

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

SAMUEL BELKNAP

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Husband

May 1968, Mrs. Jane
(Milton Raymond)
Belknap, 4615
Ovid Ave., Des
Moines, Iowa,
50310. Jane was
born 6 April 1894
in Ringgold Co.,
Iowa

Birth 13 6 1731 Samerr Conn
Chr'nd
Mar. 19 6 1754
Death 1775
Burial

Places of Residence Church Affiliation Military Rec. Died in Rev. War

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.
His Father SAMUEL BELKNAP Mother's Maiden Name MARY Dickinson

Wife's Full Maiden Name

MARY NEWTON

Wife's Data Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Wife

Birth 8 11 1737 EAST WINDSOR CONN
Chr'nd
Death
Burial

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City, State Lincoln, Neb
Date 18-5-1968

Places of Residence Church Affiliation
Occupation if other than Housewife
Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.
Her Father STEPHEN NEWTON Mother's Maiden Name MARY GIBBS

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
2		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
3	JONAS	Birth	1758	EAST WINDSOR, CONN			
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	1783				
	ESTHER PARKER	Death	16 2 1824	HART Co., KY			
		Burial					
4		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
5		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
6		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
7		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
8		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
9		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
10		Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					

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Husband's Full Name

JONAS NEWTON BELKNAP

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's

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City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Husband

Mrs Jane (Milton Ray)
Belknap, 4615
Ovid Ave, Des
Moines, Iowa,
50310. Jane was
born 6 April 1894
in Ringgold Co.,
Iowa. Still living
18 May 1968

Birth

1758

Windsor

Conn

Chr'nd

Mar.

1783

Death

16 2 1824

Hart Co., Ky

Burial

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name

ESTHER PARKER

Wife's

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Wife

Birth

1766

Chr'nd

Death

1817/18

Burial

Places of Residence

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father

Mother's Maiden Name

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Children's Names in Full
(Arrange in order of birth)

Children's

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Children

1
SAMUEL
Full Name of Spouse*

Birth

1784

Mar.

Death

Burial

2
ELIJAH
Full Name of Spouse*
Catherine
Garlinghouse

Birth

1785

Mar.

Death

Burial

3
JONAS
Full Name of Spouse*
Mary
Garlinghouse

Birth

1786

Mar.

Death

Burial

4
ELISHA
Full Name of Spouse*
Miss Bridges
LUCY FINCH

Birth

1787

Mar.

1-7-1808

Death

8-1-1839

Burial

5
ORIN
Full Name of Spouse*
Mary Draper

Birth

Mar.

Death

Burial

6
JESSE
Full Name of Spouse*
Jane
Garlinghouse

Birth

1792

Mar.

Death

Burial

7
SUSANNAH
Full Name of Spouse*

Birth

1792

Mar.

Death

Burial

8
ESTHER
Full Name of Spouse*
Gamaliel
Garlinghouse

Birth

Mar.

Death

Burial

9
CYNTHIA
Full Name of Spouse*

Birth

Mar.

Death

Burial

10
Full Name of Spouse*

Birth

Mar.

Death

Burial

ELISHA BELKNAP

Add. Info. on Husband

Add. Info. on Children

*If married more than once No. each time 7/1/72, age and last name

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

ELI B. BELKNAP

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's
Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Husband

Mrs. James E. (Milton
Raymond) Belknap

Birth

13 4 1819

Niagara City

N.Y.

Chr'd

Mar.

3 7 1844

Death

27 10 1896 Goldfield, Wright Co., Iowa

Burial

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Nee Arnold,
4615 Ovid Ave.,
Des Moines, Iowa

503 10. Jane

born 6 April, 1894

in Ringgold Co., Iowa

living 18 May 1968

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

ELISHA BELKNAP

Mother's Maiden Name

Lucy Finch

Wife's Full Maiden Name

MARY WHITEHEAD

Wife's
Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Wife

Birth

3 7 1826

Licking Co., Ohio

Chr'd

Death

3-3-1913 Council Bluffs

Iowa

Burial

Places of Residence

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

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City, State Lincoln, Neb.

