

	Joseph	Wm	Sons of Joseph				Sons of John			
			Daniel	Ag	Jonathan	John	John Jr	Thomas	Elijah	John III
1756 - French & Indian War	x	x		x		x				
1762 Petition signers	x	x								
1764 - " "	x	x	x			x	x			
1775-77 - Rev War service			x			x	x			
1781 - Jonathan joined church					x					
1782 - Petition signers		x								
1782 - Jonathan baptized					x					
1782 - Taxpayers		x	x		x	x		x		
1783 - Householders		x			x	x	x			
1784 - Town officers		x								
1784 - Birth John III, 12 Apr							x			x
1785 - Lavina joined church(Brimfield)							x			
1788 - Birth Forris							x			
1790 - Census		x				x				
1790 - Marriage of Thomas & birth 1st child						x		x		
1791 - Marriage of Elizabeth (Betsy) & Birth 1st child						x		x		
1793 - Taxpayers		x	x			x			x	
1793 - Lavina dismissed from B church to Holland							x			
1794 - Marriage of Elijah (Peru)									x	
1798 - Property owners		x								
1800 - Census		x								
1800 - John probably living with Wm						x				
1800 - Wm's last yr as town officer	x									
1812 - Taxpayers -- none										
1812 -- War of 1812 service -- none										
1812 -- J Sherman appointed administrator of John's estate						x				
1820 -- William died at Clinton N Y	x									
(His wife, Anna Burke, also said to have died there)										

NOTES:

- Lavina, wife of John Jr, died before 25 Nov 1795, place not known.
- Not appearing in this record: Joseph, son of John, born 12 April 1755.
- List of John's heirs, 24 July 1812, names only children; so wife Elizabeth died before then. (He died intestate.)
- At time of death, John was probably living with his oldest daughter Eunice: wife of Jeremiah Sherman, who was administrator of his estate.
- John's death occurred at Holland, probably not long before 13 Feb 1812.
- William was a town officer in all but four years in period 1784-1800. Statement by Holland Town Clerk in 1934, that William "left here in 1787" was obviously incorrect.



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Elizabeth Belknap m Rinaldo Webber

3 April 1784

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Annah ~~X~~ 6 Oct 1784 m 29 Nov 1804 Benjamin Fay

Arsenal b 25 Oct 1787 (1789)

Julius b 19 May 1790 (1791)

m ——— Sherman

Lucena D. m. <sup>1798</sup> Amasa Anderson  
or Lurwey  
Melzo

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Wm

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1827 Elbridge Gerry Fuller bought the  
Wm Belknap homestead

Tom Clark Holland

Wm Belknap 1786-7-8 1790-1-2-3

v. v. on School Committee 1784

Town Treasurer - 1799

Selectman - 1784, 1787, 8, 1790 1795  
1797-8 1800

Lovering p. 315

Rev War - Men in Capt May's Co Col Leonard's Regt  
John Belknap I Private Payroll 6 May 1777

Men from Wales

Daniel Belknap

John " Jr II

John " I

~~John I~~  
~~Daniel~~  
~~John Jr~~  
~~John~~

In Capt Moulton's Co

John Belknap Jr II

Daniel

Port of S. Springfield  
Pot

French & Indian War

1756 Capt Joseph Rodd's Co - also shown in Moulton's Co  
Joseph Belknap - Port

1756 Asa B. Port in Capt Davis's Co -

John B

Minutemen's Co (John I)

Moulton's Co

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Elizabeth B & Daniel Farnett

Erasmus 13 Sept 1791

① Loveness, pp 465

Joseph d. 20 July 1788  
Grudene d. 1 Jan 1780

Ch: w<sup>m</sup> m "Elizabeth Mc Stall 17 Nov 1761  
John, Rev Soldier m Levine 27 March 1766  
Jora Chan  
David, Rev Soldier

w<sup>m</sup> + Anna Burke  
Elizabeth & 31 March 1767 m <sup>3 Apr 1784</sup> ~~Rinaldo~~ <sup>Wetter</sup>  
Rizimah & 20 Apr 1769  
Anarella & 24 July 1771 m Thomas  
Chapman 30 Nov 1797

Elfreda & 16 June 1773 m David Anderson  
Callista & 8 Aug 1775 m Moses Chanin  
Lucena & 27 Sept 1777 m <sup>19 Nov 1795</sup> ~~Amase~~ Anderson  
Morris, & 25 June 1780 m <sup>1798</sup> ~~March~~

m (1) Irene James, 27 Nov 1766

1 March  
1798

24 Feb 1794  
5 March 1817

John Anderson Jr



② Learning p 465

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John m Levine —  
ca John (from will dated 10 Feb 1812) 12 Apr 1784  
Joseph  
Thomas m Charles Hubbard Int. 8 Aug 1790

Sylvia m Leopold Lutz 28 Aug 1794 ②

Abigail m Wm James

Eunice m Jeremiah Sherman  
Prudence

Betsy m Daniel Burnett 10 Feb 1791

Catharine - 12 Aug 1788 } Twins  
7000 is 12-12

Levine 4 Apr 1786

Jonathan m — Rpt + Aug 1782

Mary Rpt 8 Sept 1782

Kate

Oliver

Lois

③ Loving p466 (Avery Holland)  
Elyak in thankful love 1 Apr 1794 (7)  
Minerva 2 Apr 27, 1795 19

Callister Moses Graham

252 Anson b 9 April 1797  
(118) Electa b 19 Feb 1799

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P. 261 - marriages

248(118) X Rinaldo Webster and Elizabeth Beltramp, m. Apr. 8, 1784  
262 - X Daniel Burnett, Jr., and Elizabeth Beltramp, both of Holland  
Int. June 6, 1790. married Feb 16, 1791

262 - Thomas Beltramp of Holland and Chloe Humbard  
of Brimfield, Int. Aug 8, 1790, married

264 - X David Anderson of Brimfield and  
257(118) Elfreda Beltramp of Holland  
Int. Sept 15, 1793 married Nov. 7, 1793

264 - Elijah Beltramp and Thankful Latt, both  
of Holland, Int. Aug 3, 1794.  
married Sept 7, 1794

264 - X Moses Graham and Calista Beltramp  
252(118) both of Holland, Int. Oct 18, 1785  
married Nov 19, 1798

265 - X Thomas Chapman of Ashford, Conn.

256(118) and Annmarilla Beltramp

Int Apr 2 1797 m. Nov 30, 1797

265 - X Amasa Anderson and Lucena Beltramp, both  
253(118) of Holland Int. Jan 21, 1798  
m March 1, 1798

[See pp. 266 ff for possible marriages  
of children of X's]

[None found]

Lovering - 1st Holland

P. 465 Joseph Belmap m Prudence Morris she died  
Jan 7, 1780, & died July 20, 1788

Children

William m Elizabeth McNall, Nov 17, 1762

John, Rev soldier, m. Levine [Error, CB]

Jonathan

Daniel, a Rev soldier

William Belmap m (1) Elizabeth McNall Nov 17, 1762  
m. Anne Burke, March 27, 1766

~~248~~ Elizabeth, b Mar 31, 1767 m Rinaldo Webber  
Apr 8 1784

~~Rizimah~~, b Apr 20 1769

~~Amarilla~~, b July 24, 1771 m Thomas Chapman  
Nov 30 1797

~~251~~ Elphaba, b June 16, 1773 m David Anderson

~~252~~ Callista, b Aug 8, 1775 m Moses Graham

~~253~~ Lucena, b Sept 27, 1777 m Amasa Anderson  
Mar, 1798

Morris, b June 25, 1780



Loving Hist Adams

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Wm James b Oct 3 1758 m Abigail

Reverend of Holland d. Apr 28, 1827

or

✓ Sophia b Feb 15, 1782 m (1) Jacob Sherman (d. Dec 29, 1849)  
of Holland (2) John Bond

(Abigail) Abner, Sept 16, 1783 (m Mary -) (? c. 43)

(Sophia) ✓ Sophia, Aug 14, 1785 m Bezalael Sherman

✓ Dexter, Nov 13, 1787 move to Va. d Oct 3, 1813

(Mehit) ✓ Hannah, mch 19, 1790 m Mr. Putnam

✓ Betsey Jan 27, 1792 d Feb 3, 1816

✓ Orvil, July 8, 1794 d Oct 23, 1824

Norman, Apr 29, 1796 d. Oct 13, 1798

Eudocia Sept 20, 1798, d. Apr 11, 1876

Harriet, Dec 1800, d Nov 22, 1865

Not in  
Brinfield  
VR  
books

✓  
(Brinfield)  
VR

(Brinfield VR)  
d. Nov. 24, 1824  
(Brinfield VR)  
d. Oct 13, 1798

Lovering

Visit Holland

son of John Anderson & Mary Wight [83]

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~~253~~  
(118)

Amasa Anderson, m 1798 Lucene Belthap

ch. Lurvey  
Melzo

BUR (d. May 6, 1801)

(13)

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David Anderson, b. Feb. 24, 1744, d. March 5, 1817

Son of John Anderson & Mary

~~251~~  
(118)

m. (1) Irene Jones Nov 27, 1766

(2) Elfreda Belthap [Nov 7, 1793 ch]

ch. 2nd wife

p. 466  
or 1792

both  
yrs in  
Lovering

Pay Irene  
ch

Hyman, b Apr 2, 1789 m Betsey Adams

Amanda, b Sept 17, 1799  
(Zimri, son, b Apr 24, 1795)

yes. do shown in p. 431

ch

1793 probably  
the correct one ch

~~248~~ (118)  
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Rinaldo Webber (son of Henry)

m Elizabeth Belthap of Holland Apr 3, 1784

ch. Anna b Oct 6, 1784 m ~~Nov 29~~ Nov 29 1804

Benjamin Fay

Arsenal b Mar 25, 1787 (1789)

Julius b May 29, 1790 m — Sherman  
(1791)

See  
p. 287  
in dates

[mo.]



Lowering Hist Holland

Baptisms

289 Jonathan Beltray Aug 4, 1782

290 Lyman Anderson B. 7 said May 24, 1789

Deaths

293 Prudence Beltray, w of Joseph Jan 7, 1780

293 Joseph Beltray July 20, 1788

Lovering  
p. Record of Births from Book No. 9 Town Records  
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Anderson, David and (1) Irene, (2) ~~Elizabeth~~ <sup>Electa</sup> Beetsmap  
Lynan Apr. 21, 1789 [by (1) CB] ~~251~~ (118)  
Almaunda, Sept. 1799 by (2)

266 Beetsmap, Elijah and Thewygal Lora  
Minerva, Apr. 27, 1795 [8 mo. CB]

277 - Beetsmap John and Levine  
[See other note]

277 Burnett, David and Elizabeth Beetsmap  
Erasmus, Sept 13, 1791 [7 mo. CB]

279 Graham, Moses and Calista Beetsmap  
Anson, Apr 9, 1797 ~~252~~ (118)  
Electa, Feb 19, 1799

287 - Walker, ~~Leather & Lar~~ <sup>Rinaldo</sup> and Elizabeth Beetsmap  
Anna Oct 6 1784 [7 mo. CB] ~~248~~ (118)  
Arsenal March 25, 1789  
Julius, May 19, 1791

Correct  
dates



Lorena 1st Holland ~~Jonathan~~

p. 465 Jonathan Belmap m —  
he was baptized Aug 4 1782

Ch. Mary, baptized Sept 8, 1782

Kate ✓

Oliver ✓

Lois ✓

~~Thomas~~  
p. 466 Thomas Belmap m Elizabeth Lombard Int Aug 8, 1790  
~~Eliza~~

Elizabeth m. Thos Lombard Sept 7, 1794

Minerva b. Apr 27, 1795 [8 mo]

~~Callista~~ Callista Belmap m Moses Graham

OR Anson, b. Apr 9, 1797

Electa, b. Feb 19, 1799

Elfreda Belmap m David Anderson

(251) (118)

Nov 7, 1792

✓ 1793 ✓ OK  
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Springfield Family

Lydia? from Springfield VR

Lumbar, Chosey 2 of Joseph and Lydia  
Clue  
6 March 1768  
m. Thomas Bertrop 26 Aug 1790

marriage

James, Nabby Jr & Joseph Lumbar 3rd, 7 Dec 1800

Births James, Children of William <sup>James</sup> & Abigail Bertrop  
Abigail 5 Wm & Abigail 16 Sep 1783 (2)

Betsy 27 Jan 1792 (6)

Sofia 15 Feb 1787 (1)

Dexter 13 Nov 1787 (4)

Hannah 14 March 1790 (5)

Sofia 14 Aug 1785 (3)

Norman died 13 Oct 1798 in R

Orvil (Orval) died 24 Nov 1824 and 31 or 32 (E 1792 or 1793) (7)  
1753

marriage 253 (18)

Kueena Bertrop of Holland & Anna Anderson of B. 1 May 1798

Martha of Hopkinton & Charles Collis of R.  
int. 19 Oct 1845



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Rinaldo Walker

son of Henry Walker  
+ Hannah Starnes (Stearns)  
of Holliston, Mass

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(118)

& —

m 3 Apr 1784 Elizabeth Barker

1 Anna b 6 Oct 1780 m 29 Nov 1804 Benjamin Fay

~~Anna~~

2 Arsenal b. 25 March 1787

3 Julius b. 19 May 1790 m. — Sherman

Jeremiah Sherman son of David Sherman

b 12 June 1751

m 26 Nov 1787 Sumner + Punters  
(Lumpkin  
interior)

OK

The Drimfuls VR

213 + 238

Abigail + Daniel Thompson  
(no date)

161 + 246

VR  
Brinfield  
213

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Sumner  
Lumbard  
+ Gona [un]  
Chapin  
30 Nov 1797

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may have  
been E beam  
11 Oct. 1772

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~~Brooks~~  
~~W/S~~



# TUMBARD

## Thomas + Lois

- 5 Absalom 21 Sept 1757
- 7 Azubah 11 March 1759
- 8 Eunice 25 Nov 1761
- 10 Eunice 11 Oct 1772
- 9 Gideon 13 Sept 1764
- 2 Lois 8 Aug 1748
- 1 Lydia 15 July 1746
- 3 Thomas 26 March 1751
- 4 Zippora 17 Nov 1753

## Thomas

Absalom bp 8 Oct 1756  
Eunice bp 19 Sept 1772

must be same  
as above -

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Elfreda B + David Anderson

251  
(118)

ch

~~Lyman~~ 21 April 1789 by 11 June

Almenda 17 Sept 1799

" Record of births from ~~to~~ Book No. 9 Town Records

~~to~~ P 277

Belmer

John + Levine

ce

John 12 April 1784

Levine 5 April 1786

Catherine 12 ~~22~~ Aug 1788

Jovis 22 Aug 1788

twins



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Wm James b 3 Oct 1758 d. 31 Dec 1841  
m Abigail Beerney of Holland. She d. 28 April 1827

Ch. Cathia 15 Feb 1782 m (1) 29 Dec 1801, Jacob  
Sherman of Holland (2) John Fox

Abm, 16 Sept 1783, d. 11 May 1859, m 23 April 1812  
Mary Bliss

Sophia, 14 Aug 1785 m Benjamin Sherman

Dexter 13 Nov 1787 moved to Va. d. 3 Oct 1813

Hannah 19 March 1790 m — Putnam

Betsy — ~~Betsy~~ 27 Jan 1792 d 3 Feb 1816

Orril 8 July 1794 d 23 Oct 1824

Norman 29 April 1796 d 13 Oct 1798

Eudoxia 25 Sept 1798 d 11 April 1876

Houliet 13 Dec 1800 d 22 Nov 1865

Carroll y. Belknap

Beltoft Cest - St. Martin's  
Church, Stamford, Lincolnshire.  
"Gentleman's Magazine Library,"  
Topographical History of Leicestershire,  
Lincolnshire, Middlesex, Monmouth-  
shire, 1896.



