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*Belknap*

THIRD CLASS MAIL

**DO NOT FOLD**  
**OR BEND**

Possible

Chn of 1st wife  
11-16, b 1797 or 1798 before 1700-  
10-16, b 1784 to 1790  
1 " " "  
16-16, b 1774 to 1784

1 day

1797	1795
1790	1790
1788	1788
1784	<del>1784</del>

about 1784

∴ m 1783

∴ b 1763 - 1761

b not later than 1763  
more likely 1761 or 1762

Suppose m 16-26  
was a fixed man

then 1st m abt 1787

∴ b 1767 = 83 in 1850

to 1765 = 85 in 1850

age in 1800

(33 to 35)

X

Possible June m 1798

James 330 (161)  
R alt 1767?

unknown son of 162

1407

his entire file of Belknap material on other matters, so that I could make copies



Seema  
J. Othy

Horace  
20 24 34 36 53 64 85 86?  
65

Jonathan (p. y. Samuel + Mary M)  
Had 55 Horace + Jesse | b in 1800's

Abel s/vy Abel & Stedman  
settles in Buckingham, Wayne Co Pa  
m(2) Betty Homan & Minisink

200 26  
1 son 10-14 NO  
1 dau 10-14 NO

PO Autumn Leaves

Oldest child Susan  $\frac{1}{2}$  20 in 1800 ~~7 1/2~~

	Age 1800	Born	Father Married
min.	16	1754	1783
max	26	1774	1773

	Father's age at m.	Age at m.	Age in 1800
<del>min.</del> min	22	1768	89
max	22	1758	99

Dad -

Friday

Could I have  
12 at your  
convenience?

Thanks

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M 2410 1 16/16 1 16/16  
F 1 10/16

2 410 R.

min 1800 - 10 - 1790 - 6 - 1784

max 1791 - 7 - 1784 - 10 - 1774

mid 1795 - 8 - 1787 - 8 - 1779

2410

1 R 1799 or 1800

1 R 1791 to 1798 (before Nov)

2 410-16 1 R <sup>alt</sup> 1790 (2)  
1 R before 1790 (1788?)

1 16-26 1 R 1784(2)

Hence 17m in 1783

of them 22 = R 1761 (89 in 1850)

1 ch 410 of Susan

4 ch of it wife - 1 to 11

~~1 R 1798 or 1799~~

410 1 R 1797 or 1788 (before Nov)

416 1 R 1786 1796

1 R 1784 1794

416 1 R 1782 1782

m in 1781

~~89 in 1850~~

R in 1759

91 in 1850

12/29/75

TX div	XXXXX
	100.00
WG div	42.50
AEF div	100.00
NNG div	88.00
SS	390.00
DLA	533.02
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4.10  
18.11  
16.21

Luis 20  
Jose 19  
~~Jose~~  
Jra

June 17

Swans p. 57  
N. Carleton VT  
Orange Co, NY 1820  
Cayuga Co NY  
Montgomery Co N  
NE, Erie Co Pa

For  $\theta = 180^\circ = 50^\circ$  in  $1850$

the other  $\theta = 1761 = 39^\circ$  in  $1800$

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	Frances L.	2 m	
130	Jas E. Belknap	30 m	Farmer
	Mary	37 f	
	Edwin	13 m	
	John	11 m	
	Nathl E.	10 m	
	Harriett M.	3 f	
131	John Belknap	47 m	Farmer
	Olive	38 f	
	Jas	19 m	Farmer
	Lewis G.	16 m	
	Franklin G.	12 m	
	Edmond G.	8 m	
	Cesse	4 m	
	Harro Bartow	67 m	Labourer
	Mary Vandenburg	14 f	
✓	Cesse Belknap	67 m	Farmer
✓	Susan	67 f	
132	Mrs W. Snow	27 m	Blacksmith
	Ellen G.	27 f	
	Francis W.	7 m	



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January 25, 1976

Mr. Carroll York Belknap  
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Dear Mr. Belknap:

Thank you for your recent letter. I do hope that you will be able to eventually identify Jesse Belknap and his wife Susan (Eldred). I am sending what further information I have on this couple.

