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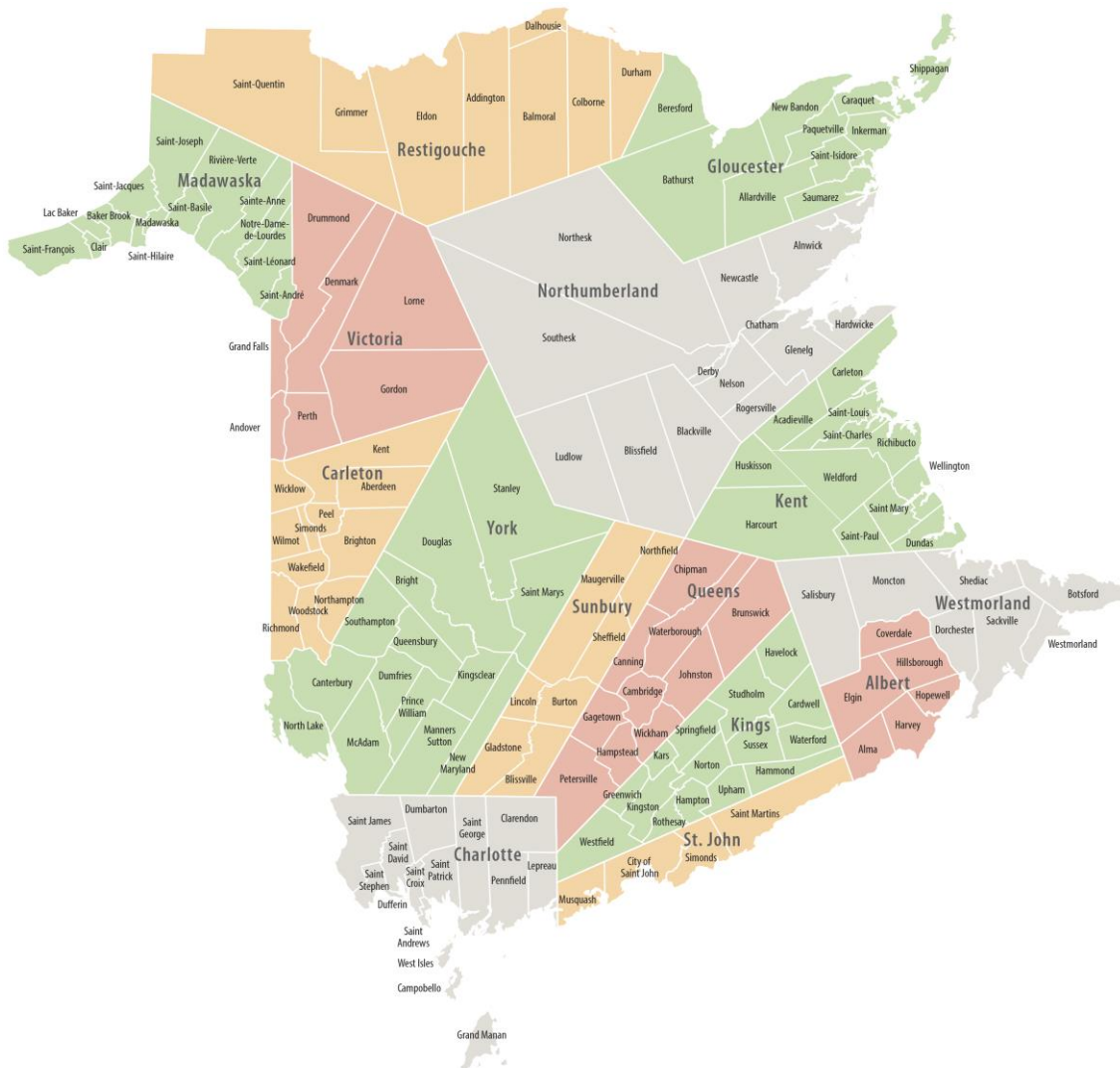
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KENT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL GUIDE: 2025



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Introduction to the Archives

The Provincial Archives of New Brunswick (PANB) was established in 1967 to provide for the care, custody, and control of the documentary heritage of the Province. The collection encompasses government records and private collections including textual records, photographs, maps, architectural plans, audio-visual material, digital files, microfilms, and published volumes.

This guide is designed as a starting point for those who wish to use PANB resources, either in person or by distance, for family history research. We strongly encourage researchers to come to the Archives to conduct their search in person. Visitors to PANB can access additional finding aids and indexes in our reference room, many of which are not noted in this guide, including genealogical research collections that can only be accessed on site.

Research, Interlibrary Loan & Copy Services

If unable to come to the Archives, researchers may submit a written or telephone request for specific documents and the staff at PANB will conduct a brief search. Precise questions have the best chance of being answered fully. The volume of inquiries and the intricacies of family history research preclude extensive research or photocopying by staff.

Many of the records of particular value to the family historian have been microfilmed and are available through an interlibrary loan program. You may order up to three films at a time through your local library.

It should be emphasized that many government documents as well as most of our over 4000 private manuscript collections have not been microfilmed or digitized and must be used at PANB. For a fee, Archives staff may make copies of records. For a list of our reproduction fees, contact us via telephone (506-453-2122) or e-mail (ArchivesNB@qnb.ca).

Development of Kent County

When New Brunswick was established in 1784 it was divided into eight counties. As the population grew the original counties were divided and new counties set up. The final complement is 15. These counties are subdivided into civil parishes.

