

William GRIFFIS

First Generation

1. William GRIFFIS.

The Old UEL list: William Griffiths, Adolphustown, joined at N.Y. 1782.

Loyalists in Ontario, by W.D. Reid: pg. 134 - William Griffis, of Fredericksburgh, & Adolphustown: Philip of Fredericksburgh, OC Nov. 4 1818; William of Fredericksburgh, OC July 26 1820; Gilbert of Fredericksburgh, OC February 18 1824; Stephen of Fredericksburgh, OC August 18 1824.

Ontario Bureau of Industries census listed William Griffis from March 18, 1794 with a wife & 3 sons but sometime about 1815 his name disappears from the records. [These records spanned from 1794 to 1823--per Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON.]

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives: William Griffes, from Adolphustown, Hamilton Tp., Con. 3, Lot 33, Sept. 1, 1797, Free Grant, by old regulations. (Note: Hamilton Tp. is in Northumberland Co., Ontario)

Township Papers, MS658 R180, Cab.9, Reel 339, Toronto Archives: Wm. Griffes, residence Adolphustown. Fiat No. 437, Hamilton Tp., Con. 3 Lot 33. In council 1 Sept. 1797, granted as U.E.L.

Upper Canada Land Petition, LG1, L3, Vol. 222, G Midv/38 (4pp.) - William Griffis, the elder, made a land petition dated Feb. 16, 1807, says he joined in N.Y. in 1781 & came to Upper Canada in 1793.

RG1L3, Vol. 259 (a) I-J Bundle 18, No. 69 (8pp.), July 31, 1834 - The name of William Griffis appears on a petition from Fredericksburgh UEL's for additional lands which was read in council July 31, 1834.

William married Content. Content was born on 22 Jan 1762. She died on 2 Dec 1846 in Fredericksburgh, Ontario, Addington County.

Info. on her name and death comes from her obit. listed in the Death Notices From The Christian Guardian 1836-1850, pg. 136, by D. McKenzie: Griffis, Mrs., of the Bath Circuit, mother of Rev. W. Griffis of the Western District, died some months ago. - Apr. 7, 1847, p. 98, 0. Also: Griffis, Mrs. Content, wife of Wm. Griffis Sr., died in Fredericksburgh twp., Dec. 2, 1846; age 84 y., 10m., 10days. -Jan. 6, 1847, p47. D.N.

William and Content had the following children:

- + 2 M i. **Stephen G. GRIFFIS** was born on 4 Jul 1792 and died on 26 Apr 1871.
- + 3 M ii. **Philip GRIFFIS** was born about 1793.
- 4 M iii. **William GRIFFIS** was born in 1797 in Ontario. He died in 1878.

Loyalists in Ontario, W.D. Reid: William of Fredericksburgh, OC July 26, 1820.

Upper Canada Land Petitions, G Bundle 1, Pet. 31 to Bundle 5, Pet. 58, C2031, Cabinet 1, Reel 104, C10820, Ontario Archives: William Griffes Jr., Fredericksburgh, 1820, U.C.L.P. G12/138 - William Griffes Jr. has reached the age of 21 yrs., son of Wm Griffes of Tp. of Fredericksburgh, formerly of Adolphustown, has taken the oath of allegiance. Received in Council 14 July 1820, read 26 July 1820.

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives: William Griffis, residence Fredericksburgh,

granted at Dawn Tp., Con. 6 Lot 2, July 26, 1820, Full Grant as the Son of a U.E.L. (Note:
Dawn Tp. is located in Lambton Co., Ontario).
William Griffes, Chatham Town, residence Chatham, Town Lot 30, Nov. 11 1841, CR.
William Griffis Jr., Dawn Tp., March 1848, Sale

He was a minister in the "Western district" per his mother's obit.

He may have been a minister in Schenectady at a later date.

+ 5 M iv. **Gilbert GRIFFIS** was born about 1804 and died after 1881.

Second Generation

2. **Stephen G. GRIFFIS** (William) was born on 4 Jul 1792 in Ontario. He died on 26 Apr 1871 in Cramahe Tp., Ontario, Northumberland Co. and was buried in Colborne Union Cemetery, Colborne, Ontario.

Birthdate per John V. Griffis' family bible: Stephen Griffis born 4th July 1792; died April 26 1871. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

Loyalists of Ontario, W.D. Reid: Stephen Griffis of Fredericksburgh, OC August 18 1824.

Land Record by Locatee, Toronto Archives, Stephen Griffis, residence Fredericksburgh, Aug. 18, 1824, Full Grant as son of U.E.I.

Upper Canada Land Grants: Stephen Griffis, Land Book M, 1824-26, pg. 140.

Land Record by Locatee, residence Fredericksburgh, Full Grant, Military.

Source: <http://www.tbaytel.net/bmartin/twcasey.htm>- 61 Victoria Sessional Papers (No. 32) A.1898- Personal notes have been prepared by Mr. T.W. Casey of Napanee, On: Stephen Griffis was for three years township clerk. He lived at the village and kept a tavern there at an early time, when the District Courts were held. He was a son of William Griffith. They were new Jersey Loyalists, and he joined the New York party in 1783. There were several sons, Stephen, William, Gilbert, Philip, most of whom once lived in the township. There are now none of the name, but several descendants in Fredericksburgh.

