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Detail Source

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Suggested Records ?

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- [UK and Ireland, Incoming Passenger Lists, 1878-1960](#)
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- [1920 United States Federal Census](#)
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- [1910 United States Federal Census](#)
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- [Passenger Ships and Images](#)
- [New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists \(including Castle Garden and Ellis Island\), 1820-1957](#)
Kerr
- [1930 United States Federal Census](#)
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"In the first one, it's listed as Scotland, Select Births and Baptisms, 1564-1950. But there isn't any image or vol #, page #, etc.

Do I just copy "Source information" as my source citation?

Family Search is mentioned in Original Data but I just don't know how to piece it together."



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Answer:

1. Seek out the original source.
FamilySearch and Ancestry are not the original source.
2. Use one best source for your facts.
3. Some cases online index only, as is the case with this record.

"Scotland Births and Baptisms, 1564-1950", database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FQ91-DX7> : 12 February 2020), Grace Stewart Kerr, 1869.



Tammy Continues...

“My second one, has too much information. [LINK](#)

I see this block... and my brain explodes and I have no idea what to do with it!... I find myself taking the clickable information on the top of the page where the image is located, adding where I found it like Ancestry, and adding page number and direct URL of record. This would leave me with:

New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957 for Kerr, Date 1870, Sep, 05, Britannia. From Ancestry. Page 5 of record.

Is there a worksheet floating around somewhere that lists examples of info like we find on Ancestry...”

Source Citation

Year: 1870; Arrival: New York, New York, USA; Microfilm Serial: M237, 1820-1897; Line: 5; List Number: 851

Source Information

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Kerr
in the New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957

✓ Saved to: *Kerr, Grace Stewart* in tree "Bell-Tretero Family Tree" Remove

View

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Write a comment.

Make a Connection
Find others who are researching Kerr in Public Member Trees

Name: Kerr
Gender: Male
Ethnicity/Nationality: Scottish (Scottish)
Age: 8
Birth Date: abt 1862
Place of Origin: Scotland
Departure Port: Glasgow, Scotland and Moville, Ireland
Destination: USA
Arrival Date: 5 Sep 1870
Arrival Port: New York, New York, USA
Ship Name: Britannia
Search Ship Database: Search for the Britannia in the 'Passenger Ships and Images' database

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New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957

Date	Age	Sex	Origin	Ship
13	23	M	Scotland	Britannia
14	25	M	Scotland	Britannia
15	3	M	Scotland	Britannia
16	3	M	Scotland	Britannia
17	8	M	Scotland	Britannia
18	25	M	Scotland	Britannia
19	28	M	Scotland	Britannia
20	30	M	Scotland	Britannia
21	7	M	Scotland	Britannia
22	5	M	Scotland	Britannia
23	5	M	Scotland	Britannia
24	11	M	Scotland	Britannia
25	9	M	Scotland	Britannia
26	6	M	Scotland	Britannia
27	6	M	Scotland	Britannia
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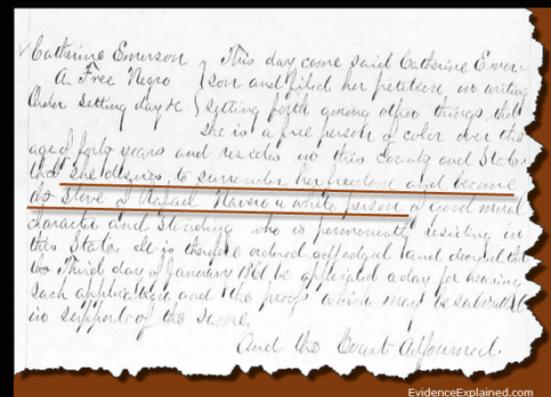
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Paul Campbell wrote:

I have used this site to create citations. It makes it easy. <https://www.citationmachine.net>

Know that genealogy uses the Chicago Style source citations.



Easy way to remember how to craft a source citation.

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Linda asked...

“Connie, can we go over on next Wednesday, your discussion with Crista as to how connect records on ancestry to everyone in the record? In the video she explained very quickly, and I hoped you could go over slower. :) Besides you will use the computer and we can follow you!”

[Video Is Here](#)



Linda asked...

How to find GPS Coordinates on a map?

Get the coordinates of a place

1. On your computer, open **Google Maps**.
2. Right-click the place or area on the map. This will open a pop-up window. You can find your latitude and longitude in decimal format at the top.
3. To copy the coordinates automatically, left click on the latitude and longitude.

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