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John
son of Jeremy

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Belknap Whiting & Prescott

The enclosed information was found in an old Bible - Some of it was written on blank pages of the Bible and some of it was written on scraps of paper which were put between the leaves. There were also Newspaper clippings and obituaries. The old Bible was in the Public Library at Shelter Island, N.Y.

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Written on fly leaf of Bible
Mary Belknap

This Bible to be given to my Son Henry Belknap at my Death
Boston March 7th, 1838

Written on the Eve of
Departure for Europe - via
New York

Obituary

Died in this city, on Thursday, February 7th, 1856, John Belknap, in the 80th year of his age.

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Notice of a Deceased Merchant

The son of a clergyman of high literary standing, who died somewhat early, the late John Belknap entered life with his head, his hands, and a good education:-- ------
He has left a wife, three sons and a daughter--------

(For the Boston Daily Advertiser)

The Late John Belknap

Yesterday was buried one of those men whose unswerving integrity, sound sense, mercantile knowledge, and diligent habits - have contributed to form the reputation of Boston merchants ----------

Hon. Oliver Prescott, son of Benj^{a} . Prescott, Esq. was born at Groton April 27th, 1731 - He died at his own house in s^{d} Groton on Saturday Nov^{r} 17, 1804, about 6 O'Clock A.M. of the Pectorac dropsy - aged 73 years, 6 months & 21 days.
Lydia Prescott - consort of Oliver Prescott above named and Daug^{r} of Capt. David Baldwin of Sudbury, was born on Sabbath Oct^{r} 5, 1735, 2 O'clock A. M.- After enduring unparalled sufferings & sickness, She died Sept^{r} 27, 1798, half past 8 O'clock P.M. Thursday - aged 62 years 11 months & 22 days.

Their children were as follows. The two first being still borne after which-

1. Abigail- was born at Groton Feb. 21, 1760- and Died of Malignant Ulcerous sore throat Aug^{t} 5, 1765
2. Oliver - was born April 4th 1762 -Sabbath 9 O'clock P.M.
3. Thomas - born Oct^{r} 11, 1764 - died of Malignant Epidemic Aug^{t} 19, 1765
4. Thomas - born Oct^{r} 27th 1766, at 1 O'clock A. M. - he was a cripple - and died Oct^{r} 26, 1785-11 O'Clock,A.M.
5. Abigail- born June 25th, 1768 - Saturday P.M. - and Died of Consumption after Whooping Cough Oct^{r} 6, 1783 3-4 past 2 O'clock A.M.
6. Lucy - (afterwards Mrs. Bigelow) born March 13th, 1771 at 9 O'Clock, P.M.
7. Samuel Jackson - born March 15th, 1773 -Monday 7 O'Clock P.M.
8. Mary Jackson - born Nov^{r} 8, 1774 Tuesday half past 8 O'Clock, P.M. (She married 1. John Park Little, Esq. and 2. the Hon Lathrop Lewis Esq. of Gorham)

Obituary

Mrs. Mary Jackson Lewis, who died in Gorham, Me. on the 30th of May last, at the age of 88, was the youngest and last surviving child of the late Hon. Oliver Prescott, of Groton, Mass., and the neice of Col. Wm. Prescott, who commanded the American forces at the battle of Bunker Hill.

Mrs. Lewis was first married to John Park Little, Esq. and removed with him to Gorham. Mr. Little was the first lawyer ever resident in Gorham, and is still remembered as a man of probity, integrity and honor. He lived but a few years after their marriage, their only child surviving him a few months. In 1812, Mrs. Little became the wife of Hon. Lothrop Lewis--- He died in 1822, at Bangor---------

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Written on scraps of paper-and these papers were between leaves of Bible.

Edward Belknap married to Caroline L. Haven 1838

Mary Belknap widow of John Belknap died Aug. 16, 1879 aged 84

Tombstones

Oliver Prescott, Esq. M. D.
died Sept. 26, 1827
Aet. 65
"Mark the perfect Man and behold the upright:
for the end of that man is peace."

Edmund L. Le Breton
born March 7, 1805- died Nov. 19, 1849

Mrs. Ann Prescott
the wife of
Oliver Prescott, Esq. M.D.
who died Sept. 13, 1821
Aet 58
also
In memory of their eldest son -
Benjamin Prescott
who died at Havanna
May 29, 1819, aged 27 years, 3 months
"Through the vale of death Lies the short passage
to a heavenly world."
also
In memory of their second son
Oliver Prescott
who died and was buried at Oahu(one of the
Sandwich Islands in the South Sea.)
June 21st, 1824, aged 27 years.

Ellenor S. Prescott
daughter of
Samuel J. Prescott, Esq.
and Margaret H. his wife
of Boston
died June 27, 1812
aged 27 Months and
6 days.

O. Prescott, M.D. Born April 5th,
1762 - Lucy Bigelow March 13th, 1771
S. J. P. March 15th, 1773
M. J. Nov. 8, 1774
Hon. S. P. died May 1821 -
Mrs. Wm P. - died Sept. 13, 1821
Oliver Prescott, Esq. M.D.
Died Sept. 26th, 1827 - of a
Typhus fever.
(note - the above was written on a
scrap of paper)

Oliver Prescott, Jur. of Groton married Feb. 22d, 1791
Ann Whiting of Hollis

Their Children:

Benjamin Prescott, son of Oliver Prescott, Jr. and Ann, his wife
Born February 13th, 1792 - 45 m. past 5 O'clock P.M.
Mary Prescott- - Born August 23d, 1793 - 15 m. past 4 O'clock, A.M.
Harriet Prescott- Born April 7th, 1795 - 9 O'clock A.M. -
Oliver Prescott - Born April 26th, 1797, 45 m, past 3 O'clock P.M.
He died June 21st, 1824 at Woahoo, one of the
Sandwich Islands and was there buried-was unmarried and 1st
officer of Brig. Frederic

Caroline Prescott -- Born May 5th, 1799 - 45 m. past 3 O'clock A.M.
Charles Prescott - Born March 4th, 1801 - 25 m. past 1 O'clock P.M.
Lydia Ann Prescott - Born October 1, 1802 -45 m. past 6 O'clock A.M.
Deceased Sept. 4th, 1804 10 m. before 6 O'clock P.M.
Anna Prescott - Born August 11th, 1805 - 45 m. past 9 O'clock P.M.
Lucy O. Prescott - Born September 7th, 1807, 20 m. past 1 O'clock A.M.

Benj. A. Prescott, above named died at Havannah Island of Cuba,
of the fever of that climate - May 29th, 1819 . His remains
were interred in the Protestant ground in vicinity of the
City, the same week--
Capt. Charles Prescott died suddenly on Saturday night (at Empire
City, California) Oct. 5th 1851 - The sad tidings reached Boston,
Nov. 20th and York, Penn. November 22d.

John Belknap, son of Jeremy Belknap, D.D. of Boston and Mary Prescott, daughter of Oliver Prescott, M.D. of Newburyport were married 23rd June 1825
Their Son Henry was born at Boston 7th September, 1826.
Their Son George was born at Boston 24th October 1828

April 19th, 1849-Married:
at Grace Church in Boston by Rev'd Chs. Mason, the Rev'd. Charles West Thomson, Rector of St. John's Church, York, Penn. to Caroline, daughter of the late Oliver Prescott, M.D. of Newburyport, Mass.

Lucy O. Prescott, daughter of Oliver and Ann, was married to Edmund Lewes Le Breton of Newburyport, 1st September, 1829

Newspaper Clipping (Pasted in Bible)
Le Breton - On Saturday Sept. 2, at Elizabethport, N.J. Lucy O. Le Breton, wife of the late Edmund L. Le Breton of Newburyport, Mass., aged 58 years.

Dec. 25th, 1850 - Married in Brooklyn, N.Y., Mr. George Arthur Gardner, of Boston to Mary Caroline, eldest daughter of the late Edmund L. Le Breton, Esq. of Lowell, Mass.- formerly of Newburyport. Mary C. died on 26th, Aug. 1864, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Hon. Oliver Prescott, Esq. Died Nov. 17th, 1804. Aged 73 years.
Lydia Prescott his consort died Sept. 27, 1798, ae. 63

Ann. W. - wife of Oliver Prescott - Died at Newburyport Sept. 13th, 1821 at half-past 9 O'clock P.M.- aged $58\frac{1}{12}$ years.

Timothy Bigelow, Esq.
Lucy Prescott married Sept. 30th, 1791.
Hon. Timothy Bigelow above - named Died at Medford, May 18th 1821 - at half-past 4 O'clock A.M.

Ann Hall, Daughter of the Rev. Willard Hall of Wesford and wife of Capt. Leonard Whiting. was born in sd. Wesford April 22, 1736. She Died at Hollis, N.H. December 15th, 1801, aged 65 years $\frac{8}{12}$

Capt. Leonard Whiting was born at (probably) Billerica and married to Ann Hall April 23d 1761-- He died at Cavendish(Vermont) on Friday the 19th day of July, 1811. about 1 O'clock P.M. 77.
N.B. The above are the parents of Ann, wife of Oliver Prescott, M.D.
Ann Whiting, Daughter of said Leonard and Ann H. was born Augst. 12th, 1763 (an older child Leonard was born Feb. 21, 1762)

Leonard Whiting - born Augst. 25th - 1765 - Died at Hollis(consumption)
Mary " Augst. 25th - 1767 - died at - -
Grace " Sept. 12th - 1769 - died at Groton(1797)
Abigail " March 25th - 1772 -married Dr. Barwoods and (died at Weston
Stephen Hall Whiting Feb. 20,1774
Frances Wentworth Whiting -Daug. of Benj[illegible] Whiting, Esq. and Grace Hall, sister to Ann Hall, above - his Wife was born April 19th, 1771 is now Mrs. Stearns.

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21 November 1974

Mr. Carroll York Belknap
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Dear Carroll:

Just a short note to enclose a copy of the Bible record that you said you would like to have. Our library has collected a lot of them and has them bound into several volumes. Just have to check for the surname of interest and there they are. I have told you something about these and therefore they will not be new news- and hopefully- they will help you in your searching.

You apparently know how the PRESCOTT family is related- but we are not that far yet. Still hard at work on the problems between Galway and Belchertown! Not making progress as fast as I would like but have learned that progress is not FAST!

Had another letter from Della- she sent the whole line, which we were pleased to get. She admits to the errors in some of the previous research- even those that her father made! Might yet be convinced to buy her book- just to have a life-time of- for-checking the data! By the way, when do the interested people expect YOUR book???? Know that you are writing it mostly for your children and grandchildren- but can we be counted among them????

PLEASE don't think that this demands an answer for it does not. Just let us know when you are going to publish- like the week that the book is released. You have been more than kind to us and we appreciate it! Will continue to search THE problem and promise to keep youposted on any finds/ unfinds.

Excuse all of the mistakes- I have been at this machine far too long for one night and still have considerable DAR correspondence to do. I am my wife's secretary- and she is Chapter Registrar- so we keep busy aside from the egenealogy interests.

Most sincerely,

John C. LaPiana

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Dear AARP Member:

Based on the latest nationwide accident statistics reported by the National Safety Council, Colonial Penn projects that almost 1 out of 9 persons—or about 23,000,000 Americans—will be victims of non-work-related accidental injuries and receive medical attention in 1976. Many of those injured people will not be hospitalized—but will still have expenses related to their injuries.

In short, accidents are expensive and frequent occurrences that can happen to anyone—even you!

a stairway
a bathtub
a crack in the pavement
an icy street
a slippery floor
a scatter rug
a moving vehicle
a pot that boils over
spattering grease
a misstep on a ladder
getting up from a chair
getting out of bed

The list of possibilities is endless. A slip . . . a fall . . . a broken ankle . . . a dislocated hip . . . a burn—all unexpected!

And each of us thinks "it can't happen to me."

But it can!

Run . . . and it can happen to you!

Walk . . . and it can happen to you!

And when it does happen, it can be a painful experience. Painful not only to you, but to your pocketbook as well. These days accidents are costly and getting more expensive every day because as you grow older, accidents are likely to be more serious than 10 or 20 years ago.

Unfortunately, we can't prevent you from having an accident; but we can suggest a way to help solve the money problem caused by most injuries. Colonial Penn Life Insurance Company has developed an insurance policy designed to take the pressure off your pocketbook in the event of an accidental injury. This AARP-Recommended Individual ACCIDENT POLICY provides a single check for the full amount listed in the policy for a covered injury. NO HOSPITALIZATION IS NECESSARY. All that is required is that the listed injury be treated by your physician within 90 days and your claim form be signed by the doctor and submitted as proof of that injury.

Some of the features that make this coverage so attractive to many AARP members are:

1. In addition to any injury benefit payable under this policy, there is also an Accidental Death Benefit which provides payment to your beneficiary in the event of death due to and within 90 days of an accident.

(over, please)

2. You do not have to wait until the bills come in before you can file a claim. In fact, it is not necessary to submit any bills at all. The policy pays ONE IMMEDIATE LUMP-SUM PAYMENT rather than partial payments.

3. You do not have to have a disabling injury—or one that confines you to your home or a hospital—to receive benefits.

4. You receive the full amount listed for your injury regardless of your expenses.

5. You can even receive a benefit for an unlisted injury which requires a hospitalization of two days or more.

6. You can use the benefit payment any way you choose.

7. You and your spouse are guaranteed acceptance. You cannot be turned down for this insurance.

8. Your insurance cannot be cancelled by the insurance company no matter how many times you receive benefits as long as you continue to pay premiums. Of course, you may cancel at any time you wish.

9. After receiving the policy, you have 10 days to examine it. If not completely satisfied, the policy may be returned for a full refund of payment.

As you will see in the enclosed brochure, the list of injuries covered by the Accident Policy is indeed comprehensive. This policy with its Accidental Death Benefit is one of the best accidental injury policies available to the older person.

So read the enclosed brochure and see if you don't agree with your fellow members of AARP who already have this policy that it is worthwhile coverage.

Act now. Acceptance is guaranteed. For your coverage to begin January 1, 1976, your application must be received by December 31 together with your check or money order (made payable to Colonial Penn Life Insurance Company).

Since accidents are more serious and more costly as you grow older, I hope you take this opportunity to help protect yourself against financial hurt.

Sincerely,

Herbert J. Grubb

Herbert J. Grubb
President

P.S. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Please consider this fine policy designed to help protect you against the high cost of medical care you may need in case of an accidental injury. Receipt of your application by December 31 assures you of coverage beginning January 1.

H.J.G.

THE INDIVIDUAL ACCIDENT POLICY with Accidental Death Benefit

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- pays the entire benefit for an eligible injury in one lump sum . . . immediately . . . not in a series of weekly payments!
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- pays the full benefit for your injury regardless of your expenses!
- pays benefits no matter how many different accidents you have!
- pays for death within 90 days resulting from accidental bodily injury!

A POLICY THAT PAYS before the bills come in!

Your claim is processed immediately upon receiving proof of your injury.

Many accidents result in serious injuries which do not necessarily involve confinement in a hospital or even your home—but do mean extra medical expense to you.

Here is how to help solve this problem. If you are accidentally injured, you will receive benefits for eligible injuries as listed in this brochure. You do not have to be disabled or unable to work. If you suffer any injury listed in your policy solely as a result of an accident and your physician treats it within 90 days, and submits proof of your injury, you will receive payment for that injury in one lump sum . . . immediately. This AARP-RECOMMENDED policy pays for listed injuries whether you are confined to your home or not; whether you are in the hospital or not.

Just a few examples of how the Policy works

AN OPEN FRACTURE OF THE HIP . . . whether you are hospitalized or not—pays you $3,900 in one single payment.

THIRD DEGREE BURNS OF 50% OF EITHER HAND SURFACE . . . whether you are confined to your home or not — pays you $1,000 in one single payment.

A WOUND 2 OR MORE INCHES IN LENGTH requiring sutures — pays you $200 in one single payment.

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For a description of benefits under the policy, see following page.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Schedule of BENEFIT PAYMENTS

Specified Injury	Benefit paid in one lump sum
1. FRACTURES of:	
A. *Hip; or pelvis (excluding coccyx)*	
Multiple fractures: one open, one complete	$5,200
All other open fractures	3,900
Multiple fractures: at least one complete	2,600
All other fractures	1,300
B. Thigh or heel	
Multiple fractures: one open, one complete	4,000
All other open fractures	3,000
Multiple fractures: at least one complete	2,000
All other fractures	1,000
C. Lower Leg; skull; clavicle; ankle; elbow; upper or lower arm (including wrist; excluding Colles' type fracture)	
Multiple fractures: one open, one complete	2,800
All other open fractures	2,100
Multiple fractures: at least one complete	1,400
All other fractures	700
D. Colles' type fracture of the lower arm	
Open	2,100
Closed	700
E. Shoulder blade; knee cap; sternum; hand (excluding fingers and wrist); foot (excluding toes or heel)	
All open fractures	1,000
All closed fractures	500
F. Spinal Column (vertebrae but excluding coccyx)	
All compression fractures	500
All spinous or transverse process or pedicle fractures	500
All other vertebral fractures	1,000
G. Lower jaw	
Multiple fractures: one open, one complete	800
All other open fractures	600
Multiple fractures: at least one complete	400
All other fractures	200
H. Rib or ribs; cheekbone; coccyx; upper jaw; nose; toe or toes; finger or fingers	
Multiple fractures: one open, one complete	400
All other open fractures	300
Multiple fractures: at least one complete	200
All other fractures	100
2. BURNS	
A. Third degree burns on at least 50% of either hand surface	1,000
B. Third degree burns on at least 15% of body surface	1,000
C. Third degree burns on at least 4% of body surface	400
D. Second degree burns on at least 9% of body surface	100
3. DISLOCATIONS requiring reduction under anesthesia	
A. Spine; or back, diagnosed by X-ray, (excluding slipped disk)	3,600
B. Hip	2,600
C. Knee	1,000
D. Wrist; or elbow	400
E. Ankle; shoulder blade; or collar bone	300
F. Finger or fingers; toe or toes; or jaw	100
4. INTERNAL INJURIES; BRAIN CONCUSSIONS; WOUNDS	
A. *Internal injuries resulting in open abdominal or thoracic surgery (excluding hernia)*	600
B. Concussion of the brain	
Resulting in electroencephalogram abnormality	400
All other brain concussions	100
C. Single cut or wound 2 inches or more in length requiring suturing	200
5. MISCELLANEOUS INJURIES FOR WHICH NO OTHER BENEFITS ARE PAYABLE	
A. Injury requiring hospital confinement, as an in-patient, for 2 or more days	100
B. Injury which requires diagnostic X-ray within 90 days of the accident which caused the injury	25

If two or more injuries result from the same accident, the company will pay for that injury having the highest benefit payable under the schedule.

AN ACCIDENTAL DEATH BENEFIT of $2,500 . . . payable if death is the direct result of accidental bodily injury and occurs within 90 days of the accident . . . payable in addition to any other benefit under the policy.

EXCEPTIONS—The policy does not cover sickness or disease; suicide, attempted suicide or self-inflicted injury; hernia of any kind; fractures if either primary or secondary cancer is present in that bone; declared or undeclared war; injuries for which benefits are payable *under Workmen's Compensation Act or similar laws.*

Any recurrence of a specified injury within 120 days of the date of the first accident shall be considered as resulting from the same accident and is not eligible for *additional benefits*, unless the Company receives satisfactory written assurance of your full recovery from a legally qualified physician.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

HOW TO OBTAIN THIS VALUABLE COVERAGE

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2. Mail it together with your check or money order payable to Colonial Penn Life Insurance Company for your first month's premium of $4.75 ($9.50 for husband and wife).

A self-addressed envelope is provided for your convenience. Mail to:

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Your coverage is effective the first of the month following receipt of your application and first month's premium.

Colonial Penn Life Insurance Company is licensed in all states and the District of Columbia except New Jersey and New York.

This brochure describes the Individual Scheduled Benefit Accident Policy with Accidental Death Benefit but is not a contract.

Upon receiving your policy you will have ten days to inspect it.

If not completely satisfied with the coverage, you are welcome to return it to the insurance company for a full refund.

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APPLICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL SCHEDULED BENEFIT ACCIDENT POLICY TO COLONIAL PENN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

5 Penn Center Plaza • Philadelphia, Pa. 19103

(Please type or print all information except signature.)

Applicant: _____ Date of Birth: _____
First Middle Last Month Day Year

_____ Sex: _____ Age: _____
Number Street

_____ Amount of Premium Enclosed: $ _____
City State ZIP

Beneficiary: _____ Relationship to You: _____

Is the coverage applied for intended to replace any existing insurance on your life? Yes ☐ No ☐

I understand that no insurance is in effect until the first of the month following actual receipt by the Company of the completed application and initial premium payment.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Licensed Resident Agent: _____
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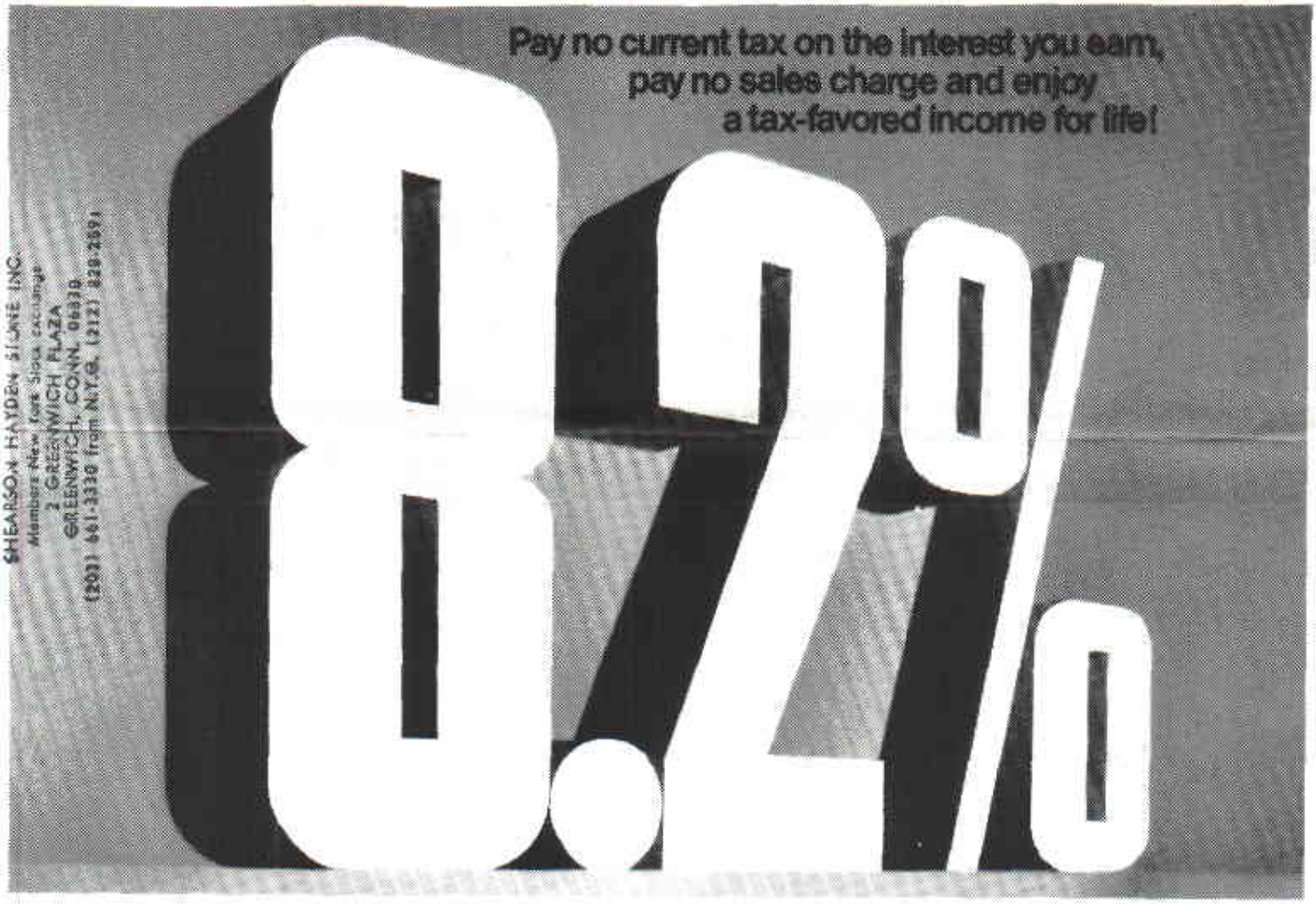
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A. YES. Compounded annually and credited daily.

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Q. WHY DOES MY MONEY AVOID PROBATE?
A. By law, a deferred annuity entitles the person you select to receive your money directly without cost and delay of probate.

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First Purchase Payment ($5,000 Minimum)
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All additional purchase payments made after the date specified in a notice changing the interest guarantee (called "renewal purchase payments") earn interest at the rate specified in the notice, but in no event less than:

7.5% to the end of Calendar Year 1975
6.0% for Calendar Years 1976 through 1977
5.0% for calendar Years 1978 through 1984
3.5% thereafter

Interest is calculated annually, credited daily.

The form of the policy gives the Insurance Company the flexibility of issuing supplemental contract specification pages at any time in the future which would *increase* the interest guarantees. These guarantees can *never* be reduced.

Features	Benefits
Open an account with $5,000 minimum, add $1,000 amounts at any time	A Continuing Lifelong Financial Plan.
Guaranteed principal	Never lose money.
Guaranteed interest for the life of the contract	Lock up long-term and future interest guarantees.
Tax-deferred interest	Increase in interest earnings — earn interest on money normally paid in taxes.
First-in First-out	Increase in spendable income — receive your original investment tax-free while your interest builds up free of current income taxes.
Stepped-up cost basis	More money to the beneficiaries.
Avoids probate	No delay in receiving proceeds. Avoids all probate cost and fees in most states.
Liquidity	Money always available without regard to money market conditions or market fluctuations. Full return of your money.
Annuity Provisions	Never worry about outliving your income.

Tax Aspects of Deferred Annuities

Capitol Life, Shearson Hayden Stone, nor any of our agents or representatives give legal, tax or accounting advice. What follows is merely a summary of our understanding of the current tax laws and regulations, and current interpretations thereof, as they relate to the Accumulator contract, and are not warranties or representations concerning such subject matters. We suggest that all prospective purchasers consult with their own attorney, accountant or tax advisor.

Source Reference	Description
Revenue Ruling 68-482	**Tax Deferral**—No income tax liability is incurred on interest accruing within contract since there is no "constructive receipt." This is so, since the value received upon surrender of the contract would not purchase a new annuity of comparable or greater value (because of the withdrawal charge), thus rendering the owners right to receive the interest "restricted" and not taxable.
Internal Revenue Code (I.R.C.) 72 (e) (1) (B)	**"First In—First Out" (FIFO)**—Amounts received upon the surrender (partial) of the contract would be considered a return of original investment and would not be taxed until such amounts exceeded the consideration paid. Under current interpretations of the Internal Revenue Code, partial surrenders prior to the Annuity Date, not made pursuant to a program or commitment calling for payments in periodic installments at regular intervals, would be considered returns of original investment and would not be taxed until such amounts exceeded the consideration paid.
Revenue Ruling 70-143 I.R.C. 1014 (b) (9)	**"Stepped-Up Cost Basis"** — Beneficiary receives proceeds with a cost basis equal to the value of the contract at the date of death of the annuitant.
I.R.C. 72 (a) & (b)	**Annuity Payout — Tax Favored** — A portion of each annuity payment is considered a tax-free return of principal spread over the expected life of the annuitant according to IRS Mortality Tables. This annual exclusion is generally calculated by dividing original cost basis by the number of years payments are expected to be made.
I.R.C. 264	**Loans—Interest Deduction**—Deferred annuities may be used as collateral security for a loan. If the IRS determines that an indebtedness is incurred for the purchase or maintenance of an annuity contract, it will disallow the deduction of interest on this indebtedness. There are exceptions to this rule and professional advice should be sought.
I.R.C. 1035 (a) Revenue Rul. 73-124 Revenue Reg. 1.1035-1	**Tax-Free Exchange of Insurance Contracts**—Proper steps may be taken to purchase a deferred annuity with the proceeds from the surrender of another policy without recognition of gain resulting in tax.
Rev. Reg. 1.402 (a)-2	**Terminal Funding** — Pension and profit-sharing plans may buy a deferred annuity for terminating employee with no income tax consequence to the employee until proceeds are withdrawn.

Charges

At the initiation of the contract	0
If an annuity option is elected	0
On a partial surrender of 6% or less of the then annuity value	0
Administrative charge, each July 2	$15.00
On partial surrenders which exceed 6% of the then annuity value in any one calendar year	7% + $5.00

There is no $5 transaction charge on total surrenders.

Accumulation Illustrations (Surrender Value)

Single Payments	$10,000	$ 25,000	$ 50,000	$100,000
5 years	13,270	33,297	66,675	133,432
10 years	18,970	47,722	95,641	191,479
15 years	27,152	68,430	137,223	274,811
20 years	38,900	98,158	196,921	394,446
25 years	55,765	140,838	282,635	566,197
30 years	79,977	202,111	405,678	812,767
Multiple Payments				
First Payment	$5,000	$ 5,000	$10,000	$10,000	$10,000
Add'l payments— 10 years	1,000	5,000	1,000	5,000	10,000
Total Invest.	15,000	55,000	20,000	60,000	110,000
11 years	24,219	80,795	34,523	91,097	161,814
15 years	32,282	107,835	46,042	121,595	216,036
20 years	46,264	154,732	66,018	174,484	310,067
25 years	66,337	222,055	94,695	250,413	445,060
30 years	95,154	318,708	135,866	359,419	638,871

Values shown are net surrender values and are based on an assumed interest rate of 7.5% – see minimum interest rate guarantees.

To obtain Annuity Value, divide these figures by .93.

Changing Financial Objectives:

Here is an example of what The Accumulator can do for you.

An illustration showing how *The Accumulator* may be used to meet changing financial objectives.

Situation	Age	Cash Rec'd by Client	Value of Client's Investment After Withdrawals	Income Taxes Paid
Client invests $100,000, has no need for current income. Investment objectives: — conservative growth — minimal risk — liquidity — favorable tax treatment	45	0	$100,000	0
Client takes isolated partial surrenders at various times, starting at age 55, not exceeding 6% of the current annuity value per year over a 10-year period until his original $100,000 investment is recovered.	55	0	$205,891	0
	65	$100,000 (withdrawn over a 10-year period from age 55.)	282,665	0
Client elects a Life Annuity Option with half of his funds at age 65. He is now in the 25% tax bracket. His annual annuity income is *$15,087*. His life expectancy is 15 years.	65		141,333	0
Client leaves the other half to accumulate at the prevailing interest rate assumed to be 7.5% for the entire period.	65		141,332	0
Client dies at age 80 when he reaches his life expectancy age.	80	$226,305 (Received at the rate of $15,087 per year for 15 years.)	0	$56,576
His beneficiary receives the net proceeds.	80	$388,547 (Received by beneficiary.)	0	0
Total		$714,852		$56,576

SUMMARY:

Total Investment	$100,000
Amount Received	714,852
Income taxes paid	56,576
Effective tax rate	9.2%

All charges, fees and taxes have been deducted from this illustration.



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TO Carroll G Bakewell

SUBJECT Copy of letter and records
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Mrs Virginia Turner is Church
Secretary at the Methodist
church which Mrs Harbaud
attends in Oakland, Calif.

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Mrs. Virginia Turner
6107 Lawton Ave.
Oakland, Cal. 94618

June 24, 1975

Dear Mrs. Bellamy -

My good friend, Mrs. Roberta Harbaud, was looking through my compilation of Smith family group sheets, when she noticed Thomas Lowell #49-13 Bellamy, who married Edwin Cater. They were parents of my great aunt, Edna Cater Smith. I have collected information on some of the descendants of Edna and put them on family group sheets. I'm sending copies for you to keep & add to your Bellamy collection. I wrote to Mrs. Leontine (Smith) Hall, daughter of Aunt Edna, & sent her a copy of one family group sheet with her grandparents & great grandparents. She may send you additions to the info. I am sending you.

Best wishes on your hunting of ancestors!

Sincerely -

Virginia Turner

Home address 400 29th St Oakland Calif 94609 or leave slip for me at office.

2019 Harwood Street
Lincoln, Nebraska
July 1, 1975

Mrs. Virginia Turner
6107 Lawton Avenue
Oakland, California, 94618

Dear Mrs. Turner:

How very thoughtful of you to provide me with copies of the family history sheets from your records reflecting Mary Luella Belknap Cater and her descendants. I shall not only file them with my records but am making copies to forward to Mr. Carroll Y. Belknap, 25 Club Road, Riverside, Conn., 06878, who is now in the process of compiling a much more inclusive record of of Belknaps in America than mine. I'm sure he will be grateful for this extension of records on the family line of this particular individual.

Probably no connection with your husbands family but I find in my records an Elizabeth Jane Starr, daughter of Talitha Cumi Belknap (by her first husband, Samuel Fletcher Starr), who married a Garrison Turner, probably in Burton County, Oregon, in 1859. (50-5. 1st. Marriage, page 130, 50-37).

It would appear from the notations on the family sheets that that you have a rather complete compilation of your Smith family line back many generatiions. Congratulations. This represents a lot of hard work and research and patient recording, I know.

Was good of Mrs. Harband to provide you with my name and address.

Again, THANK YOU!

Sincerely

E. Clinton Belknap

HUSBAND SMITH, George Barnum[6] (Harrison[5], Loudon[4], Thomas[3], Thomas[2], John[1], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)

b. May 24, 1884 Place Woodbine, Harrison Co., Iowa

m. Jan. 17, 1909 Place

d. Oct. 14, 1965 Place Des Moines, Iowa, Polk, Co.

Laurel Hill Cemetery Place Des Moines, Iowa

HUSBAND'S FATHER SMITH, Harrison C. HUSBAND'S MOTHER HAMMOND, Sarah E.

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES Nettie Flaherty

WIFE CATER, Edna

b. July 10, 1889 Place

m. Place

d. Dec. 21, 1954 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Laurel Hill Cemetery Place Des Moines, Iowa

WIFE'S FATHER CATER, Edward H.

WIFE'S MOTHER * BELKNAP, Mary Luella

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

4913 my compilation Descendants of Elisha Mar 30 1976

SEX	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
F	SMITH, Wilhelmina Myrtle	25	Jan.	1911	Dennison	Crawford	Iowa	April 10, 1930 ROACH, Benjamin L.	Jan 2,		1958
F	SMITH, Leonteen Marion	2	April	1914	New Bedford	Bureau	Ill.	Feb. 1935 Joseph MENTZER			
F	SMITH, Mable Irene	26	March	1916	Walnut	Bureau	Ill.	Nov. 29, 1934 JOHNSON, Richard			
F	SMITH, Genevieve Louise	19	Feb.	1919	New Bedford	Bureau	Ill.	1934 BRAWNER, Carold			
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Smith family records; Mrs. Mable Johnson

OTHER MARRIAGES

Leonteen Smith div. 1944, m. 2nd Lyle E. Hall Jan 1946

Genevieve Smith div. 1937, m. 2nd Rex Staley, 193
div. 2nd 1952,
m. 3rd Howard Neff, 1953
Three children.

HUSBAND ROACH, Benjamin Lyle

Born _____ Place _____

Chr. _____ Place _____

Died April 10, 1939 Place _____

Buried _____ Place _____

Occ. _____ Place _____

HUSBAND'S FATHER _____ HUSBAND'S MOTHER _____

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES _____

WIFE SMITH, Wilhelmina Myrtle[10] (George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)

Born Jan. 25, 1911 Place Dennison, Crawford Co., Iowa

Chr. _____ Place _____

Died Jan. 2, 1953 Place _____

Buried _____ Place _____

WIFE'S FATHER SMITH, George Barnum WIFE'S MOTHER CATER, Edna Mary

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____

	SEX M/F	CHILDREN Last Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
1	M	ROACH, Robert V.	14	June	1932	Dimmick Twp.	LaSalle	Ill.	LUGGIO, Dorene			
2	F	ROACH, Velma Eileen	14	March	1937				DENEY, Bruce			
3	F	ROACH, Nancy Lee	3	Dec.	1940				JONES, Robert E.			
4	M	ROACH, Roger William	11	Oct.	1947							
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Mable Johnson.

In 1970, Roger W. Roach lives in Troy Grove, Ill, is employed in road maintenance dept of State of Ill.

OTHER MARRIAGES

HUSB. HALL, Lyle E.
April 21, 1911 Place Granger, Dallas Co., Iowa
Place
Jan. 4, 1947 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa
Place
Place
Hall, Henry Thomas HUSBAND'S MOTHER BOWN, Pearl
Lois Bingham

SMITH, Leonteen[10], (George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)
April 2, 1914 Place New Bedford, Bureau Co., Illinois
Place
Place
Place
SMITH, George Barnum WIFE'S MOTHER CATER, Edna
Joseph Mentzer

CHILDREN Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth — SURNAME (CAPITALIZED)	GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
MENTZER,	Donald Joe	11	May	1939	Des Moines	Polk	Iowa	August 1962 Barbara Miller			
HALL,	Linda Lee	16	Nov.	1948	Des Moines	Polk	Iowa				
HALL,	Norman Lyle	22	Sept.	1950	Des Moines	Polk	Iowa	June 1970 Jo Ellen Ferguson			

SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Lyle Hall.

OTHER MARRIAGES

HUSBAND JOHNSON, Richard
July 11, 1911 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa
Place
Nov. 29, 1934 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa
Place
Place
HUSB. JOHNSON, Charles August HUSBAND'S MOTHER Alma
HUSB. LIVES

WIFE SMITH, Mable[10], (George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)
March 26, 1915 Place Walnut, Bureau Co., Illinois
Place
Place
Place
WIFE SMITH, George Darrum WIFE'S MOTHER Cater, Edna Mary
WIFE LIVES

CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
JOHNSON, Kay Eileen	14	July	1938	Des Moines	Polk	Iowa	Dec. 1960 INMAN, Gordon			
JOHNSON, Ronald Tex.	4	Nov.	1940	Des Moines	Polk	Iowa	August 19,1961 BAKER, Dorothy			
JOHNSON, Kenneth Richard	14	Feb.	1947	Des Moines	Polk	Iowa	March 14, 1970 DAVID, Marsha			

SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Mable Johnson.