- (1) 1800 Census of Orange County, New York. This was copied from the January issue, 1932, of the New York Gen. & Biog. Record. You will notice that he has a large family living with him although he was only married two years before in 1798.
- (2) I am also sending a copy of the 1850 Census of Clinton Twp, Wayne County, Pennsylvania which shows Jesse and Susan living with their two sons, James E. Belnap and John Belknap. James was born about 1800 and John about 1803.

I found the marriage date of Jesse and Susan in a printed edition of the Church Records of the Goshen Presbyterian Church but as the other sources also give his name as Jesse, I believe that this was his correct name. There are references in the deeds of Wayne County of Nathaniel Eldred (a brother of Susan) deeding land to Jesse Belknap. I have been unable to find any record of the death of Jesse Belknap or Susan Belknap.

This is about all the information that I have on this family. I suspect that he may have had a brother named Horace as a Horace Belknap also moved to Wayne County and named one of his sons Jesse.

Cordially,

*Richard C. Eldred*

Richard O Eldred from CYB

30 Jan 1976

Thanks for additional information in your letter 25 Jan.

(1) CENSUS 1800 -- If we regard the figures as showing members of Jesse's own family, we may be able to construe a picture of the man we are trying to identify. One plausible reconstruction goes like this:

or a little earlier

We are looking for a man who was born about 1760 -- married his first wife about 1782 -- had ~~four~~ (possibly five) children born by her before she died about 1797 -- remarried promptly, 1798, to provide a mother for an infant son -- had (possibly) a son by the second wife in 1799 or 1800 -- and would have been at least 80 years old in 1850.

~~But~~

I hold no brief for this hypothetical picture. It's just an example of a first step in trying to decide where to look. Perhaps you will suggest other possibilities. I think you will find that any sort of reconstruction will produce a man who was 80 to 89 years old in 1850, if still living.

The probable birthdate of 1760 or a bit earlier suggests that he was not born in NY unless a descendant of the Newburgh Belknaps. So we search in New England for someone who might have been his father.

(2) The probable age in 1850 casts doubt on the identification of the Jesse shown in 1850 Census Wayne County, Pa. And I have other reasons for questioning that identification, on the basis of my records of Belknaps known to be in that county 1800-1850.

So I have to ask more questions:

- Do you have evidence that the Jesse and Susan in Wayne County were the ones who married at Goshen? Or are you relying on similarity of names?
- What evidence do you have that the Goshen family had sons James E and John, born about 1800 and about 1803?
- What is the reference to a Wayne Co deed, Nathaniel Eldred to Jesse Belknap? Have you a copy of this deed? Or an abstract? If not, do you know its date of execution? (Not the date of recording)
- What information do you have about the Horace in Wayne County? What is the source of it?

Please forgive persistent questions. I have to ask them.

16 January 1976

Mr Richard O Eldred  
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Dear Mr Eldred:

I regret to say that I have found no trace of the Jesse Belknap who married Susanna Eldred 3 Nov 1798 at Goshen Presbyterian Church. Neither my records of some 4500 Belknaps nor the records of all other major compilers of Belknap genealogy show this Jesse nor an Eldred marriage.

So for the moment I must add their names to the file of unidentified persons. But in past years I have rescued many names from that file. I can hope that these names, too, will someday be traced. Perhaps you can help me make a beginning, if you can answer two questions:

(1) Do you have any further information on this couple? . . . Names of children: their birthplaces; other descendants; their places of residence -- anything at all that might provide clues that I can follow.

(2) What is the source of your information about this marriage? Did you get it, yourself, from the church register? Or did it come through some secondary source? That is to say, how good is the record you sent to me?

My reason for asking this second question is my hope that somewhere along the line an error may have been made in copying the name "Jesse Belknap" and that actual inspection of the church register might yield a different first name, which I might find in my files.

You see, the name "Jesse" in that locality at that date is a bit puzzling. Any Belknap found in that area in that year is ordinarily assumed -- quite soundly -- to have been a member of the very large Belknap families at Newburgh and New Windsor. No other Belknaps are known to have been in that part of New York at that time. But none of the Newburgh families ~~are~~ known to have used the name "Jesse" at any time.