6740 1/2 Franklin Place  
Hollywood, California 90028

January 7, 1971

Dear Mr. Belknap:

Thank you for your letter, and the copy of the deed of Timothy to Eli Belknap. I shall have to take more time with this, before I can give an opinion.

In a note made by my grandfather, Dr. Sylvester M. Sherman of Columbus Ohio, is the information that "Fors' Belknap had brothers, David, Eli, and Timothy." No source for this statement given.

[Lucretia, daughter of John and Lenna (Brook) Hinde, was born Sept. 28, 1770.  
I have no date for John Hinde's death. nor do I know what became of Lucretia. Since Fors named a daughter, Lucretia Wiercamps Belknap, I wonder if it was not for his half-sister, who might have married a Wiercamps?

If I could find a settlement of John Hinde's estate, this might

help.

I have no date, nor location for marriage of John, Jr. and Lervina (Brook) Hinde.

It seems that John Sr. and John, Jr. both had short service in the Revolutionary War.

At the home of the Revolution Library, (which has recently moved, and is not open to the public, yet), I saw the publications of the Lynn, Mass. Historical Society, and copied from them, but I am not able to find those notes. As I recall Abraham moved from Lynn to Salem.

My recall about Samuel's moving to New Jersey (not supported by reference) is to the effect, that he, along with some minister's flock, moved en masse to New Jersey.

I located a Samuel Belknap in the 1730's, in Cumberland Co., N. J., but could make no connection. I mentioned this, as I thought



you may have come upon it, also.

My early research was wide-spread, and I am afraid, not too well organized.

The families upon which I have worked, have been extremely hard to trace. As yet, I, and others, have been unable to break my "name-line." It is "stuck" in western Penna. where Amos Sherman married Sarah Whitham, had children; enlisted in War of 1812; and died of diphtheria, near Toledo, Ohio while on his way home after termination of his second month's enlistment.

My Mother's families have been difficult, also, due to loss of Calvert County, Maryland records in 1882.

With the Belknapes, I ran into a block through "false tradition." Fortunately, the picture is clearing and much thanks to your help.

Enclosed is something I picked up, which might be worth following.

As the Beltoft crest appears in a church at Stamford, Lincolnshire, this may lead to an older line than that at Sawbridgeworth, Herts.

I am very glad you were not seriously discouraged, and that I may have misinterpreted your feelings, as expressed in your letter of December 29th. At any rate, I did not take it as a personal accusation - just a general reaction to so many of your correspondents "letting George do it."

I do want to be helpful. I am a bit limited as to what I can do.

I am glad you are not going to "chuck it all" - it is really a very interesting, and a worth-while endeavor.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,  
John A. Sherman







THE WIFE OF JEREMIAH SHERMAN OF HOLLAND, MASS.

CARROLL YORK BELKNAP      25 Club Road      Riverside, Connecticut 06878

October 2, 1971

Mr John D. Austin, Jr.  
Editor, N E H & G Register  
101 Newbury St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Mr Austin:

I find I must ask you to destroy my note about the marriage of Eunice Belknap and Jeremiah Sherman. Although it was correct about this marriage, my note -- as written -- contained a number of inexcusable errors. I apologize for wasting your time.

The first of these errors came from slippage work, long ago, in transcribing an entry in Lovering. I carelessly failed to bracket the words "Belknap written over," to indicate that this comment was mine, not Lovering's. Examining the same copy of Lovering, I find that the alteration was merely a pencilled annotation by some other reader. When I exhumed that note, I misinterpreted it. All it actually meant was that some predecessor had detected the same error.

The reason for this blunder, no doubt, is that in working on the records of more than 4500 Belknaps -- as I have been doing -- memory betrayed me. I had simply forgotten the meaning of that entry in my notes.

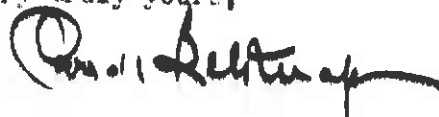
Now, digging into other files in which I long ago placed notes taken from Lovering, and comparing them with the book, I find that Lovering had the same evidence that I cited, although he misinterpreted it. This, too, was something I had forgotten, probably because at the time when I first saw it I was working on another of the many problems in the confused records of the Belknaps at Holland and Brimfield, and dismissed the matter from my mind when that specific problem had been solved.

To deal with the whole matter so as to cover all the pertinent data in Lovering would require a longer and more detailed explanation involving a confusion of generations, an assumption of a second marriage that did not occur, a citation of a non-existent will, an ~~incomplete~~ <sup>incomplete</sup> listing of children, and so on.

I don't think that any such detailed version is something you would wish to publish, on a matter of minor importance.

Again, my embarrassed apologies.

Very truly yours,



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September 7, 1971

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Dear Mr. Belknap:

In reply to your letter of July 15th to Mr. Doane, please be advised that I have succeeded to the editorship of The Register. Your note on Sherman-Lumbard-Belknap is of interest and will be published some time during 1972.

I wish you would clarify one point, however. You refer to a church record appearing on page 719 of Lovering's History of Holland, Mass. I have checked the 1915 edition and find that page 719 contains no such record; rather, it deals with the Weber family.

I will wait to hear from you on this.

Very truly yours,

*John D. Austin, Jr.*

JA:kq







6740 1/2 Franklin Place  
Hollywood, California 90028  
August 10, 1970

Dear Mr. Belknap:

I have received the estate papers of David Brock, the grandfather of Fannie Belknap. Included was his will, made 25 November 1795, and probated 19 May 1811, at Haddam, Conn. (Connecticut District). These, I obtained from the State Library at Hartford.

In his will, David Brock, in his first bequest, states: "I give and <sup>(crossed out)</sup> bequest unto the Heirs of my Daughter Levina Belknap Decent the Sum of Forty Shillings Lawful money to Be paid by my <sup>sd.</sup> Executor in One year after my Decease which Sum to Be Equally Divided <sup>(crossed out)</sup> Equally among <sup>sd.</sup> Heirs."

His other heirs were: son, David Brock and daughter, Mary Brock. Executor, was Capt. Ephraim May, of Haddam. Witnesses: Mary Elyson, Thos Chandler and Nath<sup>l</sup> Child.

The Executor had to sell some of the remaining property, to pay Mary Brock's bequest. 28 May 1811, Mary Blackman and husband, Richard acknowledge receipt of \$166.67 from estate of her "honoured Father", David Brock.



Among these papers, there is no receipt of payment, by the heirs of Lerua Belknap; nor is there a record of payment of this request.

David Broch, in 1795 does not mention 20 acres of wood land laying in Thompson, which appears in his Inventory, made 18 May 1811. The total value of his estate, in the Inventory was \$889.49. It was appraised by H. H. May, and Oliver Morse.

From Woodstock records: David Broch died at Woodstock, Connecticut, 16 May 1811, age 86 years.

I have written to Mr. Sherman J. Belknap, at Columbus Ohio. He and his brother Forest are interested in Belknap genealogy. He has gathered quite a lot about ~~earlier~~ later generations. I hope to have his cooperation in assembling the Fois Belknap group.

I have wondered if Lucretia Hude, Fois' half-sister, did not marry a son of Joseph and Anna (Sherman) Devereaux. I believe they did have a son Alanson Devereaux. The Devereauxs were supposed to have been Fois' guardians. Fois and Sarah (Bateman) Belknap named children, Anna Devereaux Belknap, Joseph Devereaux Belknap, and Lucretia Devereaux Belknap,



among others.

I wish I had some inkling as to where John Belknap Foss' father located. I wonder if he might have gone to Ohio, too.

The L. W. S. Library is closed until August 17th. I am waiting to hear if you would like for me to get copies of the Onida Belknap deeds?

I want also to send for Foss' deeds, in Licking County, Ohio.

The Will of David Brock, at least, assures us that he was the father of Foss' mother, Leona (Brock) Hinde Belknap.

All good wishes.

Sincerely  
John A. Shuman

John Swans, 1948

SIXTH GENERATION

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Samuel (2) 1627; Ebenezer (3) 1665; Joseph (4) 1700; John (5) 1725.

JOHN BELKNAP (5)

b. 1725 ~~Brimfield~~ Mass.

d. 1812 ~~Rensselaer Co.~~ N.Y.

(6)

MARRIED 1st. ELISABETH BALL

4-24-1747

2nd. ~~LAVINAH~~

CHILDREN

m. Lavinia (Brook Heads)

John 1748-  
Elisabeth 1750-  
Eli - d.y.  
Eunice 1753-  
Joseph 1755-  
Thomas 1758-  
Abigail 1765-1827  
Elijah 1770-  
Eli 1780-  
-Foris 1782-  
Caphire 1783-  
Timothy 1793-

Mar. Esther Snow No  
Mar. Chloe Lombard  
Mar. William James; Daniel Thompson  
Mar. Thankful Lake of Peru, Mass.  
Mar. Clarissa Lyman  
Mar. 1813 Sarah Bateman  
Mar. Candace.

Ref: Brimfield Mass Town Records.; History of Holland, Mass.  
L.S. Family Records.

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~~Samuel~~  
Joseph (2) 1630; Abraham (3) 1660; Jeremiah (4) 1704; Jeremiah (5) 1739

JEREMIAH BELKNAP (5)

b. 1739

d. 1816

Res. ~~Brimfield~~, Mass

(6)

MARRIED

HEPSIBAH STONE

CHILDREN

Mary 1761- Mar. 1798 John Jones  
Martha 1763- Mar. 1838 Jonathan Havens  
Jesse 1765-1790 Mar. Sybil Sawtelle  
Hepsibah 1767-1842 Mar. Joseph Howe  
Luthur 1769-1855 Mar. Susan Gates; Hepsibah Brown  
Daniel 1771-1815 Mar. Mary Parker  
Enoch 1773-1853 Mar. Ruth Lock  
Ruth 1779- Mar. Samuel Case  
Sally 1781- Mar. 1801 Samuel Prentice

Ref: ~~Brimfield, Mass Town Records; History of Holland Mass.~~  
The Stone Family Genealogy.

( The above is a copy of page 20 of Vol. 1 of my Belknap Family Lineages. There will be in all about 135 pages in 2 Volumes)  
The wives of Belknaps and the husbands of Belknaps will be indexed separately.)

John Belknap (5) 1725 p/ 20  
Jeremiah (5) 1739 20  
Elijah (6) 1770 20

Joseph + Prudence Morris

Ch: John b. 1725 <sup>(probably the missing one)</sup>  
Wm 1747 - 1727

Hannah 1728

Sibel (died June 3, 1739)

Conn Vital Records  
- Woodstock



Down - Genealogies of Woodstock (Conn)  
Families -  
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Joseph B. m. Prudence Morris

(at Woodstock  
where his  
children were  
born?)

- John 9/21/1725
- Wm 1726-1727
- Hannah 1728
- Lybil 1739

? c. 1742 date of death,  
not birth

Albert m. Belmap

(Southbridge)

m. Jun 9, 1773

Loretta Helen Waller.

Daniel W. B. (Union)

m. Feb 18, 1807 Margaret Walker

- Sophie 1810
- Lorin 1811
- Simonda Walker 1813-1868  
m. Maria  
Henderson
- Eliza 1816
- Daniel O. Cassian 1821
- Asa 1823
- ~~Sherman~~ Franklin
- Franklin Sherman 1824
- Moses Chester 1828

# Lumbar's Births

B<sub>1</sub> v 12 ~~85~~ 89

again  
1782

Eunice, d. Thomas and Lois Nov 25 1761 21  
 ✓ Thomas - bp Sept 19, 1772 10  
 ✓ Thomas and Lois Oct 11, 1772 10  
 ✓ Gideon & Sally bp June 19, 1804 —  
 Eunice Lee d. Abner and Prudence Oct 17, 1826

# Lumbar's marriages

B<sub>1</sub> v 12

213

+ 228

[Eunice & Jeremiah Sherman Nov 25 1782]  
 (No other Jeremiah)  
 Eunice and Jonathan Chapin Nov 30, 1791  
 Eunice and George Bacon Dec 25 1831

# Sherman deaths

B<sub>1</sub> v 12

3 or 3-4

Eunice, w. Capt John Feb 28, 1821

No Jeremiah

# Children of J. & Eunice

B<sub>1</sub> v 12

P.

✓ Elizabeth Davenport June 12 1785 125  
 4 Eunice Sept 8 1793 124  
 5 Nancy July 15 1795 121  
 1 Polley Sept 4 1783 127  
 3 Prada Nov 28 1789 127



appt of inventory Census <sup>order for final distib</sup>

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- 1) ~~4/18~~ Enclosing ntl - Feb 13 1817 to July 24, 1817  
(Lovering in error on "will" and dates - but trustworthy when re: records)
- 2) Learn - J I or J II ? (last date 1793)
- 3) Conclusions - J I & at +1, shortly before 13 Feb 1817
  - No land in vir.
  - Only furniture & beds & some chests
  - ~~Obviously~~
  - Wife & kids dead, as kids listed were children only
  - Obviously living with someone else.
  - Rob. Junie - as J Sherman allowed \$6 for clothing just previous to his death -
- 4) Look living up Wm in 1800 (Census) (2 0/45)  
(very close wife dead?)
- 5) What happened in 1790 & 1791
  - Th 32 in 90
  - Peter 31 in 91
  - (Living w/ him in Census 1790 3-0-4)
- 6) 1794 - Th + Mary to Windsor where altered date 12th ch
- 1794 - Mary to Penn where m. Th Lark L.





TOWN OF BRIMFIELD  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF  
TOWN CLERK AND ACCOUNTANT  
FRANK S. GIFFORD

August 28, 1934.

Mr. John A. Sherman,  
Hollywood, Calif.,

Dear sir:-

Replying to yours of the 18th, I find record of a John Belknap who married Elizabeth Ball on April 24, 1747. They had five children, but none of them was named Ferris and as you give the first name of John's wife as Leoine, I am inclined to think that perhaps this is not the family you are looking for.

The children born to the above John and Elizabeth were

John, April 6, 1748.  
Eunice, April 6, 1753.  
Joseph, Oct. 12, 1755  
Thomas, Sept. 6, 1758  
Abigail, Sept. 27, 1761.

This is the only Belknap family of which I have record.

Yours very truly, ,

*Frank S. Gifford.*  
Town Clerk.

- 1) Intro
- 2) Q1
- 3) Thomas & Elizabeth, what happened  
in 1790 & 91 ~~Ques~~
- 4) Census 1790 + Roughly 1793
- 5) John II gone since 1783
- 6) death of Lavinia (+ John II)

Glenn Evans, 1948

SIXTH GENERATION

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Samuel (2) 1627; Ebenezer (3) 1665; Joseph (4) 1700; John (5) 1725.