OTHER MARRIAGES

GENERATION # 11

HUSBAND ROACH, Robert V.[11] (Wilhelmina Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robt.[1])

Born June 14, 1932 Place Dimmick Twp. La Salle Co., Illinois

Chr. Place

Marr. Place

Died Place

Bur. Place

HUSBAND'S FATHER ROACH, Benjamin Lyle

HUSBAND'S MOTHER SMITH, Wilhelmina Myrtle

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

WIFE MAGGIO, Dorene

Born Place

Chr. Place

Died Place

Bur. Place

WIFE'S FATHER

WIFE'S MOTHER

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth — SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
1. F	ROACH, Lorene Marie	10	July	1956							
2. F.	ROACH, Vicki Ann	6	May	1959							
3. F	ROACH, Mary Jane	5	Dec.	1961							
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family Records of Mrs. Mable Johnson.

OTHER MARRIAGES

RECORD

GENERATION # 11

HUSBAND DEWEY, Bruce

Born _____ Place _____

Chr. _____ Place _____

Marr. _____ Place _____

Died _____ Place _____

Bur. _____ Place _____

HUSBAND'S FATHER _____ HUSBAND'S MOTHER _____

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES _____

WIFE ROACH, Velma Eileen[11] (Wilhelmina Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].

Born March 14, 1937 Place _____

Chr. _____ Place _____

Died _____ Place _____

Bur. _____ Place _____

WIFE'S FATHER ROACH, Benjamin Lyle WIFE'S MOTHER SMITH, Wilhelmina Myrtle

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____

	SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
1	F	DEWEY, Sandi Lee	20	May	1954							
2	F	DEWEY, Gloria Jean	6	July	1958							
3	F	DEWEY, Laurel Ann	9	Dec.	1964							
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Mable Johnson

In 1970, this family resides in Tariffville, Conn. Mr. Dewey is in the Electronics branch of Allstate Insurance Co.

OTHER MARRIAGES

FAMILY GROUP RECORD

HUSBAND JONES, Robert E.

Born ____ Place ____

Chr. ____ Place ____

Marr. ____ Place ____

Died ____ Place ____

Bur. ____ Place ____

HUSBAND'S FATHER ____ HUSBAND'S MOTHER ____

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES ____

WIFE ROACH, Nancy Lee[11] (Wilhelmina Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)

Born Dec. 3, 1940 Place ____

Chr. ____ Place ____

Died ____ Place ____

Bur. ____ Place ____

WIFE'S FATHER ROACH, Benjamin WIFE'S MOTHER SMITH, Wilhelmina

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS ____

SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
1 M	JONES, Benny Albert	19	Feb.	1960							
2 F	JONES, Shelley Sue	23	Aug.	1961							
3 M	JONES, Timothy John	23	May	1966							
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family Records of Mrs. Mable Johnson

In 1970, this family lives in Safford, Arizona.
Mr. Jones is a civil engineer working for the government.

OTHER MARRIAGES

FAMILY GROUP RECORD — To indicate that a child is an ancestor of the family representative, place an "X" behind the number pertaining to that child.

GENERATION # 11

HUSBAND MENTZER, Donald J.[11] (Leonteen Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert

Born May 11, 1939 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Chr. Place

Marr. August 19, 1962 Place Ottumwa, Wapello Co. Iowa

Died Place

Bur. Place

HUSBAND'S FATHER MENTZER, Joseph HUSBAND'S MOTHER SMITH, Leonteen (Hall)

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

WIFE MILLER, Barbara Ann

Born March 10, 1942 Place Ottumwa, Wapello Co., Iowa

Chr. Place

Died Place

Bur. Place

WIFE'S FATHER MILLER, Van Norton WIFE'S MOTHER POTTORFF, Ithel

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
1. M	MENTZER, Christopher Edward	14 March 1964	Burlington,	Des Moines	Iowa		
2. M	MENTZER, Mark David	6 Dec. 1966	Fort Dodge	Webster	Iowa		
3. F	MENTZER, Sarah Ann	4 Sept. 1970	Fort Dodge	Webster	Iowa		
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Lyle Hall.

OTHER MARRIAGES

FAMILY GROUP RECORD — To indicate that a child is an ancestor of the family representative, place an "X" behind the number pertaining to that child. — PLACES: Show County and State (or Country) — DATES: Use Exact Dates if Known, Otherwise Approximate Dates

GENERATION # 11

HUSBAND HALL, Norman Lyle[11], (Leonteen Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert

Born Sept. 22, 1950 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Chr. Place

Marr. June 7, 1970 Place Odebolt, Sac Co., Iowa

Died Place

Bur. Place

HUSBAND'S FATHER HALL, Lyle E. HUSBAND'S MOTHER SMITH, Leonteen

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

WIFE FERGUSON, Jo Ellen

Born May 7, 1948 Place Ames, Story Co., Iowa

Chr. Place

Died Place

Bur. Place

WIFE'S FATHER FERGUSON, Charles E. WIFE'S MOTHER NELSON, Ollie

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Lyle Hall.

OTHER MARRIAGES

FAMILY RECORD

GENERATION # 11

Husband JOHNSON, Ronald Tex[11] (Mable Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)

Nov. 4, 1940 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Place

Aug. 19, 1961 Place

Place

Place

JOHNSON, Richard

HUSBAND'S MOTHER SMITH, Mable Irene

Wife BAKER, Dorothy

Place

Place

Place

Place

WIFE'S MOTHER

CHILDREN (Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth) SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
JOHNSON, Linda Pauline	29	March	1962							
JOHNSON, Karen Lynn	19	Feb.	1964							
JOHNSON, Joanne Marie	4	Nov.	1965							
JOHNSON, Sharon Kay	24	Sept.	1969							

SOURCE OF INFORMATION Family records of Mrs. Mable Johnson.

In 1970, this family lives in Ames, Iowa. Mr. Johnson is a chemical engineer with Boruins.

OTHER MARRIAGES

Husband INMAN, Gordon

Place

Place

Place

Place

Place

HUSBAND'S MOTHER

Wife JOHNSON, Kay Eileen[11] (Mable Smith[10], George[9], Harrison[8], Loudon[7], Thomas[6], Thomas[5], John[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Robert[1].)

July 14, 1938 Place Des Moines, Polk Co., Iowa

Place

Place

Place

JOHNSON, Richard

WIFE'S MOTHER SMITH, Mable Irene

CHILDREN (For Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth) SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY	MONTH	YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY	MONTH	YEAR
INMAN, Mark	26	June	1960							
INMAN, Vickie	30	April	1963							
INMAN, Jill Ann	16	June	1966							
INMAN, Douglas	6	Jan.	1968							

INFORMATION Family records of Mable Johnson.

In 1970, this family lives on a farm near Mendota, Ill. Mrs. Inman is a homemaker, and Mr. Inman is a farmer and welder.

OTHER MARRIAGES

2019 Harwood Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68502 15 July, 1975

CYB from ECB

In my memo of July 14, 1975, I alluded to a new acquaintanceship which grew out of the deposit of A Belknap Genealogy in the library at San Francisco, California. The couple the librarian referred to as having spent most of a day "digesting" the book was a Mrs. Roberta (Monroe) Harband, 747 Calmar Avenue, Oakland, Calif., 94610 and her brother, Arthur Bayley, 771 Cary Drive, San Leandro, Calif.. They are grandchildren of Angeline Keturah Belknap Anderson (50-34) page 128, "one of the twins." Mrs Harband, espccially is really Gung Ho as regards the genealogy of the Belknap family in general and particularly as pertains to her "Aunt Kit". In her first letter she comments that their grandmother had lived with Mrs. Harband's parental family for about seven years before she died and noted how she now wishes that she had listened more intently to her grandmother's stories of early days in Oregon -- "but we were teenagers!"

Mrs. Harband indicated in one of her communications that she had taken a course in genealogy from the Secretary of the Mormon Temple in Oakland in January of this year and that, although she had always had a latent interest in genealogy, which was spurred from time to time, it wasn't until she took the course that she really started organizing her family records and doing research leading to the discovery of A Belknap Genealogy in the San Francisco Library.

Her letters seem to show her to be very alert, intelligent and outgoing, active in her (Methodist) church and as one with lots of common sense and drive, attributes which distinguished her Aunt Kit. Since she is apparently such a capable person and is one of your own family, I would suggest that you may want to communicate with her. She might be able to assist you in researching any loose ends relating to the west coast branch of your family. Her brother, Arthur, has a small plane and flies around over the country as the spirit moves him, it seems. Another older brother, Edwin, lives in New York city, I believe.

Am enclosing a copy of her original communication to me.

She did point out an error in family group 50-4, page 128, Ransom Amos Belknap, saying that the husband of Adeline (50-33) should be listed as Robert Orr Kyle instead of Anderson. Since I had copied, or had had Mildred copy it from your March 8, 1971, compilation of the family record, I'm sure you will want to make the correction on you summary, if you haven't already done so. She states that Kyle died in 1920 in Ireland, of a heart attack, where he and his wife were visiting at the time.

Mrs. Harband strikes me as one whose children have left home and who has so much drive she has to be really doing something to be happy. Her husband runs a Luggage store in Oakland and has for a number of years, I understand.

She sent me her copy of They Laughed, Too to read and found it so interesting that I decided to try to get a copy for myself. Wrote the Naylor Publishing Company only to be told, after considerable delay, that the book was out of print and there were no more available. Mr. Harband, however, put me in touch with the author, Edna Mintonye, Rt 2, Box 204, Monroe, Oregon, 97456 who was able to supple me with an autographed copy and also gave me permission

to quote from your the book at any length so long as I credited the author. Don't know if you might be interested in quoting any of her material as you put compilation together but if so such a blanket permission from the author might come in handy. especially since it would appear that she is getting along in years and may not be around as long as one might like. I pass the idea along for whatever it may be worth.

Mrs. Mintonye tells me that she still has about 100 copies of the book available for sale and would appreciate having this information get around to interested persons since the publishers are giving her no cooperation in disposing of the residue. $3.95 plus mailing

Incidentally I did sell Mrs. Harband and her brother a copy of my book which they will share between them, and at the request of Mrs. Harband, I also had a copy of Keturah's Chronicles made for each of them. They, of course paid the actual cost of the Xerox copies. Mrs. Harband says they have really enjoyed reading the entire, three part compilation from which my qoutes were extracted.

C.B.

March 18, 1975

Mr. E. Clinton Belknap
2019 Harwood St.
Lincoln, Neb. 68502

Dear Mr. Belknap,

Apparently our stars and Starrs are in the right positions today - my birthday. Brother Arthur and I thought we would spend a few hours in the San Francisco Genealogical Library. Within a few minutes of our arrival the Librarian, Joyce Borden, reached for A BELKNAP GENEALOGY which she had just received from you. What a surprise! Miss Borden's remark was "one of the very best assembled and indexed I've seen." And of course we especially appreciated having the family covered in such an attractive and permanent form. Present "heirs" and those yet to come are and will be indebted to you and your sources. We have been aware of Carroll Belknap's work as our Mother and my Bros. Arthur and Edwin have visited him in Conn. and were able to help with some of our far western families. We have letters of Henry W. from Salem, Mass. dated 1913 but the contents cover nothing different than your BOOK. Had it not been for George May's suggestion to place a copy in San Francisco, we may not have known of its existence, so we are also grateful to him.

We are grandchildren of Angeline Katurah Belknap Anderson (50-34) p 128 - one of the twins. She lived with us in Hayward, Ca. from 1931 until her death in 1938. Now we wish we had listened more intently to her stories of early days in Oregon - but we were teenagers. However, we have retained an indelible impression of her sterling qualities and Christian ardor along with her natural beauty and impressive bearing even after 80 years. Through her and our Mother, Arta, we have also inherited a strong feeling of pride in our Belknap line - as far as we have been told, anyway.

We are assuming that you are familiar with THEY LAUGHED, TOO compiled by Edna Mintonye in 1968, a teacher in the Alpine, Ore. area. This book covers the earliest days of the Oregon Belknaps, Starrs, Hawleys, Gilberts.

Lest our Grandfather, Ira Andersoh, be suspected of bigamy, the rightful husband of Adeline (50-33) was Robert Orr Kyle. About 1914 he took Adeline to visit his family in No. Ireland. While there, he was helping the maid with the milking, had a heart attack and died in the same house in which he was born. We have a letter of Aunt Addie's telling of the long trip home and of the problems of traveling alone during World War I. Both Grandma and Aunt Addie were buried in the family cemetery in Alpine.

Along with sending our praises for your scholarly accomplishment, we want a copy, so shall appreciate information concerning price, etc.

Sincerely,

Roberta Harband

Mrs. Monroe Harband (Roberta)
747 Calmar Ave.
Oakland, Ca. 94610

and

Mr. Arthur Bayley
771 Cary Drive
San Leandro, Ca.

cc: George S. May
Fair Oaks, Ca.

6/13/1975

Mrs. Monroe Harband
747 Calmar Avenue
Oakland, California 94610

Dear Mrs. Harband,

The publisher of THEY LAUGHED, TOO shipped the last two hundred copies to me and closed their records on it. For a time they referred inquiries to me, but now anyone interested has to take a chance and write to me, usually addressed to Alpine. Unfortunately Alpine no longer has a post office, everything goes through Monroe, but to date those letters eventually reach us.

I still have slightly over a hundred copies and fill mail orders as received. They have been moving fast recently as interested families have learned of them. They can be autographed if requested.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Edna A. Mintonye
Route 2 - Box 204
Monroe, Oregon 97456

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(660.302. 129.4, 572 15, 4, 1)

AARON Alva BELKNAP

Son of Jesse Belknap
& Jane Carlinghouse

b 16 Dec 1820, Hardin Co., Ky.
d 6 June 1896, Benton Co., Oregon
m 29 (30?) Sept 1842, Van Buren Co., Iowa

& Amanda STARR

Daughter of Jeremiah Starr
& Elizabeth [illegible] Beaver (Beaverel)

b 11 April 1820, Highland Co., Ohio
d 22 Sept 1900, Benton Co., Ore.

CHILDREN

i. Lucinda Jane b 15 Nov 1843 Van Buren Co., Iowa d 20 Dec 1927, Benton Co., Ore.
ii. *Sarah M. b 7 January 1846, Van Buren Co., Iowa d 24 Aug 1864, Benton Co., Ore.
m Thomas M Turner, 19 Feb 1863
iii. *Keziah b 18 Dec 1847, Benton Co., Ore. d 24 Dec 1913
m 15 May 1872 Rev Hilton J Anderson
iv. *Webster Clark b 29 Nov 1850, Benton Co., Ore. d ----- 1937
m (1) Ida Clark [illegible] 26 Nov 1874 (see note 1)
v. *Lewis Franklin (Rev.) b 7 Sept 1852, Benton Co., Ore. d 1 June 1949, Medford, Ore.
m (1) Correna Akers, 5 Dec 1880
(2) Fannie Alice Lorsey, 3 Oct 1896
vi. *Adeline (christened Elizabeth Adeline, but always called Adeline or Addie)
b 6 July 1854, Benton Co., Ore. d ---- California 1945
m Ira Anderson, 27 March 1872 January
vii. *Angeline (twin of Adeline) b 6 July 1854, Benton Co., Ore.
d ----- 1939, Hayward, California
m Ira Anderson, 18 May 1867
viii. Samuel C. b 14 May 1856 d 18 Aug 1875
ix. *Edward M. b 12 Sept 1860 d 29 March 1943, Prineville, Ore.
Benton Co., Ore.
m (1) Jan Spoth, 25 July 1889
(2) Hilda Ketchum, widow of Dr Horace Preston 23 March 1941
Belknap, at Prineville, Ore.

Resided: Van Buren Co., Iowa; Benton Co., Oregon; in Benton County, settled in 1847 in Belknap Settlement; later called Starr's Point; now Corvallis and Alpine, Oregon. Most of burials of above are in Alpine Cemetery.

NOTE 1: After death of his first wife, Senator Belknap married [illegible] Exact information about these later marriages has not yet been obtained. All children were by first wife, Ida Clark.

See memo from C.Y. Belknap 1973 may 261

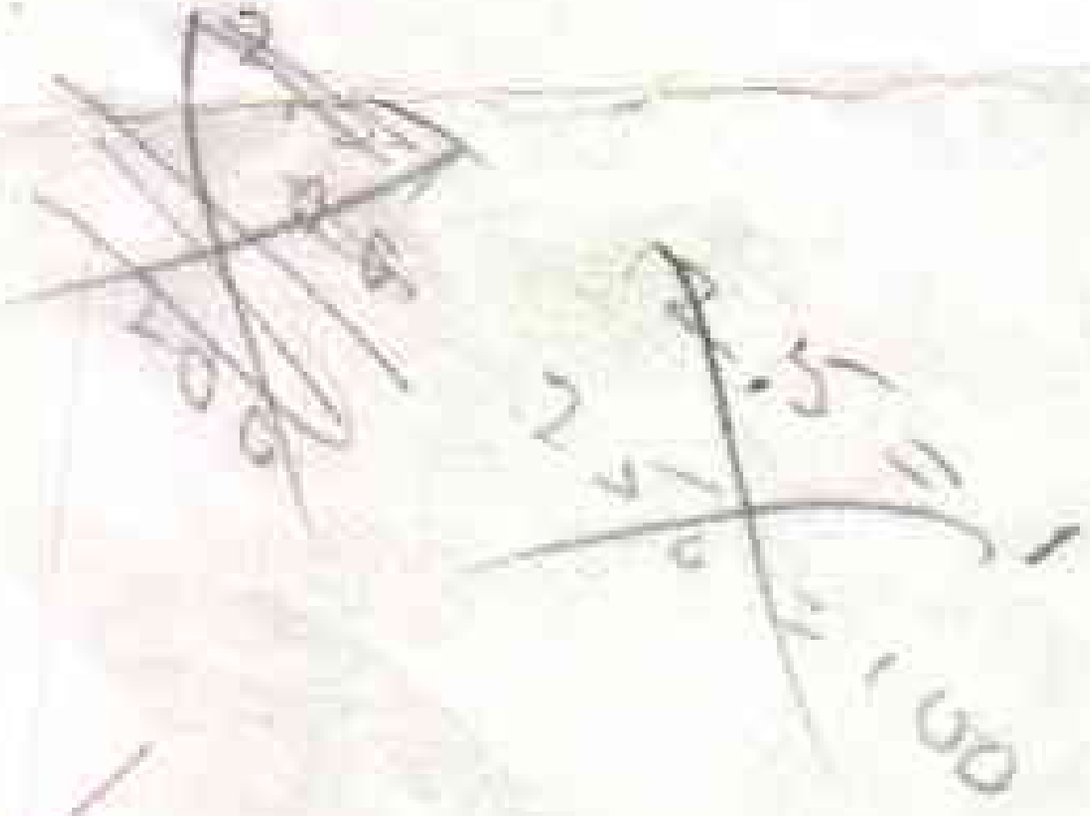
Compiled March 8 1971, by C. Y. BELKNAP

Samuel Logan
Bozeman Jr.
Born 2 Nov 1906
Covington, La.

(Charlene letter)

Archæological Journal — Roll of Battle Abbey, 1889

Wolcott — History of Battle Abbey 1867



16 October 1975

Carroll York Belknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Connecticut 06878

Dear Carroll,

Today I feel disgusted that I got so excited about the possibility of an error in the birthdate of Hiram Belknap. Apparently the error was in Wisconsin. Let me explain:

Trying to prove that Hiram Belknap was born in 1808 as my family claimed rather than 1799 as Della Belnap said, I wrote for Census reports. The first I received was from Wisconsin. It listed Hiram's age as 57. I sent you a copy of the report with the question that possibly Hiram had been born in 1803 and the date misread from a Bible. That 1860 Census gives his wife's age as 51. Children are as listed before except that Edward is named Eugene.

I then found a 1870 Census from Iowa that gives his age as 61 and his wife's also as 61.

The most recent information is the 1850 Census from Ellisburgh, Jefferson County, New York. This is where all of Hiram's children were said to have been born. In 1850, Hiram and his wife were both 41. It is a very hard film to read, but some information is missing. The states of birth are not included, as I had understood they were supposed to be in 1850.

In each case, Hiram and Sarah were listed in the Census in the town where I expected them to be. Their children were born in Ellisburgh, NY. They moved to Muskego, Wisconsin in 1855 and from there to Auburn, Fayette County, Dowa in 1863. Hiram was consistently listed as a shoemaker which I know was his occupation.(He only had one leg)

I realize that none of this is vital to you, but I wanted you to know what I have found. Apparently, my correspondent in Wisconsin copied that 51 as 57. They look a lot alike.

I have written E. Clinton Belknap in hope that I can purchase a copy of his book. I have not been successful at getting to the mainland to see a copy at the library. I just hope I am not too late.

Sincerely,

Jane Belknap Bowman

Mrs. Ezra A. Bowman
P.O. Box 1335
Avalon, Ca 90704

Beltoft = Beltoft Land at Sawbridgeworth

Currant 3 – John (2 acres)

(Robert & Henry Chauncy, Gent

(1 acre)

Church Croft = Jocelin II

Rickotte (1 acres)

In Hartcroft belonging thereto (3 roods)

Wesley (1 acres) Daniel 1680 (of Spellbrook)

Henry 1686 – no land

Nydellys – John (before 1570)

(Richard I)

(30 acres)

Nidelles

405 p.a. (1570)

Thomas Leventhorpe

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Edward Leventhorpe

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Leventhorpes of Matthams & Shingle Hall

Figs – Groves – due W of Sawbridgeworth

(Goddard)

Jane Bowman from CYB 31 Oct 1975

Thanks for your letter about census records on Hiram. It's good to know that you're doing this sort of research.

The 1808 date for Hiram means that we can narrow down the limits of the period of time in which Stephen left NY and went to Canada -- IF he was the Belchertown Stephen. Like this:

-- Hiram, last known child of Stephen of Galway, born 8 Sept 1808, hence conceived in Dec 1807.

-- Susan, first child of Stephen and Eleanor Middaugh, in Canada, born 1813 (month unknown), hence conceived in late 1812 or early 1813.

Whatever happened, IF the same man, thus happened in the five year period from Dec 1807 to late 1812 or early 1813.

We need to find a way to put that five year period under a microscope. At the moment, I'm thinking of the possibility that the area for search should be that of the villages of Conquest, Spring Lake, Cato, and Meridian -- in northern part of Cayuga County NY.

I hope Clinton was able to sell you a copy of his good book. If not, tell me what information you want. I'm glad to share my records with anyone who has good reason for needing them -- just as I did for Clinton.

Forgive my use of capitalized IF. I have to keep using that word until we find conclusive evidence.

COPY to CYB

SPEED MESSAGE DATE 7-22-75

TO Mrs Roberta Harband

SUBJECT Gen. William Worth Belknap

The attached article as promised. I would suggest also that you read in the Personal Memoirs of Julia Dent Grant — Putnam Published in 1975 — last 11 p. 189 thru 192 and foot note #24 on p 199. The former president's wife gives added insight and expresses sympathy for Gen Belknap.

FROM A Kilbourne

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 Sunday Des Moines Register Section B Jan 7, 1974

Iowan in Grant's cabinet impeached on bribery

By ROS JENSEN

An Iowan — a widely known lawyer, state legislator and war hero — was the central figure in an impeachment trial nearly 100 years ago. William Worth Belknap, secretary of war in President Grant's cabinet, was charged with corrupt conduct by the House, then acquitted by the Senate, primarily because he had resigned.

Belknap's contemporaries in Iowa found it hard to believe the scandal that surrounded the prominent Keokuk resident. He was described by one writer as a "victim of the social ambitions of Washington." Another said Belknap's "chivalrous disposition to shield another from blame led to his political downfall."

A former comrade-in-arms surmised that Belknap's friends in Iowa would believe "neither the clamor of envious politicians nor the innuendoes of secret enemies."

Belknap fit a popular image of success. Born in New York and schooled at Princeton, he looked to the West for opportunity. After studying law in Washington, D. C., he moved to Keokuk in 1851, forming a partnership with Ralph P. Lowe, who was later to become chief justice of the Iowa Supreme Court. Five years later, Belknap was elected to the State Legislature.

After the Civil War broke out in 1861, Belknap, whose father served nearly 40 years as an officer in the regular Army, was commissioned a major in the 15th Iowa Volunteers, which he would lead in the Battle of Atlanta three years later. His first engagement was at Shiloh, where he was wounded and his horse was shot from under him. It was at that battle that the Iowan became acquainted with General Grant.

Belknap was back in action at the battle of Corinth. Col. M. M. Crocker remembered him as being "everywhere along the line, mounted with sword in hand, encouraging, by voice and gesture, his men to stand their ground." There would be more battles, more heroic exploits — Vicksburg, Pittsburg Landing, Atlanta, the siege of Savannah. At war's end, Belknap was a major general.

After the war, he was appointed collector of internal revenue for the First District of Iowa. In 1869, Grant chose him as secretary of war. In addition to his political popularity in Iowa and his war record, Belknap was reputed to be, as one writer put it, "the soul of honor."

The Belknap many Iowans remembered apparently was a different sort after he and his wife (his second) moved to the nation's capital. The Grant administration, after all, did not go down in history as a paragon of virtue.

Belknap was not a wealthy man, his family was large, and his wife liked the social whirl. On a visit to New York City in 1870, she suggested to her host, Caleb P. Marsh, that he apply for an Indian trading post. One account reports her telling Marsh she would not refuse "a portion of the emoluments" if he got a post.



William Worth Belknap

Presumably she influenced Belknap to give Marsh control of the trading post at Fort Sill, Okla. Marsh then sublet it to John S. Evans, the acting trader for several years. Evans paid Marsh $12,000 in quarterly installments. Marsh sent half the money to Mrs. Belknap, beginning in the fall of 1870. Her husband may have been ignorant of the arrangement at that time.

Early the next year, Mrs. Belknap died. Instead of stopping the payments, Marsh forwarded them to Belknap. In all, Marsh probably sent about $20,000.

By 1876, the House Committee on Expenditures was quietly looking into reports of payoffs to Belknap. He found out about the investigation and submitted his resignation to Grant the morning of Mar. 2.

That afternoon, the House, after hearing the expenditures committee report "uncontradicted evidence" of malfeasance in office, voted unanimously for impeachment. The congressmen were told that Belknap had accepted $1,500 apiece from 17 other appointees in addition to the payoffs from Marsh.

The trial in the Senate turned into a prolonged debate over unsettled constitutional questions. Belknap did not dispute the charges against him. He said he resigned to protect others, whom he did not name.

Belknap argued that he was not liable to impeachment since he was no longer a public official but a private citizen. House leaders contended that the secretary of war resigned to escape punishment.

The question of his guilt or innocence was submerged in the Senate under a dispute over jurisdiction. During the trial, 30 senators turned in written opinions, nearly all of them touching on constitutional matters. Left unanswered was the question whether Congress, like the British Parliament, could impeach persons who did not hold a public office.

The Senate took its final vote Aug. 1. There were 25 votes for acquittal, 37 for conviction — four short of the two-thirds necessary for removal from office. Iowa Senator George G. Wright pronounced Belknap innocent, echoing the defense that the former cabinet member was honorably protecting others.

But only one other senator joined Wright in judging Belknap "not guilty on the facts." Twenty-two who voted for acquittal said the Senate lacked jurisdiction. Belknap was spared punishment, if not shame, by a strict constructionist interpretation of the Constitution.

Ros Jensen is a member of The Register's editorial page staff.

Ione, California
February 17, 1968

Dear Carroll:

For several months I have been asking mother questions about her family and gathering the few recollections of her childhood which may help you slightly in reconstructing your mother's genealogy. Some of my information has come from other sources, such as letters mother had saved, an old family bible, and pictures which were among Bessie's effects when we cleaned out her apartment. I went through all of her old pictures and saved those that I felt were worthwhile keeping. Among these are several pictures of homes in Scotland, which I cannot positively identify. Two homes in particular could have been the home of Aunt Maggie (your mother's aunt) and her husband James or may have been the Gordon estate. One picture is positively identified by Aunt Maggie herself as "The Lodjie at Manar" where she was born. There are a number of family pictures from Scotland sent from time to time by Aunt Maggie who lived there for the largest part of her life. There is also a picture of Peter Collie and his wife in their old age.

Mother is very hazy about the family in Scotland and the estate because it was probably discussed very little in the home in which she was raised. She was just a baby when both her mother and father died and was raised by Grandmother Lapham, her mother's mother who lived next door to your grandmother Bessie. Their houses were practically identical from the pictures and side by side (this was in Modesto, naturally).

I am attaching separately data taken from an old family bible which I think may have belonged to Aunt Maggie and passed on to Bessie. Some of the writing is hard to decipher so that I am at times guessing a bit on the spelling of the names of places, such as the parishes. Also, it is rather hard to put together the relationships in various names and dates. I have simply listed them as they appear and will not try to interpret.

Mother knows little about her grandparents in Scotland. They apparently died there, and there was an estate left to the children, most of whom lived in California at that time, with the exception of Aunt Maggie. Mother thinks the estate belonged to the Gordons and that Peter Collie managed the estate and subsequently married Elizabeth Gordon. For some reason, mother did not receive her portion of the estate. She says that her grandmother believed Will, the uncle who lived in San Francisco disposed of her portion of it. At any rate, he managed it for her since she was a minor and Grandmother Lapham broke off all relationships with him because of it so that mother lost track of Will's family.

Will (who incidentally does not seem to be mentioned in the Bible by that name, so he must have been given this as a nickname) came to California first. He became established as a florist in San Francisco and had a home in Sausalito where he raised most of the flowers for his shop. Alexander Collie, my mother's father, followed Will. He came to California because of poor health. He owned a jewelry store in Modesto. More about him later, as I had best continue with Will, as far as mother remembers. He had one daughter, Anna, who married the captain of a boat that traveled between Sausalito and San Francisco. Mother does not remember her

married name so, as far as I know, there is no way at all to trace this part of the family. Alexander, my mother's father, married Rachel Lapham in 1877, nine years after his arrival in California. This marriage was of short duration. He died in 1881 of tuberculosis, and his wife, Rachel, died just a little over a year later from the same disease. During the interval of their marriage, they had one son who died at an early age, and mother was born in 1880, just a year before her father's death. She was raised by grandmother Lapham, who moved to Modesto apparently into the house in which mother was born, next to Bessie Grenfill. The aunt, sister of Rachel, also died from the disease which she had contracted from nursing Rachel. This was all very sad and sentimental. I've included some of the poetry written to Rachel by Alexander prior to their marriage, along with the obituary notices, etc. Grandmother Lapham was a spiritualist, and there was always a conflict between grandfather and grandmother Lapham and the Collie family, as evidenced by some of the correspondence between Aunt Maggie and your grandmother which I have included. The whole family on both sides, however, were very fond of Eva. She was the youngest, 10 years younger than your mother and 4 years younger than Bessie McWhirter. She, of course, idolized both of her cousins. Hetta left home first, but she evidently came back on long visits after you were born. There is a letter from Grandmother Lapham to my mother when she was about 17 and visiting in Oakland in which she mentions that you and Hetta were visiting Grandmother Grenfill and that Carroll kept asking when Eva was coming home.

Your grandmother, Bessie, came to California with Alexander. She went to live with her brother Will. She was married to Pascoe Grenfill a year later. Mother says, as she recalls (and, of course, much of this was colored by her grandmother Lapham's comments) that Bessie was a headstrong, beautiful girl and that she was forced by her brother Will to marry Pascoe because she had stayed out too late on a date with him. However, this occurred, they were apparently ill-matched and unhappily married. Mother said that she adored her Aunt Bessie. She was exceedingly beautiful, gay and charming and, also, very brilliant. She could recite The Lady of the Lake and many other things by heart and entertained the children by the hour. Apparently, in Scotland, the parents had established a rule with their children that whenever they went on a picnic or any special affair they must memorize a certain number of lines from the Bible or some other source before returning home, or they could not go on the next occasion. At any rate, Aunt Bessie (your grandmother) had a tremendous memory. Mother said that Uncle Pascoe was a rough, crude man by comparison. ... Uncle Pascoe and she must have arrived at some compromise, however, as there are many pictures of the two of them together, riding in a carriage, etc. Your grandmother was a very beautiful woman and had many, many pictures taken. She rode a horse exceptionally well. Bessie McWhirter also did a great deal of horseback riding, but mother does not remember Hetta being as passionately fond of the sport as they were.

Mother says that she thinks Hetta left to teach school before she was married to your father. You probably know more about this than we do. Also, Bessie left home to teach school. They were both gone at the time mother's grandparents Lapham died while she was still quite a young girl. She went to live with a family who made her their slavey and who tried to marry her off to their son. By this time, she had met Dad in high school and they had fallen in love. Dad went on to the University of California, graduated in mining in 1905, and they were married in 1906 and came to Sutter Creek to live. They were practically impoverished but happy.

They were married in the home of Mrs. Rough-Castello, the people with whom mother had been living.

Aunt Maggie came to California after the death of her husband. She had no children. She came out intending to live with your grandmother but eventually moved to San Jose where she had friends and where she died. I do not know the dates of her arrival in California or her death. I do vaguely remember her ~~xxxxxx~~ visit with us in Amador City when I was in grammar school. She was a fine looking old lady and spoke with a strong Scotch brogue.

This is about all we know of the family. You undoubtedly have other information that will fill in some of the gaps. I have always wanted to go back to Scotland and look for some of the family names in the parishes mentioned.

While we are on the subject of heritage, I have had some considerable correspondence with people in the East with regard to my father's family. It seems the Merwins go back to a descendant, Miles Merwin, born 1623, probably in Wales, who died in Milford, Connecticut in 1696. He came to America as a boy of seven years, in the company of his cousin and her husband, the school master and ruling elder of a group of immigrants who landed June 30, 1630 and settled at a place they called Dorchester, now a part of Boston. After five years they went west with a group which settled or helped settle Windsor, Connecticut. There Miles Merwin grew up, receiving an education and training as a tanner. As a young man he then went to Milford, where he was given repeated grants of land, to establish a tannery and for farming. He also became part owner of a sloop and two brigs, in trade with the West Indies. He married three times, having a total of twelve children. All Merwins in this country are believed to be descendants of his four sons by his first wife Elizabeth--John, Thomas, Samuel and Miles. There is now a Miles Merwin Association which has been working for years in collecting family records for the purpose of publishing a Merwin Genealogy. There is supposed to be a cemetery in Connecticut, probably at Milford, which is primarily or wholly devoted to Merwin descendants. I have been following literature put out by this group with interest.

I hope that this supplies some of the missing information on your mother's family. If you have more questions that I can clarify let me know.

With love,

Betty (really Elizabeth).

Samples of poems written by Alexander Collie to Rachel Lapham prior to their marriage Feb. 4, 1877:

If all the land was a desert,
And all the seas were dry,
The world to me would seem pleasant,
If you were ever nigh.

If I was living in splendor
Mid the glory of gardens fair,
My life would be lonesome and weary,
If you were not with me there.

The sublimest of all the pleasures
That man in this world may know,
Is the love of the one he loveth,
To cherish through weal or woe.

.....

When I wed thee my precious and lovely dear,
When I've spoken that holy vow,
A pretty little cottage mid a garden fair,
Where flowers will perfume the balmy air,
Shall be your home--no sorrow or care,
May mar thy fair young brow.

When I wed thee my precious and beautiful one,
When the orange bloom graces thy brow.
You will find in my heart a regal throne,
Where ye may reign and you alone,
Receive the praise and homage I own,
In that tender and holy vow.

.....

A wee bird came in the twilight hour,
It warbled sweet and clearly
And aye the burden of its song
Was--Katie loves you dearly.

Said I--My bird, my bonnie bonnie bird,
Ye sing so sweet and cheerily,
Tell, me, tell me, how ye know,
That--Katie loves me dearly.

The wee bird shook its tiny wings,
Said--I've flown since morning early,
Last night I heard her whisper low,
I love my true love dearly.

I sat in her casement shade last night,
The moon was shining clearly,
I saw the love light in her eyes,
--Oh, I know she loves you dearly.

My bonnie lovely bird, said I
You are an angel surely,
Return and sing my love to her,
Tell her I love her purely.

Obituaries found among mother's papers (Eva Collie Merwin):

Death--June 9, 1879 (This would have been two years after the marriage of Alexander Collie and Rachel Lapham. Mother (Eva) was born the following year, July 1, 1880):

Walter A. Collie, belowed son of Alexander and Rettie Collie, aged one year. (Following the announcement is a poem in memoriam as was the custom in those days.)

Death of Alexander Collie: March 17, 1881

The subject of this sketch, Alexander Collie, was born at Mamar ILV rur e Parish Aberdeen Shire, Scotland, on the 12th day of January, 18 1844 and died at Modesto, Stanislaus County, California, in the early morn of March the 17th, 1881. He leaves a wife, infant child, and one sister, Mrs. Grenfell, in Modesto, a brother, Mr. William Collie, at San Francisco, and a mother and sister in Scotland. The deceased married Miss Ratie Lapham in 1877 at the residences of her parents, in Merced, and with his young bride went to Modesto, where he has followed the jewelry business until a few months ago he became too ill to work. During his long and painful illness his young wife was untiring in her care and attention, ever at the bedside of the sufferer with gentle voice, loving heart and willing hands, never weary of administering to his wants and speaking loving and encouraging words, fondly hoping that ere long he would be restored to health. Nor could she realize the truth that he was past all care, until within a few days before he closed his eyes forever to all earthly things, to open them in the amaranthine bowers of the blissful home on the other side. A few days before his death he became calm and uncomplaining only praying for the end. A few moments before the clock struck two on the morning of the 17th inst., he placed his wan cheek upon the palm of his hand and without a sigh or struggle, he passed peacefully from earth. Beautiful flowers, trimmed by loving hands, decked the casket, and amid the tears and sobs of a loving sister, an affectionate wife, and friends, they laid his body into the silent tomb, where no pain or sorrow can ever enter. The news of the death of the belowed son will fall heavily upon the heart of the dear old mother in her highland home; but he who tempereth the wind will be with her in the hour of trial and the good spirit will whisper--"Up there, Mother; up there, you will meet him."

Death of Rachel Lapham Collie--

Death of an Estimable Lady

On Saturday last Mrs. R. A. Sherwood Collie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Lapham, died at her residence on 13th street. The deceased was a native of California aged 22 years and 7 months. A little over a year ago, her husband died of consumption, since which time Mrs. Colli has been a sufferer with the same disease.....

(Poem in her memory by Mrs. Dr. P. Tabor)

Where now is lovely Rachel?
Did'st say that she, dear one is dead?
Did'st listen when the life went out?
Did'st see no angel spirit round her bed?
When the freed spirit left.

When the clay grew cold as marble
And no light shone from her eye,
Did you feel no strong conviction
That a holier form was nigh?

That a new birth had changed her
To a pure and painless life,
And that now among the blessed ones,
She is free from Anxious strife?

Long with fell disease she lingered,
And tried to fight the desperate foe,
But at last all skill was baffled
And the life was forced to go.