On the other hand, the two branches in which the name "Jesse" was used -- between 1739 and 1850 -- were never in Orange County or anywhere near it.

So "Jesse" in Goshen in 1798 is a striking anomaly -- and I hope it is an error.

Cordially,

DELLA from CYB

18 Feb 1976

Another cry for help@

Can you identify??

Coshon Presbyterian Church, Coshon, NY: Jesse Belknap m Susanna Eldred,  
1932 m 3 Nov 1798

NYG&B Record, Vol 63, p 85: Federal Census 1800, Orange County NY:

Jesse Belknap M 2-1-1-1-0 F 0-1-1-0-0

This publication in the Record was a correction or addition to the government version of that census. You won't find this Jesse in the standard Index for that census.

Evans, his p 57, identified this Jesse as your ancestor, pyeeking under residence, "Orange County, NY, 1800", without regard to the dissimilar list of children and the fact that your Jesse was shown at Rome NY inn that census. If my memory is

The request for identification came to me from Richard O Eldred, of Nyack, NY. Right.

He believes that this couple are the Jesse and Susan Belknap shown in the 1850 census of of Wayne County, Pa.

To me, the marriage looks like a second marriage of a widower./ So, query: Do you have a record of a Jesse whose wife died about 1797 or a year or so earlier?

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8 January 1976

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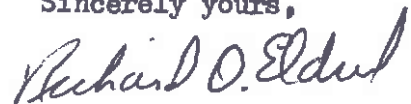
Dear Mr. Belknap:

I am searching for information on the family of Jesse Belknap of Orange County, New York. Your name as an expert on the Belknap families was given to me by Mr. E. Clinton Belknap of Lincoln, Nebraska.


Would you have any information on Jesse Belknap who married Susanna Eldred on 3 November 1798 at the Goshen Presbyterian Church, Goshen, New York? She was the daughter of Elisha and Mary (Hulse) Eldred of Minisink, Orange County, New York. I would appreciate any information you might be able to share with me on this family.

I have enclosed a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,



Richard O. Eldred





[Jan.

1932.]

Federal Census, 1800.

Under 10  
10-16  
16-26  
26-45  
45-7  
Under 10  
10-16  
16-26  
26-45  
45-7  
Slaves

NAMES OF HEADS OF FAMILIES	I	II	III	IV	V	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII
Samuel Mather	1			1		2				1		
Henry Horton	2			1		1		2	1			
John Ferguson			1	1		1		1				
George Oldfield	1		1		1		1	1	1			4
Isaac Corey	1	1			1				1			
Thomas Benjamin				1		1	1	1		1		
John Gould	2	1		1		3			1			
Jonathan Shepherd		1		1	1	3	2		1	1	1	
Joseph Kimber	3		1	1		1	1	1				
John Rogers	1		1	1		1			1			
Reuben Cash		1		1		3		1				
Mary Edwards				1					1			
Andrew Kimber	1	1	1			1		1		1		
Jacob McCurdy	3			1					1	2		
John Mather, Jun.	1			1		3		1				
Samuel Whitehead			1			1		1				
Sarah Howell		1	1					2		1		
John S. Ketcham	1			1		1			1			
Silas Stewart	1		3		1		1	1		1		
Luther Stewart		1			1	2			1			
Alexander Jackson	1				1			2	1			
Anne Poppino						1			1			
Elizabeth Green	1		2	1		1	1	1				
Elijah Welles		1		1		2	1		1			
James Canfield			1		2			1				
Charles Dorland	1	1	1	1				1				
Israel Hallock, Jun.	3	1	1	1				1				
Israel Hallock					1				1			
Elisha Hallock	1			1		2			1			
John Hallock		1	1		1		1	1		1		
Phineas Parshall		1			2	1			1			
Richard Welles	2	2		1		2				1		
Isaac Decker ye 3d	3	1	2		1	2	1	1	1			
Benjamin Smith			1	1	1	1		1	1		1	
Samuel Seely				1					1			
Benjamin Smith, Jun.	2			1		1		1	1			
Phineas Howell		1	1		1			1		2		
Ephraim Bailey	1		1		2			1				
Samuel Reed	2		1					1				
Abigail Duncan	1				1	1			1			
Robert Hunter		1			1			1				
James Clark ye 3d	1	1			1	2	1	2	1	1		
Richard Wood	2			1				1				
Daniel Cooley	4			1		2	1		1			
Jesse Halstead	2			1		2		1				
Nathaniel Bailey, Jun.	2			1		4	2		1			
Joseph Reed	1			1						2		
Samuel Tooker	2	1		1		1			1			
Zachariah Young	2	1	1	2					1			
Daniel Fullerton		1		1		1			1	1		2
James Thompson		1	2					1				
Matthias Keen	2					2		1				
Abraham Bennett	3	2		1		3	1		1			
Elias Bailey			1						1			
Aaron Clark		1			1	1			1			
Ezekiel Ward					1			1		1		
Benjamin Carpenter, Jun.	2		1		1	1		1	1			
William Pepper	2				1	1	1		1			
Isaac Carpenter		1				1		1				1
Peter Mills		2	2		1					1		
Matthias Kane	1			1				1				
Hallaway Stevens	2			1		2		1				
John Willson	2				1	1	1		1			
Peter Mills, Junr.	3			1		1			1			

