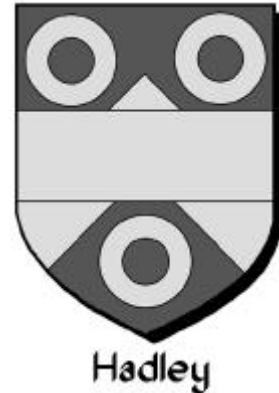


Hadley

The Hadley Name and Arms

Hadley is said to be a habitation name from the Old English *hoed*, or heathland and *leah* or woodland clearing. Thus, Hadleys were likely people who lived on a heath close to a wooded area. The Arms of Hadley are described as “Azure, a chevron surmounted of a fesse between three annulets or” which means “a blue shield with a gold chevron with a gold horizontal bar over it between three gold rings.” However, our family has no tradition of a coat of arms and this may be the arms of some other branch of the Hadley Family. Our Hadley Family came from the northern part of Yorkshire.



Generation One

Henry Hadley of Downholme, Yorkshire, 18th century.
Henry married Sarah and they had a son:

- **Henry Hadley**, mentioned next.

Generation Two

Henry Hadley

Baptized at Downholme, Yorkshire on April 11, 1777

Died at Verdun, Quebec on March 29, 1854

Henry married to Jane Richardson at Middleton Tyas, Yorkshire on December 1, 1798. Jane was a daughter of Joseph Richardson of Lingley Moor, Middleton Tyas, Yorkshire and Sarah Eden who were married at Middleton Tyas on June 16, 1761. Jane died at Verdun, Quebec on March 15, 1847.

At the time of their marriage in 1798, both Henry Hadley and his wife Jane Richardson appear to have resided at Middleton Tyas, Yorkshire where they are recorded as being “both of this parish married by banns” They resided at Middleton Tyas as well on January 2, 1803 when their second child Sarah was baptized. By July 8, 1804 they had moved about twelve miles north to Pethraw, Cockfield, Durham where their third child Robert was baptized. The baptism records show the Hadley name spelled variously as Hadley, Headley, and Hedly. Henry Hadley is shown in parish records to be both a farmer and a labourer.

The Hadley family, Henry, Jane and six surviving children, emigrated to Canada in 1817. In 1839 and 1840, Henry along with his son Daniel won the first prizes at the agricultural exhibitions of Lower Canada for the fine quality of their ploughing and stock breeding. By 1849, Henry Hadley owned farms in Hemmingford, Lachine and Rivière St. Pierre.

Henry and Jane had the following children:

- Henry Hadley of Hemmingford, Quebec. (1800 – 1864) Henry married Mary Coulter on March 29, 1826. Henry and Mary’s great X 2 grandson is Lloyd Charles Baskin Hadley who, along with Hadley descendants Francis McLean Williams, Donald Ives Hadley Armstrong and Alfred Beverly Ward, researched and wrote *The Hadley Family: Since 1777*, published privately, July, 1987, upon which this chapter is based.

- Sarah Hadley (1803 – 1879) married Robert Cross.
- Robert Hadley (1804 – 1872) married 1st Mary Harvey; 2nd Hellen Cowan Anderson
- Jane Hadley (1806 – 1816)
- Joseph Hadley (1809 – 1868) married Ann Harland
- Francis Hadley (1811 – 1881) married Hannah Smith, sister of Mary Smith who married Daniel Hadley.
- **Daniel Hadley**, mentioned next.
- Isaac Hadley (1815 – 1815) died less than 2 months of age.
- Isaac Hadley (1817 – 1887) married 1st Christiana Harvey; 2nd Mary Tollman
- Jane Hadley (1820 – 1888) married William Gibbon

Generation Three

Daniel Hadley

Baptized at Cockfield, Durham on March 21, 1813

Died at Verdun, Quebec on July 28, 1875

In 1875, Daniel was the owner of two farms in Verdun, still called Rivière St-Pierre Village. One of the farms was sold afterwards and a Hospital for mental diseases was built on it. The other stretched out from the river to the Lachine Canal, between Pavillon Avel (Later Church Avenue) and the present Hickson Street. Daniel was one of the founders of Rivière St-Pierre Village. He died in an accident that occurred on his estate the same year 1875.

