



Le Mercien

La voix des Mercier d'Amérique

The voice of the Merciers of North America



**SATURDAY
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Armoiries des Mercier
 d'Amérique du Nord déposées
 par Jean-Paul Gélinas, Mgr
 en 1986



Armoiries des Mercier
 d'Angleterre déposées au
 Burke Memorial Armory
 de Londres vers le début
 du 15e siècle



Armoiries d'Ernest Mercier
 déposées en 1954
 par l'institut généalogique Drouin

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EDITORIAL

The last issue of *Le Mercier* was entirely dedicated to Ernest Mercier, our founding-president in recognition for his work. Since its publication, we received other testimonies of friendship which we want to share with you, in order to demonstrate once more his influence on people around him.

Our next annual general meeting will take place in **Sherbrooke** on **September 7th**, and nothing has been spared to make a success of this gathering. The organizing committee has been at work for several months and has devised a very interesting program. Sherbrooke is the « Queen of the Eastern Townships » because of its strategic location at the confluence of the Magog and Saint-François Rivers.

Towards the end of the XVIIIth century, as a result of repeated attacks by the Englishmen of Boston, the Abenakis aboriginal tribe had to flee their ancestral territories and demanded refuge on the part of the Governor of New-France. Frontenac was only pleased to greet new allies and installed them in different reserves, including that of Odanak. The fishing and hunting grounds of the Abenakis then became the Saint-François River Valley. For about a century, Sherbrooke remained a 'lieu of passage' and became a colony only with the American Independence War.

Following the declaration of Independence on July 4th 1776, several Americans wished to remain faithful to the king. Those loyalists were pushed by revolutionary forces and left

the United-States to settle in Canada, around Mississquoi Bay, at the North end of Lake Champlain. Amongst those Loyalists were a family who had an influence on Sherbrooke, that of Abraham Hyatt, originally from Arlington, Vermont.

The Loyalists were uncomfortable with the seigniorial system and presented several requests to be granted lands under the English laws. In 1791, the British Government granted their demands. Thereby, the territory outside of Lower Canada was divided into « townships » of 10 square miles, if they were inland, or 9 miles front by 12 miles deep, if they were along a waterfront. So much for a bit of history on the « Eastern Townships ».

Traditionally, it is in the Eastern Townships that our meetings have gathered the largest number of participants, which numbered up to 300. The committee is confident to achieve the same level of success this year and count on your participation to succeed.

Each year, Mercier families join our meeting for the first time and are enthusiastic about the fraternal atmosphere prevailing and the vitality of our association.

I know that this year will be no exception.

I look forward to greeting you there.

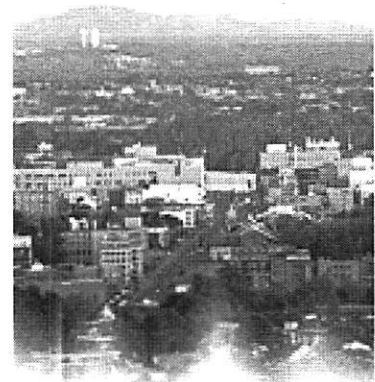
Pierre-Paul Mercier

A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE HISTORY OF SHERBROOKE

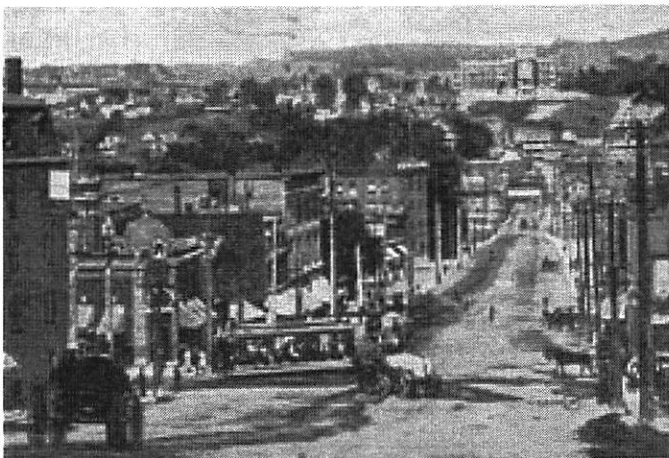
Somewhere around 1700, Sherbrooke was batpized Kinékétolekwak (at the Grand Forks) by the Abenakis, who used this site of converging waters as a passage to the United States. It wasn't until 1793, before the first settlers headed by Gilbert Hyatt came to settle on what would eventually be Sherbrooke.

