

Houliston/ Holliston/ Holiston

James Holliston 1808

Margaret Holliston 1836 1900

The Houlistons emigrated from Scotland sometime after 1832 and thereafter most of the children used the name Holiston.

James Holiston 1808

James Holliston was of Scottish descent. He died suddenly while he and his neighbour, Ben Mosher were erecting a line fence between their farms. He married Mary Wyllie

The following information is found in the 1851 Canada Census:

James Holiston Farmer Scotland U Presbyterian 44 M M
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- 1 Mary Holiston Scotland U Presbyterian 40 F M Log
- 2 Christy Holiston Scotland U Presbyterian 22 F M
- 3 Adam Holiston Scotland U Presbyterian 20 M S
- 4 Nancy Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 18 F S
- 5 George Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 17 M S
- 6 Margaret Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 16 F S
- 7 Mary Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 10 F S
- 8 Robert Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 8 M S
- 9 Jane Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 6 F S
- 10 Eliza Holiston Canada U Presbyterian 3 F S

From the notes left by William Atkinson in 1963 their entire family would include Barbara as follows:

1. Christian AKA as Cristy Holiston, b. 21 Sep 1828 Yetholm, Roxburgh, Scotland
2. Adam Holiston b. about 1832 Yetholm, Roxburgh, Scotland -a lockmaster on the Rideau Canal in Smith Falls
3. Nancy Holiston b about 1834 m William Atkinson of Gananoque
4. George Holiston, b. 1835 farmer
5. Margaret Holiston b. 1836
6. Barbara Holiston b. 1837 married Thomas Edwards of Merrickville
7. Mary Holiston, b. 09 Jan 1839m. Frank Lisson of Merrickville
8. Robert Holiston, b. 04 May 1845 farmer
9. Jane Holiston b. 1846
10. Eliza Holiston b. 1849

Margaret Holiston 1836 - 1900

Margaret Holiston, b. 1836, wife of Thomas Atkinson lived near Newmanville, three miles south east of Merrickville, in the district known as the Scotch line. Her parents were of Scottish descent.

She married Thomas Atkinson. Thomas owned and farmed the third farm west of his father William. He purchased a second farm adjoining on the east side from a neighbour, William Lang. He later purchased a farm

near Easton Corners on which was a brick yard. The brick made from this clay was a light colour and many of the houses in the district were built of this light coloured brick. After retiring from the farm near Easton's Corner he built a house in Merrickville, in which town he lived until his death.

She died 8 August 1900. He died on 15 January 1919

Their children include

1. George Atkinson m. Ada Parks
2. William Atkinson b. about 1867, d. 17 July 1871 age 4 1/2
3. Tommy Atkinson m. Margaret Barry
4. Jane Atkinson m. Thomas Burchill
5. Margaret Atkinson m. Henry Kerford
6. Mary Atkinson d. 16 June 1945
7. Elizabeth Atkinson b. about 1878
8. Edward Atkinson b. 16 Feb.1858