Kent County was set off from Northumberland County in 1826. It is bounded on the east by Northumberland Strait, on the south by the Counties of Westmorland and Queens, and on the north and west by Northumberland County. When Kent County was created in 1826, the parishes of Huskisson, Harcourt, Dundas and Liverpool (renamed Richibucto in 1832) were set off from the Northumberland County parishes of Wellington and Carleton. Subsequent parishes were formed as such:

Development of Kent County, continued

1835: Weldford was set off from Richibucto

1855: Palmerston was set off from Carleton and Richibucto (renamed Saint-Louis in 1866)

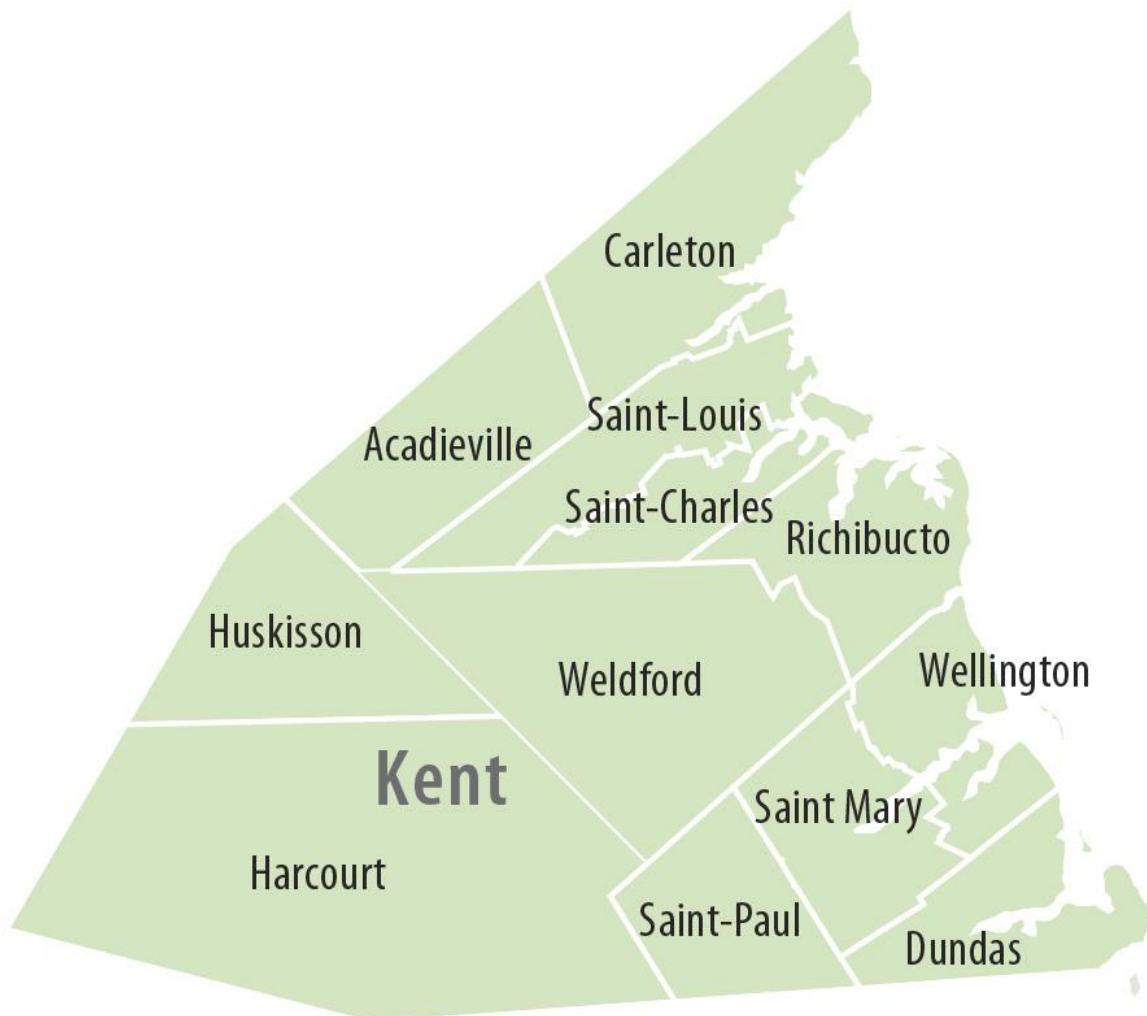
1867: Saint Mary's was set off from Wellington

1876: Acadieville was set off from Carleton

1883: Saint-Paul was set off from Saint Mary and Harcourt

1908: Saint-Charles was created

Pre-1826 records for Kent County are in the Northumberland County records.



1. Guide to Family Histories and the Provincial Archives (available online)

The *Guide to Family Histories at the Provincial Archives* was created to enhance access to family histories found in a multitude of sources at PANB. Items referenced vary in volume from a few lines in a book to entire genealogical collections.

The index can be found online at:

<http://archives.gnb.ca/ResearchTools/GuideToFamilyHistories>

2. Census Returns (available online)

Parts of the 1851 and 1861 census are incomplete. Those for 1871, 1881, 1891, and 1901 are more comprehensive. The records contain the names, ages, relationships, occupations, and religion of New Brunswick residents. They may also include ethnicity, nationality, entry date into the colony (1851 census only), and other data.

