Descendants of William Stuart Taylor

Generation 1

1. **William Stuart Taylor**-[1, 2, 3] was born on 09 Aug 1830 in Arundel Castle, Arundel, West Sussex, BN18 9AB (Verify)[3, 4, 5]. He died on 02 Mar 1903[2, 3, 4, 6]. He married Isabella Slimmons Taylor on 02 Apr 1867, daughter of John Simmonds and Unknown. She was born in 1835[3, 7, 8]. She died in 1865 (tuberculosis)[4, 7, 8, 9]. He married Eliza McNeil on 15 Apr 1867 in Peterborough, Ontario, Canada[10], daughter of Alexander McNeil and Susan MORROW. She was born in 1833 in NY[10]. She died in 1883 in Argyle District, SW 18-6-14 (Rosemound)[11, 12]. He married Eliza McNeil on 02 Apr 1887, daughter of Alexander McNeil and Susan MORROW. She was born in 1833 in NY[10]. He died in 1883 in Argyle District, SW 18-6-14 (Rosemound)[11, 12]. He married Eliza McNeil on 15 Aug 1851[4], daughter of Alexander McNEIL and Susan MORROW. She was born in 1833 in NY[10]. She died in 1883 in Argyle District, SW 18-6-14 (Rosemound)[11, 12]. He married Sigridur Thorarinson.

Notes for William Stuart Taylor:
All this family is buried at Grund

The house of Howard, Volume 2 By Gerald Brenan, Edward Phillips Statham
Pg 651 talks about the Earl of Arundel not maintaining the Castle, yet did maintain the Grounds. He had an umbrella inside the castle when it rained.
see IMG_WEB_0156_Arundel.jpg

WILLIAM STUART TAYLOR
Born in Bristol, England, August 9th, 1830. Died March 2nd, 1903. His parents lived in the West Indies for many years. His mother was visiting her parents in England when William was born. William grew up in the West Indies, and when, he was 18 years old he came to America with his older brother and settled at Kingston, Ontario, Canada around 1848.
In the year 1867, he moved to Michigan, U.S.A., and lived there until the fall of 1875, when he moved to Nyja Island (New Iceland). He homesteaded south of Kjalvik, but in 1877 he moved further north to Vidir River where he took a homestead and farmed there until 1881, when he moved to "Argyle" municipality, where he farmed north of Baldur. His home was on the hill known as "Taylor's Hit11"- "Taylor's Lake" was along the road below the hill.
William was married three times. His first wife was Isabella Slimmons from England. They were married on August 15th, 1851. She died in 1868. They had five daughters-Isabella (Slimmons) Taylor (of Irish descent was a daughter of John Slimmons of England. The five daughters are; Elizabeth, Annie, Caroline, Susan and Jane. Caroline was nine years old when her mother died. All five of the daughters went to live with their uncle John Taylor for a time, during the sad period of mourning.
When William Taylor married again on April 15, 1876 to Eliza McNil, then Caroline and Annie came home, but Elizabeth got married when sixteen years old, Susie and Janie lived with Uncle John Taylor. William and Eliza had three children, William Henry and Herbert (Bert), both living in California, and one daughter, Isabella. Isabella married Thomas Badger, who farmed on NE 10-6-14 in the municipality of Argyle-half way between Baldur and the town of Glenboro. Their farm was the next farm north of Sigururd & Carrie Christopherson's farm. Isabella(Belle) was partly brought up by her half-sister Caroline (Carrie), and she learned to speak the Icelandic language, as did her sisters, Carrie and Susan(Briem). Eliza died in January, 1884.
William Taylor's third wife was Sigridur, widow of Svein Thorarinson(the mother of Fridrik Sveinson or later known as Fred Swanson), who was a painter and decorator in Winnipeg. William Taylor was, like his brother John, a very sincere friend to the Icelanders, and lived among them in the Icelandic settlements both at Nyja Island(Gimli)area and in Argyle, and he was like one of them He was a very jovial character. He lived on the road between Grund and Baldur-on the Hill, as "Taylor's Hill", and below a little lake called "Taylor's Lake". I found out recently that the "Roll Curtain" on the stage in Argyle Hall(known later as "Grund Hall") was painted by Fred Swanson. It is too bad that it was destroyed, but it had become very brittle and torn and soiled. There was a scenic painting on it.
This is translated from "Landnamssogu Nyja Island" by Thorleif Jackson-Page 102