Did the spirit husband come
Who had waited on the other shore,
And fold his unseen arms around her
And bear her where she groans no more?
When the hands grew cold and clamy,
Did she unconscious seem of life
And when the breath grew short and shorter?
Did she seem of sense bereft?

No! She plumed her wings and soared away:
Saying "I am not afraid to die."
And entered at the close of day
Into life beyond the sky.

Father, mother, sister, brother,
Who so patiently stood by her,
And so kindly tried to soothe her,
Let the smouldering ashes lie.

And look! The spirit tries to move you,
To the bright Elysian fields,
It would say forget your sorrow,
And rise above the torturning ~~xxxxx~~ ills.

Among other things that I have saved is a school girl composition by my mother (Eva Collie) entitled "School Girl Thoughts on Expansion" and one by Bessie Grenfill (McWhirter) entitled "Is the Love of Money the Root of all Evil?" on which she received 98%.

There are several letters from Aunt Maggie in Scotland which touch briefly on the subject of the inheritance and show the mutual dislike of Grandma Lapham and all the Collies as concerned Eva. Grandma Lapham was a "spiritualist" and, of course, she disliked the Collies because her daughter had contracted tuberculosis from her marriage and she had lost her second daughter (who nursed Rachel) from tuberculosis, too. I think Grandma Lapham must have been a little "odd" from things mother has told me, although she was good to mother. Mother rmembers the seances, but apparently these were discontinued as she became older as the grandmother felt they were affecting mother too strongly. Mother says she remembers that Bessie (McWhirter) and she tried a little "table tipping" on their own but she never more than peaked in the room where they held the seances. Also, Grandmother Lapham smoked a pipe, which she broke when mother was about ten (over the fireplace in front of mother, saying that she did not want her granddaughter to be exposed to the habit. It seems from these letters that Bessie Collie Grenfill and the Collies wanted to take care of Eva themselves but were prevented from doing so by grandmother and grandfather Lapham. I have copied a few excerpts from Aunt Maggie's letters:

27 Broomlands Street, Paisley--November 5, 1884.

My dear Bessie:

(Some idle chatter about people I do not know and then:)

We were very much pleased to have your letter and to know that you are in your usual health. Hettie must be a splendid fine looking girl. You might say how tall she is. As you say, she is a little taller than you but I really don't know how tall you are as you grew a bit after you went out there. Bessie looks such a sweet gentle little miss. I think quite a beauty, and Eva is a dear little fat thing. Her Aunt (could be Rachel's sister) sent one of her photos but we thought she might have written a few lines as well, but I dare-say they will think the spirits will tell us all about Eva. Do you mean to say that picture is like you. If it is, I would not know you. Your face seems twisted. I cannot think that it is good. We got ours done when in Aberdeen and will send you one, but they are not nice at all (we will send one to Eva in return for hers). Thanks very much for yours. We are so pleased to see your dear faces. We had a letter from Will (just a few lines he never sends more) the day before yours and the most of it was scolding us for never writing to you and wondering about Mr. Tytter (or Lytter). We can't understand what he means. He settled everything with us in May and we thought the whole thing was settled with Will and you too, but when we got your letter saying what you had got, just about the half, we went to Mr. Tytter when in Aberdeen and he said he had a balance to send you and was just getting it completed to send off, so we are very much astonished to know he has never settled with you. He is a n nasty little wretch. Jamie kept at him to settle up the thing, so I suppose he got frightened to keep our money longer, but it is too bad of him to keep yours. Will ought to write some severe letters to him, of course. We are powerless now, as he may tell us we have no business, being quite settled with us. So you and Will should keep at him. We don't like him a bit. You did not say if your health is any better. I trust you are a little stronger. Hettie should be able to help you a good deal. Is she going to learn a trade? I am glad to say I am every so much better than I was last ye year.....(etc., etc.)..... (and at the end a P.S.) Say how Pascoe is behaving to you.

Manar, Falside, Paisley, July 22, 1889

My dear sister Bess:

I got such a start when I got the letter in black from Cal. and was so thankful when I saw your handwriting on the envelope. So poor Will is gone, and we are left very lonely now. I wish we could only be nearer each other. I should like very well to know how Jean feels. I am glad I am so far from her for I am afraid I would not have put up with her as you did, the old she devil that she is. She has been the ruin of our poor brother. Fancy him lying outside at their very door and so caught his death. It is better for him to be away than the miserable life he has been leading. I am so thankful that he was beginning to go into busines again, for it shows he was thinking of another life and trying to do better. We are truly sorry for the treatment you got down there, but the old beast i is not out of the world herself. I have no doubt she will be punished for all this. (I don't know who Jean is--perhaps Will's wife?)..... I meant to write you everyday since hearing the bad news but was so put about and angry that I could not settle to write. Jamie (Maggie's husband) had such an impertinent letter from old Lapham, and saying nasty things about Will that he was the means of keeping Tyttle from

sending any money to Eva. You will have heard from them that Tytter is bankrupt and they are about wild. Jamie did all he could whenever he knew for Eva's sake, and the old man says we are all mad because we did not get Eva, and that is where he makes the mistake. We only offered her a good home. If they cared to send her, but of course we knew that they would not let her if they could have any chance of the money, which we would not have touched, for whenever we knew she had lost the money, I said to Jamie "perhaps we will have a chance to get Eva now." We are vexed that she should be brought up to such a life as spiritualists lead, but you bet Jamie will give him a warmer for our blood is up and he had no business to speak of poor old Will as he did after he is in his grave for I am sure he was kind to them many a time. But I think they will be mad because he did not put Eva in his will, and I wonder he did not leave her something, but I suppose he had been so ill that day his mind would not be quite clear. We are very pleased to know that he remembered you so well. It will be a great help to you. Could you not try to invest it somehow, or it will soon all go. You surely will not be such a fool as to hand it over to Anna (this is Will's daughter). I believe if she had done a daughter's part she would have had it all. (Much more follows along the same lines--both she and Jamie not feeling too well--they have bought a cottage with a large piece of ground on the outskirts of Paisley--they have moved to it and called it Manar.

Along with the above, there is a letter from Jamie:

My dear sister:
We were so grieved when we got your letter about Will's death. I need not go into matters about him and Jean as Maggie has done it pretty well, only she need never show face here. I cannot understand the Laphams. They surely think we are fools. They blame us for trying to get hold of Eva, when we merely offered her a home and more they think they can take the liberty of black balling Will because they did not get Eva's money and say they have one of Tytter's letters to Will stating or offering to pay the interest to Will or anyone who has the guardianship of Eva. Now, how is it they got hold of this letter of Tytler's? Can you find out? I will ask them as well.....

FROM THE FAMILY BIBLE (I believe this belonged to Aunt Maggie)

Alexander Collie born in the Parish of Furiff June 25, 1798, died January 11, 1875

Christain Hag (or Hay) born in the Parish of King Edward June 29, 1804; died May 6, 1883

Married November 22, 1831 at Drumork (or Drumoak)

William Hay Collie born in the Parish of Drumork September 9, 1832; died June 18, 1889

Jannet Isobell born in South Parish, Aberdeen July 27, 1835; ~~died~~ June 12, 1857 married

..... (Dots indicate spacing in Bible between entries)

Isobell Campbell (seems this must be Jannet Isobell above) died April 14, 1861
Alexander Campbell (presumably her husband) born April 16, 1868; died May 21, 1861 (note--1 month after her death)
James Campbell (I suppose their son) born and died Jan. 4, 1861

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I think all of the following were the family of Peter and Elizabeth Collie. I don't know which of the group was known as "Will". The only dates shown for those coming to California are the dates for Alexander (mother's father) and Elizabeth (your grandmother)

Anne born June 1, 1838 Parish of Invrurry (or Invering); died July 31, 1859
Peter born Jan. 5, 1940, same parish (and this applies to all so I won't repeat the parish); died October 11, 1856
James born November 11, 1841; died August 22, 1858
Alexander born January 11, 1844; left for California June 10, 1868; married February 1877; died March 17, 1881
Margaret Hag (it looks definitely like "Hag" instead of "Hay" here) born March 10, 1846; ~~died~~ married September 26, 1868
Elizabeth Gordon born October 6, 1850; left for California June 10, 1868; married August 1, 1869

ENTRY FROM ANOTHER BIBLE (I think Bessie McWhirter's)

Births:
Henrietta Margaret Grenfill born June 30, 1870
Bessie Lenore Grenfill born December 11, 1876

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Bessie Gordon Grenfill (Collie)
Born at Aberdeen, Scotland October 6, 1850; died at Modesto, Calif. October 1, 1924

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Pasco Grenfill died February 1, 1918



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Mr. Carroll Y. Belknap

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Riverside, Conn. 06878

Monday - the 25th

Greetings on another 90' day -

I was i the middle of pulling weeks, after a fine rain last night, when a friend from Michigan drove in to take me to lunch. What a sight I made - and what a quick change I made for the prospect of free lunch and much conversation.

I see by the NEHGR that Clinton Belknap has his book published. I take it he was doing a different line than yours, and not running a race with you to see whose book got into the public hands first. Should I borrow it from NE?

The other small item is from a note in the New York History magazine.

> "The Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Collection is seeking new information concerning the work and career of Zebakiah Belknap (1781-1858), a presumably untrained itinerant portraitist. Information to Miss Betsy Manken, South England St., Williamsburg, Va. 23185.

You probably know about Zeb, but I didn't and thought I'd better send it on to you. The gent sounds interesting.

Charge the poor typing to the heat. I'm through with vacation jaunting, and should do something inside the house, as well as yard. Hope you've had a good summer.

ECB from CYB 1 Oct 1975

Subject: THIS & THAT (need not be answered)

A hodge-podge of loose ends that I ought to set down on paper for your information:

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(1) "Growing more intolerant?? Mebbe. I doubt that could claim to have been more tolerant in past times. Not gifted that way, . . . But please, don't I get good marks for being silent so long about my anguish at seeing myself shown as saying "Williamette River"? Have long wished that the name of the river and valley were spelled with mid-capitals, like this? WilLAMmette -- for a few Easterners (i.e.people living east of the Rockies) might then pronounce it as Oregonians do.

(2) Now that there's no longer any hope that LaPiana is going to find original evidence on Stephen, I must turn to the long-deferred task of revising my sheets on the Belchertown family -- so as to include all the additional information accumulated in recent years, such as proper statement of name of Mary Newton's mother. As new data came to light, I added it to the file and in 1974 set the whole file aside while hoping that the leads I gave to LaPiana might prove helpful.

(3) A glance at that file shows why I failed to tell you about "Mary Witt" . . . I didn't notify anyone. Just stuck the results of my investigation in the file and forgot about it -- probably because at that time I may have thought myself close to drafting the whole revision.

(4) Hope my hasty and carelessly written Par. 2 in memo dated 2 Sept hasn't misled and confused you as it did LaPiana. Apparently my mind was centered on other matters when I wrote "Mary Witt is right. . . Kibbee was wrong." Should have written "Mary Witt is correct maiden surname Kibbee may have been reporting her married surname by a preceding marriage, so possibly Widow Gibbs.". . . Trying to explain this to LaPiana, I've found myself forced to write what amounts to a case history of what to do and how to do it when you find two reputable sources agreeing on a wife's first name but disagreeing on the surname -- a commonplace situation apparently not previously encountered by LaPiana. To illustrate, sent him a copy of the sheets I prepared for you on the first Samuel -- pointing out that,for what I thought were your needs,I omitted all the detailed annotation of sources of facts, such as the will of Sarah Jones's father as the proof of her maiden surname. . . Also told him, in detail, why something reported by Kibbee cannot be over-ruled offhand: his Belknap descent , which gave him ready access to the family papers, records, surviving letters, etc. in the Belknap families still in Conn. in 1890s and early 1900s.

(5) LaPiana now seems -- repeat seems -- to agree that he should not issue material implying that Stephen of Galway was certainly son of Samuel and Mary of Belchertown.

(6) Something you probably won't believe. . . Until you told me yours MSS were in hands of the printer, I had no idea you were planning to issue a printed book for wide distribution. I had the idea that you were preparing something for limited circulation among close relatives -- as many others have been doing.

(&) Ontario County place names -- a long-standing argument with Gladys Gray, with me protesting "But, Gladys, I have to say it so that people can find the places on an ordinary map." . . . Gladys was the first correspondent I acquired and the best and most helpful, and still is. You have seen perhaps only 5% of the information she has sent to me. An expert on land titles and on genealogy ---member NEHGS --- with a network of informants in western NY, who watch for mention of names in which she is interested.

Things done by Gladys go far beyond the line of duty -- as, for instance, driving a hundred miles because the weather is just right for taking a color photo of the place where Esther Parker was buried -- and the ruins of an old schoolhouse in Hunt's Hollow, on the site of the one-room school where Jonas's younger children learned their ABCs along with the Garlinghouse kids. . . . Recently, on her own initiative, because she knew Seth went there about 1820, spending a day in Wayne County digging up data on him in hope of finding a trace of the possible Susannah -- no such luck -- and also digging up data on some descendants of Pilgrim. . . But I could write a book about Gladys. She knows quite well that I adore her.

(7) Charts . . . I've nothing against them, when properly used. . . I just wish they'd never been invented, so people couldn't send me neatly filled-out charts containing whatever they happened to find somewhere or other, without indicating where they got it.

(8) My files. . . Yes, I think a lot about what to do with them, when once I get them organized. . . What I've been running, all these years, hasn't really been the preparation of a book. It has been a service operation, trying to help people who needed information and doing what I could to solve their problems. This has been what interested me and still does -- whereas the drudgery of dealing with some 4500 names (including those I steal from you) just appalls me. The accumulation of those 4500 names (a guesswork estimate, probably too low), has been merely a by-product. Along the way, I've learned the rudiments of a new trade, which had delighted me -- and my own pleasure was my real motive and still is, which I might as well admit, no matter how much I may say about such things as duty to posterity.

At ~~Nyt~~ S...

Look for letter from Derman 9/5/30

" Reg of St Saviour's Southwark

4th February 1599/600

Josias Bellcap, a man being " a stranger and no parishoner

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this will proved 6th Feb 1599

Dated 28 Jan 1599

Witnesses Thomas Hadwell

John Lawlyer

Rec'd Burial Mark Known

Note this Doubt this will

The British in May

- Policeman in Devon (Minehead)
- Constable in Wigmore (Edward Burden)
- Steward in London
- Farmer in Cornwall
- Car-owner at The Ball
- Cab driver at ~~St Pancras~~ Westminster
- Barrister in Lincolns Inn

- Norfolk Doctor & his wife
- Workers at Ravenscar
- Waiter in Chester (at Rafael at Betty's)
- College boy at Ludlow
- Bird watchers from Brighton (at Braunton Burrows)
- Hereford guide dresser

Chester
Derby
Ludlow
Wigmore
~~Birmingham~~ B
Hereford
Gloucester
Stratford
Aylesbury → Canterbury
- Bristol
- Exeter
- Taunton
- Reading
- Cambridge
- Ely
- Chelmsford
- London → Southampton

p 83 #1 "Jesse" — in 1820 Census Hardin Co } Same?
"w family & five"

p 92 #2 "Jas or Jos" " " " " "

p 92 #1 "Jonas (Jr)" " " " Hart Co

"5 chn from under 10 to 16-25"
"His identity not clear"

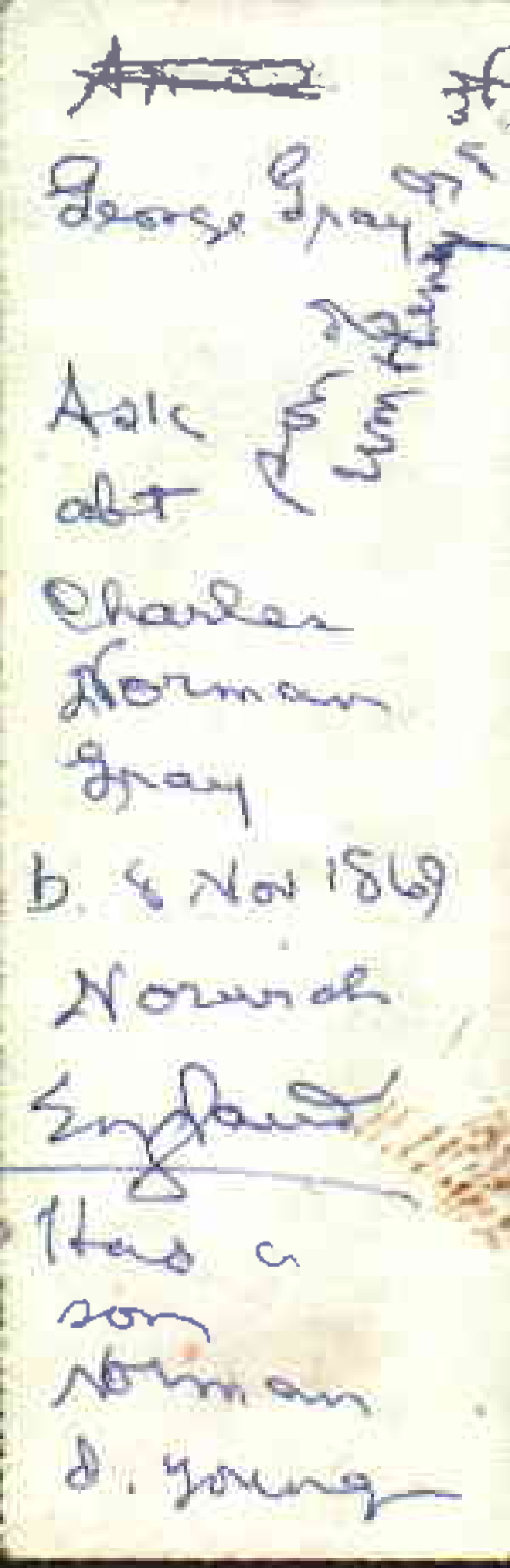
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p. 77 - Chart for S. Mary Trent * Bro Jonas Jr

Joseph (Bro of JNB)
b 13 Aug 1854 in West Hayden, Lewis Co KY
ch. bapt b in 1794

7/16/75

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Julia Mellen B.

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KNIGHT

Sir Charles Oman, quoted in Furneaux Invasion:1066 page 186

The eleventh century knight was nót necessarily nobly born, MMX
nor had he gone through the elaborate ceremony of admission to the knightly order which prevailed three centuries later. He was simply a soldier who fought on horseback, and who received from the king, or from one of the king's tenants-in-chief, a patch of land on condition that he should do mounted service in return for it.

Lyon Memorial

Vol 2

Margaret Lyon m.
Ira Lyon (Before 1875
when he died)

Vol 3 ~~Stephen dese~~?

Jennie Northrop
m. Arthur ~~Augustus~~ Northrop
at Madison SDak 27 Dec 1888

Vernon Vital Records

James Belnap m Emma A Fenton
(both of Rockville)
April 28th 1872

Dunbridgeworth (SABRIXTE WORDE) – Domesday Book 1086

1065 – Most valuable estate (of Edw the Confessor) in the country

– Owner – Asgar the Stalker (in charge of royal stables)

1066 – Given to Geoffrey de Mandeville – valued at £60 p.a. in 1065 But only £50 p.a. in 1086

1086 – pop. 500 to 600

By 1400 – divided into many manors

(sold to Robert Goodday in 1549)

Tidnamsbury — Morley

Groves — Reading (Abbey of St Mary)

Pitchbury – Sompe 1400 (leased to Ramsey c. 1400 to the King 1534) Nildmay 1550 (Henry VIII – who gave it to Bruno Bolyn)

Sawerbury – Parr 1550 de Vere to 1550 Parr – 1550

Malhams – Shingle Hall — Devereux

Hyde Hall — Jocelyn

Nidderby 1551 – court acts yrly rent at XLVj s. viij d. (46 s, 8 d.)

[1550 – 40 s. p. a.]

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DATE: April 1, 1975

REPLY TO ATTN OF: NNMO-3157MRS

SUBJECT: Charles Belknap

C. Y. Belknap
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The "Records of Officers" among the records of the Bureau of Naval Personnel show that Charles Belknap was a midshipman, ensign, master, lieutenant, lieutenant commander, and commander between 1864 and 1896. Copies of the documents containing information about his service can be furnished for $12.

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Robert W. Krauskopf

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Nicholas Purtear (John's Living 3 Parts) Richard's

1) Wentwood's Bill of Complaint 1550

(John) "about Apryle [1544-45] dyd gyve & graunte ... to one Henry Chacy thelde & Robt. Goddard thelder & other. to yo' oratot' in remaynder ..."

2) Pyttoris Answer

(Richard) "by his deed ... enfeoffed one Thomas Lentroppe and other" (for Christian till John of full age)

3) Wentwood's Replication

(Richard) "enfeoffed one Thomas Lentroope and other" (Lenthorpe)

(John) "dyd infeffe Henry Chauncey & others" - Henry Chauncey, Sent.

4) Pyttoris Rejoynder

(John) "dyd infeffe Henry Chauncey and other"

5) Interrogation of Henry Chauncey [40 yrs of age] [agree w/ above]

Covenants –

John bought it from
~~Hasen~~ "one Mr Chancy" [ab1530]

Trustees – "John Layne Thelden
and George Mathews"

6629 aven

July 3 1971

Mr Nuel D Belnap Jr
Department of Philosophy
University of Pittsbirgh
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213

Dear Nuel:

My great thanks for the Sawbridgeworth history, which arrived most unexpectedly yesterday. I've been digging into it with high interest. Perhaps you'll be interested in some hasty comments based on my long immersement in the published records of our Sawbridgeworth ancestors.

The booklet contains names long familiar to me -- families connected in one way or another with the prolonged lawsuits by which the chief Beltoft properties passed out of the family, in the middle 1500's. To speak of them, I should urge you to read H W Belknap's long report in NEHG Register, ~~1914~~ 1931, just as carefully as you seem to have read his 1914 piece.

When the first Richard Beltoft died (1501 to 1510) he left to his son John Beltoft a property called Nidelles (Nydellys) containing 30 acres. The size of this property was most unusual for a mere farmer at that time -- so large that it could hardly have been acquired in one generation unless "outside money" had been provided by someone who financed a purchase from a lord of a manor -- most likely a Leventhorpe or a Chauncy. So it has interested me to find the locations of the Chauncy's and Lexenthorpe's -- at Matham and Shingle Hall for the Chauncy's -- at Pishiobury for the Leventhorpe's? In the long records of the lawsuit over Nidelles, these names appear: Robert Chauncy, Henry Chauncy, Thomas Leventhorpe (Lentroope), and Edward Leventhorppe. What the records of the lawsuit indicate plainly is that John Beltoft was on good personal terms with both the Chauncy's and the Leventhorpe's of his day (circa 1540). And I think it's a good guess that Nidelles may have been located somewhere near both Shingle Hall and Pishiobury -- maybe midway between these two manors.

Now comes the entirely hypothetical "if." If there is any blood relationship between these Beltofts and the old Belknap family founded by Sir Robert de Bealknap, it is likely that the first ~~Beltoft~~ was a Beltoft (an easy alias for Belknap) appeared in Sawbridgeworth not later than 1425 and possibly a year or so before 1400 -- in which case the John Leventhorpe whose brass decorates the front cover of the booklet was the person from whom Nidelles or the beginning of Nidelles was purchased.
perhaps

I have thought for a long time that the feet of fines, around 1400 to 1425, should be searched in hope of finding a record indicating when Richard Beltoft's forebear using that name arrived in Sawbridgeworth.

At any rate, I've thought it worth while to tell you why I find the booklet fascinating.

Cordially,

(Copy to Della)

Fred — file of Covington

9 April 1975

Mrs Pamela Holcomb
6159 Arch Way
Riverside, California 92506

Dear Mrs Holcomb:

Thank you for telling me about the death of my Uncle Fred. I'm grateful, for he had been much on my mind lately. And I'm glad to know that he was not alone in his last days.

Though I actually met him only once, some few years ago, he and I had managed to keep in touch with each other from time to time. For years, my wife and I used to receive "from Fred and Bess" a regular Christmas present of fresh California dates -- in years when my only close relatives were Uncle Fred and Cousin Rose (daughter of Fred's sister Mary). living

Now, if you will, there's something more that you can do for Fred, so that he will be fully covered in the family genealogy that I'm preparing. I lack full information about his marriage, including Bess's maiden name and names of her parents; nammmof her first husband and date of that marriage; date of marriage to Fred; date of her death; names and birthdates of her children.

I'll be grateful for your help on this. And you can wish me enough remaining years to get the job done and published.

A LITTLE STEP AWAY

To close the eye, to fall asleep
To draw a labored breath,
To find release from daily cares
In what we know as death . . .

Is this the crowning of a life,
The aim or end thereof?
The totaled sum of consciousness,
The ripened fruit of love?

It cannot be, for works of God
Are wrought for nobler ends,
And those away continue on
In the hearts of kin and friends.

It cannot be, for they live on
A little step away.
The soul, the everlasting life,
Has found a better day . . .

— O. J. HANSON

In Memory of

Frederick Roland Belknap

Entered This Life
May 2, 1883
Tulare County, California

Entered Into Rest
April 1, 1975
Riverside, California

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Mr. Carroll York Bishop
25 Arch Road
Riverside, Conn.
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April 4, 1975

Dear Mr. Bellnap,

My name is Pam Holcomb, my grandfather's Fred Bellnap. I'm writing you at his request, to inform you of his death. He past away April 1, 1975. He had told me about you some months ago, and asked me to be sure and notify you.

I've been reading the works you've done on the Bellnap family Tree. It has been very interesting and greatly appreciated.

Grandpa enjoyed your correspondence with him very much.

Thank you for being his friend,

Pam Holcomb

Bellows Genealogy

Belknap: Alden 364
Alden Walling 360
Bradley 364 ct
Carrie 364
Charles Henry 361, 363
Clayton 361
Dita 364
Virginia 364

#150

Caroline L. Bellows b. Aug 8 1816 d. Virginia City Nev Feb 8 1889
m. June 6, 1839 - Alfred Alden Belknap
s. of Alden & Eliza Bell
b. NYC 1815
d. Warwick NY March 14, 1864
Paymaster, USN

Children born in Newburgh NY

1. Alden Walling Belknap b Feb 16, 1841
d. NYC 1880
m. Dec 1870, Jessie E Bleecker
One ch., d. in infancy

2. Charles Henry Belknap
b. July 21, 1842 - resign Carson City Nev in 1898

3 Clayton Belknap b. Sept 20, 1845
Reg Virginia City 1858
unmarried

Also #380 - next sheet

Bellows Genealogy

#380 Charles Henry Belknap (son of #150)
b. Newburgh NY July 21, 1842
Eng. Carson City Nev 1864
moved to Nevada, Spring 1865
(Appointed) Justice Nev. Supreme Court 1872
Elected ~~Reel~~ same position 3 times.
Mayor of Virginia City 1877-78
m. Feb 25, 1873 - ~~Jess~~ Jennie Bradley
p daughter of Lawrence Bradley
* Virginia Ford Bradley
interim Gov. of Nev.

Children
1. Carrie, b. Carson City Jan 4, 1874
m. ~~Harrison~~ K. Brown January 1894
2. Virginia, b. San Jose, Calif. March 18, 1875
3. Bradley, b. May 19, 1877, d. Carson City June 24, 1881
4. Alden, b. Va. City, June 16, 1878
5. Dita, b. Carson City, June 24, 1886

Col Augustus
Belknap
died (before) June 21, 1889
in California

Obituary (S. A. Light)
June 21, 1889

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Township (Darke Co., Ohio)

Kentfield Genealogy

Dartmouth Sketches

Samuel
HmB #4

File

12/28/70

JOHN A SHERMAN (Copy to Clinton Belknap)

My thanks for the copies of photos of ~~HHH~~ Ferris and his wife. I'm glad to have them.

HmB #4 Your query about Samuel (Abraham's son) has made me to take time to review what I have on him -- most especially your comment "I wonder if he settled in New Jersey." For the sake of my own records, I'm going to summarize the known facts in this note.

The documentary evidence on this first Samuel consists mainly of deeds and entries in account books kept by merchants. In appraising this evidence, HmB and others seem to have made some errors -- one of which was pointed out by G Andrews Moriarty in NEHGS Register 1950. And there is one troublesome question -- whether or not he was ever on Long Island (which is what I think you may mean by your reference to New Jersey). So here goes:

SALEM: We can place Samuel in Salem, on firm evidence, in 1657(20 Oct) -- 1661 -- 1665(20 Feb) -- 1666(11 June and 20 Sept)-- 1668~~XXXXXXXX~~ (6 Nov) -- and possibly 1669, if one record means what I think it may mean.

MALDEN: Only one record -- 14 April 1671 -- when Samuel "of Malden" and his brother Joseph sold "theire thirds" of the house and lot remaining from the property that had been owned by Abraham at Lynn. The other "third" was doubtless owned by Hannah, their sister, who signed the deed. As the other brother John was not mentioned, we may assume he had died before this date. We can also assume that Abraham's wife Mary Stallion had died before this date -- there is no other known clue to the date of her death.

(3/4 acre)

HAVERHILL: First known date 24 Dec 1673, when Samuel with "Sarah my wife" sold land to ffrancis Waynwright. (So probably had been at Haverhill some time before that date.) -- On 28 Nov 1677 took the Oath of Allegiance. -- On 13 Oct ~~HH~~ 1696 sold land to his son Ebenezer.

Last known date

This 1696 entry is the last ~~surely~~ known date. HmB erred in identifying this Samuel ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ as acknowledging on 31 Aug 1731 a deed dated 21 Nov 1696 conveying land in Haverhill to Abraham Belknap "of Reading." So HmB said Samuel died "after 1731 ?" -- with the question mark, which has been ignored so widely that "after 1731" appears in many sets of records. But as Moriarty said (and I agree) it is obvious that the Samuel who acknowledged the deed in 1731 was Samuel's son Samuel. [redacted] So "after 1731" for date of death must be altered to "after 1696" -- or more specifically to "after 21 Nov 1696" if we accept the signature on that date as being that of Samuel the father (which seems likely, though not proven).

LONG ISLAND: Here we have uncertainty. Many commercial sources place Samuel on Long Island without identifying evidence. This may have been originated by Commander Charles Belknap of Boston in the 1890's. HmB notes: "Lt Comm Charles Belknap says he also resided Easthampton, L. I., but gives no authority." At Boston, a year ago, I examined this portion of the Commander's records, including his copy of the document on which he based his statement. It did not convince me. I thought his conclusion unwarranted. But I find I may have been wrong. In HmB's notes there are two quotations from East Hampton town records showing "Sam Belknap" ~~HH~~ "Samuell Belknap" as owning a total of about 4 ~~HH~~ "ackers" -- and there was no other Samuel Belknap in America ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ at that time: for the

son Samuel was born 1662.

HdB made no comment on these quotations -- and did not indicate any acceptance of "residence" on Long Island. And I have found no other compiler who does more than just say that Samuel "went to" ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~Long Island, or "lived" there.

Samuel's first child was born 17 April 1653 -- the same year as the date shown in the quotations from Est Hampton town records (5 July 1653). ~~XXXXXXXXXXX~~ So he was probably married circa 1652 and the marriage to Sarah Jones may have taken place (or probably did) in Hingham, Mass., where her family lived. Hingham is on the southern shore of Massachusetts Bay, some distance from Lynn and Salem. And we do not know where Samuel and Sarah lived immediately after marriage, for the birthplace of the first child (Mary, who died young) is not known -- and I have no hope of finding it.

So I end by saying that the quotations from East Hampton may show that the Commander was right in saying that Samuel went to Long Island -- but there is no evidence that he lived there -- and indeed no evidence of actual residence before we find him at Salem in 1657.

Whether I may find additional data some day is impossible to say. And maybe it's not important. But I wish I could set the record straight.

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Looking back at what I've written, I see I omitted one fact: that Samuel's wife Sarah died at Haverhill 18 April 1689. So, answering your query about "New Jersey", I can say that the place where Samuel finally settled was Haverhill and that there was never a "New Jersey" in his record as far as I know. Where did you get it?

Samuel b. twB #4

m Sarah Jones

d. of ~~fm~~ No 1731? d. 8 Apl 1689 Haverhill

Salem – Nov. 1666 – mentd as debtor to Th James + Jos Boreham

~~1654~~ 1657 to 1665 (New) (prob 1664) 20 Oct 1657 Comm Acct Bk (married by then) (m before 1657)

1661 – Rowe Quiet

?– 1669 " " ~~suit~~

20 Feb 1665 – ~~Bought~~ land ~~to~~ Edward Caskyn

11 June 1666 — other deeds to same

6 Nov 1666 — " " "

~~Execution~~

20 Sept 1666 – creditor of Th James "their thirds" of

Malden

14 Apl 1671 – a ~~grant~~ grant sold Rowe + Eat 3/4 acre – Lynn – named by Joseph, Samuel, + Hannah (judicially John not living)

Haverhill – Oath of Allegiance 28 Nov 1677

– ~~sued~~ to Eborough 13 Oct 1696 (2)

(1) – 24 Dec 1673 – sold (with "Dorothy wife") land at Haverhill to Francis Wainwright

1657
1658
25

Jesse

JOHN SHERMAN from CYB

April 27 1973

Thanks for answering so promptly my memos about interpretations of the Oneida County deeds. It is reassuring to have your agreement. But there is still the possibility that Miss Gray may point out flaws in my reasoning. I'll write to you when I hear from her.

You raise the question of whether John Jr married again after Lovina's death. This is something to which I've given some thought in past months, along such lines as the following:

> If Lovina died at or about the time when the Devereaux's married at Landsborough, John Jr would have been left with two very young children: Foris and his twin Caphira. So it would have been natural and normal for John Jr to seek a second wife at once. But the fact that the Devereaux's seem to have taken charge of Foris at (probably?) about that same time may indicate that the pressure to remarry for the sake of the two young children had been removed -- though we know nothing of what became of Caphira. . . So I've thought it unlikely that John Jr remarried, at least for that customary reason. . . On top of that, the absence of any mention of a wife of John Jr, in the Oneida County deeds, may be significant. NY State deeds of that period were habitually rigorous in requiring consent of a wife when land bought by a husband alone came to change hands at a later date. Of course, a second wife (if she existed) might have died between 1803 and 1811. But lacking any reason for believing that there was any such second wife, I've dismissed this possibility from my mind -- partly because there is nothing to indicate the birth of any children by a second wife (including no unidentified Belknaps in that area who could be her children by John Jr). . . . At which point in my thinking, I curse the laxity of Oneida County records in the early 1800's: absence of data on Census records; poor records of wills; blanks on probable intestate proceedings. And there I stop thinking.

Thank you for the notes on my great grandfather Jesse in Allen County, Ohio -- which seem to support my guess that he left Licking County about 1834, if the 1835 dates on Allen County are dates of transactions not dates of recording. This is the Jesse who went eventually to Oregon -- and also the Jesse who was farming at Victor in Ontario County NY in 1820, as shown on one of the cards you so helpfully sent to me.

I have run out of leads to follow in searching for the name (even just the first name) of Timothy's wife. Unless some lucky accident occurs, I'll never know whether her name was Annis or Candis or Candace or something else .

But accidents do happen. Just yesterday, a brilliant young lawyer in NYC, Michael Belknap, turned out to be great great grandson of the Stephen who was youngest brother of my own great great grandfather Jonas --and this was the first trace of Stephen that had been found since his birth, beyond the name of the girl he was said to have married and the rumor that he died by drowning somewhere at some unknown date. I had given up on him, long ago. Now, suddenly, I have a detailed record on him and a lot of his descendants -- Plus the interesting probability that this Stephen (in a family whose father and oldest son fought on Bunker Hill) was one of the Loyalists who moved to Ontario at the end of the Rev War. There were a number of New England Belknaps who were "Tories" in that war -- but this is the first instance I've found of a division within a single family.

6740½ Franklin Place
Hollywood California 90028

Dear Carroll York Belknap: April 23, 1973

Your letter with enclosed check for postage arrived as also this morning I received the cards with Belknap data which I sent you. Also I have received the notes regarding Oneida County N.Y. deeds, and your interpretation of them in relation to the principals concerned.

I can say I agree with your deductions, but feel that your consulting Gladys Gray will obtain for more reliable information than my guessing.

Another question which seems to be unanswered is: Was John Belknap, Jr married after Lorina's death? He certainly is hard to trace down.

Since no receipt from Lorina's heirs appears among the David Brock estate papers, I wonder if they ever received their share?

My Grandfather Sherman wrote among his family notes that several Indians appeared at Fonis' cabin in Morgan Co. Ohio when he was away - that they were fed by Fonis' wife and in return gave her a white feather telling her to show it to any other Indians who might come that way - that she would be protected from harm. According to the notes the feather was destroyed when Fonis' cabin caught fire and burned.

I suppose that any family papers Fois might have had, were destroyed also at that time.

I have wondered if John Belknap, Jr. went to Ohio after Fois went there with Joseph + Emma (Sherman) Devereaux? Morris Burke Belknap was at Marietta Ohio and the Devereaux's must have been friends, so John would have had company.

I wonder if John, Jr's estate was a Chancery Court proceeding?)

Again thanks you for the postage, and the fast return of the cards from my file.

While at the L.A. Public Library several days ago, I came upon the following, which might tie in with data you have.

"Original Land Entries of Allen County, Ohio"
Compiled by Peggie Seitz James.
Page 97
Section 31
Belknap, Jesse - Licking Co., O.

W 1/2 N Fr. 69.71	—	19 Oct. 1835
E 1/2 N W Fr 30.80	—	19 Oct. 1835
S W 1/4	—	19 Oct. 1835
W 1/2 S E 1/4	—	19 Oct. 1835

Is this the Jesse who later moved to Oregon?

Best wishes.

Sincerely
John A. V. Sherman

John I

May 29 1973

Mr Roy V Sherman
840 Warren Way
Palo Alto
CALIFORNIA 94303

Dear Mr Sherman:

I was unable to get a copy of the pension record of Elijah Lumbard, as proof of the first marriage of Eunice Belknap who married Jeremiah Sherman. Nat Archives reported they couldn't find it.

But VR Brimfield, Mass., contains records thatseem to provide acceptable proof:

Births -- LUMBARD

Elijah, son of Elijah and Eunice, 17 Dec 1775
James, son of " " " 5 April 1778

These entries antedate the marriage of Eunice and Jeremiah Sherman, 28 Nov 1782.

Do your records of this Jeremiah, by any chance, happen to show the existence of Eunice's two children by her prior marriage?

Cordially,

Brimfield Births - LUMBARD

Elijah - 5 Elijah & Eunice 17 Dec 1775

James > " " " 5 Apr 1778

(No acknowledgment in B.VR.)