Many census records have been digitized and searchable databases are available through the Library and Archives Canada (LAC) website: www.bac-lac.gc.ca. The 1911, 1921, and 1931 census records have also been released and are available and searchable on various websites in addition to LAC. PANB does not hold microfilm copies of these records.

Census records on microfilm cannot be borrowed from PANB; however, the Associates of the Provincial Archives have various transcripts of records available for purchase.

Please visit www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates for a complete list of publications for sale or call (506) 453-2122.

3. Vital Statistics

Although some pre-1888 records of births and deaths exist, they were not required to be kept by law until 1888. Prior to 1888, each county council kept records of marriages. Please note that pre-1920 vital statistics are not comprehensive because even though it was law to keep records, recordkeeping was not enforced until that time. Post 1930 the province added a process of late birth registration. These are births that were not recorded contemporary to the birth but later using witness verification. They are recorded for the year in which the birth occurred.

In New Brunswick, official records of birth are restricted for 95 years, and official records of marriages and deaths are restricted for 50 years. The Archives updates the vital statistics database on the website as soon as possible after new records are released.

If you require records which are still restricted, please contact Vital Statistics by visiting www.snb.ca or phoning (506) 453-2385, 1-888-762-8600 (within North America) or 1 (506) 684-7901 (outside North America).

3. Vital Statistics, continued

The Associates of the Provincial Archives have various transcripts of vital statistics available for purchase, but these are mainly pre-1888 marriage indices. Please visit www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates or call (506) 453-2122 for a complete list of publications for sale.

New Brunswick Vital Statistics Records (RS141) (available online)

Search the database of many of our vital statistics indices free of charge at www.archives.gnb.ca.

Early County Marriage Records (RS150) (available online)

Marriage registers contain information from marriage certificates filed with the registrar. They list the names of the bride and groom, their respective residences, and the names of officiating clergy and witnesses. Entries do not give the parents' names. The Kent County Council marriage registers cover the years 1844-1887. Note: Pre-1826 marriages are recorded in the Northumberland County Council records. A transcription of the marriage registers is available for consultation at the Provincial Archives.

Marriage Bonds (RS551A)

Marriage bonds, known administratively as performance bonds, were required when banns were not read, or the clergyman did not know both parties. They include the names of the bride and groom and the name of the groom's bondsman. Rarely are the names of parents given. This series of documents covers the entire province for the period 1810 to 1932, but is not complete. County marriage registers should be consulted first and then marriage bonds.

Provincial Secretary Marriage Licenses (RS14E)

The Provincial Secretary was responsible for the administration of the distribution and authority to issue marriage licenses for New Brunswick. The Provincial Secretary marriage licenses cover the years 1843-1906 and 1932-1944. In addition to the licenses themselves, some marriage license files include signed affidavits from third parties, partially completed official notices of marriage, or related correspondence. There are fifty-eight marriage licenses for Kent County covering the years 1932-1941.

Reverend J. S. Gregg fonds (MC542)

This fonds includes John Spicer Gregg's personal diaries, dating from 1888-1957. These diaries shed light on his personal activities, as well as church related activities, including services held (worships, weddings, baptisms, funerals). He served pastorates in Richibucto (1889), St. Martins (1894-1896), Jerusalem (1897), Stanley (1898-1899), Andover (1900-1902), Millerton, Young's Cove, Welsford, Petitcodiac, Boiestown, Oak Hill, and Keswick

3. Vital Statistics, continued

Reverend J. S. Gregg fonds (MC542), continued

(1930s). This encompasses the following counties: Charlotte, Kent, Northumberland, Queens, Saint John, Victoria, York, and Westmorland. Of particular note to researchers is a record of baptisms and marriages performed by Gregg, 1935-1957.

Index to Death Registration of Soldiers, 1941-1947 (RS141C6) (available online)

Although it is not the responsibility of Vital Statistics in New Brunswick to register births, marriages, or deaths which occur outside of the province, these "Certificates of Registration of Death" were placed on file to record the deaths of New Brunswick-born World War II soldiers.

This index is not all-inclusive, but includes a handful of non-Brunswickers (Americans and soldiers from other provinces). The certificates include date of birth, father's name and birthplace, mother's maiden name and birthplace, and cause of death.

The microfilm (F20079) includes both the Index compiled by PANB and the certificates in alphabetical order by year.

New Brunswick Cemeteries (available online)

This database is the result of a project put together by volunteer members of the New Brunswick Genealogical Society. The goal was to create a searchable database and provide online access. PANB was a partner in the project.

The information provided in this database was transcribed from existing gravestones. Transcriptions may exist for grave markers which no longer stand. Keep in mind that the data presented is a transcription – no extrapolations, conjectures or guesses have been made regarding relationships between names on the stones unless the relationship was stated. There are other cemetery transcriptions available at the Archives that are not part of this database.

Please visit www.archives.gnb.ca to search the online database.

4. Land Records

Land Petitions (RS108) (index available online)

These are requests submitted to government by those seeking land grants. The records cover the years from 1783 to 1918 and sometimes provide the name, age, origin, marital status, number of children, location and amount of land requested by the petitioner and at

4. Land Records, continued

Land Petitions (RS108) (index available online), continued

times additional biographical data. The likelihood of finding petitions with such detailed personal information tends to be higher for records pre-dating 1840. An index of some 67,000 names can be searched on our website (www.archives.gnb.ca) or can be viewed on microfilm F13763. Please note that at times people petitioned as a group. In such cases the land petition is filed under the name of the first petitioner, but the online index includes all names.