In 1802, Gilbert Hyatt built a flour mill at the confluence of the Magog and St. Francis Rivers and the tiny hamlet, now officially founded, became known as Kyatt's Mills.

In 1818, with a population of some 50 inhabitants, the hamlet of Hyatt's Mill assumed the name of Sherbrooke in tribute to the Governor General of Canada, Sir John Coape Sherbrooke. It appears that Sir John never took the trouble to visit the town that bears his name!



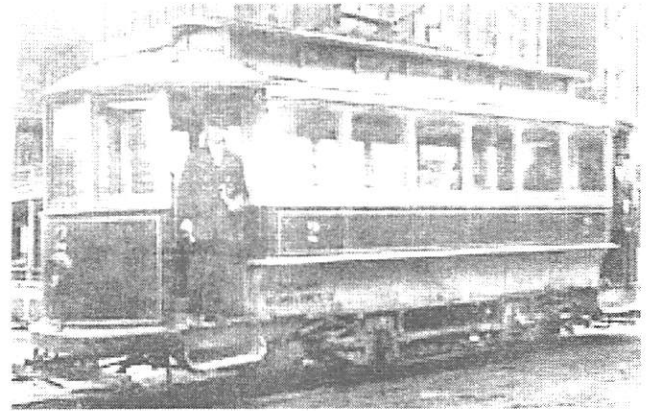
Between 1823 and 1830 Sherbrooke grew rapidly with the construction of a primary school, a court house, an Anglican Church, a prison and a Catholic chapel. Despite these bursts of progress the town didn't reach the desired growth spurt. In fact, by 1834 the number of inhabitants had only reached 200 which was still quite low.



Street King East around 1881

At this point in time the British American Land Co (BALCO), agreed to settle and develop the region. The results of this colonization remained mediocre; the population hovered around 750 inhabitants. The company was saved from bankruptcy in 1844 by the arrival at its head of Alexander T. Galt, who set up an industrialization policy that encouraged English entrepreneurs to set up shop and immigrants in search of work to come.

Galt built a dam on the Magog River to fuel several small factories with hydro power, built manufacturing plants and bought machinery. He lured more new enterprises to the area and rented them his facilities. All these efforts, combined with the appearance of the railroad in 1852, provided the desired results: the population of Sherbrooke increased considerably with the arrival of the French Canadians and the Irish, all attracted by the level of economic activity in the town which now counted 3000 people from diverse origins.



The first tramway in 1897

At this time the population was largely made up of the English, with several Irish, some Scots and a certain number of French. The Anglicans, other protestants and catholics lived in harmony and built their churches not far from one another on the streets of the village.

In 1880, Sherbrooke elected its first French-speaking mayor, Hubert-C. Cabana. And, by 1881, its population had now reached 7000 inhabitants and Sherbrooke had become, for the first time in its history, a French-language majority city (54.7%). From 1888 to 1955, through a common agreement between francophones and anglophones, the Sherbrooke municipal council would alternate between a French mayor and an English mayor. Vive la difference!

The industrial boom continued during the second half of the 19th century. Numerous industries (Dominion Textile, Paton, Kayser, Ingersoll Rand) came to adorn the Sherbrooke landscape. The first bank in Sherbrooke (The Eastern Township's Bank) was established in 1859 on Dufferin Street (today Le Musée des Beaux-Arts de Sherbrooke). Electricity made its appearance in 1880, followed by the tramway which plied the streets of Sherbrooke from 1897 to 1932.

