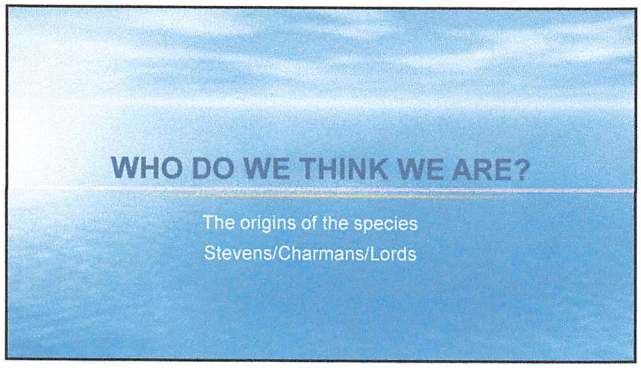
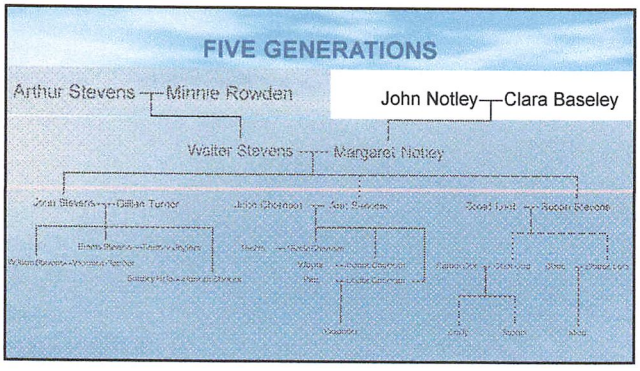
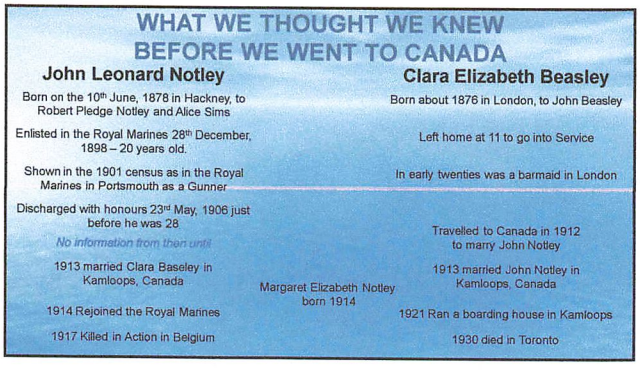


Catherine Cookson Novel.
Rags to riches to rags.
Romance
Ambition
Pioneering Spirit
Pathos.



For the youngest going back.
5 generations.



Did some research before going to Canada.

ASSUMPTION 1

- Clara Beasley was born in London
- She changed her name on going to Canada to Clara Baseley
- Her father's name was John Beasley

WRONG

From this research made various assumptions.

WHY IS ASSUMPTION 1 WRONG?

- John Notley's wife was born Clara Elizabeth Baseley
- Mum often said "Don't mither me"
- She was born in Boddington, Northamptonshire
- Her father was Bethuel Baseley



EARLY LIFE OF CLARA BASELEY

1881 Census – 1 year old – Living at home in a farmworker's cottage

1891 Census – 12 years old – Servant with her sister Jane to William Gadsby at Broad Street, London

1901 Census – 21 years old – Servant/Barmaid, The Castle Pub, Holloway Road, London



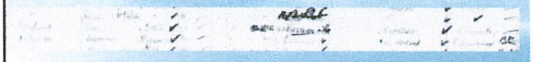
ASSUMPTION 2

- They met in her pub in Holloway
- She was a different class to the Notleys and not accepted
- They planned to go together to get married in Canada

WRONG

WHY IS ASSUMPTION 2 WRONG?

