



A word from the president

Up to now, the **life-founder-and-president** has prepared before 1987 and updated since biographical notes on six of the six Mercier ancestors who settled in New France before the year 1800. Each of these ancestors has a chapter in his book *Mercier depuis des siècles* published in 1987.

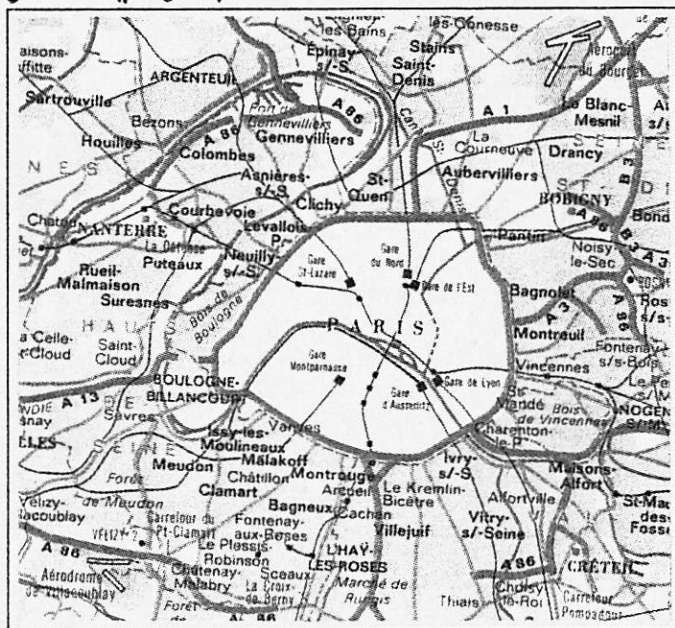
Furthermore, Ernest Mercier has prepared and published in *Le Mercien* a genealogical table — up to the fifth generation when possible — for each son of these six ancestral couples who has left descendants in New France. In doing so, Ernest wanted to help genealogy beginners undertaking to write their family history and prepare their father's linear ancestry title in North America.

The author of the above mentioned book and bulletin has first published the genealogical tables of Mercier ancestors who have the smallest number of descendants. Why? These Merciers and allied are the ones who need most help in the field of genealogy.

The name of five of the six ancestors considered up to now and the date of publication of the genealogical tables in *Le Mercien* are in the following table (page 7).

Ernest and his associates in the field of genealogy and family history still have to update the biographical notes of the ancestral couple Jullien Mercier and those of their five sons: **Pascal, Charles, Louis, Jean** and **Pierre**. Considering the large descendance of Jullien and Marie — about four out five marriages in New France — Ernest plans to divide in five units the tables of this sixth ancestral couple, that is to say one for each son. He will begin with **Jean**, the linear forefather of Honoré Mercier, acient Premier of Québec. The next issue of *Le Mercien*

(following on page 11)



Map of the Ile-de-France province from where Pierre Simon Mercier left to settle at Varennes, New France before 1725. (Petit Larousse en couleurs, 1960, page 1466)

Généalogie et lieux — Genelogy and places

Descendants jusqu'à la cinquième génération nord-américaine du couple ancestral Pierre-Simon Mercier et Marie Renée Pineau (première génération) mariés à Verchères (Québec), le 1725-07-30 (le 30 juillet 1725).

Descendants to the fifth generation of the ancestral couple Pierre-Simon Mercier and Marie Renée Pineau (first generation) wedded at Verchères (Québec), on the 1725-07-30 (July, the thirtieth 1725).

Deuxième génération/Second generation — Troisième génération/Third generation

**Joseph Mercier et/and
Annabelle Girard**
1754-10-??
Contrecoeur, Qc, Canada



**François Mercier et/and
M. Elisabeth Montalon**
1788-08-14
Beloeil, Qc, Canada



**Pierre Simon Jr et/and
Marguerite Guillet**
1747-02-06
Verchères, Qc



**Charles Mercier et/and
M. Anne Lalande**
1789-02-09
Saint-Louis, MO, USA



Marie Mercier
Décédée en bas âge

Abréviations/Abbreviations

C : Comté/County
G : Génération/Generation I
Chiffres romains/Roman numbers
I, II, III, etc./I, II, III, etc.
J : Jean/John
Jos : Joseph/Josephite, Josette
M : Marie/Mary
(1M) : Premier mariage/First marriage
(2M) : Deuxième mariage/Second marriage
Mtl : Montréal/Montreal
N.D : Notre-Dame/Notre.Dame
On : Ontario
Qc : Québec/Quebec
St./Ste : Saint/Sainte
USA : États-Unis/United States