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To Miriam and Bruce
Property: Lansing, Michingan, U.S.A. source: Grund Church Booklet, J.D. McFarland, Historic Resources Branch
Nationality: Scottish (again this fact is wrong, they were English
marriage: 02 Apr 1867 Isabella Slimmons/Isabella Slimmons
wife 2 Eliza McNeil, 02 Apr 1887 (I think this fact is wrong)
wife 3 Sigridur Thorarinsson, d. 1910 (no source)

NEW SEARCH OFF OF MARGIN NOTATION
"The Roll of Battle Abbey, in the Church of Dives, Normandy of the Companions of William, the
Seventh Duke of Normandy...contains the names of Heiron and Herne. Thus we have this surname
occurring on three different copies of this roll.
October 14 A. D 1066. In this battle 67,974 Englishmen were slain, besides those drowned, and 6,013
Normans. ...England with William the Conqueror
"Many who came over out of Normandy were nobles in their native country, whereby we understand
them Lords and owners of such manours, towns, and castles from whence they took their
denomination, or sirnanes. THE BARONS HERON

SURNAME
For about one thousand years, the name of the Hearn family has been associated with the heron. The
English word "heron"--according to the 1986 version of Webster's New World Dictionary--comes from
the Middle English "heroun", which came from the Old French "hairon".
http://www.myconundrum.info/hearn/history.html

Anne Boleyn, daughter of Thomas Boleyn

Notes for Isabella Slimmons Taylor:
helgiaustman [This is actually Vern Austman which I did not know at the time of pasting this] added
this on 12 Aug 2008
His [William Stuart Taylor] wife died of tuberculosis in 1865 when the children were young.

From WIKIpedia: Tuberculosis or TB (short for tubercles bacillus) is a common and often deadly
infectious disease caused by various strains of mycobacteria, usually Mycobacterium tuberculosis in
humans.[1] Tuberculosis usually attacks the lungs but can also affect other parts of the body. It is
spread through the air when people who have the disease cough, sneeze, or spit.[2] Most infections
in humans result in an asymptomatic, latent infection, and about one in ten latent infections eventually
progresses to active disease, which, if left untreated, kills more than 50% of its victims.

The classic symptoms are a chronic cough with blood-tinged sputum, fever, night sweats, and weight
loss (the last giving rise to the formerly prevalent colloquial term "consumption"). Infection of other
organs causes a wide range of symptoms.
One third of the world's population is thought to be infected with M. tuberculosis,[3][4] and new
infections occur at a rate of about one per second.[5]

this might be a lead
Canadian Genealogy Index, 1600s-1900s Canadian Genealogy Index, 1600s-1900s
Name: Susan Slimmons
Event: Married
Province: Ontario
County: Frontenac
Place: Kingston
Volume_Page: 210
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Note: The province and county are associated with the location of the record source and in some cases may not be the same as the place where the event occurred.

Source Information:
Original data: Compiled from various family history sources. See source information provided with each entry.

From Bruce Costello 06/24/2011
I know from my own surname "Costello" that Irish names often have unusual origins and many variations in spelling.
For example, in Ireland one finds "Costello2, MacCostello, O'Costello, Castillo" and so on.

Here's what I found after a brief search on the name Slimmons:
(Surname database: URL - http://www.surnamedb.com/Surname/Slimmon

This most interesting and unusual surname has two possible derivations. Firstly, it may be of Old Scandinavian origin, from the Old Norse "sleægr", Middle English "slighe", skilful, clever, cunning, expert, and was most probably a nickname denoting someone who was cunning or crafty, with the Olde English suffix "mann", man, hence "slighman", a crafty man. Secondly, the surname may be of early medieval English origin, from the Middle English "sleze, sleye, slay(e)", an instrument used in weaving to beat up the weft, a weaver's reed or shuttle, and the suffix "mann", and may have been an occupational name for a maker or user of the instrument. Hence, the surname is a variant of a name deriving from either of these two sources. Other surnames from this source include Sleemmonds, Sliman, Slimming, Slimmon, Sleeman, Slyman, and Slemmin. The surname first appears in the late 13th Century (see below), while Aucia Scleymen is recorded in 1327 in the Subsidy Rolls of Cornwall.

