

Lappin

Patrick Lappin (1799-1875) =, with his wife Cecelia McGinn (1802-1881) and their family emigrated from Armagh =, Ireland (Greencastle?) about 1848 by sailing ship. They were six weeks in route. Two of their children died and were buried at sea. They encountered some people from a ship wreck who were rescued, including a man some of his flesh adhered to the ice when removed from it.

Upon arrival at Quebec they met friends who told them that there was no religious liberty in that country so they continued onto Vermont presumably via the St. Lawrence river to the Richelieu River thence into Lake Champlain. They came directly to Fairfield Center and settled there. Verbal mention was made that they lived in Highgate and Highgate Springs, VT.

Their Children were:

Alice (1828-1886) - Mrs. William Houston
Rose (1831-1910) - Mrs. Claude Charmoille
John (1833-1901)
Michael (1833-1910)
MaryAnn (1838-1875) - Mrs. Joseph Doyle
James (1839-1907)
Charles
Eliza (1846-1916) b. in Vermont
Sarah (1849-1933)

Alice Lappin while attending the Ballymoyer Female School in Ireland completed a sampler signed "Alley Lappin July 27, 1843, Aged 14". A description of this sampler is given in the Houston portion.

There is a translation of Homer's Odyssey by Alexander Pope printed in Hartford in 1849 which is inscribed "Mrs. Mary Ann Lapin, October 24, 1858" There is also an inscription partly unreadable apparently made in quill pen indicating it had been presented to a nun. This book has a pasted slip reading "From J.M. Fletcher's bookstore, Nashua NH". These articles are the possession of JPQ.