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: 200 - Adolphustown Tp. (census taken Feb. 9, 1852), Part 1, pg. 7, line 36: Stephen Griffith, Age 60, born U.S., Religion Methodist, Farmer; Nancy Griffis, Age 55, born Fredericksburgh, Religion Methodist; Elda, 24, born Adolphustown, crippled with rheumatism; Sarah A., 19, born Adolphustown; Henry T., 15, born Adolphustown; John V. Griffis, Age 30, born Fredericksburgh, Farmer; Deborah, 26, born Adolphustown; Joseph P., 1, born Adolphustown. All of Stephen & Nancy's children were listed as Methodist.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1055, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 35, line 40, Stephen Griffis, Age 68, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Farmer; Nancy, 63, born Upper Canada; John, 40, born Upper Canada, Farmer; Deborah, 40, born Upper Canada; Thorpe, 23, born Upper Canada; Joseph, 9, born Upper Canada; Ann, 7, born Upper Canada; Alida, 5, born Upper Canada. All listed as Wesleyan Methodist.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library, A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 12, line 12, Stephen Griffis, Age 79, born U.S., Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with his wife in the household of his son, John.

Stephen married **Nancy Anna KEMP**, daughter of John KEMP and Mary DAFOE, on 11 May 1814 in , Ontario. Nancy was born on 4 Sep 1797 in Fredericksburgh, Ontario, Addington County. She died on 22 May 1874 in Colborne, Ontario and was buried in Colborne Union Cemetery, Colborne, Ontario.

Info. per the Griffis family bible: Anny Griffis born 4th September 1797; Stephen Griffis & Nancy Kemp married 11th May 1814; Anny Griffis died May 22nd 1874. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

Early Church Records of Rev. Langhorn & Rev. McDowall, by Loral & Mildred Wannamaker: Baptisms - pg. 60 - Anna, daughter of John & Mary Kemp, Oct. 15, 1797.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1055, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 35, Nancy Griffis, Age 63, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, married. Listed with her husband & her son, John, & his family, & her son, Thorpe.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp. , pg. 12, line 13, Nancy Griffis, Age 75, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with

husband in the household of her son, John Griffis, & his family.

Stephen and Nancy had the following children:

- 6 F i. **Mary H. GRIFFIS** was born on 16 Feb 1815 in Ontario.
- Birth per Griffis family bible: Mary H. Griffis born 16th February 1815. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).
- + 7 M ii. **William GRIFFIS** was born on 15 Nov 1816 and died on 22 Apr 1896.
- 8 F iii. **Elizabeth Content GRIFFIS** was born on 24 Mar 1819 in Ontario.
- Birth per Griffis family bible: Elizabeth Content Griffis born 24th March 1819. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).
- + 9 M iv. **John V. GRIFFIS** was born on 15 May 1821 and died on 13 Oct 1886.
- + 10 M v. **James A. GRIFFIS** was born on 28 Dec 1823.
- + 11 M vi. **Stephen Dolson GRIFFIS** was born on 4 Aug 1826.
- 12 F vii. **Elida Maria Bell GRIFFIS** was born on 25 Dec 1828 in Ontario.
- Birth per Griffis family bible: Elida Maria Bell Griffis born 25th December 1828. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).
- 1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, C11735, Hamilton Public Library: 200 - Adolphustown Tp.(taken Feb. 9, 1852), Part 1, pg. 7, Elda Griffis, Age 24, born Adolp., Religion Methodist, Crippled with rheumatism. Listed with her parents & some of her siblings.
- + 13 M viii. **Andrew P. GRIFFIS** was born on 4 Oct 1831.
- 14 F ix. **Sarah Ann GRIFFIS** was born on 30 Nov 1833 in Adolphustown, Ontario.
- Birth per Griffis family bible: Sarah Ann Griffis born 30th November 1833. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).
- 1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: Sarah A. Griffis, Age 19, born Adolp., Religion Methodist. Listed with her parents & some of her siblings.
- + 15 M x. **Henry Thorpe GRIFFIS** was born on 19 Feb 1837.

3. **Philip GRIFFIS** (William) was born about 1793 in Ontario.

Loyalists in Ontario, W.D. Reid: Philip of Fredericksburgh, OC Nov. 4, 1818

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives- Philip Griffis, residence Fredericksburgh, Nov. 4, 1818, Orillia, Con. 5 Lot 3, Full Grant as son of U.E.L.

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives- Philip Griffes, residence Fredericksburgh, Aug. 15, 1828, Orillia, Con. 12 ND Wpt Lot 7, Full Grant, Military

Philip married **Dorothy E. MCGRATH**.

They had the following children:

+ 16 M i. **William G. GRIFFIS** was born about 1821.

17 M ii. **Stephen M. GRIFFIS** was born about 1838 in Ontario.

Info per the 1861 Ontario census records of Kent Co., Camden & Gore Tp. In 1861, he was still single.

18 F iii. **Caroline GRIFFIS** was born about 1846 in Ontario.

Info. per the Ontario 1861 census records for Kent Co., Camden & Gore Tp.

5. **Gilbert GRIFFIS (William)** was born about 1804 in Ontario. He died after 1881.

Loyalists in Ontario, W.D. Reid: Gilbert of Fredericksburgh, OC Feb. 18, 1824.

