Selected Resources for French Canadian Research

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History of New France – some websites of interest

- 1. Carignan-Salieres Regiment (Library and Archives Canada) https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/Pages/carignan-salieres-regiment.aspx
- Carignan Salieres Regiment list of soldiers from Chateau de Ramzey website a listing of all soldiers, their company, place of marriage, name of first spouse, and where they lived. http://www.cfqlmc.org/pdf/Soldats_CS.pdf
- 3. La Grande Recrue

https://histoire-du-quebec.ca/recrues-montreal-1653/ (in French) http://louisianalineage.com/recrue1653.htm

4. Jesuit Relations

71 volumes chronicling the Jesuit Missions in New France from 1610-1673, and include reports and letters written by the Jesuits to officials in France. These have been translated and are searchable

http://moses.creighton.edu/kripke/jesuitrelations/

- Library and Archives Canada New France Collection
 http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/exploration-settlement/new-france-archives-ICIOB/Pages/new-france-archives.aspx
- 6. Maison St Gabriel is a museum and historic site. If you are interested in visiting Maison St Gabriel when you are in Montreal, https://www.maisonsaintgabriel.ca/en/
- 7. A Point In History Marjorie Lizotte's website on her French Canadian roots http://www.apointinhistory.net/
- 8. Virtual Museum of New France https://www.historymuseum.ca/virtual-museum-of-new-france/introduction/

Genealogical Resources on the Internet

- 1. Drouin Records church records for baptisms, marriages, and burials from 1621-1968. Available on Ancestry, and Genealogie Quebec (the images on Genealogie Quebec are better!)
- Fichier Origine http://www.fichierorigine.com/
- 3. Fille du Roi list Genealogy of the French in North America clicking on the name of the woman will lead to more information

http://www.francogene.com/gfna/gfna/998/fmr.htm

4. Fille a Marier list- Genealogy of the French in North America – clicking on the name of the woman will lead to more information

http://www.francogene.com/gfna/gfna/998/fmr.htm

- 5. Genealogy of the French in North America a project which gathers all the early French immigrants to North America, their ancestors and descendants. http://www.francogene.com/gfna/gfna/998/contenu.htm
- Genealogie Quebec largest online collection of Quebec historical and genealogical documents.
 Subscription prices range from \$5 for 24 hour access to \$100 for an annual subscription https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en
- 7. Library and Archives Canada
 - a. 1666 census records not indexed https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/collectionsearch/Pages/record.aspx?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318856&wb disable=true
 - b. 1667 census records not indexed
 https://www.bac lac.gc.ca/eng/CollectionSearch/Pages/record.aspx?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318857
 - c. 1681 census records not indexed https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/CollectionSearch/Pages/record.aspx?app=fonandcol&IdNumber=2318858
 - d. New France military records http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/military-heritage/Pages/new-france.aspx
- 8. Migrations.fr in French website developed by a French Canadian couple with lists of various immigrants to New France (Fille du Roi, La Grande Recru, Carignan Soldiers, etc). Many of the names include links to digitized version of original documents http://www.migrations.fr/page%20d'accueil.htm
- 9. Nos Origines Family histories and genealogies with some links to original digitized documents https://www.nosorigines.qc.ca/genealogie.aspx?lng=fr

10. Perche region of France immigration to New France – www.perche-quebec.com, and www.perche-canada.net.

11. PRDH https://www.prdh-igd.com/en/home

Access to PRDH is included with your Quebec eSociety membership. Login to the database after logging in to the eSociety.

12. Quebec Archives

http://www.banq.qc.ca/accueil/index.html?language_id=1#

13. Quebec Family History Society (English) https://qfhs.ca/index.php

- 14. Fédération québécoise des sociétés de généalogie (FQSG) https://federationgenealogie.qc.ca/ (French) Equivalent to the Ontario Genealogical Society. They are the owners of the FichierOrigine database/website and have full time researchers tracing every Quebec (French) lineage back to France.
- 15. Quebec Genealogy eSociety annual membership is \$50. Membership gives free access to webinars, PRDH, Fichier Origine, Family Search, BMS2000 https://www.genquebec.com/en
- 16. Tanguay Collection (Quebec Genealogical Dictionary of Canadian Families 1608-1890) 7 volume set. Dictionary and family reconstructions of Quebec familes from 1608-1890. The dictionary does contain inaccuracies, and should be used as a starting point when looking for records. Available on Ancestry and the Quebec Archives sites.

Facebook groups, Blogs, Newsletters, and Podcasts

- French Canadian Family Trees an older blog that does not appear to be active, but there is
 useful information on translations of occupations from French to English, male names, female
 names http://frenchcanadianfamilytrees.blogspot.com/
- 2. Gail Dever Genealogy a la Carte
 - a. Genealogy a la carte https://www.facebook.com/groups/GenealogyALaCarte/ (Gail Dever who also writes a blog. Gail writes about genealogy from many perspectives, and has an interest in Quebec genealogy.
 - b. list of "Facebook for Canadian Genealogy" has a list of many Quebec, Acadian, and New France Facebook groups (in addition to Facebook groups for other areas of Canada)

https://genealogyalacarte.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Facebook-for-Canadian-Genealogy-March-2021-1.pdf

3. Genealogy and other stories – Robert Berube's blog, written in French and English (the English post follows the French post)

https://robertberubeblog.wordpress.com/author/robertberubeblog/

- Maple Stars and Stripes podcast by Sandra Goodwin. Many topics of interest for French Canadian genealogical research – history, culture, research, language tips https://maplestarsandstripes.com/
 - a) Maple Stars and Stripes newsletter written by Sandra Goodwin https://maplestarsandstripes.com/newsletter-signup/
- 5. Quebec Genealogy Facebook group https://www.facebook.com/groups/302850591628/
- Our Free French Canadian Ancestors contains genealogical material regarding many of the founding fathers to the families of Quebec, including the 30 volumes of Our French Canadian Ancestors in pdf format. https://www.facebook.com/groups/878452219159964/permalink/1066746266997224

Books

- 1. Les Anciennes Familles du Quebec (in French) a pamphlet put out by Labatts in the 1980s with short biographies of some of the early French Canadian men. Images can be found by Googling the title + Labatts.
- 2. Before the King's Daughters: The Filles a Marier, 1634-1632 by Peter Gagne Short biographies of all the Filles a Marier (in English)
- 3. King's Daughters and Founding Mothers: the Filles du Roi, 1663-1673 by Peter Gagne. Two volume set of short biographies of the Filles du Roi (in English)
- 4. Our French Canadian Ancestors by Gerard Label (translated from French) 30 volume set of biographies of many early male settlers in New France. The language can be flowery at times! The first 18 volumes have been digitized and are available on Family Search https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/235556?availability=Family%20History%20Library All volumes are available at the Toronto Reference Library
- Les Premieres et les Filles du Roi a Ville Marie by Marie Louise Beaudoin (In French) –
 information about the early settlers in Montreal including the Filles a Marier and Filles du Roi.
 Available at Maison St Gabriel \$10
- 6. Tourouvre et les Juchereau by Pierre Montagne (in French) notarial records, engage contracts, family trees for Percheron immigrants. Available on Ancestry search the catalogue by title.

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