Land Petitions: Current Series (RS272)

These petitions cover the years from 1832 to 1987. The series is "current" in that the Department of Natural Resources continues to add to it. The documents contain very little biographical data. The index is available on microfilm (F16741) and can be borrowed through inter library loan.

Land Grants (RS686) (index available online)

The land grant books form the official land records kept by the New Brunswick government. Beginning in 1784, those who had been granted land under the Nova Scotia government between 1765 and 1784 were required to re-register their grants in New Brunswick. These documents describe the metes and bounds (boundaries) of granted lands. The name of the grantee is provided but no other biographical information is given.

Registry Office Records (RS88)

Kent County Registry Office Records cover the years 1827-1992 and include copies of deeds, leases, mortgages, liens, and other land transactions. Pre-1827 records related to Kent County are part of Northumberland County Records. A number of wills (those which transfer title of land) are found in this series. Microfilm numbers can be requested from PANB.

Service New Brunswick (SNB) Land Registry Office Records

It is also possible to search land registry office records using the SNB Registry Office Records database.

For more information on these services and associated fees, visit <https://www2.snb.ca/content/snb/en/sites/land-registry.html>.

5. Immigration Records

Passenger Lists (RS23) (available online)

A small number of passenger lists for immigrant ships coming to the province in 1816, 1833, 1834, 1837, and 1838 have survived. The records are available on microfilms F9798 and F9799. The index of passengers and crews (F17834) contains about 10,000 names. The ship crews are included because some immigrants worked their passage. Each entry gives a passenger's surname and given name, passenger number, name of the ship, and an archival reference number.

Note: Passengers to New Brunswick: The Customs House Records; 1833, 1834, 1837, 1838, Johnson, Daniel F., 1887 (MC80/1263) is available for reference at the Provincial Archives.

6. Court Records

Probate Court Records (RS65)

Probate is the legal validating of a will or settling of an estate if no will exists. It empowers the executor to act on behalf of the deceased to disburse the assets of the estate. Prior to 1984, each county in the province had a court of probate. Following legislation passed in 1983, the province was divided into nine (9) judicial districts for the purpose of probate. Kent County probate records after 1984 are included in the records of the Moncton Judicial District: Probate Court (RS746).

Probate Court Files

These may include some of the following documents: wills, petitions, affidavits letters testamentary, letters of administration, inventories, bonds, renunciations, correspondence, and other items. Researchers should first consult the indexes to the probate files and the probate books and then order from the films listed below. Kent County Probate Court files covering the years 1827-1944 are on microfilm, while post-1944 files are available at PANB only.

From	To	Film
1827	1875	F14075
1875	1902	F14076
1902	1919	F14077
1919	1940	F14078
1940	1944	F14079

6. Court Records, continued

Probate Court Records (RS65), continued

Probate Court Books

Probate Court Books contain transcripts of the basic legal documents found in the files but there have been instances of something being in the books and not in the files. Pre-1945 books are available on microfilm, and the remainder up to 1983 are available at the Archives.

Volume	Dates	Film
Volumes A, B (Indexed)	1827-1869	F14075
Volume C (Indexed)	1869-1887	F14075, F14076
Volume D (Indexed)	1887-1898	F14076
Volume E (Indexed)	1898-1911	F14076, F14077
Volume F (Indexed)	1911-1919	F14077
Volume G (Indexed)	1919-1930	F14078
Volume H (Indexed)	1931-1941	F14078, F14079
Volume I (Indexed)	1942-1944	F14079

Wallace Hale's Early New Brunswick Probate, 1785-1835 (available online)

The database contains abstracts for 2,371 Probates files from every County Probate Court in existence in that period (1785-1835). Records for the period covered are missing or incomplete for some areas of the Province.

The database can be found online at:

<https://archives.gnb.ca/Search/MC3706/Default.aspx?culture=en-CA>

Court of Equity Records: Original Jurisdiction (RS55)

These records cover the years 1785 to 1912 and deal with a variety of legal matters including the settling of estates and the guardianship of infants. Neither case files nor an index is available on microfilm. These records must be used on site at PANB.

7. Education Records

Teachers' Petitions and Licenses (RS655) (index available online)

This series covers the whole province and contains requests by teachers for licenses from 1812 to 1882. Documents give data such as name, birthplace, education, teaching experience, church affiliation, and samples of handwriting. Also attached may be certificates and letters from local school trustees and clergymen testifying to the teaching ability of the petitioner and his or her moral and religious character. The documents are arranged

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7. Education Records, continued

Teachers' Petitions and Licenses (RS655) (index available online), continued

chronologically and then alphabetically by the name of the petitioner. The index should be consulted first. Petitions of those identifying as "Irish" are available on the Irish Portal website: http://archives.gnb.ca/Irish/databases_en.html.