Date 18 May, 1968

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father

E. F. Whitehead

Mother's Maiden Name

Margaret DAREMUS

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
F	1 SARAH Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	9 9 1845				
		Mar.					
		Death	5 10 1845	died young			
		Burial					
M	2 Augustus Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	20 2 1848				
	Lydia Palmer	Mar.					
		Death	8 9 1943	Hastings	Nebraska		
		Burial					
M	3 Edwin F. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	26 4 1850				
	Esther Hall	Mar.	1 10 1874				
		Death	6 12 1908				
		Burial					
M	4 Jerome Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	2 8 1852				
	Flora Taylor	Mar.					
		Death	19 10 1922				
		Burial					
M	5 Harry W. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	15 6 1855				Mary b 10-2-185
	Mary Cater	Mar.	19 10 1876				d. 29-11-1912
		Death	9 11 1923				bur. Big Stone
		Burial		Big Stone City, So Dak			City, So Dak
F	6 MARY LUELLA Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	3 6 1860				
	Edwin Cater	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
F	7 Emma B. Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	3 5 1862				
	Elias Bower	Mar.					
		Death	7 12 1898				
		Burial					
	8	Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	9	Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	10	Birth					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

HARRY W. BELKNAP

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's

Day Month Year

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County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Husband

Mrs. Jane E. (Milton Raymond) Belknap
nee Arnold
4615 Oxford Ave
Des Moines, Iowa

Birth

15 June 1855

Malden Princeton, Illinois

Chr'd

Mar.

19 10 1876

Illinois

Death

9-11-1923 Big Stone City

S.D.

Burial

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.

Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

ELL B. BELKNAP

Mother's Maiden Name MARY WHITEHEAD

Wife's

Full Maiden Name Mary Malinda Cater

Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Wife

Birth

10 2 1857

Belmont Co., Ohio

Chr'd

Death

29 11 1912 Big Stone City

S.D.

Burial

Places of Residence

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.

Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father

JAMES CATER

Mother's Maiden Name SUSANNA PERRY

Children's

Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Children

Birth

8 9 1877

Illinois

Mar.

29 5 1902

Death

27 2 1908

Burial

Birth

22 7 1879

Illinois

Mar.

20 9 1906

Death

20 3 1945

Burial

Birth

24 6 1882

Iowa

Mar.

9 3 1899

Clarence

b. 13 Apr 1876

Death

10 11 1951

Burial

Birth

7 1 1884

Illinois

Mar.

1 3 1905

Dyshire

Iowa

Sherman

d. 28 Oct 1958 at St

Death

24 7 1920

St James

Minn

James, Minn

Burial

Birth

17 3 1885

Illinois

Mar.

30 11 1910

Ola b. 22-10-1885

d. 26-9-1932

Death

Burial

Birth

20 11 1886

Dover

Illinois

Mar.

26 10 1910

Gordon d.

12-11-1918 Minn

Death

12 10 1962

Minn

b. Big Stone City

Burial

Birth

22 8 1888

Bureau Co., Ill

Illinois

Mar.

30 8 1911

Evelyn

b. 7-12-1887

Death

19 2 1965

Tucson, Arizona

Lorenz, Iowa

d. 24-2-1966 Denver

Burial

Birth

19 7 1891

Goldfield

Iowa

Mar.

25 4 1917

Creston, Iowa

Death

16 8 1962

Des Moines

Iowa

Burial

Birth

28 6 1897

Mabel b. Minn

Mar.

3 8 1919

17-1-1901

Death

23 10 1954

Rock Island

Illinois

Burial

Birth

Mar.

