



Louis-Hercule, accompanied by his grandsons Lucien and Georges, circa 1885. (Coll. : Hélène Levasseur)
Louis-Hercule died March 22, 1889 in Trois-Rivières, at the age of 70 years.

Levasseur **Louis-Hercule Levasseur's History** **descendant of Pierre dit Lespérance (1818-1889)**

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Genealogical line of Pierre to Louis (7 generations)

- 1 **Pierre LEVASSEUR**, born circa 1627 in St-Leu-et-St-Gilles, Paris, France
Jeanne DE CHAVERLANGE, born circa 1637, from St-Ursin, évêché de Bourges, France
married 23/10/1655 in Notre-Dame, Québec
Children: Françoise-Madeleine, Marguerite, **Pierre**, Jeanne, Félicité, Antoine et François
- 2 **Pierre LEVASSEUR**, born 30/04/1661 in Québec
Anne MESNAGE, born 07/11/1676 in Québec
married 18/03/1696 in Notre-Dame, Québec
Children : Marie-Anne, Marie-Jeanne, François, Anne, Pierre-Jacques, Barthélémy,
Marie-Anne, François-Louis, François-Ignace, Augustin-Alexis, Etienne,
Denis-Joseph, M-Anne-Thérèse, Marie-Madeleine, Jean-Baptiste
and François-Didace
- 3 **Denis-Joseph LEVASSEUR**, born 02/11/1712 in Québec
Charlotte COUTURIER, born circa 1710, unknown place in Quebec
married 04/02/1738 in St-Francois-du-Lac
Children : **Ignace**, Joseph, Charlotte, Jean-Baptiste, Catherine-Françoise, François,
François, Marie and Pierre
- 4 **Ignace LEVASSEUR**, born 24/11/1739 in Trois-Rivieres
Marie-Josephthe CHAUVET/CAMIRAND, born 13/02/1744 in Trois-Rivières
married 21/01/1765 in Pointe-du-Lac
Children : Ignace, Louis, François, Josephthe, Jean-Lévangéliste, Jean-Évangéliste,
Jean-Baptiste, Marie-Louise, Marie, Charles, Marguerite, Louise, Joseph and **Paul**
- 5 **Paul LEVASSEUR**, born 20/05/1785 in Trois-Rivières
Marie-Françoise POTHIER, born 27/04/1795 in Trois-Rivières
married 20/02/1816 in Trois-Rivières
Children : Paul-Prisque, **Louis-Hercule**, Joseph, Narcisse, David-Édouard, Édouard,
Pierre-Honoré, Marie-Domithilde and Adolphe.
- 6 **Louis-Hercule LEVASSEUR**, born 22/06/1818 in Trois-Rivières
Josephthe LONGVAL, born 07/01/1810 in Trois-Rivières
married 07/10/1844 in Trois-Rivières
Children : Marie, **Louis**, Adèle, Eléonore and Onésime-David
- 7 **Louis LEVASSEUR**, born 05/02/1847 in Trois-Rivières
Léa MOREAU, born 23/05/1853 in Trois-Rivières
married 01/10/1872 in Trois-Rivières
Children : **Georges**, Marie-Anne, **Lucien**, Rosa, Adèle, Hedwidge, Omer, Hormisdas,
Edmond, Joseph-Edmond, **Emma**, François-Xavier, **Auguste**, Julia, Joseph,
Anonyme, Alexandre, Philomène

Louis-Hercule Levasseur

Louis-Hercule's youth

Louis-Hercule was born on June 22, 1818 in Trois-Rivières. His parents were Paul Levasseur and Marie-Françoise Potiers or Pothier and married on February 20, 1816 in Trois-Rivières. He was their second child. His older brother, Paul-Prisque, died on February 15, 1819 in Trois-Rivières; he was less than 2 years old. Louis-Hercule became the eldest. Seven more children were born, but four of them died at a young age.

Four months after the birth of the youngest Adolphe, his father, Paul Levasseur, died on January 26, 1830 in Trois-Rivières at the age of 44. His passing was certainly a shock to the family. He left, in addition to his wife, four children, the oldest of whom was Louis-Hercule, who was only eleven years old.

The following year, his mother Marie-Françoise remarried with Jean-Baptiste Martineau dit Saintonge August 8, 1831 in Trois-Rivières, thus giving a father to his children. Two months later, the youngest, Adolphe, died at the age of two. Of Paul and Marie-Françoise's nine children, three boys reached adulthood.

Marriage of Louis Hercule and Josephte Longval

Louis-Hercule married Josephte Longval, known as Fafard, on October 7, 1844 at the Immaculée-Conception church in Trois-Rivières. Josephte's parents are Louis Longval dit Fafard and defunct Angélique Buisson. Louis-Hercule is 26 years old and Josephte is 34 years old. In the marriage certificate, Louis-Hercule Levasseur and Louis Longval are described as farmers; these, like Jean-Baptiste Saintonge, declared that they did not know how to sign.

One year after their marriage, a first daughter, **Marie, was born on October 17, 1845 in Trois-Rivières.**

A first son, Louis, was born February 5, 1847. It was he who continued the genealogical line up to us. He is also the only boy of the couple who went to adulthood and got married.

Adèle was born around 1849. Éléonore was born on January 3, 1851.

Onésime-David, born May 3, 1852, was the last child of the couple Louis-Hercule and Josephte Longval. Their 5 children were born in Trois-Rivières.