Upper Canada Land Grants: Gilbert Griffis, Land Book M, 1824-1826, pg. 5.

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives, Gilbert Griffis, residence Fredericksburgh, Feb. 18 1824 & Aug. 21, 1828, Orillia, Con. 1 Lot 19, by Full Grant as a son of a U.E.L.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: 201 - Fredericksburgh Tp., part 1, pg. 1, line 45, Gilbert Griffis, Age 51, born C.W., Methodist, Farmer; Flora, Age 46, born C.W., David E., Age 22, born C.W., Jane A., Age 18, born C.W., Franklin M., Age 16, born C.W., Flora V., Age 14, born C.W., pg. 2: Philip D., Age 12, born C.W., Angeline, Age 10, born C.W., John, Age 8, born C.W.

1881 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C13236, Hamilton Public Library: F - Fredericksburgh South Tp., pg. 19, line 7, Gilbert Griffith, Age 78, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch, Farmer, widower; David, Age 39, born Ontario; Jane, Age 37, born Ontario; Victoria, Age 32, born Ontario; John, Age 29, born Ontario.

Gilbert married **Flora EMBURY**, daughter of Andrew EMBURY and Jane BELL. Flora was born about 1806 in Ontario.

Upper Canada Land Grants: Flora (Embury) Griffis, 1836, G19/57, C2035.

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives, Flora Griffes (Embury), residence Fredericksburgh, Sept. 26, 1844, Full Grant as daughter of U.E.L.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: Part 1, Fredericksburgh Tp., pg. 1, Flora Griffis, Age 46, born C.W., Religion Methodist. Listed with her husband & seven children.

Gilbert and Flora had the following children:

19 M i. **David E. GRIFFIS** was born in Ontario.

The census of 1851 & 1881 varies largely on his age; therefore, his birth year could range anywhere from abt 1829 to 1842.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: 201- Fredericksburgh Tp., Part 1, pg. 1, David E. Griffis, Age 22, born C.W., Religion Methodist. Listed with his parents & six siblings.

1881 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C13236, Hamilton Public Library: F - Fredericksburgh South Tp., pg. 19, line 8, David Griffith, Age 39, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch. Listed with his widowed father & three siblings.

20 F ii. **Jane A. GRIFFIS** was born in Ontario.

Her age varies according to the 1851 & 1881 census records; therefore her year of birth ranges from abt 1833 to 1844.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: 201 -Fredericksburgh Tp., Part 1, pg. 1, Jane A. Griffis, Age 18, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with her parents & six siblings.

1881 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C13236, Hamilton Public Library: F - Fredericksburgh Tp., pg. 19, line 9, Jane Griffith, Age 37, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch. Living with her widowed father & three siblings.

21 M iii. **Franklin M. GRIFFIS** was born about 1835 in Ontario.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: Fredericksburgh Tp., part 1, pg. 1, Franklin M. Griffis, Age 16, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with his parents & six siblings.

22 F iv. **Flora Victoria GRIFFIS** was born in Ontario.

Her age varies radically per the census of 1851 & 1881; therefore her year of birth ranges from abt 1837 to 1849.

1851/1 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: 201 - Fredericksburgh Tp., Part 1, pg. 1, Flora V. Griffis, Age 14, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with her parents & six siblings.

1881 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C13236, Hamilton Public Library: F - Fredericksburgh Tp., pg. 19, line 10, Victoria Griffith, Age 32, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch. Listed with her widowed father & three siblings.

23 M v. **Philip D. GRIFFIS** was born about 1839 in Ontario.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: Fredericksburgh Tp., part 1, pg. 2, Philip D. Griffis, Age 12, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with his parents & six siblings.

24 F vi. **Angeline GRIFFIS** was born about 1841 in Ontario.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: Fredericksburgh Tp., part 1, pg. 2, Angeline Griffis, Age 10, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with her parents & six siblings.

25 M vii. **John GRIFFIS** was born in Ontario.

His age varies from the 1851 & 1881 census records; therefore his yr. of birth ranges from abt 1843 to 1852.

1851/2 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: 201 - Fredericksburgh Tp., Part 1, pg. 2, John Griffis, Age 8, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with his parents & six siblings.

1881 Census Records, Addington County, Ontario, Film C13236, Hamilton Public Library: F - Fredericksburgh Tp., pg. 19, line 11, John Griffith, Age 29, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch. Listed with his widowed father & three siblings.

Third Generation

7. **William GRIFFIS** (Stephen G., William) was born on 15 Nov 1816 in Ontario. He died on 22 Apr 1896 in Ontario and was buried in Castleton Cemetery, Castleton, Ontario.