Death

Burial

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

MILTON RAY BELKNAP

This Information Obtained From:

Mrs. Jane E. (Milton Raymond) Belknap
4615 Ovid Ave.
Des Moines, Iowa
50310, Jane,
born 6 April 1894
Still living
18-May, 1968

Birth	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
19-7-1891				Goldfield, Wright Co.		Iowa	
Chr'snd							
Mar.	25-4-1917			Creston		Iowa	
Death	16-8-1968			Des Moines		Iowa	
Burial				Glendale Cemetery			
Places of Residence							
Occupation							
Church Affiliation							
Military Rec.							Served in WWI, Ft. Bayard, N.M.
Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.							
His Father	HARRY W. BELKNAP						
Mother's Maiden Name	MARY M. GATER						

Wife's Full Maiden Name

JANE ETHEL ARNOLD

Birth	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
6-4-1894				Ringgold County,		Iowa	
Chr'snd							
Death							
Burial							

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Date 18 May 1968

Places of Residence	Occupation if other than Housewife	Church Affiliation
Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.		
Her Father	R. HURLESS ARNOLD	
Mother's Maiden Name	ANNA KING	

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 Raymond Arnold	Birth	15	11	1918	Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa			Rachael
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
	Rachael Misel	Death							
		Burial							
M	2 Donald Allison	Birth	11	3	1923	Des Moines		Iowa	
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	3	6	1948				
	Bonnie Eklund	Death							
		Burial							
	3	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	4	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	5	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	6	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	7	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	8	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	9	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
	10	Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

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FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name Raymond Arnold Belknap

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Husband

Mrs Jane (Milton
Raymond) Belknap
4615 OVID AVE.
Des Moines, Iowa

Birth

15 11 1918 Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Chr'd

Mar.

Death

Burial

50310 Jane,
born 6 April 1894
in Ringgold Co.,
Iowa, still living
18 May 1968

Burial

Places of Residence

(June 1958) 118 Robinhood, Terrace Park, Ohio 45174

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father MILTON RAYMOND BELKNAP

Mother's Maiden Name JANE ETHEL ARNOLD

Wife's Full Maiden Name Rachael A. Mysel

Wife's

Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Wife

Birth

10 3 1925 Marengo

Iowa

Chr'd

Death

Burial

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Places of Residence

Address 2014 Herwood

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State Lincoln Neb

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date 18 May 1968

Her Father OSCAR S. MYSEL

Mother's Maiden Name MINNIE

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
M	1 Raymond Michael Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	31 8 1948	Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa			
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
M	2 Bruce Arnold Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	10 3 1952	Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa			
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
F	3 Dana Lisa Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	22 7 1954	Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa			
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	9 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	10 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					

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FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name DONALD ALLISON BELKNAP

This Information Obtained From:

Husband's Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Husband

Mrs. Jane E. (Milton Raymond) Belknap,
Nee Arnold,
4615 Oxid Ave
Des Moines Iowa

Birth

11-3-1923 Des Moines

IOWA

Chr'd

Mar.

3-6-1948

Death

Burial

508101 Jane,
born 6 April 1894
in Ringgold Co.,
Iowa, still
living 18 May
1968

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

MILTON RAY BELKNAP

Mother's Maiden Name

JANE ETHEL ARNOLD

Wife's Full Maiden Name BONNIE EILEEN EKLUND

Wife's Data

Day Month Year

City, Town or Place

County or Province, etc.

State or Country

Add. Info. on Wife

Birth

18-11-1925 Muskegon,

Mich

Chr'd

Death

Burial

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Address 2019 1/2 at wood
City, State Lincoln, Neb
Date 18 May 1968

Places of Residence

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father

LOUIS EKLUND

Mother's Maiden Name

ORAL

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
F	1 <u>Carol Anne</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	6 1 1948	Des Moines		Iowa	
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
M	2 <u>James Donald</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	18 9 1951				
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
F	3 <u>Karla Jane</u> Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	27 8 1956	Kansas City, Mo			
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	4 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	5 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	6 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	7 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	8 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	9 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					
	10 Full Name of Spouse*	Birth					
		Mar.					
		Death					
		Burial					

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. Info. on Children" column. Use reverse side for additional children.