JOHN BELKNAP (5)  
b. 1725 ~~Brimfield~~ Mass.  
d. 1812 Rensselaer Co. N.Y.

MARRIED 1st. ELISABETH BALL  
4-24-1747  
2nd. ~~LAVINAH~~

(6)

CHILDREN

John 1748-  
Elisabeth 1750-  
Eli - d.y.  
Eunice 1753-  
Joseph 1755-  
Thomas 1758-  
Abigail 1765-1827  
Elijah 1770-  
Eli 1780-  
Foris 1782-  
Caphire 1783-  
Timothy 1793-

Mar. Esther Snow No  
Mar. Chloe Lombard  
Mar. William James; Daniel Thompson No  
Mar. Thankful Lake of Peru, Mass.  
Mar. Clarissa Lyman  
Mar. 1813 Sarah Bateman  
Mar. Candace.

Ref: Brimfield Mass Town Records.; History of Holland, Mass.  
L.S. Family Records.

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~~Samuel~~  
Joseph (2) 1630; Abraham (3) 1660; Jeremiah (4) 1704; Jeromiah (5) 17

JEREMIAH BELKNAP (5)  
b. 1729  
d. 1816  
Res. ~~Brimfield~~ Mass  
~~Framingham~~

MARRIED

HEPSIBAH STONE

(6)

CHILDREN

Mary 1761-  
Martha 1763-  
Jesse 1765-1790  
Hepsibah 1767-1842  
Luthur 1769-1855  
Daniel 1771-1815  
Enoch 1773-1853  
Ruth 1779-  
Sally 1781-

Mar. 1798 John Jones  
Mar. 1838 Jonathan Havens  
Mar. Sybil Sawtelle  
Mar. Joseph Howe  
Mar. Susan Gates; Hepsibah Brown  
Mar. Mary Parker  
Mar. Ruth Lock  
Mar. Samuel Case  
Mar. 1801 Samuel Prentice

Ref: ~~Brimfield, Mass Town Records; History of Holland Mass.~~  
The Stone Family Genealogy.

( The above is a copy of page 20 of Vol. 1 of my Belknap Family Lineages. There will be in all about 135 pages in 2 Volumes) The wives of Belknaps and the husbands of Belknaps will be indexed separately.)

John Belknap (5) 1725  
Jeremiah (5) 1739

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"THE CHAMPION LINE" NO. B10

CROSS SECTION - 10 SQUARES TO INCH

CROSS SECTION - 10 SQUARES TO INCH

Handwritten notes and a table on graph paper. The table lists events from 1756 to 1820, with columns for Joseph, Wm, Daniel, Asa, John, John Jr, John III, Thomas, Johnathan, and Elijah. Red ink is used for headings, dates, and annotations. A red box encloses the columns for John Jr, John III, Thomas, and Johnathan. A red line connects the 'X' marks for the marriage of John and Lavinia in 1793.

	Joseph	Wm	Daniel	Asa	John	John Jr	John III	Thomas	Johnathan	Elijah
1756 - French & Indian War	x	x		x	x					
1762 - Petition Signers	x	x								
1764 - " "	x	x	x		x	x				
1775 - Rev. War			x		x	x				
1781 - Jonathan joined church		x							x	
1782 - Petition		x								
1782 - Jonathan baptized		x	x		x			x	xx	
1782 - Taxpayers		x			x				x	
1783 - Householders		x			x	x			x	
1784 - Town Officers		x								
1784 - Birth of John III 12 Apr.						xx	x			
1785 - Lavinia joined Springfield church						xx				
1788 - " " Forre's, 12 Aug						x				
1790 - Census		x			x					
1790 - Marriage of Thomas								x		
1790 - Birth of Th's 1st child								x		
1791 - Marriage of Elizabeth					x					
1791 - Birth of Eli's 1st child										
1793 - Taxpayers					x					
1793 - Marriage (at home) to Lavinia	x		x		x					xx
1794 - Marriage of Elijah										x
1798 - Property owners		x								
1800 - Census		x								
1800 - John's prob by with Wm					x					
1812 - Taxpayers - NONE										
1812 - War of 1812 - NONE										
1812 - J. Leman appointed Administrator of estate (Feb 13)						x				
1820 - William died, at Clinton, N.Y.										

Handwritten notes at the bottom:

- ~~Lavinia, wife of John Jr., admitted to Springfield church 1785, dismissed to Holland~~
- ~~Lavinia, wife of John Jr., died before 25 Nov 1795~~
- ~~Not appearing in this record - Joseph, son of John, born 12 April 1755~~
- ~~William died 1820 at Clinton, N.Y.~~



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Peter Belknap - landowner in Holland 1798

Householders 22 Sept 1782

dist 1 - Wm B

- Jonathan B

dist 4 - John B

- John B Jr

Tax payers, East Parish of S Brimfield 1782

✓ Jonathan B

✓ Thomas B

Wm B ✓

Petition for separation of district 5 June 1764

✓ Wm B

✓ John B

- John B Jr

✓ Daniel B

- Joseph B

Petition ~ 2 June 1762

✓ Joseph B

Tax List 1812 - No B's

Sept. 21. 1971

Mr John D. Austin, Jr.  
Editor, N E H & O Register  
101 Newbury St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Mr Austin:

Thank you for spotting the error in my note about the marriage of Jeremiah Sherman and Eunice Belknap? It seems to have been the result of a mistaken page number in my old notes taken from Lovering's history. I have sent for a copy of Lovering and will send you a correction when I find the right page number.

Very truly yours,

Carroll Austin



October 2, 1971

Mr John D. Austin, Jr.  
Editor, N E H & G Register  
101 Newbury St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Mr Austin:

I find I must ask you to destroy my note about the marriage of Eunice Belknap and Jeremiah Sherman. Although it was correct about this marriage, my note -- as written -- contained a number of inexcusable errors. I apologize for wasting your time.

The first of these errors came from slipshod work, long ago, in transcribing an entry in Lovering. I carelessly failed to bracket the words "Belknap written over," to indicate that this comment was mine, not Lovering's. Examining the same copy of Lovering, I find that the alteration was merely a pencilled annotation by some other reader. When I examined that note, I misinterpreted it. All it actually meant was that some predecessor had detected the same error.

The reason for this blunder, no doubt, is that in working on the records of more than 4500 Belknaps -- as I have been doing -- memory betrayed me. I had simply forgotten the meaning of that entry in my notes.

Now, digging into other files in which I long ago placed notes taken from Lovering, and comparing them with the book, I find that Lovering had the same evidence that I cited, although he misinterpreted it. This, too, was something I had forgotten, probably because at the time when I first saw it I was working on another of the many problems in the confused records of the Belknaps at Holland and Brimfield, and dismissed the matter from my mind when that specific problem had been solved.

To deal with the whole matter so as to cover all the pertinent data in Lovering would require a longer and more detailed explanation involving a confusion of generations, an assumption of a second marriage that did not occur, a citation of a non-existent will, an incomplete-listing of children, and so on.

incomplete

I don't think that any such detailed version is something you would wish to publish, on a matter of minor importance.

Again, my embarrassed apologies.

Very truly yours,

Lovewig - map of Holland [prob drawn  
in 19th Century  
CB]

3. Jeremiah Sherman
14. Rinaldo Webber. later a tenement house.
21. John Belmap, John Weaver, Geo. L. Webber,  
Wm Horton.
128. William Belmap. old house site.

mill dams  
II Joseph Belmap's mill. Eliphlet Jones.

Abigail Belmap m Daniel Thompson —  
[Brimfield VR - ~~date~~ no date shown]

[No other trace  
found 2.87]

An VR  
Abigail, d. John + Elizabeth, b. Sept 27, 1761

Loosing it out  
Hd and

Abigail m Wm Jones [m. date not given]

Ch. [in B. VR + Loversing]

1782 to 1800

[m. abt 1790 or 1781?]

"saw d, Apr 28, 1827" - Loversing

Brimfield  
VR

Abigail, w. Wm, d. Apr 28, 1841 age 65 G.R.I.

[See below, CB]

$\frac{65}{1852}$  [not 1861]

William, d. Dec 31, 1841, a. 83 for stone  
beside Abigail 1827)

$\frac{1841}{83}$

→ 1858

Loversing shows b. Oct 3, 1858

CB Note: "age 65" G.R.I. for Abigail,  
marrying her b. 1852, would mean she 6 yrs  
older than Wm Jones, which seems unlikely.

~~Must be~~ This was only Abigail there -

either b. date or G.R.I. age is wrong?

Age "55" would agree with b. date.



~~Managers to look for~~

~~Webber,~~

~~Burnett~~

~~Anderson~~

~~Graham~~

~~Chapman~~

~~Jones~~

Loving

~~10~~ P 266 ff

none found

JOHN A SHERMAN from Carroll Belknap

Feb 7 1971

After writing the long memo ~~back~~ enclosed, I thought of a question that drove me back to the first letter you ever wrote to me -- Aug 7 1968 -- and there discovered something I had forgotten: that you had cited Lovering's book already.

Yet I'm going to send you that memo anyway, for you have read more widely than anyone I know, on the Brimfield family -- and perhaps you can help me again.

The question that made me go back to your old letter was the approximate date of the first John, son of Joseph Belknap and Prudence Morris.

In your letter, Aug '68, you wrote: (Quoting Lovering)

P. 276 Notes from Northampton Probate Court  
John Belknap

Jeremiah Sherman appointed administrator to estate of John Belknap, which was distributed to children:

(List of children -- 8)

Dated Feb 13 1812

Assuming that to be the date of probate, I entered in my records: d. 1812, before Feb. 13 (or late 1811)

Now, in Lovering, I find also, on p 465 -- children of "John and Levine"

John. Obtained from a will dated Feb. 13, 1812.

And in the notes written by William Burke Belknap I find, for this John: "Died April, 1812."

~~Chh/tdh/~~

Can you straighten me out, on this.

~~Correct for Bruce~~

Sherman  
gives  
Probate  
Court records  
of appointment  
on that  
date

# The Springfield Family

A-Thomas m. Chloe Lombard (Lombard)

2nd gen

.2 to .8

3rd

.9 to .27

.28 to .36

✓



- died

# Joseph & Prudence

	William Bauer	Ida B	Della	Erasmus	W. B. Stock	Louising	CB
John & Woodstock	April 1817	21 Sept 1725	21 Sept 1725		21 Sept 1725		
Wm & Woodstock	9 Mar	1 Mar 1726/7 (d 17 Sept 1729)	← Same	Same	Same as Ida B		
Hannah & Woodstock	17 Sept	Same → 21 Oct 1728	← Same		1728		
Mary			abt 1734				
Sylvia & Woodstock		8 June 1739			30 June 1739		
Daniel & Woodstock	d Holland	abt 1740	abt 1740				
Ada						Ada w 1756	
<del>Joseph?</del>							
Jonathan					Jonathan & Olive 1783	14 Aug 1781 joined church 1783	
Wm & Woodstock	Same →	1735 1736 1737 1738 1739 1740 1741 1742 1743 1744 1745 1746 1747 1748 1749 1750	abt 1730				

~~Park up  
at death~~

Ada  
to her  
1728  
1735  
or betw  
1735  
1740

Jonathan  
4 Ch bpt 8/Sept 1782  
So possible married abt 1772  
~~Born abt 1741~~  
died not seen in 1753-6  
So under 21 then  
Born after 1744  
Say "abt 1745"  
at Holland

7 yrs  
for time  
Joseph

Joseph & Prudence

Della 1913  
X

Born at

Woodstock

21 Sept 1725

dis  
before 13 Feb 1822

1 \*John

2 Wm

7 March 1726/7

(17 Sept 1727)  
Woodstock

3 Hannah

21 Oct 1728

5 Mary

abt 1734

4 Sybil

June  
died 1739  
Woodstock

6 \*Wm

abt 1735

17 March 1820  
Clinton NY

7 \*Daniel

abt 1740

8 Asa ?

abt 1730 or

abt 1737

~~or Helen~~

9 \*Jonathan Holland

abt 1745

25  
27  
28  
34  
35  
40  
45



HUSBAND Joseph Belknap (A Cordwainer)  
 Birth abt 1700 Place Haverhill, Essex, Mass.  
 \*Chr. \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Death \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Burial \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Father Ebenezer Belknap 437 \* Mother Hannah Ayer  
 Married 17 Mar. 1724/5 Place Woodstock  
 Other Wives \_\_\_\_\_  
 (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Where was information shown on this  
 family record obtained?  
 H. Belnap's record B. p. 33  
 H. W. Belknap's record p. 40,  
 Barbour Collection of V. R.  
 (65 Ser # 1452 Pt. 7)

WIFE Prudence Morris  
 Birth 9 Aug. 1702 Place Holland,  
 \*Chr. \_\_\_\_\_ Mass  
 Death 7 Jan 1780 Place Brimfield, Hampden, Mass.  
 Burial \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Father Edward Morris Mother Elizabeth Bowen  
 Other Husb \_\_\_\_\_  
 (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submit-  
 ting this sheet.

Sex	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN	State or Country	DIED	First Husband or Wife	Additional Marriages with Dates and Names of Spouse
M	List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	Day Mo. Yr.	Town	County	Day Mo. Yr.		
M	1 John Belknap *	21 Sept 1725	Woodstock, Vt.	CONN. Mass.	Apr. 1812	24 Apr 1747	To Elizabeth (Ball?)
M	2 William Belknap	7 Mar. 1726/7	"	"	17 Sep 1727	14	17 March 1820
F	3 Hannah Belknap	21 Oct. 1728	Woodstock	CONN.	"	17 Nov 1762	(1) Elizabeth McNeill
M	4 William Belknap *	9 Mar 1729/30	"	"	"	17 March 1820	McNALL
F	5 Mary Belknap	abt 1734	"	"	"	3 June 1739	in Clinton, N.Y.
F	6 Sybil Belknap	3 or 8 Jun 1739	at Woodstock	"	"	"	Mrs. Polly Whipple
M	7 Daniel Belknap 510 *	abt 1740	of Drummerston, Windham, Vt	"	"	"	in Woodstock, Conn.
M	8 Jonathan	1745	Holland	Mass.	"	"	"
	9						
	10						
	11						
	12						
	13						
	14						
	15						

3 or 8 June 1739 is given as the death date for Sybil in one record

Corrected

Joseph + Prudence moved from Woodstock to Holland in 1742

William and Anna Burke



Joseph Belknap (A Cordwainer)  
abt 1700

Place Haverhill, Essex, Mass.  
Place  
Place  
Place  
Place  
Mother: Hannah Ayer  
Place Woodstock

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?  
H. Belknap's record B. p. 437  
H. W. Belknap's record p. 40,  
Barbour Collection of V. R.  
(63 Ser # 1452 Pt. 7)

WIFE  
Birth Prudence Morris  
9 Aug. 1702  
Chr.  
Death 7 Jan 1780  
Serial  
Father Edward Morris  
Other Husband

Place Holland,  
Place  
Place Brimfield, Hampden, Mass.  
Place  
Mother: Elizabeth Bowen

Mass  
Family Representative:  
Name and address of person submitting sheet:

At Holland,  
Before 13 Feb 1812  
(date of appointment of administrator of estate)

CHILDREN		WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN	
List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth		Day	Mo	Yr	Town	County
M	1 John Belknap	*	21	Sept 1725	Woodstock	
M	2 William Belknap		7	Mar. 1726/7	"	
F	3 Hannah Belknap		21	Oct. 1728	Woodstock	
M	4 William Belknap	*	9	Mar 1730/2	abt 1730	
F	5 Mary Belknap			abt 1734	1735	
F	6 Sybil Belknap			abt 1730	3 Or 8 Jun 1739	
M	7 Daniel Belknap	510 *		abt 1740	of Drummerston, Windham, Vt	
	8 Jonathan			abt 1745	Holland	Mass.
	9					

State or Country	Day	Mo	Yr	Date	To
CONN. Mass.	14	Apr	1812	17 Sep 1727	
CONN.				17 March 1800	
"				3 June 1739	
"				27 May 1946	
"				21/2/73	

Date 24 Apr 1747  
To Elizabeth (Ball?)  
Date died in infancy  
To Never married  
Date 17 Nov 1762  
To Elizabeth McNeill  
McNALL  
Date in Clinton, N.Y.  
To Mrs. married  
Date in Woodstock, Conn.