Birth per Griffis family bible: William Griffis born 15th November 1816. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

Marriage Notices of Ontario, by W.D. Reid, pg. 227, Upper Canada Herald, Kingston: Feb. 26, 1839 issue - On the 20th inst., William Griffis, of Adolphustown, to Eliza Knapp, of Pittsburg. (Rev. M. Lang)

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 201 - Fredericksburg Tp., Part 1, pg. 15, line 14, William Griffis, Age 35, born C.W., Religion W. Methodist, Farmer; Eliza, Age 31, born C.W.; Sarah M., 11; Elida M., 7; James, 5; William, 1; Sarah Knapp, 33. All the children of William & Eliza were born in Canada West & were listed as Methodists.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 5, line 29, William Griffis, Age 45, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Carpenter; Eliza, Age 41, born Upper Canada; Sarah, 20, born Upper Canada; Elida, 16, born Upper Canada; Alvin, 14, born Upper Canada; Alvin, 14, born Upper Canada; William, 9, born Upper Canada; Stephen, 3, born Upper Canada.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A3 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 15, line 4, William Griffis, Age 53, born Ontario, Religion Welseyean Methodist, Origin German, Carpenter; Eliza, Age 50, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin German; Stephen, Age 13 born Ontario.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 6, line 21, William Griffice, Age 63, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch, Carpenter; Eliza, Age 60, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin German; Alvin, Age 32, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch, Farmer.

1891 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6356, Hamilton Public Library: E4 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 22, line 6, William Griffis, Age 73, born Ontario, Father born U.S., Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist, Gentleman; Eliza, Age 71, born Ontario, Father born U.S., Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist.

Tombstone inscription in Castleton Cemetery: William Griffis d. April 22 1896 age 79 yrs. - months & 7 days; Eliza wife d. Nov. 15 1896 age 77 yrs. 1 mo. & 28 days; Orren H. Lapp 1867-1957, his wife Ethel Perry 1880-1974. [Inscription taken by me in July 1993.]

William married Eliza KNAPP on 20 Feb 1839 in Adolphustown, Ontario. Eliza was born about 1819. She died on 15 Nov 1896 in Ontario and was buried in Castleton Cemetery, Castleton, Ontario.

Her marriage was listed in the Upper Canada Herald, Kingston, Feb. 26, 1839 issue. She was listed as being from Pittsburg [this is a township near Kingston, Ontario]. She was married by Rev. M. Lang, in Adolphustown.

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 201 - Fredericksburg Tp., Part 1, line 14, Eliza Griffis, Age 31, born Canada West, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her husbnad & children. Her sister, Sarah, was also living in the family at this time.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 5, Eliza Griffis, Age 41, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her husband & five children.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A3 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 15, Eliza Griffis, Age 50, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin German. Listed with her

husband & son.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp.,

pg. 6, Eliza Griffice, Age 60, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin German. Listed with her husband and son.

1891 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6356, Hamilton Public Library: 98 - Northumberland County, Ontario, E4 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 22, Eliza Griffis, Age 71, born Ontario, Father born U.S., Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist.

Info. on tombstone in Castleton cemetery says she died at 77 yrs., 1 m., & 28 days of age. [Inscription recorded by me in July 1993.] Also listed on the same tombstone were: Orren H. Lapp 1867-1957 and his wife, Ethel Perry, 1880-1974.

William and Eliza had the following children:

26 F i. **Sarah M. GRIFFIS** was born about 1840 in Ontario.

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 201 - Fredericksburg Tp., Part 1, pg. 15, Sarah M. Griffis, Age 11, born Canada West, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her parents & siblings.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 5, Sarah Griffis, Age 20, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her parents & siblings.

husband & son.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp.,

pg. 6, Eliza Griffice, Age 60, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin German. Listed with her husband and son.

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William and Eliza had the following children:

26 F i. **Sarah M. GRIFFIS** was born about 1840 in Ontario.

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 201 - Fredericksburg Tp., Part 1, pg. 15, Sarah M. Griffis, Age 11, born Canada West, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her parents & siblings.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 5, Sarah Griffis, Age 20, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her parents & siblings.

27 F ii. **Elida Marilla GRIFFIS** was born on 22 Dec 1844 in Fredericksburgh Tp., Ontario and was christened on 11 Mar 1846 in Fredericksburgh Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Records- born Dec. 22, 1844 at Fredericksburg, daughter of William & Eliza, bapt. Mar. 11, 1846 at Fredericksburg by Rev. John Black

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 201 - Fredericksburg Tp., Part 1, pg. 15, Elida M. Griffis, Age 7, born Canada West, Religion Methodist. Listed with her parents & siblings.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 5, Elida Griffis, Age 16, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her parents & siblings.

28 M iii. **James Alvin GRIFFIS** was born on 26 Jan 1847 in Fredericksburgh Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismals- James Alva Griffis, b. Jan 26 1847, Fredericksburg, bapt. May 10, 1847, Fredericksburg by Rev. John Black

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: 201 - Fredericksburg Tp., Part 1, pg. 15, James Griffis, Age 5, born Canada West. Listed with his parents & siblings.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 5, Alvin Griffis, Age 14, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with his parents & siblings.

Canadian Christian Advocate newspaper: Jan. 11, 1871 issue, pg. 2, column 7: By Rev. J.M. Simpson at the residence of the bride's father, Jan. 2, 1871, Mr. James A. Griffis, of Enterprise, to Miss Sylva Louisa, eldest daughter of James C. Young, Esq., of Cramahe.

1871 Census Records, Hastings County, Ontario, Film C9991, Hamilton Public Library: B - Trenton Town, pg. 71, line 18, A. James Griffis, Age 23, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English, Clerk; S. Louisa, Age 20, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 6, Alvin Griffice, Age 32, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist,

Origin Welch, Clerk. Listed with his parents.

