



HathiTrust Revisited

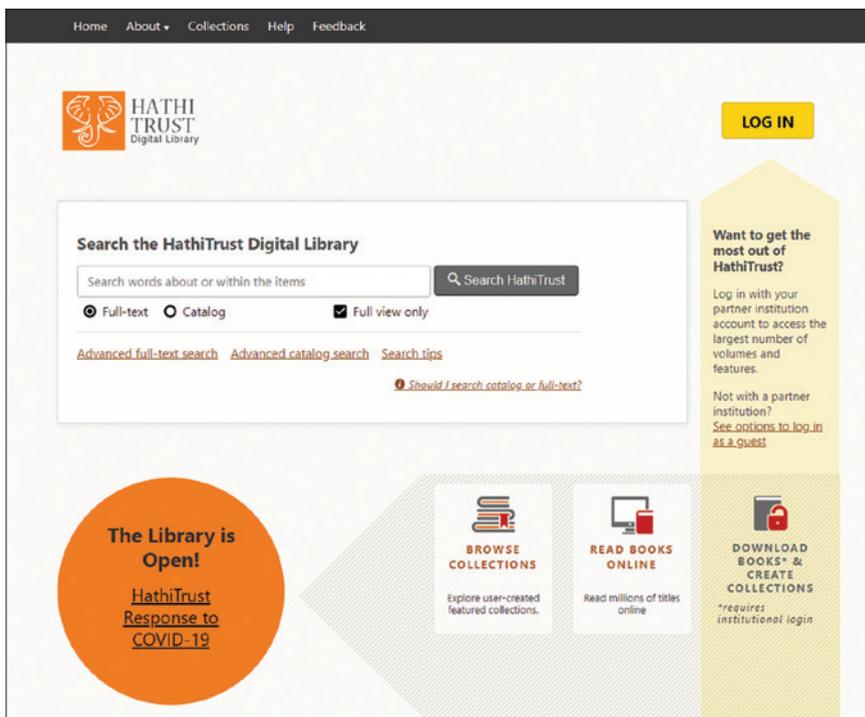
Tony Bandy looks at an online digital library for your genealogy research

BRICK WALLS. DEAD ENDS. NO LOCATION INFORMATION. NOTHING to go on. Unfortunately, these are the issues that we sometimes face when trying to track down our elusive ancestors and their geographical or historical information. What to do? While we can always go online to popular genealogical databases, these are only as good as the information indexed in them. Sometimes, they don't have all the data you need!

What Is HathiTrust?

So, what exactly is HathiTrust? First, it's NOT a genealogy database! In fact, it's an online digitized book and materials resource library containing over 17+ million items from 200+ worldwide institutions, consortiums, colleges, and universities. A sample of participating members includes:

- American University of Beirut
- Brigham Young University
- HEC Montréal
- University of Western Ontario
- McGill University
- Michigan State University
- University of Auckland
- University of Ottawa
- University of Toronto
- Vanderbilt University



HathiTrust offers millions of digital resources for your family research needs.

Given that, we must rely on research. Tracking down leads, finding publications, and lots of “old-school” investigation becomes the order of the day. If you find yourself in this dilemma, I urge you to cast a wider net, to go beyond the norm and think “outside the box”. One of your first moves? *HathiTrust*. With millions of resources, digitized books, government documents and more, it just might be the golden key to your information quest. Let's take a closer look!

HathiTrust has been around since 2008 and is only growing larger and larger each year. For family researchers like us, this is a good thing! For additional details and background information head on over to www.hathitrust.org. For now, let's talk a bit more about the site itself.