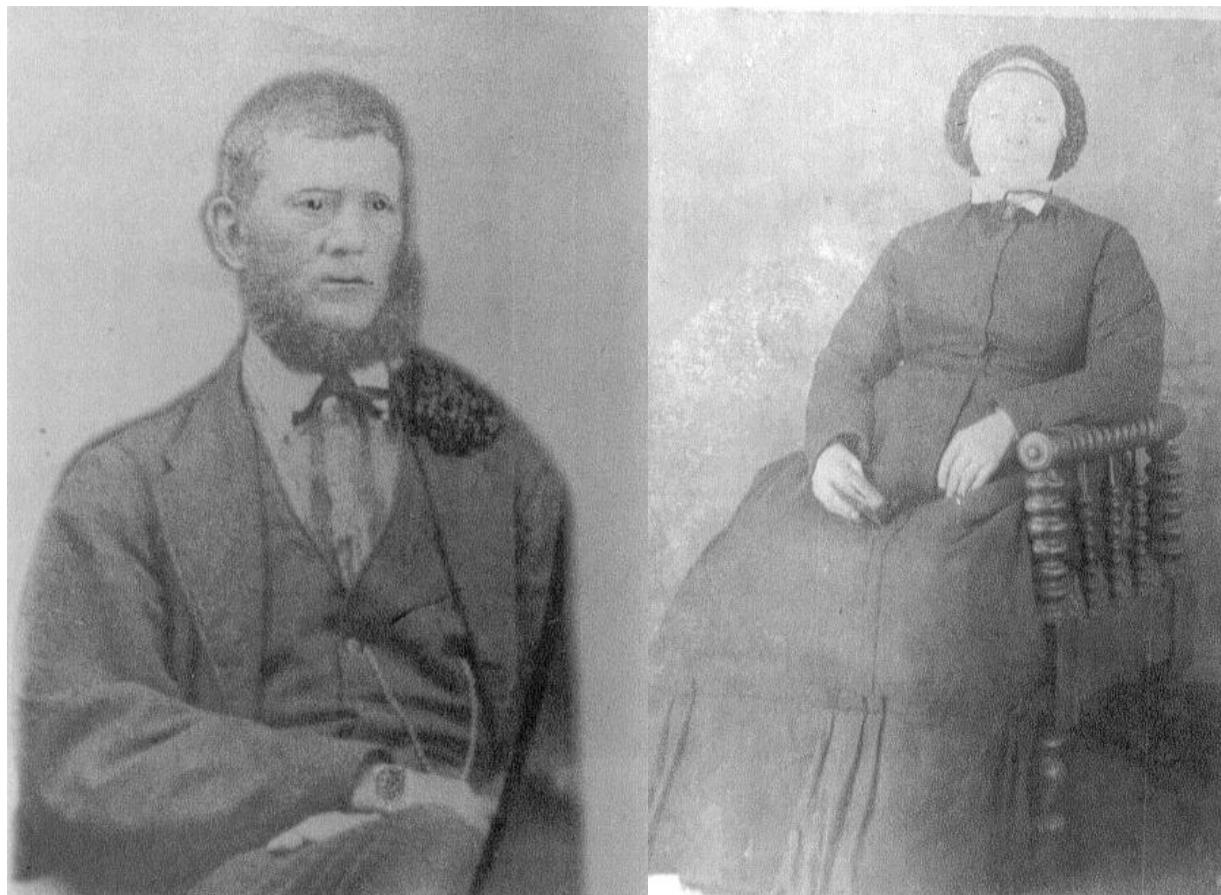


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William Henry Argue and Ann West

(1819-1885)

(1820-1894)



Emigrated From: Co. Cavan, Ireland
Date: c1837 to Goulbourn Twp.

Date of Settlement in Ross Twp: c1850
Located: Lot 7, Concession 5, 200 acres⁸
Occupation: Farmer
Religion: Methodist

WILLIAM HENRY ARGUE, son of William ARGUE and Jane LEVISTON of Ireland, was born 19 Jan 1819 in Co. Cavan, Ireland^{1,2,3}, and died 21 Sep 1885 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{4,5,6,7}. He married **ANN A WEST**⁸ 1845 in Goulbourn Twp., Carleton Co., Ontario, daughter of **JAMES WEST** and **MARGARET WEST**. She was born 05 Jul 1820 in Co. Limerick, Ireland⁹, and died 02 Aug 1894 in Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{10,11,12}. Wm Henry settled in the Goulbourn area for a number of years before moving into Ross Twp c1850⁹. They lived in Ross the remainder of their married lives.^{12a,b,c,d} He purchased the S ½ of Lot 7, Con 5 from the Crown in 1857, and the N ½ Lot 7, Con 5 in 1858 from the Crown⁹. He was a farmer^{12a,b,c,d}. After Wm Henry's death, Ann lived with Peter and Catherine Mick (Ann's daughter).¹¹ Wm Henry and Ann are buried in Zion Cemetery, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{12e}. Descendants² have written a family history "Thicker Than Water" which includes the family of Wm Henry and Ann. This history suggests that a brother of Wm Henry settled in the Pontiac County and an uncle George in Carleton County. There is no information suggesting that Ann's siblings were in Canada.