James married **Sylva Louisa YOUNG**, daughter of James C. YOUNG, on 2 Jan 1871 in Cramahe Tp., Ontario, Northumberland Co.. Sylva was born about 1851 in Ontario. She died after 1871.

Her marriage was recorded on the Jan. 11, 1871 issue, pg2,C7, of the Cdn. Christian Advocate: married by Rev. J.M. Simpson at the residence of her parents in Cramahe Tp.

1871 Census Records, Hastings County, Ontario, Film C9991, Hamilton Public Library: B - Trenton Town, pg. 71, S. Louisa Griffis, Age 20, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with her husband.

+ 29 M iv. **William C. GRIFFIS** was born on 3 Jan 1852.

30 M v. **Stephen GRIFFIS** was born about 1858 in Ontario.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 4, Stephen Griffis, Age 3, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with his parents & siblings.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A3 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 15, Stephen Griffis, Age 13, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin German. Listed with his parents.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: B - Colborne Town, pg. 6, Stephen Griffis, Age 22, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Welch, Merchant. Living in the household of his married brother, William C. Griffis.

1891 Census Records, Ontario County, Ontario, Film T6358, Hamilton Public Library: A1 - Newmarket Town, pg. 6, line 12, Stephen Griffis, Age 33, born Ontario, Father born Ontario, Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist, Boot & Shoe Keeper; Emily V., Age 26, born Ontario, parents born Ontario.

Stephen married **Emily V.** Emily was born about 1865 in Ontario.

1891 Census Records, Ontario County, Ontario, Film T6358, Hamilton Public Library: A1 - Newmarket Town, pg. 6, Emily V. Griffis, Age 26, Father born Ontario, Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist. Listed with her husband.

9. **John V. GRIFFIS** (Stephen G., William) was born on 15 May 1821 in Fredericksburgh, Ontario. He died on 13 Oct 1886 in Cramahe Tp., Ontario, Northumberland Co. and was buried in Colborne Union Cemetery, Colborne, Ontario.

Information per the Griffis family bible: John V. Griffis born 15th May 1821 John V. Griffis and Deborah

Trumpour married 28th January 1851; John V. Griffis died 13 Oct. 1886. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

Married in Adolphustown by Rev. John A. Mulock. The Christian Guardian has the date as being Jan. 20th.

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: 200 - Adolphustown Tp. (taken Feb. 9, 1852), Part 1, pg. 7, line 41, John V. Griffis, Age 30, born Freder., Religion Methodist, Farmer; Deborah, Age 26, born Adolp., Religion Methodist; Joseph P., Age 1, Methodist.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1055, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 35, John Griffis, Age 40, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Farmer, married. Listed with his parents, his wife, his three children, & his brother, Thorpe.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1056, Hamilton Public Library: 270A -

Agricultural Census Northumberland County, Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 37-3, John Griffis, Con. 4 Lot 32, 150 acres; there is also recorded on pg. 40-2, John Griffin, Con. 6 Lot 11, 50 acres.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 12, line 7, John Griffis, Age 47, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English, Farmer; Ann, Age 36, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English; Joseph, Age 19, born Ontario; Lidd, Age 14, born Ontario; Mary E., Age 8, born Ontario; Stephen, Age 79, born U.S., Origin English; Nancy, Age 75, born Ontario, Origin English.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 48, John Griffice, Age 60, born Ontario, Religion E. Methodist, Origin Welch. Listed with son, Joseph, & his wife.

His tombstone is in the Union Cemetery, Colborne. (Source: Bob Kemp, Peterborough, ON).

John married Deborah TRUMPOUR on 28 Jan 1851 in Adolphustown, Ontario. Deborah was born on 18 Jun 1826 in Adolphustown, Ontario. She died on 18 Aug 1869 in Ontario.

Dates & surname per the Griffis family bible: Deborah Griffis, his wife [wife of John V. Griffis], born 18 June 1826; died Aug. 18 1869. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

1851/2 Census Records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 200 - Adolphustown Tp., Part 1, pg. 7, Deborah Griffis, Age 26, born Adolp., Religion Methodist. Listed with her husband & son.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1055, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 35, Deborah Griffis, Age 40, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, married. Listed with her in-laws, her husband, her brother-in-law, & four of her children.

John and Deborah had the following children:

- + 31 M i. **Joseph Paul GRIFFIS** was born on 23 Nov 1851 and died on 16 Mar 1940.
- 32 F ii. **Phili Ann GRIFFIS** was born on 14 Jul 1854 in Ontario. She died on 22 Feb 1868 in Ontario.

Info. per the Griffis family bible records: Phili Ann Griffis born 14th July 1854; died Feb. 22 1868. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).
- 33 F iii. **Elida Louisa GRIFFIS** was born on 3 May 1857 in Ontario. She died on 5 Nov 1918 in Ontario.

Info. per Griffis family bible records: Elida Louisa Griffis born 3rd of May 1857; Eldia L. Griffis and Henry Elliott married 23rd Feb. 1876; Elida L. Elliott died Nov. 5th 1918. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

Elida married **Henry ELLIOT** on 23 Feb 1876 in , Ontario.

Info. per family bible.

34 F iv. **Mary Elizabeth GRIFFIS** was born on 27 Feb 1863 in Ontario.

Info. per the Griffis family bible records: Mary Elizabeth Griffis born 27th Feb. 1863; Mary E. Griffis and William Wade married (no date given). (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

Mary married **William WADE**.