Eunice & General Sherman

m 28 Nov 1798

Elijah & Mary Cushman

2d Dept 98 ✓ Todd

April 15 1973

Dear Mr Sherman:

My thanks for the help you have given me on Eunice Belknap.

F D Sherman's reference to Lovering's History of Holland, according to my notes, is to the page of which her marriage as Eunice Lumbard is shown.

I am sending for a copy of the pension application, which should show her prior marriage to Elijah Lumbard.

Gratefully,

[signature]

ROY V. SHERMAN
840 WARREN WAY
PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA 94303

April 11, 1973

Dear Mr. Belknap:

This afternoon I was indexing a portion of my book & I came to Eunice (Belknap(?)) Lumbard. It is on Frank Dempster Sherman's card no. 3062. He gives as references Hist of Holland, Mass (1915) pp. 657-8 He also has the pension Bureau Record of her application for a pension. She may have given her name as Eunice Lumbard Sherman.

Anyway that's all I have. He didn't have her father's name. You gave me that.

Sincerely

Roy V. Sherman,

Sorry I didn't find it the first time.

Lombard, Elijah
(or Lombard)

Rev. Mass.

Eunice

KNOWN ONLY FROM STATEMENT THAT HIS WIDOW EUNICE (BELKNAP) LOMBARD MADE APPLICATION FOR A PENSION EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER HER 2nd MARRIAGE TO JEREMIAH SHERMAN

X

ROY V. SHERMAN
840 WARREN WAY
PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA 94303

April 9, 1973

Dear Mr. Belknap:

The F. D. S. is Frank Dempster Sherman that was a professor at Columbia in early part of the century. His records are deposited with New York Public Library. I have copies.

At the moment I am preparing my book. I have everything arranged by lines. Tonight I just can't lay my hands on the card. Please give me the line: Philip' Wm' John (Capt)' Rev. John' Samuel' and I will check the record again to see if he gives something more.

Sincerely

Roy Sherman

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March 21 1973

Mr Roy V Sherman
840 Warren Way
Palo Alto, California 94303

Dear Mr Sherman:

The copy of my note about Jeremiah Sherman's marriage, which I'm enclosing, will be self-explanatory.

As you do not have a Eunice Lumbard in your files, I'm assuming that you haven't yet examined VR Brimfield, Mass., which contains 8 pages of Sherman entries.

Whether these Shermans are in one of the lines you are tracing, I can't know. But the following data may help you decide:

Jeremiah, whose June 1751, was son of Beriah

Beriah, b 31 March 1705 was son of John

This John was, I guess, the "John, Esq." who d 28 Nov 1774, aged 91 -- which would make him b 1683. He apparently came to Brimfield about 1700, as the first Sherman birth shown in VR Brimfield was that of his son Bezaleel, b 1703. (But as of course you know, the recording of a birth in New England VR did not necessarily mean that the birth occurred in that town, unless the record specifically names the town. The entry for Bezaleel's birth does not say "in B.")

You mention a "Capt. John." A Capt. John Sherman died in Brimfield 29 April 1825, aged 87. He was son of Bezaleel, and was born 12 June 1738 -- too late, I assume, to be the man you have in mind, though it's true that the first New Englanders to attain such rank got it in the French and Indian War in the late 1750's.

Superficial examination of VR Brimfield suggests to me that all the many Shermans in that town were descendants of "John, Esq." Of course I've not checked this impression.

Cordially,

ROY V. SHERMAN
840 WARREN WAY
PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA 94303

March 15, 1973

Dear Mr Belknap:

Yes I'd be interested in your record especially if you can give Jeremiah's line. He is not of the Philips' line, at least there is no Eunice Lombard in my index.

I am in the process of typing my second volume. My Material is arranged by lines instead of alphabetical & I can't locate a person easily until I make my index. I have William the Cordwainer & William the Puritan indexed & she does not show there. The other lines are: Rev. John — which I started tonight; Capt John, and Samuel.

Yes I've corresponded with John A. Sherman many times. I don't think he is yet convinced about his line.

Sincerely

Roy Sherman

March 13 1973

Dr Roy V Sherman
840 Warren Way
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Dear sir:

I have noted that you are preparing a Sherman genealogy.

In my work on a Belknap genealogy, I have found an error in VR Brimfield Mass., on the marriage of a Jeremiah Sherman -- showing his wife as Eunice Lumbard instead of Eunice Belknap.

If this is anything of interest to you, I can readily send you the details and the proof.

Very truly yours,

PS: Perhaps I should ask if you have been in touch with John A Sherman, 6740½ Franklin Place, Hollywood, California 90028 -- if not, you might find him as knowledgable and helpful as I have.

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Christmas Festival

Dear Carroll:

May all the joys

of the Christmas Season be yours

Sincerely,

John

On page 196 "The Downers of America: 2167 Mary (Polly), (dau. John + Lydia (Dunham) Downer of Pownal Vt.) ~~b~~ 9 May 1789; m. Timothy Belknap. Rem. Clarence, Erie Co. N.Y. No issue." Who was he? I looked through several histories of Wayne Co. Mich. - no further info. re Lucretia.

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Sherman 2.2

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M. C. V.

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With the exception of this Phebe all the Shermans asked for by M. E. S. B. are of the Massachusetts line, while F. D. S. N. belongs to the Rhode Island family. They all go back to the same Henry and Thomas Sherman of Suffolk County, England.

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Samuel Sherman had brothers and sisters: Thomas, Abel, Joseph, Sarah and Mercy; the last named married —— Morgan.

Should be glad to learn ancestry of Samuel Sherman and —— Hitchcock, his wife; also of Elijah Lumbard and Eunice Belknap, his wife, and of Phœbe Sherman, daughter of David, who came from Rhode Island to Danby, Vt., in the 1790's. Phœbe became the wife of Thomas Griffith, born about 1770 (son of Lemuel Griffith, born in Dartmouth, Mass., in 1745, he son of James, who died in Danby in 1796, aged seventy-six). The wife of Lemuel Griffith was Elizabeth Potter, born about 1742. Was she daughter of Benjamin Potter, who married widow Lydia (Wilcox) Sherman? Record of her ancestry and that of James Griffith gladly received.

Children of Samuel and —— (Hitchcock) Sherman: Caleb Sherman, born Nov. 17, 1779; Eli Sherman, born Dec. 9, 1781; Peggy Sherman, born May 30, 1784; Terzy Sherman, born Sept. 19, 1787, died Aug. 27, 1792; Betsey Sherman, born Feb. 18, 1789; Samuel and David Sherman, born Feb. 23, 1792; Sally Sherman, born Jan. 17, 1795.

Children of James and Sally (Sherman) Lumbard: Tirza Malina Lumbard, born Oct. 12, 1805, married Marshall Barker, March, 1824, died Aug. 16, 1849; Charlotte Lumbard, born Oct. 20, 1807, married George Peck, died Oct. 23, 1842; Margaret Lumbard, born April 22, 1810, married Amzi Peck, died Nov. 16, 1850; James Sanger Lumbard, born Nov. 29, 1812, died Sept. 6, 1849; Maria Lumbard, born Nov. 1, 1815, married, Oct. 17, 1839, James Addington, married, second, May 13, 1874, Marshall Barker; Elizabeth Lumbard, born Aug. 8, 1822; Elijah Lumbard, born Oct. 6, 1824, died Aug. 20, 1829; Sarah Lumbard, born April 16, 1826; George Lumbard, born Feb. 29, 1828, married Sarah Sturdifant; Thomas Lumbard, born Dec. 14, 1831; John Lumbard, born Feb. 6, 1834, married Margaret Finkle, Feb. 27, 1856; Ralph S. Lumbard, born April 17, 1839, married Helen Hadcox, Oct. 27, 1869.

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Joseph, a son of Captain John and wife Martha (Palmer), had a son William who was father of Roger Sherman, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

M. V. C.

BRIMFIELD V.R.

Children: of Eunice Beltrap

Elijah Lumbard
Eli, 11 Oct 1774 d — 1778
Elijah, 17 Dec 1775
James, b 5 April 1778

Sarah (Sally) Sherman
2nd wife of James, said to
have been born Brimfield
7 Jan 1795, d of
Samuel + — Hitchcock
does not appear in
Br-V.R-

But VR show marriage
of Samuel Sherman +
Betty Hitchcock 18 Sept 1778

and Birth of 5 Eli 4 Dec 1781
(No other births shown)

Elijah Lumbard Sr.
s of Joseph and Ruth
b 20 Jan 1749/50

Note that James (cousin
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Should be glad to learn ancestry of Samuel Sherman and — Hitchcock, his wife; also of Elijah Lumbard and Eunice Belknap, his wife, and of Phœbe Sherman, daughter of David, who came from Rhode Island to Danby, Vt., in the 1790's. Phœbe became the wife of Thomas Griffith, born about 1770 (son of Lemuel Griffith, born in Dartmouth, Mass., in 1745, he son of James, who died in Danby in 1796, aged seventy-six). The wife of Lemuel Griffith was Elizabeth Potter, born about 1742. Was she daughter of Benjamin Potter, who married widow Lydia (Wilcox) Sherman? Record of her ancestry and that of James Griffith gladly received.

Children of Samuel and — (Hitchcock) Sherman: Caleb Sherman, born Nov. 17, 1779; Eli Sherman, born Dec. 9, 1781; Peggy Sherman, born May 30, 1784; Terzy Sherman, born Sept. 19, 1787, died Aug. 27, 1792; Betsey Sherman, born Feb. 18, 1789; Samuel and David Sherman, born Feb. 23, 1792; Sally Sherman, born Jan. 17, 1795.

Children of James and Sally (Sherman) Lumbard: Tirza Malina Lumbard, born Oct. 12, 1805, married Marshall Barker, March, 1824, died Aug. 16, 1849; Charlotte Lumbard, born Oct. 20, 1807, married George Peck, died Oct. 23, 1849; Margaret Lumbard, born April 22, 1810, married Amni Peck, died Nov. 16, 1850; James Sanger Lumbard, born Nov. 29, 1812, died Sept. 6, 1843; Maria Lumbard, born Nov. 1, 1815, married, Oct. 17, 1839, James Addington, married, second, May 13, 1874, Marshall Barker; Elizabeth Lumbard, born Aug. 8, 1822; Elijah Lumbard, born Oct. 6, 1824, died Aug. 20, 1825; Sarah Lumbard, born April 20, 1826; George Lumbard, born Feb. 29, 1828, married Sarah Sturdifant; Thomas Lumbard, born Dec. 14, 1831; John Lumbard, born Feb. 6, 1834, married Margaret Finkle, Feb. 27, 1856; Ralph S. Lumbard, born April 17, 1839, married Helen Hadcox, Oct. 27, 1869.

M. E. S. B.

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*7715. Sherman. J. A. B. N., Feb. 15, 1905. John (3) Sherman of Dedham, England, married Grace Makin, a daughter of Tobias and sister of Joan, who was mother of Esther (4) (Sherman) Ward. Grace married, second, a Rogers; married, third, William Palmer, father of Martha Palmer, by a former wife and she, Martha Palmer, was wife of Captain John Sherman of Watertown, Mass. He was born in 1613 in Dedham, Essex County, England, came to America in 1634 and located in Watertown, Mass., where he was admitted freeman May 17, 1637; was selectman from 1637 to 1689; town clerk in 1648; representative in 1651, 1653 and 1663; died Jan. 23, 1691, about seventy-eight years of age.

Joseph, a son of Captain John and wife Martha (Palmer), had a son William who was father of Roger Sherman, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

M. V. C.

6740½ Franklin Place
Hollywood California 90028
November 27, 1973

Dear Carroll:

Your interesting letter with information about Lucretia (Hinde) Donner carried quite a surprise - I am amazed you were able to locate her at all!

The fact that Fonis & Sarah Belknap named a daughter, Lucretia Devereaux Belknap, made me wonder if Lucretia had not married a Devereaux, probably a relative of Joseph and Anna (Sherman) Devereaux. Knowing how names become changed through whim, such as Fonis Belknap, who lives in Columbus, presently choosing to be called Forest, etc., I wonder if Lucretia might have had the middle name of Donner, and changed; also David Bateman Belknap could have been named David Brock Belknap, for Fonis' grandfather. This is will surmise. Sarah (Bateman) Belknap did have a brother, David Beatman

After going to the L.D.S. Library, to

meet Mrs. Bowman, I received a note from her explaining she had gone to the airport at Catalina to take a plane, but that the mainland was fogged-in, and there were no flights - a perfectly good reason for not meeting me.

I am sorry that my 1870 Census run of Nebraska failed to produce Lafayette Belknap. I did explain there were many sections of the census too faint to read, so, I could have lost him in this way.

Do you have any dates for him? When he was in Nebraska? When he came to Tulare County, Calif.? Date of death, etc.?

It appears that your grandfather, Corrington G. Belknap, b 29 Aug. 1830, Licking Co., O.; d. 19 Sept. 1906, Los Angeles, Calif., was buried at Santa Barbara, where his wife (1st?) Anna Alletha Belknap, b 3 Jan. 1833, near Whitehall, Ill.; d 4 May, 1886, was also buried.

A son (probably by a second wife?) Corrie Belknap, b Oct. 1885, son of Rev. C. G. Belknap and N. J. d 29 Aug. 1897, bur. at Santa Barbara

I have heard nothing further from James Garner, of Columbus. No doubt, he has the listing of Foris Belknap's descendants compiled by Sherman J. Belknap.

You offered to send me that chart of Belknaps compiled by the descendant at Las Vegas (or Reno), but, I feel, as you expressed yourself, it would be of little use to me. Thanks for the offer.

Too bad that my grandfather, Dr. B. M. Sherman failed to note source of his remark that Foris had brothers, David, Eli and Timothy.

I should like to know who Belknap Field, owners of land at Waterford, near Marietta, Ohio, in the Ohio Company Purchase were. I still wonder if Foris' father, John Belknap, did not go to Ohio?

Again thanks you for your information about Lucretia (Hinds) Downer.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

John

6740½ Franklin Place
Hollywood, California 90028
November 11, 1973

Dear Carroll:

Mrs. Bowman wrote me of her intention to visit the Mormon Library yesterday, so I went there hoping to meet her.

I stayed until closing time, and she failed to come.

I did complete running the 1870 census of Nebraska, without finding Lafayette Belknap.

I ran the 1880 census for Tulare County, California, and with no success, however, there were these:

Pg. 92 Lemore Twp.

335-338 Moss James G. ✝ M 44 farmer Indiana N.J. Ohio
" Sarah M. ✝ 33 Wife Missouri Mo. Mo.
(5 step-children - 1 daughter - also)
Belknap, John H. ✝ M 20 boarder Missouri Mo. Mo.

Pg. 126 Tule Grove Tolowalla

451-451 Belknap, Covington G. ✝ M 50 Capt. T&R R Ohio N.Y. N.Y.
" , Charles C. ✝ M. Son at Home N.J. Ohio Ohio

Benson, William H. W 28 Farmer Ind. Ohio Ohio
On the 1870 - Nebraska, I sent you
a listing for Orin Belknap, 30 M. Mich.
in Washington County - Richland Precinct
Pg. 482
20-20 Belknap, William 24 M W Farmer New York
" Emily 25 F W Keeping House Indiana
" Charles L. 1 M Nebraska
There were many faint, (illegible),
sections in the Nebraska census
for 1870, so I could have missed
your Lafayette Belknaps.
Best wishes.
Sincerely,
John
C.S. I hope that you made contact
with young Garner, of Columbus, Ohio

6740½ Franklin Place
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January 10, 1974

Dear Carroll:

My cousin, Henry B. Sherman, of Cleveland, Ohio, sent me a number of xeroxed sheets of Sherman material, mainly gossip columns from newspapers - (probably Boston Transcript).

One sheet, has some data re. Eunice (Belknap) Lumbard Sherman, which I think may be of interest to you.

When you have furnished with it, will you please return, as it fits into a set of pages of material on the Shermans.

I have heard nothing further from Jim Gardner, of Columbus. I suggested he refer to old newspaper files, at the Ohio State Museum, for obituary notices of Belknaps. I hope that he will follow this suggestion.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,
John

Jan 13 1974

MEMO to JOHN SBerman:

I haven't done well by you, lately, mainly because an illness in my family put a stop to genealogy for a while. So I owe you both thanks and apologies. Thanks for your Chistmas card. Apologies for having sent out no cards this Christmas. Further apologies for having inadvertently failed to express my gratitude for all the time you spent searching the NEbraska census records.

Now I'll try to be prompt in returning the sheet of Transcript notes that you sent. Again, thanks. Data on that sheet confirm my belief that Eunice Belknap married , first, Elijah Lumbard -- reason she was shown as a Lumbard in Brimfield VR, etc. Roy Sherman put me on that track some time ago, but I could not obtain a copy of the document supporting that first marriage, according to his source. Data on the first Transcript note that you marked agree with Brimfield VR on the only supporting evidence I posessed -- record of births of three sons of "Elijah Shumway and Eunice ." Dates agree with VR Brimfield; but of course birthdate of Elijah Sr should be 2 Jan 1749/50 as in VR.

Should note that the second note that you marked shows James Lumbard, son of Eunice and cousin of John of Lee in Oneida County, as being in Oneida Co. 1803. I can't name location of "township of Kirkland" but it could not have been far from the "town of Western." . . . Point is that John and his sons, at Lee, were not alone, but were near others from the Brimfield area -- including Lucretia Hinds in Madison County. The interrelations of such families -- Belknaps, Lumbards, Downers -- often help to explain events.

Which brings me to your query about the Downer Gen. entry of a marriage of Timothy Belknap to Mary (Polly) Downer. HWB's odd notation on this entry was what made me get that genealogy. Theentry looks plausible in view of the contact between Timothy and Downers in Madison County -- and Clarence, Erie Co., was in the "town of Cambria" before EriesCounty was set off from Niagara County. But on what I have on record of biirthdates of Timothy's children, I cannot fit a childless wife into the confusing picture of his marriages. As soon as I have time to set down the known facts about Timothy's movements, wives, and children, I'll send them to you for your suggestions. For the moment, I'm baffled.

Gratefully,

3322 Gardenia Way
Eugene, Oregon 97402
August 15, 1972

Dear Carroll:

I cannot believe I have delayed so long in answering your delightful letter!

I am working on material for you - I have a couple of pictures - one of Hannah and one of Dow which I am trying to get prints of to send you - and I will get some copies of the other things made as soon as I can get to the library. I also am going to go see Mary Wing - she is the daughter of Isaac and Mary Edwards - Mary was the daughter of Hannah and Dow - she lives a few miles from me. I have talked to her once and may get some information from her that we will both find interesting. Mostly I talk to people that don't know as much as I do but want me to share whatever information I get. I certainly will do that too.

I have the book by Edna Mintonye and am sending for the one you mentioned. I also have a letter from Alta Rainey, Rt. 1 Box 170, Monroe, Oregon - that is a town near Bellfountain. She has written a book about the early settlers and it is at the publishers now. I will copy it and sendit to you along with the other things. I will try to find more information from some of the other people in that area.

I just wanted you to know how grateful I am that I have found some one as intrigued with their ancestors as I am. I have written to and heard from Claudia Marshall - and will contact her again soon. A lot of the information I have came indirectly from her.

So I will be sending you what information I can get soon and will be working on more.

I am still reading and re-reading the information you sent me. I feel like I am just being introduced to family- and I want to get to know them as people as well as statistics.

Thank you again.

Yours

Dode

HUSBAND GILBERT, GEORGE

Born 12 Dec 1836 Place Licking Co., Ohio

Married 23 Dec 1862 Place Bellfountain, Benton, Oregon

Occupation Rancher Resided at John Day, Oregon

Church Affil. Methodist War Serv.

Died 28 July 1896 Place Shedd, Linn, Oregon

Buried Place Alpine, Oregon (Simpson Cem) Sheet submitted by:

Other wives

Father GILBERT, LORENZO DOW

Mother (maiden name) BELKNAP, HANNAH

WIFE HALEY, ELIZABETH COURTNEY

Born 27 May 1844 Place Springfield, Missouri

Church Affil. Occupation

Died 17 Mar. 1917 Place McMinnville, Oregon

Buried Place Alpine, Oregon

Other husb.

Father Haley, Stephen Douglas

Mother (maiden name) Courtney, Elizabeth

Relationship to Husb.:

Relationship to Wife:

Place sources of information and additional information on reverse side.

CHILDREN	BORN When Where	DIED When Where	MARRIED To whom When Where
1 GILBERT, WALTER L.	8 Jan 1864 Alpine Oregon	21 Mar 1866 Alpine Oregon	
2 GILBERT, CHESTER WATSON	1 Oct 1866 Alpine Oregon	13 Aug 1874 Alpine Oregon	
3 GILBERT, NELLIE M.	17 Apr 1869	11 Feb 1962	Officer, Della Izee, Oregon
4 GILBERT, MARY OLIVIA	11 Oct 1871 Alpine Oregon	10 Aug 1896 Izee Oregon	~~xxxxxxx~~, Watson T. Rhinehart, 20 Apr 1893
5 GILBERT HENRIETTA	20 June 1875 Junction City Oregon	~~Junxtionx City~~ Mar 4 1920 Portland Ore	Rowland, Earl
* 6 GILBERT, COURTNEY AUSTIN	6 Aug 1876 Junction City Oregon	2 Dec 1948 Harrisburg Oregon	Wilson, Ida Pearl 25 July 1905 Albany, Oregon
7 GILBERT, RALPH R.	21 July 1879 Eugene, Oregon	~~x~~ 22 July 1959 Portland Oregon	Burge, Addie
8 GILBERT, CORA JESSIE	19 Nov 1881 Eugene, Oregon	5 Aug 1969 Van Nuys Calif.	Joplin, Richard
9 GILBERT, GENEVIEVE (ELMA)	6 May 1855 Eugene, Ore.	17 June 1950 Dayton Ohio	
10 GILBERT GEORGE	25 June 1889 Izee Oregon	15 Jan 1967 John Day Oregon	Lemon, Amy 28 Apr 1915
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As you can see these are not complete but they will give you something to start on.

I will take each one of them individually as I can and send you information on them. The ones listed as born in Alpine I am sure were born in Bellfountain - although I would almost have to go over there to find out the places are so near to each other. But at the time they were born it was Bellfountain I am sure.

George Gilbert - my grandfather - was a rancher in eastern Oregon- he died when my father was 20. Papa stayed on the ranch in Izee for several years - until after he and Mom were married. Papa was a typical western ~~cowboy~~ cowboy in those days, as were George and Ralph.

I am picking up bits of information from my mother who is still living and trying to get some information from others - my problem is that I didn't start when any of this family was still alive and could help me.

However I will piece together bits and tell you all I can about each of them. At least this explains where I fit into the line.

HUSBAND GILBERT, Courtney Austin

Born 6 Aug 1876 Place Junction City Lane Oregon

Married 25 July 1905 Place Albany, Linn, Oregon

Occupation Rancher-Garage Own Resided at Izee, Oregon and Harrisburg, Oregon

Church Affil. War Serv.

Died 2 Dec 1948 Place Harrisburg, Oregon

Buried 5 Dec 1948 Place Alford Cem. Harrisburg

Other wives

Father GILBERT, George

Mother (maiden name) HALEY, Elizabeth Courtney

Sheet submitted by:

WIFE WILSON, Ida Pearl

Born 16 Jan 1884 Place Riley, Harney Co, Oregon

Church Affil. Occupation

Died Place

Buried Place

Other husb.

Father WILSON, John Sheppard

Mother (maiden name) ROBERTS, Phoebe Elizabeth

Relationship to Husb.: Daughter

Relationship to Wife: Daughter

Place sources of information and additional information on reverse side.

	CHILDREN	BORN When Where	DIED When Where	MARRIED To whom When Where
1	GILBERT, GEORGE CLAIR	25 Oct 1906 Harrisburg Oregon		Hitchcock, Annabelle 30 June 1932 Harrisburg, Oregon
2	GILBERT, CLYDE	24 Jan 1908 Harrisburg Oregon	17 Nov 1908 Zillah Yakima Washington	
3	GILBERT, SYBIL HENRIETTA	26 May 1909 Zillah, Yakima Washington		Hanson, Fred Jacob 27 June 1937 Harrisburg, Oregon
4	*GILBERT, DODE (or Elma)	26 Oct 1910 Harrisburg Oregon		Bundick, Jack Wyant 27 June 1943 Las Vegas, Nevada
5	GILBERT, COURTNEY BELLE	23 Nov 1916 Harrisburg Oregon	22 Jan 1930 Harrisburg Oregon	
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Dear Family:

I think of you often during the year. It seems too bad that we only take time to communicate at Xmas time. Your days are undoubtedly as busy as mine, however, and time flies.

I am still working for the State Fire Marshal--still wishing I had a teaching job but they are hard to find at my age and with my college units and credentials which puts me up on the teaching salary list pretty high. Everywhere school districts think first in terms of what they can afford, and they prefer the new graduates. I do have a very pleasant office to work in, however, and like all the personnel very much so that I am very grateful as it has some degree of security until the time I am ready to retire and then maybe I can find something more interesting to do. Bob and I have had our ups and downs. He will probably be on permanent disability now because of back trouble and a heart condition. He has been in and out of the hospital this past year. We have moved to a cottage type apartment complex for active adults 50 and over and, here, we find many friends, also many organized activities. If I were not working I could take up painting, sewing, writing and many other activities which these people (most of them retired) are happily doing. As it is, I do take part in some of their evening functions and Bob benefits during the day. There is a lovely clubhouse, and we have dances, dinners, movies and other fun things throughout the month. It is a very neighborly community. Our little neighbor (in her 80's) next door brings us home-made bread, pie and cookies now and then. Everyone is very friendly. There's always a lot of activity at the swimming pool in the summer which I enjoy, and many card groups as well as pool players. Our apartment is cheerful although small. We have a tiny porch, a tree, and I have gone in this year for plants on my small porch. Also, we have wild birds which we are feeding this winter. They whistle to Bob every morning if he forgets to go out on time to feed them. I wouldn't be surprised if they are eating out of his hand before the winter is over.

I see my family off and on as time permits. They are all busy, too. Two of the boys--Jerry and Pete--live in Sacramento. Jerry has two children by marriage, but Pete has none as yet. He and his wife have two small dogs instead, and I'm not sure what their plans may be. They tried very hard for a year but now Pete's wife is working as a buyer for Weinstocks and finds this a very exciting career. Jerry and his family are ski fans. He and Joan (his wife) are both ski instructors and on ski patrol every weekend. They take the family with them. During the summer they do other things on weekends at the beach or in the mountains where they have a cabin. Now Joan is working, too, and they are on the go continually. Jerry has worked up in appraising work to senior and will undoubtedly be chief of his division in time. Pete, too, has been moving ahead and is now a fire protection engineer with his fire department. He has completed a two year course at college in fire science going to school at night and plans to go into the four year college program for administrative course when it is offered next year.

Joanne, Mike and our darling Lisa, Philip and Marcy are now living in San Jose. Mike has had many job changes in the past four years, all for the better. Joanne has a part time job on the side which sometimes becomes full time for a month or so. They now have a lovely new home and have just finished their new yard and landscaping. Joanne is very talented and loves interior decorating. They have owned a number of homes and always make money on each sale. She always manages to sell the homes without benefit of real estate agent. The five grandchildren (Jerry's two and Joanne's three) are all very wonderful as far as grandmother is concerned and all so different. It is delightful. My youngest boy, Lew, and his very sweet wife Lemonia are now living in Ione. They have just redone a very old home on the ranch where I used to live (just adjoining the property where the old ranch home that was lost by fire stood). Lew loves Amador County and I doubt if he will ever leave it. He is now doing plumbing work and Lemonia works in the local bank. They are a very happy young couple. Lew works at farming in his free time and enjoys this type of work. They have no children as yet. Their father remarried his secretary and lives near them. I will always regret the break up of this marriage, I'm afraid. As far as I know, the remarriage is working out for him, but it has hurt the children a lot to see their parents separated, and I understand this. Although I do not believe at all in divorce I have been through two of them. When Bob and I married after my first divorce it was more because w e were both in need of companionship, and he is a very kind, sweet person in many ways. I did have to divorce him early this year (rather it was finalized early this year). We got together for a short time towards the end of last year, and then it became impossible and, for financial reasons, the divorce was required. We are living together again but not legally bound. It is more a matter of convenience to both of us right now and has become increasingly necessary that it not be legal since his disabilities have increased.

I am hoping that sometime next year I can manage a trip to the eastern states and can see you. I would like to visit with Win and Mary who are still in Washington, D.C. I have only seen him once since my mother's funeral and then only for a day when he went through California on a trip. I often wish that I had had a larger family. It's strange that my father and mother were both without brothers or sisters and I had only one brother who lived who is nine years older than I. I remember so well my father saying a few years before his death that he wished he had had more children. I wish that I had had more brothers and sisters. My own children, you people and my brother are all the family I have, but I am grateful for all of you. Mother always wanted me to make a trip back East to visit Peg and Carrol and, hopefully, I will next year. I certainly miss her a lot.

Love to all of you. I hope I will hear from you soon and that all are well and have a very happy Xmas season.

Betty

Ft. Belknap which is west of
Ft. Worth.

Miss my dad - but am grateful
he had a long - full life - did
many interesting things - never
slowed down until this final
illness.

Sorry to have been so long
in writing to you -

Sincerely
Margaret Belknap Davis
(Mrs. W. Grayburn Davis)

1850 Niagara St.
Denver, Colo. 80220
Nov. 28, 1975

Dear Mr. Belknap -

Have been intending to
contact you - but many things
have kept me involved. My
father - John Harrison Belknap died
Nov. 1, 1974 - He had a long
illness from cancer - was in quite
good health until this illness. Yesterday
my husband and I were going

through some of his papers and came upon the "BELKNAP" file - reminding me to write to you. I hope to go through his information compiled by you and Paul Belknap to unscramble some mysteries.

Met a Mrs. Keith Belknap live in Denver recently - hope to talk to her and her husband sometime — she said her husband has done quite a bit of research on the family. She is in her early 40's I would presume. Also we have been wondering which Belknap the air craft carrier was named for that has been in the news this last week.

Another mystery - our friend Cedric Foster (radio analyst) who retired to Denver - had a sister Virginia Foster Belknap of S. Dartmouth, Mass. Did not know this until I read it in his obituary about a year ago. I wonder where this fits into the picture. We picked up a book on the "Forty Texas" recently as we were curious about Belknap St. in Ft. Worth - also

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March 24, 1971
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Quebec.

Dear Mr. Belknap

I was delighted to get the sheets on Mitchell Belknap for they contained a great deal of information that I didn't have — as my records revealed little more than birth dates of his 18 children.

As asterisks indicate you have continuation sheets on eight of Mitchells children, I would be most grateful if you would send me copies as you so generously offered to do in your letter.

Obadiah's original settlement in Lancaster is only a short distance from my summer place at Lake Lester, and on this property is the "Belknap Cemetery" where several members of this family are buried — including Mitchell and his

3 wives. (You are correct in that Elsie Mosher was mother of first 13 children, and Sarah Conover mother of last five)

I shall send along anything I have that may be of help to you — thanks again for your kindness in sharing.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Merrick Belknap

Mr. M. J. Belknap
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MR. JOHN A. SHERMAN
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June 15, 1975

Dear Carroll:

Recently, I received a copy of a two-sheet opus, "Recollections" of my Father's oldest sister, Rose Sherman Humphreys.

Some years ago, I talked to Aunt Rose, and at that time asked her of her recollections. These I copied down then. They were not as complete as those she set-down at a later date. (These).

A few lines from them, relating to the Belknaps, I shall include here:

"Our great-grandfather, Ferris Belknap, was of French Huguenot descent and came to Ohio from Vermont. He was supposed to have served as a seaman on one of John Paul Jones' ships. He was always known as a Green Mountain boy because he was born in Vermont. He came to Ohio from Vermont to Aunt Devereaux, who had a farm in Washington County just north of Marietta.

Our great-grandmother was Sarah Ann Bateman Belknap. She was born in Oneida County, New York. Her father, William David Bateman, came to this country from England with three other students. These four boys when about fourteen or fifteen years of age and students of a preparatory school were out on a lark one evening when they were

captured and impressed into the service of the English Army. This was at the time of the American Revolution and they were sent to fight the Colonies. Angered by being taken from home in such a manner, they all vowed that they would fight for the Colonies and did so. Wm. David Bateman became a paymaster in the Colonial Army.

"I remember my great-grandmother, Sarah Ann Belknap telling that her father had Continental coins, and silver shoe and knee buckles; also that she could remember seeing her mother mending long, black silk stockings which were worn by men in Colonial times. These coins and buckles were lost by the children in the family.

"Our great-grandmother, as Sarah Ann Bateman, came to Marietta, Ohio with her mother's cousin General Buell. She acted as a governess and teacher to the Buell children although she was herself only fifteen years of age. She had to promise to stay a year as it was quite a long and difficult trip from Oneida County, New York, to Marietta, Ohio, and was made by horseback. However, she did not leave even when her year was up.

"Sarah Ann Bateman met Fortis Belknap at a party. He was a small man with very small feet. He said that he would marry any girl at the party who could wear his shoes. Sarah Ann Bateman, although taller than he, could wear the shoes. They were married

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when she was nineteen years old. They lived in Washington County for several years.

"Grandfather Belknap when young was small quick and lively by disposition and swore quite fluently."

"Some time before his death great-grandfather Belknap became almost blind from beards of wheat which he got in his eyes while flailing wheat. He was not quite blind as he could see figures moving in front of him although unable to distinguish between them. The Belknaps lived with their daughter Sarah Ann Shoemaker for some time before their deaths. Grandfather Belknap would see the grand-children passing in front of him and say, 'Another little spirit.' His hair was long white, and silky. He became very stiff in his old age and moved about with the aid of a cane. Grandmother Belknap was very fond of pawpaws and she was the only one I have ever seen who ate them with cream and sugar."

The above is extracted. My Aunt Rose told me that Mrs. Bateman and her friends were in preparatory school for Cambridge University in England. From other sources, he is termed an "Irishman".

Folks may have lived in Vermont before going to

Ohio. He did, as you know, have a lot in Lee, Town of Western, Oneida County, N.Y.

William Bateman (although he spelled it Beatman) could not have been impressed at age fourteen or fifteen to serve in the Revolutionary War. He was born in 1741 (Pension statement), so fifteen years later would bring him to the year 1756. He must have been impressed for service in the French + Indian War.

He married Rachel Teall, 16 March 1774, at St. James Episcopal Church, at Great Barrington, Mass. Their first child of record, Anna, was baptized at the Congregational Church at Sandisfield, Mass. 9 June 1776.

They appear to have had nine children. Sarah, the youngest, born 10 June 1793 in Chenango County, N.Y.

Some years ago, I contacted several Beatman descendants and suggested our marking Wm's grave. (A wood marker had rotted away). Evidently, some of them did mark his grave with a nice monument. The two dates are incorrect. Date of death: 1810. He lived to 1821.

The Bible record which you sent has errors. I shall try to send you corrected material.

As yet, no response from the Denver Evans, whom I believe descend from John and Lorna Belknap Evans.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

John

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From the desk of

JACK W. BUNDICK

Dear Carroll:

I have enclosed copies of some things that won't really help, but that are interesting.

I have the book on Springwater - it is delightful. I wonder if the Riley mentioned there (page 19) is not the one that came to Oregon that Hannah mentioned and that is buried at Bellfountain.

In the letter from Alta Rainey who has written a book she says she has taken her information from the diary and stories told by Ketturah Penton Belknap - wife of George Belknap who was

a brother of Hannah Gilbert. Do you know about this? If not I will try and get more information on it.

It is not far to Bellfountain - but I have a slight problem ~~wkh~~ with rheumatoid arthritis and two trips to the hospital this spring with a heart bobble - so I just don't seem to get much done. I am getting better all of the time however so will get some exploring done soon. I mention this only so that you won't think my activity is caused by lack of enthusiasm. I should say lack of activity.

Sincerely -

Dodd

Centennial Cookbook

Trail Cookie Recipe Printed

(This is the first in a series of pioneer recipes which will appear in The Oregonian daily during February).

Claudia Gilbert Marshall (Mrs. Joseph A.) lives with her husband and two sons in a log cabin west of Portland. Her home probably is not unlike the one her great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Dow Gilbert, lived in when they settled in Lane County in 1847. There's a modern oil heating unit in the living room, but a pot bellied stove supplies heat for the kitchen.

And Mrs. Marshall uses the same cookie recipe great-grandmother Gilbert baked for her children. She knows this because the recipe, written by hand in her grandmother Irena Watts Gilbert's cookbook, states that this is her mother-in law's recipe.

The cookbook, "Dining Room and Kitchen" by Mrs. Grace Townsend, published in 1891, was given to grandmother Gilbert by Mrs. Marshall's father, Claude Dow Gilbert, who is now 79 years old.

Records Missing

Mrs. Marshall has no actual records of her great grandparents' trek to Oregon. She knows that they came from Ohio and Illinois. The story handed down to her is that they stayed for a while at Whitman's Mission in Walla Walla, where her great-grandfather, a millwright, helped to set up the mill. They left shortly before the Whitman massacre to go on to Oregon.



In cookbook Mrs. Joseph A. Marshall holds is cookie recipe of her great-grandmother, Mrs. Lorenzo Dow Gilbert, who came with her husband to Oregon in 1847. Cookbook belonged to Mrs. Marshall's grandmother who wrote recipe in book and states it is "Mother's Rule."

"In the early days of Oregon," Mrs. Marshall writes, "food supplies were limited and precious. Simple recipes using those staples found in every housewife's larder were a treasure."

"My great-grandmother's cooky recipe is one of these. It is a wonderful basic recipe to have on hand for those days when the pantry supply is at 'low ebb' and the small fry troop in for a 'tween meal snack. This recipe has filled cooky jars since 1847.

Cookies (Mother's Rule)

"Two cups sugar—one cup butter—one half cup milk—one egg—one half teaspoonful soda—four cups flour—season to taste."

"This recipe was varied with the addition of nuts, chopped dried fruit, caraway seed, flavoring or spices."

"When I make it, I add one scant teaspoon salt. I divide the dough into four portions, add nuts to one, coconut to another, chocolate bits to another and sprinkle the cutouts of the last with sugar. I cut these cookies with a 3-inch cutter. It makes five dozen cookies this size. Bake at 375 degrees for 12 minutes."



Mrs. Lorenzo Dow Gilbert, an Oregon pioneer of 1847, brought cookie recipe with her which her great-granddaughter still uses.