La lignée de Pierre Simon Jr s'est apparemment développée aux États-Unis d'Amérique à partir du milieu du 18^e siècle (après 1750). Elle est sans descendance connue au Canada. The Pierre Simon Jr, Branch (line) has apparently developed itself in the USA since the middle of the 18th century (after 1750). That line has no identified descendant today in Canada.

Résumé de la notice biographique du couple ancestral Pierre-Simon Mercier et Marie Renée Pineau (page 225 du volume *Mercier depuis des siècles*)

(Version modifiée en date du 24 juin 1994)

- Partant de la paroisse de Saint-Jean-en-Grève dans l'actuelle ville de Paris, Pierre-Simon Mercier, fils de Pierre et de Catherine Baudo, arriva en Nouvelle-France avant l'été 1725.

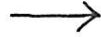
English summary of the biographical notes of the ancestral couple Pierre Simon Mercier and Marie Renée Pineau (page 225 du volume *Mercier depuis des siècles*)

Modified version dated 1994-06-24

- Coming from the parish of Saint-Jean-en-Grève, within the limits of the actual city of Paris, Pierre Simon Mercier arrived to New France before the summer of 1725.

Quatrième génération / Fourth generation — Cinquième génération / Fifth generation

**Michel Mercier et/and
Angélique (Julie) Gauthier**
1833-02-18
Varenes, Qc



**Pierre Mercier et/and
Aglaé (Virginie) Despatie**
1880-04-05
Roxton Pond, Qc



- La date de son mariage avec Marie-Renée Pineau à Verchères, le 30 juillet 1725, est la première preuve de sa présence dans la vallée du Saint-Laurent (Amérique du Nord).
 - L'achat d'un lopin de terre que lui vend le curé de Verchères, le 20 mars 1727, indique que Pierre-Simon Mercier (première génération) exerça le métier de bedeau en Amérique du Nord.
 - La revente de son emplacement au curé de Verchères, le quatre février 1747, porte à croire que Pierre-Simon abandonna le poste de bedeau dans sa paroisse d'adoption et déménagea aux États-Unis d'Amérique (USA).
 - Deux fils et une fille sont nés de l'union du couple ancestral Pierre-Simon et Marie-Renée Pineau. Marie, baptisée le 27 juin 1730, vraisemblablement à Verchères (Ile Dupas), mourut en bas âge. Pierre Simon Jr et Joseph (2e génération) partirent avec leurs parents pour l'Ouest avant la cession par la France à l'Angleterre de la plus grande partie de son empire de l'Amérique du Nord en 1763.
 - Une chose est certaine, Pierre Simon Jr (2e génération) et Marguerite Guillet ont eu un fils (Charles) qui a épousé Marie Lalande à Saint-Louis, MO, USA, le 1789-02-09.
 - Des descendants de Joseph Mercier et Annabelle Giard se trouvent de nos jours dans la vallée du Richelieu et dans la région de Granby (Québec) ainsi qu'aux États-Unis.
 - On estime à moins d'une unité le pourcentage des Mercier d'Amérique du Nord qui descendent du couple-souche Pierre-Simon Mercier et Marie-Renée Pineau.
 - Malgré leur petit nombre, les descendants du couple ancestral mentionné plus haut sont bienvenus dans l'AMAN. La jeune association de famille Mercier est, a été et sera toujours heureuse d'aider ses membres à découvrir leurs racines dans le monde.
- The date of his wedding to Marie Renée Pineau at Verchères, (Québec), on the 1725-07-30, is the first official document of his sejour in the St. Lawrence Valley (North America).
 - The purchase of a land lot from the parish priest at Verchères, on March the 20th 1727, constitutes some evidence that Pierre Simon has been the verger in that community.
 - The sale back of his land lot to the Verchères' parish priest, on February the fourth 1747, leads historians to believe that Pierre-Simon gave up his verger function in that community and moved with his family to the United States of America (USA).
 - Two sons and one daughter of Pierre-Simon and Marie-Renée were born in New-France. Marie, baptized on the 27th of June 1730, at *Ile Dupas*, died in her prime youth. The two sons (2nd generation) went with their parents to *St. Louis*, Missouri, before the larger and better part of the French Empire in North America became part of the United States of America (USA) in 1763.
 - One thing is sure Pierre-Simon Jr (2nd generation) and Marguerite Guillet had a son (Charles) who was wedded to Marie Lalande at St. Louis, MO, USA, on the 1789-02-09.
 - Descendants of Joseph Mercier and Annabelle Giard are found today in the valley of the Richelieu River (Québec) and in USA.
 - AMAN estimates that all descendants of the ancestral couple Pierre Simon Mercier and Marie-Renée Pineau represent perhaps one percentage unit of the Mercier's population of North America.
 - In spite of their small number, all descendants of the above mentioned ancestral couple are welcome in AMAN. The young Mercier family Association is, has been in the past and will always be in the future glad to help its members who want to discover their Mercier roots in the world.