Miss Carol Anne Belknap
c/o Mrs Jane Belknap
4615 Ovid Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50310

HOME ADDRESS
25 Club Road
Riverside
Connecticut 06878
August 25, 1968

Dear Cousin:

Clinton Belknap has sent me a copy of his letter to you, August 19. As it has been delayed in reaching me, I'm writing to you today (Sunday) without waiting to have this letter properly typed. So please forgive my erratic typing.

I'm delighted to know that Clinton found the correct date for the marriage of Elisha and Lucy Finch. As you and he knew, the only obstacle to confirming your descent from Jonas Newton Belknap was what I felt sure must have been an erroneous date for that marriage.

I concur completely with what Clinton wrote in his letter to you, including his conclusion that Leoy must have been the son of Bettie Briggs, Elisha's first wife.

However, I think it may be well for me to supplement what he wrote, by giving you some additional information from the many thousands of sheets of Belknap records in my possession.

Second paragraph, page 1 of his letter: The reference to Doolittle's Sketches is correct. But this book is now hard to find and your local chapter of the D. A. R. ~~EXHIBIT~~ may perhaps not have access to a copy of it. So I enclose a copy of a letter to me from the librarian of Clapp Memorial Library, at Belchertown -- on which I have marked the passage identifying Esther Parker as wife of Jonas N. Belknap.

Third paragraph, page 1: I trust that the copies of Henry Wyckoff Belknap's sheets for Jonas (his # 302) will not confuse anyone by the mention of a "Lincoln" as his wife. And as I have the files of his correspondence and notes of sources for a period of many years, I think I should tell you what I know. From letters that he wrote in 1910 and earlier, I know that he had only an unsupported statement that Jonas Newton Belknap "married a Lincoln," with no documentary evidence. Shortly after 1910, Joseph Kibbe of Warehouse Point, Conn. (a Belknap connection by marriage and the best authority on the Connecticut Belknaps) brought to HNB's attention the facts in Doolittle's book. In letters from 1916 on, HNB named Esther Parker ~~of~~ ^{as} the wife of Jonas, adding the words "also said to have married a Lincoln" -- which was his habitual way of saying "somebody has said so, but there is no real evidence." Unfortunately, many Belknaps have seen only his very early letters and have not seen what he wrote after 1915 -- hence the widespread confusion about "Lincoln." I do not know the source of his former entry of "Lincoln," for it was destroyed in the Salem fire in 1917. But I do know that before that year he had shown that he had no faith in its validity -- and in all ^{the} other sets of records in my possession I find no similar entry.

Now back to the preceding paragraph, for I see I omitted some evidence that I

should have included, on the marriage of Jonas N. Belknap and Esther Parker. In the 1890's, some of the most scholarly work on Belknap genealogy was done by Commander Charles Belknap, U. S. Navy. I have examined his entries for Jonas and his carefully recorded notes of his sources. He found the date of the marriage, in Belchertown church records -- 17 January 1883. At that time, Jonas was on leave from the Army "to go to Belchertown, Mass." -- the only furlough recorded for him during the entire war.

In this connection perhaps I should say that I hope you will not use the incorrect record of the war service of Jonas, as set down by Glenn Evans. The correct record is on file at the national headquarters of the D. A. R. and many Belknaps have merely cited that record when joining the B. A. R. and the S. A. R. But if you feel it necessary to cite any other record, I suggest you mention Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, Vol. 1, pages 918 and 906.

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Here I should add that you have a double claim to D. A. R. membership, for Samuel Belknap, father of Jonas, enlisted on the same day as Jonas, May 3, 1775, in the same militia company, and was on Bunker Hill as Jonas was -- and died in camp at Cambridge the day after that battle. (He was not at Valley Forge, as said in a letter to me from Mrs. Jane Belknap, recently.)