One Thomas Sleman, of St. Hillary, aged 18 yrs., was one of the early settlers in St. Christopher's, the Barbadoes, having embarked from Plymouth in March 1633. John Slyman married Elnor Stenlake on January 20th 1553 at Modbury in Devonshire, while Anna Slimon, daughter of John and Ann Slimon was christened on April 24th 1703 at St. George's, Shillingford in Devonshire. The first recorded spelling of the family name is shown to be that of Thomas Sleman, which was dated 1277, in the "Court Rolls of the Manor of Wakefield", Yorkshire, during the reign of King Edward 1, known as "The Hammer of the Scots", 1272 - 1307. Surnames became necessary when governments introduced personal taxation. In England this was known as Poll Tax. Throughout the centuries, surnames in every country have continued to "develop" often leading to astonishing variants of the original spelling.

Read more: http://www.surnamedb.com/Surname/Slimmon#ixzz1Q3QCKp7H
Best;
BC

Children of William Stuart Taylor and Isabella Slimmons Taylor are:

i. Elizabeth Taylor.

ii. Caroline TAYLOR Christopherson, B: 11 May 1856 in Kingston, Frontenac, Ontario[3, 13, 14, 15], D: 09 Dec 1923[5, 13, 14, 16, 17], M: Sigurður Kristófersson, 22 Jan 1877 in Netley Creek, Manitoba, Canada[15].

Notes for Caroline TAYLOR Christopherson:
Early Life
Added by skitang6 on 11 Nov 2007
Information from "Come into our Heritage RM of Argyle 1882-1982"
Caroline (Carrie) Taylor was born May 11, 1856, the daughter of William Stuart Taylor and Isabella Slimmons. Her early childhood was spent in Kingston, Ontario, later the family
moved to Lansing, Michigan. When Caroline was nine years old, her mother died, leaving five daughters. There followed a sad period when these five little girls in heavy mourning (black dresses trimmed with black crepe) lived with their grief-stricken father. Strangers would stop them on the street and ask them whom they mourned, and the girls would burst into tears. Carrie, in later years, had a strong aversion to mourning, especially for children. Uncle John Taylor and Aunt Elizabeth came to the rescue and took the girls to live with them in Haliburton, Ontario. When their father remarried, Carrie and Anna returned home, Susie and Jane remained with their aunt and uncle and Elizabeth married. The next few years saw Carrie attend High school and graduate as a teacher. When she was 16 her 'hair went up and her skirts were lowered' and she went out to teach at a country school. She also apprenticed as a dressmaker, soon becoming good at sewing and cutting out garments which required much tucking, ruching and gathers in those days. On a trip to visit her aunt, uncle and sisters in Haliburton, the last night of the journey was spent at Kinmount. Next morning at breakfast, the waitress drew her attention to the window, and looking out, she saw an Icelander for the first time, a beautiful young woman with long golden hair and pink and white complexion, wearing a simple blouse and dark skirt. This happened to be Gudney, wife of Fridjon Fridrikson. She was to become Carrie's lifelong friend. As she continued on her journey, little did Carrie realize how much this encounter would change her life. Her Uncle John was doing missionary work for the British Bible Society and when she told him about the Icelanders at Kinmount, he was very interested and lost no time in going there to see if he could be of any service to them. He met Fridjon Fridrikson and Sigtryggur Jonasson, and was much impressed by the sincerity and honesty of these fine people. He set about helping them get financial help to see them through the rugged winter; provision was also made for a scouting party to go west in search of a more suitable site for settlement. Carrie returned to Lansing in the spring, and in the fall she went to Manitoba with her father, his wife and three children. They joined Uncle John's party at Sarnia. Traveling by boat, they arrived at Duluth after nine days, and stayed that night in a hotel. They went by train to Glinden and stayed all night in a roundhouse, then went by train to Fisher's Landing on the Red River. Here they went by train to Fisher's Landing on the Red River. Here they went on board a riverboat, the 'International'. The river was very low. After nine days they reached Garry (Winnipeg). There they lived on a flatboat until the rest of the journey could be made. Here they met Dr. Schultz who was interested in this new colony.

Carrie's Death
Added by skitang6 on 11 Nov 2007
Information from "Come into our Heritage RM of Argyle 1882-1982"
Carrie died on December 9, 1923. The day of her funeral was like a summer day, sunny and warm, 'just like Carrie's character', it was said. She is buried in the Grund Cemetery in Argyle Municipality next to her husband.

iii. Jane Sleaman, B: 11 Sep 1859 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, D: 03 May 1929 in York, Ontario, Canada[6, 9, 18, 19, 20], M: William Taylor HEARN, 1859 in Kingston Upper Canada[21].
Notes for Jane Sleaman:
Married her cousin

iv. Susie Breim, B: 30 Sep 1861 in Kingston, Ontario, Canada[8], D: 29 Dec 1938 in Reykjavik, Iceland[8].
Notes for Susie Breim:
See newscutting from Hank Christopherson
IMG_SCAN_3354a.b.c.e and email to Nelson Grarrd and family, dated FEB 23, 2010 2:56 PM.
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Age at death: 76 years old
Húsfreyja í Reykjavík.
S.æ. 1850-1890