Homage to canadian soldiers and veterans

In this 50th anniversary of the landing of allied armed forces on the *Normandie's* beaches (France), in early june 1944, the AMAN's management pays homage to all men and women, specially the Merciers, who had a share in Europe liberation.

If you have participated to the **First** (1914-1918) or the **Second** (1939-1945) world wars, and witnessed facts that you would like AMAN's members to know, please send your narration to the secretariat. Mention of your submission will be made in *Le Mercien*.

Edward «Eddie» J. Mercier, whose patrilineal ancestry title (9th generation) is found on page 7 of the winter issue of *Le Mercien*, passed away, on march 1st, 1994, at Green Bay, Wisconsin, USA. He was 97 years old. According his son Ellis, this veteran of the **First World War** could tell facts and stories on the first developments of the upper Michigan area in USA : logging, fishing, steam boat building, etc. Ellis' cousin, Allen T. Mercier has written a condensed biographical note on the Mercier / Juneau family published on pages 6, 7 and 10 of the 1994 winter number (1) of *Le Mercien*.

Edward who belongs to the 9th north american Mercier generation leaves two sons and three daughters-in-law : Ellis and Audrew Mercier of Oconto Falls; Donald Mercier and his wife residing at Green Bay, Wisconsin, USA, and Mrs. Eugene Mercier (???). He is leaving 10 grand children, 21 great grand children; as well as one sister Lillian Mercier-Geelan, at



Edward J. Mercier

Calgary (Canada); one brother, William Jr and Laura Mercier, of St Jacques, Michigan; two sisters-in-law as well as many nieces and nephews in the United States and Canada.

On behalf of all members, the AMAN's Management offers its most sincere condolences to all living descendants of Edwards («Eddie») Mercier. Some of them are members of our north american Mercier association and very much interested to their family history and genealogy.

AMAN respectfully pays a tribute to all Mercier veterans and soldiers members of the armed forces who served their own country.

Number of Merciers in canadian armed forces

Denis Mercier from Québec City has made inquiries about the number and fields of activities of all Merciers voluntarily enlisted in the canadian armed forces on April 1st 1992. There were, at that time, 51 Mercier volunteers in the **infantry, aviation and navy forces**. These military women and men were serving in almost every field of activities : from kitchen soldiers to high troop commanding and military administrative officers. The following table gives the number of volunteers by rank in Canada.

Grade	Nombre
Colonel	1
Major	3
Captain	3
Lieutenant	1
Training-officer	2
Adjutant	8
Sergeant	9
Corporal	19
Soldier	4
<u>Navy</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	51

Note : How many Merciers are serving in the USA armed forces? The AMAN's managers are interested to know.

E.M.

Maple Sugar Party (1994) Regional Committee of AMAN / Bois-Francs / Lotbinière

Once more this year, the **AMAN Bois-Francs / Lotbinière Maple Sugar Party** was successful. It took place on Saturday, April 9th at Sainte-Croix-de-Lotbinière, Qc, Canada.

