

## The Dalgleish

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ANDREW'S PARENTS

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Each year - travelled for work - <sup>was before the</sup>  
 worked a season in San Francisco - <sup>great earthquake</sup>  
 after - civil war - not sure.

Find Dalgleish chronology.  
 Revd's picture?



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The people of Yarrow were "sons of toil" and largely engaged in farming and all aspects of the wool trade. On emigration many of the local families settled in Galt, Hamilton and other south western Ontario towns where farming and the wool trade were growing activities.

Andrew, however, was apprenticed as a stone mason at an early age. A man of large frame, he was well suited to the heavy labour of the stone trade. Even in later life he was proud of his great strength and brick. Masons able to work in as it was a common building emigrated to America in 1852 the Crimean War. He crossed the windjammer "The New days.

On arrival one of his on the stone buttresses for bridge. It was here that he native of the Isle of Islay in on Goat Island in the Niagara continued his trade in States and was working on bridge construction in Tennessee when the Civil War broke out. He returned to Canada to avoid the ensuing unpleasantness and took up a homestead in Port Elgin, Ontario.



Ann Sinclair

ability to carry stone and stone were always in demand material of the day. Andrew shortly before the start of to New York on the "World", a trip that took 31 early undertakings was work the Niagra Falls suspension met his wife Ann Sinclair, a Scotland. They were married River in 1855. Andrew different parts of the United

Andrew made a trip to British Columbia in 1875, coming by the Union Pacific to San Francisco and then sailing up the coast to B.C.. Vancouver then, he said, was nothing but a saw mill and New Westminster merely a village. Although there was little work available he was able to work as a brick layer at \$5.00 per day. Returning to Ontario that fall, he reached Victoria sooner than expected and although he had planned to sail on the steamer Pacific he was able to secure passage on an earlier ship. The Pacific left Victoria on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 1875, with nearly 300 passengers. At 10:00 pm with the light at Tatoosh still visible astern, she collided with the

Andrew became contractor - would take  
contracts - would do whole job.

Will McIntosh - met Kate in  
Bruce County - engaged -  
then he came out - to Fort Loughry  
- then went back and got her.  
(she said could not leave mother - ailing - so  
Bill said ok bring her out with you.  
So she came with daughter or shortly  
thereafter

## The Family Marr of Fort Langley

clipper Orpheus which was headed north to load coal. The Pacific sank almost immediately with only two men surviving, one of whom died soon afterwards. The Orpheus continued North and hours later crached on the rocks near Cape Beale. Andrew when retelling the story in later years would say "Something seemed to warn me to go home right away." Fortunately he took heed.

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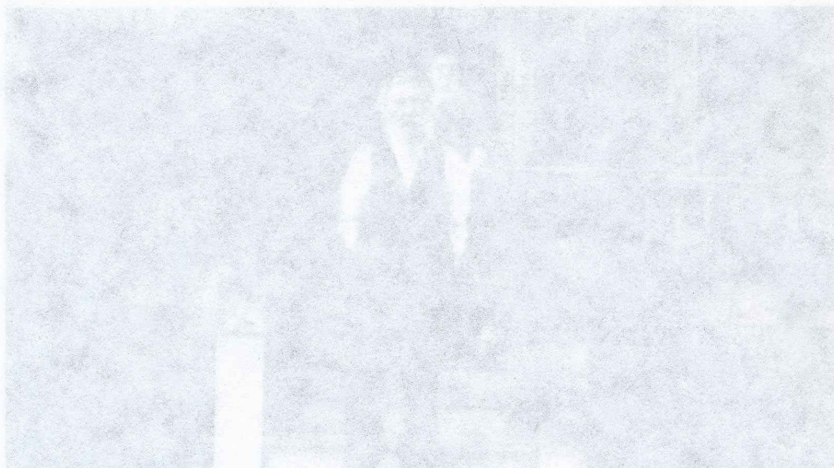
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*HOUSE NAME?*  
*DEAR ANNE SOUNDS*  
*Born in Owen Sound.*  
*first blacksmith shop in*  
*Vancouver - then moved out*  
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# NEIL DALGISH - SETTLED IN HAMLETS

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Langley so that Kate could look after her. She died August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1896 in her 65<sup>th</sup> year very shortly after arriving to live with her daughter. She was buried by the Reverend Alexander Dunn in the churchyard close by the church on Glover Road.

Andrew spent most of his latter days in Fort Langley. The winters would be spent in Kamloops with his sons and the summers at the Fort, with occasional trips elsewhere. Much of his life was spent roving. His only true home was at Burgoyne in Ontario, yet he would never remain there more than a few years at a time. Whether it was a requirement of his trade or the compulsion of an adventurer, or his inability to adjust to farm life, we don't know. Andrew Dalgleish was a remarkable traveler for his day.

There are to this day in Fort Langley a number of houses which have chimneys built by Dalgleish. He was working bricking chimneys into his 95<sup>th</sup> year still enjoying the robust good health he had enjoyed all his life. He died in his sleep on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 1928, at the age of 97. He was laid to rest beside his wife Ann at Fort Langley.

Andrew was born in Scotland at the close of an era. He entered a new one and lived to see his children and their children prospering in the new world.

*Will make chain fence around the  
grave for mother in law.*