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Notes and hints from lectures about Scottish Genealogy at the Family History Center in Salt Lake City, May 2015. (refer to the previous handout)

- 1. Getting Started in Scottish Genealogy. Google the website. (previous handout)
- 2. Family Search or Ancestry, use the wiki to explore family stories stored at BYU.
- 3. Books: Scots in America and The Quaker Colonies are the best
- 4. The guides: Ian who takes you to ancestral lands and Christine who helps you research in Edinburgh and Glasgow. **Both will be at Roots Tech in SLC Feb 8-10**2017
- Scotland's People I did not find helpful for ancestors before 1855. One person in our class did find it helpful for ancestors from 1855-2016.
- 6. National Library of Scotland was wonderful as was the Map Room..a completely separate building in Edinburgh. The staff is helpful. You can access it online.
- Maps online: Use Maps etc. great for kids to color and for us to learn from. To see locations and spacial placements of towns. Early America Maps is what you google.
- 8. **National Library of Scotland**—get a library card and order online.
- 9. David Ramsey Map Center at Stanford was not user friendly. You can order David Ramsey Maps online.
- 10. DNA kits, 23 and me recommended.
- 11. Websites: **My Heritage** going outward to cousins. **Ancestry** okay Family Search— **Wiki, BYU Family stories** are precious.
- 12. The **Highland Games**, Pleasanton, Clans are there to help when possible. Go early as soon as the gates open to avoid the heart in Livermore. **Google surnames**, **kinships or Clans**.
- 13. Join your clan in this country. They help you also. The Stewart Clan is housed Texas and they are friendly and seem to want to help.
- 14. Dr. David Dobson book about the Scots, ships lists and settlement in the USA.
- 15. Santa Clara City Library. The Librarians and volunteers are gems. Access to Ancestry, Heritage Quest, Find My Past, and other websites plus their many books that help are wonderful.
- 16. Classes: SLC FHC classes all week Scots classes, Before 1835, church records were tricky. Not much info. 1801, Census early census not as much information 1841, first meaningful records but after 1855 much better. Old Parish Registers, births and baptisms 1535 and after might be available but scarce. Kirk Session Records are online after April 2016 has been predicted. Scotland People and Scotland's Places are online but have success for records after 1855. Before 1855 records are unreliable.
- 17. 1855, Registers give birth records, 1855 Baby Boom, 1869 Canada, circuit records. Births 100 years, Marriages 75 years, Deaths 50 years
- 18. 1856-1965 there are one page records.
- 19. Court session records are for illegitimate births. There are no indexes so you have to scroll through the records.

- 20. Other records: Valuation Rolls 1855 Catholic Records, Banns, Marriages, divorces, Soldiers Wills, Scottish Archives Network, Session church Records, Nonconformists, Covenanters, Ships Lists, Libraries, Newspapers, Gazetteers, Museums, Castles, Clan museums, ship building, military logs, city directories, probate, hospital records, school records, criminal records, official records, Scottish Clubs and Societies, Presbyterian church records, witchcraft trials, Rolls of Honor, University records, government records, mining records, bleaching and tanning industry, records of children, trade directories, County records, Professional Directories and lists, Army, Navy and Airfare lists, Harts Army List (gossip) Matriculation lists (1850-had to register), emigrants lists (1600 forward David Dobson lists) Publications, Marketing and Propaganda "The Settlers Guide." Biographies, dictionaries, Ex Pat's Individuals, Working Class, 1820's, Poor Laws, Scotland Poorhouses.
- 21. Online: The Scotsman, British Newspaper Archives, Scotts Magazine (emigration)
- 22. **University of Guelph** "The Word own the Street" Scottish History,ex pat newspapers,
- 23. All Scottish bibliographies online for articles. Scottish Biographies can be helpful.
- 24. Grave diggers records, manuscripts, family and personal archives, estate archives, maps, tenants, genealogies, literary manuscript, historical documents, manuscripts of trade and craft (crofters) organizations, institutions (Donald's Hospital), Scottish Screen Archives.
- 25. Book: **The Original Scots Colonists of Early America supplements 1998**, **1607-1707 by David Dobson**. Famous author who tracked Scots to America
- 26. Pope Gregory changes beginning of the year 1582 from March to January, eliminated 10 days October 4-15 1582. This was not adopted in Scotland or England until 1752.
- **27. Battle of Culloden, 1746** The English tried to get rid of Scots, the Gaelic language, bagpipes, kilts and other representations of the Scottish culture.
- 28. Passage from Hamburg to NYC 10-15 Guineas(a former British gold coin that was first minted in 1663 from gold imported from West Africa, with a value that was later fixed at 21 shillings. It was replaced by the sovereign from 1817.) Travel times vary from 37 days to 237 days depending on the route.
- 29. Food Stuffs on a voyage,1817: oatmeal, molasses, potatoes, beef, pork, bacon, ham, flour, eggs.From Liverpool each passenger receives weekly 5 lbs. of oatmeal, 2 1/2 lbs. biscuit, 1 lb. flour, 2 lbs. rice, 1/2 lb. sugar, 1/2 lb. molasses, and 2 ounces of tea. He is obliged to cook it the best way he can in a cook shop 12 feet by 6! This is the cause of so many quarrels and...many a poor woman with her children can get but one meal done, and sometimes they get nothing warm for days and nights when a gale of wind is blowing and the sea is mountains high and breaking over the ship in all directions.
- 30. —Anonymous, New-York Daily Times, October 15, 1851
- 31. Panama Route 1849. England to America 6-12 weeks.
- 32. America on the Water http://americanhistory.si.edu/onthewater/exhibition/2_3.html