Children of **WILLIAM ARGUE** and **ANN WEST** are:

- i. **ABRAHAM ARGUE**, b. 14 Oct 1849, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹³.

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2. ii. **WILLIAM HENRY ARGUE**, b. 20 Mar 1851, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; d. 10 Feb 1937, Ewart, Osceola, Michigan, U.S.A..
3. iii. **MARGARET HARRIET ARGUE**, b. 28 Mar 1853, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; d. 29 Feb 1908, Cobden, Renfrew Co., Ontario.
4. iv. **GEORGE ALBERT ARGUE**, b. 20 May 1855, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; d. 19 Sep 1907, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A..
5. v. **MARTHA ARGUE**, b. 09 Jan 1857, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; d. 05 May 1929, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario.
- vi. **ELIZA JANE ARGUE**, b. 02 Aug 1861, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁴.
6. vii. **CATHERINE ANN ARGUE**, b. 31 Aug 1858, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; d. 06 Mar 1913.

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2. WILLIAM HENRY ARGUE was born 20 Mar 1851 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁵, and died 10 Feb 1937 in Ewart, Osceola, Michigan, U.S.A.¹⁵. He married **EMMALINE 'EMILY' BURGESS** 08 May 1878 in Bromley Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁶, daughter of **THOMAS BURGESS** and **SARAH PLUNKETT** of Beckwith Twp and later Snake River. She was born 12 Dec 1848 in Beckwith Twp., Lanark Co., Ontario¹⁷, and died 06 Aug 1929 in Ewart, Michigan, U.S.A.^{17,18}. They moved to Mecosta Co., Michigan in 1881.¹⁵

Children of **WILLIAM ARGUE** and **EMMALINE BURGESS** are:

- i. **THOMAS BURGESS ARGUE**, b. 27 Feb 1879, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁹; d. 18 Feb 1947, Ewart, Michigan, U.S.A.; m. **MABLE BYRDENA JOHNSON**²⁰.
- ii. **WILLIAM ARGUE**, b. 24 Feb 1880, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²¹; d. 05 Mar 1880, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²¹.
- iii. **SARAH MARGARET ARGUE**, b. 24 Dec 1881, Cobden, Renfrew Co., Ontario²¹; d. 22 Jun 1953, Reed City Hospital, Osceola Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²²; m. **GEORGE PERCY PARSONS**; b. 07 Mar 1875, Margate, Prince Edward Island²³; d. 09 Feb 1958, Ewart, Michigan, U.S.A.²³.
- iv. **BERTHA BELLE ARGUE**, b. 04 Aug 1885, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³; d. 23 Oct 1966, Davison, Michigan, U.S.A.²³; m. **EDWIN PERY BRIGHAM**; b. 25 Aug 1905; d. 14 Apr 1985.
- v. **ANNIE M ARGUE**, b. Mar 1886, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³; d. 1964, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³; m. **MYLEN JENKS**; b. 1882; d. 1955, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³.
- vi. **HENRY ARGUE**, b. 10 Dec 1890, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³; d. 22 Dec 1890, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³.
- vii. **HARRY WELLINGTON ARGUE**, b. Feb 1897, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³; d. 31 Jan 1966, Flint, Genesee Co., Michigan, U.S.A.²³; Adopted child; m. **FLOSSIE BRIMNSTOOL**.
- viii. **WILLIAM ARGUE**, b. 30 Mar 1899.
- ix. **ELMER ARGUE**, b. 30 Mar 1889.

3. MARGARET HARRIET ARGUE was born 28 Mar 1853 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{24,25}, and died 29 Feb 1908 in Cobden, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{26,27}. She married **JAMES COLLINS** 16 Oct 1873 in Wesleyan Methodist, Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario²⁸, son of **THOMAS COLLINS** and **ELIZA SMITH**. He was born 21 Dec 1843 in Montreal, Quebec^{29,30,31}, and died 09 Jun 1921 in Pembroke, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{32,33}. They lived in Westmeath Twp^{30,34} and are buried in Beachburg Union Cemetery, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{34a}. James married (2) Susannah Catherine **GRAHAM** (Mrs. Daniel **MCLEAN**^{34b}) aft. 1908, daughter of John and Jane **GRAHAM**. She was born 24 Oct 1847 in Hull, Quebec^{30,31,34b}, and died 12 Feb 1930^{34c}.