Passenger List – Empress of Ireland -1906



John Notley sailed to Canada in 1906 and went to Winnipeg



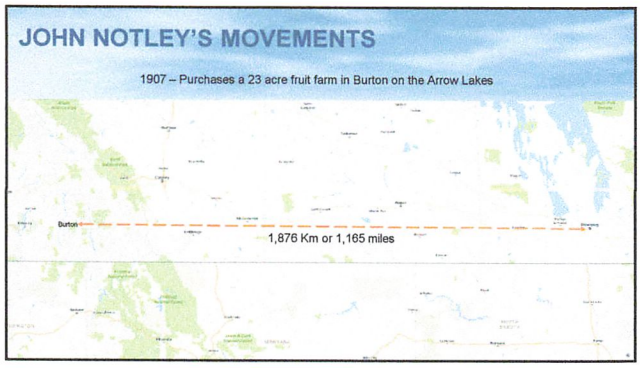


Clara Baseley sailed to Canada in 1909 and went to Toronto

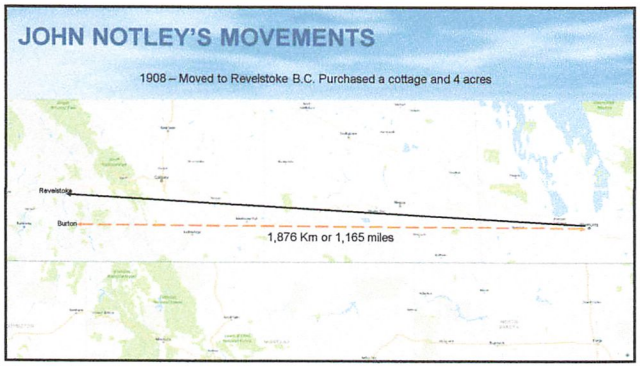
JOHN NOTLEY'S MOVEMENTS

1906 – Lands at Quebec and travels to Winnipeg



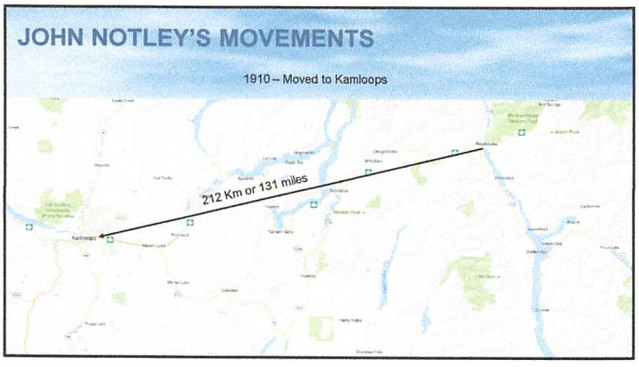


Met J. E. Annable in Winnipeg.
Bought 23 acre fruit farm.
At this time they were going for around $200 per acre so probably cost about $4,600
~~Pension from army & Salary~~ from Police Force could afford a mortgage.



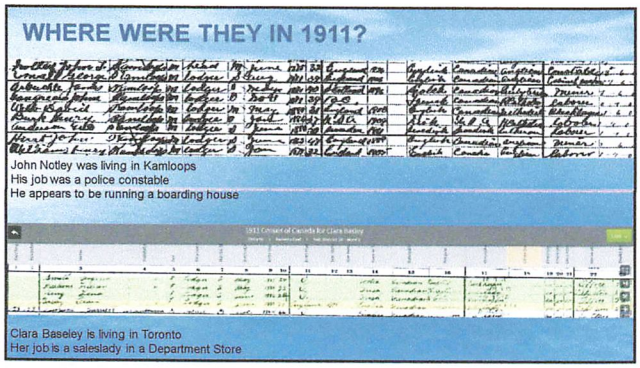
Eventually moved nearer fruit farm.
bought cottage in Revelstoke became police constable there.
Revelstoke was about 120 miles from Burton.

Cattle rustlers & drunks.



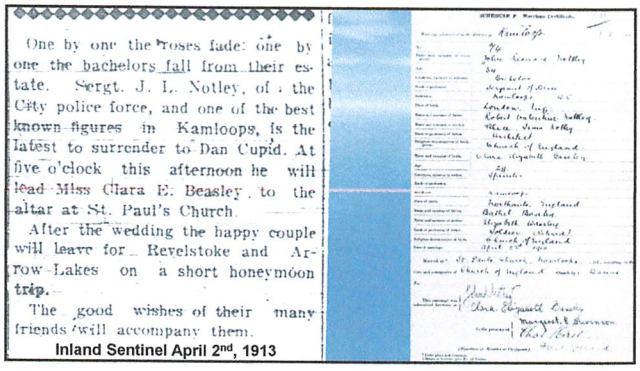
Policing in Revelstoke mainly dealing with cattle rustling. Decided to move to a town became police constable in Kamloops - population then 4800.

Where were John Notley and Clara Baseley in 1911?



John Notley in Kamloops as Police Constable but appears to be running a boarding house. Salary then about $800 pa. (320 Seymour St?)
Clara Baseley in Toronto as saleslady in Dept Store. Salary $350 pa.

Later in Fall John Notley was promoted to Sergeant in the Police 2nd in Command. Move to ~~78~~ 782 Nicola St. Needed housekeeper to look after 320 Seymour St.



