## Cyr Plantation LaPierre digital family genealogy (MAHC Grant Project)

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**Finding Aid** 

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*Biographical information:* Marie-Ange LaPierre was born November 29, 1878 daughter of Joseph LaPierre and Arthemise Ouellette. She entered the *Couvent du Bon Pasteur* in Quebec on November 19, 1904 and made her vows on July 4, 1907 as Sister Marie de Saint-Ange.

*Historical information:* Early settlers moved to what would become Cyr Plantation in the mid-1800s, then known as Township Letter L. Around that time, a road was built between the

Aroostook River and Grand Falls, New Brunswick, Canada (which today stretches between Caribou, Maine and Hamlin, Maine). Many early inhabitants obtained grants to lots near the road and Hammond Brook to farm the land. The plantation was formally organized on March 12, 1870, and named after the many Cyrs in the area, including Andre Cyr and his father Christopher, the first Cyrs in Cyr Plantation.<sup>1</sup>

In 1879, the settlement was principally on the stagecoach-line from Caribou to Van Buren (Maine), known as Caribou Road. Throughout the century, there were people living on rear lots of the Cyr Plantation. At one time, two sawmills and a starch factory were in operation. Today Cyr Plantation is a full township with an area of approximately 6.5 square miles. The township with its reddish soil, yields good crops of wheat, oats, buckwheat, and its famous potatoes!

Scope and content: This collection consists of a genealogy document of the LaPierre family researched and written by Marie-Agnes LaPierre (Sister Marie de Saint-Ange, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (SCIM)), and translated into English by Daniel LaPierre on August 1, 2002. It is a 101-page document. This is a digital collection through a grant project from the Maine Acadian Heritage Council.

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