3 or 8 June 1739 is given as the death date for Sybil in one record

Joseph + Prudence moved  
from Woodstock to Holland in 1742

(As returned to William)

\* Christian name requested only in lieu of birth date (see L.R. 5)  
Church Blessings  
\* List other wives of husband in order of marriage  
\* List complete maiden name for all females

Index of Awards on Claim of the Soldiers  
of the War of 1812 - New York Adjutant Gen-  
eral's Office - 1969  
(At the Bureau of War Records - Division of  
Military and Naval Affairs - Public Security  
Bldg., Albany, New York 12206)

Belknaps

No. 14,570 Ezra, Blissfield, Michigan  
Amount allowed - \$22.00

No. 2,870 John - Orsola, Oneida County, N.Y.  
Amount allowed - \$55.00

No. 8,016 Pilgrim - Conquest, Cayuga County,  
N.Y. - Amount allowed - \$16.00

Bn VR

lunb and deaths

Nothing pertinent

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Bn Births

Eunice, d. John and Elizabeth Apr 6 1753 p16  
[age in 1782 = 29]

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Loving

Congregational

Trans. Annals of Springfield Church by Rev. John Brown

~~P. 182~~

1785 by ~~John~~ Lavinia, wife of John B. (Died to Holland 1793)

Additions to church roll

1781 Aug 4 Jonathan Belmont,  
Olive

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~~Proctor  
Revere~~

~~Aug 31 1794~~

~~John Brown and wife, Lavinia~~

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~~(Reorder - Loving)~~

~~(Write Prob. Court, Northampton)~~

## The Town of

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Notes from Northampton: [note by CB: no wife named.]  
John Belcher - Minister Administrator

tributed to children

1. John	5. Eunice m. (Sherman) Jeremiah
2. Joseph	6. Abigail, m. (James) Wm.
3. Loman	7. Providence
4. Elijah	8. Betsy m. Burnett, Daniel

Date Feb. 13, 1812

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John<sup>2</sup> Belmont m. Levine

children.

John<sup>3</sup>, Obtained from a will dated Feb. 13, 1812

Joseph 3

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5 liter<sup>3</sup>

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Dr. Lumbard, Int. Aug. 8, 1790

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Jeremiah Sherman

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p. 277

Belknap, John and Levine.  
Children.

John, Apr. 12, 1784

Levine, Apr. 5, 1786

Cephire, Aug. 12, 1788

Torvis, Aug. 12, 1788

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p. 657

Jeremiah<sup>5</sup> Sherman (Beniah<sup>4</sup>, Capt. John<sup>3</sup>,  
Rev. John<sup>2</sup>), b. June 12, 1751; m. Nov. 28,  
1782, Eunice Humbard.

[Note by CB: Pencil alteration by  
someone, in Book, "Belknap" for "Humbard"]

~~[Note by CB: on p. 657, pencil  
additions:]~~

Children

I. Polly, Sept. 4, 1783 [pencil addition,  
"m. Amasa Webber"]

II. Elizabeth (or Eliza), b. June 12, 1785 m. int.  
Oct. 20, 1805, with Daniel Burt, Jr., of  
Brimfield.

III. Prada (Prudence) b. Nov. 28, 1789, of Holland;  
m. Apr. 6, 1813, Julius Burt, of Brimfield.

IV. Eunice b. Sept. 8, 1793; m. int. Aug. 18, 1811,  
with Isaac Church, both of Holland.

V. Nancy, b. July 15, 1795; m. Fletcher;  
she d. Jan. 26, 1852. [pencil addition  
"Gebina"]



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HAMPSHIRE, ss.

At a Court of Probate, held at *Mansfield* on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *July* A. D. 1812. *Samuel Sherman*

on the estate of *John Belknap* Administrator

late of *Mansfield* in said county of Hampshire deceased, intestate, presents *Samuel Sherman* account of administration on the estate of said deceased, and makes solemn oath to the truth thereof; and the same is now examined, allowed, and ordered to be recorded. And whereas the said Administrator represents in Court here, that all debts, dues, and demands whatever, against the estate of said deceased, so far as the same have come to his knowledge, are paid and satisfied; and that a surplusage of personal estate, amounting to the sum of *Twenty* dollars and *fifty* cents, now remains in *his* hands, to be disposed of according to law.

I do, therefore, hereby Order and Decree, that the said surplusage be, and the same is hereby distributed to and among the Heirs of the said deceased, as follows; that is to say, To *the Children* *widow of said deceased*, the sum of

of said surplusage; and the remaining part thereof to the deceased, in equal shares; viz. To *John Belknap Joseph* it being one part

*Belknap, Thomas Belknap, Elijah Belknap*  
*Emmie Sherman wife of Samuel Sherman*  
*Margaret Jones wife of William Jones Prudence*  
*Belknap & Patsy Bennett wife of*  
*Daniel Bennett Eight Dollars eighty two*  
*cents & two mills each*

And the said Administrator hereby directed to pay the sums so distributed to the Heirs aforesaid, respectively; or to such as shall legally represent them, if any of them be dead; or to their guardians, if any of them be minors; or to their husbands, if any of them be married, with interest from the day of *October*

*Joseph Symon* Judge of Probate.



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HAMPSHIRE, ss.

AT a Court of Probate, held at *Mansfield* on the *24<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *July* A. D. 18*12*. *Samuel Sherman*

on the estate of *Joshua Belknap* Administrat<sup>r</sup>

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*Belknap & Betsey Bennett wife of*  
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them, if any of them be dead; or to their guardians, if any of them be minors; or to  
their husbands, if any of them be married, with interest from the *first*  
day of *October*

*Joseph Sherman* Judge of Probate.



The Account of Jeremiah Sherman Admin<sup>r</sup> on the estate  
of John Baltimore Dec<sup>d</sup> charges himself with the  
personal estate of a Dec<sup>d</sup> sold by order of the Judge of  
Probate at public auction as per Sched<sup>e</sup> to be annexed  
exhibited ————— \$122.41

And he requests allowance of the following charges  
& expenses —

Feb <sup>y</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> 1812	To one day going to Mar <sup>son</sup> to administer on D <sup>e</sup> Estate	\$ 5.00 1 " 00
	Horse hire & Expenses	" " 33
16 <sup>th</sup>	Money paid the Register to Advertising	2 " 50 1 " 00
March 1 <sup>st</sup>	To one day going to Brimfield to Collecting his Property	1 " 10 1 " 30
1 <sup>st</sup>	one Days time & Expenses	2 " 71
9 <sup>th</sup>	To my time & Expenses	1 " 20
10 <sup>th</sup>	To two Days going to Mr Hampton Horse hire & Expenses	4 " 24
19 <sup>th</sup>	To Cash paid the Register for the sale of the property to the Service of the Appraisers Expenses of keeping two cows & one horse Twelve weeks at 5 <sup>cts</sup> per week Expenses of selling property at Vendue to the Funeral Charges	1 " 90 2 " 75 3 " 00 12 " 00 6 " 00
July	To Time & Expenses to attend probate Court Money paid the Register	4 " 00 1 " 00 3 " 50
	Allowed by the Judge of Probate to the	43 " 83



Feb 7 <sup>th</sup> 1812	To one day going to Mon for to administer on D Estate	\$ 5.00
	Horse hire & Expenses	1.00
	Money paid the Register to Advertising	2.00
16 <sup>th</sup>	To one day going to Drimfield	1.00
March 1 <sup>st</sup>	To Collecting his Property	1.00
3 <sup>rd</sup>	one day time & Expenses	2.00
5 <sup>th</sup>	to my time & Expenses	1.00
10 <sup>th</sup>	To two days going to W Hampton Mass & Expenses	4.00
19 <sup>th</sup>	To Cash paid the Register for the sale of the property to the Service of the Administrators	1.00
	Expenses of keeping two cows & one horse twelve weeks at 5 for week	2.00
	Expenses of selling property at Public to the Executors & charges	6.00
July	To Paid of Expenses to attend probate Court	4.00
	Money paid the Register	1.00
		3.50
	Received by the Exrs of Probate to the Admin for the fee for the Dec & just provisions to his death	45.00
		6.00
		51.00

to be divided among eight heirs

\$ 70.50

70.50 / 8 = 8.8125

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James M. Shuman

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

✓ To *Jeremiah Sherman*, Administrator upon  
the Estate of *John Bilkman*, late  
of *Holland*, deceased.

It appearing to me, that it will be most for the Benefit of those who are concerned  
in the Estate of said deceased, that *the*

Personal Estate of said deceased should be disposed of : You are therefore hereby direc-  
ted to sell the same at Public Auction, and account with me for the proceeds thereof.

Given under my Hand this

Day of

A. D. 1812

*March*  
*Joseph Lynum*  
JUDGE OF PROBATE.



2015 Ivar Avenue,  
Hollywood, California,  
March 15, 1934.

The Town Clerk,  
Wales, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Have you the birth record of Forest Belknap, born August 12, 1787,  
at Wales, or Holland?

His brothers were, David, Elisha, and Timothy; and I believe, his  
father's name was William.

Do you have the names of his parents?

Thanking you for any information you may give.

Very sincerely yours,

*John A. Sherman*

*See other side*

*There is nothing more in my  
records.*

Wm Beckwith } M. Nov 17 1762 Died 1764 -  
 Elizabeth McCall }  
 Second marriage

Wm Beckwith } Mar. Mch 27 1766  
 Anna Beckwith }  
 Children

Elizabeth  
 Roginald  
 Annella  
 Epleeday  
 Callista  
 Lucina  
 Morris

Born  
 Mch, 31, 1767  
 Apr 20 1769  
 July 24 1771  
 June 16 1773  
 Aug 8 1775 -  
 Sept 27 1777  
 June 25 1780

Early settler when Holland was a part of  
 Wales. Left her in 1787. No later info  
 on record.

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Johnathan

4 days -

17 82  
10

24 at m-

17 72  
24

17 48

~~Look at Wm 1800 Census  
ages - under 10~~

~~Look at 1790 - more~~

# Genealogies of Woodstock Families

Joseph Belknap (—— 1788)

m. Prudence Morris (1702-1780)

→ 3/12/1741/2 - "They moved  
to Springfield Mass. abt 1742"

(Intention)

M. 17 March 1724/5



*check w/HWB*

6740 $\frac{1}{2}$  Franklin Place  
Hollywood, California 90028  
August 8, 1968

Mr. Carroll York Belknap  
25 Club Road  
Riverside, Connecticut 06878

Dear Mr. Belknap:

I was in rather a rush, when I wrote my last letter, and am afraid I did not answer some of your questions. I shall try to do this now.

In referring to Mrs. Morris B. Belknap, I may have given the impression that I thought she was the widow of the first Morris B. A copy of a letter she sent me, will explain her husband's relationship. Enclosed, too, are copies of records, copied by Mrs. Belknap's husband; and I feel they are important, as they were taken from the original, Brimfield town records.

As to the John Belknap, who married Elizabeth "Ball," I have been unable to find her among Balls. The fact that Mr. Morris Belknap copied three names, all commencing with W, makes me wonder if he was not correct in reading the first initial. There was a Wallis family, who appear closer to Brimfield than the Ball family. I wish the town record, had given the source for listing Elizabeth Belknap as Ball. I wonder, also, why my Foris named one son, John Wilson Belknap? *was he?*

The letter, I received from Mr. Henry W. Belknap, (copy of which is enclosed), explains the background of his collecting effort. As I told you, some of this data should not be used, unless proved. I know that in the early days of my genealogical pursuit, I made mistakes - rather bad ones, too. Our family had some rather fanciful tradition, which had to be discarded as such, before we were able to find the true condition.

Incidentally, Anna (Sherman) Devereaux, was a daughter of Abel and Lucy (Foot) Sherman. Abel Sherman was murdered by the Indian, "Silver-heels," near Waterford, Washington County, Ohio, in 1794. Joseph Devereaux was married to Anna Sherman, at Lanesborough, Berkshire County, Mass., 30 November 1788. He died, 18 August 1841, aged 74 years. She married, (2) Judge William Gavit, of Newark, Ohio; and died 15 February 1848, aged 77 years. She, and her first husband, Joseph Devereaux, are buried in the old cemetery, at Alexandria, Licking County, Ohio, not far from the graves of Foris and Sarah (Bateman) Belknap.

Sarah Bateman, was the youngest child of William and Rachael (Teall) Bateman, of North Afton, Chenango County, New York. Her father was a 1st Lieutenant, in the Revolutionary War. When Sarah was fifteen, she was taken to Marietta, Ohio, by her mother's cousin, General Joseph Buell, where she acted as governess to his children. At one time, she taught school at McConnellsville, Morgan County, Ohio. I have more data on the families of Jason Andrews, and the Devereauxs, who appeared to be close to Foris and Sarah Belknap, in the early years of their lives.

I have run those census, you mention, for Mrs. Jane Belknap, and some in Kentucky. I have not heard from her, since her recent trip to Kentucky. I do not have unlimited time for research; and my Belknap notes are scattered through many notebooks. Yesterday, I copied some references to deeds of David, and Horace Belknap, Carroll County, Ohio. I believe this family came from Ellington, Connecticut.

Returning to Foris' father; he, no doubt, remarried, after the death of Foris' mother. I have no information regarding Foris' brother, John, or his sisters.

Will you please return the enclosed material, when you have copied it.

If you have any specific problem, that I can help you with, please outline it for me, and I shall see what I can find out about it.

Looking forward to hearing more about the Rensselaer County, N.Y. families, I am

Sincerely,

*John A. Sherman*



Bradford - New York.

August 9<sup>th</sup> 1934.

Mr. John A. Sherman  
2016 Ivan Avenue -

Hollywood - California.

My dear Mr. Sherman.

The records arrived yesterday and those of our branch of the family show definitely that Forrie Beeknap was not a son of William and Anna Benke. They were confuted by my husband's father, William Benke Beeknap, son of Morris Benke Beeknap (William Benke having been named for a brother who died in infancy) and he writes "My grandfather, William, married for his first wife, Elizabeth McNeil, (or McNeil) who died soon after their marriage.

