## McG FAMILY LINEAGES

## How To Use.

These 1500 families are indexed by <u>spouse</u> in the <u>Xname file</u>. Note the pertinent families in which your 'in-law' person is mentioned. Open the relevant numbered name file.

Females- is a list of misc female McG's that I couldn't place into a family.
Hugh 42- is a list of misc Glengarry, Ont McG's that I couldn't place into a family.
?- each name has a list of misc (eg.Alex's) that I couldn't place into a family. (usually at the 1<sup>st</sup> of each name except for the A's & B's where they are at the end.)

You can use your Edit/Search button for other entries such as 'your' family's location, or a known date.

Because of the size of these files I was forced to use many abbrev's but I tried to be consistent to aid in computer searching. Note that 1800 dates are written as, eg) Nov'29 for Nov 1829. (I later found the apostrophe was sometimes '(curled) & hence not always searchable; sorry.) I can't even search for them to change them. If you have a problem finding your date, & if your computer will allow it, you can repeat the search with both types.

I didn't collect much data past the 1881 census.

I didn't like the repetition of gen'y programs & used degrees of indentation to separate generations.

I recommend you confirm my findings regarding your family.

You should use 'maybe', when you can't prove a statement, so you don't throw off a reader.

Unfortunately, many people wouldn't provide their home addresses. Emails change which means relatives can't find them. So much for McG fearlessness.

I've always been more interested in the lives of my ancestors rather than merely their dates. For example, I believe one of my English ancestors went to school with Fletcher Christian, of "the Bounty mutiny" fame. And Robt Louis Stevenson's "Kidnapped" was set in McG areas of S'n Mull. (He knew the area when his father built the light house at the SW corner.) As well, Dr Johnson & Boswell visited the area during a lawsuit between the McLean's & the Campbell's. They visited Lochbuie & described the daughter (who would wed our last chief) as totally 'flighty', which surely contributed to our downfall. So read any old histories / stories pertaining to 'your' area. If there is one thing that comes across it's that our ancestors had a much rougher life than we can even imagine. Their stories help me appreciate their struggles & sacrifices which gave me an easy life.

Good Hunting.