One by one the roses fade: one by one the bachelors fall from their estate. Sergt. J. L. Notley, of the City police force, and one of the best known figures in Kamloops, is the latest to surrender to Dan Cupid. At five o'clock this afternoon he will lead Miss Clara E. Beasley to the altar at St. Paul's Church.

After the wedding the happy couple will leave for Revelstoke and Arrow Lakes on a short honeymoon trip.

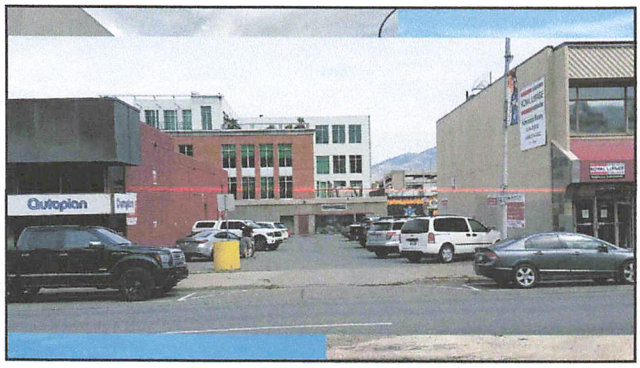
The good wishes of their many friends will accompany them.

Inland Sentinel April 2nd, 1913

Clara Baseley turned up. ding moment. Married in April 1913.

Age 29 but actually 34.



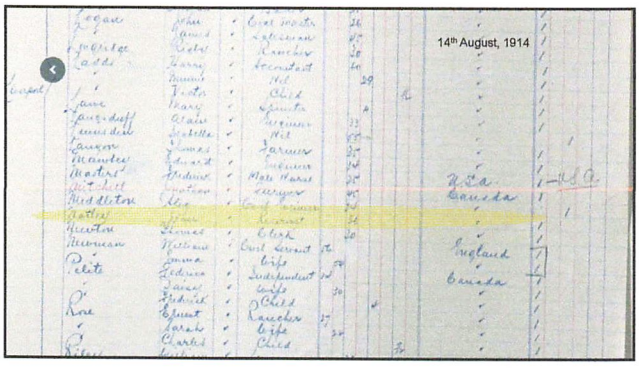


320 Seymour St.

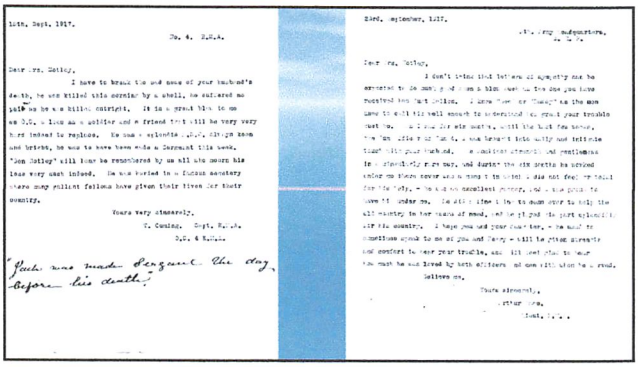


4th March 1914.

Picture this story.



14th August 1914



18th, Sept. 1917.

No. 4. R.F.A.

Dear Mrs. Bailey,

I have to break the sad news of your husband's death, he was killed this morning by a shell, he endured no pain as he was a killing outright. It is a great blow to me as O.C. a loss as a soldier and a friend but will be very very hard indeed to replace. He was a splendid O.C., always keen and bright, he was to have been made a Sergeant this week. "Jack Bailey" will long be remembered by us all who mourn his loss very most indeed. He was buried in a French cemetery where many gallant fellows have given their lives for their country.

Yours very sincerely,

T. Cuming, Capt. R.F.A.

O.C. 4 R.F.A.

"Jack was made Sergeant the day before his death."

Sept. September, 1917.

[illegible] Army headquarters,

[illegible]