All members of the AMAN's Executive Committee were at the rendezvous and the presence of the Merciers of Lotbinière County was noticeable. Thanks to Benoit and Marie-Reine Mercier from this beautiful county who have well performed in cooperation with the whole organization committee.

Cécile Mercier, the AMAN Bois-Francs regional representative welcomed all participants. The **life AMAN founder and first president**, Ernest Mercier, briefly explained the «purpose and main objectives of any family association : **firstly**, to **know our relatives**; **secondly**, to **relate our family histories**; and, **thirdly**, to **trace back our family roots** in the world. The family society is the most ancient of the three secular organizations that still burinate the world's civilization. These are : the **family society**, the **religious society** and the **civic society**. Among these three worldly recognized organizations, the **family society** is not only the most ancient but it is, beyond all questions, the one that has the least sins to confess to humanity. Why? Because the family is deeply burinated in the flesh and heart of three human bodies : a **child** (girl or boy), who perpetuates mankind; a **mother** who incubates the embryo during nine months and nurses during a long time, not to say years, this child; a **father** who is co-generator and theoretically the purveyor of the child and his or her mother.

«AMAN's managers do recognize the important role played by each one of the three members of any family no matter its legal structure : the **child**, the **mother** and the **father**. They congratulate the United Nations that have proclaimed 1994 the **year of the family**. Each member of our young family organization must endeavour to assure its growth.»

A typical succulent sugar party meal was then served by Diane and her team under the musical melodies of a local Mercier orchestra, which brought several participants on the dancing floor.

Cécile thanked all members, relatives and friends who came from remote areas : Ontario, Jonquière, (Qc), Saint-Georges(Beauce), Sherbrooke, Québec City and surrounding localities. Thanks to all and every one who have traveled and taken time to come and communicate your warm human love and your interest to the Mercier's association.

Next year, the **Annual Maple Sugar Party of the Québec Region** will take place at Alexandre Mercier sugar bush in Sainte-Clothilde-de-Beauce, on **Saturday, April 22nd 1995**. Please, note this date on your rendezvous calendar and plan to participate.

Cécile Mercier, AMAN — Bois-Francs / Lotbinière regional representative

Editors note : Congratulations to Cécile Mercier and all other regional members who have decided to recruit and motivate Mercier's and friends at the local, county and regional levels.



The regional AMAN / BOIS-FRANCS committee. In the usual order : Lucie Mercier-Daigle, Marie Reine Mercier Morin, Cécile Mercier-Nadeau and Benoit Mercier. Three other members of the committee were absent at the time the photo was taken : Jean Thomas, Lionel and Robert Mercier.

Nineth Annual Meeting in QUEBEC CITY

Members of l'**Association des Mercier d'Amérique du Nord (AMAN)** are invited to attend the ninth annual meeting which will take place in Sainte-Foy on saturday, october the 1st 1994, at 10 A.M., in the Verdier Hall of the Motel Universel, 2300, chemin Sainte-Foy, Sainte-Foy (Québec), Canada.

Benoit Mercier, secrétaire

Agenda of the assembly

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening and Welcome 2. Adoption of the order of the day 3. Adoption of the minutes of the last meeting 4. President's report 5. Secretary's and Treasurer's reports (1993-1994) 6. Approval of the administrators decisions 7. Appointment of the accountant auditor | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Regional committee reports 9. Election of directors 10. Presentation of elected directors 11. Other subjects : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) life members b) 12. 1995 meeting 13. End of meeting |
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Nouveaux membres — New members