Clinton Belknap's letter to you, fourth paragraph on page 2: He suggests you draw attention to the Parker genealogy, Parker in America, "if you have not already done so." Mrs. Jane Belknap has told me that the D. A. R. has refused to accept that book as evidence, regarding it merely as "family tradition." So I think I should tell you what I know about the passage in question, on page 459. To begin with, that book is a very poor piece of genealogical work; so I can't find fault with anyone who looks at it with skepticism. But I have good reason to feel certain that the list of the children of Esther Parker and Jonas Belknap, on its page 459, is absolutely accurate. Here are my reasons:

(1) I have in my possession a copy of an old family document which must have been written by someone who knew Esther, for it contains information that could not have come from anyone but Esther. This copy of that document ~~XXXXXXXX~~ tells the story of Esther's father as in Parker in America but with further detail about his career, which has been confirmed by facts in old records of Ontario County, N. Y., brought to light by research there during the past two years. It also gives precisely the same list of the children of Jonas and Esther.

(2) During the past two years, with the aid of a number of other persons, I have traced and verified the marriages of every one of the children named in Parker in America and in the old family document mentioned above. And no others have been found.

For your possible interest, perhaps I should add that this old family document of which I have a copy gives not merely the nicknames of Esther's brothers and sisters, as Parker in America does, but both their nicknames (as in that book) and also their christened names -- for example, "Pattie" was Martha and "Roxy" was Roxana. This is not an idle point. In the letter from the Belchertown, you will note, as confirmatory evidence, the names of two of Esther's sisters -- Roxana (Roxy) and Tabitha (Tabby). Those entries are merely examples of many records linking the two families together -- first at Belchertown and later in Ontario County, N. Y. . . . And perhaps for your own pleasure you will like to remember Esther as I do -- by the nickname she bore in her own family: "Easter." Library

In the copies of Henry Wyckoff Belknaps sheets for Jonas (sent to you by Clinton Belknap) you will note that he had the names of ~~many~~ only a few of the children of Jonas and Esther. From letters that he wrote between 1915 and 1920, it is plain that he knew there were other children and that he had the correct number of their children and was trying to trace the ones not yet in his records. This task, however, was one of those he was unable to complete when he reluctantly became curator of Essex Institute and found himself burdened with the duties of that office. (He never saw Parker in America, I am sure.)

Forgive the length of this letter. My reason for being so detailed and long-winded is that I know the difficulties often encountered in renewing an application that the D. A. R. has rejected -- and so I have wished to give you what information I can, to aid you, for I regard it as completely certain that you, like me, are a descendant of Jonas Newton Belknap.

Please feel free to use this letter in any way you wish -- and to ask me for any further help I may be able to offer.

Sincerely,

Carroll York Belknap:

6- ¹⁷⁵⁸ Jonas Belknap B- ~~Feb~~ Windsor, Conn
 M. Esther Parker (Lincoln) 1783
 She died 1817-18-

Children

- 1 Daniel 1784
- 2 Elijah 1785
- 3 Elisha B- 1789- (1787?) Catherine Barlinghouse
 married Lucy Finch
- 4 Jones 1786 M. Mary Barlinghouse
- 5 Orr
- 6 Jesse B 1790- M 1812 M. Jane Barlinghouse ¹⁷⁹²
- 7 Desannah B 1792 Samuel Barlinghouse
- 8 Esther
- 9 Cynthia Drantha → James Barlinghouse

7- ~~Elijah~~ Elisha Belknap B- 1-18- 1789
 Died D 1-8 1839
 M. Lucy Finch B 8-8 1782/23
 M. M 7-1- 1808
 D ~~8-8~~ 8-5-1845

Elisha Belknap died in Licking Co, Ohio
 Jan 8- 1839- Buried in St Albans
 Twp. Licking Co, Ohio was a family
 burial ground. most of the slabs were
 put in a pile and covered, but one
 still stands supported by fragments of
 others made to mark the spot

Belknap- Elisha d- Jan 8- 1839

"Age 51-yr 11m 21d

Taken from Old North west Genealogical
 Quarterly.

Lucy Finch Belknap - wife of
Elisha Belknap B - 88-1787

Died Aug 5 - 1845 - at her sons

Eli Belknap Malden, Ill -

Gravestone - N.W. Corner.