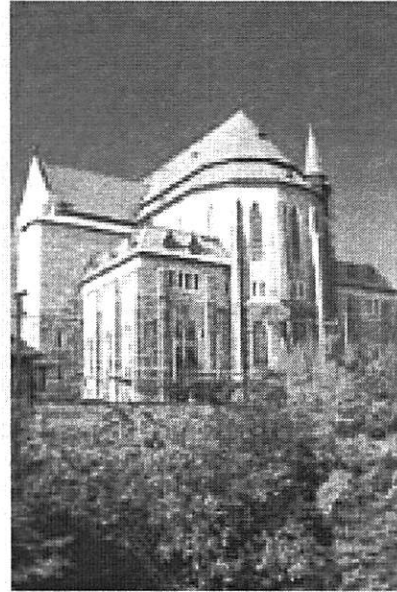
The growing population now had a hungry need for news. In 1866, the first French weekly was born: *Le Pionnier*, which died in 1902, *La Tribune* picked up the slack in 1910 and today remains the number one print media vehicle in the area. In 1840, the English population was reading *The Gazette*, subsequently added to by the local daily *Sherbrooke Daily Record*, (today called *The Record*) in 1897. With the arrival of CHLT-Radio in 1937, nicknamed the French voice of the Eastern Townships and CHLT-TV in 1956, the citizens of Sherbrooke were never short of news.



In the area of education, Sherbrooke was not sleeping either with the opening, in 1827, of Sherbrooke Academy, and in 1857, of Mont Notre-Dame, a school for young girls, of the Séminaire Saint-Charles Borromée, which welcomed its first students in 1878, of the Université de Sherbrooke in 1954 and Collège de Sherbrooke (CEGEP), in 1968, to only name a few. Sherbrooke today boasts two universities, three colleges, a university hospital centre, six public secondary schools and six other private institutions.

Sherbrooke is an entertainment centre as well, in 1918 His Majesty's Theatre played the grand dame, Sarah Bernhardt. In 1929, the Granada Theatre, which was to go on to host some of the world's major performers, opened its doors. The holding of literary evenings starting in the 1920s also enhanced the menu of entertainment life in Sherbrooke. L'Orchestre symphonique de Sherbrooke, founded in 1939, served to further broaden a strong musical tradition.

With all the hotels, shops and restaurants in the downtown core, this area quickly became the special meeting place of the youth of Sherbrooke. Sherbrookers, who also like



St-Michel Basilic Cathedrale

a lot of variety in their spice of life, are entertained by the Sherbrooke Fair, le Festival des Cantons, la Féerie des neiges and, more recently, by *La Fête du lac des Nations*, the *Michelin Canada-Québec Ice Challenge*, the *Festival des traditions du monde*, etc.

Today, Sherbrooke reaches another milestone in its history with the merger of several neighbouring towns into one grand new Sherbrooke family. And It's not over yet... With the Cité des Rivières project, the revitalization of the downtown area, a rich and diverse cultural life, a safe and peaceful physical environment, a splendid natural setting and numerous other affordable activities, the residents of Sherbrooke can be justly proud of their city.

In this our 200th birthday year, 2002 the citizens of Sherbrooke not only celebrate two centuries of glorious history but the dawning of a new era as a major city. Let's all be proud of who we are and the fact that we are partners in a city in perpetual expansion in the nicest of ways.

**Written by : Sylvie Dupont
Transation by : Gary Richards**

**ANNUAL MEETING (2002)
OF THE MEMBERS OF AMAN
Notice of Convocation**

The members of « L'Association des Mercier d'Amérique du Nord Inc. » (AMAN) are convoked to the eighteenth annual general meeting to be held on Saturday September The 7th 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Granada Complex on Wellington St. In Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Jacques Mercier, secretary

Agenda

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| 1. Opening of the meeting | 6. Nappointment of an auditor |
| 2. Order of business | 7. Ratification of actions by the members of the board of directors |
| 3. Minutes of the last meeting | 8. Election of the directors |
| 4. Report by the President | 9. Other business |
| 5. Raeport by the Treasurer | 10. Adjournment |

**WELCOME TO THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS**

Your board of directors is privileged to admit two more members : Sr Marie Mercier of Sherbrooke and Lucie Mercier of Plessisville.

At the meeting held on March the 23rd, the members elected sister Marie Mercier to sit on the board with them. She has been a member of the board in the past and has always been very active in the Eastern Townships regional committee. She is actively involved in the planning of our meeting in Sherbrooke on September the 7th.

At the June the 1st meeting, Lucie Mercier has been elected a member of the board of directors. It is sort of a return for Lucie, for she has been a board member in the past and even served as president of our association from 1995 to 1997. She has always devoted all her energy to projects she became involved with, and the association is privileged to have enlisted her support.

