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THE FAMILY OF AUGUSTIN FRIGON IN MONTRÉAL

1- Archange et Benjamin Pierre Frigon (4)

Robert Frigon (2)¹, hypothesized that Archange Frigond would have moved to Montreal with his family. The 1843-1844 Lowell Montreal directory mentions a Michel Frigon, residing at "the corner of St-Charles Borromée, near Mignonne Street"². He works as carpenter. This Michel Frigon would seem to be Archange, born on March 3, 1798, great grand father of Augustin and husband of Josephte Lafond said Montgrain. The link between Michel Frigon listed in the Montreal directory and Archange Frigond is more than likely, since Archange died in Montreal on July 24, 1843 and the death certificate identifies him as Michel.

This family is originally from Saint-Stanislas-de-Champlain on the Batiscan River. In the census of 1831³,



Archange is a farmer in this parish and shown as the owner of a 150 acres farm, including 19 cultivated acres, producing 30 bushels of wheat, 3 bushels de peas, 50 bushels of oat, 5 bushels of barley, 1,5 bushels of rye and 9 bushels of corn. Then, around 1833, the family moves to Louiseville. Archange works as a labourer⁴. Finally, he moves to Montreal around 1836 where he works as carpenter⁵.

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2016-Family gathering and picnic at the Old Presbytery of Batiscan to be held Saturday, August 27 http://www.frigon.org Activities list and Registration form enclosed

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¹Robert Frigon, Les Frigon dans la métropole et les Frigon aux Etats-Unis, les premières lignées, Charny, 1995, p. 1 (unpublished).

²Lovell Montreal Directory, 1843-1844, p. 73

http://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/fra/recensements/1831/Pages/item.aspx?itemid=9945

⁴ Baptèmes, Mariages, Sépultures, Louiseville, FamSearch, pages 421 and 437

⁵*Ibidem*, pages 70, 314, 375,

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| | Date of birth | Place of birth | Father and Mother | Date of mar- riage | Place of marriage | Date of death | Place of death |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Archange Frigond | b. March 3, 1798 | Sainte- Geneviève | Joseph Frigond and Madeleine Lefebvre | | | July 24, 1843 | Montréal |
| and Marie-Josephte Lafond Montgrain | b. Nov. 2 nd , 1795 | Sainte- Geneviève | Joseph Lafond said Montgrain and Genevière Mignier said Lagacé | Sept. 7, 1818 | Saint-Stanislas de Champlain | Jan. 3d, 1874 | Montréal |



b.: baptism

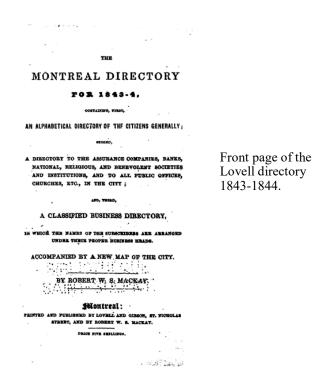
Josephte Montgrain, great grand-mother of Augustin

Source, Paul Frigon (6)

The adventure which begins in Montreal for the Frigon family is noteworthy since Benjamin, the youngest son of Archange will become the father of Augustin, our remarkable cousin who will be the first French Canadian to earn a doctorate in science and will be part of the great builders of Quebec in the first half of the twentieth century.

Our main research tool to monitor the family in Montreal is the Lowell directory. This directory provides the occupation and address of those listed. This allows the tracking of moves in Montreal over time. But, despite the very high probability that the first members of the Frigon family mentioned in the directory are members of the family of

Archange, it cannot be proven beyond doubt. However, it is likely that the first Pierre who appears in the directory in 1853, the first Benjamin in 1857 and the first Athanase in 1873 are all brothers identified as Frigond. As the parish priest of St. Stanislas identifies Archange as Frigond⁷, the probability is great that Pierre, Benjamin and Athanase are the sons of Archange.



