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Wednesday, March 23, 1977

Dear Prof. & Mrs. Norman J. Lapointe,

First, let me congratulate you for all your undertakings to the benefit of the Centre d'Heritage! Recently wrote to Adélard Janelle suggesting he enroll Colomb Couillard of Riveston to help along that line. He likes to do genealogies & I think it would be important for the Centre to have such records on those early French-Canadian families that settled in Riv.-Aub, while there are still survivors able to supply information. I trust also the Centre files such stories, as I had in Journal magazine March 19th.

Principally, however, I write because one Donald Auger, who is member of the pioneer Auger family in Riveston, traced me through the Riv.-Eve. Journal, because, back in 1971, I had listed details about the Auger family in a story published by the Journal. I wouldn't have recalled the details, but, fortunately, the Journal management supplied me with a copy. I enclose it herein for Centre records.

It seems this Donald is a descendant of that family & the information I listed in that 1971 ~~was~~ article, was useful to him in tracing his ancestors & he wanted to know where I had obtained my facts.

I replied to him & told him in that communication about your work in establishing & maintaining the Centre, gave him both your names & your home address because, I suggested to him that when his genealogy was completed it would be useful to have it on file at the Centre.

In his reply to me received today, he informs me that, so far, he has traced his "roots" back five generations on all lines & has identified all 16 of his great-great grandparents.



Fifteen of those were French-Canadians, he writes, & one German! He concludes by writing "I've found a few ancestors even older than that & when I complete my work I do hope to deposit a copy with the Centre d'Heritage."

(Name & address is Donald Auger, 49 W. 74th St. New York City, N.Y. 10023)

He informs me also that his father lives in Auburn (but doesn't give me the first name) the mother lives at Sutton, near Worcester Mass. The family moved from Lewiston when Donald was 13, but I don't know how old he is now, what he does for a living, or any other details.

My source of information was an Auger woman married to a Joseph Boisévert listed on Third St. Auburn in 'phone book. I reported that to Donald Auger, so he tells me in today's reply that he will get in touch with her. Lewiston Public Library has a copy of stories ~~was~~ related by her grandfather, Albert Auger, an early Lew. grocer. Her father copied down those stories, some times in English, some times in French. She 'phoned me to tell me about it when I was first named to the Rev. Historical Commission, but wanted me to return the book & I did. Every page was copied on the library machine - new then - & was kept with other possessions of the Commission at the library - probably still there.

Donald Auger also says he may be in Lewiston this summer.

Cordially,

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