

JOHNATHAN THOMPSON::: born Appleby England: son of Issac Sr. & Frances
emigrated to Fort Erie with father 1831
removed to Malahide Township, Elgin County: 1835

Johnathan Thompson b. 1810. d.
marr: Charlotte Riselay: dght. of Christian
Riselay & Catherine(Sypes) Apr. 3, 1808/
Aug. 9, 1882.

Children of Johnathan & Charlotte Thompson:::

George Thompson b. Sept. 12, 1833: Fort Erie d.
marr; Mary Ann Montgomery: Dec. 31, 1860.
bur: Malahide Township.

Frances Ann Edla b. May 28, 1835. d.
marr; David Stevens: Aug. 20, 1856.
bur: Courtwright, Kent County.

Catharine R.R. b. July 28, 1836. d; 1852: 16 yrs.
bur; Malahide Township.

Mary Ann Barbara b. Feb. 17, 1838. d.
marr; Wm. L Stevens
bur. Cleveland Ohio.

Sophia Helen Louisa b. Jan. 15, 1840. d.
marr: Edward Copeland
bur:

John Riselay b. Dec. 28, 1841. d. May 5, 1896.
marr; Sarah Charlton.
bur: Kent County.

William Edmund b. Oct. 10, 1843. d. June 28, 1922.
marr: Melinda Adaline Ryckman.
bur: Malahide Township.

sophronia Victoria b. Nov. 19, 1845. d.
Adela marr: ----- Oct. 16, 1868.
bur:

J. Charles b. Oct. 14, 1847. d. young: bef. 1858
bur; Kent County

Delphina Jane Harrison b. Jan 27, 1850 d.
marr; Dr. William J. Taylor of Boston Mass
bur;

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EGERTON ELLIOT RISELAY::: son of Cranmer & Margaret Laur Risealy.

Egerton Elliot b. July 7, 1860 d. Apr. 27, 1909.
 marr. Charlotte Augusta Warren
 bur: St. Paul's Cemetery.

Children of Egerton E. & Charlotte A. Risealy:::

Gladys Risealy b. Jan. 11, 1887. d. July 1967.
 marr; James Bond Curtiss.
 bur:

Cranmer b. July 29, 1892. d. Jan. 11, 1946.
 marr. Lucy Ashley Boag: June 11, 1921.
 no issue.

SOPHIA RISELAY :::: b.

d. Dec. 8, 1849

dght. of Christian
& Catherine(Sypes)

marr: Jacob Miller: Nov. 20, 1823. Rec. Holy Trini
Chippewa
bur: St. Paul's cemetery Fort Erie
Jacob Miller, remarried to Sarah Haun, and he and
his second wife are buried in Mc. Afee Cemetery.

CRANMER RISELAY, farmer, was born in the township of Bertie, on the farm upon which he lives, May 31st, 1831. He is a son of John and Catharine (Miller) Riselay, (the former born in Bertie on the lot on which his ancestors settled before a survey was made of the township,) and grandson of Christian Riselay, who came from Rhinebeck, on the Hudson River, state of New York, as a U. E. Loyalist, during the American revolutionary war. The latter was the only one of his father's family who took the side of the British during that struggle, his brothers joining the Revolutionary party. At the close of the war his property was confiscated, and to secure protection he came to Canada and settled on the Niagara. Subsequent to his settlement the survey of the township was made, but Christian Riselay was not disturbed in his possession. He, for his loyalty, was awarded an additional 200 acres, where our subject now lives, a short distance from his former location. Here he lived to the age of 73 years, respected by all who knew him. During the war of 1812 he was taken prisoner by the Americans, carried to the state of New York, billeted with the Rev. Mr. Fillmore, uncle of the President of the United States, and compelled to pay for his board. After his return from his imprisonment in the state of New York, the times had become so troublesome, he was obliged to leave the frontier. He loaded his family and effects on wagons as best he could, but before getting out of sight of his home he saw his buildings all in flames. so he journeyed on into the back township of Pelham, where he remained until the war was over, when he returned with his family to the farm on which our subject now resides. He was of German origin, his ancestors having left that country because of persecution for their religious opinions, about 1698. Cranmer Riselay's father, was also taken prisoner during the war of 1812, but his youthfulness induced the Americans to relinquish their severity, and he was liberated in a short time. He lived to the age of 71 years, and is buried in the church of England burying grounds at Fort Erie. Mr. Riselay's mother still survives, at present in the 85th year of her age. Cranmer Riselay for a number of years occupied the position of councillor for his township. In 1883 he was elected to the position of reeve, to which he was re-elected for three succeeding years. In 1885 he was elected by the county council to the warden's chair, which he filled with marked ability. He married, October 5th, 1859, Margaret, a daughter of Henry Laur, and they had a family of five children, two of whom are dead, viz: John C. and Isabella C. The living are: Egerton E., Margaret H., and Jessie H. Mr. Riselay is a member of the church of England, and a Reformer in politics.

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CRANMER RISLEY::: farmer. born in Bertie Township May 31st, 1831 son of John & Catherine (Miller) and grandson of Christian Riselay, of Bowen Rd.

Cranmer, for many years occupied the post of Township councillor. In 1883 he was elected to the position of Reeve and held it for three more years. Warden 1885. he married Margaret Laurin 1859.