Exercice 1993-1994 — 1993-1994 Term

Nom	Prénom	Domicile	Profession
Surname	First Name	Résidence	Occupation
C. Fournier	Cécile	Coaticook, Qc, Canada	Retraité - retired
M. Ménard	Jacinthe	St-Élie d'Orford, Qc	Commerçante - tradewoman
C. Fournier	Simone	Coaticook, Qc	Retraité - retired
Carrier	Léopold	Coaticook, Qc	
Mercier	Jacques	Ascot Corner, Qc	Garagiste - Garage owner
Mercier	Gilles	Sherbrooke, Qc	Mécanicien - mechanic
M. Boutin	Germaine	Coaticook, Qc	Retraitée - retired
Carrier	Jeannette	Sherbrooke, Qc	Retraitée - retired
Mercier	Camil	Plessisville, Qc	Directeur de travaux publics - general public works manager
M. Ouellet	Marie-Laure	Sept-Iles, Qc	
C. Labonté	Laura	Coaticook, Qc	Retraitée, retired
Mercier	Rose-Hélène	Asbestos, Qc	Retraitée - retired
Geelan	Lewis	Winnipeg, MB	Prêtre - priest
Mercier	Thérèse	St-Agapit, Qc	Garderie - nursery
Mercier	Camille	Plessisville, Qc	Technicien municipal - municipal technician
M. Martineau	Aurore	St-Agapit, Qc	Retraitée - retired
Mercier	Luc	Victoriaville, Qc	

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Nom Surname	Prénom First Name	Domicile Résidence	Profession Occupation
Mercier	Rémi	Jonquière, Qc	
Mercier	Germaine	Sept-Iles, Qc	
M. Phaneuf	Rollande	Sherbrooke, Qc	
Mercier	Léo	Rock-Forest, Qc	
Grégoire	Olivette	Omerville, Qc	
Mercier	Roger Roméo	Manchester, NH, USA	
Mercier	Jean-Denis	Edmundston, NB, CAN	
Gauthier	Bernadette	Sherbrooke, Qc	
Reese	Evelyne B.	Winnipeg, MB	
Cartier	Germaine	Kelowna, BC	
Mercier	René	Weedon, Qc	
Mercier	Jean-Guy	Charlesbourg, Qc	
M. Lemieux	Pauline	Fort McMurray, AB	Gérante - manager
Mercier	Renaud	Sherbrooke, Qc	
M. Majewski	Olga	Milford, CT, USA	
Mercier	Lise	Magog, Qc	
Nadeau	Yvonne	Sherbrooke, Qc	
M. Mercier	Thérèse	Conway, NH, USA	
Mercier	Marcel	Montréal, Qc	Missionnaire - missionary, p.b.
B. Noël	Edwidge	Falher, AB	Retraitée - retired
Martineau	Dyane	Ste-Croix, Qc	Cuisinière - cook
Mercier	Jacques	St-Stanislas-de-Kastka, Qc	Enseignant - teacher
Dyon	Kim Kay	San Lorenzo, CA, USA	
Mercier	Bertrand	Black-Lake, Qc	
M. Bégin	Estelle	Black-Lake, Qc	
Mercier	Ange-Émile	Coleraine, Qc	
Boissonneault	Guillaume	Lyster, Qc	
Mercier	Hervé	Black-Lake, Qc	
Mercier	Jocelyne	Dosquet, Qc	
Mercier	Marie-Hélène	Varennes, Qc	Coiffeuse - hairdresser
Grimard	Mariette	Parisville, Qc	
Poirier	Jean-Claude	Ste-Agathe, Qc	Fermier - farmer
Mercier	Carmelle	Ste-Croix, Qc	Coiffeuse - hairdresser
Mercier	Diane	Jonquière, Qc	
Mercier	Claire	Jonquière, Qc	
Mercier	Pierrette	Amos, Qc	
Mercier	Nicole	Chicoutimi, Qc	Enseignante - Teacher
Bouchard	Charlotte	Shipshaw, Qc	
Mercier	Roger	St-Ambroise, Qc	

TABLEAU

Name of the five Mercier ancestral couples		Reference in <i>Le Mercien</i>			
Father (Mercier)	Mother	Vol.	No	Year	Pages
1. Jean-Baptiste	M. Héloïse Leduc	7	2	1991	2-4
2. Charles M. dit Lajoie	Marie-Anne Lahayse	8	1	1992	4-6
3. Pierre M. dit Caudebec	Andrée Martin	9	1	1993	2-6
4. Pierre	Marguerite Lemain	10	1	1994	2-4
5. Pierre-Simon	M. Renée Pineau	10	2	1994	2-4

Mercier en vedette — Merciers on the limelight

Claudine Mercier at Expo-Québec (1994)

Humorists will replace Ice Capades at Expo-Québec and Claudine Mercier will be there. The artistic volet of the Provincial Fair will take place at the Québec Coliseun, Concert formula, on august the 18th, 19th and 20th, 1994. Claudine Mercier will revive the best parts of the show she gave recently at the Albert Rousseau of the Sainte-Foy CEGEP.