10. **James A. GRIFFIS** (Stephen G., William) was born on 28 Dec 1823 in Ontario.

Birth per Griffis family bible: James Griffis born 28th December 1823.
(Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 2, line 10, James A. Griffis, Age 36, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist; Clara, Age 26, born U.S.; Wellesley, 5, born Upper Canada; West, Age 3, born Upper Canada; Adalaine Townsend?, Age 58, born U.S., Religion Wesleyan Methodist. [Adaline was probably Clara's mother.]

In 1868 & 1869 he was in Asphodel Tp., Peterborough Tp., per the baptisms of his children.

James married **Clara E. TOWNSEND**, daughter of Adalaine. Clara was born about 1825 in U.S.A..

They had the following children:

35 M i. **Willis Wesley GRIFFIS** was born on 16 Nov 1855 in Castleton, Ontario, Northumberland Co. and was christened on 8 Apr 1868 in Asphodel Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Records, Vol. 3, pg. 26, Asphodel Tp., Willis Wesley Griffis, born 16 Nov. 1855 at Castleton to James A. & C.E. Griffis, bapt. 8 Apr. 1868 at Asphodel Tp. by Rev. W. Short. (Source: United Church Archives).

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 2, Wellesly Kemp, Age 5, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with his parents, his grandmother, and his brother.

36 M ii. **Robinson West GRIFFIS** was born on 24 Mar 1858 in Westwood, Ontario and was christened on 8 Apr 1868 in Asphodel Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 3, pg. 26, Robinson W. born Castleton 24 Mar. 1858 to James A. & C.E. Griffis, bapt. Asphodel Tp. 8 Apr. 1868 by Rev. W. Short. (Source: United Church Archives).

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1054, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 2, West Kemp, Age 3, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with his parents, grandmother, and his brother.

- 37 M iii. **M. Gilbert GRIFFIS** was born on 1 Jan 1862 in Westwood, Ontario and was christened on 8 Apr 1868 in Asphodel Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 3, pg. 26, M. Gilbert Griffis born at Westwood 1 Jan. 1862 to James A. & C.E. Griffis, bapt. at Asphodel Tp. 8 Apr. 1868 by Rev. W. Short. (Source: United Church Archives).

- 38 M iv. **Philip W. GRIFFIS** was born on 8 Jun 1864 in Bobcaygeon, Ontario and was christened on 8 Apr 1868 in Asphodel Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 3, pg. 26, Philip W. Griffis born at Bobcaygeon on 8 June 1864 to James A. & C.E. Griffis, bapt. 8 Apr. 1868 at Asphodel Tp. by Rev. W. Short. (Source: United Church Archives).

- 39 F v. **Edith L. GRIFFIS** was born on 12 Jun 1866 in Bobcaygeon, Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 3, pg. 26, Edith L. Griffis born at Bobcaygeon on 12 June 1866 to James A. & C.E. Griffis, bapt. 8 Apr. 1868 at Asphodel Tp. (Source: United Church Archives).

- 40 F vi. **Clara M. GRIFFIS** was born on 22 Sep 1868 in Asphodel Tp., Ontario, Peterborough Co..

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 3, pg. 27, Clara M. Griffis born at Asphodel Tp., Peterborough County, 22 Sept. 1868, bapt. at Asphodel Tp. 4 Mar. 1869. (Source: United Church Archives).

11. Stephen Dolson GRIFFIS (Stephen G., William) was born on 4 Aug 1826 in Ontario.

Birth per family bible: Stephen Dolson Griffis born 4th August 1826. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

1851/2 Census Records, Prince Edward County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: 307 - Hillier Tp., Part 1, pg. 1, line 21, Stephen D. Griffis, Age, 25, born Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Carriagemaker; Alzenia, Age 22, born Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist; Emma D., 2, born Canada, Wesleyan Methodist.

In August 1855, he & his wife were the witnesses to the marriage in Hastings, Ontario, of Jane Kemp to Thomas Brough. Jane Kemp was the daughter of Jacob Kemp & Rose Roseborough. (Note: Stephen D. Griffis was Jane's first cousin).

In 1861 he was living in Peterborough Co., Asphodel Tp.(occupation - Carriage maker).

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, line 1, Stephen Griffis, Age 44, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English, Farmer; Algina, Age 42, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin Irish; Emma, Age 20, born Ontario; James, Age 18, born Ontario; Adalaide, Age 15, born Ontario; William, Age 13, born Ontario; Henry M., Age 11, born Ontario; George, Age 9, born Ontario.

Stephen married **Alzenia/Alzina** before 1850 in , Ontario. Alzenia/Alzina was born about 1829 in Ontario.

1851/2 Census Records, Prince Edward County, Ontario, Film C11750, Hamilton Public Library: 307 - Hillier Tp., Part 1, pg. 1, Alzenia Griffis, Age 22, born Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist. Listed with her husband & child.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, Algina Griffis, Age 42, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin Irish. Listed with her husband & six children.

Stephen and Alzenia/Alzina had the following children:

+ 41 F i. **Emma GRIFFIS** was born about 1850.

42 M ii. **Stephen James GRIFFIS** was born about 1852 in Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, James Griffis, Age 18, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with his parents & five siblings.