Child of **MARGARET ARGUE** and **JAMES COLLINS** is:

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- i. **THOMAS HENRY COLLINS**, b. 10 May 1874, Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{34,35}; d. 25 Jul 1944; m. **ANN ELIZABETH CAMPBELL**, daughter of **ROBERT CAMPBELL** and **ANNIE WRIGHT** 16 Mar 1897, Wesleyan Methodist, Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; b. 16 Sep 1876, Waltham, Quebec³⁶; d. 29 Nov 1942.

4. **GEORGE ALBERT ARGUE** was born 20 May 1855 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{37,38,39}, and died 19 Sep 1907 in Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁰. He married **CAROLINE BURGESS** 12 Jan 1881 in Cobden, Renfrew Co., Ontario⁴¹, daughter of **THOMAS BURGESS** and **SARAH PLUNKETT**. She was born 05 Oct 1860 in Snake River, Bromley Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario⁴², and died 05 Aug 1945 in Fork Twp., Mecosta Co, Michigan, U.S.A.⁴³. They also lived in Mecosta Co., Michigan.⁴³

Children of **GEORGE ARGUE** and **CAROLINE BURGESS** are:

- i. **HENRY ALBERT ARGUE**, b. 08 Dec 1883, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; d. 30 Nov 1941; m. (1) **MAY ISETTA DRAKE**; b. 11 Jul 1886; d. 16 Apr 1949; m. (2) **VIOLET A MCQUEEN**, 05 Feb 1936, Genesee Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴.
- ii. **ELMER ARGUE**, b. 12 Feb 1884, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; d. 16 Dec 1978, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴.
- iii. **ANNA MATILDA ARGUE**, b. 05 Mar 1886; d. 19 Jan 1935; m. **LESTER T ALEXANDER**; b. 05 Mar 1886, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; d. 29 Jan 1935, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A..
- iv. **ABRAHAM L ARGUE**, b. 10 Aug 1889, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; d. 22 Jun 1962, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan⁴⁴; m. (1) **JESSIE MCCURDY**; m. (2) **ANN MAE THOMPSON**; b. 24 Dec 1892; d. 27 Sep 1909.
- v. **LAURA MAY ARGUE**, b. 12 Jun 1895, Fork Twp., Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; d. 13 Jul 1977, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; m. **CLIFFORD A SPARKS**; b. 08 Sep 1891, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.; d. 15 Dec 1985, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴.
- vi. **REUBEN ARGUE**, b. 12 Mar 1901, Mecosta Co., Michigan, U.S.A.⁴⁴; d. 06 Jun 1955⁴⁴; m. **CATHERINE GREGG**; d. 09 Aug 1942.

5. **MARTHA ARGUE** was born 09 Jan 1857 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{45,46,47,48,49}, and died 05 May 1929 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{50,51,52}. She married **WILLIAM COLLINS** 07 Apr 1874 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario⁵³, son of **THOMAS COLLINS** and **ELIZA SMITH**. He was born 06 Mar 1847 in Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{54,55,56,57,58,59,60,61}, and died 13 Feb 1929 in Cobden, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{62,63,64}. *They lived in Ross Twp⁴⁹ and Cobden⁶⁴ and are buried in Cobden Union Cemetery, Renfrew Co., Ontario⁵².*

Children of **MARTHA ARGUE** and **WILLIAM COLLINS** are:

- i. **WILLIAM HENRY COLLINS**, b. 04 Mar 1875, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{65,66,67}; d. 26 Feb 1952, Cobden, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{68,69,70}; m. **KATHERINE BRETON MICK**, daughter of **DANIEL MICK** and **CATHERINE LIBBY** on 18 Mar 1896, Micksburg, Renfrew Co., Ontario⁷¹; b. 09 Dec 1877, Ontario^{72,73}; d. 11 Feb 1952, Pembroke, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{74,75,76}.
- ii. **ABRAHAM COLLINS**, b. 28 Mar 1877, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{77,78}; m. **MARY ETHEL THRASHER**, daughter of **ABRAHAM THRASHER** and **ELIZABETH BINGHAM** on 02 May 1900, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario⁷⁹; b. 10 Sep 1877, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{80,81}.
- iii. **PETER COLLINS**, b. 10 Mar 1878, Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario⁸².
- iv. **THOMAS COLLINS**, b. Abt. 1881, Renfrew Co., Ontario; d. 16 Jun 1882, Renfrew Co., Ontario.
- v. **EDYTHE COLLINS**, b. 02 Jun 1884, Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{83,84,85}; d. 1951; m. **SAMUEL OLIVER MICK**, son of **MOUNTIPHER MICK** and **MARY TOWNSON** on 18

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Nov 1911; b. 06 Mar 1882, Stafford Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario⁸⁶; d. 31 Oct 1959, Admaston Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario⁸⁷. This was his second marriage. He married a first cousin of wife m(1) ANNIE LAURA MICK 27 Dec 1907 in St. Thomas Church, Rankin, Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario³, daughter of PETER MICK and CATHERINE ARGUE.