If your family cookbook contains an old recipe which has a basic tie with Oregon's pioneers, it may be eligible for Centennial Cookbook. Recipes need not be 100 years old, but older ones will get preference. The Oregonian will pay $5 for each recipe accepted for publication in February. To enter, send recipe, and brief account of how it became part of your family for Centennial Cookbook, Oregonian, Portland.


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SPRIGHTLY WOM... IS 91 YEARS OLD

Mrs. Hannah Gilbert and Four Generations of Descendants Here.

SHE COMES TO SEE THE BIG EXPOSITION

Has Forty-One Great-Grandchildren and Two Children of Fifth Generation.

One of the brightest old women now in Portland attending the Lewis and Clark fair is Mrs. Hannah Gilbert, who was born in New York 91 years ago. She is an Oregon pioneer, having crossed the plains to a prairie settlement in 1847 with her husband, who died in 1852.

[illegible] quarter of a century Mrs. Gilbert has been living with her children at Lacamas, Washington, [illegible] Vancouver, and a few days ago made the trip to Portland alone to attend the exposition. Some of her relatives [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]



George Gilbert
son of Lorenzo Dow
and Hannah.
My Grandfather

George Gilbert, died at Shedds, Oregon, after a long illness, July 28th, at 8 a. m. He was born in Allen county, Ohio, Sept. 12, 1836, was converted when but 10 years old and united with the M. E. church and has lived a consistent Christian life. His aged mother, Hannah Gilbert, was present at his death bed. It was the privilege of the writer to often visit him. He listened, but a few days before his death, with great delight to the reading from Pilgrims Progress of Christian and Hopeful "Crossing the River of Death," and as we finished the reading, he said "I wish I was there; who would not?" He requested that the writer preach his funeral sermon, selecting the text and that we bury him from Simpson Chapel, which he had helped to build and where he led the singing and worshiped for so many years. He was delighted with the singing of the two young daughters of the writer and often sent for them and sometimes joined in their songs. The night before he died they sang for him "Joy Cometh in the Morning." Early next morning that joy did come. On July 29th, assisted by Bro. Lee, the writer preached his funeral at Simpson Chapel to a large concourse of friends and relatives. He leaves behind him his mother, now eighty-two years old, his wife, five daughters and three sons. Two sons having preceded him. His end was peace.

J. M. SHULSE.

Mrs. Elizabeth Courtney Gilbert of 51 East Eighty-fourth street north, Portland, Ore., died March 19 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. P. Joplin, McMinnville, Ore.

Mrs. Gilbert was the daughter of Stephen Douglas Haley, who was a native of Nashville, Tenn., and for many years judge of Linn county, Oregon.

Elizabeth Courtney Haley was born in Springfield, Mo., May 27, 1844. She was united in marriage in 1863 to George Gilbert, son of a prominent pioneer family of Benton county, Oregon. She is survived by the following children: Courtney Gilbert of Harrisburg, Ralph and George Gilbert of M[illegible] Genevieve Gilbert and Mrs. Fred Brundett of Portland, Mrs. R. P. Joplin of McMinnville, Mrs. Earle Rowland of Sunnyside, Wash., all of whom were present at the time of her death.

The funeral service was conducted Tuesday afternoon from the Joplin residence when relatives and friends of the departed gathered to pay a tribute of respect to her memory. Beautiful floral tributes found their way to the Joplin home in token of sympathy.

Rev. D. Lester Fields, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated at the service. The remains were taken to Bellfountain, Ore., for interment.

Rockford Washington

October 1st 1878

This reminds me that Chester would have bin thirty two years olde to day had he not bin taken away from us

My Dear Grand Children I received those pictures some time ago was glad indeed to get them but could not see why you did not write me a long letter to come with them it has bin so long since I have had any wordes from any of you. I think Chester has chainged quite a little since his baby picture was taken with yourse in Albany I have all of your pictures lying on the table beside me while I am writing it brings to me the sad remembrance of your Papas suffering and the teares he would shed when he would Speake of parting with his Dear little Grandson I am living at Rockford with your uncle J B folkes we are all well and trying to do the best we can I have quilted

four quilts the past six weeks
I had a Sick Spell last May as Soon
as I was able I went to the Big Bend to
visit your uncle Rileys and to atend Moodys
wedding he was married to Miss Nellie Farese
on the 27 of June has built a new house and
moved to themselves Viola has a fine
husband and two children Ella is also
married to a man by the name of Arthur
Salmon they have a fine home in the
town of Silver they have a Son
three months olde and getting along
nicely Jesses folks got a letter from
Lura yesterday they were all well and
want to come back to Washington and
intend to just as Soon as they can sell
there farm in west Verginnie where
Charlie Parrents lived they went back
that is Charly and Lura on acount of
hearing that his mother was very Sick
but She died before they got there
So the home farm was given to Charlie
and his only Brother and that is all that
keeps them in west Verginig

your uncle Thins wife died the same
that Moody was married I was there
the friday before she on the next tuesday
She was up about the house and seemed
quite cheerful her and Annie took a walk
Sunday evening and seemed all wright
but when Guy came home from Church
in the evening he went and spoke to her
and found her unconscious and did come
to any more died tuesday morning Thin was
away from home got home wednesday
and she was burried thursday I came
home from Pikes the last of July
Stayed with Thins folkes three weks
they seeme quite lonley poore Annie
dosent know what to do without Mother

Dhas went ahead with the worke and nearly all the responsibility on herself but Annie has a Splended husband and is very handy about the house they have a little girl ten months olde a very bright promising Childe Guy is Clurking in a Store Temp is doing odd jobs about town Annies husband is Captain of a fire Company gets Seventy five dollars per month Claude is going to the busines College in Portland to School where Gerty has controle of the School Soon and give all the news now be sure and write I should like a few lines from your husband for acquantance lovingly your Grand Mother

Eli

Monday, September 27th

Dear Carroll,

A very dull, dark morning - and before I do the housework, I decided to send you these other minor addendas.

The inclosed letter is self-explanatory - done to compensate for my lapse of memory. I'm not sure it adds anything.

The inclosed snapshots don't look like anything much - one a picture of a corner lot, taken from across the road, and the other one of the lot at the rear, showing in the distance piles of lumber for a house.

Well, I always read the record of realestate transfers which appears in our paper from time to time - and early this summer the name Belknap popped up. I checked the records of deeds and found that on 17 June 1971 Edward N. and Helen W. Belknap, of 129 Dake Avenue, Rochester, 14617, had purchased 15.309 acres of land in South Bristol from Arthur W. and Marian J. Lincoln, R. D. 1, Naples. (711 - 636). Even a map was attached (see reverse side of this letter).

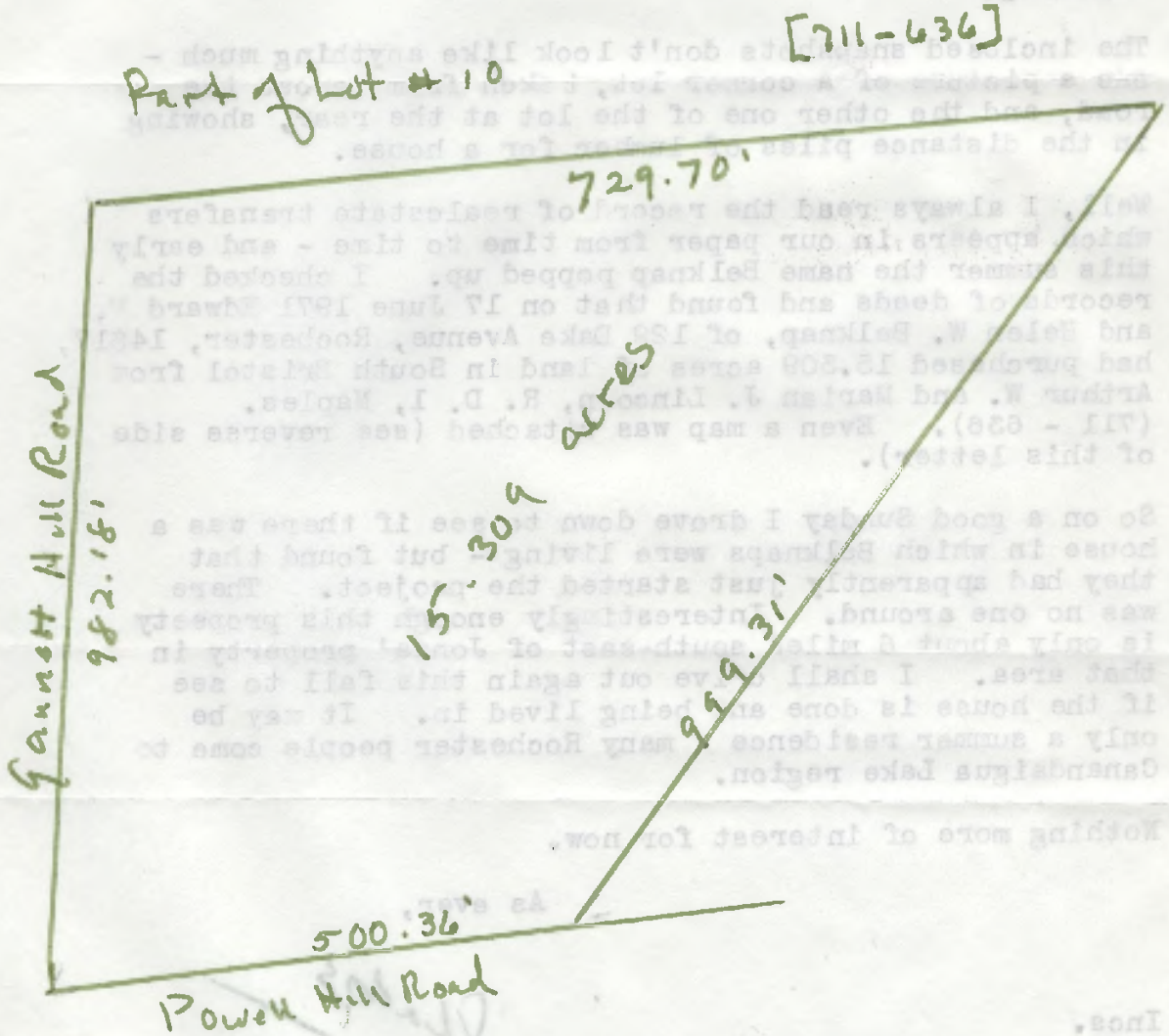
So on a good Sunday I drove down to see if there was a house in which Belknaps were living - but found that they had apparently just started the project. There was no one around. Interestingly enough this propeety is only about 6 miles south-east of Jonas' property in that area. I shall drive out again this fall to see if the house is done and being lived in. It may be only a summer residence - many Rochester people come to Canandaigua Lake region.

Nothing more of interest for now.

As ever,

Incs.

P.S. In looking over material I discovered that the company from whom Eli bought his property was the same as sold Timothy his Cambria property. A vital discovery you must admit!?
q.


[711-636]
Part of Lot #10
729.70'
15.309 acres
Gannett Hill Road
982.18'
999.31'
500.36'
Powell Hill Road

156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York 14456
September 22, 1971

Office of County Clerk
County Office Building
Mayville, New York

Gentlemen:

Recently I was in your office checking the index of deeds for the name of Belknap. I find that I overlooked the index of grantors.

Would some one in the office be kind enough to check the index of grantors for the name of any Belknap who sold property between 1830 and 1855? I doubt if there will be more than six or eight entries, so I have made space for them below, and am inclosing an envelope for your convenience. I will be glad to pay whatever charge there may be.

Very truly yours,

(Miss) Gladys E. Gray
Gladys E. Gray

Inc.

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1841	George W. "	Herman Maxwell	28-444	"	"
"	" " "	Eli Belknap	32-120	"	"
1846	" " "	Samuel Fisher	40-355	"	"
1848	Eliza & Giles Belknap	Abram Burrows	40-557	Chautauqua	
1859	Andrew Belknap	Alvin Plumb	86-64	French Creek	

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Don't be afraid to take a profit because of taxes! Paper profits can melt away...as many "sad but wiser" investors have discovered.

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A word about you and Bache

Since Bache & Co. was founded almost a century ago, we have continuously directed our efforts toward providing a wide range of professional investment services for our clients, often as a leader and innovator in the industry. The Bache organization has been a **growth** organization.

This growth has enabled us to offer investment guidance to meet the needs and objectives of hundreds of thousands of clients. Investment service is offered for listed and unlisted stocks, corporate, municipal and government bonds, mutual funds, commodities and put & call options.

A team of analysts, economists and statisticians provides continuous research for the Bache Representative, stressing careful selection of securities and continuous follow-up while concentrating on those industries and companies with proven records of earnings and growth. The Bache Representative, wherever he may be, is kept abreast of the research information via a direct private newswire. This important electronic link between the home office and our more than 145 branches around the world maintains an instantaneous communication system and enables your Bache Representative to serve you effectively. He represents the experience, knowledge and research of one of the nation's oldest and largest investment firms, **applied to your individual investment aims.** He is the man to discuss your investments in connection with your personal tax situation.

Plan now

When the closing bell signals the end of securities trading for 1975, how will you stand taxwise? It will then be too late to ask—"Why didn't I take my losses this year? I could have cut my taxes!" Or, you may be equally unhappy because—"I didn't take profits since I didn't want to pay taxes, but now my securities have declined in price."

As a result of the stock market's performance, 1975 appears to offer unique possibilities as far as an investor's personal tax situation is concerned. Prompt, judicious tax switching may enable him to save a considerable amount of tax money and at the same time, take advantage of the current market. Bache & Co. therefore recommends that investors plan now—before the thinking on year-end tax selling becomes universal—to save every tax dollar they can. The following comments offer some helpful hints on ways to save on your 1975 tax.

Do you know?

☐ **For best tax advantage, you should sell a depressed security before it has been held over six months.**

☐ **Only one-half of the gain on a security held for more than six months is taxable.**

☐ **You may deduct up to $1,000 of your security losses against your other income.**

☐ **You can lock in a gain or loss during 1975 without having to include it in your 1975 tax return.**

☐ **You can take a loss on a bond and repurchase a higher-yielding bond of the same issuer, thereby obtaining a tax deduction for your loss *and* obtaining a higher rate of income.**

☐ **You can take a loss on a stock and switch to a similarly-priced company in the same industry without violating the "wash sale" rule.**

☐ **If you do not wish to sell a stock that has declined in price, you can obtain a tax loss by doubling up on your shares, waiting 31 days or more, then selling your original position.**

☐ **You can take a *loss* for 1975 tax purposes any time up to and including December 31, 1975. However, any *gains* taken *after December 23rd* will *not* be includable in your 1975 return unless you instruct your broker to use special delivery methods.**

☐ **If you are self-employed, you can deduct up to $7,500 per year for contributions into your own retirement plan.**

☐ **You can lock in a gain on a call option held less than six months and still try for a long-term gain on the option by selling short the common stock to which the call relates.**

☐ **Commodity futures are not subject to the "wash sale" rule. Therefore, you are allowed to deduct a loss on the sale of a commodity futures contract, even though you immediately repurchase an *identical* futures contract.**

You should consult your Bache Representative on any changes you contemplate in your portfolio. This would also include any contemplated purchases or sales of municipal, corporate or government bonds.

Capital Gains—long- or short-term?

Let's suppose you bought 100 shares of stock in January and sold it in September at a profit. Since you held it longer than six months, you have a long-term gain. Had it been sold in May, you would have a short-term gain.

Remember, six months is the dividing line. A security sold when you have owned it six months or less is taxed as a short-term gain or loss. A security sold after being held six months and one day, or longer, is taxed as a long-term gain or loss. The difference is very important because the two types of gains are taxed in different ways.

How are gains or losses figured?

The sales you already have made during this year have established certain gains or losses which you should calculate first. Long- and short-term are figured separately.

Here is an example:		Net results
Long-term gains, total	$4,000	
Long-term losses, total	1,000	$3,000
Short-term gains, total	$2,000	
Short-term losses, total	1,000	$1,000

In this case, where you have both net long- and short-term gains, compute tax separately for each.

If your short-term transactions showed a net *loss* of $1,000, it could be offset against the $3,000 net long-term gain, resulting in a figure of $2,000 which is to be taxed at the favorable long-term capital gains rates. The converse is true also—net long-term *loss* of $3,000 could also be applied against the $1,000 net short-term gain, leaving $2,000 net capital loss.

The tax law permits an individual taxpayer to apply net losses on sales of securities against ordinary income, with a maximum deduction of $1,000 each year.

1. The rules for applying losses are as follows: If capital losses are carried forward from prior years, they should be reduced by current year's net capital gains or added to current year's net capital losses.

2. If there are both short-term and long-term capital losses, the short-term losses are applied against ordinary income before the long-term losses.

3. Pre-1970 long-term capital loss carry forwards (which can still be applied against ordinary income dollar for dollar) are applied against ordinary income before post 1969 long-term loss carry forwards and before 1975 net long-term capital loss.

How much for taxes?

The popular misconception is that long-term gains are automatically taxed at a flat percentage rate. This is not true since taxes on long-term gains for most taxpayers are actually computed in one of two ways: either (a) adding half the gain to other income for taxing at the taxpayer's regular rate which is, in effect, taxing the entire gain at half the taxpayer's highest bracket rate, or (b) computing a tax on ordinary taxable income (excluding the entire net long-term gain) and to that tax adding an effective flat tax of 25% *on the first $50,000 of the excess of net long-term capital loss* ($25,000 for married persons filing separately). The taxpayer chooses the method which is most advantageous to him.

Actually, this flat percentage rate is of real importance in the following instances—those filing joint returns (or as qualifying surviving spouse) showing taxable income of more than $52,000: those married, filing separately with taxable income in excess of $26,000; and unmarried taxpayers and taxpayers filing as head of household with taxable income exceeding $38,000.

For these purposes, taxable income consists of gross income from all sources (not counting net long-term capital gains) less all allowable business and personal deductions and exemptions. *Short-term gains are lumped with other income and taxed at regular rates.*

The maximum flat rate for 1975 on the amount (in excess of $50,000) by which the net long-term capital gain exceeds the net short-term capital loss is 35%.

In addition, a minimum 10% tax applies on certain items of "tax preference income", among which is included 50% of the excess of net long-term gain over net short-term loss. However, before this new minimum tax applies, the taxpayer reduces his tax preference income by (1) a $30,000 exemption ($15,000 if married and filing separately) and (2) his regular income tax.

Also applicable for 1970 and later years, net long-term gain included in taxable income is eligible for the benefits of income averaging. Net short-term gain was and still continues to be so eligible.

Determining the best procedure

With both long- and short-term gains—Establish as many short-term losses as possible to apply against your short-term gains. Take losses, long- or short-term, in the same year you have realized the greatest amount of short-term gains.

With only short-term gains—Offset with long- or short-term losses before the year-end.

With no gains or losses—If you sell a security in which you have a loss you can deduct the loss up to $1,000 against ordinary income. In general, any excess can be carried over indefinitely, until exhausted, to offset net capital gains and any balance can also be used to offset ordinary income at the rate of $1,000 each year.

With only long-term loss—Try to realize offsetting short-term gain. This will give maximum tax benefit—save tax on the short-term gain at ordinary rates, whereas only 50% of the net long-term loss not offset by gains will be deductible up to $1,000 maximum.

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Examples: Assume in 1975 the following situations:

	Example A	Example B
Net Long-term loss	$6,000	$6,000
Net Short-term gain	4,000	2,000
Excess loss	$2,000	$4,000

Example A: Under present law, the entire $2,000 excess long-term loss has to be used to offset $1,000 ordinary income. Nothing will be left as a carryover to 1976.

Example B: $2,000 of the excess long-term loss is applicable as in Example A. The remaining $2,000 is a carryover to 1976 to apply on a one-for-one dollar basis against either (a) net long-term gain (b) net short-term gain, or (c) on a two-for-one dollar basis against $1,000 ordinary income—in that order, until exhausted.

Accordingly, it has become increasingly important taxwise to sell a depressed security to establish a short-term loss, rather than to retain the security for long-term holding.

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If you want to lock in a gain or loss now without having to include it in this year's tax—Sell the security short this year and deliver your long stock against the short position next year or later. The year in which you instruct the delivery to be made against the short position is the year in which the taxable gain or loss must be recorded. The taxable gain or loss will be short-term or long-term, depending on the holding period of the long stock prior to the date of the short sale. Be sure you ask your Bache Representative if the stock is available for borrowing in connection with the short sale.

How to "space" to your advantage

With long-term gains and no short-term gains, take your losses in a different year. Here's why: If you had, for example, $2,000 long-term gain and balanced $2,000 in losses against it in the same year, the net result would be zero. If you take your long-term gain now, however, you are taxed on only half the gain, or $1,000. *If your loss is still short-term next year,* you can apply up to $1,000 of your loss as a deduction against ordinary income and take the remaining $1,000 the following year. Thus, by spacing, you can be ahead by a $1,000 deduction.

Note:
If, however, the loss is long-term, the entire $2,000 would have to be applied and nothing would remain as a carryover to the following year. (See note number 1)

How to use short sales

You can shift gains or losses from this year to the next through a short sale. The rule is that no gain or loss has to be reported on a short sale until the short position is closed out. Here's an example of how to do it—

You bought 100 shares in August at 60. Four months later, in December, the market is 85. As you are worried about the market's direction, you want to freeze your $2,500 profit. You go "short" the stock in December and hold off covering the short sale until the next year. That takes it out of this year's return and puts it into next year's return. No matter when you cover, it is a short-term gain, because when you went short you owned the stock less than six months.

If you had owned the stock more than six months when you went short, the profit on the close-out of the short position is a long-term gain.

Wash sales not allowed as a loss

If you sell at a profit, and then buy the same security right back, the profit is taxed. Not so with losses. The rule says *no loss will be allowed if within thirty days before or after the sale* the same, or a substantially identical security, or an option to buy such security is acquired. This is known as a tax wash sale.

Although such loss is not immediately allowable, it may be added to the cost of the repurchased stock. This gives a higher tax-cost basis to apply vs. proceeds on later sale of the stock.

However, the loss will be recognized if the sale is in one security and the purchase is in another similar one, even if both companies are in the same business, the shares are the same price, and their market action is alike.

Another way of avoiding the tax wash sale rule is to double up on your shares, wait 31 days, then sell your original position. Care must be exercised to identify properly the position that you are selling.

Tax switching—Municipal Bonds

The investor who is seeking tax savings by switching out of one security into another will find Municipal Bonds especially suited for this purpose.

When a security is sold, the law provides that the tax loss cannot be taken if, within 30 days before or after the sale, the same security, a substantially identical one, or an option to buy such a security is acquired. However, when an investor sells a particular municipal bond, he may immediately purchase another (but not identical) bond issued by the same municipality or same state authority, without having to observe the over-day waiting period.

In support of this, the Internal Revenue Service held in a ruling a few years ago that Richmond Petersburg Turnpike Authority 4½% revenue bonds were "not substantially identical" to the 3.4% bonds even though both were issued on July 1, 1955 and both mature on July 1, 1995. Thus, the sale of one issue at a loss and the purchase of the other within 30 days was not regarded as a tax wash sale.

The advantages here are several: The investor is not vulnerable to price fluctuations which may occur during those 30 days ;his interest income is uninterrupted, and he is afforded an opportunity to upgrade his bond portfolio while prices are still at a depressed level.

Regardless of what bonds you presently hold—or if you are thinking of investing in them for the first time—our Municipal Bond Dept. will work closely with your Bache Representative in selecting precisely the type of bond which best suits your individual needs and objectives. If you have not already explored this investment area, it could pay you to discuss it with your Bache Representative.

How you may identify when selling

Where you own more than one lot of the same security it is important to identify when you sell part of your position.

If the security is held on margin or otherwise cannot be identified by certificate number, you must instruct the broker at time of sale that securities purchased on a specified date and price are to be sold. In the absence of such identification, the first lot purchased is considered the first lot sold—"first-in, first-out."

If identity of the lot can be established by certificate number, you must deliver the certificate you want to sell since the certificate actually delivered will be considered the lot sold.

Timing year-end sales

The tax rules state that gains by cash-basis taxpayers are not realized until the securities are delivered to the buyer. Watch this in the last few days of December if you want a transaction credited in your return for this year.

The stock exchanges in New York have a five-business-day delivery rule. Thus, to establish your gain this year, you must sell not later than December 23, 1975. Thereafter, you can instruct your broker to sell for "cash" this year through December 31 instead of five-day delivery or for "next day" delivery up to December 30 on the New York and American Stock Exchanges. Losses, on the other hand, are established the day the sale is made. Thus, losses on sales through the last business day of December this year go into this year's return.

Tax sheltered investments

Investors who are in the higher income brackets or who have fairly substantial means might be well advised to investigated the tax-shelter investment area, which includes such ventures as oil & gas exploration and drilling, real estate and cattle feeding. Few individual investors are likely to feel that they have sufficient capital, time or technical knowledge to engage in such activities directly. However, it is possible to share in the sheltered tax treatment through limited partnerships, syndicates, or trusts.

We must emphasize at the very outset that all such programs involve varying degrees of risk and should be embarked upon only by those who are both willing and able to assume these risks. Of course, the same is true of any form of investment.

Oil & Gas Drilling Programs

A substantial portion (up to 22%) of oil and gas production income is tax free under the statutory depletion allowance. In addition the "intangible" costs involved in drilling a productive well are tax deductible during the year they are paid. It is estimated that these intangible costs represent 60-70% of the cost of a producing well. If a dry well is drilled, the entire cost may be written off against taxable income.

Cattle Feeding Programs

Cattle feeding is considered farming and may be reported for tax purposes on the "cash basis" method of accounting. By timing purchase and sale of cattle, feed costs may be deducted as an expense in one year and reported as income in the following year when the cattle are sold. The tax loss resulting from the feed expense in the year of investment may be offset against nonfarm income. By continuing the feeding program and increasing the expenditures for feed in the approximate amount of the profits made, the realization of income may be deferred until the program is terminated, at which time it is taxable as ordinary income.

Real Estate Programs

Long one of the most popular and most widely used forms of tax-sheltered investment. Participants in real estate limited partnerships may anticipate tax-sheltered income through deductions for depreciation and carrying costs and have the opportunity to liquidate mortgage debt with tax-sheltered dollars. In addition, they may enjoy equity build-up and possible appreciation of real property.

Bache's Tax-Sheltered Investment Dept. concentrates its efforts exclusively upon seeking out, evaluating and marketing programs which offer the opportunity for tax-sheltered investments. The Department keeps your Bache Representative fully posted on existing programs as well as those which will be coming to market in the near future. It will also provide any assistance needed in selecting a program which might best serve your own individual objectives.

Commodity trading

Commodity spreads or straddles, wherein simultaneous long and short positions are taken in different maturity months of the same Commodity, have gained in popularity among Commodity traders. This trading vehicle, besides being a rather conservative approach to Commodity markets, can often effect tax savings, particularly for clients with short term capital gains.

It is suggested that you discuss this interesting facet of Commodity trading with your Bache Representative.

Are You Self-Employed?

Keogh

Substantial Federal income tax savings are available to professional people, partners, proprietors, merchants, farmers and all others who qualify under the Self-Employed Individuals Tax-Retirement Act of 1962 as amended by the Pension Reform Act of 1974.

Briefly, the Keogh Act permits a self-employed person to set aside each year as much as 15% of his earned income or $7,500, whichever is less, in his retirement plan. 100% of these contributions to his retirement plan plus any and all contributions made for his employees may be deducted. Furthermore, no taxes are payable on any

dividends, interest, profits or other earnings which might accrue to the retirement fund until they are withdrawn.

If you are self-employed and qualify under the Keogh Act, you should explore this matter promtly. The important thing to remember is that the plan must be established by December 31, 1975 and at least a nominal contribution made if you wish to take advantage of this provision on your 1975 return. Contributions to the plan will be deductible on your 1975 return if paid not later than the due date of your return including extensions.

Your Bache Representative has information and literature which will be helpful to you. Should you decide to establish a retirement plan under the terms of the Keogh Act, he is prepared to render full guidance and assistance.

Individual Retirement Account

A salaried employee who is not covered by a qualified pension or profit sharing plan at any time during the year is allowed to contribute the lesser of 15% of his salary or $1,500 to a qualified Individual Retirement Account and to deduct the contribution from his income for that year. An owner of an IRA receives an additional benefit in that the interest, dividends and capital gains are allowed to accumulate free of tax until distributions are made from the account.

Furthermore, in most cases the law permits an individual who receives a lump sum distribution from a qualified pension or profit sharing plan to contribute the amount to an Individual Retirement Account without payment of tax, provided the payment is made within 60 days of receipt. However, if the distribution includes the employee's contribution, the portion representing the employee's contribution can not be rolled over into the IRA. If property, such as securities, mortgage participation certificates, etc., is received from the qualified plan, the same property must be transferred to the IRA.

Options

Listed Option Transactions

Listed Option Transactions are subject to special tax rules which are summarized below:

Purchasers of Call Options: Investors who purchase call options and sell them during 1975 will realize a capital gain or loss on the sale, long or short term depending upon their holding period for the call. The expiration of the option will result in a capital loss, the holding period measured from date of acquisition to date of expiration.

Purchasers Who Exercised Call Options: No gain or loss is realized upon the exercise of a call option. Capital gain or loss is realized upon the ultimate sale of the stock acquired through the call's exercise. The cost of the call is added to the purchase price of the stock in computing gain or loss for tax purposes. Holding period is measured from the date of exercise of the call option and not from the date that the call was acquired.

Writers of Call Options: Investors who write calls and repurchase their call obligations during 1975 will realize ordinary income or ordinary loss on the closing. If the option expires, the entire sale price is considered ordinary income.

Writers Whose Call Options Were Exercised: Investors who write calls and whose call obligations are exercised during 1975 will realize a capital gain or loss upon exercise. The premium received for writing the call is added to the sale price of the stock in determining the amount of capital gain or loss. Holding period of the stock sold is measured from the date of acquisition of the stock without reference to the investor's call obligations, with the sale date being the date of exercise.

Term Trade™

Bache's 50% "Term Trade" discount can work very advantageously for a client at tax time. If a client doubles up on his original stock position, then sells out the original position on or after 31 days (but before 35), he not only receives a tax loss and lowers his cost price, but also receives the "Term Trade" discount. Example:

Bought 100 XYZ @ 25	6/10/71
Bought 100 XYZ @ 10	8/8/75
Sold 100 XYZ @ 12	9/10/75

A second case is that the client sells his original stock and then buys the position back on or after 31 days and within 35 days. Example:

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In both examples, the "Term Trade" is on the transaction, dated 9/10/75.

These examples are simplified and all "Term Trade" rules must be met for the discount to qualify.

Words to the wise

The securities you now hold, or may buy or sell during the remainder of the year, represent your "Field of Maneuver" for keeping taxes on past or future transactions at a minimum. There is no cut-and-dried formula . . . each case must be decided on its own merits. Certain basic facts, however, should be kept in mind:

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To assist you in computing your capital gains and losses, we have prepared a "1975 Schedule of Capital Gains and Losses" worksheet. Copies may be obtained without cost through your Bache Representative or at any conveniently-located Bache office.

1975 Federal income tax tables

Taxable Income	Table I Joint Return		Table II Married Filing Separate Return		Table III Head of Household		Table IV Unmarried Individuals	
	Tax on Column 1	% on Excess	Tax on Column 1	% on Excess	Tax on Column 1	% on Excess	Tax on Column 1	% on Excess
$	$	14	$	14	$	14	$	14
500	70	14	70	15	70	14	70	15
1,000	140	15	145	16	140	16	145	16
1,500	215	15	225	17	220	16	225	17
2,000	290	16	310	19	300	18	310	19
3,000	450	17	500	19	480	18	500	19
4,000	620	19	690	22	660	19	690	21
6,000	1,000	19	1,130	25	1,040	22	1,110	24
8,000	1,380	22	1,630	28	1,480	23	1,590	25
10,000	1,820	22	2,190	32	1,940	25	2,090	27
12,000	2,260	25	2,830	36	2,440	27	2,630	29
14,000	2,760	25	3,550	39	2,980	28	3,210	31
16,000	3,260	28	4,330	42	3,540	31	3,830	34
18,000	3,820	28	5,170	45	4,160	32	4,510	36
20,000	4,380	32	6,070	48	4,800	35	5,230	38
22,000	5,020	32	7,030	50	5,500	36	5,990	40
24,000	5,660	36	8,030	50	6,220	38	6,790	40
26,000	6,380	36	9,030	53	6,980	41	7,590	45
28,000	7,100	39	10,090	53	7,800	42	8,490	45
32,000	8,660	42	12,210	55	9,480	45	10,290	50
36,000	10,340	45	14,410	55	11,280	48	12,290	50
38,000	11,240	45	15,510	58	12,240	51	13,290	55
40,000	12,140	48	16,670	58	13,260	52	14,390	55
44,000	14,060	50	18,990	60	15,340	55	16,590	60
50,000	17,060	50	22,590	62	18,640	56	20,190	62
52,000	18,060	53	23,830	62	19,760	58	21,430	62
60,000	22,300	53	28,790	64	24,400	58	26,390	64
64,000	24,420	55	31,350	64	26,720	59	28,950	64
70,000	27,720	55	35,190	66	30,260	61	32,790	66
76,000	31,020	58	39,150	66	33,920	62	36,750	66
80,000	33,340	58	41,790	68	36,400	63	39,390	68
88,000	37,980	60	47,230	68	41,440	64	44,830	68
90,000	39,180	60	48,590	69	42,720	64	46,190	69
100,000	45,180	62	55,490	70	49,120	66	53,090	70
120,000	57,580	64	69,490	70	62,320	67	67,090	70
140,000	70,380	66	83,490	70	75,720	68	81,090	70
160,000	83,580	68	97,490	70	89,320	69	95,090	70
180,000	97,180	69	111,490	70	103,120	70	109,090	70
200,000	110,980	70	125,490	70	117,120	70	123,090	70

The information contained in this Tax Guide has been stated in non-technical language. Actually, the law contains many refinements and exceptions. The precise wording of the law is, of course, what governs. In all instances, therefore, the taxpayer's counsel should be consulted. This Tax Guide is supplied gratuitously for the convenience of our customers and without any responsibility on our part.

BACHE & CO.
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RECORDS FROM SURROGATE'S OFFICE, Chautauqua County, Mayville, N.Y.

SQUIRE BELKNAP - 27 Oct. 1870 - Orders of Administration, Book 4, p.293

Squire, of French Creek, left surviving heirs:

Widow, Alice (administrator with John Jones)
Son, George - address unknown
David - address unknown
Joseph - French Creek
Andee - French Creek
Edward - Greenville, Penna.
Lavina - of the West

EPHRAIM BELKNAP, of Ellington, N. Y.
Will - Book 8, page 442) - 12 Feb. 1883

Son - Hiram
- Marmenas
Dau.- Martha Park
Emily Fox

ELIZA M. BELKNAP - Town of Portland, died 16 Feb. 1898

Son - Milton C. Belknap, Mayville
Dau.- Kate A. M. Hill - Saginaw, Michigan

ANDEE BELKNAP - French Creek - Book of Wills 14, p. 240-6 July 1901.

Son - Morris L.) - executors
Wife - Sarah M.)
Dau - Lois Moore
- Louisa Manley

MILTON C. BELKNAP - 26 May 1913 - Ord. Adm., 13, p. 155

Aristine H. Belknap, wife
Kate A. M. Hill - sister

Time 12/11/75
File - Page B

Legal Documents

The following legal documents were filed with the Office of the Town Clerk, Dec. 10, 11 and 12:

WARRANTY DEEDS

Estate of Erna Griesshaber to Anthony T. Bazydola, $77,000, land and buildings, Relay Place.

John V. Hinshaw & Co., Inc. to Anthony Ditlow, land and buildings, Park Ave.

Greenwich Green, Inc. to Roy S. Graham, $48,500, land and buildings, East Putnam Ave.

Margaret S. Burgess to Robert R. Shullman and Kathleen P. Shullman, $92,000, land and buildings, Lockwood Ave.

Comly Associates to Michael Belknap and Dorothy C. Belknap, $76,663, land and buildings, Comly Ave.

William C. Battle and Madeline N. Battle to Vincent E. Migliano, Jr., $108,000, land and buildings, Bruce Park Dr.

William D. Wilson and Winifred D. Wilson to Gilbert Neumann and Nelly Neumann, $252,500, land and buildings, Parsonage Rd.

MORTGAGE DEEDS

v T. Bazydola to Stamford
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ELI BELKNAP

U. S. Census, 1830 - Chatauqua County, New York
Page 323 - Ellery
Harvey S. Belknap - Males: 1, 20-30. Females: 1 under 5; 1, 15-20.
Page 348 - French Creek
Eli Belknap - males: 1 under 5; 2, 5-10; 2, 10-15; 2, 15-20; 1, 40-50.
Females: 1 under 5; 1, 15-20; 1, 40-50.
(Note: These are all, by the name of Belknap, in all of Chatauqua County).

U. S. Census - 1840 - Chatauqua County, New York
Page 80 - French Creek (Only)
George W. Belknap - males: 1 under 5; 1, 20-30. Females: 1, 20-30.
Eli Belknap - males: 1, 10-15; 2, 15-20; 1, 50-60. Females: 1, 50-60.

U. S. Census, 1850 - Chatauqua County, New York
Page 293 - French Creek - 15th August 1850 (French Creek, Only)

69-71	Eli Belknapp	66	M	F(armer)	$1500.	Ct.
	Lydia Bellknapp	64	F			"
	Joseph "	30	M	Black Smith		Pa.
	Squire "	27	M	F		N. Y.
	Edward "	26	M	F		"
	Ande "	22	M	F		"

U. S. Census, 1860 - Chatauqua County, New York
Page 5 - French Creek - 14th June 1860 - P.O. French Creek

33	Ande Belknap	32	M	Farmer	$1440-$600	New York
	Sarah Do	30	F			" "
	Lois A. Do	6	F	Child		" "
	Loiza D. Do	3	F	"		" "
Page 7						
49	Joseph Belknap	47	M	Blacksmith	$500-$200	Pa.
	Sarah Do	35	F			N. Y.
	Delnoria Do	5	F	Child		Pa.
	Victoria Do	5	F	"		Do
Page 22 - French Creek - 20 July 1860						
175	Eli Belknap	70	M	Farmer	$2000-$1000	Mass.
	Lydia Do	65	F			N. Y.
	Squire Do	37	M	Farmer		"
	Edward Do	36	M	Do		"

U. S. Census, 1870 - Chatauqua County, New York
Page 380 - Town of French Creek - 4th August 1870

87-85	Belknap, Andy	48	MW	Farmer	$#000-$2300	New Mork
	-------, Sarah	47	FW			New York
	-------, Lois	16	FW	At Home		New York
	-------, Louisa	13	FW	Attending School		New York
	-------, Morris	7	MW			New York
Page 386 - Town of French Creek - 11th August 1870						
185-180	Belknap, Squire	50	MW	Farmer	$4000-$1000	New York
	-------, Alice	31	FW	Keeping house		Canada
	Jellis, Elizabeth	9	FW			Canada
	Babcock, Emily	27	FW	Domestic Servt.		New York
	-------, William	6	MW			New York
Page 387 - Town of French Creek - 12th August 1870						
204-198	Belknap, Joseph	51	MW	Blacksmith	$600-$400	New York
	-------, Sarah	46	FW	Keeping house		New York
	-------, Elnora	16	FW	At Home		New York
	-------, Victoria	16	FW	At Home		New York

Tuesday - Nov. 14th '70
"possibility of 6" of snow)

Greetings,

These gloomy days seem to be a good time to catch up on sundry items of relatively unimportant information I've accumulated for various of my friends. This morning you're at the top of the list.