43 F iii. **Adalaide GRIFFIS** was born about 1856 in Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, Adalaide Griffis, Age 15, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with her parents & five siblings.

44 M iv. **William T. GRIFFIS** was born about 1857 in Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, William Griffis, Age 13, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with his parents & five siblings.

45 M v. **Henry M. GRIFFIS** was born about 1860 in Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, Henry M. Griffis, Age 11, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with his parents & five siblings.

46 M vi. **George GRIFFIS** was born about 1860 in Ontario.

On the 1861 census records, Peterborough CO., Asphodel Tp., he was listed as being one yrs. of age.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, George Griffis, Age 9, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with his parents & five siblings.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: E3 - Murray Tp., pg. 4, George Griffis, Age 18, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin English, Farmer. Listed in the home of his married sister, Emma, & her family.

13. **Andrew P. GRIFFIS** (Stephen G., William) was born on 4 Oct 1831 in Ontario.

Birth per Griffis family bible: Andrew P. Griffis born 4th October 1831. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

Land Index by Locatee, Toronto Archives- Andrew Griffis, July 2, 1866, Somerville, Con. 10 Lot 2, A.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 37, line 13, Andrew Griffis, Age 38, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English, Farmer; Nancy, Age 37, born Ontario, Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English; Ida, Age 14, born Ontario; Josiah, Age 8, born Ontario; Andrew, Age 9/12, born Ontario, born July.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 27, line 1, Andrew P. Griffice, Age 49, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin English, Farmer; Nancy T., Age 46, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Irish; Ida T. (Note: this was crossed out); Josiah H., Age 18; Andrew P., Age 11; Clarisa Hyde, Age 69, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin German, Widow.

Andrew married **Nancy T. HYDE**, daughter of HYDE and Clarisa. Nancy was born about Mar 1839 in Ontario. She died on 22 Feb 1882 in Ontario and was buried in Castleton Cemetery, Castleton, Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 37, Nancy Griffis, Age 37, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with her husband & three children.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 27, Nancy Griffice, Age 46, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Irish. Listed with her husband, children, & her widowed mother.

Tombstone inscription from the Castleton Cemetery: Nancy T., wife of Andrew P. Griffis, d. Feb. 22 1882, age 42 yrs. 11 months. [Inscription recorded by me in July 1993.]

Andrew and Nancy had the following children:

47 F i. **Ida F. GRIFFIS** was born about 1857 in Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 37, Ida Griffis, Age 14, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English. Listed with her parents & two brothers.

[Her name was listed with her parents on the 1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Film C13239, A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 27, but then it was crossed off & no further information was given.]

+ 48 M ii. **Josiah Hyde GRIFFIS** was born on 8 Mar 1863 and died on 27 Mar 1899.

49 M iii. **Andrew Prindle GRIFFIS** was born on 2 Jul 1870 in Cramahe Tp., Ontario, Northumberland Co..

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 3, pg. 116, Andrew Prindle Griffis born 2 July 1870 at Cramahe to Andrew P. & Nancy Griffis, residence Cramahe, bapt. 18 Sept. 1870 by E. Robson.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public

Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 37, Andrew Griffis, Age 9/12, born Ontario, born July. Listed with his parents & two siblings.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 27, Andrew P. Griffis, Age 11, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin English. Listed with his parents, brother, and grandmother.

15. Henry Thorpe GRIFFIS (Stephen G., William) was born on 19 Feb 1837 in Ontario.

Birth per Griffis family bible: Thorpe H. Griffis born 19th February 1837. (Source: Rev. Emie Johns, Owen Sound, ON).

1851/2 census records, Lennox & Addington Counties, Ontario, Film C11735, Hamilton Public Library: (taken Feb. 9, 1852) 200 - Adolphustown Tp., Part 1, pg. 7, Henry T. Griffis, Age 15, born Adolp., Religion Methodist. Listed with his parents & some of his siblings.

1861 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C1055, Hamilton Public Library: 264 - Cramahe Tp., Dist. 1, pg. 35, Thorpe Griffis, Age 23, born Upper Canada, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, single. Listed with his parents, his married brother, John, and John's family.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 30, line 15, Henry T. Griffis, Age 32, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin English, Farmer; Jane, Age 24, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin Scotch; William, Age 2, born Ontario.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A3 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 16, line 4, Thorp Griffis, Age 40, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin German, Farmer; Jane Ann, Age 36, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Scotch; William, Age 13; Wallace S., Age 5.

1891 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6356, Hamilton Public Library: 98 - Northumberland County East, E5 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 9, line 24, Thorp Griffis, Age 50, born Ontario, Father born Ontario, Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist, Farmer; Jane, Age 44, born Ontario, parents born Ontario; pg. 10, William, Age 22, born Ontario; Wallace, Age 15, born Ontario.

Henry married (1) Esther Ann HENDERSON, daughter of William HENDERSON and Esther, in Mar 1864 in , Ontario. Esther died on 18 Jun 1868 in Cramahe Tp., Ontario.

Obit. per The Canadian Christian Advocate newspaper, Aug. 12, 1868, p4: Died at her residence in Cramahe, June 18th, 1868, Esther Ann, beloved wife of Henry T. Griffis, in the 29th year of her age. Sister Griffis was a daughter of William & Esther Henderson, of Prince Edward, well known to those ministers of our church who travelled in the Melville Circuit. In March 1864 she was united in marriage with Mr. H. T. Griffis who now laments the loss of an inestimable companion. J.M. Simpson, Colborne.