- vi. **ERNEST T COLLINS**, b. 02 May 1891, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{88,89}; d. 1969, Pembroke, Renfrew Co., Ontario⁹⁰; m. VIOLET L BAKER; b. Oct 1892, Ontario⁹¹; d. Mar 1955⁹².

6. CATHERINE 'ANN' ARGUE was born 31 Aug 1858 in Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{93,94}, and died 06 Mar 1913. She married PETER MICK 02 May 1877 in Renfrew Co., Ontario⁹⁵, son of PETER MICK and CATHERINE SWEENEY. He was born 20 Mar 1854 in Renfrew Co., Ontario⁹⁶, and died 30 Oct 1922⁹⁷. They lived in Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario.^{97a,b}

Children of CATHERINE ARGUE and PETER MICK are:

- i. **CATHERINE MICK**, b. 05 Mar 1878, Rankin, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{98,99}; d. 25 Aug 1916, Beachburg, Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰⁰; m. JOHN WHITE, son of THOMAS WHITE and MARY BROWN on 15 Jul 1896, Rankin, Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰¹; b. 19 Mar 1864, Ontario^{102,103}; d. 1919.
- ii. **ELIZABETH MICK**, b. 14 Aug 1879, Ontario; d. 26 May 1971; m. JOSEPH DULMAGE WALSH, son of JAMES WALSH and ELIZABETH MILLAR on 26 Apr 1905; b. 06 Apr 1866, Ontario¹⁰⁴; d. 1935.
- iii. **HENRY ARGUE MICK**, b. 16 Nov 1880, Ontario¹⁰⁴; d. 01 Sep 1965; m. ANNE SARAH CREIGHTON, 27 Jun 1906, Fort Coulonge, Pontiac Co., Quebec¹⁰⁵; b. 30 May 1884; d. 07 May 1929.
- iv. **THOMESINA MICK**, b. 22 Apr 1883, in Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰⁶; d. 25 Jul 1946; m. LEONARD CLARK, son of GEORGE CLARK and MARY SUFFRON on 05 Jun 1907 in St. Thomas Church, Rankin, Renfrew Co., Ontario^{106a}; b. 15 Jan 1884 in Stafford Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario^{106b}; d. 1980.
- v. **ANNIE LAURA MICK**, b. 28 Nov 1886, Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰⁶; d. 18 Apr 1910, Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario; m. SAMUEL OLIVER MICK, son of MOUNTIPHER MICK and MARY TOWNSON on 27 Dec 1907, St. Thomas Church, Rankin, Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰⁷; b. 06 Mar 1882, Stafford Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰⁸; d. 31 Oct 1959, Admaston Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario¹⁰⁹. Samuel m(2) Annie's first cousin EDYTHE COLLINS 18 Nov 1911, daughter of WILLIAM COLLINS and MARTHA ARGUE.
- vi. **CHARLES GORDON MICK**, b. 16 Jun 1893, Ontario¹¹⁰; d. 26 May 1976; m. FLORENCE MAY MICKELMOR, 04 May 1918; b. 05 Feb 1895; d. Aug 1987.
- vii. **PETER ARTHUR MICK**, b. 22 Jun 1898, Ontario¹¹⁰; d. 21 Sep 1976, Rosetown, Saskatchewan; m. MURIEL BULMER, daughter of AMOS ROBERT BULMER and JESSIE MAY MCLAREN on 10 Apr 1928; b. 30 Nov 1901, Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario.
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SURNAMES

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CAMPBELL
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COLLINS
CREIGHTON
DRAKE
GRAHAM
GREGG
HASTINGS
JENKS
JOHNSON
LEVISTON
LIBBY
McCURDY

McQUEEN
McLAREN
McLEAN
MICK
MICKELMOR
MILLAR
PARSONS
PETTIGREW
PLUNKETT
SMITH
SPARKS

SUFFRON
SWEENEY
THOMPSON
THRASHER
TOWNSON
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WEST
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Additional Notes for William Henry Argue and Ann West

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1851 Census Ross Twp.