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Note: Directories typically cross over two years, for example 1843 to 1844. It is therefore impossible to know for sure if the situation described relates to 1843 or 1844. For the sake of simplicity, let us agree on the following: for example, in " lived up to ... ", 1843 will be mentioned as a reference year while keeping in mind that it could be 1844. If we add " the following year, he ... ", we are then referring to the year 1844 to 1845.

⁶http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/lovell/index.html

⁷Baptèmes, Mariages, Sépultures, Louiseville, FamSearch, pages 220, 225, 232 etc..

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Gérald Frigon (116)

Now that our new website is functional, and that each member (who came to our annual meetings) has a list of his/her ascending ancestry, namely the lineage from our ancestors François Frigon and Marie-Claude Chamois, you can become familiar with your family history, see how your great-uncles and great-aunts have evolved, consult notarial acts that concern them, see the extent of their family, their moves from one generation to another, etc.

Having in hand the name of one of your ancestors with his date of birth or marriage, you can consult, under the search tab of the new Web site, the chronological list of acts related to the Frigon family for the date in hand and note its reference code. The search tool on our website is user friendly and efficient, especially with the help of

the reference code; moreover, the method of use is explained under the same "Research" tab. You'll love to find all the answers to the questions you have imagined on your history and genealogy.

Our database and website are full of information on previous generations; nevertheless we invite you to complete the information on the later generations, such as your cousins and their children.

Your Association still shows its dynamism and we are hopeful that we will see many of you and your family at our annual meeting in August. If, at that point, you have questions about the website, we will answer them with realtime demos at the meeting.

INVITATION TO ALL MEMBERS AND DESCENDANTS OF FRIGON FAMILIES TO A LARGE FAMILY PICNIC TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2016 UNDER THE MAR-QUEE TENT AT THE OLD PRESBYTERY OF BATISCAN

Registration in July or on-site, 10.00 \$ per participant aged 12 and up

Activities for teenagers – Inflatable games for younger children
Orchestra and storyteller
List of ascending ancestry for members

Bring your own lunch



Société historique Beaurepaire-Beaconsfield

DID YOU KNOW THAT Marguerite Frigon Beaudet (1906-1991)

The family of Marguerite Frigon moved to Beaurepaire in 1912. She volunteered at the library for 32 years . The library had no books in French when she appealled on CKAC radio station and received 300 books. She was sacristan for $15 \frac{1}{2}$ years at St. Joseph School (St-Rémi), and 9 years at the Mansera Auxiliary. In 1958, she was responsible for the petition sent to the Postmaster General to keep the name Beaurepaire for postal use.

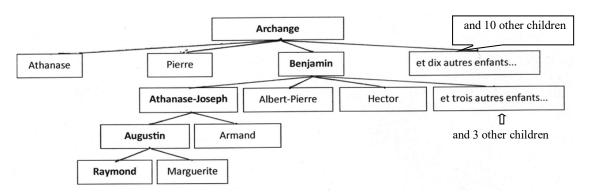
Feu Marguerite Frigon (BK-4808) était de la lignée de Paul Antoine, branche d'Arthur. http://www.hist-beaurepaire-beaconsfield.com/index.php/fr/marguerite-frigon

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To facilitate the understanding of the text, here is a diagram of the descendants of Archange down to Augustin and Raymond (1).

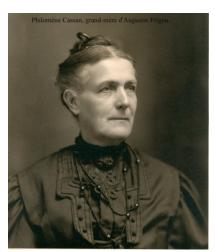


Let us follow the path of a few family members. We will end with Augustin. The Lowell Directory is silent on the Frigon family in Montreal between 1844 and 1852. The following year, one Frigon is mentioned. This is Pierre Frigond, mason, residing "at the top of Saint-Dominique Street." Despite the "d" which appears at the end of the name, it is a Frigon; we know that the surname Frigond has always been associated with a line of Frigon in genealogical studies of families. Besides, the name will be corrected in the directory a few years later. This Pierre Frigond is most likely the son of Archange, born on April 23, 1826 in St. Stanislas. He is 27 years old when his name appears in the directory. In 1854, we find him residing at "the top of Saint-Constant Street" and from 1855 to 1857 inclusively, he lives at 81 Germain Street. He is the only Frigon to be listed in the directory between 1844

and 1856. Over the years, he is identified as a mason, bricklayer and contractor. He remains as contractor until 1870.