From	To	Film
Index	1812-1882 Inclusive	F10318
1812 Hayward, John	1823 Gough, Maurice	F10318
1823 Gray, William	1828 Arseneau, Charles	F10319
1828 Babbit, Samuel	1830 Gray, Benjamin G.	F10320
1830 Hackett, Patrick	1832 Doran, Michael	F10321
1832 Eagles, William	1833 McEldowney, James	F10322
1833 McEwen, Jane	1834 Wood, Rebecca	F10323
1834 Wood, Thomas W.	1836 Morton, John O.	F10324
1836 Mount, Hugh A.	1837 McEwen, Jane	F10325
1837 McGravey, John K.	1839 Wood, Thomas	F10326
1840 Atkinson, Thomas	1841 McNamara, Michael	F10327
1841 Nesbit, Sophia M.	1842 Eney, Paul	F10328
1842 Eppes, Henry	1842 Murphy, Dennis	F10329
1842 Murray, Edward	1842 Stark, James	F10330
1842 Stevenson, Alex	1843 King, William	F10331
1843 Laird, James	1844 Borthwick, Eliza	F10332
1844 Boyd, Michael	1844 Summers, William	F10333
1844 Terrice, William	1845 Newcomb, James	F10334
1845 O'Corcoran, John	1846 Leary, Dennis	F10335
1846 LeBlanc, Dominique	1847 Cassidy, Hugh	F10336
1847 Caulfield, William	1847 Peters, Catharine J.	F10337
1847 Phinney, John S.	1851 Fillmore, King D.	F10338
1851 Harvey, Mary	1859 Roberts, JC Edward	F10339
1860 Barclay, Ann	1882 Harley, Timothy F.	F10340

Grammar, Parish, and Private School Returns (RS657)

These contain the name of the school, name of the teacher, and a list of the students and their ages. There are two returns per year and the records are arranged by the half year and alphabetically by parish. Within each parish, schools are listed alphabetically by place or school name.

For film numbers for post-1955 records, please contact the Archives.

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7. Education Records, continued

Grammar, Parish, and Private School Returns (RS657), continued

From	To	Film
1877 Acadieville	1878 St. Louis	F4412
1878 St. Marys	1881 Richibucto	F4413
1881 Richibucto	1884 Dundas	F4414
1884 Dundas	1887 Dundas	F4415
1887 Harcourt	1889 Weldford	F4417
1889 Weldford	1891 Wellington	F4418
1892 Acadieville	1894 Dundas	F4419
1894 Harcourt	1897 Carleton	F4420
1897 Dundas	1899 Wellington	F4421
1899 Wellington	1901 St. Paul	F4422
1901 Weldford	1904 St. Louis	F4423
1904 St. Louis	1906 Harcourt	F4424
1906 Harcourt	1908 Wellington	F4425
1909 Acadieville	1911 Richibucto	F4426
1911 St. Charles	1913 Weldford	F4427
1913 Wellington	1915 Dundas	F4428
1915 Harcourt	1917 St. Marys	F4429
1917 St. Paul	1920 Dundas	F4430
1920 Dundas	1922 Wellington	F4431
1923 Acadieville	1924 Harcourt	F4432
1924 Harcourt	1926 Richibucto	F4433
1926 Richibucto	1928 Richibucto	F4434
1928 St. Charles	1930 Richibucto	F4435
1930 Richibucto	1932 St. Paul	F4436
1932 Weldford	1934 St. Paul	F4437
1934 Weldford	1936 St. Paul	F4438
1936 Weldford	1938 Richibucto	F4439
1938 Richibucto	1940 Acadieville	F4440
1940 Acadieville	1942 Weldford	F4441
1942 Weldford	1944 St. Louis	F4442
1944 St. Marys	1945 Wellington	F4443
1946 Acadieville	1947 Carleton	F4444
1947 Dundas	1948 Weldford	F4445
1948 Weldford	1950 Dundas	F4446
1950 Dundas	1951 St. Louis	F4447
1951 St. Louis	1952 Wellington	F4448
1952 Acadieville	1953 Dundas	F4449

7. Education Records, continued

Grammar, Parish, and Private School Returns (RS657), continued

From	To	Film
1953 Harcourt	1954 Richibucto	F4450
1954 Richibucto	1954 Wellington	F4451
1955 Acadieville	1955 Wellington	F4907

Additional Education Records

Item	Dates	Film	Collection
Parish School Returns	1828-1848	F7643	RS8
Grammar School Returns	1830-1868	F7648	RS8
County School Board Records	1936-1967	F11269	RS279

8. Directories

Directories are listings of individuals and/or businesses. They may include information such as the name of the head of the household, the name of a business, and the name of the street the family or business was located on. There are name indexes to the Hutchinson's Directories and the Lovell Directory on our website at www.archives.gnb.ca.

Title	Dates	Film
Hutchinson's New Brunswick Directory	1865-1866	Online
Hutchinson's New Brunswick Directory	1867-1868	Online
McAlpine's Maritime Directory	1870-1871	F963
Lovell Directory	1871	Online
McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory	1889-1896	F1409
McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory	1896	F11072
McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory	1903	F449
McAlpine's Moncton City, Westmorland & Albert County	1908	F8052

9. County Council Records (RS150)

The following sub-series of county council records may be of interest to family historians.

Item	Years	Film
Accounts: Properties	1949-1966	F12635
Accounts: Taxation	1947-1948	F12635
Assessments: Road Tax	1939-1944	F12640-F12643
Delinquent Taxes: Ledgers	1931-1945	F8531-F8533

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10. Newspapers

Many newspapers have been microfilmed and are available through interlibrary loan.

*For film numbers not listed, please consult Archives staff.