Bravo Claudine !

(Ref. Le Soleil, Québec, June 23, 1994)



Mariette Mercier



Claudine Mercier

Mariette Mercier elected town councillor of Ville de Moisie

On February the 28th, 1994, Mariette Mercier has been sworn town councillor of Ville de Moisie, Moyenne-Cote-Nord, Québec.

Mariette Mercier is a leisure councillor and lives at 510, Ambroise Street of the above mentioned municipality.

Congratulations Mariette

Parents of Evangéline Mercier?

The AMAN's Genealogy Service is interested to know more about Evangéline Mercier, a devoted nun who passed away, in her 80th year of age, at the Carmel Convent of Danvers, Mass, USA, on July the 14th 1993.

Her close friend, Nina Polcyn Moore, who joined the religious order at the same time, in July 1935, has related, in the 1993 september issue of the *Catholic Worker*, the remarkable achievements of Evangéline Mercier.

The only fact the editor of *Le Mercien* knows is that Evangéline's father was a professor in the **Romance Language Department of Harvard University**, Mass. USA.

AMAN pays tribute to all woman and man, specially the Merciers of any religious order that spent their life, working for their neighbours.

Histoire de famille – Family History

Françoise Lamarche-Montagne — the historian of Tourouvre (Orne, Perche), France — is not genetically related to the Merciers of North America. However, AMAN's managers believe it is proper to pay her a tribute of homage in reproducing in the present spring number of their family liaison bulletin, *Le Mercien*, the short published biography of this lady who passed away at the beginning of 1993. She has done so much to trace back the roots of several Percherons who came and settled in New France, particularly in the Quebec area during the 17th century.

Several north american genealogists fond of their family history — it is the case of the author of «*Mercier depuis des siècles*» have benefited from her many advices and the landlord's hospitality of the two owners of **La Sablonnière**, during their visit at Tourouvre. The Montagnes are entitled to the gratitude of all canadian visitors. The agrologist Ernest Mercier lets to Georges-Emile Giguère, S.J., the author of the following biographical notes, the responsibility of telling all readers about the magnificent work done by the late Françoise Lamarche-Montagne (the editor).

«*The daughter of Lucien Lamarche and Antoinette Grandchamp passed away at Paris on february the 3rd, 1993. (Her father Lucien (1874-1956), from Limoges, became an army officer after his studies at the Paris Polytechnique School. Born in Paris on September the 18th, 1912, Françoise was the eldest of three sisters (Hélène 1914, Marcelle 1915, Marie-Thérèse, 1919) and one brother Pierre (1917-1967). When she was wedded to Pierre Montagne in 1945, she found in her husband a graduate of Polytechnique, like her father, an engineer in armaments for the France's armed forces. The two daughters issued out this marriage (Elisabeth, Mrs. J.C. Borel is a lawyer and Sophie, Mrs. D. Chambois, is a letter professor), have willingly agreed with pleasure to complete the information we already had on Mrs. Montagne herself.*

«*In 1952, the Montagne couple bought La Sablonnière which became their secondary residence at Tourouvre. Mr. Montagne took this opportunity to sell La Grandinière that he owned at the time of his first marriage. At that moment, he ignored the fact that La Grandinière was the native home of Julien, one of the Mercier ancestors who settled in New France in 1647.*

«*Françoise Lamarche owed her vocation of Tourouvre (Perche) historian to her curiosity of having on hand the title-deeds of either La Sablonnière or La Grandinière. The ex-owners of the two above mentioned properties refered the new proprietors to the local notary's office where the Montagne found several files on ancient documents. In order to decipher and read all these scrawls, Françoise Lamarche decided to take a course in paleography. Her very hard to please professor taught her very rapidly all secrets of this science which she practiced after with so much ability.*

«*She then succeeded in classifying these documents borrowed from the notary after having identified and summarized each one and discovering in them, firstly, the landlords of Tourouvre, the de la Vove, and, secondly, several emigrants to New France, of whom she had some 40 hiring contracts. In regrouping all these*

history fragments, not only did Françoise bring from forgetfulness so precious documents but she also did assure their definite saving.

