

I do not believe that Marie Ursule Plagnol, victim of the Oyster River Massacre, and Marie Ursule Adams, victim of the Oyster River Massacre, are one and the same person.

Tanguay Collection, Vol 3, sect 2, Dej-Ezi, has Charles Dubois (1680) married to Marie Ursule Plagnol, with children born from early 1700s up to and including a child born in 1726. If that child was born of Marie Ursule Plagnol Adams, documented as being born in 1674, Marie Ursule would have been 52 at the time of the child's birth. Almost an impossibility, even in the 21st century, let alone the 18th century. This marriage lists 9 children born of this marriage, residing at St Francois du Lac. Most importantly, the name "Marie Ursule Plagnol" has a note by the name, #4. Referencing #4 at the bottom of the page reads, although in faint text, "Anglaise: Ely Meystrey: adoptee de M. de Plagnol." Charles Dubois's name also has a note, indicating that Dubois was born Brisebois.

Tanguay Collection, vol 3, sect 2, Dej-Ezi, lists Charles Dubois as a son of Pierre-Rene Dubois and Anne Dumont, with Charles married to Marie Ursule Plagnol in August of 1704. Anne Dumont was born in 1646, and married to Pierre-Rene Dubois in 1665. Of the children listed in the Tanguay Collection, there are 10. The earliest birth recorded is Dorothee, born in 1666, then children in 1668, 1670, 1672, 1674, 1676, 1678, 1680 (Charles), and probably 1683 and 1684, although those birth years are not recorded. So only one son named Charles, born in 1680.

Tanguay Collection, Vol 2, Sec 2, Ble-Cha lists a Charles Brisebois, married to Ursule Adams, born 1674 residing at Yamaska. Their children are Francoise and Catherine, just those 2 of that marriage, followed by a second marriage to Marie-Anne Soucy in 1732. This Charles Brisebois is listed as the son of Rene Brisebois.

The marriage of Charles DuBois, son of Pierre Dubois and Anne Dumont, to Marie Ursule, recorded at St Francois du Lac, has a note that indicates Marie Ursule was an ENFANT (child), adopted by M. de la Plagnol. NOT a 20-year old survivor of the Oyster River Massacre. If, in fact, Marie Ursule Plagnol was a child at the time of the 1694 massacre, it would be more reasonable for her to have born 9 children, including the last born in 1726. In 1726 she might more likely have been closer to 42, rather than 52, when her last child was born.

Tanguay Collection, Vol 1, Sect 1, A-Hel, lists Charles Brisebois as the son of Rene and Anne Dumont, married to Marie Ursule Adams first, than married to Marie Anne Soucy. The entries for Charles Dubois, married to Marie Ursule Plagnol, have no indications there was a second marriage.

Regarding the marriage of daughter Catherine Brisbois to Joseph Laval, Catherine is listed as the daughter of Charles Brisbois and of Ursule of New England.

Regarding the marriage of daughter Marie Francoise Brisebois, she is listed as the daughter of Charles Brisbois and Ursule.

However, regarding the marriage of son Joseph Brisbois and Catherine Renoux, Joseph is listed as the son of Charles Brisbois and Ursule Mestrie, a name very similar to the "English" name listed for the child adopted by the Plagnols. "Anglaise: Ely Meystrey: adoptee de M. de Plagnol."

I think there were 2 men, brothers, both children of Pierre Dubois and Anne Dumont. One married a woman who was 20 in 1694, one married a survivor who was a child in 1694.

Jean, born in 1676, would have been 2 years younger than Mercy Adams/Marie Ursule, born in 1674. Charles, born in 1680, would have been several years older than Ely Meystrey Plagnol, born somewhere around 1685. Who might Ely have been? She was definitely a victim of the Oyster River Massacre, so she probably was a child of one of those families. It appears, from the historical accounts, that the Native Americans gathered and marched on the settlement, not stopping along the route to cause trouble. Afterwards, the report is that they left by way of Lake Winnepesaukee, with their captives numbering around 27, probably more. It is unlikely they would have pillaged any more settlements, since they were hampered by the captives. So most likely Ely Meystrey was from the Oyster River settlement. Hard to guess, could be a girl named Helen Messerve, Sally Edgerly, Elizabeth Maistre. Impossible to know. I have been unable to find enough readily available information to make an educated guess.

And that is all this document is - it is an educated guess. The fact that I am researching the 1600s and 1700s alone makes this difficult. The fact that I am not a "genealogist", makes my task even more difficult. But my basic problem remains - Mercy Adams Dubois/Brisbois having a child at the age of 52, the Plagnol adoptee being listed as an "enfant," the note about Ely Meystrey, the consistency of both men being children of Pierre-Rene and Anne Dumont.

Brenda, descendant of Charles Dubois and Mercy Adams, unless I find something to the contrary.

- (1) Dit Brisbois.
- (2) Dit St-Michel.
- (3) Dit de la Riviere, 1716.
- (4) Anglaise - Ely Meystrey; - prise de M. de Plagnol.
- (5) Dit de la Riviere.
- (6) Dit de la Riviere.
- (7) Dit de la Riviere.

Marié Philippe -
1704 } Mariage de Charles Dubois, fil de def. Pierre Dubois & de Anne Dumont
3 ans } avec Marie Ursule, ^{enfant} adoptée par M. de la Plagnol.
Temoins: Claude Benoit
La bonte
Louise -