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Phillip Benner
1256 Garrison Rd.
Fort Erie, Ont.

Dear Mr. Benner:

In doing genealogical research on my mother's family, I find that my greatgrandmother was Abigail Benner. She married William Goulding in 1848 and their daughter Jane was my grandmother. Jane married William Metler and she lived on Chippis St. in Bridgeburg (now Part of Fort Erie) until she died in 1959 at age 101.

Jane Goulding lived as a girl on the Garrison Road. Her grandfather (Abigail's father) was a Phillip Benner who died in 1866. His will listed other children as Jacob, Henry, Phillip, John, Catherine, Elizabeth, Mary, and Christiana.

Are you perhaps a ^{descendent} ~~descendent~~ of this same family? If so, would you have any information about them? I am trying to find out where in the United States they came from--also when Phillip was born and the names of his parents. His wife's first name was Elizabeth but I don't know her maiden name.

I would appreciate any information you may be able to give me--or if you can suggest anyone I can write to that might have any information. Old family Bibles often have a listing of the families births, deaths, and marriages.

I have enclosed a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your convenience--also a family record sheet. Thank you so much for any help you can give me.

Sincerely,

Nelly D. Longstaff

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