Welcome to the board of directors of our association. May their gesture encourage others to come and join them.

The management

TESTIMONIES

I remember Ernest as a tireless worker devoted to the cause; 'The large Mercier family'. He did not count the long and difficult hours of research he invested in order to retrace the origins of his lineage and to organize the A.M.A.N. family association.

My father Paul-H as a cofounder of the association, enlisted me for some tasks in this great adventure, with the first large reunion of Merciers in 1987 and then again as a president in 1993. Therefore I knew Ernest well during these last few years. I know that keeping our association alive and well, has required and will continue to require a lot of effort. Ernest always knew thru out the terms of presidents before me and those who succeeded me that there was a common undeniable thread; 'the family'.

I met Ernest for the first time at Place Laurier commercial centre in Quebec City, at the Mercier family association booth, and I became a member.

Ernest relied on me when we first met and offered me to assist him for the weekend.

Since then, I became a member of the board of directors. I would like to continue where Ernest left off, with the participation of all the members, current and future.

I keep a favourable memory of Ernest and thank his wife for having greeted us so well for our meetings in their home.

Jean-Guy Mercier

In conclusion I would like to cite a passage from his book 'Mercier depuis des scicles', (page V) which always made me reflect on the importance of the family.

" The family is the A-B-C of our humanity. The undeniable blood ties which bonds us. The family home is the place that responds to our verbal communications for our essential needs that are necessary for the balanced development of all that inhabit the earth."

Jean Mercier

Translation by Eugene A.N.Mercier

The father of our association has left us on March 4, 2002. Yes Ernest has gone to meet ' in person ' as we say here on earth, all of our Mercier ancestors. He most certainly will meet with the five original Mercier couples who came from France to settle in New France to chart the course for all of us. Also why not meet all the Mercier Kings and let's not forget Lady Godiva. Nothing would be to good for a man who has done so many things during his lifetime.

I remember the group, including myself, who participated in the first trip to Europe in 1988. We will always remember the interesting and passionate manner in which he presented the Mercier history. Thanks to him we had a marvelous trip.

I have been so accustomed to his presence, that I felt a strong emptiness upon my return from our last meeting of the administration.

Thank you Ernest for having made it possible for us to know and to love our family heritage. A thank you to his family for having supported his efforts.

Lucie Mercier

Translation by Eugene A.N.Mercier

TESTIMONIES (THE FOLLOWING)

Ernest Mercier *Our first meeting* *A man of distinction*

In 1996, my wife and I were on our first trip to Canada in many years. I had recently retired and we were on our way to Rimouski to see my cousin Ghislaine whom I had not seen in many years. A stop over in Quebec City was scheduled so I could contact this man named Ernest who had written a book on the Mercier family. Much to my surprise he invited me to his home where we could sit, have tea and discuss my interest in the research my father had begun years ago. It was here that I met Ernest for the first time. The very warm welcome I received as he listened to my story unfold in my fractured French must have hurt the ears of this highly distinguished man.

I was so impressed by his enthusiasm and sensitivity that I felt I had to know more about him. A good way to do this of course was to join A.M.A.N., the family organization that he founded. We corresponded many times following this first meeting and I got to know him quite well during our annual meetings and during the outings he organized.

Ernest was first and foremost a true gentleman. A rare kind of man today with life priorities of God, Country and family. A man who has distinguished himself in life with his many achievements and whose legacy will be perpetuated by his children. He was truly one who we can always remember as having made our world a better place. I feel honored to have been befriended by such a man. ***Eugène A.N. Mercier, Somers, CT, USA***

GENEALOGY EXHIBITION

In February, for the fourth year, the « Federation des Familles-Souches Québécoises » held an information exhibition at the Place Laurier shopping centre in Ste-Foy.

We have participated in this important happening since the beginning, and 30 family associations were present this year.

It is a 4 day event which allows the public to find out more about our achievements and our efforts in making the name of Mercier better known.