«*From there on, she planned her project of writing a book that has been published at Québec in 1965 under the title 'Tourouvre et les Juchereau'. The work initiated in 1959 or 1960 contributed to the improvment of a working method and the application of an unfailing patience that enabled her to dedect and regroup :*

- *in first place, the elements dispersed in the documents;*
- *in second place, the ascendancy titles of several families;*
- *and in third place, the precise family history of a large number of Tourouvrais.*

«*How to better explain Mr. and Mrs. Montagne attachment for Tourouvre and, consequently for the Perche, where their required investigations took a large place. Even the Paris' archives and librairies have not escaped their searches. They thus became the regional history encyclopedias, sources of information that so many people consulted. We guess then why the two Montagne spouses have chosen the Saint-Aubin-de-Tourouvre church for their obsequies and the local cemetery where Pierre Montagne lays since his death, at 85 years of age, in 1988.*

«*In his introductory words to the 'absoute', the Perche's episcopal vicar, Charles Mérand, priest, almost transfered to us an obligation to recall the importance and the influence of Françoise Lamarche-Montagne to this North American France...'* The lady who has left us has enriched the historical and cultural heritage common to 'le Perche' and 'Québec'.

«*Fully aware of this gratitude duty, we already have accumulated a mass of informations and observations which is perceptible in our writings.»*

Georges-Émile Giguère, s.j.



On nous écrit

Several members of l'**Association des Mercier d'Amérique du Nord (AMAN)** have already written to or called Ernest Mercier, 910 avenue Des Braves, Québec, Canada, G1S 3C6 — telephone (418) 688-9820 — in order to find out if the letter they recently received from Halbert's inc., 3699 Ira Road, Bath, Ohio, USA, 44210, was signed by him or an employee named Ernest Mercier of the above mentioned american company. In this letter Halbert's is offering for sale, at the price of 38,93 \$ canadian, the new volume titled **Le Livre des Mercier du monde entier**. The company mentions that the first french edition of the Mercier book is supposed to be the only one to this data.

AMAN'S Directors let their **Life Founder-and-First-President and author of *Mercier depuis des siècles***, Ernest Mercier, answer the members' questions concerning this letter. Here are his comments published in **Le Mercien**, vol. 10, number 2, spring 1994, page 10 :

«I own in my personal library the three books related to Merciers that the Halbert's inc. Company has published up to now. I am ordering the New Halbert's Book because, as author of a book on Merciers, I must be well aware of all what is published on this subject in the World.

*«The three books on the Merciers of **Canada**, the **United States of America** and the **World** contain the same basic data and general informations, namely :*

- Human migrations
- Origin of family names
- Coats of arms
- Discovery of our ancestors
- Genealogy tools
- Genealogy jargon
- Ways of discovering our forefathers
- Merciers' immigration to North America
- International register of Mercier households.

«If you are a Mercier or allied who wants to know the ABC of genealogy; who wishes to know about ways of discovering your mercian roots in the world; who wants desperately to discover yourself the



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*number of ancestors who have diluted your good and bad genes over centuries; who ardenly wants to establish yourself your own genealogy tree; who wants to have on hand the register (name, address and telephone number) of Merciers recorded in the annual books published by the world's telephone companies, buy **Le livre des Mercier du monde entier** (1990).*

*«However, if you vant to know — down to the third north american generation inclusive when possible — the date and wedding place of descendants of the 17 sons of the six ancestral Mercier couples who settled in New France before the year 1800, buy my book **Mercier depuis des siècles** (1987).*

*«Furthermore, the latter book contains charts, photos, diagrams and historical data related to places where the six Mercier ancestors came from France and settled in North America; puts forward the hypothesis that the origin of the Mercier surname traces back to the Mercian kingdom dominated by powerful kings who ruled Lower England during the Middle Age (633-825); narrates achievements of many Mercier families in North America. The book **Mercier depuis des siècles** is for sale at the residence of the author Ernest Mercier, 910 avenue Des Braves, Québec, Qc, Canada, G1S 3C6, at the price of 45 \$ canadian including the postage cost.*

«In brief, the Halbert's book gives you important facts about genealogy; indicates places where you can write in order to get basic data on your Mercier ancestors; mentions names, addresses and telephone number of Merciers listed in directories published by several telephone companies of countries where Merciers are found.

