Register of Abjurations

A guide for those who have traced their French Canadian ancestors to France and somehow have reached the conclusion that members of their family or families in New France might have been Protestants in France.

Drouin-Pépin Collection - Microfilm #3140 - **Diocèse de Québec** - **Registre des abjurations** - From 1662 to 1757 - Although the description of said microfim indicate 1662 as being the earliest date of the first recorded abjuration in New France, I have found some entries dating back from 1649 to 1662. The Catholic parishes included within said microfilm are;

Église Notre-Dame de Québec from 1659 (193 abjurations),

Église Notre-Dame de Montréal from 1660 (107 abjurations),

Église des Ursulines de Québec from 1662 (78 abjurations),

Congrégation à l'Ile-Percée (Gaspé) from 1659 (81 abjurations)

Other parishes contained within the above microfilm include the *Église de l'Immaculée-Conception à Trois-Rivières*, in addition to the

Église Sainte-Famille de Boucherville, plus the

Église de La-Visitation-de-Notre-Dame à Château-Richer.

Please note, the above microfilms does contain both *acts of abjuration* and *acts of confirmation*, for under the leadership of *Monsignor François de Montmorency de Laval*, Bishop of Nouvelle France from 1659 to 1708, acts of confirmation and abjuration were recorded together within the same parish registers. It does create confusion in trying to decipher if an adult who was confirmed was previously a protestant or simply a non-believer. Some of the acts of confirmations contained within this microfilm also list young people, or it appears to be so - Finally, do not expect an index of people, it does not exist - One must review each document one by one.

Drouin-Pépin Collection - Microfilm #1149c - *Église de Saint-Michel de Yamaska* (1733-1786) - This microfilm appears to contain members of a French Regiment by the name of *Royal Roussillon, infanterie, compagnie de Monsieur Boisset* - Said regiment from France from 1757 was stationed in the Yamaska region and it does appear that a fair number of soldiers and most likely officers within this regiment were protestants and as such in order to marry French Canadian Catholic girls, they had to join the Catholic Church.

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