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Nelsons Nationality - Irish

Records show that the Nelson family was residing in Nova Scotia in 1789. The family came there with the United Empire Loyalists.

At an early age James left his home in Nova Scotia and went to the state of Maine, from there he walked behind a team of oxen to the Gaspé Coast arriving in Shigawake in 1815. Upon his arrival there, James, a shoe-maker by trade opened one of the first shoemakers shops on the Gaspé coast and made his home there.

In 1854, Thomas Fitzallan, a son of James left his home in Shigawake and came east on the coast and settled in Sunny Bank on Lot No: 19, land of his wife which came from the Patterson's. Thomas' old home which has been long demolished, was built on the hill about two acres from the swamp. The land is occupied today by Sydney and Thomas Nelson, great grandsons of Thomas Fitzallan.

First Generation:

Family of James	Born 1789	Married	Died
Wife - Mary of Shigawake	Born 1790		

Children

James	Born 1824	Married - Records unknown
Thomas Fitzallan	Born 1825	Married
Samuel - Sally	Born 1829	Married - Records unknown

Children

Res. at Shigawake

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