Our booth was under the responsibility of Jean-Guy Mercier of Ste-Foy and he was assisted by seven volunteers. Jean-Guy is very keen to this initiative, as it was the way that he learned the existence of our association. He is very enthusiastic to

make our association known to others. His testimony in the current issue speaks for itself. He was pleased to notice this year that the younger generation seems to develop an interest for genealogy. There is hope for the future.

This exhibition allowed us to sell souvenirs and a few books, such as « Mercier Depuis des Siècles » and the book on Honoré Mercier written by Gilles Gallichan.

Jean-Guy wishes to thank his volunteers : Benoît, Thérèse, Jean, Marcelle, André, Claudine and Roger.

I also wish to add my personal thanks to Jean-Guy and his volunteers. They deserve the credit for the success of this event and our association has profited greatly.

Pierre-Paul Mercier
president

ARCHITECTURAL PATRIMONY OF JEAN-GUY MERCIER

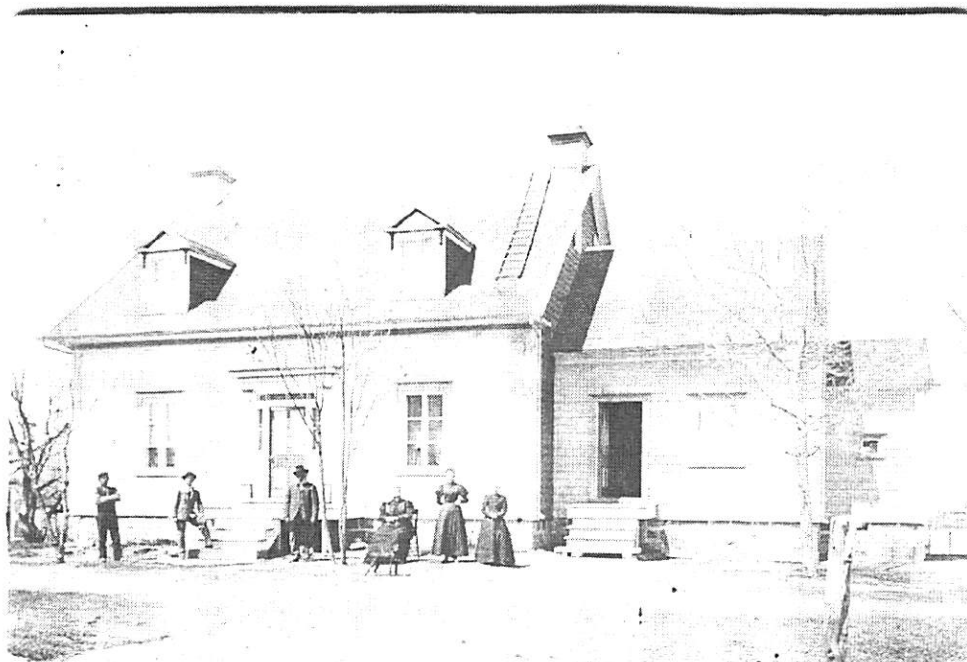
The **first photograph** taken around 1898 shows the house of Majoric Mercier in Saint-Michel-de-Bellechasse.

From left to right:

- **Napoléon**, born on December the 21st, 1879. He married Leonida Leclerc on January 31st, 1910, and settled in Black Lake. Ten children were born, three of which are still living today. He died on June 17th, 1943.
- **Arthur** born February 5th, 1876. He married Adeline Lacroix on 25th of June, 1900 and settled in Lévis. They had 16 children, of which 3 are still living today. He passed away on June 1st, 1948.
- **Majoric**, owner of the house, was born on March 15th, 1833, and died on June 10th, 1901.
- **Marguerite Chartier**, his second wife; the wedding took place in Sainte-Famille de l'Île d'Orléans, on the 3rd of November, 1891.
- **Hermiline and Alvine**, daughters of Majoric.

Majoric was a carpenter and cabinet-maker. He was a 7th generation descendant of Julien Mercier. He married Sara Gagnon on November 13th, 1854 and built this home where 14 children were born. Majoric was clerk for the Circuit Court of Montmagny for many years. He was the auditor of the town of St-Michel-de-Belchasse in 1866 and became the secretary-treasurer in 1867. He was paid an astounding salary of 36 \$ a year. He was reelected in 1872 and his salary was raised to 40 \$ per year. In 1876, he was proposed a salary of 30 \$ and he turned it down. They agreed to pay him 40 \$ a year and he remained a few more years.