For his second wife, he married Anna Benke; they had six daughters and one son.

And in another record, I find "William - married (1) Nov. 1762. Elizabeth McNeil who died in 1764. No children -

(2) March 27. 1766. Anna, daughter of Jonathan and Thankful Mair Benke - and a list of the seven children -

But, I have a welcome surprise for you. On page 5 of the enclosed copy of Birmingham home records, it is recorded that John Beeknap married Logue ——— and in the list of their children, continued on



Page #6, your ancestor's name appears.  
This John Belknap was the son (see page #3)  
of John Belknap (see pages #1 and #2) who was  
a brother of William and son of Joseph (page #1).  
William Benke Belknap's record says

"My great grandfather Joseph's family consisted  
of three sons and two daughters - viz. John,  
William, Daniel; Hannah and Mary -  
(The Brimfield records show more than three  
sons but they probably died when young)  
It seems, therefore, that Josiah Belknap must  
have been the son of John and nephew of William.

It is interesting to note also - on page #3 -  
that Eunice Belknap, aunt of Josiah, married  
a Jeremiah Sherman, who was appointed  
administrator of her father's estate.

Please keep the Brimfield records, as I have a copy.  
I also enclose a copy of the part of the Belknap  
records that is of interest to you.

Assuring you of the great pleasure it  
gives me to send you this information and  
hoping you will find it satisfactory.

Yours very sincerely,  
Marion V. L. Belknap -



Belknap descent.

(given by Mr. Henry H. Belknap of Salem Mass.)

1. Abraham - arrived from England in Lynn, Mass. 1630 or 1637. died Sept. 7 1643, in Lynn. His inventory of his estate is on file in the Probate Court of Salem, Mass - His wife's name was Mary —
2. Samuel. born 1627/8, died 1689(?). Married 1652, Sarah (?) Hill who died at Haverhill, Mass. April 16, 1689. They lived in Salem until 1671, owning a farm running from present Essex Street, corner of Bedford, down to the North River.
3. Elizabeth. born 1667 or 1670 - died Jan. 1762 or 1765, at Haverhill. married. Feb. 25, 1690/91, Hannah born Dec. 19, 1672/73 - died Nov. 1779 in Haverhill, daughter of Nathaniel and Tamsen (Turban) Ayer.
4. Joseph - a Cordovarian - born about 1700, married March 17, 1724/5, Prudence, born Aug. 9, 1702, daughter of Heaton Edwards and Elizabeth Bowen Morris of Grodovick. Cousin and aunt of Robert Morris of Revolutionary fame - Joseph moved to Brimfield, Mass and settled there. He died July 20, 1788 - his wife died Jan. 7, 1780.



Belknap Decent - Page 2 -

Children of Joseph and Prudence Belknap  
(From Brimfield Town records) -

1. John - born Sept. 2. 1725 - married, April 24, 1747.  
Elizabeth Wales (Willis or Wiles) - died April. 1812 -

2. William - married (1) Nov. 1762 - Elizabeth  
McNaul (or McMill) who died in 1764. No children  
(2) Anna, daughter of Jonathan and  
Thankful Wait Burke - 6 daughters - 1 son -

(From William Burke Belknap's records) -

3. Samuel - never married - was in the  
Revolutionary war from its commencement  
to its close; fought in some of its hardest  
battles, suffered at Valley Forge and was present  
at the surrender of Cornwallis - died in his  
brother William's home -

4. Samuel - married Hannah Thompson,  
whose father was on the great grandfather's or  
my mother's side -

5. Mary -



Brimfield.

Joseph 4 Belknap (probably Ebenezer 3, Samuel 2, Abraham 1,)

B. probably in Haverhill, about 1700. Cordwainer and farmer.

in deed, 1724, from Samuel Belknap of Mansfield to Joseph Belknap the latter is "of Andover, Mass." but he appears to have settled in Wordstock, Conn., where he married and to have removed about 1740 to So., Brimfield, Mass., Apr. 12, 1732 Joseph Belknap, and Prudence, his wife, of Wordstock, Worcester Co., Mass., cordwainer, convey a message containing a dwelling and 60 acres land in Wordstock.

in 1737 Joseph Belknap sells in Wordstock, called Hunting Hill.

In 1742, Joseph Belknap, late of Wordstock, now of Brimfield, yeoman buys land in Brimfield from Moses Marcy of Stinbridge. In the list of members of the Baptist church of 50, Brimfield, 1747, appears the name of Joseph Belknap. *South?*

He died July 20, 1788.

M. March 17, 1724, Prudence, 6th child of Deacon Edward and Elizabeth Morris of Wordstock. She was born August 9, 1702 and died Jan. 7, 1780 (Holland Records) Issue born in Wordstock. (Wordstock Records)

1. John 5, Born Sept. 21, 1725.

11 Williams, 6 Mar. 9, 1726/7----Died Sept. 19, 1727



Brimfield.

III Hannah B. Oct. 21, 1728 : M. Danl. Thompson.

IV Sibyl : D. June 3, 1739.

Although no record has been found there is good reason to believe that he had also

V. Joseph

VI. William *Wm*

VII Asa

VIII Daniel B. Rev. 7 Soldier Umnd. was in Capt. Hings Co., Col. Sear's Regm't. at Valley Forge.

In the various expeditions against Canada, among the men from Brimfield were, Joseph Belknap, Sergeant and Asa and William Belknap privates, in 1755.

Asa Belknap served also in 1756, 1758 and 1760. *Wm*

John 5 Belknap (Joseph 4, Ebenezer 3, Samuel 2, Abraham 1)

B. Sept. 21, 1725 in Wordstock. A Farmer. Was a member of the Baptist Church in So. Brumfield prior to 1777. Served in the Revolution (Mass. Soldier & Sailors in the Rev.). There are several deeds in Springfield recording land transactions of John Belknap.

D. Apr. 1812

M. Apr. 24, 1747 Elizabeth Wales, (Perhaps Wallis) or Willes, nearly illegible in the original record). Sbl. was B. and D. Mar. 25, 1793.

*She*



Brimfield.

Issue B. in So. Brimfield.

✓ I. John 6 B. Apr. 6, 1748.

II Eunice B. Apr. 6, 1753 A.D.

M. \_\_\_\_\_ (Hermiah Sherman Feb. 13, 1812. He was appointed administrator of the estate of John Belknap late of Holland, Mass. deceased.)

III Joseph B. Oct. 12, 1755.

IV Thomas B. Sept. 6, 1758 M. Aug. 30, 1790 Chloe Lumbard of Brimfield.

V. Abigail B. Sept. 27, 1761 O. D.

Williams Jones of Brimfield.

VI Elizabeth B.

M. Feb. 10, 1791 Daniel Burnett Jr.

VII     Elijah B.

VIII Prudence B.

July 12, 1812 the estate was ordered to be divided among the above heirs, each received a small amount (\$8.82)

Belknap Thomas, Private, Capt. Joshua Shaw's Co., Col. Elisha Porter's  
(Hampshire Co.) Regt. enlisted July 22, 1779. Discharged Aug. 27, 1779.  
Service 1 mo. 9 da., at New London, Conn. Roll dated Monson, Mass.  
Sld. and Sailors in Rev."

Brimfield.

William 5 Belknap (Joseph, 4, Elehezer 3, Samuel 2, Abraham 1)

B. 1744. D. 1830 A Farmer.

Was an early settler of So. Brimfield living part of the time in what is now called Wales, and at other in Holland. He was quite prominent in town matters, acting as selectman almost continuously from 1779 to 1800, and as town clerk for seven years. In 1789 he was one of a committee to prepare a petition to be annexed to Brimfield instead of to So. Brimfield in the choice of a representative. (He served in Capt. Moultrie's Co., as a private, in the expedition against Canada in 1755.) *Must have been another William* He died *Mar. 17, 1830* was buried in Clinton N.Y. his wife also.

M. 1st June 17, 1762, Elizabeth McNeil *McNeil* She D. in 1764.

M. 2d Mar. 27, 1766 Anna D. of Jonathan and Thankful (Wait) Burke of Brookfield and D.

Issue B. in Brimfield (Wales Record)

I Elizabeth 6, B. Mar. 31, 1767 M. Apr. 1784 Rinaldo Weber

II Rozinah B. Apr. 20, 1769 M. Parmaly

III Amarilla B. July 24, 1771 M. Ma. 3, 1797, Thomas Chapman.



*Additional Children of Mrs Belknap & Anna Bunker*  
Brimfield.

IV Elfreda born June 16, 1773: in David Anderson.  
Marriage inten. Published Sept. 15, 1793.

V Callista born Aug. 8, 1775: Married Nov. 19, 1795, Moses Graham.

VI Lucena born Sept. 27, 1777: Married Mar. 1, 1798, Armasa  
Anderson. M2d Hecon

VII Morris born June 25, 1780. Called Morris B. in later records.

4 John 6 Belknap (John 5, Joseph 4, Eben. 3, Samuel 2, Abraham 1)  
born Apr. 6, 1748 in Brimfield. A Farmer. Served in Revolution.  
(Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in Rev.)

Joined church So. Brimfield, Nov. 14, 1779.

D.

M.

Leoyne---

Issue

(Holland Records)

III John born Apr. 12, 1784 called 3d son in records, or  
John Belknap 3d Difficult to distinguish.

IV Leoine born Apr. 5, 1786-

con. page 6 -



Brimfield

*(The "It is evidently an error")*

( V Capitura )  
 ( VI Morris )  
 Belknap, illegible in records, may be intended for Saphira.

1788 Daughter &amp; Son of W. John &amp; Leorine

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5 Elyah 6 Belknap ( John 5, Joseph 4, Eben. 3, Abraham 1)

Born

*Elijah (son of John I)*

Died

Married Sept. 17, 1794, Thankful Lake

Issue

( Holland Records)

I Minerva Born Apr. 27, 1795

6 Morris B. 6 Belknap ( William 5, Joseph 4, Eben 3, Sam'l 2, Abraham 1 )  
 born June 25, 1780, a civil engineer. Settled in Marietta, Ohio, but  
 returned to Mass. in 1810 and lived in Worcester until 1816 when he  
 went to Pittsburgh, Pa. where he engaged in developing the iron interests.  
 Later he removed to Tenn. where he superintended erection of iron furnaces,  
 etc.

*M. Phoebe Locke, Thompson & Malistable*  
 Died July 26, 1837 at Smithland, Tenn. D. of Sylvanus & ~~Thompson~~  
 (Brewer) of Brimfield married May 24, 1807. ~~Phoebe Locke Thompson~~. She  
 was born Mar. 30, 1788: Died Feb. 5, 1873 in Dewitt, Ark. Joined the  
 church in Brimfield Sept. 1816.

Both Morris B. and his wife were buried at Louisville, Ky.



(4-2)

Belknap, John, Private, Capt. Nehemiah May's Co., Col. David Leonard's Regt.: enlisted May 10, 1777: discharged July 8, 1777 :

service 2 mos., 8 days: enlistment, 2 Mos. Roll dated South Brimfield.

Belknap, John Jr., Capt. Amos Walbridge's Co., Col. Reefes Putnam's Regt. (late D. Brown's): order bounty coat or its equivalent in money, dated Roxbury, Mar. 4, 1775.

Belknap, John, Jr., Monson (also given South Brimfield) private Capt. Freeborn Moultries Co.: Col. Danielson's Regt.: he marched on the alarm Apr. 19, 1775 to Cambridge: service 20 days : reported as having left Cambridge, May 5, 1775.

Capt. Amos Walbridge's Co., Col. David Brown's Regt., muster roll dated Aug. 15, 1775: enlisted May 12, 1775 : service 2 mos. 24 days.

Company returned (probably Oct. 1775).

Belknap Joseph, Private, Capt. Daniel Winchester's Co., Col. Ruggles Wordbridge's Regt.: enlisted Aug. 17, 1777: discharged Nov. 29, 1777: service 3 mos., 21 days in Northern department.

" Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in Rev."

Belknap, Daniel Monson ( also given South Brimfield) Private,  
Capt. Freeborn Moultris Co., Col. Danielson's Regt., who marched at the  
alarm of Apr.19,1775 to Cambridge : service 21 days, reported as  
having left Cambridge May 6,1775.

Also Capt.Amos Walbridge's Co.,Col.David Brewers Regt.: muster roll  
dated Aug.1,1775 :- enlisted May 13,1775: service 2 mo. 23d.

Also Company return ( probably Oct.1775):

Also Capt.Walbridges Co., Col. Rufus Putnam's (late Brewer's) regt.:  
order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money dated Roxbury Nov.4,1775

Also- Return of men enlisted into Continental Army from Capt.

Nebemiah May's Co. Col. John Bliss's Regt. dated Feb. 11th,1778 :

residence South Brimfield : enlisted for town of So.Brimfield joined

Capt. Keep's Co., Col. Wm.Sheppard's regt.(3d) enlistment 3 yrs.

- Also Capt.Caleb Keep's Co., Col.Wm.Sheppard's(3d) regt.: continental  
army pay accts. for service from Mar. 23,1777 to Dec.31,1779.

Also Lieut.John Wright's (Late Capt.Keep's) Co., Col.Shepard's regt.:  
muster roll for July and Aug.1778 :

Also Muster roll for Oct. and Nov.1778 dated Providence.

also Lt.Col.Ebenezer Sprout's Co., Col.Shepards Regt: muster roll  
for Mar.& Apr.1779, dated Providence: enlisted Mar.13,1777.

This seems to be a different man, possibly Daniel B. of Brattleboro .

Also Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan.1,1780 to  
Mar.18,1780.

Belknap,Daniel, private, Capt.Abel King's Co., Col.Sear's regt.

enlisted Aug.20,1781 discharged Nov.20 1781. service 3 mos. at Saratoga.



6740 1/2 Franklin Place  
Hollywood, California 90028

Dear Carroll York Belknap: August 10, 1971

The information I sent for, relating to John Belknap, a Revolutionary soldier, came. I was hoping it would be one of my Johns, and list his heirs - no such luck!

As this will interest you, I am sending it on for you to see, and copy at your leisure.

I don't know where John and Livina (Brook) Hinds were married - or if there is a record of it. I don't know if John was married before his marriage to Livina; and I don't know if he married again after her death.

One matter disturbs me: In the 1800 Census for Hampshire Co. Mass. Pg. 279 - Holland, William Belknap is listed. On page 280 there is a Lorrah Hind, over 45 years of age - no others. Could there have been a divorce between John and Livina; or is this just a coincidence?

Some of our relatives thought that Fois' mother was a Devereaux - no further explanation. They may have thought this because of the Devereaux name among Fois' children.

I feel that his association with Joseph and Anna (Sherman) Devereaux was so close, he named his children for them. The Lucretia W. (Devereaux) Belknap, puzzles me. No doubt she was named for Lerina's daughter by John Hinds (Lucretia Hinds).