Even during summer vacation the Belknap name haunts me. Last month - at the height of the foliage season - I went over to Vermont and New Hampshire to do some research on my own, plus a Matteson family. Driving into Newport, N. H., I was passed by a van saying "Belknap Company", just as we were passing Belknap Avenue. "Grave Stone Records", Claremont, N. H., listed among "fatalities" - Jane Belknap, poisoned, Oct. 30, 1870.

MERRIMACK & SULLIVAN COUNTIES, N.H. - Biographical Review, Vol. XXII, p. 150 - "Hon. Newton Osgood - traces his descent to Christopher Osgood, a native of Epswich, England, who died in 1650. . .Christer, the fourth child, and next in line, was born in Andover, Mass., in 1643. He died in 1725. His first wife, in maidenhood Hannah Belknap, of Lynn, bore him six children. He had three more wives."

Even nearer home, in Cayuga County Surrogate's office - Martha Belknapp, widow of William - will probated July 11, 1819 - James McNiel appointed guardian of Martha, age 7, and John age 5, children of William, late of Town of Cato. Sarah Carr, late Belknapp, of Cato got $500. Martha & John each got $1,000. John died at 12 years of age. Martha m. Albert Seymour.

Down in Naples - and I may have written you this, since I seem to have lost the carbon of one of my letters - "Garlinghouse took its name from Daniel Garlinghouse, one of the first settlers who came up the Susquehanna Valley, thru Corning to Canandaigua. He was taken sick and was in hospital for some time. After his recovery he went to Honeoye, up the hollow to what is known as the Elwin Briggs place and settled there." Who in heck is Daniel?"

I'm still trying to help Mrs. Keeney solve the Garlinghouse problem - without much success. I'm inclosing:

(1) Map of Niagara country, showing the Manchester we wondered about. (Found by county historian.)
(2) Copy of page from account with Oliver Phelps, showing a payment by John Garlinghouse.
(3) Military record of the Joseph Garlinghouse who fought in New York State Militia, from National Archives.
(4) Page from DAR book, showing two descendants of John Garlinghouse, from New York State. Washington had nothing and New York State sent little of importance.

Eli + Lydia = Chatauqua Co.

b. 1780
d. 1864

Census	Eli	Lydia	Eli Actual
1830 US	40-50	40-50	~~45~~ 50
1840 US	50-60	50-60	~~58~~ 60
1850 US	66	64	~~68~~ 70
1855 NYS	71	68	~~73~~ 75
1860 US	70	65	~~74~~ 80
1870 US			d. 1864

House

Sarah Ann — b. July 7, 1829 (Ancestry.com)

Census	Actual	Joseph	Esquire	Edward b. 1824	Andy b. 1826	
1830 US	1	~~15-20~~	~~15-20~~	~~10-15~~ 6	~~under 5~~	4
1840 US	11	—	~~15-20~~	15-20 16	10-15	14
1850 US	21	30	27	26 26	22	24
1855 NYS	26	—	34	31 31	24	29
1860 US	31	47	37	36 36	32	34
1870 US	41	51	50	—	48	44
1880 US	51	62			54	54

Eli res. Lydia

1818

2nd 1855 NYS 37 yrs

The Great Register-Volume 3 - California

Santa Clara County

849 Bellamy, Covington Garret 40, Ohio Minister, res. Town of Santa Clara, reg. July 28, 1871

Tulare County

112-1423 Bellamy, Silas, 49, Kentucky, Clergyman, res. Tule River, reg. Oct. 16, 1868.

6740½ Franklin Place
Hollywood California 90028
May 8, 1974

Dear Carroll:

While at the L.A. Public Library, yesterday, I scanned two volumes of the Great Register of California, and listed all by the name of Belknap, in the two.

I was interested, especially, in locating your Tulare County Belknaps. As you see, Lafayette did not show. I believe you do not yet have enough information about him for a location and time. Surely, if he died in Tulare County, he may have left a will; or had administration upon his estate.

If he had little to leave, a cemetery record might give you further information. Or, a newspaper obituary might give further data.

In publishing your Belknap genealogy, do you think it might be well to have pre-publication subscriptions, to back-up publication costs.

Professor Roy V. Sherman, of Palo Alto Calif. has published a genealogy re. the descendants of Philip Sherman. He is now publishing another Sherman opus, on the remainder of the Sherman immigrants. Much of his data, is from assembled material gathered by Frank Dempster Sherman. His pre-publication charge is $10.00 per copy. After publication, it will be $12.50 per ".

In Vol. XLIX., pg. 64, of Colorado Genealogist Mag. one asks for dates covering the wives + marriages of Secretary Wm North Bilknap. (1829-1890); m. (1) Cora Lee Roy; (2) Carrie Tomlinson, of Ky. d. 1870; (3) Mrs. John Bower. 2nd + 3rd wives were sisters. Did you have this information about his marriages?

Have you heard anything from Mrs. Bowman at Avalon? What is her problem a Bilknap one?

Best wishes.

Sincerely,
John

Great Register of California - 1890
(Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Fresno, Inyo, Lake, Lassen, Los Angeles, Monterey, Mendocino, Marin - Vol 25)

Amador County

2944 Belknap, Frank, ae. 38; born, Calif.; occupation, hotelkeeper; res. Volcano; registered, Oct. 4, 1890.

Contra Costa County

377 Belknap, Chauncey J., ae. 59; born, New York; occupation, Laborer; res. Concord; reg. Aug. 29 1890.

378 Belknap, Jonathan, ae. 64; b. N.Y.; Laborer; res. Clayton; reg. Aug. 29, 1890.

Monterey County

401 Belknap, Arren, ae. 69; b. N. Y.; Farmer; res. Soledad; reg. Oct. 4, 1884.

Great Register of California - 1890 - Vol. 26
(Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yuba, Yolo, San Bernardino, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus, Sutter, Solano, Sonoma.)

Tulare County

276 Belknap, Charles Carroll, ae. 24; b. Washn., D.C.; Postmaster; res. Porterville; reg. Aug. 8, 1890

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360 Belknap, Corington Grant, ae. 59; b. Ohio; Minister; res. Visalia; reg. Aug. 15, 1890
442 Belknap, Travis Steel, ae. 32; b. Calif.; Teamster; res. Tulare; reg., Aug. 25, 1890.
713 Belknap John Hesley, ae. 36; b. Missouri; Clerk; res. Lemoore; reg. Sept. 24, 1890.
785 Belknap, John Hesley, ae. 42; b. Oregon; Farmer; res., Hanford; reg., Oct. 4 1890.
840 Belknap Philip, ae. 40; b. Oregon; Butcher; res., Hanford; reg., Oct. 10, 1890.
859 Belknap, Orin, ae. 75; b. N.Y.; Farmer; res, Edelsion; reg. Oct. 14, 1890.

Santa Cruz County
63 Belknap, Hiram Alexander, ae. 42; b Penna.; Woodsman; res. Aptos; reg., Sept. 25, 1888.

Sonoma County
461 Belknap, David, ae. 72; b. N.Y.; Farmer; res. Russian River; reg., Aug. 6, 1888.

Great Register of California - 1890 - Vol. 24
(Humboldt, Kern, Modoc, Mono, Shasta, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Tehama, Ventura)

Kern County
224 Belknap, Archimedes M. ae. 58; b. Penna.; Carpenter; res., Bakersfield; reg. May 22, 1888.

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Page 2- Great Register of California-1890-Vol. 24
Kern County - continued
344 Belnap, Alton R., ae. 22, b. Penna.; Clerk; res. Bakersfield; reg. Sept. 26, 1888, affidavit.

Covington

"History of Pierce County, Washington," by
H. P. Bonney - Vol. I.

pg. 100 - The Steilacoom Methodist Episcopal
Church - -

The first quarterly conference was held at
De Vole's home on October 29, 1853, etc.

(List of early pastors)

Rev. C. G. Bilhuafs

6740 1/2 Franklin Place
Hollywood, California 90028

March 31, 1974

Dear Carroll Belknap:

I am not sure if I sent you the two, enclosed items before, or not. On the chance I did not, you will find them enclosed herewith.

If Rev. Covington G. Belknap, is the same as Rev. C. G. Belknap, in Washington State, he certainly got about.

I keep reviewing the formats you have sent me, and I am deeply impressed with your sincereness.

Is it your belief, that Samuel Belknap (son of Abraham I.), died at Haverhill?

Reflecting on the middle name of your ancestor, Rev. C. G. Belknap - as he was born in Licking County, Ohio, do you think he may have been named for Judge Grant, the second husband of Anna (Sherman) Stevens, (who with her first husband, Joseph Stevens, were "guardians" of Four Belknaps?

Best wishes.

Sincerely,
John

John Sherman from CYB May 17 1974

Bit by bit, as I try to dig into neglected correspondence, I find unanswered questions from you. And thanks not yet rendered.

Letter 3/31: reference to my grandfather Cerrington in History of Pierce Co, Wash. shewing him an early paster in that county. . . Yes. When ordained in 1852, aged 22, he became one of the circuit-rider Methodist ministers in Washington. Years later, moved to California to help his wife's health. Had several pasterates there. Last was at Santa Barbara, where the church has (or used to have) a memorial window for him. So you can find him all over the map.

My belief on death-place of the first Samuel Belknap? Probably Haverhill, as no record he ever left there. No proof in scanty Haverhill VR.

Source of my grandfather's middle name: Gavit? No information in my hands. The source you suggest sounds likely. . . But I don't even know source of his first name.

Thanks.

Stephen

11 June 1974

Dear John:

As usual, I'm deeply indebted to you for your kind aid.

The fact that Stephen does not appear in the 1810 and 1820 census of Saratoga County makes it possible that he was the Stephen who was in Hamilton, Ontario, in 1813.

But of course it's just a possibility, nothing more. The next step is to find if he can be found anywhere else in New York in those census reports. So I'm trying to get copies of the index pages for letter B, those years, from the NY Genealogical Society.

When I have time, I'll tell you the whole Stephen story -- as far as I yet knew it or surmise it. It's the stuff of which novels are made, ending with the successful tracing of the ancestry of a man who may well be the most distinguished living Belknap -- and knew nothing more than the names of his father and mother.

Gratefully,

Eli

February 10, 1971

Mr David S Belknap
98 Rivergate Drive
Wilton, Conn.

Dear Mr Belknap:

If you are not the David Belknap who received a Belknap family tree chart from Dick Taylor or his wife Charlene, in 1968, and then wrote a letter about the fact that your branch of the family wasn't on it -- in that case the rest of this letter won't interest you, but I hope you'll help me by telling me your line of descent. I'm working on the preparation of a Belknap genealogy covering all branches of the family, and your aid will be welcome.

But if you are that David Belknap and your father was Clarence Edward Belknap Jr of French Creek, N. Y., then it may interest you to know that my files have your complete Belknap ancestry, in America and in England, back to 1500 -- and I'll be glad to send it to you if you want it. No charge.

If you are that David, you were quite correct when you said you thought you came from a long line of Yankee farmers. So do all the rest of us. Mine were in upper Connecticut; yours were in Woodstock, Conn. and Brimfield, Mass.

The reason why I have that letter and the chart attached to it ~~MMMX~~ is that when the Taylors receive something they can't connect to their chart, they send it to me -- asking if I can help, Usually I can. But this time, I didn't find the clue till about a week ago. So I wrote to the Taylors, asking for your address. Their reply is that they think you are that David, but they aren't sure.

As I said, I make no charge for supplying this sort of information. It's simply the way I get help by giving help. I am repaid by getting more information that I need.

So

~~M~~ -- whichever David you may be -- I'll be most grateful for your aid.

Cordially yours,

Eli Lust

Eli

JOHN A SHERMAN from CYB

Jan 28 1971

Latest on the Oneida Co. Eli:

I have found some living descendants of his, who identify him as the Eli Belknap who died at French Creek, NY (Chatauqua Co.) 15 Nov 1864. As he was Commissioner of Schools there in 1830, we should find him in 1830 census there -- possibly in 1820, maybe 1810. XXXX I'll know more about dates when I learn date when he and Lydia sold land in Oneida Co.

I do not yet know whether these present-day descendants can name Eli's father -- as don't yet have an address for them. Will keep you posted.

Eli in 1830

Tremen Creek NY

E15

[redacted]

Eli

Oct 8 1970

Mr Sherman:

An Eli Belknap was Commissioner for Schools at French Creek, N Y, in 1830. Can't find this place on maps in my possession. Do you know where it was?

This Eli same as Eli in Onondaga Co


(Dennis)
Eli + Lydia
Joseph + Sarah M.
(Dans only)
Squire + Alice
William
Edward
Andrew + Sarah
Louisa
(Louis A
(Louis D.
Maurice
Andrew
Maurice
Clarence Esther
Clarence Edw

Eli

Joseph + Sarah

ch.

Prob. date Census

Death date

		Census 1860	Census 1870	Census 1880
	Elnora (Almoria) twins 1854 or 1855	5	16	
	Victoria	5	16	

Andy + Sarah 1855

David

Rouse B 7 July 1854 Corydon Pa

D 1 Dec 1902 FC

1854	Lois A 1854	1	6	16	
1857	Louisa D (Louise) 1857	3	13	23	
11 June B 1863	Maurice SL 1864 1863			16	

D 5 March 1936

Squire + Alice

No ch. in Census

Squire

Alice

Edward DNM Greenville Pa

in [illegible]

Eli + Lydia

b 1780
m Before 1814
d 15 Nov 1864 FC

Probable Date

David
b —1788
d 25 May 1866(?)

Census 1855
Eli 77
Lydia 68

	Census 1850	Census 1860	Census 1870	Census 1880
Joseph 1820	30 1820	47 1823	51 1819	62 1818
Sarah 1825		35 1825	46 1824	55 1825
Louise 1823	27 1823	37 1823	50 1830	
Alice 1819	34 1819		31 1839	
b 1824 EDWARD 1824 d 1893 DN Marry	26 1824	36 1824		
b 1828 Ande 1828 d 1904 Sarah 1829 Louise	22 1828	24 1829 32 1829	48 1822 47 1823	54 1826 50 1826

m 1814
Lydia 30
Eli 34
OK

9'-2) Lavina + Alice (w.o.m Jellis?)

b. 1843 b. 1839 Camden

m. after 1860
Before 1870
∴ abt 1863

dau Elizabeth Jellis b. 1861

Ch.

~~William b. 1864?~~

~~William~~ Alice address unknown

~~George~~

David " "

Brothers Joseph, French Creek

Andrew " "

Edward Greenville Pa

Lavina " " the Wpmen

Order of Administration Chautauqua Co. 27 Oct 1870 "Surviving heirs"

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Joseph + Sarah

b 1814
m after 1850
before 1860
∴ abt 1854

b. 1825
d. after 16 June 1880

d. after 16 June 1881

Twin /

(Eleanora)
Eleanora b 1855 ~~before 1854~~
Victoria b 1855 ~~before 1854~~

a. 3

Edward

b 1824 d

d 1893

Still living
at father Eli
in 1857
+1860

2-4)

Andrew (Addie, Andy) b ~~1826~~ 1827 — Sarah Noble Rouse
b. 1826 (~~1852~~) b 1st July 1829, Corydon Pa
d 1904 Sunkeyville, Ky d 12 Dec 1902 7C
m ~~after 1852~~ before 1890
∴ abt 1852

Ch

Lois A. b 1854 7C — m. —— Moore
Louisa D. b 1857 7C — m —— Manley
Morris Linder b. 1863 7C

So stated in Court records of administration of his estate ~~1~~ 1 July 1901

3) Maurice Morris Lucas b. Jennie Groters
b 11 June 1863 Dunkerville NY
d 5 March 1936
b 15 June 1873 Olyphant NY
d — 1965

Ch Clarence Edward
b 30 Sept 1895 Dunkerville NY

4) Clarence Edwin + Pauline Marguerite Rhoades

B. 30 Sept 1895 Sunkenwells NM

B 28 Aug 1900 FC NM

GR -

Clarence Edwin Jr B 31 Aug 1921 FC

5) Clarence Edw Jr — Jeanne Agnes Larson

B 31 Aug 1921 Erie Pa — B 2 Apr 1919 Erie Pa

CR

David 14 June 1945 Erie Pa

① Eli B & Lydia ——

b. 16 Sept 1780 — b ~1784, Conn.

d 25 May 1864 (?)

d. 15 Nov 1864

m before 1814 [redacted]

ch	1850	1860	1870
Joseph B	1820	[redacted] 1819	
Squire B	1823	1823	[redacted]
Edward B	1824 F	1824	d 1873
Andrew B	[redacted] FC 1828	[redacted]	
		1842	

in Conn 1830 7C

Lorad Conn 7C 1830

in W 1817 briefly militia m

Eli

Served W 1817 from O Co
Moved from Lee O Co
to Fe Co 1817
Farmer
Com of Schools Fe 1830

DICK and/or CHARLOTTE

So me a favor, please please please. Dig up the address of the David Belknap who bought a chart from you in 1968. Copy of his churlish letter is enclosed.

I have finally identified his line and need more information from him -- and can reassure him that indeed he does come from a long line of Yankee farmers, just as I do. His ggg grandfather Eli was, I'm virtually certain, one of the descendants of the Woodstock-Brimfield family -- Joseph & Prudence, at the far right of your chart.

I've got that family fairly in shape, now -- don't know how many names, but probably something more than 100 , anyway. From your point of view, it's the easiest thing to add to your chart -- just substitute a fuller piece for what you now have on that branch (just the Louisville millionaires).

I may be too low when I guess ~~XXXXXXXXX~~ "100." May be twice that big, when I put it all together. How much of it do you want? No point in burdening you with more than you wish to use.

this return to RBS

① my name — David Belknap
b. June 14, 1945, Erie Penna.

father ② — Clarence Edward Belknap Jr
b Aug. 31, 1921 French Creek Chautauqua Co. N.Y.
d.

mother — JEANNE AGNES CARLSON
b. April 2, 1919, Erie Penna.
d.

③ g/father — Clarence Edward Belknap.
b. Sept 30, 1895, Dunkeyville N.Y.
d.

g/mother — Pauline Marguerite Rhoades
b. Aug. 25, 1900, French Creek N.Y.

cont'd

④ great g/father — Maurice Lincoln Belknap
b. June 11, 1863, Dunkeyville N.Y
d. March 5, 1936

g g/mother — Jennie Groters
b. Jan. 15 1873 Clymer N.Y.
d. 1965 (I have the info. on this but can't find it.)

⑤ gggr. father — Andrew N. Belknap
b. 1826 local (?)
d. 1904 Dunkeyville, N.Y
(buried Cutting N.Y cemetery)

mother — Sarah Noble Rouse
b July 7, 1829 Corydon Pa.
d Dec. 1, 1902 French Creek, N.Y

~~bro~~ son of ⑤
Yes brother (?) Edward Belknap
b. 1824 d. 1893
buried in Tefft cemetery N.Y
(you won't find this one — no longer registered)

(6)

ggggfather (?) Eli Belknap
b. 1781
d. Nov. 15, 1864 French Creek N.Y.
(Tefft cemetery)

m. mother (?) Lydia ?
b. 1784
d. May 25, 1866 (?)

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This copy for your file

No Comment RBT

December 12, 1968

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

Sometime ago I received your "15 foot Belknap Family Tree"(sic), and after perusing through it I found with some amusement that I was not familiar with any Belknap therein. I have always been content with the thought that the Belknaps I knew of, literally sprouted out of the glacial soils of western New York State; they always seemed to be the kind of people who would do that sort of thing. I noticed that there were no such Belknaps on your chart. Don't think me clanish if I say that your "History", as I know it, leaves something to be desired. I am, therefore, enclosing some information on my meager knowledge of those Belknaps familiar to me.

I feel no close affinity with your Belknaps, and perhaps it is better that way. Let me further state that I believe that your one-page flyer on the family is a poorly disguised and clumsy attempt to put the Belknap name on a false pedestal--as super-patriotic first family of America. Please, therefore, do not associate my family or our name with your questionable enterprise.

The Belknaps I have known have been truly hearty and honest, but they have not been notably patriotic. Perhaps, because of this, you have never heard of them. I used to entreat my great-grandmother to tell me where the family came from and who exactly they were. The response I received was short and sharp, yet to me profound. She said, "We're yankees, we work, and we mind our own business." Her acid response stemmed from the harsh life her family led. Those Belknaps of the glacial soils were a remote and hard people, and they had nothing but contempt for English and American royalty, coats of arms, the fighting of stupid wars, and those who sold spoiled corn and hay to their neighbors. As you continue your history of the Belknap name please be cognizant of all who share that name.

Sincerely,

David Belknap

FROM THE DESK OF
RICHARD B. TAYLOR

C. B. —

Have thought of you often during the last few weeks ... during my trials and Tribulations ... during your restful repose —

Hope your Trip was all that you anticipated!

I haven't done any genealogy in 9 months ... mailed out a few flyers ... but little else. Some day when the need

of fighting for a living slacks off I look forward to a serious pursuit of a complete Belknap Geneology (Book form) subsidized ... possibly ... Same manner as the Marquis people in Chicago with their who's who Series.

While I might have done some damage with the flyers, I truly believe the value of creating interest and such outweighs the negative aspect. Time will Tell.

Seasons Greetings

Dick

Dec. 31, 1968

Dear Dick:

A happy New Year to you and Charlene. And my hopes for your success in your new connection. Incidentally, the N Y Times gave you better treatment than the San Francisco paper did — but no doubt you know this.

I'm returning (after copying) the sheets sent to you by the David Belknap who wrote that churlish letter. If you care to give me his address, I might like to write to him in defense of the great work you have done. . . I can't yet connect him to any Belknap/s in my record — and of course there'd the distinct possibility that he's the sort of person who thinks it's clever to perpetrate a hoax.

At the moment, I'm deep in the task of trying to aid a young cousin who needs proof that she is descended from my great-great-grandfather. The outcome will be something you can use, some day.

I'm enclosing a copy of a note to Della, just in case she hasn't already told you what she wrote to me at Christmas.

Carroll

Changes in Numbers

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End of Elongation

JOHN C. LaPIANA
313 COOPER LANE
DEWITT, N. Y. 13214

2 February 1975

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

Dear Carroll:

Well, I have used a good portion of this weekend on the BELKNAP line. Not unusual of late. Finds are few but I am SURE there is something someplace and we are going to find it! Have been up several dead ends, but after many years of searching, we are used to that. I do get a bit discouraged at times, but then just have an inactive couple of days and am back at it again. With considerable inspiration from you and Jane, we can't do less than our best.

I am still working on locating the right DeGroff relative who might have the records George is said to have kept. Rather like the old needle in the hay though- there are MANY DeGroff's in this area and most of them not interested enough to tell you what, if anything they know. Why are people so suspicious of genealogists? To date I have not been able to find a Probate record on George, which could narrow the search down quite rapidly. That, you'll recall, is how I got on to Mina's two nephews, neither of whom "remember" much and both of whom deny having any of the family records.

The 1790 Federal Census for New York lists these:

Name	Residence	Males -16	Males +16	Females Total
Joseph Middaugh	Warwick,Orange Co.		2	1
George, the 1st	Markletown,Ulster		3	2
Hendrick	" "		1	1
George, the 2nd	" "	3	1	2
Abraham	" "	2	1	5
George	Fishkill,Dutchess	1	3	2
Aart. Sr.	" "	1	1	4
Jacobus,Sr.	" "	0	2	2
Jacobus, Jr.	" "	1	1	1
Aart.,Jr.	" "	1	1	2

The 1800 Federal Census for New York lists these:

Orange County: Abraham, Adonijah, Ephiram

Ulster County: Abraham, Cloudy, George, George, Henry, Jane, John, William

Dutchess County: Aart. G., Aart. I., George, James, James G., James I.

So It seems that there were enough Middaughs around and it is quite possible we can find Eneanor in the early records of the above listed counties.

I checked Ulster County Wills which we have in our local library, but there was nothing there. So I checked the Cayuga County Will Abstracts which we also have here- there was nothing BUT I noticed a Derik Middaugh witnessed a Will at Ovid, N.Y. in 1801, and a second in 1802. So there were Middaughs in this area at that time. Will get to Auburn and go through the originals, since, as you point out there is often more than is picked up in abstract. At that time, I will see what there is there in the Porbate and land records on our Mary. Would be as happy to find that she WAS NOT the wife of Stephan!

Found in our analytic file a cross reference to two of the magazines of the Detroit Society for Genealogical Research. Vol. 23, p. 171:Oakland Co.,Michigan Probate records;

"Belknapp, Jesse. Intest. filed 14 Nov 1849. He was age 67. Lived Highland Twp. Wife: Betsey. Property: a land warrent from U.S. which he obtained by reason of service of his son in War with Mexico."

Vol. [redacted], p. 134:
"Marshall Emerson Gray m. Caroline Augusta Belknap 27 Oct 1842. She was b. 8 July 1818, Framingham, the daughter of Jesse and Polly(Rice Newton) Belknap".

Are these Della's people??

As I said, not much on top of all the data and comments you had- but be sure I am still working on it. Our #4 is due the 22nd- so I don't dare travel. Soon as that is over- off to get into the Cayuga County records.

Most sincerely,

JCLaPiana

John C. LaPiana

30 January 1975

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

Dear Carroll:

Many thanks for your let ter of the 27th and 28th of January which arrived today. Must admit that I have not yet completely digested all of the contents. You know so much about the family, and I know so little that it takes time to grasp all that you have to tell! Can never thank you enough for all the help you have given us and hope that we can be at least second on the list of people to buy your book which is sure to be one of the best in ages. Any idea when it will be available??

We promise you comments on the letter and will follow up all of the lines that you suggest. You sure can do deductive reasoning for you "line in" on any possible source and sure make some good suggestions! Be sure, as always, we will follow up on all of them!

I am still hard at work on the Mina Bebee and George DeGroff records. I will not give up until I am sure that t here is nothing there and that takes a lot! Have been at work on the Belknaps for far too long not to follow up every possible item. Still interested in the "near Albany" idea that you had once and we still have not heard about. Wish that we dould PROVE the line before you publish so that we can be included and I know that Jane feels the same way. That's why we so value your suggestions and follow up on them!

You do not have an obligation to answer this- for it merely lets you know that yours was received. We will get back with more meat once all yours is digested.

Again, our good wishes and many thanks.

Most sincerely,

John

John C. LaPiana

MEMORANDUM
20 Jan., 1976
To: Carroll Y. Belknap
From: E. Clinton Belknap

I'm sorry Carroll, I truly am, that I have unwittingly and unintentionally developed into the thorn in your side I apparently have become. Yesterday morning I had forwarded to you, for review and suggestions, a copy of a proposed Appendix to be sent to those who have a copy of A BELKNAP GENEALOGY. Then, late yesterday afternoon, the copy of your letter to Jayne Bickford of Lisbon Fall, Maine, arrived together with a checked copy of page 1 of the summary on Samuel Belknap and Sarah Jones, received by me aout the middle of May, 1974.

As I told you in my cover memo yesterday morning, the copy for my book had already been completed when your summary arrived and rather than deprive others of its content I asked Mildred to type a copy to include in the book and since the pages of my book had not yet been numbered, I prevailed upon the printer to insert the summary pages following the Family Group or face sheet information. But, I should hasten to add, the inaccuracies in the copy can be charged to no one but me, personally. The only error she made, based on my instructions,was to transpose the first two letters in Framingham following the listing of Abraham under the "CHILDREN" heading.

It is said that fact is sometime stranger than fiction and this is one of those times. Although it will not vindicate the errors, please let me at least reconstruct the sequence of events that led to this travesty, remembering that we were under pressure to complete the pages without delay in order to have them included.

I had first made a bold black upright mark over each of the pairs of quotation marks on page 1 of said summary, intending that the whole summary would be in quotes and the segments already in quotes would thus become quotes with quotes with a single quote mark at beginning and end instead of the usual pairs of marks. Then, I was confronted by the asterisks before the names of Sarah, Abraham, Samuel and Ebenezer and since I found no legend or key to their meaning, I felt their inclusion, without such explanation, could lead to confusion by the reader and that they served no real purpose in the context in which presented. So, I took a heavy marker and drew a heavy line down the left side , through said asterisks and , because my visual acuity at short range was bad I erroneously also covered the questionmark before the name of Sarah, without realizing it.

I followed by telling Mildred that with the asterisks removed, it would not be right to put quotes around the whole thing and told her to just start the statement at the top of the page with: "The following is reproduced from a summary , revised by C. Y. Belknap ... ..." and just omit the quotation marks. She assumed I knew what I was doing and did just what I had said to do. Assuredly, I should have reinstated the quotes about the segments you had quoted but regretably didn't do so. So -- there you have it; blundering on my part but surely never any true intent to misinform or mislead.

I am grateful that you sent Mrs. Bickfor a copy of the entire summary as originally presented so she may examine it herself.

You were correct in your surmise that I had failed to read further than the first page of said summary, as erroneously reproduced, before answering Mrs. Bickford's letter. I trust she did inform you that I did take stepts to correct the error in a letter to her on January 6, 1976, in which I enclosed a photo copy of the Note 3 of your summary and explained in some detail the error I had made and also why the summary was included in the volume.

I do feel most remorseful and sad about this whole thing, Carroll, and if you can find the charity in your heart to forgive unintentional blunders and help me prepare a proper Appendix for the book in an attempt to rectify things in so far as possible, I shall indeed be grateful. And in resisting any temptation to issue any second edition I should be able to keep from irritating you further. I'm truly sorry our prolonged harmonious relationship should come to such termination but with the potential continuing decrease in visual acuity it may be increasingly difficult for me to do an effective job in the field of genealogical research or compilation of technical data relating to same.

C. Y. B.

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Mary Newton

Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary)
Includes memos from
Gladys & Laurette May, etc.

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

410 3rd CLASS

Stiles Worcester Otsego Co. 1800 3,1,-,1- 1--1-
Where, between 1800 & 1870?

Otis Co Bristol 1810 winter summer

1790 at Otsego
Elijah Jr. not Otsego in 1800
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Parker movements

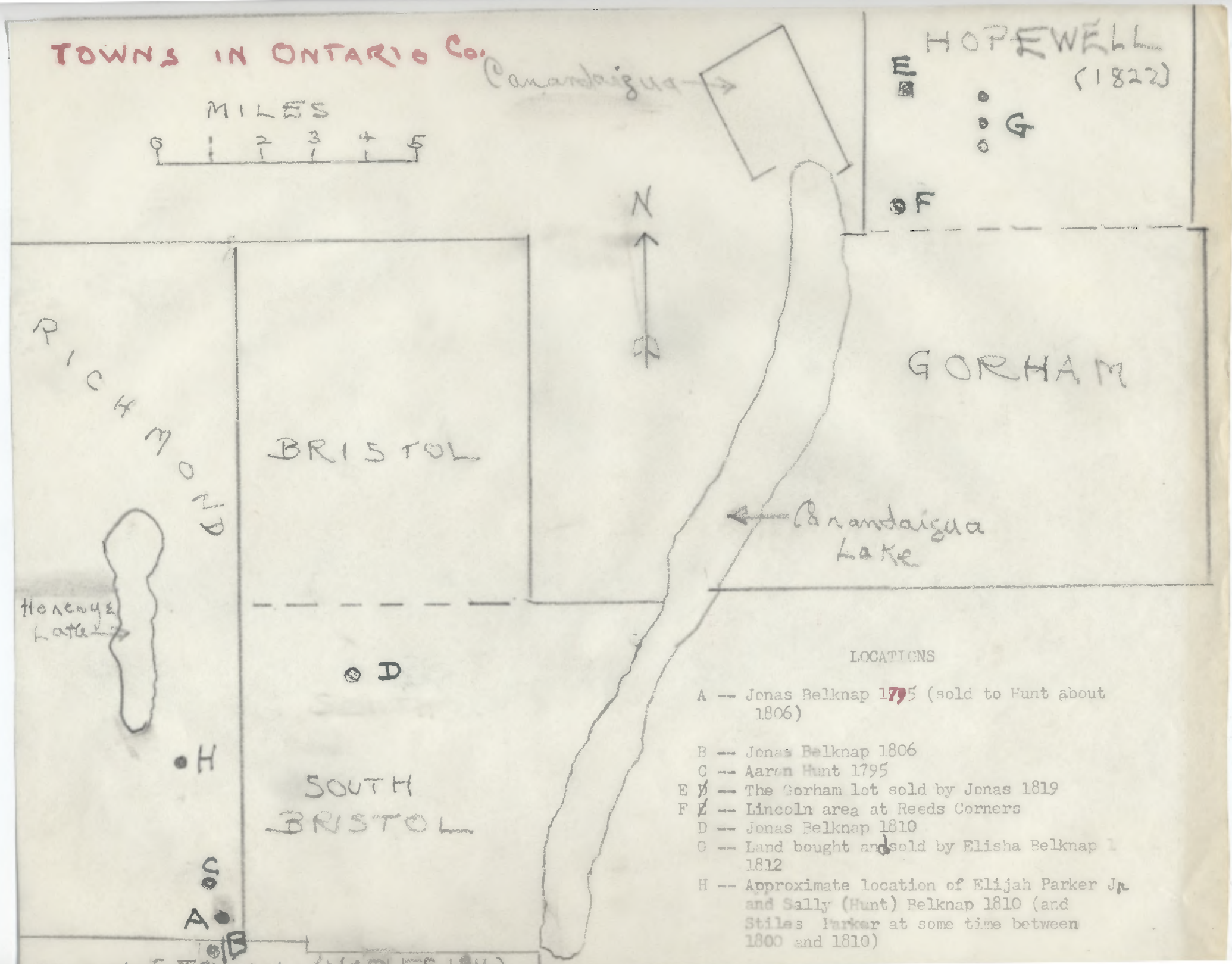
Elijah Jr – to Richmond by 1796

Stiles – in Otsego Co 1800
– to Bristol by 1810

James – ? in Bloomfield 1810 ?

Elijah Sr – in Otsego Co 1800
nothing thereafter

Turned wrong in saying in Richmond 1796 or 7


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HOPEWELL
(1822)
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G
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RICHMOND
BRISTOL
GORHAM
Canandaigua Lake
Honeoye Lake
D
H
SOUTH BRISTOL
C
A
B
LOCATIONS
A -- Jonas Belknap 1795 (sold to Hunt about 1806)
B -- Jonas Belknap 1806
C -- Aaron Hunt 1795
E -- The Gorham lot sold by Jonas 1819
F -- Lincoln area at Reeds Corners
D -- Jonas Belknap 1810
G -- Land bought and sold by Elisha Belknap 1812
H -- Approximate location of Elijah Parker Jr. and Sally (Hunt) Belknap 1810 (and Stiles Parker at some time between 1800 and 1810)

GEORGE MAY from CYB 3 March 1975

My great thanks for your letter 25 Feb. I'm lucky to have your aid in correcting my errors. Especially on my uninformed appraisal of what I thought was unusual wording in that 1819 deed.

My hope is that my memo may induce Miss Gray to search deed records by description of land, not by names of grantors and grantees as she did some years ago.

One minor point: my map showing locations of Stiles Parker and Elijah Parker Jr. I was careless in wording the legend on point "H". Should have written: Approximate location of Elijah Parker Jr in 1796, Sally (Hunt)Belknap in early 1810, and Stiles Parker at some time between 1800 and Summer 1810.

Waite (in history Springwater) wrote: "Col John Green . . . was the first settler on the J G Briggs farm near the head of the Honeoye lake and Elijah and Stiles Parker were very early comers then." I enclose map drawn by Miss Gray showing Briggs location at the time when Waite was writing.

Facts and inferences, as I see them:

-- Elijah Jr with Jonas Belknap at first town meeting in Pittstown (Richmond) 1796. So must have been in that area in late 90s [redacted] before moving to Bristol by 1800 Summer.

-- Stiles in Census Otsego Co (Montgomery Co then) in 1800 but not 1810. In 1810 census in Bristol. My inference from statement by Waite (who was concerned only with the Richmond and Springwatwater areas): between 1800 and summer 1810, Stiles was on or near the property that Elijah Jr owned in the 90's. Waite relied on records, not tradition.

All unimportant -- but I thought it worth while to show the relative isolation of the lot at Gorham, and distance from Elijah Sr's sons -- which puzzles me.

But no doubt that memo of mine merely reflects my interest in the story of the people, rather than just names and dates.

June 28 1974

Clerk of Surrogate's Court
Ontario County
Canandaigua, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I hope you can help me on a problem of inheritance in Ontario County, about 1817.

The known facts are that when a lot in Gorham was sold in 1819, the deed indicated that it had been inherited;

> Deed of Sept 6 1819: Jonas Belknap of Gorham sells to James Moore of Gorham for $450 a parcel of land of 20 acres in Ontario County in Tws 10 in 2nd range, being a part of lot 11. . . The seller, Jonas Belknap "is well seized of the premises above conveyed as of good, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law, in fee simple."

Is there a chance that your records contain the will or intestate settlement covering this inheritance?

It is possible that the person from whomhthe property was inherited was either (1) Jonas Belknap's second wife, Rachel, or (2) Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary) -- both of whom died in Gorham a year or so before 1819. Bßst these are just possibilities based on guesswork.

I shall be most grateful for any aid you can give me. My check for $3 is enclosed. If it is not enough, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

C. Y. Belknap:

GLADYS GRAY from CYB 19 Feb 1975 Copy to GEORGE S MAY

Unsolved puzzles knaw at me, beyond my power to resist. So here I come again, with the old question: Was the Mrs Elijah Parker who died at Gorham the widow of Samuel Belknap and mother of Jonas Newton Belknap? (Mary)

In discussing this question, I'm going to try to mention everything that may possibly have any bearing on it. So I hope you and George May will forgive me for what may seem to be minor digressions -- such as the possible date of Susannah's marriage and the meaning of Waite's statement that the property in the NE corner of Springwater was sold in 1813. Some of what I say may be far afield. But I'm going to say it, anyway.