He signed all the documents as follows :
Majoric Mercier, S.T.C.M.P.S.M.C.B. –
(Secretary-treasurer of the Town Council of St-Michel-de-Bellechasse).



He made most of his household furniture in his woodworking shop located thirty metres from his house. On his death June 10th, 1901, his son, Gaudiose, also a carpenter and a cabinet-maker, moved in the house and lived in it until 1920. He also operated his father's shop which is still in operation today, making furniture and mainly coffins.

The house is situated behind the Community Centre, 26 Gedeon Street, Saint-Michel-de-Bellechasse, and is now the property of Mrs Lise Rousseau-Michaud, great-great-grand-aughter of Majoric Mercier. She is a descendant of the eldest of the Gaudiose family.

Second Photograph :

The house of 1898 taken in 1998 has been well preserved and well maintained.

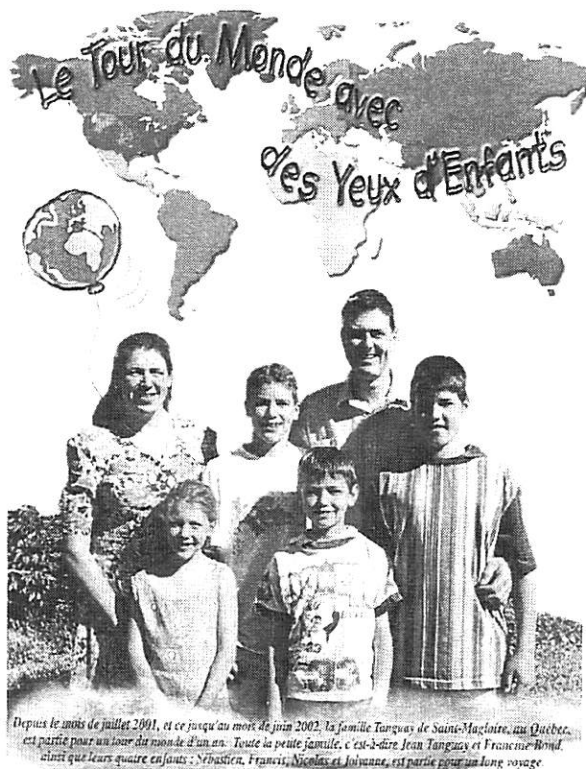


Majoric's grand-daughter, Zoe Lamontagne, married Gérard Rousseau and lived in the house until 1996. The indoor stairways, the walls, doors and ceilings are of origin, and most of the furniture was made by Majoric; beds, chests and other furniture are still in very good condition and used regularly.

NOTE : Six grand-children of Majoric Mercier are still alive. They are the descendants of the two youngest of the family: Arthur (Berthe, Irene and Marie-Paule) and Napoleon (Paul-Emile, Benoît and Cecile).

Written by Paul-Emile and Roger Mercier, in cooperation with Jean-Guy Mercier.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH CHILDREN'S EYES



Here are true great voyagers.

Jean Tanguay, whose mother is Marie de Lourdes Mercier, a 7th generation descendant of Charles Mercier alias Lajoie and Marianne Lahaise, from the lineage of Jean-Louis Mercier and Caliste Lavallée, dreamed of a tour around the world.

Previous occasions with Youth Canada in 1979 and a trip to France later on convinced him of his world tour project with his family.

After graduating in agronomy, Jean met Francine Bond of Gaspé, who had studied in the same field. They were married in 1985 and now have four children : Sébastien 14, Francis 12, Nicolas 10 and Jolyanne 7.

While dreaming of their world tour, they met agronomists from different countries and received French tourists at home. They established a number of contacts and planned for on site reservations for the rest. They hoped for the best and counted on the generosity of people and they were not disappointed.

On July 2, 2001, they left from Saint-Magloire de Bellechasse and planned to return on June 28, 2002.

Jean's mother, his brother Louis-Marie, his sister Anne and her two children, Samuel and François joined them in Tunisia in October. All together, they celebrated the seventh birthday of Jolyanne in the Sahara Desert.

At the time of writing, the tour had developed as planned. The worst episode was in China, where language was a real barrier.