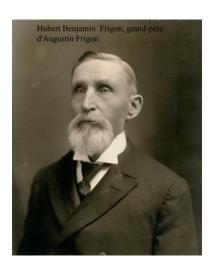
Then, in 1857, appears a B. Frigond, bricklayer, living at 128 Saint-Dominique Street. Presumably, this is Benjamin, born on December 19, 1838 and now aged 19. He resides at this address until 1859 inclusively. Note that the street name is similar with that of Pierre Frigond mentioned above.

It is said that the national sport of French speaking Montrealers in the twentieth century was the annual move. Benjamin (grandfather of Augustin) is a perfect example. From 1860 on, he moves frequently. That year, he resides at 152 Dorchester Street. The next year at 78 Saint-Urbain Street. He moves again the following year to settle at 3 Grothé Street where he stays until 1863 inclusively. In 1864, he lives at 57 Saint-André Street.



Philomène Cassan, grandmother of Augustin

Source, Paul Frigon



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Benjamin Frigon, grandfather of Augustin

Source, Paul Frigon (6)

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| | Date of birth | Place of birth | Father and mother | Date of mar- riage | Place of marriage | Date of death | Place of death |
|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Césaire Benjamin Frigon | Dec. 19. 1838 | Montréal | Michel-Archange Frigon and Josephte Montgrain | Sept. 20 - 1865 | 1 Montreal | Jan. 9 1916 | Montréal |
| Philomène Cassan | Dec. 15. 1839 | Saint-Jean | Jérôme Cassan and Justine Meunier | | 1803 | 503 | Aug. 18 1920 |

On September 20, 1865, he marries Philomène Cassan and moves to 470 Saint-Dominique Street. The following year, he moves across the street at 479. Clearly, he is always on the move. Will marriage help him settle down? Well no!

In August 1866, a first child is born, Athanase Joseph, the father of Augustin. This does not prevent Benjamin to continue his frequent moves .The following year, his family is found at 736 Sainte-Catherine Street.

A daughter, Antoinette, is born in December 1868. In 1869 and 1870, they live at 81 Saint-Hippolyte Street.

In June 1872, a third child is born, Albert Pierre. Benjamin then moves to 139 Sainte-Elizabeth Street where he stays for three years.

In October 1873, birth of fourth child, Gustave.

In 1875, the family lives at 450 Saint-Denis Street. The following year, in February, is born the fifth and last child, Hector. Benjamin moves a few houses away at 460 Saint-Denis Street. He is identified as "contractor".

In 1877, his name does not appear in the directory.

However, his wife Philomène is listed as a seamstress⁸ at 498 Saint-Dominique Street. Same listing in 1878, but at 505 ½ of the same street.

In 1879, Philomème is listed under number 494 on the same street and we also find Benjamin at 352 St-Joseph Street which is probably the family dwelling.

In 1880, the directory refers only to Philomène at 494 Saint-Dominique Street.In 1881, nothing about this family.

In 1882, the name of Benjamin returns and that of Philomène disappears, never to return. That year, the family lives at 967 Sainte-Catherine Street. And the moves continue. In 1883, Benjamin is at 228 Saint-Laurent Street; the following year at 459 de la Gauchetière, where he stays for two years.

From 1884, he is identified as "contractor "or "mason". He is "contractor "since at least 1881, since this profession is assigned to him in the census for that year. According to a source, he would have been "contractor "general during thirty years.

(To follow in the next bulletin)

⁸On the topic of sewing shops, an article on the « sweating system » has been published in the Spring 2010 bulletin under the title *Henriette et Émilie Frigon, couturières*.

