

Castle Garden, New York City

Castle Garden was New York's immigrant processing center from 1855 to 1890. From 1896 to 1941 it was New York City's Aquarium. Today Castle Garden is called Castle Clinton National Monument. It serves as a visitor information center for New York's National Parks and Monuments. You can also purchase tickets there for ferry trips to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty.

This site also contains the **New York Passenger Lists for 1847-1897**. Go to:

<http://www.genealogybranches.com/ellisland/caslegarden.html>



There is information about the counties in Ireland and a contact person for each county.

Go to: <http://www.igp-web.com/IGPArchives/index.htm#Additions&gsc.ta b=0>

The American Legion's Historical Archives

The American Legion's digital archive has just added a bunch of new items that may be of interest to researchers with ancestors who were part of that organization as well as with people looking at military social history of that time.

According to the announcement at

<https://goo.gl/D20k1u>:

This is from

<https://blog.eogn.com/2017/01/03/the-american-legions-historical-archives/>

Rhode Island Roots

Welcome to Rhode Island Roots, a member of the [PA-Roots](#) family of websites! We're so glad you stopped by. Our goal is to be an entrance point for your research of your ancestors in Rhode Island. We encourage you to check out our "family" of county websites. We're seeking to provide the best resources to you. If you should have any questions in the area of your research, please contact the County Team Associate directly. If you should have a specific question about Rhode Island Roots please feel free to contact us at: <http://www.ri-roots.org/>

First divorce in the colonies

In the first record of a legal divorce in the American colonies, Anne Clarke of the [Massachusetts](#) Bay Colony is granted a divorce from her absent and adulterous husband, Denis Clarke, by the Quarter Court of Boston, Massachusetts. In a signed and sealed affidavit presented to John Winthrop Jr., the son of the colony's founder, Denis Clarke admitted to abandoning his wife, with whom he had two children, for another woman, with whom he had another two children. He also stated his refusal to return to his original wife, thus giving the Puritan court no option but to punish Clarke and grant a divorce to his wife, Anne. The Quarter Court's final decision read: "Anne Clarke, beeing deserted by Denis Clarke her husband, and hee refusing to accompany with her, she is graunted to bee divorced." <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/first-divorce-in-the-colonies?>



The NYS Historic Newspapers project provides free online access to a wide range of newspapers chosen to reflect New York's unique history. To search the entire collection, use the Search Tab. Or, click on a county to search or browse geographically. <http://nyshistoricnewspapers.org/>



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