Argue,	Henry	M abt 1821 IRELAND	Church of Eng	1851 p.4
West,	Ann	F abt 1824 IRELAND	Church of Eng	1851 p.4
	Abraham	M abt 1848 IRELAND	Church of Eng	1851 p.4
	William Henry	M abt 1850 IRELAND	Church of Eng	1851 p.4

1861 Census Ross Twp.

"ARGUE", "Henry","farmer","Ire",1857,"CE",47,"M","married",,
"Ann","wife","Ire",,"CE",47,"F","married",,
"Abraham","labourer","Can",,"CE",10,"M",,,
"Henry",,"Can",,"CE",9,"M",,,
"Margaret",,"Can",,"CE",7,"F",,,
"Martha",,"Can",,"CE",5,"F",,,
"George",,"Can",,"CE",4,"M",,,
"Ann",,"Can",,"CE",2,"F",,,

1871 Census Ross Twp

ARGUE,	HENRY	M	54	IRELAND	WM	P.42	IRISH	FARMER
	ANN	F	1820	IRELAND	WM	P.42		
	WILLIAM HENRY	M	1851	ONTARIO	WM	P.42		
	MARGARET HARIOT	F	1853	ONTARIO	WM	P.43		
	GEORGE	M	1856	ONTARIO	WM	P.43		
	MARTHA	F	1857	ONTARIO	WM	P.43		
	ANN	F	1859	ONTARIO	WM	P.43		
	ELIZA	F	1862	ONTARIO	WM	P.43		

1881 Census Place: Ross, Renfrew North, Ontario, Canada

Source: FHL Film 1375870 NAC C-13234 Dist 114 SubDist H Div 1 Page 32 Family 120

Sex Marr Age Origin Birthplace

Henry ARGUE M M 63 Irish Ireland

Occ: Farmer Religion: Methodist Canada

Anne ARGUE F M 62 Irish Ireland

Religion: Methodist Canada

1901 Census Ross Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario

Collins William M Head M Mar 8 1848 53

Collins Martha F Wife M Jan 20 1857 43

Collins Peter M Son S Mar 7 1878 23

Collins Edith F Daughter S Jun 3 1884 16

Collins L. Ernest M Son S May 2 1891 9

1911 Census Westmeath Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario

Collins William M Head M Mar 1843 62 1901

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Collins Martha F Wife M Jul 1859 52 1901
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Collins Edith F Daughter S Jun 1884 27 1901
Collins Car?e?h M Son S Mar 1891 ? 1901
Collins Carrie F Adopted S Mar 1899 12

1901 Census Wilberforce Twp., Renfrew Co., Ontario

Mick Peter M Head M Mar 26 1852 47
Mick Anne F Wife M Aug 31 1858 42
Mick Harry M Son S Nov 16 1880 20
Mick Thomsena F Daughter S Apr 22 1883 17
Mick Anna L. F Daughter S Nov 28 1886 14
Mick Charles S. M Son S Jun 16 1893 7
Mick Peter A. M Son S Jun 22 1898 2
Mick Elmer J. M Son S Dec 8 1899 1

Newspaper & Other Records

OBITUARY CHRISTIAN GUARD August 11,1886. (provided by Elizabeth Luaine Houston)

"Henry Argue was a native of Ireland. He was born in the County Cavan on 19, January 1819. In 1837 he came to Canada and settled in Goulburn, Ontario. In 1845 he was united in marriage to Miss Ann West. They moved to the township of Ross in 1850, in which place they lived until separated by death."

OBITUARY Mrs. Ann Argue (provided by Elizabeth Luaine Houston)

On Thursday last there died on of the oldest and most highly respected residents of this section in the person of Mrs. Ann Argue.

The deceased lady was a native of the County of Limerick, Ireland. She emigrated to this country in 1846, and in about a year afterwards was married to Henry Argue, with whom she went to live in the Township of Ross, where she lived until her husband's death when she moved to the Township of Wilberforce and lived with her daughter, Mrs. Peter Mick, with whom she lived till her death at the advanced age of 74 years and 29 days. The deceased leaves 2 sons and 3 daughters to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Saturday to Zion Churchyard, where she was laid to rest by loving hands.

DOWER (provided by Elizabeth Luaine Houston)

A RELEASE OF DOWER, filed 28 November 1888 #2686, This indenture made 12 November 1888 Between Ann WEST ARGUE of the Township of Ross in the County of Renfrew, widow, (now temporarily residing in Mecosta County in the state of Michigan) of the 1st part and William COLLINS of said Township of Ross, Farmer of the 2nd part.

(This goes on to sell 200 acres of land to George Alexander Purvis) and Ann agrees to execute these presents for the purpose of releasing her Dower in said lands and premises herein described.

Witnesses and signed by George Argue of the township of Fork, Mecosta County of Michigan make oath that he was personally present and did see the above instrument signed, sealed and executed by William Henry Argue and Emma Argue his wife and that the Instrument and Duplicate were executed at the Village of Ewart in Osceola County, Michigan. That I know the said William Henry Argue and Emma Argue his wife. November 12, 1888

Then on November 28, 1888 Anne West Argue to William Collins Release of Dower.