My starting point will be the new information about the Gorham lot that Jonas sold in 1819 -- which George May dug up in 1974.

THE LOT IN GORHAM

As you'll recall, all of us suspected -- years ago -- that this lot had been inherited by Jonas, from either his mother or his second wife Rachel. George May, examining the full deed signed in 1819, has supplied proof of that assumption. The deed includes the following passage:

> (Jonas) "is well seized of the premises above conveyed as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute, and indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law, fee simple."
>
> But the person from whom the lot was inherited is not named. Could have been either Mary or Rachel, comments George.

Have you ever seen any similar phrase in any of the innumerable deeds that you have examined? And I wrong in thinking it's so extraordinary as to require explanation?

Of course, any explanation now proposed can be mere speculation. But sometimes nothing but speculation can show a possible path to follow.

When you first pointed out the discrepancy between the 1819 deed and the 1818 pension application in which Jonas denied ownership of property, I replied that such denials were common at the time, when you had to claim pauperism to qualify for a pension. All laws imposing such requirements (like the law now governing the right to buy food stamps) always produce that claim. Every Rev War veteran who applied for a pension had to make that claim, and did -- and compassionate judges permitted it.

That may have been the correct explanation of the discrepancy. But now -- considering the relationship between Jonas Belknap and Judge Stephen Phelps -- I think I see an alternative explanation that's worth considering. Like this: In the 1818 pension application, Jonas was telling the truth when he said that he did not own any property . . . i.e., did not <u>legally</u> have such ownership. What he had was simply "squatter's rights" on a lot that he had taken over, upon the death of its previous owner (whom we justifiably believe could have been only Mary or Rachel) -- and which he had continued to hold in the absence of either a will or intestate proceedings. Then, a year later, when he was preparing to go to Kentucky and needed to raise money, he found a way to sell that lot -- with the aid of Judge Phelps.

The relationship between Jonas and Judge Phelps was far from ordinary. In 1818, when Jonas applied for a pension under the new pension law, his deposition was made before Judge Stephen Phelps at Canandaigua -- and the Judge was one of two former members of

the 7th Massachusetts who signed affidavits testifying to the fact that Jonas (who had lost his discharge paper) did indeed serve in that regiment, to their personal knowledge. . . . One old soldier helping another old soldier.

Now in 1819, Stephen Phelps appears again -- not only as the judge before whom Jonas acknowledged the deed, but also as one of the witnesses to Jonas's signature on the deed itself.

Is it warrantable to surmise that when Jonas needed to raise money his one-time comrade in arms helped him again, by devising a way to transfer title to property to which Jonas had no regular legal title? Was all that excessively legalistic language, in that portion of the deed, a shrewd way of conferring legal status on squatter's rights? If you could see the original deed, not just a clerk's copy, would it surprise you to discover that it was in the handwriting of Stephen Phelps? Or would you expect this?

With all yourknowledge of Ontario County land transactions, you can answer those questions far better than I can.

In any case, another question: Is there a practical way of finding the name of the last preceding owner of that Lot in Gorham, before 1814 and possibly as early as 1801? Does the Ontario Co Deed Index show locations as well as names of persons, as the Ohio indexes do?

If the name of the last preceding owner proves to be a Parker, this may support the assumption that Elijah Parker's second wife was Jonas's mother. If it proves to be a Lincoln, this may support that HWB (Henry W Belknap) was right when he originally showed a Lincoln as wife of Jonas (something he did not pursue when he got good evidence about Esther Parker). That is, Rachel may haven been Rachel Lincoln (possibly a widow Lincoln with a young son, as I'll indicate later in this memo).

In either event, we then may have answers to all or some of the many questions that arise in connection with "Gorham" in the record of Jonas Newton Belknap and his family in Ontario County.

THE "GORHAM QUESTIONS"

A couple of years or so ago, you raised a question about the part played by Gorham in that record. Now I'm going to pose a number of such questions, which will be answered if we find out who owned that lot before Jonas had it. (The one question which completely baffles my imagination is why on earth the 1819 deed doesn't name the person from whom Jonas "indefeasibly" inherited it.) So here goes!

1) In 1810, Jonas's son Samuel dies in Gorham (in part that later became Hopewell). How come he was there? (20 miles from his home)

2) Sometime after Summer 1810, Samuel's wife Sally (Sarah Hunt) marries Artemus Lincoln of Gorham (and Bath and Canandaigua) about 20 miles from where she and Samuel lived. How come she met him?

3) In 1812, shortly before leaving for Niagara County, Jonas's son Elisha "of Gorham" buys and sells land in Gorham, about 20 miles or more from where he was living in 1810? How come he was "of Gorham" when there's no record of his owning and occupying land in that Town? (In the 1812 transactions, he was merely a figurehead, acting for other persons.)

Parker

4) In 1814, Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary, aged 76) dies at Gorham. Two of her stepsons and possibly one [illegible] by Elijah (James, at Bloomfield) were living not far away in Ontario County? How come she was in Gorham?

5) In 1815, Mrs Jonas Belknap (Rachel) dies at Gorham. Does this indicate that Jonas was living in Gorham, after a short residence in South Bristol in 1810 and maybe a little later? Where was Jonas living between 1810 and 1815, when he was said to be "resident"of Naples" in his pension application? [illegible]

6) In 1819, Jonas was "of Gorham" in the deed for the lot at Gorham? Does this mean that he was living on that inherited lot?

For possible aid to George May, I'm attaching a map based on maps you sent to me in past years. The place names in the map, and in this memo, are the names of Towns, not of villages (with possible exception of Canandaigua?). Purpose of the map is to show distances, in the light of the heavily wooded nature of the area in those years. Gorham just doesn't seem to be a likely place for so many connections in so many years, with Jonas and his family. (I hope you won't object too much to inaccuracies in my map.)

Of course these six occurences of Gorham in the known record can be meaningless -- and some of them may have other explanations, as for #2, for instance.

Sally Hunt's contact with Artemus Lincoln might be the result of the fact that (according to Waite) her brother Andrew J Hunt married a sister of Artemus. But which marriage came first? Did Sally meet Artemus at Andrew's wedding, or did Andrew meet Artemus's sister at Sally's wedding? I don't know. And don't know how to find out.

But I want to explore #5 a bit, for there may be something to learn about these people by trying to study the question of Jonas's whereabouts from 1810 on.

JONAS'S LOCATIONS, AFTER 1810

In January 1910, Jonas sold 100 acres in South Bristol. The 1810 census (presumably in Summer, as it certainly was in the Richmond area) shows him in the same area and possibly on those same 100 acres (or on land contiguous to yhem). How long he remained there we do not know. One local historian, quoted by you, said he was in South Bristol only briefly, whatever that meant.

The 1810 census record deserves examination. In addition to Jonas and a woman whom we assume to be Rachel, it shows 2 boys 10 to 15, 1 girl under 10, 1 girl 10-15. If the ages were correct, the girls were Cynthia aged 9 and Esther aged 13 -- and one of the boys was Orin aged 111-- leaving unaccounted for 1 boy aged 10-15, who could be Rachel's son by a first husband.

Three of Jonas's unmarried children appear to be absent from that census record: Jonas Jr aged 24, Jesse aged 18, and Susannah aged 18.

Jonas Jr might have remained on the Springwater land in 1810. All we know about that land is Waite's statement that Jonas sold it in 1813 and went to Kentucky. But Jonas Sr did not go to Kentucky till 1819. The Jonas who went earlier (about 1814, not later) was Jonas Jr, who married in Ontario County in 1813. Waite didn't give dates on land sales without good reason. Perhaps he saw a deed sugned Jonas Belknap, which might have been signed by Jonas Jr -- who never used "Jr" at any time of known record.

The absence of Susannah may mean that she was already married to the husband whose name is still unknown. (I'm sure she did not marry David Chatfield, for the information listing her children must -- I believe -- have come from [illegible]

the Mrs Cynthia Avery who gave Waite such accurate information about Jonas's children.) So maybe Susannah married at 17 -- not uncommon in our family in those years.

The absence of Jesse may be apprent only. Perhaps the census classified him as 10-15, though he was 18.

However, there is another possible explanation for the absence of three children from the 1810 census of Jonas's household. Examining a microfilm record of the 1810 census, John Sherman in Los Angeles found that the record of the household of Jonas's brother Seth, in Richmond, had an added phrase: "Three other free persons."

If these three were the oldest unmarried children of Jonas, then what I see may be an instance of something that has happened a number of times in various branches of the Belknap family -- the refusal by older children to accept a father's second wife. This may be what happened. In my own ancestry, beginning with Jonas's son Jesse and his wife Jane Garlinghouse, records and memories of Jonas's first wife Esther Parker have been lovingly preserved -- but his second wife Rachel and the third wife Tamar (and Diantha the daughter) were never mentioned.

I hope these apparent digressions don't seem intrusions. Actually, I'm still on my way toward talking about that Gorham lot.

No matter how we interpret that 1810 census, what is clear is that Jonas, aged 51, was now no longer in position to engage in farming on large acreage. He had run out of family farm hands. The only son left to aid him was only 11 years old.

We may surmise that he married Rachel in late 1809, a few months after the death of his first wife Esther Parker -- had moved to newly bought land in South Bristol -- found that he no longer could handle large-scale farming -- and quickly sold the land he had bought only a short time before January 1810..

From then on, the only known place where he could have lived, between 1810 and 1819, was that 20-acre lot in Gorham. So, two possibilities: (1) If that lot was in the posession of his mother Mary, he and his reduced family could have moved in with her; or (2) If that lot had come into the hands of Rachel, by inheritance from a first husband, Jonas and she could have moved there at some time not too long after mid-1810. And Jonas, from then on, could have been supporting himself and his diminished family by engaging in his craft -- coopering. (This craft is named only once, in the surviving records of Jonas -- in the pension application he signed in Kentucky in 1820. But he may well have followed it in his last few years in Ontario County.)

But what about the wording of his 1818 pension applicant, which terms him a "resident of Naples"? I don't think that this contradicts the assumption that the 20-acre lot in Gorham was then his home base. I take the wording -- "resident of [illegible] instead of the usual "of Naples" -- to mean that he was momentarily in Naples at that time, not making his home there. [illegible] been working there at the moment, while his family remained on the lot at Gorham.

So I return to the hope that it may be possible to find out who owned that lot before Jonas occupied it.

Earlier in this memo, I said that the search for the preceding owner might have to go back to 1801. That statement was based on the fact the the 1800 census shows Elijah Parker Sr and his wife living alone in Otsego county -- and they do not appear in the 1810 census of that county or Ontario county. If Elijah Sr followed his sons to Ontario County, it was after 1810, when he was 76 years old -- and a small lot near a village might have been a logical place for him to live (especially, perhaps, if he was a preacher as tradition in my family says he was).

But if that Gorham lot was one that had been inherited by Rachel from her first husband (whatever his name was) then the search for the preceding owner might have to go back into years before 1800.

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I'll be grateful for comments from you and George May -- especially if you see any errors in what I've been saying, or reasons for doubting my surmises.

March 7 1967

SOME FINDINGS REGARDING THE BELKNAP-CARLINGHOUSE FAMILIES

A. CENSUS RECORDS FOR ONTARIO COUNTY:

Page	Name	Males					Females				
		Under 10	10 - 15	16 - 25	26 - 44	45 +	Under 10	10 - 15	16 - 25	26 - 44	45 +
00 CENSUS											
34	BELKNAP, John	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	1	0
14	, Jonas	2	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0
39	, Jonas (Honeoye)	3	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	1	0
14	, Jonathan	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
10 CENSUS											
60	BELKNAP, Elijah (Honeoye)	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
60	, Elisha "	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
39	, Jonas (Bristol)	0	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
62	, Sally (Honeoye)	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
61	, Seth "	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
61	CARLINGHOUSE, James, Sr. "	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	2	0	0
60	, James, Jr. "	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
60	, Jane "	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1
61	, John "	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
59	, Jos. "	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0

-VIII-

U.S. Census 1850 - Steuben Co. Washington
175-165 Belknap H.C. HM 29 Farmer Conn. New — — —
" Orla J. HF 25 Wife Conn. N.Y. B.
" Clifford HM 4 Son Conn. Ohio Conn

U.S. Census, 1810 - Oneida Co. N.Y.
Pg. 260
H. Belknap - males; 1, 16-26. Fem. 1 under 10; 1, 16-26.

U.S. Census 1810 - Ontario Co. N.Y.
Pg. 133 - Bristol
Jonas Belknap - males: 2, 10-16, 1 over 45.
Fem. 1 under 10; 1, 10-16; 1 over 45.
Pg. 172 - Honeoye
Elijah Belknap - males. 1 under 10; 1, 16-26.
Fem: 1 under 10; 1, 16-26
Elisha Belknap - males: 1 under 10; 1, 16-26
Fem. 1, 16-26
(Jo. Benj. Jas. & Jno. Cunningham here also)
Pg. 174
Seth Belknap - males; 1, 10-26; 1 over 45.
Fem. 1, 26-45; 3 other free persons.
Sally Belknap - males: (None) Fem. 2 under 10; 1, 16-26.

U.S. Census, 1830 - DeKalb Co. Georgia
Pg. 71
W.B. Belknap - males: 1, 40-50. Fem (None)

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U.S. Census, 1840 - Genesee Co., N.Y.
Pg. 64 - China
Porter Belknap - males: 1, 10-15; 1, 40-50; 1, 70-80. Fem.: 1, 20-30; 1, 30-40; 1, 60-70.
Pg. 571 Town of ____?
Nancy Belknap - males: 1, 10-15. Fem. 1, 15-20; 1, 20-30.

U.S. Census, 1840 Franklin Co., Alabama
Pg. 243 - North Part
Roswell Belknap - males: 1, 30-40. Fem. 2, 10-15; 1, 30-40.

Stephen

U.S. Census, 1800 - Saratoga Co., N.Y.
Pg. 1086 - Galway
Stephen Belknap - males: 2 under 10; 1, 26-45. Fem. 2 under 10; 1, 26-45

Stephen

U.S. Census, 1800 - Otsego Co., N.Y.
Pg. 707 - Town of Middlefield
Abel Belknap - males: 2 under 10; 1, 16-26; Fem. 1 under 10; 1, 16-26
Pg. 669 - Worcester
Abel Belknap - males: 2 under 10; 1, 16-26; 1 over 45. Fem. 1, 10-16; 1 over 45.

U.S. Census, 1800 - Washington Co., N.Y.
Pg. 349 - Cambridge
Seth Belknap - males: 1 under 10; 1, 10-16; 1, 26-45. Fem. 1 under 10; 1, 10-16; 1, 26-45.

Seth B. b. 1764 = 36 in 1800 Prob. m. early 1790's, 1788 - 2 sons under 10 in 1800 - 1 son 10-16?

1800 - see next p. for 1810

Some BELKNAP names from certain census reports of New York State

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1800 Oneida County
Rome Jesse Belknap 23010 - 50110

1800 Otsego County
Middlefield Abel Belknap Jr 20100 - 10100
Worcester " " Sr. 20101 - 01001

1800 Ontario County
Phelps John Belknap 01000 - 31010
Charlston Jonas Belknap 24010 - 20010
" Jonathan Belknap 20010 - 10010
Pittstown Jonas Belknap 30110 - 13010

20010-10010
22020+20001

1810 Ontario County
Honeoye Elijah Belknap 10100 - 10100
" Elisha Belknap 10100 - 00100
" Sally Belknap 00000 - 20100
" Seth Belknap 00101 - 00010
Bristol Jonas Belknap 02001 - 11001

1810 Oneida County
No towns - no first names
W. Belknap 00100 - 10100
G. " 01010 - 00000

Jonathan
d. 8, 1774 - age 36 in 1810
age 46 in 1870
46767 38 + 48

1810 Onondaga County
Fabius Charles Belknap 11010 - 41110
" Calvin " 00210 - 33110
Manlius Elijah " 20010 - 22100
Camillus John " 21101 - 11110

1810 Otsego County
Worcester J. Belknap 32011 - 01010
Middlefield A. Belknap 22010 - 11010
Westford D. Belknap 00200 - 10001

1820 Oneida County
Floyd Asa Belknap 200101 - 12110

1820 Oswego County
Constantia William Belknap 300010 - 20110
" Jonathan " 220201 - 20001
" Horace " 000100 - 00200

1830 Oswego County
Constantia: Levi Belknap 1 m 20/30; 1 f 20/30
Morice: Asa Belknap 1 m und 5; 1m 5/10; 1 m 10/15; 1 m 50/60
1 f 15/20; 1 f 40/50; 1 f 70/80

INDEX to deeds of Ontario County
Year 1815 Elisha Belknap to Eli Benham
1812 " " to Ebenezer Benham
1810 Jonas Belknap to ---- Taylor
1815 Elisha Belknap from Ebenezer Benham (by administator)
1812 " " from " " " "
1805 Jeduthan Belknap from John Hornby (by attorney)

Recorded

Jonas Newton Pension app
from record in Nat Archives

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(1) Deposition Before Judge Stephen Phelps, Ontario Co. NY - 27 May 1818 [at Canandaigua
- Aged 59
- Resident Naples
- Enlisted in Spring 1775 for 8 months & served out the Term
- About 1 Jan 1776 enlisted for 1 year and reenlisted Before term expires in Fall of 1776 in Capt Luke Day's Company of 7th Mass. (Col Alden Later Col. Brooks) and continued to serve in the U till June 1783 Hon. discharge at Newburgh. Was in battles - Bunker Hill, Bemis Heights,

(2)

Yorktown, and Colliers
Kill (hill?) in which
wounded and rec'd pension
of $720 a yr — which
he now relinquishes.
Now in reduced
circumstances and
in need of support.
Signed Jonas Balknap

[This under Act of 18 March 1818
cb]

was paid Sept-1819
$192.32

(3) 27 Apr 1819

Stephen Phelps deposed that he had known Jonas a Sergeant in the [illegible] man in Capt Coburn's Co. [illegible] near close of the war (for 1 yr & more) and was discharged at Newburgh June 1783

also

Major Wm Shepard deposed that he had known Jonas in 7th Mass & Capt Brooks informed him that said Bolding did his duty faithfully as a Sergeant

(A) Kentucky
Hardin Co
December Term 1820

11 Dec ~~xxx~~ 1820 Jones B
aged 62 resident Hardin
Co.

- Jones testified:
— Enlisted "for the term" in
Jan 1776 at Northampton
Jones in Col Jackson's
Regt — in Nov 1777
was transferred to
Capt Lucas Sap's Co.
in 7th Mass.
+ served in it 2 yrs
till discharged at
Newburg by Gen Gates
Washington
— at "battle of Yorktown (?)"
— No income except pension
— Family: wife ~~Hannah~~ HANNAH aged ~~58~~
54 and d. Diantha aged
9

(5)

Occupation cooping
- and I am very unable
to follow the business"

Signature of ~~J~~ B
Jonas Bellknap in
handwriting of ~~Sam~~ Samuel
Haycraft Jr - Clerk of
Hardin Co. Court B

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2 Nov 1827
schedule again presented
and "it is the opinion
of the court that the
property mentioned
in ~~the~~ said
schedule is of no
value"

Ages given by Jonas –

		Hanes Born
27 May 1818	59	1759
11 Dec 1820	62	1758

See birth date By Com. e B

George S. May *P. O. Box 2, Fair Oaks, California 95628*

File = Jonas

June 13, 1974

Dear Carroll:

I finaly got the microfilm on the deeds of Ontario County, New York and was able to read that conveyance by Jonas Belknap of land in Gorham. There are a couple of details in it that were apparently not reported to you.

Ontario County, New York Deeds, Vol 96, pages 21, 22, 23.

Deed of September 6, 1819 in which Jonas Belknap of Gorham sells to James Moore of Gorham for $450.00 a parcel of land of 20 acres in Ontario County in Tws 10 in the 2nd range of Twss, being a part of lot 11.

It is stated in this deed that (Jonas)"is well seized of the premises above conveyed as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute, and indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law, in fee simple." In other words Jonas inherited this property from someone.

The deed is signed "Jonas Belknap"

wit: Ira Selby
Stephen Phelps

In the acknowledgement of September 6, 1819 it states that:

"before me Stephen Phelps a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County came James Belknap the within grantor to me known and acknowledged he executed the same ..."

I underlined the name Jonas as it appears in the body of the deed twice and James as it appears in the ackmowledgement. The writing is possibly different in these two sections of the deed so it could be that different copyists were involved in making this record after it was recorded June 21, 1851. Jonas & James could appear alike if the handwriting was distorted enough. Is there any possibility of a James Belknap being around Gorham in 1819?

However, back to Jonas Belknap and his inheritance. It seems possible that he could have been given this land by his mother, if it was indeed his mother who died earlier at Gorham, or could he have inherited this 20 acres from his 2nd wife Rachel?

You don't have to make a special point of answering this brief letter but would be interested in your comments sometime when you do write.

Sincerely,

George M.

George S. May P. O. Box 2, Fair Oaks, California 95628

April 30, 1972

Dear Carroll:

I thought I would write a few paragraphs to you today. I thought you might be interested in the following bits of information that I have gathered recently. None of this is particularly revealing but adds something to the overall picture of some of the people we have discussed in the past.

It seems that although all the children of Elijah and Martha (Stiles) Parker were given some property in Colebrook, Conn in the will of Samuel and Mary Stiles, that this property was actually transferred by a deed dated Dec 10, 1790 and recorded in Colebrook Nov 1, 1792. This deed was to "Our grandchildren Martha Parker, Tabitha Parker, Esther Parker, Abigail Parker, Elijah Parker, Jonathan Stiles Parker". Whoops left out two names; after Martha was Roxanna Parker, Jerusha Parker,(a total of 8).

I now have a copy of this deed as well as those deeds by the various named grantee's disposing of their interests. The facts of main interest from each of these documents are as follows:

Deed dated Oct 16, 1792, rec Colebrook Nov 1, 1792 of Elijah Howe, Martha Howe, Moses Hannum, Jerusha Hannum of Belchertown, Massachusetts to John Brown of East Hampton, Mass for 9 pounds, current money. Wit: Elihu Warner, Cyril Shumway. Before Henry Dwight, Justice.

Deed dated Feb 4, 1793, rec Colebrook June 2, 1793 of Abijah Wright, Roxanna Wright of Pittsfield, Mass to John Brown of East Hampton, Mass for 4 pounds, current money. Wit: William Wodman, Henry Hunt. Before Eben Hunt, Justice of Peace.

Deed dated Feb 23, 1793, rec Colebrook June 25, 1793 of Jonas Belknap, Esther Belknap, Elijah Parker Jr of Cherry Valley, Otsego County, New York to John Newton of Deerfield, Mass for 10 pounds current money. Wit: Robert Roseboom, John Brown. Before Robert Roseboom, Justice of the Peace.

Deed of Stiles Parker of Cherry Valley, Otsego County, New York dated October 1, 1794, rec Colebrook Oct 15, 1794, to John Brown of East Hampton, Mass for 10 pounds current money. Wit; Jonas Belknap, Elijah Parker Jr. Before Noah Dodge, J. P.

A Deed by John Newton, Abigail Newton, John Brown, Tabitha Brown to Elias Sage of Sandisfield and Jacob Chamberlain of Colebrook for 45 pounds current money.Deed rec Colebrook July 23, 1796. John Newton, formerly of Deerfield, Mass executed deed in Rensselaer County, New York on Feb 15, 1794. Wit: (Trave?) Hempstead, Reuben Hempstead. Before Abner Newton, Justice. John Brown, formerly of East Hampton executed deed in Hampshire County, Mass - no town given but before same Justice of Peace as signed Abijah Wrights deed, Eben Hunt. Dated Oct 13, 1794. Wit: Wm King Hunt, Eben Hunt.

The final deed that I have is dated Oct 15, 1794 (also Oct 5, 1794) by John Brown to Elias Sage & Wm Underwood both of Colebrook for 6 pounds, current money. This deed, made at Colebrook, calls John Brown "of East Hampton" was recorded at Colebrook Feb 11, 1796. Wit: Elijah Rockwell Jr., Elijah Rockwell. Before Elijah Rockwell, J. P.

Each of the above deeds is a lenghtly document and describes the same property or parts of or fractions thereof. The total amount of land is given as about 178½ acres and is described as being in three parcels.

The enclosed photocopy of an article from "Kentucky Ancestors" is self explanatory. However this has aroused my interest in Ontario County deeds. I believe I shall go through them at a later date. They are microfilmed but the index of those from 1789 to 1845 is 6 rolls of film in itself!

Here are a few quotes etc relating to Elijah Parker Jr relating to his living at Cohocton, Steuben County. (Cohocton was actually formed from Bath & Dansville on June 18, 1812. Elijah is shown on the 1810 census at Dansville.)

"History of Steuben County, New York" by Prof W.W.Clayton, 1879

"--- had but a single sermon preached until the year 1807, whem Elijah Parker and Stephen Crawford moved in among them. They, with their wives, being Christian professors, united together and set up public worship on the Sabbath". On October 8, 1809 a regular church was formed with 9 members. United by letter on this day were Elijah Parker and Mehitable Parker and others.

"April 6, 1810 - The church met and made choice of Elijah Parker for deacon."

"June 2, 1811 - Voted that Elijah Parker and Stephen Crawford represent us in the Congregational Association at Bath, and endeavor to have this church united with them."

Another book, "A History of the Purchase and Settlement of Westen New York", by Rev James H. Hotchkin, pub 1848 has a part of the above information.

Another book, "Part First - Historical Gazetter of Steuben County, New York" compiled by Willard F. Roberts, pub 1891 has the material from Rev Hotchkin's book as well as this: "In 1805 Elijah Parker came here (to Cohocton - G.M.) and bought of one Wilcox the tavern at the twenty two mile tree - known formerly as the George Gardner and Alv Peck farm -; he was also engaged there in making potash, paying for the ashes he bought in goods, buying his goods in Canandaigua, and finding a market for his potash there. Thus he became the first merchant of this section."

Regarding the two wives of Elijah Parker Jr: The will of Lemuel Barber of Naples, Ontario County, dated November 21, 1817 (he died Jany 26, 1819 aged 79 years at Naples), mentions his wife Rachel (who died at Naples Sept 3, 1834 aged 85 years), his daughters MEHITABLE PARKER and Mary Perry and sons John, Lemuel and Zacheus. As to Elijah's first wife that is a still not resolved question. I have considerable information on Rufus Brown and his wife Jerusha Alexander of Easthampton, Mass. This couple had a daughter, Jerusha Brown who was bapt September 19, 1762 and who married an Elijah Parker on December 15, 1285 at Northampton, Mass. This Jerusha was a cousin of the John Brown of Easthampton who married Tabitha Parker. It would seem likely that the Elijah Parker who married Jerusha was the Elijah of Belchertown, son of Elijah Parker Sr and his wife Martha Stiles, but there are a few loose ends hanging about that put some doubt in my mind.

A Mr Warner of Amherst, Mass who is a descendant of the same Brown family though not the particular Browns mentioned above, did some looking into records in Northampton for me some time back. He found that there was a record there that Elijah Parker was dispossessed of some property at Belchertown in 1788 by court order. Perhaps this could date Elijah Sr's and Jr's move to New York?

I came upon a book on "History of Otsego County, New York" by, I believe, D. H. Hurd, pub 1878. It states that Cherry Valley was set off from Canajoharie on February 15, 1791. On March 3, 1797 the tows of Middlefield, Springfield and Worcester were set off from Cherry Valley. On March 25, 1808 the towns of Maryland, Decatur and Westford were set off of Worcester. In 1854 Roseboom was set off from Cherry Valley. This book mentions as among the members of the first church organized at Decatur (no date but must have been between perhaps 1800 & 1810) Stiles Parker, James Parker and Elijah Parker.

The 1790 census of Canajoharie shows as a close neighbor of Elijah Sr & Jr as well as Abel Belknap a Silas Grippen. The above mentioned book tells about a Silas Crippen who came to Worcester (in that part of Canajoharie which became Worcester) in about 1788. "At the time of his settlement this locality was a dense uninviting wilderness; there were no roads, not even a foot path or marked trees, and he cut his way through - -". Other neighbors of the Parkers are mentioned in this part of the book. When the first town meeting was held on April 3, 1798 Robert Roseboom was the first supervisor, Silas Crippen, town Clerk and Abijah Wright a pathmaster & a Fence viewer.

Must stop for now.

Cordially,

George Macy

EARLY KENTUCKY SETTLERS FROM ONTARIO COUNTY, NEW YORK

by

Louis Ansel Duermyer - Staten Island, N. Y.

Gideon Granger, onetime Postmaster General of the United States, settled in old age in Ontario County, New York, and promoted among his new neighbors the sale of lands then located in Hardin County, Ky., known as "Granger's Great Tract." The tract consisted of 64,184 acres, part of which apparently extended into present Hart and LaRue Counties. Settlers of Green County also appear to have shared the westward move from Ontario.

An examination of early Hardin deeds, and the land records of Ontario County, shows a great number of families from Ontario settling on the Hardin Barrens. An 1876 Ontario County History, by W. H. McIntosh, states:

"---one of the primitive teachers was William Hamilton, from whom we give the following reminiscenses, written July 26, 1876:

" 'When I first knew the country on the east side of Honeoye Lake, there was no house or clearing between the Lanes' and a peach-orchard lot to the southward, and adjacent, what was afterwards the Judeville farm. James Wright lived there, and Levi Rice, on the Southeast part of that lot, and then Benjamin Sly on the tract afterward the old Job Wood farm, in the mouth of the gully. To the south were old Jacob Flanders, John Flanders, and John Green. On the next lot south, near the later site of the Lathrop School house, lived Mr. Albert, who died soon after, and his widow married John Flanders, who lived on the place till all went to Kentucky. Old Jacob Flanders sold the farm north of Green to John Smith, and put up what was later called Lathrop house, south of Col. Green. He occupied this place until 1817 or '18, when almost all the population from Judvine's to the Parker farm traded their farms to Francis Granger, for Kentucky "barrens" in Hardin County, Kentucky, and moved down the Ohio River to their new location.'" (Note: Francis was son of Gideon Granger, and his agent.)

The John Smith mentioned above, and his sons Ansel Smith and Rufus Smith, owned much of the land on which the town of Sonora was laid out, including the lot deeded to the L & N R R, with an agreement their Station would be constructed on same. Immediate neighbors were the mentioned Col. John Green, John Rhodes, Adam Nickels or Nichols, the Murlins or Mullins, Benjamin Sly, the Atwaters, etc. The Hardin-Hart pioneer, the Rev. Stiles Parker, was one of the settlers from Ontario County, N. Y., as were Serajah Stratton and wife Mary (Tuttle) Stratton and Charles Rowley and wife Amelia (Tuttle) who later removed to Lewis County, Ky.

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Other Ontario families easily identified from Hardin tax lists, census records, marriage bonds, etc., include the Beals, Bunnels, Garlinghouses, Hawleys, Porters, Woods, Wrights, Newtons, and Rundells.

The listed abstracts of Ontario County, N. Y. deeds should provide clues to many Hardin ancestors, since the typical transaction involved purchase of part or all of the New York real estate at the time each settler selected farmlands in the Granger Kentucky property.

Grantors in Ontario County, N. Y., to Gideon Granger

Year	Deed Book & Page	Grantors
1812	17-386	Oliver L. Phelps
1813	19-469	Oliver Phelps
1814	21-306	Nath'l Gorham ux Rebecca
"	21-498	Zachary Seymour
1815	23-363	Oliver Phelps, by Sheriff
"	23-403	Simon Stone
"	23-440	Nath'l Gorham ux Rebecca
"	24-181 24-214	Oliver Phelps by Sheriff
"	24-224	Abner Bunnel ux Azubah Reuben Hart ux Huldah
"	24-241	Nathaniel W. Howell
"	24-433	Phineas P. Bates ux _____
"	24-438	Abraham Van Dyne
1816	25-225	State of Connecticut
"	26-25	Oliver Phelps by Sheriff
"	26-33	Elias Rogers ux Sally
"	26-78	Ezra Rundel ux Elizabeth
? "	26-279	Alvin Newton ux Cynthia
"	26-280	John Lee ux Sally
"	26-280	Thomas Beals ux Abigail
"	26-281	Jonathan Wright ux Sally
"	26-282	Benjamin Canfield ux Betsy
"	26-283	Ernest August Duke of Cumberland et al
"	26-300	John Coats ux Jane

EARLY KENTUCKY SETTLERS FROM ONTARIO COUNTY, NEW YORK

Grantors in Ontario County, N. Y., to Gideon Granger

Year	Deed Book & Page	Grantors (continued)
1816	26-502	Joseph Bigelow ux Anna
1817	27-281	Joseph Baker ux Artemesia
"	28-219	George Murlin (Mullin, Murmon) ux Sally
"	28-220	John Rhodes ux Dorothy
"	28-220	John Green ux Anna
"	28-221	Benjamin Sly, Jr. ux Joanna
"	28-222	David Boyden ux Amy
"	28-223	John Murlin ux Sarah and William Murlin ux Nancy
"	28-224	Parley Brown ux Hannah
"	28-325	Judah Colt
"	28-403	Enoch Fobes (Forbes)
"	28-405	Stephen B. Munn
"	29-58	Carlos Granger ux Sarah
"	29-156	Isaac Kibbe
"	29-300	Adam Nichols
"	29-316	Elizur Hills ux Abigail
"	29-317	James Ganyard ux Phebe
1818	29-364	Anthony Low ux Polly
"	29-381	Timothy Burt
"	29-403	David Hawley (Holly) ux Sally
"	30-167	Ezra Stone, Erie Stone, and Lovina Woods, heirs of Isaac Stone, Dec'd.
"	30-215	Isaac Kibbe ux _____
"	30-284	John Rhodes
"	30-330	Henry Remsen and John Phillips
"	30-331	Henry Remsen and William Griffin
"	30-227	James Garlinghouse ux Eleanor
"	30-449	Jonathan Knapp
"	31-70	Ezra Rundell
"	31-83	Serene Kibbe wf. of Isaac rel. dower
"	31-464	Thomas Beals and David Hawley
"	32-40	Stephen Delevan ux Abigail

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156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York
October 24, 1967

Mr. Carroll V. Belknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Belknap,

I am inclosing an assembly of pages of entries from various records - records which may be of some or little use to you. It was fun digging this out. It represents probably the balance of the usual sources available here.

I was particularly pleased with the 1790 Census entry, linking the Parker family land with the Belknaps. Would the Abel listed be an early grandparent? The WHO WAS WHO entry is interesting only if Jeremy is a still earlier grandfather.

The real estate records still confuse me, since I was unable to find where some of it came from or to whom it was sold. How do you like Jeduthan? I would guess that the John of the 1800 census might belong to him, although, as you pointed out, why John was listed as 'head' if he was under 15 is a puzzle. What happened to the Phelps property, too?

Your "Parker girls" sound worth knowing. I couldn't resist including the excerpt regarding Elijah Parker (p. 4) and hoping he belonged along with them.

Incidentally, I was glancing thru the Guest Registry at the church the other day and found listed a Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Belknap, 30½ Gibson Street, North East, Pennsylvania.

The Revolution entries are probably more confusing than anything else, for it is usually difficult to determine residence of those listed.

I do not envy you your months of sorting and reconciliation. I do appreciate your offer to keep some of my family names in mind. However, the great majority never lived in this county or emigrated farther west, so I would not know which to suggest. I still would like to try to see the former Town of Richmond historian some sunny day. Perhaps I can.

Sincerely,

Gladys E Gray

(I decided to consult the 1790 U. S. Census - which I had not done before. For Ontario County there were no members of any family of interest to you. However the following entry is of interest - particularly since these census items were taken in order of residence visited.)

CANAJOHARIE - MONTGOMERY COUNTY:

Elijah Parker	- one male over 16 -	one under 16 -	one female
Abel Belknap	- two	two	six
Elijah Parker, Jr.	one	two	one

CENSUS OF 1800 - PARKER ONTARIO CO.

Cornelius	0 - 1 - 2 - 0 - 7	2 - 0 - 0 - 1 - 0	Phelps
Elijah (Jr CAB)	2 - 1 - 0 - 1 - 0	1 - 0 - 0 - 1 - 0	Bristol
Ephraim	0 - 0 - 1 - 0 - 0	1 - 1 - 1 - 0 - 0	Middlesex
James	2 - 0 - 1 - 0 - 0	1 - 0 - 1 - 0 - 0	Bloomfield
James ?	0 - 0 - 1 - 0 - ?	1 - 0 - 0 - 1 - 1	Jerusalem
John	2 - 1 - 0 - 0 - 1	2 - 1 - 0 - 1 - 0	Palmyra
Jonathan	1 - 0 - 0 - 1 - 0	1 - 0 - 1 - 0 - 0	Hartford
Joseph	1 - 0 - 1 - 1 - 1	1 - 2 - 2 - 0 - 1	Lima

CENSUS OF 1810 - large growth in family. I did not bother to list other than names of heads: Asahel - Benjamin - Cornelius - David - Ephraim - Hezekiah - Isaac - Isaac - Jacob - James O James - James - James - John - John - Jonathan - Joseph - Nathaniel - Pardon - Phinaes - Samuel - Seth - Stiles - Thomas - William

(from "WHO WAS WHO: 1607-1896: p. 50
JEREMY BELKNAP - born Boston, June 4, 1744 - son of Joseph and Sarah (Byles) Belknap.
married Ruth Eliot
died June 20, 1798.

+ P.S.

1850 U. S. CENSUS (would seem to confirm earlier notation that Garlinghouse came from New Jersey.)

		age	occupation	value	Birthplace
GARLINGHOUSE -	Joseph	66 - married	farmer	$10,000	N. J.
	Submitt	59			Vermont
	Nelson	39		5,850	New York
	Mary	24			
	Ellen	22			
	Arabella	8			
	Jane	4			
	Joanna	59			
	Mary Warn	- 19			Ireland
GARLINGHOUSE -	Stephen	54	laborer	200	N. Y.
	Elizabeth	50			
	Hariett	24			
	Lucerne	22			
	Samuel	19			
	Truman	10			
GARLINGHOUSE -	Samuel	55	laborer		

(in 1855 Census - Samuel is listed as a 'boarder', born in Massachusetts - a widower - a farmer)

NOTE: Regarding 1800 Census items on Belknap, reported in first letter:

Residence of John Belknap should have been indicated as Phelps
Residence of Jonas and Jonathan, as Charleston. Charleston is now Lima, in Livingston County.

I checked the 1850 Census for Phelps, Gorham, Bristol, Canadice, Hopewell, East and West Bloomfield, Bristol and South Bristol. Apart from those already noted, the family must have scattered.