I know you must become weary of some of this repetitious reasoning, and wish I might have something new to offer.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,  
John A. Sherman



RETURN IN 5 DAYS TO

REGISTRY OF PROBATE  
NORTHAMPTON, MASS., 01060



19

Mr. Carroll York Belknap  
25 Club Road  
Riverside, Conn. 06878



Feb 13

- appnt of appraisers

- Bond of Sherman  
Thompson, weaver

March 7 - oath of inventory  
& appraisal

March 9 - Inventory  
111.44

March 10 - Authorization  
of Auction

March 19 - Sale at Auction

July 24 - Admin expensed

✓ ✓ - Order for  
distribution

Children

John

Joseph

Thomas

Elijah

Eunice (Sherman)

Abigail (James)

Grudence

Betsy (Harris) ~~[L. 2.00 net]~~

[8.82 each]

Note -  
Clothing just  
before death



Evening p. 182

from ~ Branch of Brimfield Church

1785 By prof. John Brown

1785 By letter, wife of Jno. B.

Dis. to Holland 1793

" " " 1793

Additions [to Holland Church CB]

~~p. 182~~

p. 183 - Aug 31, 1794

John Brown and wife Lavina

Note → Tell Sherman ← (did 1730/70)

p. 183

Aug 4 1782 [date of his Baptism CB]  
See p. 465

Jonathan Belknap

Olive Belknap

[his wife? CB]

His ch. including an Oliver, were  
Baptized Sept 8, 1782

~~Evening - Maps of Holland~~

Jonathan - baptised Aug 4 1782  
his ch - r Sept 8, 1782  
Mary, Kate, Oliver, Lois

John SHERMAN from Carroll Belknap

Feb 6 1971

More on LOVERING, HIST. HOLLAND

Last night, I found in this book some things not noted before.

(1) A possible reference to Levina Brock, wife of John Jr.

p. 182 -- list of new members of Congregational Church, Brimfield

1785 by letter Levina, wife of Jno. B. ~~Dism~~ to Holland 1793.

(An entry on next page shows another Lavina, a year later: new members, John Brown and wife Lavina, Aug 31 1794. This makes it seem likely that the "Jno.B" above was John Belknap Jr.)

(2) Buried in section on church records, I found another list of taxpayers in Holland -- year 1793 -- which I have entered on the chart as you'll see, from new copy enclosed. (New entries identified by red checkmarks.)

*John*  
~~The tax list, 1793, shows only "John Belknap." As indicated on chart, could be either John or John Jr. John Jr seems more likely to me. Note that date 1793 coincides with date Levina dismissed to Holland, above. If John Jr, this gives us another date for him in Holland, after 1788 birth of daughter Caphira. Thus the gap between Holland and Oneida Co NY in 1803 would be reduced to 10 years -- during which, before 1795 date of David Brock's will, Levina died.~~

(3) The chart leaves me with two puzzles: ASA and Jonathan.

The ASA shown as soldier in French & Indian Wars appears to be known only from that record. HWB has a detailed record of his military service, but could not identify his parentage.

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Clue may lie in notes by William Burke Belknap, which show children of Joseph B and Prudence Morris as (1) John, (2) William, died infancy, (3) Hannah, b. 1728, (4) Sibyl, died June 3 1739 -- then "there is good reason to believe that he (Joseph) had also Joseph, William, Asa"-- then (8) Daniel. He did not give his "good reason." But we know he was right on birth of a second William from whom he was descended. And this record in Lovering makes it look as if he may have been right on Asa. As I can find no other record of this Asa, I'm inclined to set him down as son of Joseph and ~~Prudence~~ Prudence, born sometime during the 7-yr gap between birth of Hannah in 1728 and birth of William in 1735. To be old enough to enlist in 1756, he would have been born circa 1736 or earlier. OR might have been born between William 1735 and Daniel ca. 1740 -- in gap where name of Mary appears in HWB record, with no date. Bowen (always sketchy) and Conn VR for Woodstock show only John, first Wm, Hannah, and Sibyl. .... What do you think? You may have better records on children of Joseph and Prudence, I hope. (He cannot be the Asa shown in Oneida Co. deed list.)

(4) Now, JOHNATHAN -- a complete puzzle to me. Shown as taxpayer in 1782 and householder in 1783. Also in church record of new members: 1781, Aug 4 Jonathan Belknap and Olive Belknap. *Also in type NOTE*

*Lovering shows him as son of John & Prudence*  
He cannot be any ~~Jonathan~~ Jonathan for whom I have a record of parentage. Nor is he a Jonathan listed as "unidentified" by previous searchers. . . . Do you have any clue?



(5) William Burke Belknap, as noted above, suggested possible son Joseph, for Joseph and Prudence.

This might raise a question about entries under "Joseph" in first column of my chart. . . I have assumed this was the father, husband of Prudence, who was a shoemaker at Woodstock, but appears as a mill owner in Lovering, at Holland. ("cordwainer")

Does the service in ~~XXXXXXXX~~ French & Indian War cast doubt on my assumption? I don't think so. He was shown as a sergeant, whereas all other Belknaps were privates. In 1756, the father Joseph was about 56 yrs old -- not too old for military service, though older than others -- and rank as sergeant tends to indicate not a young man. But I can be wrong on this. Perhaps I should ~~XXXX~~ two columns for ~~two~~ men named Joseph -- one for a soldier, the other for a petitioner. Perhaps Wales VR, when I examine them, may show the answer, including reason why Lovering's lists show no Joseph as taxpayer or householder in Holland (when it was ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ East Parish of South Brimfield). . . . Your comments?

main

My reason for not showing a separate column for a soldier Joseph was that this would leave me with a Joseph for whom nothing else is known. Perhaps an inadequate reason?

But HWB also ~~XXXXXXXX~~ identified the father Joseph as on muster roll in Holland -- in 1755, a year before Lovering shows. And says he had previous military service at Haverhill in 1722, before going to Woodstock (where he got the deacon's daughter into trouble and married her in a hurry, six months before first son John was born). This earlier military experience might account for rank as sergeant at Holland.

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A while ago, I thought I was on the verge of being able to set down a good account of the branch and branches started by Joseph and Prudence. Now I'm in difficulty right at the ~~XXXXXXXX~~ beginning.

So I'll welcome help!

Mass - County Seats 1971

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Hampden - Springfield  
Hampshire - Northampton



# DATES ON RECORD IN HOLLAND (Lowering - Hist. Holland)

	Joseph (b. 1788)	Wm	Daniel	Asa	John	John Jr.	John III	Thomas	Johnathan	Elijah
1756 French-Indian War	x	x		x	x					
1762 Petition signers	x	x								
1764 " "	x	x	x		x	x				
1775-7 Rev. War Soldiers			x		x	x				
1782 Petition		x								
1782 Taxpayers		x	x		x			x	x	
1783 Householders		x			x	x			x	
1784 Town Officers (see below to 1800)		x								
1784 Birth - son of John & Levine, 12 April								x		
1788 Birth - Forris - 12 Aug								x	x	
1790 Marriage (Thomas)										
1793 Taxpayers		x	x							x
1794 Marriage (Elijah)										x
1798 Property owners		x								
1794 to 1800 Town Officers		x								
1800 Census		x								
1819 Taxpayers		NONE								
1819 War of 1817 Soldiers		NONE								

1790 Census

1791

Married Elizabeth (dan John I)  
 1790 - Birth of Thos Jr  
 1791 - " " " "

Note to son Joseph

Shown as "John"

FORRIS

"THE CHAMPION LINE" N 8  
 CROSS SECTION - 10 SQUARES TO INCH



	Joseph	Wm	Daniel	Asa	John	John Jr	John III	Thomas	Jonathan	Elijah
1756 Free Man	x	x		x	x					
1762 Petition	x	x	✓		✓	✓				
1764 Petition	x	x	x		x	x				
1775-67 Rowman			x		x	x				
1782 Taxpayers			x					x	x	
1783 Household			x		x	x			x	
1784 Birth (son of John + Levine)							x			
1784-1800 Town Offices			x							
1790 Marriage								x		
1794 Marriage										x
1812 Taxpayers - None										



JOHN SHERMAN from Carroll Belknap

Feb 5 1971

In pursuit of more information on descendants of Joseph Belknap and Prudence Morris, I've been reading a history of Holland, Mass., by Rev Martin Lovering, published 1915.

The genealogical material in it ranges from fine to very poor. But it contains a number of lists which are worth studying as valid documents -- lists of taxpayers, petitioners, soldiers, etc. On the attached sheet, I have summarized the lists in which Belknap males appear. Perhaps it will interest you.

In the genealogical portion of the book, Lovering shows the John B who married Levine ---- as son of Joseph and Prudence, not noting that his lists in earlier parts of the book make this attribution impossible. When the lists are charted, as I have done, the lineage you have shown becomes obvious.

On that chart, I have inserted the birthdates for the third John and for Forris, as shown by Lovering. His date for birth of Forris is, I think, an error made by him, in copying. He shows:

p. 277, copied "From record of births in Book 9 Town Records" he says.

Belknap, John and Levine

Children

John Apr 12 1784  
Levine Apr 5 1786

Caphire (sic) Aug 12 1788  
Forris Aug 12 1788

(These are births  
in Holland. He  
does not show "  
births in Wales.)

I think he slipped, by copying date for Caphira as date for Forris too. So I am sticking with date of 12 April 1787 for Forris, as shown by you and also by Henry Wyckoff Belknap. (I should have placed Forris above Caphira in memo Feb 12.)

I think I may have discovered the Wales Vital Records that HWB worked from. There appears to be no printed VR for early Wales. But NEHGS has a manuscript VR for Wales -- which I examine next time I'm in Boston. This, of course, would have been available to HWB. will

In lists in Lovering's book, the second John always appears as "John Jr" -- but the John who married Levine is shown only as "John."

As the chart shows, the only male Belknap appearing at end of 18th Century is William, who held various town offices continually 1784 to 1800. But even he is not in the 1812 list of taxpayers. As you'll recall, he died in Clinton, NY, in 1830 (or 1820?).

The book contains nothing to indicate date of marriage of John Jr and Lavinia Brock Hinds. She appears twice as "Levine" -- that's all.

It does seem to have better data on Rev War soldiers than that in material compiled by William Burke Belknap, which you sent to me -- and which I found a bit confusing.

Evening p120

Joseph B

built first saw mill  
in Holland



(1)

John II had left Holland after 1783  
before 1790

~~By 1790 his ch. ages were~~

~~Eli 10  
Timothy 7  
John 6  
Lavina 4  
Ophira } 2  
Farris }~~

Last known  
date for John I  
in Holland was  
1793

In 1790 not picked up by Amos

Lavina <sup>Age</sup> died before 25 Nov 1795 and  
this was known to her father in Woodstock  
~~away from Holland~~

Suppose ~~John I~~ died in same yr - 1795

~~ages of ch. Eli 15  
Tim 12  
John 11  
Lavina 9  
Ophira } 7  
Farris }~~

~~Suppose John I then left Holland to take charge  
of these children - and eventually  
settled in Oneida Co. (via Rensselaer Co.,  
~~was then~~ where he picked them up).~~

~~In 1803~~

~~Eli 23  
Tim 20  
John 19  
Lavina 17  
Ophira } 15  
Farris }~~



Litw B

Wm  
Bunker

Walla

Curans

Woods Look

Looking

John

21 Sept 17:25



Springfield - Hannah  
VR m Daniel Thompson

Or (Thompson)

2 Daniel 30 Aug 1752  
3 Lucy 8 Feb 1758  
1 Sibil 14 Oct 1750

Query - Is this  
the Daniel who m  
Abigail Hastings (undated)  
CR

On V R - Butler

136 Daniel (Tompon) & James & Mary Oct 3, 1725

✓ ✓ 5 [Dafie] & Hannah Aug 30 1752

Luce (Tompon) & ✓ ✓ ✓ Dec 5 1762

Sibil ✓ ✓ ✓ Oct 14 1750

Deaths

Wm Mar 12 1816 a 59

widow of Wm Apr 9 1834 a 59

1816  
59  
57



~~1. mother~~ p. 3

April 21 1971

I hope you'll be patient with this memo, for it may be rather long. There are a number of points on which I need to consult you.

But first, my thanks for the effort to get VR for Wales. It was a good try. And I'm glad to know of Gardner's History of Wales. I'll check his dates for children of William Belknap against my other records.

The "Simon" Belknap whose one year in ~~NEXXN~~ Wales roused Gardner's ire seems to have been Simonds Walker Belknap, son of Daniel W Belknap and Margaret Walker, of Union, Conn (a little west of Woodstock). This family is shown by Bowen, though Bowen was wrong on name of Simonds' wife -- giving "Marcia Henderson", She was ~~Marcia~~ Haradon, as Gardner says. I know her parentage. . . This family, first at Union, later at Norwich and Lisbon, in south central ~~CONN~~ Conn., is one of the puzzles yet unsolved. No one has yet found parentage of that Daniel W. No reason for thinking him connected with Joseph and Prudence. I can't trace this family more than 3 generations, beginning with Daniel W.

New for other matters. . . Yesterday, I reviewed my entire file of correspondence with you -- partly to correct any errors I might have made -- partly to make changes in light of additional information now available -- partly to look for any evidence that I might not have considered as fully as I should have done. . . So a number of points to take up with you:

- (1) My memo dated Feb 13 1971 -- last page -- NOTE # 1: My fingers mistyped the last sentence, which I had meant to read "He is assumed to be the John who was son of the John who bought land at Lee from Worden." My erring fingers apologize.

(2) Same memo -- third page -- headed "Proposed Revision": NOTE 3: Evans was guilty of misidentification of the Joseph Belknap who married Esther Snow. This Joseph was son of John Belknap and 2nd wife Ruth Farr, at Westboro, Mass. -- and he and Esther lived at Shrewsbury, Mass., just east of Westboro. . . So I know nothing about marriage of the Joseph who was son of John and Lavina Brock. Hope you may find something on it in your files. . . (Incidentally, I think it probable that the Westboro John was father of the John Belknap of Oakham and New Braintree, though the evidence is not yet conclusive.)

~~(S)XXXXXXXXXXXX(2)XXXXXX~~

- (3) Last page of same memo -- date of birth of Foris. I wrote 12 April 1787 -- miscopying name of month from your sheet on Foris and his children, which shows 12 August 1787. . . . But I have to ask if you are sure of 1787. Both Levering and William Burke Bellnap show Foris and Caphira as twins, ~~MADE~~ born in 1788 -- and Levering, copying from town record, gives date as 12 Augst 1788 for both. . . . Then, to make it more involved, I have to ask about Foris's gravestone, which you have said shows him aged 88 yrs, 8 mos, 14 days at death April 4, 1875 -- making his birth 15 August 1876 if my arithmetic is correct. Which year should I use, of the three possible?

(4) My memo Feb 6 -- par. 4, bottom p 1 -- I erred on ~~JEAN~~ Jonathan. He was son of Joseph and Prudence. I missed the one mention of him in my fat file on that family. So one less puzzle to struggle with.

(5) Back to Foris. Re-reading everything you have said about the Deveraux's being his "guardians", I find myself asking a number of questions which may have some bearing on my guesses about the probable date of the ~~NIXEN~~ death of his father, John II in the terminology I've been using. Foris, you say, is known to have been in Ohio in 1811. He would then have been 23 to 25 years old -- depending on which year he was born in -- hence no longer a minor and not under any legal form of guardianship, and would not have been so for 2 to 5 years. . . Were the Deveraux's his guardians back in Oneida County? If so, when and where? You'd have told me if you knew. My own efforts to trace guardianship proceedings for him in Oneida Co have drawn a blank -- which proves nothing, because Oneida Co records of that period are obviously less well preserved than those in such counties as Rensselaer Co. But was the term "guardians" merely a statement of friendly relationship, not a legal one? . . . If we knew that they became his guardians (in any sense) back in Oneida County at some date before 1811, we might have strong confirmation of my guess that perhaps his father died at some time between 1803 and ~~NIXEN~~ 1811.