«My book gives the place and date of known marriages of sons and daughters — down to the third generation inclusive — of the six ancestral couples who settled in New France before the end of the 18th century. This part of the book constitutes the basic genealogical dictionary organized by line or branch and by generation. Furthermore, it contains for each of the 17 branches a patrilinear ancestry title of one living Mercier person in North America. This reference book enables most

(following on page 11)

† Décès	Deaths †	
Condoléances aux familles Mercier dont l'un des membres est décédé récemment. Deepest sympathy to Mercier families that have lost a member recently.		
Nom-Name	Inhumation-Burial	Endroit - Place
Évangéline Mercier, Sr	1993-07-14	Danvers, Mass, USA
Edward J Mercier	1994-03-01	Green Bay, Wi, USA
Thomas Arthur Mercier	1994-03-07	Norwich, CT, USA
Irène Mercier Sr	1994-03-18	Beauport, Qc
Pierre Mercier	1994-03-26	St-Vallier, Qc
Norma Rondeau Mercier	1994-04-01	Montréal, Qc
Gilles Mercier	1994-04-05	Beauport, Qc
J.M. Veyssière (Simone Mercier)	1994-05-04	St-Pie X, Québec, Qc
Joseph Mercier	1994-05-06	St-Raphaël, Qc
Denis Mercier	1994-05-15	Montmagny, Qc
Rolande Mercier Labbé	1994-05-14	Lévis, Qc
Simone Mercier Caron	1994-05-15	Lévis, Qc

Correspondence (following from page 10)

Merciers who have recent family available records to prepare, in a short time, patrilinear ascendancy title. The two books described above contain different matters on genealogy. They are complementary.

As director of the Mercier Family Program of Halbert's inc., I work at the international level. As Life Founder-and-First-President of AMAN, I work at the north american level. My aim is always to promote the discovery of the Merciers' roots and help them to write their family history.

«The AMAN organization, founded in 1985, is incorporated in Québec, Canada; has its coats of arms, its by-laws and its crest since 1987. AMAN'S achievements are well known. It has nothing to fear in associating itself with any organization if the latter can help AMAN's members to be proud of their Merciers' ancestors.»

1994-07-20

Ernest Mercier

A word from the president (following of page 1)

(summer 1994) will be dealing with the ancient Premier's family history and career.

Let us not forget that Ernest has already published in his book *Mercier depuis des siècles*, down to the third generation when possible, the descendance title of seventeen sons of the six ancestral Mercier couples who settled in New France before the year 1800. Managers of the **Génaman Bank** rely on Association members to supply data missing in the family records published in *Mercier depuis des siècles* and *Le Mercien*. AMAN needs your contribution. Why not help its Genealogy Service?

Jean Mercier, président

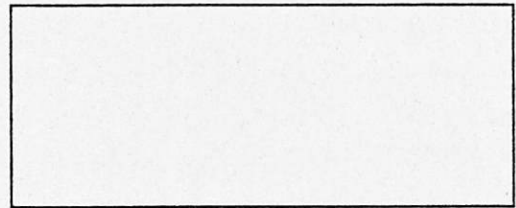
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Program of the day (Oct. 1st 1994)

9 h Get together
10 h Annual meeting
12 h Dinner at the Motel Universel
13 h 15 Talk by Gilles Gallicham
Topic : Honoré Mercier : **Light and shade**
14 h City guided tour
15 h 30 Homage to Honoré Mercier : National Assembly
16 h Return to the Motel Universel (end of activities)

Note : 20 % discout on registration fees if paid and mailed before September the 15th, 1994 (— See the loose sheet inside of the present *Le Mercien* nnumber).

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