In the 1851 census, Josephte's father, 81-year-old Louis Longval, lives with the family of Hercules on land in the suburbs of Trois-Rivières. Catherine Gouin and Modeste Poulin are identified as servants.

Onésime-David died on May 12, 1858 at the age of six.

Josephte Longval died on February 11, 1868 in Trois-Rivières, at the age of about 58 years. She left 4 children aged between 15 and 20 years old.

In the 1871 census, Hercules lived with his four children. His brother Narcisse, who was single, lived near Hercules in a house where lived 2 families of 2 children each.

1858

Started in 1854, the construction of the Cathedral The Assumption of the Virgin (362 Bonaventure Street) ended in 1858 and was consecrated shortly thereafter. The same year, the old stone church of 1710 ceases to serve as a parish church and is used as an auxiliary chapel. Thus, the cathedral becomes the place of worship of the parish of the Immaculate Conception.

July 1, 1867

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The children

- On May 7, 1872, Marie married Édouard Milot in Trois-Rivières. She was 26 years old.
- On October 7, 1872, Louis married Léa Moreau in Trois-Rivières. Louis was 25 years old and Léa was 19 years old.
- On July 8, 1873, Éléonore married Hormidas Cloutier in Trois-Rivières. She was 22 years old.
- On January 26, 1875, Adèle married Hubert Rivard-Dufresne at the Immaculée-Conception Church in Trois-Rivières. She was 25 years old

According to the 1881 census, Hercules and his brother Narcisse lived with Louis, Léa and their 6 children.
(Note 1)

Note 1: Since Hercule lives with his son, it is probable, that in return for giving his farm to his son Louis, he is obligated to lodge and feed his father, Hercule. It is further authenticated since Louis is his only living son. This detail should be verified in the official archives of the Land registry office.



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On the far right, Omer and Lucien Levasseur, circa 1900-05, accompanied by their friends.



Marie and her husband Édouard Milot had four children: Hormisdas, Henri, Rose-Anna and Arthur. **Marie died on February 27, 1887** in Saint-Grégoire, Nicolet, at the age of 41 years. She left 4 children between 2 and 9 years old. Two of the children, Hormisdas and Rose-Anna, were adopted by Marie's sister, Éléonore, married to Hormisdas Cloutier who have no children. As for Édouard Milot, he remarried with Marie Dallaire on September 16, 1887 in Trois-Rivières. This couple moved to Roberval with 2 other children Milot, Henri and Arthur.

Louis and his wife Lea Moreau had 17 children, all born in the suburbs of Trois-Rivières and baptized at the Cathedral L'Assomption which is the church of the parish Immaculate Conception in Trois-Rivières. Louis and Lea sheltered Louis-Hercule, father of Louis, and Narcisse, the brother of Louis-Hercule. Louis-Hercule died on March 22, 1889. Léa Moreau, wife of Louis, died July 29, 1894 at the age of 41, 10 days after the birth of their 18th child, Philomène who survived. Twelve of the children are alive. Narcisse, brother of Hercules, died on September 25, 1906 at the age of 86 years.

Adèle and her husband Hubert Rivard-Dufresne had 7 children (at least they were alive at the 1891 census). Two of their children, Edmond and Henri, left a trace and were married to St. Gregoire of Nicolet. Adèle passed away on June 8, 1893 in Saint-Grégoire, Nicolet. She left 7 children (at least they were alive at the 1891 census). Her husband Hubert Rivard-Dufresne remarried Eugénie Duguay on January 8, 1896 at St-Jean-Baptiste Church in Nicolet.

Éléonore and Hormisdas Cloutier did not have children. According to the 1881 census, Eleonore and Hormisdas kept Joséphine Lemerise, 9 years old. This is the daughter of Arthur Lemerise and Amaryllis Levasseur. The link is the following: Amaryllis is the daughter of Olivier, who is the son of Francis, who is the son of Ignatius 4th generation. In the 1891 and 1901 censuses, Éléonore and Hormisdas kept their nephews Hormisdas and Anna Milot since their mother, Marie Levasseur, died in 1887. In 1911, Anna was still living there. Éléonore died on March 20, 1921 in Trois-Rivières.



1st row: **Marianne Cloutier, Anna Milot, Cécile Cloutier, inconnue , Emma Levasseur**

2nd row: **Hormisdas Milot, Joseph Cloutier and Omer Levasseur**, circa 1900-05

Marianne and Joseph Cloutier are the children of Narcisse Cloutier, Eleanor's brother-in-law. Anna and Hormisdas Milot are the children of Marie Levasseur and Édouard Milot. Omer Levasseur is the eldest son of Louis Levasseur and Léa Moreau. (Coll. : Hélène Levasseur)

Marianne, Joseph and Cécile Cloutier, mentioned in the photo above, are the children of Narcisse Cloutier and Marie-Louise (Lesieur) Désaulniers. Narcisse is the brother of Hormisdas Cloutier married to Éléonore Levasseur. Narcisse Cloutier, Marie-Louise and their children are Louis Levasseur's neighbors in the suburbs of Trois-Rivières



**1st row: Aurore Dufresne, Julia Levasseur and Anna Milot;
2nd row: Omer and Emma Levasseur, Hormisdas Milot.**

Omer, Emma and Julia Levasseur: children of Louis Levasseur et de Léa Moreau;
Hormisdas and Anna Milot: children of Marie Levasseur and Édouard Milot;
Aurore Dufresne, daughter of Adèle Levasseur and Hubert Rivard-Dufresne. Circa 1900-05.
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