James Durham. U.E.L. born 1769 died 1835. came into this country presumably about ~~1783~~ ~~1790~~ 1788. (left the Mohawk Valley to remain loyal to the King - according to Elijah Durham) New Jersey

Marriage very doubtful as oldest child Elias was born 1794.

of Beamsville) (he was married to a Mary Smith and in 1788, Mary Smith would be but 13 years of age

before leaving the Mohawk Valley). He settled in Niagara Township and was given a grant of 200 acres Grant was to his father as eldest son he probably inherited the farm - The deeds were in many cases were made several years after the grant was made Lots 9 and 38 from King Geo III. He built a frame house of the typical oblong pioneer ~~Typo~~ home of this Niagara district. He had twelve children. apparently it was hard going about 1806 for he had to borrow 550 pounds from R. Hamilton giving his farm as security with condition of release on payment in two years. In 1808 restitution is made by turning over 8 acres to R. Hamilton. this 8 acres is now known as Glencairn. R. Hamilton subsequently sold this 8 acres to his brother John Hamilton of Kington who built the present house in 1834 now owned by W.R. Robb.

From 1794 till