Dear Mrs. Bailey,

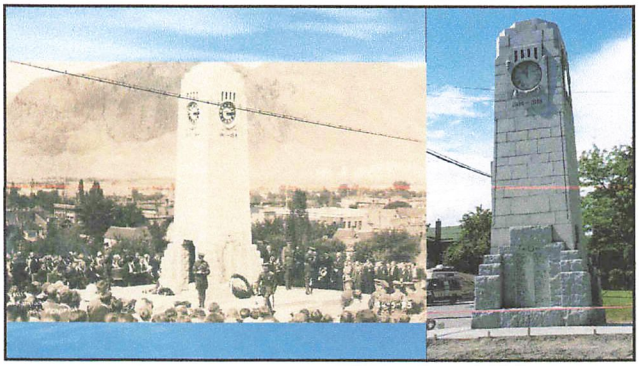
I don't think that letters of sympathy can be expected to be many of them [illegible] you have received [illegible]. I [illegible] as the man [illegible] well enough to understand the great your trouble [illegible]. [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] with your husband. [illegible] and sentiments [illegible] during the six months he served under me [illegible] to [illegible]. I did not feel [illegible] for his body. - He was an excellent [illegible], and [illegible] to have [illegible] under me. [illegible] to [illegible] over to help the all [illegible] in her hours of need, and he [illegible] splendidly for his country. I hope you and your [illegible], - he [illegible] comfortable words to me of you and [illegible] will be giving strength and comfort to bear your trouble, and [illegible] to [illegible] he was loved by both officers and men with whom he served.

Believe me,

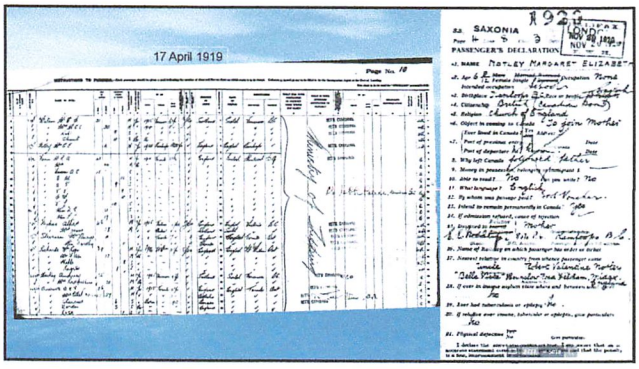
Yours sincerely,

[illegible]

[illegible]






17 April 1919
SAXONIA
PASSENGER'S DECLARATION
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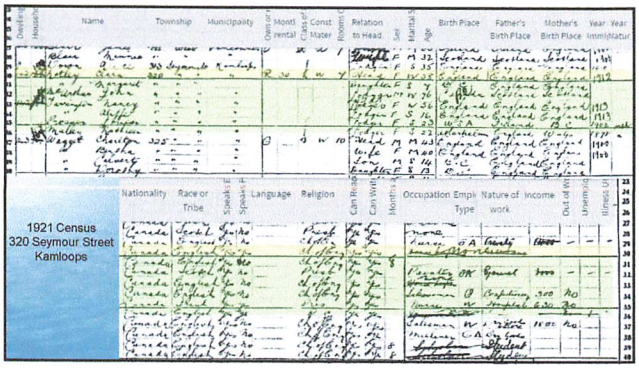
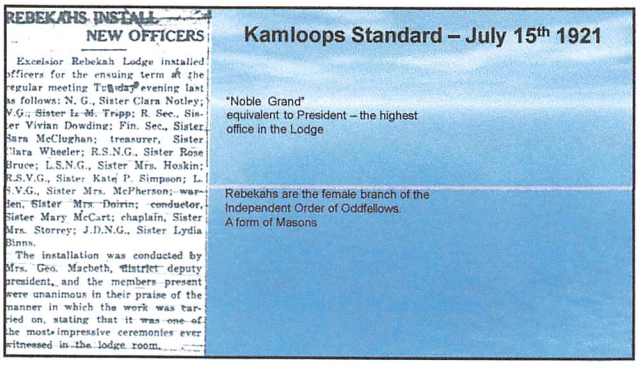

1921 Census
320 Seymour Street
Kamloops


REBEKAHS INSTALL
NEW OFFICERS
Excelsior Rebekah Lodge installed officers for the ensuing term at the regular meeting Tuesday evening last as follows: N. G., Sister Clara Notley; V.G., Sister L. M. Trapp; R. Sec., Sister Vivian Dowding; Fin. Sec., Sister Sara McClughan; treasurer, Sister Clara Wheeler; R.S.N.G., Sister Rose Bruce; L.S.N.G., Sister Mrs. Hoskin; R.S.V.G., Sister Kate P. Simpson; L.S.V.G., Sister Mrs. McPherson; warden, Sister Mrs. Doirin; conductor, Sister Mary McCart; chaplain, Sister Mrs. Storrey; J.D.N.G., Sister Lydia Binns.
The installation was conducted by Mrs. Geo. Macbeth, district deputy president, and the members present were unanimous in their praise of the manner in which the work was carried on, stating that it was one of the most impressive ceremonies ever witnessed in the lodge room.
Kamloops Standard – July 15th 1921
"Noble Grand"
equivalent to President – the highest office in the Lodge
Rebekahs are the female branch of the Independent Order of Oddfellows.
A form of Masons