This is signed sealed and delivered in the presence of: Ann West Argue

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A.B. George Argue

C.D. William H. Argue

A Petition for **Naturalization** located in Reed City, Michigan County Clerk's office

"On 6 April 1920, William Henry Argue petitioned the Circuit Court in Hersey, of Osceola Co., Michigan for Naturalization. He listed his occupation as Carpenter, stated he was born 29 March 1851, at Renfrew County, Ontario, Canada. That he William H emigrated to the United States from Sarnia, Canada on or about the 17th day of April 1879, and arrived at the port of Port Huron, Michigan. . His children were:

Thomas Argue, born Ontario, Canada, 27 Feb 1887/89 now living in Ewart

Sarah M Parsons, born Ontario, Canada 24 Dec 1880 now living in Ewart

Anna Jenks, born Michigan, 11 July 1883 now living in Mecosta Co., Michigan

Bertha B Brigham, born in Ewart, Michigan 12 Dec 1885 now living in Cadillac, Michigan

William Henry renounced absolutely and forever all allegiances and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty and particularly to George V, King of Great Britain and Ireland.

MARRIAGE REGISTRATION Renfrew County Marriages Reg # 009665-78

William H Argue, age 27 bachelor/farmers born in Canada residing Ross Twp, son of Henry and Ann Argue to Emily Burgess age 26 spinster born Beckwith Twp., residing Bromley Twp., dau of Thomas and Sarah Burgess. Witnessed by George Argue and Rebecca Burgess no address given; Groom Wesleyan Methodist; Bride, Church of England; Married at Douglas May 8 1878 by Rev J Follick by license.

OBITUARY son of Wm Henry and Ann: William H Argue

EVART REVIEW, Ewart, Michigan February 1937 (provided by Elizabeth Luaine Houston)

DEATH REMOVES EVART PIONEER, William H. Argue, 85, Will Be buried from Home, Church Friday - Funeral services for William Henry Argue, 85-year-old pioneer of this community, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Parsons, Tuesday, will be held Friday afternoon.

Short services will be held at 1:00 p. m. at the home, followed by services at the Free Methodist church at 1:30 Rev. D. A. MacPhee will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Hill cemetery, in charge of Koeppe Funeral Home.

William Henry Argue was born March 29, 1851, at Cobden, Ontario, the son, of William Henry and Anna Argue.

On May 8, 1877, he was married to Emily Burgess, of Beachburg, Ontario, and four years later the couple came to this community, where they cleared their farm. The South Ewart Free Methodist church is located on land given by them from their own farm.

Eight children were born to the Argues, four of who survive. They are: Thomas and Mrs.

Sarah Parsons, of Ewart; Mrs. Anna Jenks of Chippewa township; and Mrs. Bertha

Brigham, of Davison. There is also an adopted son, Harry Fisk, of Flint, besides 29 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

OBITUARY Ewart Review - Aug 18, 1929

Mrs. (Wm) Henry Argue

Emily Burgess was born in Carlton Place, Ontario, Dec 12, 1848, and died in her home at Ewart, Michigan, Aug 6 1929. She moved with her parents to Bromley, Renfrew Co., Ontario.

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On May 8 1878, she was united in marriage to William Henry Argue of Cobden, Ontario. To this union were born eight children, of whom four preceded her in death. In the year 1881 they came to Michigan and settled in Fork Twp, Mecosta Co., when the country was in the wilds. They proceeded to chop them out a home from the forest and were among the finest settlers in settling the country and were active in community affairs relating to religious and educational interests. She was held in high esteem as a neighbor and friend. She was converted under the labors of Rev L T Jacoks in the year 1884 and joined the Free Methodist Church of which she remained a faithful member until she was called from labor to reward.

She leaves to mourn their loss five children, namely: Thomas Burgess Argue, Mrs. Sarah Margaret Parsons, and Harry Wellington Argue, of Evart, Michigan; Mrs. Anna Jenks of Barryton and Mrs. Bertha Belle Brigham of Davison, Michigan, twenty-seven grand children, six great grand children, other relatives and many friends. A loving wife, indulgent mother, a valued neighbor and a true saint has gone to the reward of the righteous. The funeral service was conducted in the Free Methodist Church, Thursday, Aug 18, at 2 PM by J E Sanders, and interment made in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Wesleyan Methodist Marriage Register Westmeath Twp: James Collins – Margaret Harriet Argue
James Collins, Bachelor, Farmer, 29, Residence Westmeath; Born Montreal, Quebec; Wesleyan Methodist; son of Thomas Collins and Eliza Smith to Margaret Harriet Argue, Spinster, 20, Ross; Ross; Methodist, dau of Henry Argue and Ann West; Witness John Evens of Pembroke and James Collins of Westmeath, Oct 16 1873

OBITUARY dau of Wm H and Ann Argue: Margaret Harriet Collins

Renfrew Mercury Mar 6 1908

Mrs. James Collins of Beachburg, died suddenly at Cobden on Fri a week ago. She drove to the village to visit some friends and do some shopping. About noon, while in D C Collins' store she complained of being weak and died a few minutes afterwards of heart disease. Her maiden name was Argue, she being a dau of the late James Argue, one of the pioneers of Ross Twp.