Came across this page which might give leads on Richard Taylor.
http://www.taflfelag.is/?c=webpage&id=141&lid=154&option=links
The translation is a bit rough and knowing some history, there was no Scott or Nonni. The last two paragraphs seem to cover the story I have of the Taylors. Dedicated a whole page to research on them here.
http://www.christopherson.net/genealogy/research/RnD_0001_Taylor.html
At the end of the RnD page, posted that may have found Richard Taylors siblings. May be wrong.
Hate to bother you, could you copy over the english translation, then maybe correct key points within brackets or whatever works. Mainly the last two paragraphs.

I also was contacted by Gudrun Gisladottir in Iceland. I still have a ton of direct database screen caps to go over from her. Wish I could clone myself 10 times over.
By all means, no rush at all. If away, this could wait.

I've added some great old photo pages linked on the News page. Next goal are pages on all of Sigurdur's siblings.
Take care,
Roy

The biographical information about Susie Briem that you found on the web is all based on an obituary that was published in Morgunblaðið on January 7, 1938. In the attached word document you'll find my translation and as you see many of the dates in the Word document are different from the dates on your website.
Enjoy,
Kommi

v. Annie Ballard, B: Abt. 1855 in Wisconsin, D: 05 Sep 1905.
Notes for Annie Ballard:
Says her parents were born in Penn and Illinois in WIS census

Found Anna's family. She was the daughter of William Stuart Taylor. Anna TAYLOR Ballard/Anna Ballard, married George Ballard (children: Oscar, Jacob Ballard and Emma). Their last census was taken at Troy, Walworth, Wisconsin in 1905. Annie might have died 05 Sep 1905.

vi. Richard Taylor.
Notes for Richard Taylor:
Died as an Infant.

Notes for Eliza McNeil:
How could she marry after she died? Williams census shows she was in Lansing in 1880.
His b. date was 1830?
Verify or delete.

Children of William Stuart Taylor and Eliza McNeil are:
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i. Herbert Taylor, B: 13 Oct 1890 in California[12], D: 05 May 1945 in California[12].

ii. Herbert Stuart Taylor.

iii. Isabella TAYLOR Badger, B: 17 Jun 1874 in Lansing Michigan, D: 1940, M: Thomas Badger, 27 Mar 1895 in Glenboro, Manitoba, Canada[22].

Notes for Isabella TAYLOR Badger:
At an early age she moved with her parents
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Taylor and two brothers to Gimli, Manitoba. In 1881, the Taylors moved to the Grund Dist. in a Red River cart. (boat?). At 9 years of age, Isabella's mother passed away, and she was too young to be left alone during the day so she went to live at Grund with her step-sister Carrie and her husband christopher (Sig) Christopherson (Sigurdur Christopherson), who managed the Grund Post Office. The mail was brought there twice a week from Baldur.
Isabella lived with Mr. & Mr.S Christopherson and their family until she married Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Badger were married in Glenboro March 27, 1895 and lived on their farm until their deaths, except for four years when they lived on his brother John's farm just west of his place, and worked the two farms from 1910 - 1914, then moving back to the home farm. They had a family of nine children. Thomas Badger passed away in 1936 and Mrs. Badger in 1940.
See DOC_0083

Sources

4 ancestry.com, isberg_Kanaski tree.
5 Miriam Evelyn Ruccius Westereng3_Packet, Number of documents mailed to Roy Christopherson on 11/12/2009.
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Sources (con't)

21  Mary Hearn, Mary Hearn
    P.O. Box 306
    Clinton, ON N0M 1L0
    Canada
    Edit Your Page
    William Hearn was born in London England in 1830. He emigrated to Canada in the 1850's. According to his wedding certificate, he was married in 1859 in Kingston Upper Canada to Jane Taylor who was born in the Barbados in 1828. She was the daughter of Richard Taylor and Elizabeth Mehetabel Jones, who raised their family in the Barbados and emigrated to Kingston, Upper Canada in the 1840's. From the 1861 and 71 Census Jane and William lived in Ottawa where William was a chemist. We are looking for information about William's parents, William and Ann Hearn, who lived in London England in 1859.
22  DOC_0083_TaylorChildren.