His son Henry was also one of the founders of Rivière St-Pierre Village. He was elected alderman from 1875 to 1915, except for three years. He was mayor from 1896 to 1900. During the smallpox epidemic that hit Verdun in 1885 one of his houses was used as the first hospital in Verdun.

Henry married first to Mary Smith (1820 – 1856) at the Methodist Church on Mountain Street, Montreal on October 26, 1843. Mary was a sister of Hannah Smith who married Francis Hadley. Henry and Mary had the following children:

- Henry Hadley (1844 – 1916) married 1st Harriet Ann Armstrong; 2nd Alice Ward.
- Margaret Jane Hadley (1846 – 1930). Margaret married Alfred Ward on June 17, 1873. Margaret and Alfred's grandson is Alfred Beverly Ward who, along with Hadley descendants Francis McLean Williams, Donald Ives Hadley Armstrong and Lloyd Charles Baskin Hadley, researched and wrote *The Hadley Family: Since 1777*, published privately, July 1987.
- Frances Hannah Hadley (1849 – 1939) Frances married James Wilson Knox on July 27, 1875. Frances and James' granddaughter is Francis McLean Williams who, along with Hadley descendants Alfred Beverly Ward, Donald Ives Hadley Armstrong and Lloyd Charles Baskin Hadley, researched and wrote *The Hadley Family: Since 1777*, published privately, July 1987.

- Mary Hadley (1852 – 1909) Mary married Dr. George Eli Armstrong on June 25, 1878. Mary and George's grandson is Donald Ives Hadley Armstrong who, along with Hadley descendants Lloyd Charles Baskin Hadley, Francis McLean Williams and Alfred Beverly Ward, researched and wrote *The Hadley Family: Since 1777*, published privately, July, 1987.
- Thomas Smith Hadley (1854 – 1872)

Henry married second to Hannah Dodd (1818 – 1874) at the Methodist Church on Mountain Street, Montreal on June 26, 1860, and they had a child:

- **Daniel James Hadley**, mentioned next.

Generation Four

Daniel James Hadley

Born at Verdun, Quebec on September 18, 1861

Died at Montreal, Quebec on August 30, 1893

Daniel married to Harriet Armanella Robertson (1861 – 1936) on September 13, 1883 and they had the following children:

- George Ernest Hadley (1884 – 1885)
- **Fredrick James Hadley**, mentioned next.
- Clifford Dodd Hadley (1889 – ?) married Violet Madge Graham
- Charles Wilbert Hadley (1890 – 1891)
- Daniel James Hadley (1893 – 1977) married Edna Ellen Smith

Generation Five

Frederick James Hadley

Born at Montreal, Quebec on October 29, 1886

Died at Iroquois, Ontario on February 3, 1962

Frederick married to Dorothy Clara Foster (1890 – 1976) on October 7, 1914 and they had the following children:

- {Captain} James Frederick Hadley. James was born on January 30, 1917 at Montreal. He married Jacqueline LeTourneau on December 27, 1940. James was a pilot in the RAF; and was killed in action over Germany on March 22, 1945. They had two sons:
 - Robert James Hadley
 - Richard Frederick Hadley
- **Marian Ruth Hadley**, mentioned next.

Generation Six

Marian Ruth Hadley

Born at Montreal, Quebec on March 2, 1920

Died at St. Catharines, Ontario on October 11, 2001

Marian married to Vincent Thomas Sweeney (1918 – 2000) on June 29, 1938 and they had the following children:

- Mary Patricia Sweeney who married Eugene Jerry Humenny and had children:
 - Bradley John Vincent Humenny
 - Brenda Lee Humenny
 - Brent Eugene Humenny
- Anne Elizabeth Sweeney who married Dennis Eardley Coleman and had children:
 - Susan Marie Coleman
 - Louise Joanne Coleman
- Marilyn Dorothy Sweeney who married William Thomas Millar and had children:
 - Barbara Diane Millar
 - David Thomas Millar
- **Virginia Lee Sweeney** who married **Bruce David Sewell** (see *Sewall and Sewell*, Generation Thirteen)
- Barbara Joan Sweeney who married Edward Charles Warberg and had children:
 - Marian Michelle Warberg
 - Nicole Warberg

For the continuation of this line, see *Sewall and Sewell*, Generation Thirteen

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