

BENJAMIN HARDISON::: by grandson James Stanton.

" Grandfather Hardison fought with the forces of General Montgomery at Quebec, and was taken prisoner. He remained in captivity for two years, until the War ended and by that time he liked this country so well that he decided to remain and came to Fort Erie. His original home was in Berwick Maine.

In Fort Erie he became an active businessman and prospered exceedingly. So much so that at the time of his death he owned eight farms in the district, and left one of these to each of his eight children. He also had an interest in the Red Mill, which used to stand near the Canadian end of the Peace Bridge.

The old Hardison homestead was erected on what is now the corner of Queen and Niagara Streets, and is still there, although it has been expanded into the "Queens Apartments". There Mr. Stanton's mother Martha Ann Hardison was born.

Eventually she married James Stanton son of the General. James was one of 21 children, seven sets of twins, and seven odd ones. James and Martha Ann had 12 Children, and James Stanton was the youngest of these.

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Records of Holy Trinity Chippawa:

: Benjamin Hardison, the member of the 4th.,

Lincoln and Norfolk: 1796-1800 .



BENJAMIN Records of Holy Trinity Chippawa: b. Benjamin Hardison  
HARDISON::: Bertie: July 28, about 70 years.

Benjamin Hardison was born in Berwick Maine in 1758, and was burried in St. Paul's Cemetery Fort Erie in 1823.

He served as a private in Col. Phinney's Reg. of Mass. troops, during the American Revolution. He was taken prisoner while fighting with the forces of Montgomery, at Quebec. He was kept prisoner for two years till the close of the war; and liked Canada so much, that after the fighting he settled in Waterloo(Fort Erie) in 1797.

It ws during the war of 1812-14 that he was suspected of siding with the Americans; later arrested and forced to join the Militia on the side of the British.

Benjamin Hardison married Mary Jane Warren , the first white child to be born at the Fort Erie post. She was the daughter of Col. John Warren, the first Ass. Commissary of the Fort. They had eight children and to house them, Benjamin had a large brick home built on the river front in the village. early 1800's. It stood on the N.W. cr. of Queen St. and the river road. He became an active business man , and prospered so much that at the time of his death he owned eight farms in the area leaving one to each of his children.

Benjamin also had an interest in the Grist Mill that stood on the riverfront near his home, before it was taken over by Col. Kerby.

Benjamin Hardison	b.	1758.d.	1823.
Mary Jane(Warren) wife	b.	1771.d. June 7,	1866. 95 yrs.

Children of Benjamin & Mary Jane Hardison:::

JOHN Hardison	b.	1806	d.
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GEORGE Hardison	b.	1808	d.
		Collector of Customs: 1832:1833.	

DAVID HARDISON	b	1810. d.	1884.
		marr. Helen Jane Kerby. Dec. 6, 1843.	

JULIA HARDISON	b.	1812. d. Sept. 30,	1851.
		marr. George King.	

MARY JANE HARDISON	b.	1815. d. July 27,	1863.
		Marr. Kenneth Reid. Sept. 27, 1836.	

MARTHA ANN HARDISON	b.	1817. d.	1911.
		Marr. James Stanton Oct. 18, 1836.	

SUSAN HARDISON	b.	d.	
		Marr. Wm. Lancashire. 29-1841. 2nd	
		Richard A. Thompson.	

Marie	b.	1818 d.	1825 8yrs.
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The most interesting of these children wa Martha Ann. She married James Stanton, the youngest son of Gen William Stanton. They were married in Waterloo( Fort Erie) and had a family of twelve children.

DAVID HARDISON:: son of Benjamin & Mary::: Tax Collector in the village of Waterloo  
1857.

DAVID B. 1810 D. Aug. 1884.

MARR: helen Jane Kerby: dght. of Hon. James Kerby.  
Dec. 6; 1843.

Helen Jane b. 1822. d. July 4; 1866.

Children of David & helen Janes Hardison:::

Francis K. Hardison. b. 1843.  
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Jane Kerby Hardison. b. Dec. 30. 1845. D. Mar. 2. 1846. 2mths.

Alice Agnes Hardison. b. 1849. d. 1880.  
marr. Josiah Warren.  
Trowbridge

Benjamin Hardison b. 1854.  
marr; Elizabeth Ann Hall: Son Charles.

Mary Anne Hardison b. 1858. d. d. 1861.

\* James Kerby: ~~Hardison~~. b. <sup>1858</sup> d. Aug. 1864.

Jane ~~Julia~~ Hardison b. 1860. d. May 1; 1884.  
marr. George Harvey.

\* Helen Jane Hardison b. Aug. 18. 1844. d. Feb. 15; 1869.

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son of Benjamin & Elizabeth Ann Hall: Charles Hall Hardison.  
b. Apr. 13. d. 1844. 4mths.

ALICE AGNES dght. of David & Helen Jane: b. Aug. 18. 1849. d. July 20. 1880.

marr: Josiah T. Warren.

children: Frank Warren; b.1873. d. 1948.

Helen Amelia b.1876. d. 1944.

Mary Bowden b. 1877. d. 1949.

Wm. Josiah. b. 1879. d.

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