

# HADLEY NEWSLETTER

(Hadley, Headley, Hadlee, Hadly, Hadleigh, etc and their related kin)

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## Are you asking the right questions?

Genealogy is, amongst other things, a quest to understand who were our relatives who have gone before us. Since they are no longer with us, they are thus not available to directly answer our questions.

Many stop their Hadley genealogical search efforts in getting to know their family ancestors once they have validated their B. M.D. (Birth Marriage and Death dates).

However, there is no reason for us to stop there – in fact, we have an obligation to continue in our research to understand and RECORD who they were. There is a plethora of places to look for answers, often providing the answers to many of the questions we'd likely have.

This, your *Hadley Newsletter*, tries to assist you in your genealogy quest. If you have genealogy questions that need answers, perhaps our readers can help, if you just ask. Let this, your *Hadley Newsletter*, assist you. Just send your questions to the *Hadley Newsletter* ([Jim@HadleyGenealogy.net](mailto:Jim@HadleyGenealogy.net)) and they likely will be published in a future newsletter edition. Our readers just might provide you with answers to your questions which will then be published in a future newsletter.

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## Hadley Newsletter Error:

The March 2021 edition of the Hadley Newsletter (Vol. CLXXIX), included some incorrect data associated with the article: *Meet William Hadley: (bef1786- aft 1861)*. We are indebted to **Debra Hadley Parminter** for identifying and submitting the following scholarly research for the corrections to that article:



"The article in the March 2021 edition of the *Hadley Newsletter* had some interesting bits of detail for the family of William Hadley and thank you James Hadley for featuring William in that edition. There was one error that caught my attention and made me reread the item a few times

1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence of the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph states "Joseph married Hannah Orser..." In fact it was William the subject of the article that married Hannah in Kingston, Ontario 05 Feb 1811 at St. George's Church. The marriage record is a transcription only and doesn't list either their ages, or birth places. Joseph Aertse/Orser her grandfather died "enroute to Quebec" according to the research done by Daniel Turner and published in 1975 in his book "Descendants of Aert Willemszen".

2. The newsletter article states, "she is a daughter of Solomon Orser and Mary Robins" She is definitely Solomon's daughter; she is listed under his family group noting her marriage to William Hadley on 22 Jul 1818 in Kingston on a Loyalist list. There is some question about her mother at this point though. One researcher indicates Solomon was married 05 Mar 1806 possibly to Mary. If this is true then Hannah would have been at most 5 years of age at the time of her marriage if she was born after the 1806 marriage date. Best estimate at this point puts her birth about or before 1796 making her 15 or older in 1811. It is possible the 1806 marriage date for Solomon was to another wife as she is not named on it, some have indicated he could have been married as many as 3 times although I have not seen anything to confirm this yet.
  
3. Solomon is first listed in Canada by name in 1786 when he receives rations for 1 person/day as a loyalist. This seems to indicate he was single and without family at that time as others on the list with dependents received rations for them as well.
  
4. From Larry Turner's book "Voyage of a Different Kind: The Associated Loyalists of Kingston and Adolphustown" page 113 gives the passenger list for Michael Grass's Company No. 2 that left NY for Quebec July 5 (or 17th) 1783. It does not list family structure. Jean Ann Orser Lupinetti ordered a copy of the list from Trent University (Petersboro, Ontario) It shows: Joseph Orser (father) came with wife (Ann) and two children over 10 and two children under 10. [Jean feels they were Gabriel, Martha who died enroute, Rachel and her daughter] and 3 servants (more than anyone else on the ship). Arthur Orser came without a wife. Isaac Orser and Solomon Orser both came with wives (So they were first married in NY) and Gilbert came alone.
  
5. #4 raises questions for Solomon his marriage(s) and Hannah's birth given the ration amount in #3 above and the marriage in 1806 in #2 above.
  
6. The story of William knowing Hannah in New York and following her to Canada is intriguing and would be a great addition to the family lore if we can sort out when and where she was actually born.

If anyone can point me to a way to confirm William and Hannah's death dates that would be greatly appreciated. Much of the time during their lives is difficult to definitely prove as records are scarce and hard to find. The ones I have located so far do not state more than he was from the US and in some cases an age on the census.

I appreciate all the help Jean Ann Orser Lupinetti, Debby Worden, Rosalyn Insley and Dave Orser to name a few in attempting to sort this interesting family and their travels out. "

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"A dead thing can go with the stream, but only a living thing can go against it." ~ G. K. Chesterton

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