Newspaper	From	To	Film
<i>Gleaner</i>	1829	1880	*
<i>L'Évangéline</i>	1887	1910, 1964 and 1973	*
<i>Le Moniteur Acadien</i>	1867	1926	*
<i>Moncton Times</i>	1877	1982	*
<i>Moncton Transcript</i>	1882	1982	*
<i>Moncton Weekly Transcript</i>	1882	1888	F3446
<i>New Brunswick Reporter</i>	1844	1902	*
<i>Royal Gazette</i>	1785	1999	*
<i>Royal Gazette, Index</i>	1785	1865	F983, F984
<i>Sackville Tribune</i>	1902	1958	*
<i>Tribune Post</i>	1959, 2008	1972, 2011 and 2015	*

Note: Please request film numbers by title and date. Le Moniteur Acadien films and L'Évangéline films covering 1887-1910 and 1964 are not available for loan and can only be used at the Provincial Archives. For a complete list of provincial newspapers, consult New Brunswick Newspaper Directory: 1783-1996 at your local library or New Brunswick Historical Newspapers Project available online on the University of New Brunswick's website: <https://newspapers.lib.unb.ca/>. (This is also available for purchase from the Associates of the Provincial Archives (www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates)).

Researchers should consult the multi-volume publication New Brunswick Vital Statistics from Newspapers for birth, marriage and death notices for the years from 1784 to the late 1890s, which is also available online at: <http://archives.gnb.ca/Search/NewspaperVitalStats>.

11. New Brunswick Museum Vertical Files (RS184B)

The New Brunswick Museum Vertical Files contain genealogical, biographical, and historical research information for all of New Brunswick. These records have been microfilmed and are arranged alphabetically. An index is on film F11077.

12. Church Records

The Archives has acquired the records of various New Brunswick churches, many of which have been microfilmed, some of which have been digitized. The Archives may also have church records in their holdings which can only be used on site.

12. Church Records, continued

In the following section, you may find records that are simply labeled “church records.” “Church records” can include almost any type of record created by the church that is not a vital record. These records may include:

- Meeting minutes for various groups
- Preaching registers
- Registers of communicants
- Registers of confirmations
- Land deeds for church/cemetery land
- Newspaper clippings
- Financial records
- Annual reports
- Church histories
- Correspondence
- Legal records
- These records may include some small notes about baptisms, marriages, or burials.

Please note the following:

An asterisk () after a film number indicates that the film has been digitized.*

Some microfilm contain both open and restricted records. If a film includes any restricted records, the entire film is then considered restricted. If you are looking for a record that is open on one of these films, please contact the Provincial Archives with detailed information regarding what you're looking for.

To consult church records that are restricted, the researcher must have the church in question email permission directly to the Provincial Archives (ArchivesNB@gnb.ca). More detail is provided under each denomination regarding exactly what materials are restricted and who should be contacted to request access to those records.

Anglican Church Records

Restrictions on access are “rolling;” dates move one year forward each calendar year. Therefore, as of January 1, 2025:

- **Marriages** will be restricted after 1975.
- **Baptisms** will be restricted after 1975.
- **Burials** will be restricted after 2005.
- **Confirmations** will be restricted after 2005.

12. Church Records, continued**Anglican Church Records, continued**

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Cathy Laskey, Synod Office

claskey@diofton.ca

(506) 459-1801 ext. 1007

Individuals can also access the New Brunswick Genealogical Society (NBGS) Anglican Registers Project to view images of Anglican Church baptisms, marriages, and deaths online for the open period. Non-members of the NBGS can view the registers by location and date by registering for a guest account: <https://nbgs.ca/cpage.php?pt=250>.

Bouctouche, Cocagne

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1870-1895	F22023
Burials	1870-1898	F22023

Dundas, Wellington

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1870-1895	F1104
Marriages	1870-1874	F1104, F23695
Burials	1870-1898	F1104

Harcourt – St. Matthew's

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1903-1955	F17535
Confirmations	1884-1956	F17535
Marriages	1903-1955	F17535
Burials	1913-1955	F17535
Church Records	1886-1888	F17535

Parish of Richibucto and Rexton

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1815-1906, 1908-1955	F23695
Confirmations	1843, 1846, 1858, 1861, 1892, 1896, 1907, 1909-1955	F23695
Marriages	1825-1832, 1837--1956	F23695
Burials	1825-1828, 1837-1906, 1908-1956	F23695
Parish Records	1914-1915	F23695

12. Church Records, continued

Anglican Church Records, continued

Richibucto

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1833-1835	F1104

Weldford – St. Paul's

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1826-1955	F17535
Confirmations	1843, 1884-1956	F17535
Marriages	1848-1955	F17535
Burials	1884-1955	F17535
Church Records	1886-1888, 1908	F17535

Methodist Church Records

In 1925, the Methodist churches joined with the Wesleyan Methodists and about 70% of the Presbyterian churches to create The United Church. Many Methodist records will therefore fall under the purview of The United Church.

The United Church of Canada follows the privacy guidelines set out by each province. Therefore, United Church records held at PANB are restricted as follows:

- **Baptisms** are restricted for 95 years. Restriction is based on the date of the baptism.
- **Marriages** are restricted for 50 years.
- **Burials** are restricted for 50 years.