Elisha Belknap wife Lucy Finch Belknap

Children

Births

Lucy Belknap B.

7-5-1810

Elisha Belknap Jr B

10-25 1811

Delana Belknap B

9-14 1813

Henry Belknap B

5-8 1817

Eli B. Belknap B

4-11-1819

Richard Belknap B

4-1 1821

Maria Belknap B

1823

Deaths

Delana Belknap

D-11-1-1835

Elisha Belknap Jr

D 4-3 1875

Maria Masters

OK D 4-27-1878

Lucy Belknap

Feb 16 - 1887

D 10-27-1896

Eli Belknap

D 10-27 1896

Marriages

Elisha Belknap & Lucy Finch M. 7-1-1808

Lucy Belknap & Eliza Carney M 2-9-1829

Elisha Jr Belknap " Rosina Eastman M 5-11 1839

Henry Belknap Eleanor Carney M 9-30-1839

Richard W. Belknap Ann Bowen 9-16-1840

John Masters Maria Belknap 3-4 1841

Eli Belknap Mary Whitehead 7-3-1844

Taken from family book

Ranney - belonged to Edwin Belknap

son of Ep -

MEMO TO: Mrs. Milton R. Belknap (Copy to E. Clinton Belknap)
FROM: Carroll York Belknap

July 22, 1968

You said you hoped I could help you establish the line of descent from Jonas Newton Belknap. So I will try to tell you what I can about some chief known facts and about the essential problem that remains to be solved. I am sending a copy of this memo to Clinton in the hope that he can aid us; and also because one troublesome entry in the record is in his handwriting.

I suppose I must begin by saying that the problem lies in your records -- not in those in my files.

The facts of proven record, in my files (largely the result of detailed examination of Ontario County, N. Y. records by a competent searcher during the past twelve months) can be summarized concisely -- as far ~~xxx~~ concerns the parentage of the Elisha who *was* the son of Jonas Newton Belknap. *as*

(1) Jonas Newton B. resided in Ontario County from early 1796 (or earlier) till 1819. In 1800 he married and Esther Parker, his wife, and their young children lived at Honeoye in "the town of Richmond." ("Town" meaning an area, not a settlement.) In 1810 he was in the settlement then called Bristol, slightly east of Honeoye -- where on 5 Jan. 1810 he sold 100 acres. Later he was at Naples in the southern part of the county in 1818 -- and at Gorham in 1819 when he sold a property of 20 acres. In 1820 he was in Hardin County, Kentucky.

(2) In 1810 his son Samuel, who had married a Sarah -- (*possibly Jones*), died -- leaving her with two young daughters. In that same year, his sons Elijah and Elisha were living at Honeoye with their wives and young children.

(3) Elisha had married (*probably* about a year or so before 1810) Bettie Briggs. The 1810 Census shows them with one son "under 10". His name is not known. The Index of Town of Richmond Cemeteries, in the Honeoye *library* library, contains the following entry:

BELKNAP, Bettie -- Mrs. Elisha -- died May 1810 -- age 22, wife of Elisha Belknap, daughter of Moses and Deborah Briggs.

(4) In August 1812 and again in October 1812, Elisha -- then named as "of Gorham" -- bought and sold properties in that part of the county under circumstances that presuppose his physical presence there at that time.

I have discussed these and other recorded facts with the curator of the Greenwich Historical Society, who is also the secretary of the Greenwich chapter of the S. A. R. He agrees that this Elisha was certainly the son of Jonas Newton Belknap. He also agrees that it is virtually certain that the ~~XXXX~~ Elisha Belknap who died in Licking County in 1839 (shortly after my great grandfather Jesse and his ~~last~~ brother Jonas had left for Iowa) must have been the same Elisha that had been in Ontario County N. Y. His final comment, as secretary of the S. A. R. chapter: "Better evidence of parentage than we usually get."