Henry and Esther had the following children:

+ 50 M i. **William H. GRIFFIS** was born on 5 Jun 1867.

Henry also married (2) Jane Ann. Jane was born about 1847 in Ontario.

1871 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C9984, Hamilton Public Library: A2 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 30, Jane Griffis, Age 24, born Ontario, Religion Wesleyan Methodist, Origin Scotch. Listed with her husband & step-son.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A3 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 16, Jane Ann Griffis, Age 36, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin Scotch. Listed with her husband, son, & step-son.

1891 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6356, Hamilton Public Library: 98 - Northumberland County East, E5 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 9, Jane Griffis, Age 44, born Ontario, Father born Ontario,

Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist. Listed with her husband & son, & step-son.

Henry and Jane had the following children:

51 M ii. **Wallace S. GRIFFIS** was born about 1876 in Ontario.

1881 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film C13239, Hamilton Public Library: A3 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 16, Wallace S. Griffis, Age 5, born Ontario, Religion C. Methodist, Origin German. Listed with his parents & half-brother.

1891 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6356, Hamilton Public Library: 98 - Northumberland County East, E5 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 10, Wallace Griffis, Age 15, born Ontario, Father born Ontario, Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist, Farmer. Listed with his parents & half-brother.

16. **William G. GRIFFIS** (Philip, William) was born about 1821 in Ontario.

In 1861 he was married and living in Kent County, Ontario, Camden & Gore Tp. per the census records.

William married **Mary Elizabeth**. Mary was born about 1824 in Ontario.

They had the following children:

52 M i. **Allen GRIFFIS** was born about 1844 in Ontario.

53 F ii. **Anna Caroline GRIFFIS** was born on 22 Jun 1846 in Marysburgh Tp., Ontario and was christened on 26 Aug 1847 in Marysburgh Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 1, pg. 646, Marysburgh Tp., Addington County: Anna Caroline Griffis born 22 June 1846 to William & Mary Griffis, bapt. 26 Aug. 1847. (Source: L.D.S. library, Hamilton, ON).

54 M iii. **Philip Sandford GRIFFIS** was born on 21 Sep 1848 in Marysburgh Tp., Ontario and was christened on 1 Feb 1850 in Marysburgh Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 1, pg. 646, Marysburgh Tp., Addington County: Philip Sandford Griffith to William & Mary Griffith, born 21 Sept. 1848, bapt. 1 Feb. 1850. (Source: L.D.S. library, Hamilton, ON).

55 F iv. **Anna Marrilla GRIFFIS** was born on 28 Apr 1855 in Adolphustown Tp., Ontario.

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal records, Vol. 1, pg. 600, Adolphustown Tp., Addington County: Anna Marrilla Griffis born 28 Apr. 1855 to William & Mary Elizabeth Griffis, bapt. 29 Oct. 1855.

Fifth Generation

61. **Mary Florence Mabel GRIFFIS** (Joseph Paul, John V., Stephen G., William) was born on 3 Nov 1883 in Ontario. She died on 24 Oct 1957.

Info. from the Griffis family bible: Mary Florence Mabel Griffis born Sat. 3rd Nov. 1883; Mary Florence Mabel Griffis and George F. Purdy married 7th Feb. 1906. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

1891 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6356, Hamilton Public Library: E1 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 11, Florance Griffis, Age 7, born Ontario, Father born Ontario, Mother born Ontario, Religion Methodist. Listed with her parents & brother.

1901 Census Records, Northumberland County, Ontario, Film T6485, Hamilton Public Library: E1 - Cramahe Tp., pg. 1, Florence M. Griffis, born Nov. 3 1883, Age 10, born Ontario, Origin Welsh, Cdn., Methodist. Listed with her parents, brother, & great-uncle.

Mary married **George F. PURDY**, son of Edward H. PURDY and Prudence J. CURTIS, on 7 Feb 1906 in , Ontario. George was born on 12 Apr 1878. He died on 17 Apr 1942.

<http://users.erols.com/herman/Prudence3.htm>

George and Mary had the following children:

73 F i. **Ethel Margaret PURDY** was born on 12 Aug 1907 in Ontario.

Info. per the Griffis family bible: Ethel Margaret Purdy born Mon., 12th Aug. 1907. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

74 M ii. **John Grant PURDY** was born on 3 Feb 1913 in Ontario.

Info. per the Griffis family bible records: John Grant Purdy born 3rd Feb. 1913, day Monday. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

75 F iii. **Noreen Mabel PURDY** was born on 4 Apr 1921 in Ontario.

Info. per Griffis family bible records: Noreen Mabel Purdy born Mon. 4th Apr. 1921. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

76 F iv. **Mabel G. PURDY** died on 24 Oct 1957 in Ontario.

Info. per Griffis family bible records: Mabel G. Purdy died October 24th 1957. (Source: Rev. Ernie Johns, Owen Sound).

64. **Winnie Temperance GRIFFIS** (Josiah Hyde, Andrew P., Stephen G., William) was born on 7 May 1887 in Cramahe Tp., Ontario, Northumberland Co.. She died on 31 Jan 1964 in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Per pp 706,707 of Loyalist Lineages of Canada 1783-1983.