

Swann Genealogy

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Re: marriage wiliam craig/christian swan

By [Alex Dow](#) February 10, 2008 at 04:06:11

- In reply to: [marriage wiliam craig/christian swan](#)
Joseph Craig 2/07/08

Morning Joseph

I note that your query seems to be based on the result in the LDS Family Search site-

http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asphttp://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp

The details are-

WILLIAM CRAIG Pedigree

MaleFamily

Event(s):

Birth:

Christening:

Death:

Burial:

Marriages:

Spouse:CHRISTIAN SWANFamily

Marriage:09 JAN 1820Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

Messages:

Form submitted by a member of the LDS Church

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Superficially, it would appear to be the Parish (roughly town of) of Lanark in the County of Lanark(shire).

Note that this is a (recent) Submission on that site, rather than a "record for the locality", the latter generally being directly extracted from a record written at the time.

Thus you are relying upon the quality of the Submitter's research, rather than an original record (primary source).

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Searching on Scotland's People (all primary sources), there is a William Craig in the correct period, in Lanark(shire); but not in the (Parish of) Lanark.

<http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk>http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk

There is no trace of Christian Swan in that area and period.
Aberfoyle is around 90 miles from Lanark; and there are no signs of Christian Swan and/or William Craig in the appropriate circumstances either.

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However, on the LDS FS site, there is this birth-

JANET BUCHANAN CRAIG Pedigree

Female

Event(s):

Birth:

Christening:13 FEB 1820Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

Death:

Burial:

Parents:

Father:WILLIAM CRAIGFamily

Mother:CHRISTIAN SWAN

Messages:

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

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It has "Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record." included so searching for that on SP confirms with a Birth or Christening with that child's first and last names; and the corresponding parents' names.

As it is in the Parish of Lanark in Lanarkshire, it suggests that the marriage is likely to have been there also.

I would recommend you to go to SP and both VIEW and Download the Scan of that Birth record, as it may have more information.

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Also on Scotland's People, try looking in the 1841, 1851 and possibly 1861 Censuses for the couple, this may reveal more children and also give some idea of when they died.

From the latter and if either or both died after 1855, you may be able to find their Death records, on which I would expect to find the names of their respective fathers.

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The LDS Submitter seems to have been researching SWAN particularly; and strangely Marriages only (176), whilst for CRAIG there are only two. No Births, Deaths or Others.

Click on the Batch Number and follow through.

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There is a marriage of an Isabella Swan in 1820 etc; and that primary source is available on Scotland's People.

It seems likely that Isabella and Christian may have been related.

There seems to be a birth record for Isabella/Isobel Swan, with parents William Swan and Catharine Bannatyne, leading to those possible children-

International Genealogical Index - British Isles

76. Elizabeth Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI

Gender: Female Birth: 30 DEC 1789 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

77. Thomas Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI

Gender: Male Birth: 12 OCT 1791 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

78. Thomas Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI

Gender: Male Birth: 16 SEP 1793 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

79. Isobel Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI

Gender: Female Birth: 04 MAR 1795 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

80. William Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 11 FEB 1797 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
81. James Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 13 APR 1800 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
82. Margaret Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Birth: 18 SEP 1802 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
83. ISOBEL SWAN - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Christening: 08 MAR 1795 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
84. ELIZABETH SWAN - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Christening: 07 JAN 1790 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
85. James Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 13 APR 1800 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
86. Elizabeth Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Birth: 1790 Of, Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
87. William Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 1797 Of, Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
88. James Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 13 APR 1800 Of, Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
89. Margaret Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Birth: 18 SEP 1802 Of, Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
90. William Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 1797 Of, Lanark, Lanark, Scotland
91. Margaret Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Birth: 18 SEP 1802 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

92. James Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Birth: 13 APR 1800 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

93. Isobel Swan - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Birth: 04 MAR 1795 Lanark, Lanark, Scotland

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The UPPER CASE ones are from local records.

It may be that Christian was a missing middle name for one of the girls; or a name adopted in her childhood etcetc; or she might not be of that family.

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Just noted that the 1793 Aberfoyle Christian apparently has those Aberfoyle siblings, with apparent Date clashing with the Lanark group above-

87. CHRISTIAN SWAN - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Christening: 30 MAR 1793 Aberfoyle, Perth, Scotland

88. ALEXR SWAN - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Male Christening: 14 FEB 1796 Aberfoyle, Perth, Scotland

89. MARY SWAN - International Genealogical Index / BI
Gender: Female Christening: 25 JUN 1798 Aberfoyle, Perth, Scotland

Although there are some surprising travels in that poor road, no railways, no flying period, it was not something indulged in lightly, especially by expectant mothers, so you should research all this very carefully, relying as far as possible on the primary sources of Scotland's People.

Most travel then would be by pony, either Shank's or Garron.

Have fun!

Alex Dow