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Pembroke Newspaper March 3, 1908

Died Cobden, Feb 29 1908, Mrs. James Collins. Mrs. James Collins of Beachburg died suddenly at Cobden abt noon. While in D C Collins store she complained of being weak and died a few minutes afterwards of heart disease. Her maiden name was Argue, she being a dau of the late James Argue, one of the pioneers of Ross Twp.

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After a long and painful illness, death came as a happy release to Mr. James Collins, a respected resident of Beachburg, on Thursday June 9th, in Embroke hospital, where he had been taken a short time previous for treatment. Deceased who had reached the age of seventy-seven years and five months, was a faithful member of the Methodist church, and as long as he was physically fit took an earnest part in the work of both church and Sunday school. The funeral took place from his late residence on Sunday morning at ten o'clock to the Methodist Church, which was filled to capacity, and where a most impressive sermon was preached by Rev. John Hurst. Following the service the cortege proceeded to the Methodist cemetery where the remains were laid to rest in peace, till the end of time. The late Mr. Collins was married twice his first wife being Miss Argue, who died some years ago, and later he married Mrs. Susannah McLean who survives him, as does his son Thomas H. Collins of Westmeath township. A sister, Mrs. John Robertson, Roche Bondu, and four brothers, are other survivors of his family. The brothers are John and William, of Cobden, Joshua of North Dakota, and Robert of Athens, Ont.

Jun 17 1921 Renfrew Mercury

Mrs James Collins, of Beachburg, died suddenly at Cobden on Friday a week ago. She drove to the village to visit friends and do some shopping. About noon, while in D. O. Collins' store, she complained of being weak and died a few minutes afterwards of heart disease. Her maiden name was Argue, she being a daughter of the late James Argue, one of the old pioneers at Ross.

Mar 6 1908 Renfrew Mercury

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The death occurred on Sunday, May 5th, at noon, of Mrs. W. Collins, Sr. at her home on Crawford street, Mrs. Collins seemingly being in perfect health, going about her duties as usual up till about two weeks ago, on April 26th, when she suffered a stroke from which she never rallied. Mrs. Collins was in her 72nd year. Mr. Collins died three months ago. Mrs. Collins spent most of her life in Cobden and surrounding district, her maiden name being Martha Argue. She is survived by one daughter, Elythe, Mrs. S. Miek of Drayton; four sons, Wm. H., Peter and Ernie of Cobden, Abe of California. All except Abe were at her bedside at the time of her death. She was a lifelong member of the Methodist and United churches and a regular attendant. The body of the late Mrs. Collins was taken from her late residence, Crawford street, to Grace United church on Tuesday, May 7th, where the funeral service was held. Service opened with hymn 562, fol-

lowed by Scripture reading from Revelations 21. There was a solo entitled "My Lord, He knows," by Mrs. Fraser, after which Rev. Mr. Clelland preached to a large congregation of sympathizers from Psalm 116, verse 15, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Hymn, "Love Divine," closed the service, after which interment was made in Cobden cemetery. The pall-bearers were John Code, George Freeland, Harry Hill, Edward McKenny, Patrick Fitzpatrick, Peter Wilson.

May 9 1929 Renfrew Mercury

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Ontario Marriage Registration #008271: William Collins and Martha Argue

William Collins age 26 bachelor/farmer born Westmeath Twp., residing Westmeath Twp; son of Thomas Collins and Elizabeth Smith to Martha Argue age 18 spinster born Ross Twp., Residing Ross Twp., dau of Henry Argue and Ann West. Witnessed by James Little of Ross Twp and James Ross of Westmeath Twp. Both Wesleyan Methodist married at the residence of the bride's father Ross Twp., April 7 1874 by Rev. John Stowes by license.