The family followed their tour on the web with great interest and everybody looks forward to greeting them on their return.

Cécilia Mercier

The world travellers should be back in Canada by now. The details of their tour is available on their web site maintained up to date. The address is at the end of the tour itinerary. Further information should be available for publication in future issues.

The Editor

Itinéraire prévu pour le tour du monde avec des yeux d'enfant

2001

- July 3 Departure for Sao Paulo, Bresil
- Tour of Southern Bresil, Northern Argentina, Chile, Bolovia and Northern Peru
- September 11 Departure from Sao Paulo for Lisbon, Portugal
- Tour of Portugal, Spain, France, Switzerland and Northern Italy
- October 20 Sailing the Mediterranean for Tunisia
- November 2 Return to France, transfer to Frankfurt, Germany for a flight to Johanesburg, South Africa, Tour of South Africa, Zimbabwé and Zambie
- December 6 Flight from Johanesburg to the Island of Mauritius

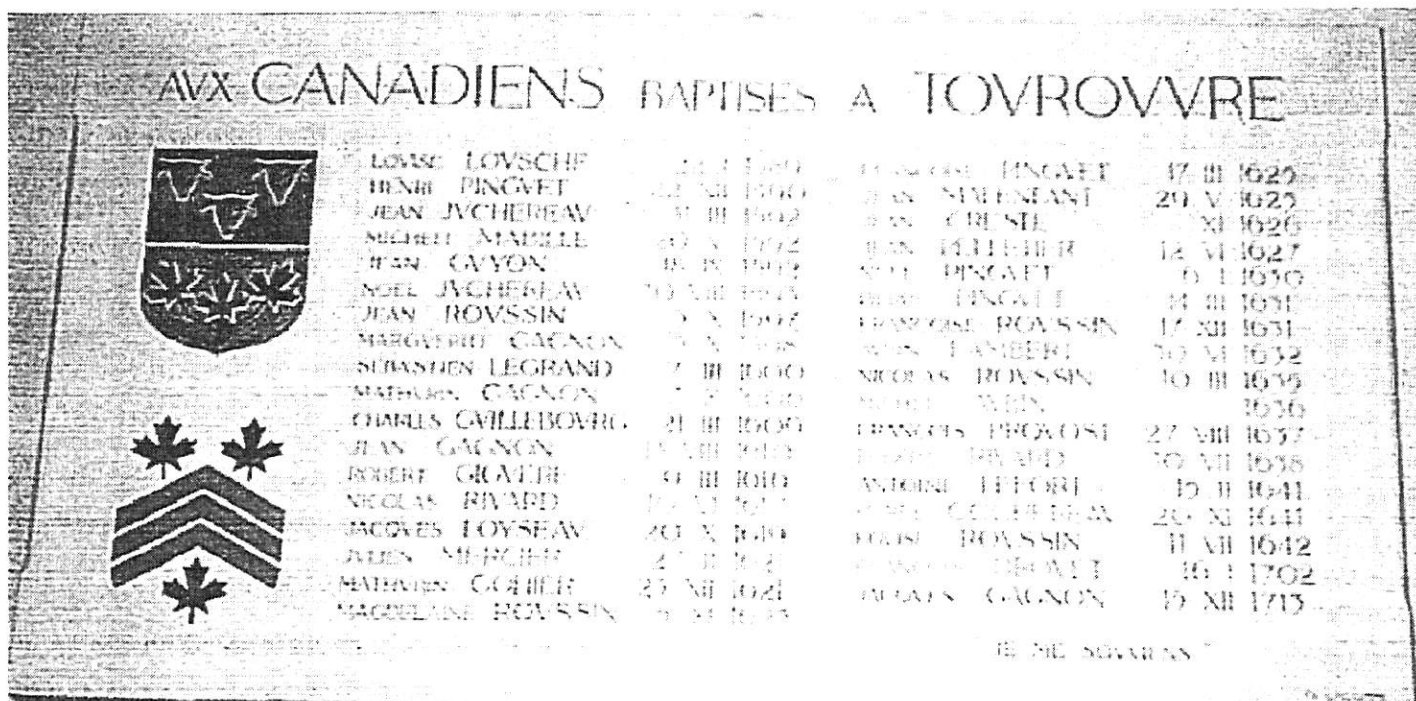
2002

- January 6 Flight to Singapour, Tour of Malaysia
- January 16 Flight to Bangkok, Thailand Tour of Thailand
- February 10 Flight from Bangkok to Hong Kong Tour of China
- March 7 Flight from Hong Kong to Sydney, Australia Tour of Australia
- April 20 Flight from Sydney to Auckland, New-Zeland tour of New-Zeland
- May 20 Flight to the Fidji Islands
- June 20 Flight to Los Angeles, California One week tour of California
- June 28 Return flight to Toronto

Web site :<http://membres.lycos.fr/tdmfamille/nouvelles/ind18.htm>



CANADIENS BAPTISÉS À TOUROUVRE



Nom	Baptême
Louise Lousche	22-01-1580
Henri Pinguet	22-12-1590
Jean Jinchereau	31-03-1592
Michel Mabile	20-05-1592
Jean Guyon	18-09-1592
Noël Jinchereau	30-08-1593
Jean Roussin	03-10-1597
Marguerite Gagnon	05-10-1598
Sébastien Legrand	07-03-1600
Mathurin Gagnon	07-10-1606
Charles Guillebourg	21-03-1609
Jean Gagnon	13-08-1610
Robert Giguère	09-03-1616
Nicolas Rivard	10-06-1617
Jacques Loyseau	20-10-1619
Julien Mercier	27-11-1621
Magdelaine Roussin	05-11-1623

Nom	Baptême
Françoise Pinguet	17-03-1629