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James Mills	2			1				1				
Daniel Finch	2			1				1				
Carman Carpenter	1	1	1	1	1			1	1			
Jonathan Tuthill	2			1				1	1	1		
Daniel Alvertson	2		1	1		3		1	1			
Elihu Cary	1		1	1		3	1	1				
John Garrison	3	1	1		1	1	2	2	1	1		
Jacob Thorn	3	2	1		1			1		1		
Samuel Raymond		1			1		1		1			
David Raymond	2			1		1				1	1	
Nathaniel Cooley			1		2			1				
Barnabas Casterlin	3				2			1				
Sabra Wakeman	3	1			1		1	1	1	1		
John Rich	3		1					1				
Samuel Canfield	1		1					1				
James Canfield	3			1					1			1
Moses Williams	2	1	1	1		2		1				
Samuel Dalsen		1	1		1			2		1		
Christian Schultze	1		2	1		1	1		1	1		
Josiah Vail		3	1			1		2		1		
Margaret Hultz	2	2		1			2					
William Little			2			1		2				
Nathan Hultz	1		1		1	2	3			1		
James Reeve	4	1		1		1						
Jonathan Ogden			2					1				
John L. Wood	2	1	1	1				1	1	1		1
Jesse Belknap			2	1				1		1		
James Dalsen		2	1	1		2	1		1			
John Bradner			1	1		1			1			
David Cooley, Jun.			1		1					1		
David Cooley	1				1			1				
Joseph Canfield		2		1		2	2		1			
Nathaniel G. Welles			1			1		1	1	1		
David Mills	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1			
Asa Dalsen	1	2	1		1	4	2		1			
Nathan Arnaught				1		4				1		
John Ellis				1		1				1		
David Allen		1			1	1	1	2		1		
Ezra Winter	1	1		1		3			1	1		
Ezekiel Ward, Jun.		1				2			1			
Rachel Van Scoit	2			1		1			1	1		
Richard Hultz		2			1	1				1		
Daniel Ward			1			2			1			
Anthony Clark			1		1	1	2					
Jonathan Bailey		1	1		1	1			1			
Isaac Sergeant				1		1				1		
Gilbert Terry	2		1	1		3			1	1		
Benjamin Howell	1	1	1			1						
Daniel Dunning			1			1			1			
Isaac Schultze			1						1			
James Wood		2		1		3			1	1		
Absolam Stillwell		1	2	1		2	1			1		1
William Pellet	2	2	1	1						1		
Obadiah Pellet	3		1	1		1	1		1			
Abraham Dunning	2			1		2	2		1	1		
Uriah Terry			2		1				1		1	
Michael Dunning					1				1			
Jane Bergher	2	1		1		2			1			
Absolam Bergher			1	1		1				1		
John Ketcham	1	1	1		1					1		
Norris Wickham	1			1		2			1	1		
Moses Overton									1			
Martha Clark	2					2	1		2	1		1
Michael Jackson	1	2	2	1								

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