"N.B. Those Loyalists who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire, and joined the Royal Standard before the Treaty of Separation in the year 1783, and all their children, and their descendants by either sex are to be distinguished by the following capitals affixed to their names. U.E. Alluding to their great principal. The Unity of the Empire."

Loyalist Civil Coronet

(mapleleafs & oakleafs)

Loyalist Military Coronet

(maple leafs, cross swords & Oak leafs)

Coronets can be used on Personal "Coats of Arms" of proven descendants

http://www.uelac.org/UELAC-history/Cdn-Heraldic-Authority-Gazette-1990.pdf

PAC, Negative C-2001: James Peachey Printed New Johnstown (Cornwall, On) on June 6, 1784

Come visit our Branch web site at http://uelac.org/st-lawrence/

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Ontario

The Ontario Minister Of Culture provides a heritage grant to the branch for its outreach program.

If you are interested in membership and require assistance with your application, you may make arrangements to visit our Loyalist Research Centre and get directions.

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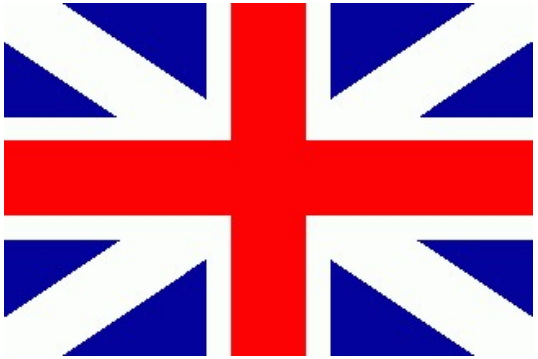

Your local branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association Of Canada In Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry

Our Loyalist Research Centre is now located @ 1 Dundas Street, Iroquois, ON, K0E1K0

Open Mon,Tues,Thurs 9-3 (schedule an appointment)

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UNITED EMPIRE LOYALIST BURIAL SITE

UNITED EMPIRE LOYALISTS' ASSOCIATION OF CANADA ST. LAWRENCE BRANCH

Burial Site Signage Project

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The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada

During the American Revolution (1775 – 1783) some colonists remained true to their oath of allegiance to King George III. They prized the civil and property rights guaranteed by the British constitution and many joined the provincial regiments to help put down the rebellion.

"Most Loyalists were farmers or craftsmen; only one quarter of them were British immigrants. As many spoke Gaelic, German and Dutch as spoke English. African-American and Aboriginal allies, joined their ranks." By the end of the war in 1783, their numbers had swollen to 80,000 as families and sympathizers were no longer welcome in the newly formed United States Of America. It was at this time that half their number came north to unsettled land in Nova Scotia and Quèbec. Partition of these two British Colonies soon lead to the founding of two new Canadian Provinces, New Brunswick and Ontario.

"The Loyalists' attachment to legality, compromise, representative government and constitutional monarchy laid the foundations of modern Canada, a multicultural, evolutionary country. For their fidelity and sacrifices, the refugee Loyalists were given the right to append the letters U.E. to their names. This is Canada's only inherited title. The Loyalists, their sons and daughters were also given special Land Grants. Also known as SUE and DUE grants

In 1914 a national association for Loyalists' descendants was incorporated forming the United Empire Loyalists' Association Of Canada." also know as the U.E.L.A.C. In 1989 the Chief Herald of Canada announced two heraldic symbols of a military and/or civil coronets for proven UEL descendants to be included in any coat of arms they may wish to apply for. (see other side for coronet symbols)

St. Lawrence Branch UELAC

Today there are 29 branches across Canada. Our branch was given its Charter on May 14, 1977. We serve Loyalist descendants in Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry ~ an area of 1,200 square miles (1920 Km^2) from Iroquois east to the Quèbec border. Due to the size of our territory and unpredictable weather, we hold most of our meetings from April to October. By rotating meetings throughout the three counties, we share our common heritage and learn about the many communities founded by our ancestors. Some times we use Zoom. We welcome new members enthusiastically and invite all fellow Canadians to join us at regular meetings, where we explore our history and celebrate our common heritage. Watch for a meeting near you and join us. Or check out our website. Our UELAC Dominion Headquarters also has Twitter and Facebook.

Who knows, you too may be a Loyalist descendent?

Objectives of the U.E.L.A.C.

* To unite together in good fellowship the descendants of those families who sacrificed their homes and belongings by retaining their loyalty to the Empire during the Revolution of 1775 – 1783. Along with those who share UELAC beliefs.

* To preserve the history and traditions of the Loyalists.

* To collect and preserve artifacts and histories pertaining to the Loyalists.

* To publish historical and genealogical information relating to the Loyalists.

* To erect, construct and repair buildings monuments and memorials to perpetrate the memory of the Loyalists.

* To seek out and preserve the resting places of Loyalists.

* To encourage a stronger emphasis on the study of Canadian history in the school system.

Loyalist Day in Ontario –June 19th

The Constitutional Act of June 19th, 1791 created the province of Upper Canada, or Ontario as we know it today, and this law came into being as a direct result of Loyalist influence. Mr. Danford,MPP Private member bill (150)was given Royal Assent and passed into law in December, 1997 with unanimous, all-party support in the Legislature. June 19th is now an official day formally established by the Ontario Government to commemorate and celebrate our Loyalist heritage.
http://www.uelac.org/PDF/Loyalist-Day-June19-Alex-Roman.pdf