

MARGARET REDDICK

Margaret was listed with the Daniel and Mary Reddick group among the 1834 emigrants from the parish of Artrea in County Derry, Ireland. At that time she was said to have been 21 years old.

On May 16, 1835, in the Kemptville Anglican church she ('Margaret Riddegh') married John Vanston. She was of Marlborough township, he of Oxford township. The witnesses were John Bourk and Merite Andrews.

In the 1842 census of Oxford-on-Rideau township William and John Vanston occupied lot 14, concession 4. According to the census, William had been in Canada for sixteen years, John for seven. John's name last appeared on the land assessment rolls of the township in 1844. On November 11, 1844, a child, Mary Ann Vanston, age two, the daughter of John and Margaret Vanston, was buried in the Kemptville Anglican cemetery. On March 19, 1840, a marriage bond was issued at Merrickville in respect of Henry D'Ell of Marlborough township and Mary Riddagh of Oxford township. Her guardian was identified as John Vanston. This Mary Riddagh was the widow of William Reddick who died in a hunting accident in 1836. William is thought to have been a brother of Margaret's father, Daniel.

Nothing more is known of the John and Margaret Vanston family unless the following is relevant:

The 1850 Federal Census of Ogle county, Illinois, U.S.A. lists

Vanston, John	Ire	48
Vanston, Margaret	Ire	38
Vanston, Davis	Can	14
Vanston, Daniel	Can	12
Vanston, Jane	Can	9
Vanston, Francis	Can	5
Vanston, Mary	Can	2