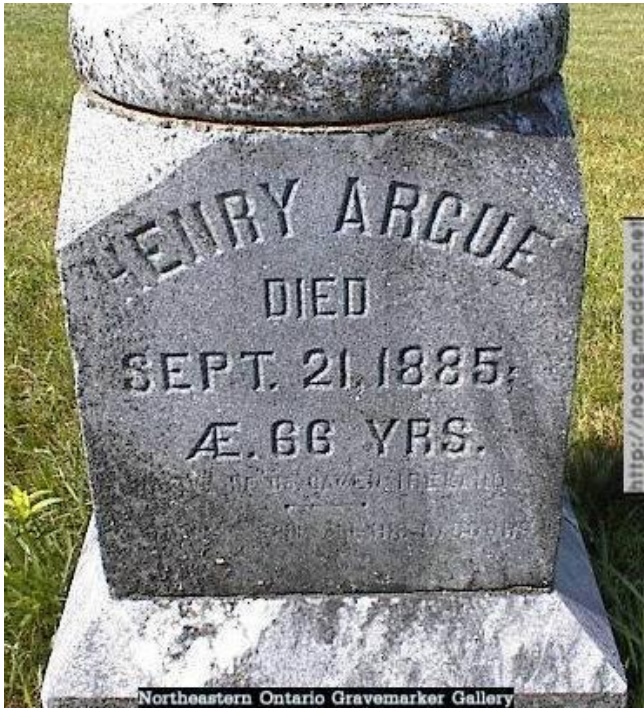
Wm. Collins, one of Cobden and vicinity's oldest residents died at the age of eighty-one years. Mr. Collins spent most of his life as a resident of Ross and Westmeath townships, moving to Cobden seventeen years ago. He was a lifelong member of Methodist and United churches and a regular attendant. His character was such as to hold the esteem of all who knew him. Mr. Collins leaves to mourn his loss beside his devoted wife, four sons and one daughter. All except one son were in attendance at his death. The body was taken from his residence on Crawford street to Grace United church where a large congregation had gathered to pay their last tribute to one they loved. Service was begun by singing hymn 551, Scripture reading from John 14 and Corinthians; solo, "No Shadows"; sermon taken from Psalm 37, "Mark the perfect man and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace," from which Rev. A. S. Cleland preached a very effective sermon. Hymn 563 brought the service to a close, after which the body was taken to United church cemetery where interment was made. The pall-bearers were Messrs. R. Ross, D. Roach, E. McKenny, R. Byers, P. Fitzpatrick, Geo. Freeland. The floral offerings were numerous.

Feb 21 1929 Renfrew Mercury

Ontario Marriage Registration #10051-81 George ARGUE, 26, farmer, Ross twp., Evart, Michigan, s/o Henry ARGUE & Ann WEST, married Caroline BURGESS, 18, Bromley, same, d/o Thomas Little

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BURGESS & Sarah PLUNKETT, with: George Albert & Rachel BURGESS of Bromley and Stephen HILL of Ross, 12 Jan 1881 at St. Patrick's Church, Stafford

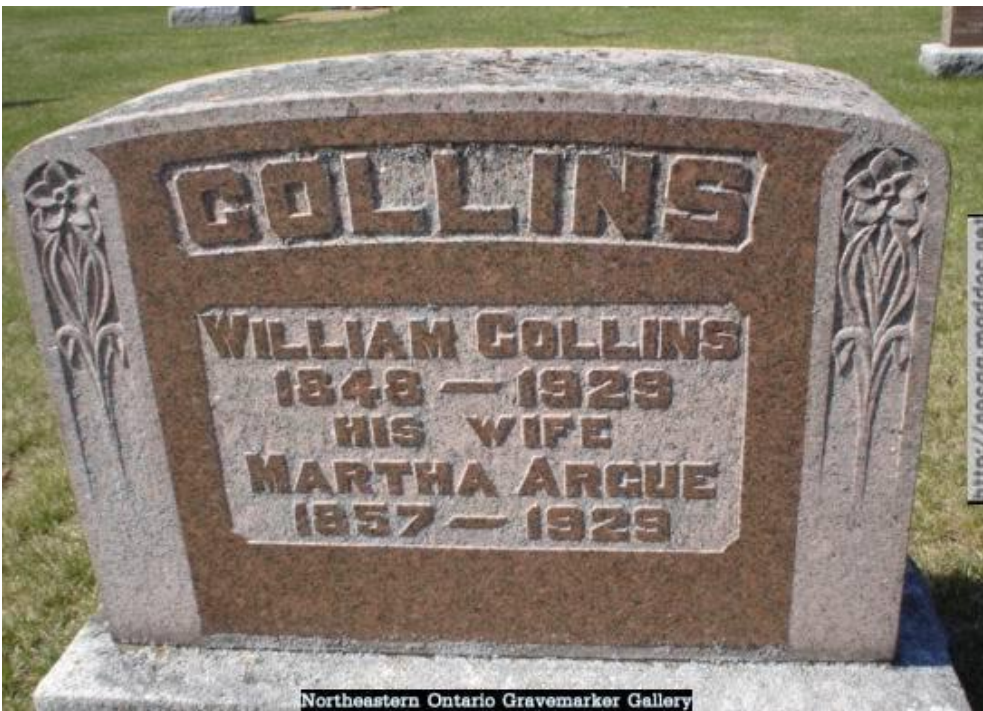


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