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I should add one more bit of evidence -- though I regard it as of doubtful value. A HISTORY OF THE 1st PIONEER SETTLEMENT OF PHELPS AND GOREHAM PURCHASE, published in Rochester N. Y. in 1852, lists Elisha as one of the men who went to Kentucky when leaving Ontario County -- as did his brothers Jesse and Jonas. Though I distrust all such local histories except when they give specific and verifiable information, I think I should mention this point of difference with your records.

So the question is this: Was the ~~KNOW~~ Elisha from whom your husband was descended the Elisha who was the son of Jonas Newton Bellmap and Esther Parker?

The answer hinges on the authenticity of certain entries in your records, as transcribed by Clinton Bellmap:

- The date of 1 July 1808 for the marriage of your ~~KNOW~~ Elisha and Lucy Finch. (A note by Clinton says "in Ohio," but this is obviously not true.)
- The date of 5 July 1810 for the birth of that Elisha's son Lacy, and the place of birth as "Niagara County, N. Y."

Clinton's transcript of your records shows the following comment: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

"... dates of birth and deaths of ~~my~~ children and of Lucy, wife of Elisha, taken from family Bible in Kansas belonging to Edwin Bellmap, son of Eli (1819)."

It seems plain that if those entries in your records are correct, your Elisha cannot have been the ~~my~~ Elisha who was the son of Jonas Newton Bellmap.

So the hope is that you may find a way to locate proof of different dates for those entries. It is logical to assume that on the death of his wife Bettie in May 1810 the Elisha who was son of Jonas N., left with a young son, would remarry quickly -- but it would have to be at some time after May of that year. It is also possible that if he married Lucy Finch in July 1810 (not 1808) she was then pregnant, which would account for the birth of Lacy on 5 July 1810. I mention this possibility for the reason that there are instances, in the family records, of pre-dated records of marriages to conceal pre-marital pregnancy -- just as in any other family as large as ours. So the 1808 date for the marriage with Lucy Finch may be just an intentional falsification.

Now let me mention the encouraging facts -- though they are few.

Clinton's transcript of your records contains a note on Delana, indicating that you found her gravestone near Alexandria, in Licking County, Ohio, where a gravestone for Elisha son of Jonas Newton B. is on record. . . . To the best of my knowledge, the only Bellmaps in Licking County between about 1823 and 1839 were sons of Jonas Newton B. and their wives and children. It's quite possible that an Elisha, their brother, who had been in Niagara County N. Y. between 1810 and 1822 may have joined Jesse and Jonas and Orrin there after 1822. There is no known record of any other Bellmaps in that county, as far as I have found, in those years. Proof of residence of your Elisha's children in that county, in years from 1822 to 1839, would help you.

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Commander Charles Bellmap, U.S.N., whose work in the 1890's he deserves high respect, named Lucy Finch as wife of the Elisha who was son of Jonas Newton B. -- and named "Lacy, Henry, Ely" as their children. But he gave no dates, which makes the identification suspect -- yet he may have been right. I have not yet traced the source of those entries in his records.

The only other collection of Belknap genealogy that I have seen, with any mention of the marriage of Elisha and Lucy Finch, is the work done for Clinton and his brother by Glenn Evans — ~~whose~~ whose pages contain many examples of all the genealogical errors that can possibly be made. He gives the marriage date as 1808. I do not know where he got this date.

If your Elisha was not the son of Jonas Newton Belknap, who was he? I have to ask this question, because I cannot answer it.

As Clinton may have told you, I have access to all known collections of Belknap genealogy. The only other Elisha of that generation, in all these records, was born in 1781 in Framingham, Mass., and was living there in 1828 — so he can't be your man.

However, in the voluminous notes compiled by Henry Wyckoff Belknap, I find a brief pencilled notation which I interpret as indicating that on page 116 of Vol. III (or II?) of the Old Northwest Quarterly he found a record of the death of an Elisha, 1 March 1857. As you know, that publication covered several counties in the area around Columbus — including Licking, Delaware, and Franklin counties. You may wish to track down this clue. I do not know who that Elisha could have been.