Jean Malenfant	29-05-1625
Jean Creste-11-1626
Jean Pelletier	12-06-1627
Noël Pinguet	06-01-1630
Pierre Pinguet	14-03-1631
Françoise Roussin	17-12-1631
Aubin Lambert	30-06-1632
Nicolas Roussin	10-03-1635
Michel Aubin-.....-1636
François Provost	27-08-1637
Robert Rivard	10-07-1638
Antoine Lefort	15-11-1641
Pierre Cochereau	20-11-1641
Louise Roussin	11-07-1642
François Drolet	16-01-1702
Jacques Gagnon	15-12-1713

† 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
Rosanne Boucher Mercier	2002-01-05	Trois-Pistoles, QC
Denise Mercier Letarte	2002-01-21	St-roch-des-Aulnaies, QC
Adrienne Mercier	2002-02-22	Lac Mégantic, QC
Ernest Mercier (président-fondateur)	2002-03-04	Québec, QC
Charles Mercier	2002-03-19	Ste-Foy, QC
Marie Mercier Giguère	2002-03-19	Ste-Foy, QC
Noëlla Rancourt Mercier	2002-03-29	Lévis, QC
Robert Mercier	2002-05-01	Lévis, QC
Delphis Mercier	2002-05-14	Sherbrooke, QC

Responsible : Isabelle Mercier Dufour

SWEET SUCCESS

On April the 13th, 84 Mercier and relatives gathered at St-Henri-de-Levis to share the pleasure of meeting and also enjoy the sweetness of Spring in an appropriate setting for that time of the year.

That was a remarkable success and it must be repeated next year, as most of the participants agreed. There were people of all ages and from many regions of Quebec.

Jean-Guy of Ste-Foy was responsible for the event and deserves all the credit for having assembled such a large gathering. Thank to all those who responded to Jean-Guy's invitation and we hope to see you all again next year.

The management

AN INVITATION FROM VICKY AND PIERRE MERCIER

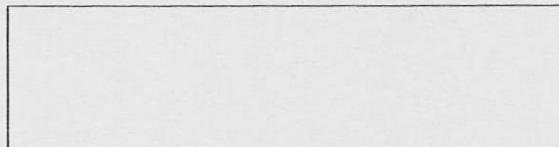
Joallerie Mercier Enrg., jewelers, invite you to admire their collection of jewels at one of their stores located in the Carrefour Neuf-chatel shopping center or at their store in St-Jean-Chrysostome.

Vicky and Pierre Mercier are the owners and expect your visit. They assure you of their warm welcome and they have a special discount for the members of our association.

Consult their advertisement on page 16 for more details.

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