(6) But I see two possible indications that also need to be considered. . . One of them is that Census entry for "J Bellenap" in Oneida County in 1810. You did not name his town, but the page number makes me think it possible that this Belknap lived not far from the Lee and Western area. Could he have been our John III, brother of Foris? Age shown for him is OK for that John. He has no wife. Only other member of his family is a male 10/16, according to the Census. Is this age just one of the many such errors in early census records? Could this younger male have been Foris, then in the next age group, 16/25? The location of this J Bellenap seems worth finding.

(7) Now I'm going to the opposite extreme, by looking at your Census Record for Foris ("Forest") in Ohio, 1820. You wondered if the male Over 45 and the female over 45 could have been Foris's father and that father's presumed second wife. I can think of two reasons why this may well have been the case. On Reason #1, bear with me, for I must start far away, back in Norman England. In those days, the Norman conquerors found what seemed to them to be a curious custom, opposite to their French practice. They called it Tenure en Burgh Englois -- that is, the form of hereditary tenure they found in the larger English towns: under which the lands of a father were inherited not by his eldest son but by his youngest son. This custom, which came to be called "Borough English," persisted for centuries in various parts of England -- it died slowly. So slowly that it may well be the reason why -- in Sawbridgeworth -- Abraham's father made his youngest son his ultimate heir to his land, virtually disinheriting his oldest son, Abraham. And it may be the reason why Abraham's grandfather Richard had done much the same thing, making his younger son Josias his chief heir, rather than the older son Bennet -- yet made Bennet the executor of his will. Why do I talk about this? Because what looks like a variation of the same practice seems to have occurred a number of times among the American Belknaps whom I've been studying. ~~REXINGTON, MASS.~~ When he was growing old or ill, a father would deed his homestead land to his youngest son, with the provision that this son would take care of him, there, for the rest of his life. As late as 1870, my own great grandfather did this -- "as was the custom," said the grandson who wrote about it. Far earlier, Abraham's son Samuel had done it, in 1796. And Samuel's son Ebenezer, at Haverhill, did the same thing. . . Did Foris's father,





~~Simon~~ 53 42

MS. "A Compendium of the History, Genealogy  
and Biography of the Town of Wakes & its  
principal Families & Inhabitants," by  
Abraham Gardner.

Pg. 36. Belknap Families

No. 1 William Belknap } m. Nov. 17, 1762 d.

1 2 Elizabeth M<sup>rs</sup> Hall } — — died in the year 1764

### Second Marriage

1 William Belknap } m. March 27, 1766 d.

Anna Burke } — — — — d.

Elizabeth Belknap - D. - t. March 31, 1767

Rozinah Belknap - D. - t. April 20, 1769

Amorilla Belknap - D. - t. July 24, 1771

Elfreda Belknap - D. - t. June 16, 1773

Callista Belknap - D. - t. Aug. 8, 1775

Lucina Belknap - D. - t. Sept. 27, 1777

Morris Belknap - S. - t. June 25, 1780

### Memorandum

1 William. Was an early settler and  
inhabitant of the District, afterwards Town  
of South Brimfield, having his home a  
part of the time in the East Parish  
(now Holland) and a part of the time  
in the West Parish (now Wakes). At  
the time of the dismemberment of that



veil of iniquity nearly obscured the divine  
spark of his better humanity. In crawling  
off from her back into Conn. in March 1865,  
he caused no grief so great as to suf-  
focate anyone.

2. Maria A. - Daughter of William &  
Jerusha Haradon - No. 1 - f 238.

(I wonder in what way he stepped  
on righteous Abraham's toes? -- f. 238.)

JOHN SHERMAN from CYB

July 15 1971

Here's more material for you to consider. I'm enclosing:

- Probate court records, estate of John Bellmap ("John I").
- Copy of proposed note for The Register, correcting error in Brimfield VR on wife of Jeremiah Sherman. (With letter to the editor)
- Revised chart showing known dates at Holland (mainly from Lovering, with additions that now seem warranted).

Please return the set of court records, when you are through with them.

My reason for sending for them was a sudden realization that you and I had no proof that the John who bought the lot from Worden in 1803 was our John II (John Jr in Lovering). For all we knew, he could have been John I, of whom we knew nothing after 1793. By 1803, John II might have been dead -- and John I might have left Holland to take care of his grandchildren. . . So I needed evidence on the place and time of the death of John I; plus whatever other information I might find in the "will" that Lovering mentioned.

As it turns out, there was no will. John I died intestate. But the court papers do contribute information to add to our knowledge of this family. And I have dug up other data that are part of the story. So I have revamped that little chart of mine, adding a lot of new entries.

Be patient while I try to cover some new ground.

- John I apparently (obviously) died at Holland, shortly before 13 Feb 1812.
- The expense allowance to Sherman for "clothing," suggests strongly that John I (who seems to have had no land or house when he died) was living with Jeremiah and Eunice when he died.
- As only his children were named as heirs, his wife Elizabeth doubtless died before he did.
- John I is not shown in Census 1800. But figures for household of William, his brother, show 2 males over 45. So John I was probably living with William in 1800 -- which would seem to mean that wife Elizabeth died between 1790 and 1800.
- At some unknown date after 1800 and before 1820, William went to Clinton, NY, where he (and his wife) died in 1820. The move, by John, to home of Eunice and Jeremiah, suggests that William left Holland before 1812 -- and we know he was not shown in Census 1810 Holland. (Town Clerk who told you in 1934 that William "left here in 1787" was obviously wrong, as William was almost ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ continuously a town officer from 1784 through 1800.)
- The inventory of John's possessions is revealing. No cash; a horse and two cows; two beds and some chests; various clothing; and tools (mostly carpenter's tools). The old clothing of little value -- Sherman had bought him new clothing just before he died.



Now I must go back to 1793, the last date shown in Holland for John I, by Lovering.

In the light of what I have found, I think it must be said that the probable reason why he ceased being shown as a taxpayer after 1793 was that in the early 1790's his family just about disintegrated.

Let me begin with the 1790 Census..... His household is shown as 3-0-4. The three males over 16 can be John and his sons Thomas and Elijah -- neither yet married at the beginning of 1790. The four females can be the wife Elizabeth and the two daughters not yet married: Prudence and Elizabeth (Betsy)-- plus an unknown woman. This unknown woman must have been, I believe, the Chloe Lombard whom Thomas married 26 Aug 1790 -- provided the Census was taken after that date, in Holland. (I have found many instances of late dates for census-taking.) Thomas appears in my chart as a taxpayer in 1782 but not as a householder in 1783; and is not in 1790 Census. So it is not surprising to find him and his bride living with his parents.

But there's more to the story and it's not too happy for deeply religious people such as these probably were. The marriage of Thomas and Chloe was a marriage of necessity. Their first child was born, at Holland, a few months later. So it's not unlikely that Thomas -- who had remained a bachelor till he was 32 -- had now created some ill feeling on the part of the very numerous Lombard family in that area. At any rate, after staying in Holland a year or so longer, Thomas and Chloe left for the Berkshires, where they settled at Windsor (and added a year to the birth date of their first child, for the records in that town).

Meanwhile, in 1791, the same thing had happened again. John's daughter Elizabeth (Betsy), at age 31, married William Burnett 10 Feb 1791 and bore a child on 13 Sept 1791. They named the child Erasmus, a most unusual name for that part of the world at that time; and it makes me wonder how it happened that they chose this name -- for Erasmus of Rotterdam was also conceived out of wedlock.

I don't know what became of Elizabeth and William Burnett, after 1791. I find no trace of them, so far. So I assume that they, too, left Holland.

And in 1794, John's youngest son -- Elijah -- married in Peru, Mass., and stayed there. Possibly he went there a bit before that year. . . So all that could remain in Holland, of John's household, would have been himself and the daughter Prudence (who never married) and his wife Elizabeth -- if she was still alive. . . At any rate, in 1800 I find that John was probably living in the household of brother William; so Elizabeth his wife was probably dead by then. . . The last decade of the 1700's could not have been very happy for John.

So much for this John. Now let me turn to his son, John Jr, for there's a question on which I need your judgment. . . To the column for John Jr, in my chart, I have added two more entries from Lovering: (1) 1785, Lavina joins the Brimfield church, by letter (i.e., letter from former pastor, certifying her membership). (2) 1793, Lavina "dismissed to Holland" (i.e., her church membership transferred from Brimfield to Holland). . . Except for this last entry, the last known date for John Jr was 1788, birth of Ferris and Caphira. If this church transfer means that John Jr and his family were still at Holland in 1793, the gap between Holland and Oneida narrows to 10 years -- 1793-1803. How do you interpret it? Bear in mind that John Jr is not shown in 1790 census.

I regret that this bit of exploration has given no real help on the puzzles of John Jr. But this background information may prove helpful some day -- I can hope.

I've drawn a blank on John and Eli and Timothy "of Western" in Oneida County. There are no records of any Bellknap land transactions in that county earlier than the one in 1803 -- John from Worden. Can you think of any other way to tackle the job of finding how and when they came to that county? . . . Or does "of Western" merely mean they happened to reside there without owning land in that town? Were they just working there while they accumulated money to buy land?

This question of money is always much on my mind when I study the westward movement of the family. They needed money to move -- and money to buy land when they got where they were going. Again and again, I have to ask "Where did the money come from?"

Indeed, I'm left with many troublesome questions. Perhaps I'd better list some of them.

NEXT DAY: Looking at what I wrote yesterday, I see that I omitted an essential point which I should discuss before listing questions that stick in my mind.

Does the inclusion of the name of John Jr. in list of children to whom proceeds of John's estate were to be distributed, mean that John Jr was alive on July 24 1812? The answer is "Not necessarily." It was standard practice in such probates to name presumed heirs and hold the administrator responsible for distributing proceeds to heirs of any presumed heir who was found to have died. (Note last printed paragraph under list of John's children, July 24.) For proof, either way, we need the administrator's final report of distribution, which has not been found among these probate documents. Too bad.

Now some of my remaining questions:

- (1) Why was the lot at Lee transferred to Forris in 1811?
- (2) Why was it sold, not given, to Forris?

If the John who transferred the lot to Forris was his brother John III, a sale for a money consideration might be normal -- though it still leaves us with Question I.

If the John concerned was Forris' father John Jr, it would have been more natural for the transaction to be a gift -- in the tradition of earlier members of the family:

1696, "Samuell Belnap of Haverhill, joyner (Abraham's son) unto my natural son Ebenzer. . ." 27 acres, no monetary consideration shown.

1731, "Samuell Bellknap of Haverhill (son of foregoing Samuel) for love & good will unto loving and dutiful son Abraham Bellknap of Reading. . ." 50 acres, no monetary consideration.

But opposed to those traditional transactions were some of Ebenzer's, which can best be understood by remembering that Ebenzer was an inveterate trader in land (the 6 deeds that have been found are obviously only a very minor part of the story). When Ebenzer, at age 77, transferred his home property to his youngest son, he either sold it or made it look like a sale:





Ch of Daniel Thompson & Hannah

Daniel 30 Aug 1752

Lucy 8 Feb 1758

Sibbil 14 Oct 1756

(Belknap?)

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# Census - Holland

1790 John  $\xrightarrow{3}$   $\xrightarrow{0}$   $\xrightarrow{4}$   $\xrightarrow{7}$

Could be  
w. Elizabeth  
& dau.  
Elizabeth  
& Prudence  
(+ ? Calah?)

(Could not be John II)  
(must be John I)

1790 Wm

2 1 6

John I daughters age in 1790 married  
before 1783

Eunice b 1753

Could be in 1790  
Prudence  
Elizabeth  
Abigail b 1761 or 1765

30 married 10 Feb '91  
25 or 29 before 1783

M  
4/10 16-26 24-5 26-45 3 34-5  
1 1 2 1

1800 Wm

(Includes John I)  
John I  
Elizabeth  
Prudence  
Abigail  
Eunice

Johns (I) sons

age in 1790

John II	b 1748	42	(Gone in 1790)
Joseph	55	35	
Thomas	58	32	m at Holland 26 Aug 1790
Elijah	70	20	m. at farm 17 Sept 1794

In 1790 Census 3 M16+ could be John I  
Th. Elijah



FIFTH GENERATION

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Joseph (4) 1700; John (5) 1725.

JOHN BELKNAP (5) MARRIED 1st Elisabeth Bell  
b. 1725 Brimfield, Mass 2nd Lavina  
d. Rensselaer Co. N.Y.

(6) CHILDREN

John	1748-	
Elisabeth	1750-	
Eli	-d.y.	
Eunice	1753-	Mar. Esther Snow
Joseph	1755-	Mar. Chloe Lombard.
Thomas	1758-	Mar. Wm. James; Daniel Thompson
Abigail	1765-1827	Mar. Thankful of Peru, Mass
Elijah	1770-	Mar. Clarissa Lyman
Eli	1780-1824	Mar. Candace
Timothy	1793-	

L.S.-F.R.; Brimfield T.R.

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Jeremiah (4) 1704; Jeremiah (5) 1729.

JEREMIAH BELKNAP (5) Married HEPsIBAH STONE  
b. 1729  
d. 1816 ~~Brimfield~~, Mass.

(6) CHILDREN

Mary	1761-	Mar. John Jones
Martha	1763-	Mar. Jonathan Hovans
Jesse	1765-1790	Mar. Sybil Sawtelle
Hepsibah	1767-1842	Mar. Joseph Howe
Luthur	1769-1855	Mar. Susan Gates; Hepsibah Brown
Daniel	1771-1815	Mar. Mary Parker
Enoch	1773-1853	Mar. Ruth Look
Ruthy	1779-	Mar. Samuel Case
Sally	1781-	Mar. Samuel Prentiss in 1801.

Ref: Brimfield T.R.; The Stone Family Gen.

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Thomas (4) 1698; Jonathan (5) 1750

JONATHAN BELKNAP (5) MARRIED MARY SANDS  
b. 1750  
res. Newburg, N.Y.

(6) CHILDREN

Sands 1776-1883 Mar. Margaret Mo. Laughlin

Ref. Ct. Gen.



(over)

This from  
John A. Sherman

*File  
w/ Jones  
Index*

110 South Van Ness  
Los Angeles 4, Calif.  
March 17, 1962

Dear Mrs. Belknap:

I fully intended writing you before this time. I received your Christmas card in San Francisco, but moved back to Los Angeles on February 28th. As yet, I am not settled - staying with friends at the above address.

About the first week of April, I plan to take a trip east. This seems an opportune time as my things are stored, and I do not have an apartment to leave.

In running some census while at the California Genealogical Society, in S.F., I came upon something you will find of interest. It is from the micro-film copy of the U.S. Census - 1830 - Licking Co., Ohio.