⁹http://data2.collectionscanada.gc.ca/e/e327/e008162781.pdf.

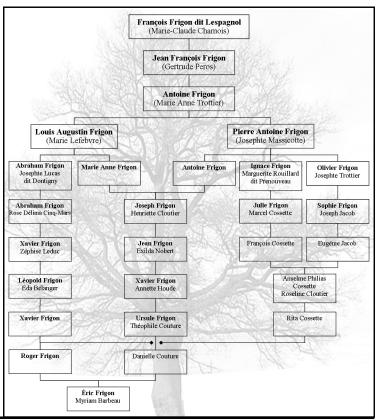
¹⁰Montreal from 1535 to 1914, Biographical, volume III, Montreal, The S. J. Clarke Publishing Company, 1914, p. 286 (information extracted from the biographical notes on Albert-Pierre Frigon included in the book).

GENEALOGICAL ASSISTANCE

Following our request to identify the filiation of Eric Frigon whose picture was published in LE COURRIER SUD on June 12, 2013, Mrs. Ursule Frigon, spouse of Théophile Couture and member /111 has contacted us with the following information.

We can now inform you that:

- Éric is the grandson of Ursule Frigon;
- Éric is from of the line¹ of Louis-Augustin and is linked with our ancestor³ by at least five links²
- His grandmother, Ursule Frigon, is from another line, that of Pierre-Antoine and is linked twice to our ancestor³.
- 1. Here, we refer to the agnatic lineage where filiation is determined by one's father's lineage
- 2. These links also include the filiation determined by one's mother's lineage
- 3. François Frigon dit Lespagnol





Adélard Frigon (-1949)

Farm no. 8 belonging to David Valois was subdivided and Adélard Frigon bought one of the first lots in 1912. His house was built in 1915. He worked in Montreal and successfully petitioned to have the train stop in Beaurepaire.

The researchers of the association are asking members for their assistance in finding information on the filiation of Adélard Frigon who died in 1949 and lived in Beaurepaire-Beaconsfield.

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Georges-Henri Frigon, my father's brother, died on December 11. He was the last of his generation. My grandfather Philias had 5 children: my father Emilien, Marie-Jeanne, Georges-Henri, Jacques and Ferdinand. The last 2 died at a young age.

My father had 7 children, Marie-Jeanne, 2 children named Jacob, one of which is deceased and Georges-Henri also had 7 children. These children form a new generation. Unfortunately there are very few boys to continue the Frigon lineage.

2012-12-12 Louise (83)

https://www.domainefuneraire.com/avis-de-deces/Georges-Henri-FRIGON-73326

Jean-René Frigon (11)

A redesign of the website Frigon Family Association was needed for some time.

It's now a done thing. A new website can be found on the Internet since March 24, 2016.

There is no point to talk at length; a look at the site should answer questions you might have and you will discover the content you will be proud of.

Your website in numbers:

- 80 certificates of baptism, marriage or burial;
- 69 notarial or legal acts;
- 15 documents from the archives of our members or collaborators:
- 303 articles, columns or texts from *The Frigons* newsletter:
- 233 death notices;
- 69 regular newsletters from the start of the association in 1994 until three years ago; newsletters issued in the last three years are strictly for the perusal of members;
- 2 special editions of the newsletter;
- 3 historical maps;
- 10 leads on the name Frigon in Europe properly documented:
- 3 types of documents to facilitate research:
- Reference codes for over 4,000 names (9 generations);
- An inventory of deeds, 645 registrations of acts and old documents;
- Chronology of acts found about persons bearing the name Frigon (7659 acts between 1386 and 1901 and others from female descendants of the Frigon family);
- several supporting documents, lists, forms, surveys, etc.

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What does the future hold?

The site will be constantly evolving and will remain an asset to the Association and to each member. There are numerous projects that will strengthen our Association and ensure its development.

Thank you all for your support.

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