

Marian Davies  
Welsh Immigrant  
Cedric  
April 9, 1927



We left New Tredegar on March 25, 1927, journeying by train to Liverpool to board the Cedric. We entered Canada through the Port of Halifax on April 9. Accompanying me were my father William James Davies, my mother, Mary Jane Neale Davies, my sisters Florence, Ivy and Bettina, my brothers James and Jack. The General Strike in Wales in 1926 provided the motivation for my father to emigrate to Canada. He was convinced that emigration was the only way to get us children away from the Welsh mines. Canada needed settlers to fill farms left vacant by those who went to WWI and did not return home and so qualified under the "Soldier Settlement Scheme".

We settled near Armstrong B.C. We left our oldest sister Elizabeth in Wales, married to Dave Douse and did not see her for many years. She emigrated to Canada to be with us when her husband died, in 1976, flying to Toronto. I am now 88 years old and have 3 great-great grandchildren.