Elisha has been a very rare name, in the Belknap family — as far as the records show. So rare, indeed, that I find it difficult to believe that in any one generation there could have been two Elishas anywhere near each other.

So I'm as eager as you are, to clear up this bit of confusion. Thus far, we've been able to trace the marriages (and in most cases the children) of all of the children of Jonas Newton B. and Esther Parker — except taking Elisha beyond his marriage to Bettie Briggs. If there is anything that Clinton and I can do, to aid you, I'm sure that both of us will gladly do it.

(NOTE TO CLINTON: I've just received, from an unexpected source, what seems to be convincing confirmation of the marriage of Cynthia and Isaac Newton. I'll try to get full details.)

D.A.R. Lineage Register Vol 156, P-89.

Florence Starr Turner Elsey, File # 155276.

- (1) Jonas Belknap
b. Windsor, Ct Married Esther Parker
- (2) Jesse Belknap Married, 1812, Jane Garlinhouse, b. 1792
b. 1792
- (3) Talitha Cumei Belknap Married 1840, Samuel Fletcher Starr (1820-1857)
b. 1824
d. 1906
- (4) Elisabeth Starr Married, 1859, Garrison Turner (1838-1916)
b. 1841
- (5) Florence Starr Turner Married George W. Elsey
b. Monroe Oregon

Elisha (7) 1789; Elisha (8) 1811; Charles (9) 1844.

CHARLES BELKNAP (9)	MARRIED	HARRIETT LOVINA AVERY
b. 1849 Alexandria, O	1870	b. 1848 near Granville, Ohio
d. 1874 ..	Granville, O.	

(10) CHILDREN

Harriett	Mar. 1889 James P. Beatty; res. Claremont Va.
Charles Henry 1872-	Mar. Nellie Hill; res. Columbus, O.
Bellie Hattie 1873-	Mar. James T. Kirk; res.

(James Pollock Beatty & Harriett Belknap Beatty had a daughter Margaret Avery Beatty, born New London, North Carolina, 1891 and who later lived at Granville Ohio)

Ref: (The Groton-Avery Clan)

Mrs. Belknap: Here are a couple of leads for you)

Glen Evans.

Would be glad to receive the Vermont data you offered, and to hear if you had a reply to the Kansas Belknaps At Pittsburg.

2019 Harwood Street
Lincoln, Nebraska
June 9, 1968

To : Carroll Y. Belknap, Riverside, Conn.
From : E. Clinton Belknap

THANK YOU so very much for so promptly furnishing me the copies of the HWB records for which I had asked.

I am at this time forwarding summaries and certain other data garnered from the files of Mrs. Jane Belknap, widowed wife of Milton Ray Belknap, 4615 Ovid Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, who claims to be a descendant of Elisha, brother of your Jesse and My Elijah. Jane is 74 but very alert and interested in the family history. She started out, as did I, with the Glen Evans influence but has informed me that she has been doing considerable work on her own. For the past two or three weeks she has been in Frankfort, Kentucky, where she has been looking up information on her own Arnold family and also trying to glean more information concerning Jonas Newton. One of her sons, Donald, is a Regional Official with the Division of Social and Rehabilitation Services of the Department of Health Education and Welfare, Kansas City, Missouri. His speciality is Research and Statistics. Another son, Raymond, lives in Terrace Park, Ohio.

I have transposed her records, just as she has them, to family record sheets, and am sending you a copy of each together with certain other material from her files which may be of interest. As I indicated to you in my last memo, I found the record from The Old Northwest Genealogical Quarterly of interest in possibly establishing Elisha's birth date as 1787 and his date of death as January 8, 1839.

Should you care to contact Mrs. Jane Belknap directly for any reason, please feel free to do so. I have already informed her of your identity, interest and activity relating to the Belknap records.

My wife, Mildred, and I are leaving this Wednesday morning to be out of the city for a week or ten days after which time I will be writing you further.

CB.

Jane Belknap has done much volunteer work with her church and in dressing dolls for the mentally retarded children. She is reputed to be an international authority on antique dolls.

CB.