The United Church's national policy is that patrons **cannot copy records** from registers.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Archivist – Sarah Wallace
swallace@united-church.ca
 1 (800) 268-3781 ext. 6159

Bouctouche

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1918-1925	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)

12. Church Records, continued

Methodist Church Records, continued

Bouctouche Circuit – Bouctouche, Little River, Cocagne, Notre Dame, Coates Mills, McLean Settlement

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1891-1925	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1891-1925	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1891-1925	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1891-1925	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Harcourt Circuit – Beersville, Clairville (previously Lorne), Fords Mill, Harcourt, Kent Junction

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1910-1925	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1910-1925	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1910-1925	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1910-1925	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Little River (later McKee's Mills)

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1892-1925	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Richibucto Circuit - Bouctouche, Mill Creek, Molus River, Nicholas River, Rexton, Richibucto, West Branch

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1842-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1841, 1857-1913, 1915-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1896-1901, 1914-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1915-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1898-1911	F21298
Circuit Records	1908	F21299

Presbyterian Church Records

About 70% of the Presbyterian churches joined with The United Church in 1925 so many Presbyterian records would therefore fall under the purview of The United Church. For a list of the continuing Presbyterian churches in New Brunswick, visit the Presbyterian Church in Canada website and use their Church Finder function: <https://presbyterian.ca/church-finder/>.

The following Presbyterian records are restricted:

- **Session minutes** – closed for the most recent 50 years.
- **Baptisms** – closed for the most recent 100 years.

12. Church Records, continued

Presbyterian Church Records, continued

- **Marriages** and **deaths/burials** – closed for the most recent 75 years

This is found as a church policy in the Presbyterian *Book of Forms*, Appendix G. Regarding baptisms, marriages, and death/burial records – they can be opened for the more recent years upon a request from the actual subject of the entry, the next of kin, or the assigned legal guardian.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Archivist – Kim Arnold

The Presbyterian Church in Canada, Toronto, Ontario

1 (416) 441-1111 ext. 310 or 1 (800) 619-7301 ext. 310

Bass River – St. Mark's

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1861-1906	F1133*
Baptisms	1892-1919	F1134*
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1906-1965	F1133*
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1921-1970	F1134*
Marriages	1861-1962	F1133*
Marriages	1889-1951	F1134*
Marriages (RESTRICTED)	1950-1962	F1134*
Burials	1861-1957	F1133*
Burials	1889-1946	F1134*
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1947-1963	F1134*
Church Records	1861-1925	F1133*
Church Records	1889,1892	F1134*

Harcourt – St. Andrew's

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1915-1921	F1134*
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1910-1970	F1134*
Marriages	1943-1964	F1134*
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1943-1962	F1134*
Church Records	1915-1925	F1134*

Kouchibouguac

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1863-1955	F1133*

12. Church Records, continued

Presbyterian Church Records, continued

Kouchibouguac, continued

Records	Dates	Film
Marriages	1864-1870, 1944	F1133*
Burials	1912-1957	F1133*
Church Records	1863-1970	F1133*

Millbranch

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1948-1959	F1134*
Marriages	1943-1964	F1134*
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1943-1962	F1134*
Church Records	1915-1925	F1134*

Nicholas River

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1889-1906	F1133*
Baptisms	1892-1919	F1134*
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1906-1965	F1133*
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1921-1965	F1134*
Marriages	1889-1962	F1133*
Marriages	1889-1951	F1134*
Marriages (RESTRICTED)	1950-1962	F1134*
Burials	1889-1957	F1133*
Burials	1889-1946	F1134*
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1947-1963	F1134*
Church Records	1889-1925	F1133*
Church Records	1889,1892	F1134*

Rexton (previously Kingston) – St. Andrew's, St. Ninian's

Records	Dates	Film
St. Andrews - Marriages	1904-1910, 1913-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
St. Andrews - Burials	1887-1915, 1922-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
St. Andrews - Church Records	1878-1925	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
St. Andrews - Church Records	1860-1925	F21295
St. Ninians - Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1966-1970	F1134*

12. Church Records, continued

Presbyterian Church Records, continued

Rexton (previously Kingston) – St. Andrew's, St. Ninian's, continued

Records	Dates	Film
St. Ninians - Church Records	1938	F1134*

Richibucto – Chalmers

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1879-1921	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1916-1925	F21298

West Branch – Zion

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1966-1970	F1134*
Church Records	1896-1933	F1134*

Roman Catholic Records

All Roman Catholic diocese **sacramental records** (baptism, marriage, confirmation, death) are open up to and including 1920.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Archdiocese of Moncton

Vice-Chancellor: Patricia Niles

Phone: (506) 857-9531 extension 1236

Email: chancellorie@diocesemoncton.ca

Acadieville

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1877-1920	F15646*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Adamsville

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1904-1920	F15660*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued***Baie-des-Vents*

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1801-1870	F1729*

Bouctouche

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1800-1870	F1729*
Parish Registers	1800-1885	F15650
Parish Registers	1886-1920	F15651

*Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Carleton

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1800-1870	F1674*

Cocagne

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1800-1870	F1729*
Parish Registers	1800-1920	F15652

*Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Grande Digue

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1800-1875	F1729*, F1730*
Parish Registers	1800-1920	F15656

*Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Kouchibouguac

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1871-1920	F15682*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued***Notre-Dame*

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1889-1920	F15667*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Pointe-Sapin

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1821-1869	F1731*
Parish Registers	1821-1920	F15669

*Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Rexton

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1871-1920	F15671*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Richibucto – St. Anthony's, St. Charles

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1796-1871	F1731*, F1732*
Parish Registers	1864-1920	F15672
St. Anthony's Church Records (RESTRICTED)	1859-1876	F1167*
St. Charles Parish Registers	1800-1870	F1732*

* Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Richibucto-Village

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1786-1871	F15673*
Parish Registers	1870-1920	F15674*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued***Sainte-Anne-de-Kent*

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1886-1920	F15671*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Saint-Charles

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1800-1920	F15681*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Saint-Ignace

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1887-1920	F15682*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Saint-Louis-de-Kent

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1800-1870	F1674*
Church Records	1805-1870	F1732*
Parish Registers	1800-1920	F15683

* Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Sainte-Marie-de-Kent

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1869-1920	F15684

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Saint-Norbert

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1903-1920	F15678*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

12. Church Records, continued

Roman Catholic Records, continued

Saint-Paul

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1883-1920	F15659*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

United Church Records

Note: The United Church was inaugurated on June 10, 1925 when the Methodist Church of Canada, the Congregational Union of Canada, and select members of the Presbyterian Church of Canada entered into a union. Researchers may wish to consult records from multiple churches.

The United Church of Canada follows the privacy guidelines set out by each province. Therefore, United Church records held at PANB are restricted as follows:

lines set out by each province. Therefore, United Church records held at PANB are restricted as follows:

- **Baptisms** are restricted for 95 years. Restriction is based on the date of the baptism.
- **Marriages** are restricted for 50 years.
- **Burials** are restricted for 50 years.

The United Church's national policy is that patrons **cannot copy records** from registers.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Sarah Wallace - Archivist

swallace@united-church.ca

1 (800) 268-3781 ext. 6159

Bouctouche

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1925-1940	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Bouctouche Pastoral Charge – Bouctouche, McKee's Mills, Cocagne, Notre Dame, Coates Mills, McLean Settlement

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1925-1990	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages (RESTRICTED)	1925-1991	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1925-1992	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1925-1992	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)

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Clairville – St. Matthew's

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1971-1979	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1940-1945, 1953-1985	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Harcourt – Wesley

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1943-1950, 1971-1979	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1944-1951	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Harcourt Pastoral Charge – Beersville, Clairville (previously Lorne), Fords Mill, Harcourt, Kent Junction, Molus River

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1925-1986	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages (RESTRICTED)	1925-1986	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1925-1986	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1925-1942, 1944-1986	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1944, 1947	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Kouchibouguac – St. James

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1953	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1953	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1952-1956	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1948-1998	F21297

McKee's Mills (previously Little River) – Zion

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1925-1935, 1944-1956	F17196 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Molus River

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1971-1979	F21292 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1962-1985	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1950, 1966-1986	F21298
Church Records	1961, 1986	F21299

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12. Church Records, continued

United Church Records, continued

Rexton – St. Andrew's

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1934-1963, 1965, 1971-1980	F21294
Church Records	1970-1994	F21295
Church Records	1977-1993	F21296
Church Records	1991-1994	F21297
Church Records	1962-1993	F21298
Church Records	1965, 1967-1976, 1978-1981	F21299

Rexton Pastoral Charge – Kouchibouguac, Molus River, Rexton, West Branch

Records	Dates	Film
Marriages	1925-1962	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1925-1962	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1966	F21299

Richibucto – Chalmers

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1926-1970, 1982-1989	F21294
Church Records	1971-1976	F21296
Church Records	1941-1969	F21297
Church Records	1925-1959	F21298
Church Records	1942, 1945, 1948, 1950-1961, 1964-1991	F21299

Richibucto-Rexton Pastoral Charge – Bass River, Kouchibouguac, Molus River, Mundleville, Rexton, Richibucto

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1925-1927	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1925-1926	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1925-1928, 1962	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1925-1970	F21293 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1925-1993	F21294
Pastoral Charge Records	1925-1969, 1971-1991	F21295
Pastoral Charge Records	1956, 1964-1983	F21299

Other Institutions to Contact or Visit

The following institutions may have genealogical records pertaining to Kent County:

- Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson, Université de Moncton, Moncton, NB
<https://www.umoncton.ca/umcm-ceaac/> (French only), (506) 858-4085,
cea-um@umoncton.ca
- Musée Acadien de Caraquet, Caraquet, NB
<https://museecaraquet.ca/en/>, (506) 726-2682, musee@caraquet.ca
- New Brunswick Genealogical Society, Fredericton, NB
<https://nbgs.ca/>, webmanager@nbgs.ca
Miramichi Branch: <https://nbgsmiramichi.ca/>
Southeastern Branch: <https://nbgs.ca/cpage.php?pt=464>, nbgsseb@gmail.com
- New Brunswick Museum Archives, Market Square, Saint John, NB
<https://www.nbm-mnb.ca/archives-and-research-library/>, (506) 643-2322,
Toll free: 1-888-268-9595, (506) 643-2300, archives@nbm-mnb.ca
- United Church of Canada: Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council &
Regional Council 15 Archives, Sackville, NB
<https://ucceast.ca/fsldw-region-15-archives/>, 1-800-268-3781 ext. 6159,
swallace@united-church.ca

Website References

- Associates of the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick:
www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates
- Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson Resource Guide (French only):
https://www.umoncton.ca/umcm-ceaac/sites/umcm-ceaac.prod.umoncton.ca/files/wf/guide_des_ressources_ceaac_-_juillet_2022.pdf
- Library and Archives Canada (LAC):
www.bac-lac.gc.ca
- New Brunswick Historical Newspapers Project:
<https://newspapers.lib.unb.ca/>
- Provincial Archives of New Brunswick:
www.archives.gnb.ca
- Service New Brunswick:
www.snb.ca