William Duquid Descendants And History In America

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To the descendants of William and Helen Cooper Duguid who landed in America (N.Y.) August 4, 1774, having sailed from Inverness, Scotland. Their descendants today number in the hundreds. Of the descendants, to my knowledge, only five have done any genealogical recording of extent.

Dr. Frederick Gray Murray of Cedar Rapids, Iowa (1874-1971) was much interested in genealogy. He was born in 1874 and was still corresponding with me in 1970 shortly before his death in January 1971. This correspondence extended from September 1937 until December of 1970...thirty-three years. His wife Janet Murray (Mrs. America of 1947) lived into her ninety's too. I must give Dr. Murray credit for having sparked me into working with our genealogy and also our local history. He and Mrs. Murray stopped in Fremont in September (the first day of school) 1937 and called me at the school. He told me he had good knowledge of the family back in New York State and of our relationship and he wanted me to do a genealogy of the three Duguid brothers who came west in 1835-1836 to Indiana. This I gladly agreed to do. That winter (1937-1938) with the help of Lowell Duguid, Rena Faul, Florence Lewis Duguid, Wallace Judson, Kent McNaughton, and several others, I did a rather respectable listing of the James, John, and Adam Duguid descendants. In the meantime, Dr. Murray sent me his genealogy of the other William Duguid descendants. William and Helen Cooper Duguid had three children...two daughters 1) Ann Duguid McKie 2) Isabella Duguid Murray and one son George...the forefather of all of us (after William) bearing the surname "Duguid" in this genealogy, etc. With my work on our local families and Dr. Murray's combined we now had a meaningful genealogy and record of the family ca 1938. This genealogy was not duplicated and distributed; however, the Murray materials along with my efforts sparked Dennis Duguid, of Detroit, to enhance the work of Dr. Murray and myself with data on the Murray descendants in the Detroit area and others.

Dennis Duguid made a significant contribution in printing and distributing the genealogy in 1955. His visits to Sterling, N. Y., and the history of the land grants to the Scotch families obtained from the history of Washington Co. was most valuable. He and Marshall Stewart, who also had a great interest in genealogy, did a fine genealogy of the Stewarts.

John Clark Duguid (1878-1966) grandson of pioneer Adam Duguid in his eighty-second year credited me with having sparked him into writing a booklet "Duguid Memoirs." I was most proud of this accolade. It was from this booklet that I was able to better include the Adam and Catherine Stewart Duguid descendants living in the Olath Kansas environs.

Daniel Christie Judson 1860-1928...recorded his mother's (Catherine Duguid <u>Judson</u> 1833-1913) remembrances on August 21, 1906 near Ray. Her recollections were quite remarkable in corroborating some of the Murray records of the New York families. Her recollections are actually the only ones we have of George Duguid's family by Indiana descendants. These were loaned to me by Christie's brother Wallace Judson (who lived to age of 101 yrs.).

Ann Terrell Mills of Houston, Texas, who was a research librarian and Duguid descendant has done extensive work on the Duguids of Scotland. Her contribution, and it is a most significant one, includes the Coat of Arms, Chronology of Duguid Barons and others describing the titled members of the family of long ago. The writer has corresponded with Mrs. Mills since 1965 and was able to visit her in Houston, in 1968. With her permission, I am including some of her writings. Without her work, we would have known very little of the baronies, etc. We are much indebted to Ann Terrell Mills.

The writer did the "Cedar Lake Sketches" in 1955. About one hundred of these

histories were distributed to members of our families. With the exhaustion of thos copies and the insistance of several that I do a second edition, I am including the "Cedar Lake Sketches" along with the "Genealogy" and more notes, letters, memoirs, biographies, commentaries, etc. with the works here submitted. It is impossible to list all the people who have assisted in gathering these materials and several have given encouragement. It has been a most interesting experience, i.e., forty years of searching, visiting, corresponding, and recording.

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