Pg. 448 - Harrison Township

Jonas Belknap - males: 2, 10-15; 1, 40-50. Females:  
1 under 5; 1, 5-10; 1, 10-15; 1, 30-40

Pg. 460 - St. Albans Township

Elijah Belknap - males: 1 under 5; 1, 5-10;  
2, 15-20; 1, 20-30; 1, 40-50. Females:  
1 under 5; 1, 5-10; 1, 10-15; 1, 40-50

Jesse Belknap - males: 1, 5-10; 1, 10-15; 1, 30-40.  
Females: 1, 5-10; 1, 15-20; 1, 30-40

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Ori Belknap - males: 2 under 5; 1, 15-20. Females:  
1 under 5; 1, 20-30.



(From Back of Sheet)

These people were not in Licking Co. O. (Census of 1820), so must have migrated from N.Y. before 1830, and after 1820.

In 1820, my 2nd great-grandfather Foris Belknap was in Centre Township, Morgan Co. Ohio. He is supposed to have been at Little Sandusky in 1830, (Wyandot? Co. O.), which was formed after then, from Hardin, and several other counties - (all of which I ran, without finding him). He was not in Census - 1830, in Licking Co., O., nor in Morgan Co. O.

Now, who are all the Belknaps in Erie Co., Pa., in 1850 Census. - oldest seems to be Jesse, age 90 years, living with Laura Alexander, ae. 51 & others. He was born in Connecticut. Others heading families there are: David, ae. 49, b. Conn.; Gilbert, 56, b. N.Y.; Volney, ae. 27, b. Penna.; Rhuel, 38, b. N.Y.; Ira, 44, b. N.Y.; Daniel, 44 b. N.Y.

Do you know who Elijah Belknap, ae. 39 <sup>b. in Ohio</sup> in 1850 (wife Prudence) is. They were living with family in Jefferson Co., Iowa. Then there is Elijah, ae. 65 b. Mass. (wife Catharine) living in Wapello Co., Iowa in 1850. Others there, heading families: James M. ae. 41, b. N.Y.; Gamahel, ae. 35, b. N.Y.; Joseph, ae. 24, b. Ky.

In Calhoun Co., Michigan, 1849 Jesse Belknap, ae. 67 (wife Betsey) had a land warrant from N.S. which he obtained by reason of the service of his son in War with Mexico.



5738 Carlton Way, Apt. 408  
Hollywood, California 90028  
July 10, 1964

Dear Mrs. Belknap:

It was a pleasure to hear from you again - to know that you are resuming your study of the Belknap family. It is a good interest to have. I am especially glad that you have help from an experienced person. It means so much, to be able to talk over strategy with another. This makes it all so much more interesting.

The publication you inquire about, has not been published in many years. It is basic, Ohio material. "The Old Northwest Genealogical Quarterly," covered much of Ohio. It had gravestone inscriptions from many old cemeteries; and marriage records, of early Ohio. Now the article you wish to know about, is found in Vol. 15. It is a brief statement regarding location of a former cemetery. This is what is stated:

Belknap

On the old Carter farm, now Montgomery farm, St. Albans Township, Licking County, Ohio, was a family burial ground. Most of the slabs were put in a pile and covered, but one still stands supported by broken fragments of others, merely to mark the spot:

BELKNAP - ELISHA, d. Jan. 8, 1839, ae 51 y. 11 m. 21 d.

This all about this. As this was a matter of about fifty years ago, there is little hope that even this evidence is still in existence.

I have been working on my Foris Belknap's family. His mother, Levina (Brook) Hinds Belknap, is said to have died by 1795. Evidently, John Belknap, Jr., the husband, remarried, and moved to Rensselaer County, N.Y. I have been running census, for that location, and find, living next to John, Asa Belknap, and Eli Belknap. Now, this Asa, I feel, was the one who married, at Oakham, Mass., Abiah Devereaux. As I have told you, Foris, came to Marietta, Ohio, with Joseph and Anna (Sherman) Devereaux. He married, there, in 1813, Sarah Bateman, who had come there from Chenango County, New York, with her mother's cousin, General Joseph Buell.

You spoke, at one time, of sending me the letters of inquiry you had, referring to the Devereauxs, and Belknaps, of Rensselaer County, New York. They would help, very much, for my knowledge of the Belknaps, after they left Massachusetts, is vague.

John A. Sherman

5738 Carlton Way, Apt. 408  
Hollywood 28, California  
April 8, 1963

Dear Mrs. Belknap:

While at the Los Angeles Library of the Sons of the Revolution, yesterday, I came upon a membership application for S.A.R., which might interest you. It appears to be your Belknap line. You have never given me a broad outline of your family; if you do this, I may be able, through some of my census records, to give you some further information. I have your direct line, as you outlined it for me.

There are Belknaps in Michigan, Iowa, and Missouri, Census of 1850, and 1860. They might be of interest to you, if I can see a connection.

Once, you spoke of having some correspondence dealing with my branch of the family. I am interested in this, as I have so little, after they left Massachusetts. I understand that they, with the Devereauxs, settled in Rensselaer County, New York. It seems strange that our two branches settled in Licking County, Ohio, yet I had never heard of your branch until I commenced research, and corresponded with you.

I hope you have kept well, this winter. I know that you miss Mr. Belknap. His illness was a long one - it must have been quite hard on you. Let me know how your research on family has progressed - it is a good hobby to have. You have done quite a bit with it.

Here is the information you might like to have:

"Register, Washington State S. A. R.," 1916; page 169 -

Turner, Leander T. Seattle, Washington. State No. 144, Nat'l. No. 12444. Admitted March 16th, 1900. Born in Village of French Camp, San Joaquin, California, February 1st, 1864.

Son of Garrison and Elizabeth Jane (Starr) Turner; grandson of Samuel Fletcher and Talitha Carrie (Belknap) Starr; great-grandson of Jesse and Jane (Garlinghouse) Belknap; great-grandson of Jonas and Esther (Parker) Belknap; great-grandson of Samuel Belknap, Jr.

Jonas Belknap, private soldier in Massachusetts troops. Enlisted in Capt. John Cowl's Company, Col. Benjamin Woodbridge's Regiment, May 3rd, 1775, to October 1775. Re-enlisted November, 1776. Served at various times until discharged June 10th, 1783. Served 10 months in 1780 as Corporal and member of the Light Infantry Company of Col. Brook's Regiment, and was later Sergeant of this company. Received honorary badge (Massachusetts Revolutionary Rolls, Vol. I., page 906, 907, 918).

Samuel Belknap, private in Capt. Cowl's Company, Col. Woodbridge's Regiment, enlisting May 3rd, 1775.

(Massachusetts Revolutionary Rolls, Vol. I., page 918).

Had you ever heard of these relatives - Turners, and Starrs?

All good wishes for a happy Easter.

Cordially yours,

*John A. Sherman*



5738 Carlton Way, Apt. 408  
Hollywood, California 90028  
October 9, 1964

Dear Mrs. Belknap:

I received your packet of Arnold family data; and spent some time with it. Aside from the few references enclosed, I could find nothing.

You will have to go to original source for your information.

One of your informants states that your Anndes are not related to the Arnolds of Franklin Co., Ky. Are you sure?

The Nicholas Arnold, mentioned in Vicksburg, was in Pennsylvania. It is reasonable that his descendants could have migrated to Virginia, thence to Kentucky.

I am sorry I can do nothing further for you, here, on your Arnolds.

In running the 1840 Census, Franklin Co., Ohio, I came upon the following listings:



N. S. Census, 1840 - Franklin Co., Ohio

Pg. 12 - Blendon Twp.

Silas Garlinghouse - males: 2 under 5; 1, 5-10; 1, 30-40.  
Females: 1 under 5; 1, 5-10; 1, 20-30.

James Belknap - males: 1, 30-40. Females: 1 under 5;  
1, 20-30

Joel Eastman - males: 1, 5-10; 1, 20-30. Females: 2 under  
5; 1, 5-10; 1, 30-40.

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Elijah Belknap - males: 1, 15-20; 1, 50-60. Fem-  
ales: 1, 10-15; 1, 50-60

Samuel Belknap - males: 1 under 5; 1, 20-30.  
Females: 1, 10-15; 1, 30-40.

This looks like some of your family?

I am still anxious to locate more information  
about Fous Belknap's parents. Lerona must  
have died early. I feel that John, Jr. remarried,  
and moved to Rensselaer Co. N. Y. I am especially  
interested in the Rensselaer Co. N. Y. Belknaps,  
and Derucaups. Did John, Jr. (2), a Derucaup?

Best wishes.

Sincerely  
John A. Shuman



John at Stephen town 1800

M 1-16-26

1-26-45

1-00-45

F 1-10-16

1-00-45

Timothy

Not

John II

Doubt that

Eli was 2 of John II

246

or Timothy 247

Brimfield Fam.  
(Sherrin file)

March 3, 1971  
Rutland Mass

Dear Carroll of Belknap

In the Brimfield book, I find a Joseph Belknap, son of John + Elizabeth born 17~~75~~55. But I don't find any more about him. I'll look in some of my other books.

Have you these

Mary Newton b 11-8-1737 bapt 1738 in Rutland Mass. m Samuel Belknap 6-19-1754 died 1775 Her parents were Stephen Newton born 8-15-1716 Marlboro Mass. + Mary Wether Witt or Mary Gibbs born 9-1715 died 1783 age 68 dau of Jonathan Witt + Lydia Mathew.

Olive Newton b 10-18-1754 m Joseph Belknap 5-10-1775 Her parents were Eunice Newton b 2-25-1729-30 Shrewsbury Mass + Joseph Glazier m 10-12-1744, 2nd husband Ephraim Holland Jr. of Lancaster Mass + Shrewsbury Mass.

Issa<sup>3</sup>ic Newton b 12-3-1686 Marlboro Mass m Sarah Belknap 3-20-1716. Issa<sup>2</sup>ic parents were Daniel Newton b 12-21-1655, married 12-30-1680-79 in Marlboro Mass. m Susanna Morse b 1-11-1663-2 d 5-13-1729 born in Groton or Watertown Mass.

Esther<sup>5</sup> Snow b 6-10-1746 m Joseph Belknap in 1772. They were of Shrewsbury Mass. Her father was Jabez Snow d 6-3-1792 m. 7-26-1738 + Her mother was Keziah<sup>4</sup> Newton b 2-22-1716-7 in Westboro Mass. She d. 7-7-1771. Her parents were Isaac<sup>3</sup> Newton + Sarah Belknap.

Jabez Snow is not given in Brimfield Mass. There were in Rhode Island Abraham Belknap + Jacob Belknap in R.I. By 1790 + their families + in Vermont there <sup>are</sup> 7 families as Belknap: Calvin Belknap



David Belknap, Jesse Belknap, Joseph Belknap, Moses Belknap  
& Simeon Belknap & their families. In the Woburn Book  
I find. Benjamin Belknap & Hannah Richardson both  
of Woburn Mass 5-19-1726

Thomas Belknap & Sarah Hill both of Woburn Dec. 14,  
1727  
Jane Belknap & Timothy Winn both of Woburn Feb 18,

1729  
Joseph Belknap of Woburn & Margaret Russell of  
Watertown 4-9-1734

Samuel Belknap & Abigail Lewis both of Woburn 12-15-1757  
Isaac Belknap & Bridget Richardson both of Woburn 1-1759

Samuel Belknap & Abigail Flagg both of Woburn 10-20-1763  
William Belknap & Mary Flagg both of Woburn 1763

Abel Belknap of Newbury & Mollie Richardson of Woburn  
Oct 6, 1765

Mary Belknap of Woburn & Elisha Sawyer Jr. of Lancaster  
5-1770

Abigail Belknap of Woburn & Josiah Foul of Boston 4-13-1780  
Miss Ruth Belknap & Mr Josiah Blanchard both of

Woburn 12-29-1782

I don't know if you want these or not. These are  
all the Belknaps I could find in all my books & I  
have over 100 of them, or 150 to be correct,

Cordially  
Mrs. L. B. Calkins

March 11 1971

Mrs L B Galkins  
Rutland, Mass.

Dear Mrs Galkins:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of March 3. It gave me the information I was seeking.

I hope I may someday be able to be of help to you. In my files, there are the records of thousands of Belknap marriages. If one of them may ever be of interest to you, please tell me.

Cordially,

Rollin F. Loomis



David

~~306.9~~ 306.9

Son of Abel 1846  
R. Cherry Valley?  
3 Aug 1891  
d 2 Feb 1885 ✓

129.8

Son of Samuel 1842  
d 1742  
d before 1861  
d 22 Sept 1860  
Montreal Hospital

JOHN SHERMAN from Carroll Belknap

May 28 1971

Your letter May 8:

Enclosure, copy of page from Miscellanea Genealogica -- Much thanks. I've had only summaries of that report of a Visitation of Heralds, on right of Philip Belknap to bear arms of his forebears -- or, rather, on right of Henry Elmhurst to quarter the Belknap arms on his. . . The heralds' report contained a number of errors as well as some accurate statements. A better account, though also containing errors, is in the Dictionary of National Biography. As no doubt ~~you~~ you know, the judge's son John was an ancestor of the present Queen -- and ~~this~~ this John's sister Jean (not mentioned by the heralds) was an ancestress of William Shakespeare. Philip "of the Moat" was at one time Mayor of Canterbury. He ~~had~~ <sup>left</sup> no sons.

Bible record showing date of birth of Foris: Altered dates in such records always present problems requiring other evidence to determine whether or not the alteration was warranted. Usually, in such cases, I've found that a later alteration was wrong. I have no answer on this one. Perhaps not an essential point except as possibly bearing on time of actual or pseudo guardianship, hence probable date of death of his father. Considering all the data you supply, I'm inclined to agree with ~~1887~~ <sup>1787</sup>. *No - Agree with Loring - 1788 turn of Esparia*

I agree that the Ball for Elizabeth is questionable and should bear a question mark. I have found nothing to support Wallis.

Last page of your letter: From Ohio Tax Lists, 1806, Jefferson County -- Belknap, David. You say: "I believe he was the David from Ellington, Conn?" Here I need help from you. In my records of the Ellington Belknaps (my own branch) I do not find a David who could have been a landowner in Ohio in 1806. Please tell me why you say "of Ellington." I assume must be an omission in my records.

Lincolnshire Beltofts: No reason has been found to believe that the Sawbridgeworth Beltofts who changed name to Belknap on death of Bennet were descended from the old Beltoft family, which was extinct (in male line) by about 1400 or 1450, or earlier -- I'm not taking time to refresh my memory on exact dates.

Pension application of heirs of a John Belknap: Please send me anything you learn. I've got a lot of unidentified Johns.

I'm enclosing a note summarizing recent effort to trace Oneida County John(s). Perhaps I'll find that earlier deeds for property at Western will narrow the gap (10 years, is it?) in what we know about life of John II. Wish me luck.

I still think it unlikely that the John who sold lot at Lee to Foris was the John who bought that lot in 1803. But "think" is all I can say, yet.



John II - Stephentown RCo.  
b 1748 1800  
17em over 45  
(L Brock?)

in 1800 - 52  
10 - 62  
20 - 72

Fornis  
2

12 Aug ~~74~~  
1788  
(Lth Aug 7 1768)

12 Aug '87  
(Lth Aug 1, 1768)

for Caphura  
also

✓ on record sheet  
for Fornis  
sent w Lth Aug 1

John III  
b 1784  
+ 80  
1864