Hopewell did show that Samantha Belknap* was 40 years old, and living in family of Artemas & Sarah Lincoln.

It also g ave the family of Leman B. Garlinghouse as follows:

Leman B.	- age 36 - miller	Farm of 168 acres, valued
Martha A.	32	at $6,000.
Charles	8	Also Flour and saw mill,
Arthur	3	$14,000.
Frederick L.	1	

1857

Canadice - showed a Mary A. Garlinghouse, age 14, living in family of John and Elizabeth Morgan

Deaths in Town of Richmond - Lorinda Garlinghouse - age 38 - married - died December 1849 - after 30 day illness - fever.

1850 Town of Richmond - had Samuel Garlinghouse - living in family of William and Martha Sprague.

* See last entry on page 5

(NOTE: I happened to see the volumes of NEW YORK IN THE REVOLUTION, New York: Albany, J. B. Lyons, 1904 - in the library and discovered that there were many Belknaps in the war. Below is a summary - to indicate in a few cases where ~~xxxx~~ you might look next.)

BELKNAP:

THIRD REGIMENT (Line) - p. 41: John - William

ADDITIONAL REGIMENT: p. 60: Lt. William

ORANGE CO. MILITIA p. 162: David - Isaac - Isaac, Jr. - Jonathan

SECOND REGIMENT: p. 191: Benjamin - David - Isaac - Isaac, Jr. Jeduthan - Jonathan - Jonathan, Jr. - Thomas, Jr.

ULSTER CO. RANGERS p. 203: Captain Isaac

Col Nicholson's Regiment: p. 218 - Lt. William

Ulster Co. Militia p. 261: John - Joseph, Jr. - Thomas

Ulster Co. Militian p. 264: Abel - Isaac - Isaac, Jr.

~~XXXXX~~ PARKER

FIRST REGIMENT: p. 25: Edward - Elisha - Isaac - James - John - Nathaniel - Richard, Jr. Richard , Jr.

SECOND REGIMENT: p. 36: Ebenezer - Edward - James - Samuel

COL. PAWLING *Levie: p. 84: Joseph Garlinghouse
85: James Parker

Col. Dubois - Levy: p. 78 - JJohn Garlinghouse

Col Willett - Levy: p. 91 - Elisha - Robert - Reuben

(NOTE: I decided to run the index of deeds from 1795 - 1899. This has usually been a fine way of tracing families. Apparently the Belknaps never bought land in Town of Richmond - and little anywhere else. But the Garlinghouse family were always buying it. The items for this family, and the Parker family, lists only the index for property PURCHASED BY those families.)

October 2, 1805 - $350.62 - JEDUTHAN BELKNAP, of the County
(L 10-p.629) of Orange and State of New York, purchased 63 3/4 acres from John Hornby, of the County of Middlesex, in the United Kingdom of Gt. Britain and Ireland, Esquire - by John Johnston, his attorney.

Lots 20, 21, 22 - in the "Gore". (This puts it in Town of Phelps - and possibly accounts for the John Belknap of Phelps in 1800 Census.)

Note also the Jeduthan Belknap in Revolution. Probably the same person, with a name like that.

I could find no record of Jeduthan's sale of this property.

August 27, 1812 - $101 - ELISHA BELKNAP, of Town of Gorham,
L 17 - p. 362) purchased two plots, one of 10 acres and one of 100 acres, in Town of Gorham - from Ebenezer Benham and Eli Benham, as administrators of estate of Ebenezer Benham.

(L17 - p. 364) Same property resold to Eli Benham, same day.

October 20, 1812 - $381 - ELISHA BELKNAP,
(L 24 - p. 126) purchased 25 acres and part of lot #35 from Ebenezer Benham & Eli Benham, a s administrators

(L 24 - p. 225) Same date - Elisha Belknap sold to Eli Benham for $116

(L 24 - p. 127) Same date - Elisha Belknap sold to Ebenezer Benham, $265 - part of lot #35

(This apparently leaves Elisha without any property actually at any time.)

January 5, 1810 - $400 - JONAS BELKNAP of Town of Bristol, sold
(L14 - p. 268) to Jana and Daniel Taylor - 100 acres

Sept. 6, 1819 - $450 - JONAS BELKNAP OF GORHAM - sold to Jane Moore - 20 acres - "township #10 in the second range of townships of Ontario Co., part of lot #11" (exact location unknown)

(Note: I could find no entry of sale to Jonas of either piece of property.)

LATER ITEMS OF MINOR INTEREST:

(L 139-p.71) - October 23, 1867 - Sarah Lincoln sold to Samantha Belknap and Emma Sutherland, et al, as children of Emma Sutherland - lot in city of Canandaigua.

(L 151 - p. 241) - April 15, 1872 - $2,500 - Harriet Stewart, widow - sold to Amos C. Belknap of Canandaigua 37½ acres.

(L 164 - p. 536) - August 6, 1878 - $2,200 - Amos C. Belknap and Phoebe J. Belknap, his wife, sold same property to Elijah R. Page.

PURCHASES BY GARLINGHOUSE FAMILIES, as indicated in index.

1814 - Joseph - from Lemual Chapman
James - from Ebenezer Bacon
1817 - John - from Moses Briggs
1818 - Joseph - from Samuel Chapman
from John Harris
Dennis Whitney
1820 - Joseph - from Cyrus Wells
Daniel Bissell
1821 - Joseph - from Lemuel Chapman
1824 - Joseph - from Nathan Cargill
1825 - Joseph - from Richard Baker
1829 - Joseph - from Robert Rose, Dennis Whitney, Robert ? , James Wolcott, Jr., William Sibley, Preston Bentley, Peter Smith, Lorenzo Brooks, Charles Seymour, Henry Gillett
1835 - Nelson & Leman - from William Sibley
1836 - Nelson - from Hiram Merriman
Joseph Garlinghouse
1836 - Joseph - from Walter Hubbell
John Dixon
1837 - Joseph - from Orville Comstock - Beebe Goodsell - Robert Eldred
1842 - Betsey (Robert) - from Hiram Roberts
1842 - Joseph - from Henry Willson - Nelson Peabody - William Weldon, State of New York

PURCHASES BY PARKER FAMILIES

1791 - James - from John Livingston
John Livingston
John Livingston
1797 - Oliver - from James Parker et ux (Esther)
1802 - Cornelius - from Solomon Goodale
Thomas - "
1803 - Christopher - from John Keyes et ux
1805 - William & Mary - Joseph Chibb
1814 - Sally - from Alexander Emins
1833 - Elisha - from John Ross
1836 - Cynthia, widow of [illegible]-and Electa, Cynthia P., Rhoda E. Georgie A., Benjamin - children -

(NOTE: I do not know whether this is the same Mr. Parker as the one connected with your family, but it very well might be. At least, you will be amused.

(Jemima Wilkinson - "people's friend" -
11/29/1752 - July 1, 1819

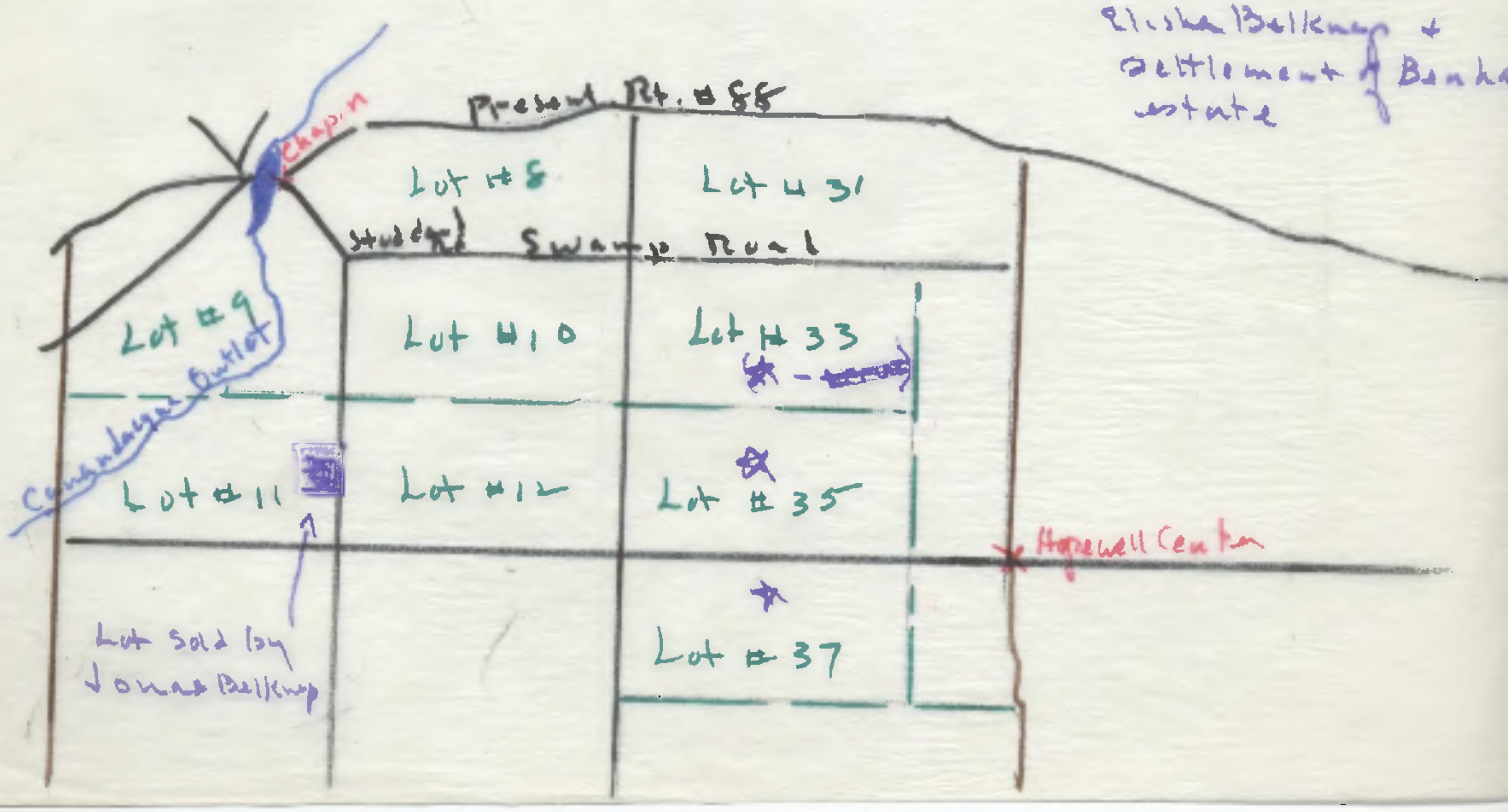
Among Jemima's followers was an artful, canny and intelligent man, by the name of Elijah Parker; she dubbed him a prophet and called him the Prophet Elijah. He would, before prophesying, wear around the lower part of his waist, a bandage or girdle, tied very tight, and when it had caused the upper part of his stomach to swell, he would pretend to be filled with the prophetic visions which he would impart to the community.

But after some time, Jemima and her Prophet quarrelled and he then denounced her as an imposter, declared that she had imposed on his credulity, and that he had never been a prophet.

After having divested himself of his prophetic character, he became a justice of the peace and in that capacity issued a warrant against Jemima, charging her with blasphemy. She was accordingly brought to Canandaigua, by virtue of this warrant, and at a circuit court held there in 1796 by the late Governor Lewis, Judge of the Supreme Court of the State, a bill of indictment, prepared by Judge Howell of Canandaigua, then District Attorney, was laid before the Grand Jury.

(p. 477 - Turner, PHELPS AND GORHAM PURCHASE.
from manuscript by Thomas Morris.)

This was a famous trial, I understand.



Samuel

bptzd 14 Aug 1785 | Com
Belchertown — Born 1784
m. Sarah —— by 7 Fam
d. 1810 after
before 19 Apr 1810

Rachel
d of Josiah 1815
Mary at Barnard
11 Jan 1814
" at Gorham

Sel
6 Sept 1819
JB " of Gorham "
JB " of Naples "
w pending appl.
1818

File (Don't copy to Mrs. Dickerson + to Clinton

Oct 29 1969

Dear Gladys:

Now I can try to answer your letter of the 16th, for I've finished drafting the proof that Carol Anne's Elisha was a son of Jonas Newton Belknap. Tomorrow I'll be submitting it to review by local D A R officers -- a longish, involved thing but (Ithink) pretty sound. When I get it into final shape, I'll send you a copy with my blessing, for it owes much to you.

So now here goes for spotty answers to your letter, for which I'm grateful.

(1) It seems to me that the will of Artemus Lincoln gives plenty of reason for identifying Alethea Belknap (Alta) and Samantha Belknap as the two children of Samuel Belknap and Sarah Hunt. Do you agree?

(2) Mercy, who married David Trembly, is somewhere in my files -- but I've been so busy accumulating and verifying (or disproving) information that I've not finished indexing the more than 4,000 Belknaps in my records. I remember her as belonging to a different branch of the family.

(3) All that evidence on land transactions is fascinating and I know it will be useful. Often, such records have been the only way of solving problems in Belknap genealogy. . . As to Jonas's last sale, after he testified he had no property, don't let the discrepancy disturb you. Under the law establishing that pension, he had to swear he was a pauper. All soldiers of that time did the same thing, and compassionate judges winked at it. In this instance, the judge happened to be a man who had served in the same outfit as Jonas: the 7th Mass.; and he, this judge, signed an affidavit stating that he knew Jonas had been in that regiment. Judge's name, if I remember correctly, was Stephen Phelps -- I'm not going to take time to look it up, unless you need to know. It's much to late to indict him for ~~perjury~~ permitting perjury.

(4) Now, Department of Balloon-Puncturing. Forgive me, in advance. Appleton's Cyclopedia of American Biography is most notably famous for the fact that it contains 47 biographies of men who never existed -- plus heaven knows how many more, not yet detected -- written by a man who was being paid space rates and needed the money. In Mark Twain's words: "If he needed eggs, he laid them."

Beware, I beg, all commercial enterprises in the field of biography and genealogy. You can never know when they are truthful -- or when they merely print what someone dreamed up or got from somewhere or somebody who had merely blundered. The National Cyclopedia of American Biography and the so-called Compendium of Ameriban Genealogy (or Biography? I forget which.) filled their columns by printing whatever line of descent anyone sent to them. Sometimes right. Sometimes very wrong.

Yet I'm grateful to you for copying the stuff about the alleged ancestry of William Ethelbert Belknap, from the National Cyclopedia, for maybe it tells me who started saying -- with no foundation of fact -- that the wife of Abraham Belknap was "Mary Webster." I've been trying to

track down that myth for years, for I knew that no record of Abraham's marriage in England had yet been found. . . Finally, this year, the field researchers of the Salt Lake Genealogical Society ~~XXXXXX~~ found that record -- marriage to Mary Stallion, daughter of Thomas Stallion and Mary Dalton, at Latton, Essex, 24 Dec 1595. This finding has not yet been published; but the evidence for it has been sent to me and is ~~xxxxxxx~~ detailed and incontestable. . . But of course the myth of a non-existent "Mary Webster" will never die.

William Ethelbert, God rest his soul, ~~XXXXXX~~ wrote at least one other error into ~~XX~~ the lineage he sent to the Cyclopedia -- maybe two, but I'm not sure of the second. ~~THXX~~ Such commercial enterprises were just businesses; they never wasted time verifying what was sent to them. They just printed it.

Maybe the worst was Virkus, of the Compendium, who billed himself as the foremost American authority on genealogy and made a lot of money by selling genealogical forms. If he was a genealogist, I'm an astronaut. (I hope his daughter, who lives not far frm me, doesn't hear what I'm saying.)

How I ramble, don't I? . . . But I owe it to you to warn you -- just as you'd warn me against stepping on a rotten floorboard in one of your old houses. Or am I maligning your fine old houses?

(5) Thanks for the list of up-state Belknaps. I'll write to them, in hope of help. . . Roselle, at Camillus, is an unsolved puzzle. His family, mostly around Skaneatles, is descended from a Pilgrim Belknap who served in the ~~XXXX~~ War of 1812 -- but nobody has ever been able to discover Pilgrim's father. So that family -- like others in a similar fix -- invented "two brothers who came from Scotland," where no Belknap ever lived. No immigrant Belknap except the original Abraham has ever been found, so we say "All Belknaps are cousins, whether we like it or not." But sometimes the proof ~~xx~~ of descent eludes us.

Last p

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14A 10/9/69

156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York 14456
October 8, 1969

Dear Carroll,

How does pride go before a fall! I hasten to write this before the mailman can possibly bring me your letter with the suggestion either for new glasses or brush-up in typing.

I borrowed a copy of the history and there saw what no doubt gives you real joy - the date of death of Esther Parker Bellknap on June 10, 1809, not 1801! I am sorry. I don't think this actually invalidates all my other contributions, though.

You will be glad to know that the historian of Springwater reports: "I have no reason to doubt Mr. D. B. Waite's integrity or his lack of research in his writings. Mr. Waite was a capable surveyor before the Civil War. He also taught school." He also says the cemetery is still visible though quite overgrown.

You have probably already taken a look at the inclosures. I think they add something to educational guesses. I was reviewing Ontario County histories Saturday and just happened to see that sentence in the account of South Bristol. On the 1904 map the Greenman farm was indicated, and Sunday I went down to see. Found a nice young couple living south of the location who were very interested, - insisting that I should leave name and address and they would take out their abstract which starts in 1810, and also talk with a very wise elderly person over the hill. He then took me up the road and showed me where the cellar foundations for the Greenman house still existed. Being in Sunday clothes I could not get near them, but I took a color snap showing the scarlet foliage growing out of the place. The small house next door is where the original big barns were. I also took a snap of the view from there. Eventually you'll have them if they come out all right. I confirmed lot descriptions in Canandaigua as you see.

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Now I have a wild guess. Since Jonas' deed of sale mentions the Joseph Taylor farm which was not sold to Taylor until Dec. 1809, Jonas must have bought his somewhat later. What if, upon the death of Esther in June of 1809, he moved to a new location, remarried, and was still living there when the census was taken, even though title had been transferred in January? Wild enough for you?

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Have some second thoughts on the Gorham problem, which is not quite as much of a problem when I remembered that the present Hopewell was part of Gorham until 1822.

(Gorham Lincolns)

Well, the postman didn't leave any accusations from you, so will finish this.

Now that we know, from Mr. Waite, that the Sarah Lincoln who sold property in 1867 - mentioned in some of my earliest research - is the widow of Samuel Bellknap, there seems very good reason for the family to either visit her, or live near her. I am checking through on her husband's will - Artemas Lincoln, and her own. If Rachel is second wife of Jonas, she might have been visiting there and died there. No record of Elisha owning property there except as indicated in deeds of 1812. Careful study shows, however, that these were all concerned in the settling of the estate of Ebenezer - I found the court order to administrators to sell enough to pay off the debts of something over $1,000. I still have to check the location of 20 acres sold by Jonas Belknap of Gorham in 1819. He may have sold his holdings in Richmond and Springwater as Waite indicates by 1813 (no record to date) - moved to Bristol, and then on to Gorham (Hopewell) where his daughter-in-law had made such an advantageous second marriage and where Elisha must have at least been in the vicinity to be known by the Benhams (a very distinguished family and still in existence there). Fun guessing!

Now a couple of questions of my own:

1. Do you have the list of children, with birthdates and places, for Samuel and Sarah Belknap? If so, may I have t em to correlate with the Lincoln children?

2. In 1872 an Amos C. Belknap and his wife, Phebe J., purchased a lot near the main street in Canandaigua - selling it in 1878. Have you any information - or guesses - as to the source of this couple? Sarah Lincoln and her husband owned a lot on Main Street in 1858 just south of the Belknap lot.

Incidentally, I found a Fannie Lincoln for you - but too young, I fear. April 26, 1879, Fannie A. Lincoln and Florence M. Lincoln of Town of Hopewell, 'infants under the age of 21', sold their interest in some property thru their special guardian, Charles Chapin, to Sarah J. Shaw.

How this epistle has grown. Am inclosing quick tracing from county map to show relative location of residences.

Have fun with Walbridge and Waite.

P.S. Did you notice Walbridge was born in 1809?

Gladys

CONCERNING THE BRISTOL PROPERTY

I. 1810 Census - Bristol

Jonas * Males 0 - 2 - 0 - 0 - 1
Females 1 - 1 - 0 - 0 - 1

Gilbert, Brown, Wilder, Davidson, Foster Wilder, Wilder, Jonas Belknap, Parris, Standish, etc.

II. HISTORY OF ONTARIO COUNTY - by Milliken

p. 477 - Town of South Bristol

The F. A. Greenman farm was first settled by a man named Belknap, whose stay here was for but a short time.

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III. Record of Deeds -

January 5, 1810 - $400 - Jonas Belknap of Town of Bristol sold 100 acres to Jana and Daniel Taylor
(14 - 268)

Township #8, range 4 - part of lots #22 and #37 (error in recording. #22 should be #32 as it is in all future deeds.)

Beginning at the northeast corner of the farm formerly owned and operated by Jonathan Forbes and now owned by Joseph Taylor, thence running west on north line of farm to west line of said farm; thence northwest so far that an exact line parallel with the first mentioned line shall contain 100 acres, including the highway.

Prior Transactions:

Feb. 14, 1799 - $392 - Gamaliel Wilder to John Austin north part of #32 and #37
(6 - 546)

Feb. 16, 1804 - $700 - John Austin to Nathan Hatch
(9 - 565)

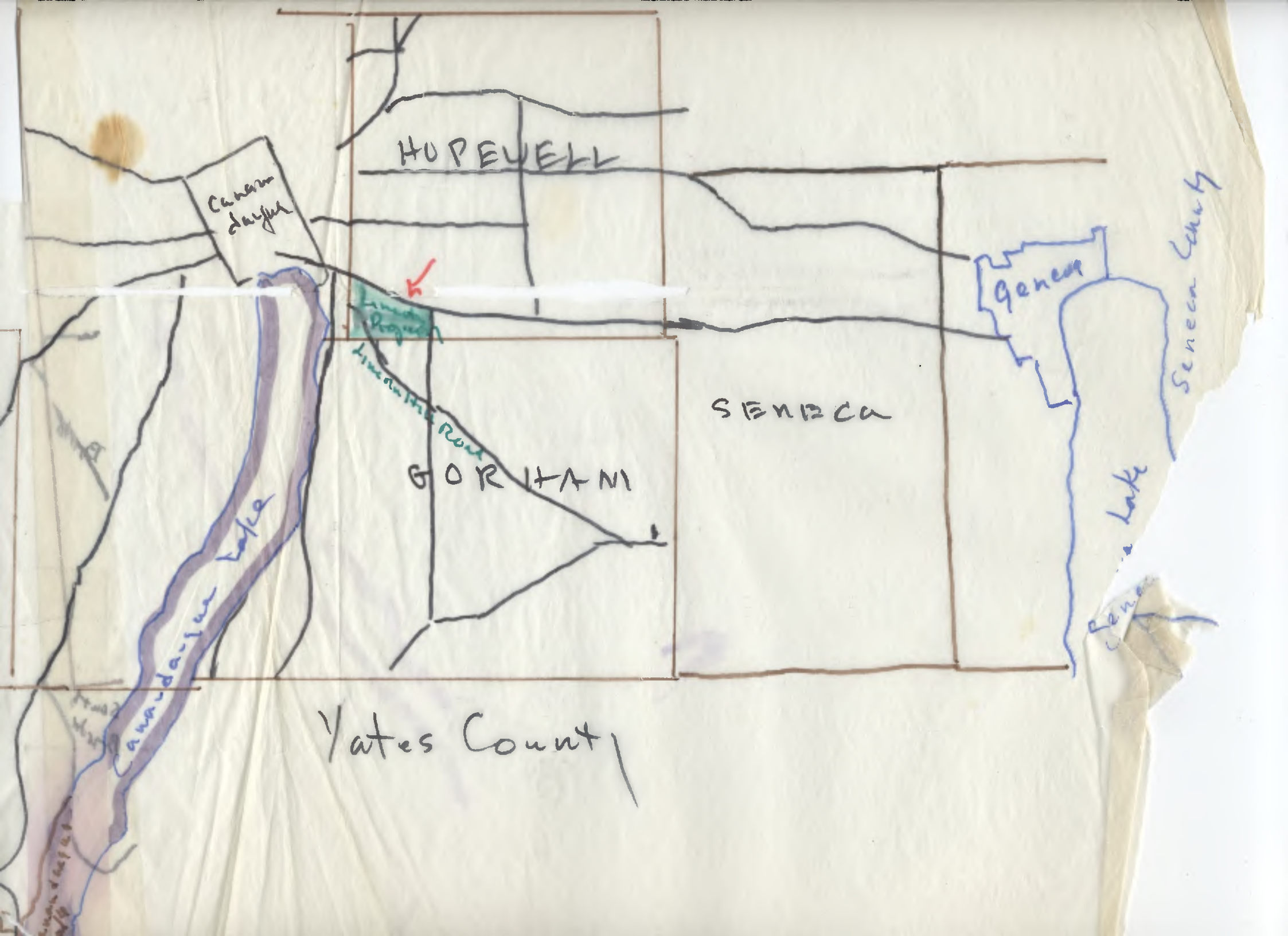
(Gap between this and sale by Jonas Belknap)

April 19, 1802 - $8,900 - Asa Wilder to Gamaliel Wilder - Property, including south part of lots #32 and #37, "adjoining John Austin.

Apr. 18, 1806 - $266 - Gamaliel Wilder to Jonathan Forbes 100 acres taken off south side of #32 and #37
(14 - 269)

Dec. 27, 1809 - $350 - George Hatch to Joseph Taylor, Jr. 100 acres from south side of #32 and #37
(14 - 378)


RICHMOND
BRISTOL
GORHAM
Yates County
SOUTH
CANADICE
BRISTOL
NAPLES
Scale of Miles
1
2
3
4


HUPEVELL
Canandaigua
Landfill
Project
Limestone Road
GORHAM
SENECA
Geneva
Seneca County
Canandaigua Lake
Yates County

** - lots involved with Elisha Bellknap + Benham.
(~~3 lots~~)

■ - lot sold by Jonas Bellknap



Gorham

Waite p 55-56-57

Aaron Jr m Christina
Sarah Irwin
in 1851
if 2 old
1810 was
67 in '87
DER

56- "[illegible] laid out in 1813 to John Kelly"

56-57 " Kelly came from Canada to his farm. -- It's wife died [in] there 1921 and he and his chn went to Youngstown" (in Steuben Co)

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5C- "Artemus Lincoln ... was his [illegible. A L. Hunt] (living 1884?) uncle by marriage"

i.e.? sister of Artemus was a Lincoln who m a Hunt who was

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~~could have been Aaron J~~ or Andrew, son of Aaron Sr - or a son of Andrew Hunt bro of Aaron Jr (his eldest [illegible] "by holdren")

55

who [illegible] in lot 7 west of Lot 1,

57

and sold out to Chapin in abt 1814 and went to [illegible]

[Holdren + Jane Hunt - over]

55 "... the J.G. Briggs farm near the head of Honeoye Lake, and Elijah + Silas Parker were ~~early settlers~~ very early comers there."

56 " Bill Hoag sold out his interests on the Richmond side of the line to Aaron Hunt and in 1806 built a house in Spinnerstown"

Jr was born in Berlin

Holden, Jacob

Came ~~to lot 7~~ in 1795 - m. Jane
and ~~took~~ took Lot 7

56 "the orchard set out by
Jacob Holden and Jemima Hunt
in 1795, by the side of Benj
Holden who was burned to death
in 1801."

59 "Jacob Holden was one of
the trustees in 1808"

[So Andrew Hunt "came and
went into the cabin first erected
By Holden" after 1808]

Andrew Hunt Jr m a Hinkley "once lived"
continued ~~living~~ in Hunt's Hollow (p. 39)
"moved on up the Coloctin Stream and
built a mill there"

i.e. South towards or
beyond Wayland

GLADYS:

March 21 1972

Bear with me while I tell why I think so well of George May's surmise that Jonas's mother -- Mary Newton -- may have been the Mrs Elijah Parker who diedxat Gorham in 1815, "aged 76," which would have beeb Mary's age.

I've been reviewing all the known facts that bear on this guess, searching for anything that might discredit it. But I find nothing of that sort. Point after point says "possible" -- so continuously that the "possibles" seem to add up to a "probable."

So listen.

SB.

The close association between my tribe and Elijah Parker and his descendents lasted many years -- from 1770 when Elijah came to Belchertown, to the middle of the next century, in Ohio, where Stiles Parker, son of Elijah, came from Kentucky where he had been with the sons and daughters of Jonas Belknap. This Stiles Parker and his brother Elijah Jr had served in the same Rev War regiment as Jonas Belknap, and moved with Jonas in years following that war.

In 182[illegible] a record puttogether for a son of Stiles gave, correctly the names of the children of Jonas Belknap and Esther Parker -- and the names of the children of Elijah Parker Sr and Martha Stiles -- and said that Elijah Parker Sr married, 2nd a "Miss Belknap" -- and named the two sons of this second marriage. The date of this marriage was not given -- but the second son of that second marriage, James Parker, was born in 1779, so the marriage must have occurred not later than 1776.

The date of death of Martha Stiles, Elijah Sr's 1st wife, has not been found. The main source of information on early Connecticut genealogy, Stiles' Ancient Windsor, gives [illegible]robable guess about it:

Martha Stiles -- b 9 Apr 1731; m 1753 Elijah Parker of Belchertown, Mass.; d abt 1782.

(b 1724)CYB)

It seems right to assume that Martha died at about the same time that Samuel Belknap (Mary Newton's husband) did -- 1775. (Many errors have been found in Ancient Windsor.)

All that is of known record on Mary, after Samuel's death, is that she "removed" from Belchertown (church records). Date of removal not stated. Not necessarily soon after death of her husband. If she married Elijah Parker Sr in or about 1776, she might have "removed " at same time when he did -- year not given in the church record, but before 1781 for he came back to Belchertown in that year and stayed there at least through 1783, the year when Jonas Belknap married his daughter Esther, at Belchertown.

In my wide-ranging records, I can find no other Belknap woman (in places where Elijah P Sr is known to have been) who would have been 76 in 1814. And could have married Elijah P Sr.

Are you still with me? Or have I lost you?

When Elijah P Sr and Jonas Belknap left Belchertown, after 1783, is not known. The next known date for them is 1790 -- Census -- Cherry Valley NY (in Town of Canajahrie).

The 1790 Census of Cherry Valley, seems to show plainly that Jonas B and Esther and their children were living in the home of Jonas's uncle Abel Belknap, and that Elijah P Sr was nearby, with his second wife and their 2 young sons -- and his married son Elijah Jr right next.

Elijah Parker Sr	1-2-1	was	
Elijah Parker Jr	1-2-1	(This Elijah Jr at Pittstown in 1796, with Jonas B)	

By 1800, Elijah Sr had moved a short distance, to Worcester in Otsego Co,

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in Township 10, second range, part of lot #11

"beginning in the center of the highway leading from the Turnpike to Chapin Mills and at the ne corner of lands deeded by Israel Chapin to Samuel Wilber, thence
north - 45 rods on the highway
west - on a line parallel with the south line
80 rods, 14 links
south - 45 rods on a line parallel with the east line to Samuel Wilber's land
east - 80 rods, 14 links to place of beginning.

(Note: Strangely enough, this was not recorded until June 21, 1851. A check of deeds before and after it revealed no connection with this property, so far as I could see.

Amusing error: The copyist had made a fine signature for 'Jonas Belknap'. In the opening part it also read Jonas, but had evidently been written over an erasure. In the affidavit there was also an erasure and 'James' Belknap swore that he signed the deed!)

There is no doubt but what this Jonas in Gorham is the one we are concerned with. It is interesting that apparently he told the census people he had no property in 1818, though the actual deed was not given until nine months or so later.

Checking and re-checking cannot discover the source of this property. If he bought it under (I) above, the deed might well have been unrecorded - many were. It might have belonged to Rachel who died in 1815 in Gorham.

1810 Elisha at [illegible]

Gorham Descendants

1810 Jonas [illegible] (census)

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1820 Census - Elisha at Niagara, NC.

1820 Elisha "of Gorham" engages in land transactions

1790 Elijah Parsons Jr at Onion Valley (Mt of Conquering)

1-2-1

1800 Elisha [illegible] at Worcester, 0001 0001

Thomas (male 2nd infy) [illegible] 0010 2010

(Not found in Census 1810)

1790 Census – Pennsylvania

(3) Elijah Parker Sr 1 2 1 1 (surely 2nd wife)
– – Jr 1 2 1

1800 – Census – Worcester

Elijah Parker 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 ← ("Mary Newton?!!)
0 0 1 0 2 0 1 0

(4) James b 3 June 1779 ← 9 May [Moved to 21 in 1800]

– Bristol

Elijah Parker Jr. (no detail from May)
~~b 1804 appl. land in Bristol~~

1810 Census Bristol

(5) Stiles Parker (no detail)
– went to Ky 1815 – after 1813 to Ohio (Licking Co)
R 1765 Northampton

(Stiles – Ancient Windsor)

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(1) (may ~~survive~~ some time before 1778)
(3 or 4 yrs)

1770 – Elijah Parker, ~~another~~ to Belchertown church
(2) "and again removed"
But back there in 1781 to 1783

From (6) Jan 25 1968 – Census 1790 (1810?)
P. 3 Phineas Parker
James Parker

Gorham

Gray - March 7, 1967 -
Index of Deaths from Western Repository and Gorham Advertiser

(2) July 14, 1815 - Mrs Jonas Hastings (Rachel) -
age 59 - Gorham

Gray - Jan 25 1968
II Additional Data on deaths

(1) Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary) - died Jan 11, 1814
at Gorham, age 76

Gray - Oct 24 1967

(3) Sept 6, 1819 - from Bartlett of Gorham
sold 20 acres to Jane? Moor -
(No record of purchase by Prin)

Gray. Oct 16 1969
(4) (Reference to Waite)

Gray Oct 8 1969

January 5, 1810 John Bartlett of
town of Bristol sold 100 acres
to Jona and Daniel Taylor

Last known Date at Ft Town

Seth m Eleanor Whitney 3 May 1787
Sold ½ his land there 1788

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Mr. Carroll Y. Belknap
25 Club Road
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My dear Mr. Belknap,

I have been working to answer the request in your letter of February 16th, concerning any records of the Belknap-Garlinghouse families in Canandaigua. I am inclosing the small amount of information I was able to discover.

Our own church records do not go back as far as the early 1800's and I could find no later reference to either name. In view of the later findings in the census, it is unlikely that Canandaigua would have been the home church. Apparently the two families located in the area of what is now Honeoye in the Town of Richmond.

The early census records, index of deaths, marriages, etc., are available at the Ontario County Historical Society here in Canandaigua.

There is an area known as Garlinghouse between Honeoye and Naples here in the county - actually, (I just consulted the map) it is south of Naples. The Town of Richmond has no town historian at present, but it was suggested that the former historian might be of assistance. She is a Miss Ada White, East Lake Road, Honeoye, New York, 14471.

I hope these scattered items are of some help to you, if only in a general background . If there are further questions concerning which I might be of help, please let me know. I enjoy historical research and, like a great many people in this area, my own roots go back into Connecticut and Massachusetts.

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SOME FINDINGS REGARDING THE BELKNAP-GARLINGHOUSE FAMILIES

A. CENSUS RECORDS FOR ONTARIO COUNTY:

Page	Name	Males					Females				
1800 CENSUS		under 10	10 - 15	16 - 25	26 - 44	45 +	under 10	10 - 15	16 - 25	26 - 44	45 +
34	BELKNAP, John	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	1	0
14	, Jonas	2	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0
38	, Jonas (Honeoye)	3	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	1	0
14	, Jonathan	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
1810 CENSUS											
60	BELKNAP, Elijah (Honeoye)	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
60	, Elisha "	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
39	, Jonas (Bristol)	0	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
62	, Sally (Honeoye)	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
61	, Seth "	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
61	GARLINGHOUSE, James, Sr. "	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	2	1	0
60	, James, Jr. "	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
60	, Jane "	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	1
61	, Jane "	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
59	, Jos. "	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0

INDEX OF DEATHS FROM "WESTERN REPOSITORY AND GENESEE ADVERTISER

Jan. 12, 1813 - Benjamin Garlinghouse - Honeoye
July 4, 1815 - Mrs. Jonas Belknap (Rachel) - age 59 - Gorham
Nov. 5, 1857 - Joanna Garlinghouse - age 67 - Auburn
April 26, 1861 - Mrs. Joseph Garlinghouse (Submit) - Auburn.

INDEX OF CEMETERIES (incomplete)

Benjamin Garlinghouse - 1761-1850 - served 6 years, War of Revolution
Mrs. Jonas Bellknap
Samantha Bellknap
Joanna Garlinghouse
Joseph Garlinghouse
Mrs. Joseph Garlinghouse
Leman Garlinghouse

INDEX OF MARRIAGES - (incomplete)

Alethea Bellknap to George Rogers
Mary Bellknap to David Trembly
Nelson Garlinghouse to Lorinda Short

INDEX OF WILLS (Surrogate's Office)

Samuel Belknapp - intestate - letters of administration April 19, 1810 to wife Sarah and friend Abijah Wright.

Samantha Belknapp - 1880
Benjamin Garlinghouse - 1850

1855 CENSUS - TOWN OF RICHMOND, Ontario County (Honeoye)

Nelson Garlinghouse - age 41, farmer; wife, L...., age 31; daughter A..., age 13, Dau. age 9 all born in Ontario County - farm of 130 acres, cash value $6,500.
S. Garlinghouse - male - age 56 - born in Mass. - widower - boarder.

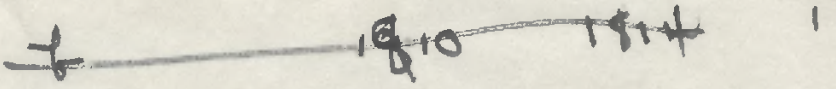
	b.	1810	1814	1815	1818	1819	
Samuel	1785	(m) d 1810	–	–	–	–	
Elijah	1785	m 1806	–	–	–	–	
Jonathan	1786	S 24	m 1813?	–	–	–	
Elisha	1789	m 1807	–	–	–	–	
Jesse	1791	B? 18	m 1812	–	–	–	
Susannah	1792	S 18	22	23	–	–	m before 1820 appl
Esther	1793	B 13	17	18	21	22	
Orin	1795	B 11	15	16	19	20	m after 1820?
Cynthia	1801	B 9	13	14	17	18	m before 1820 appl

wife Esther d

B - birth

S - Pitt Seth Hastings (5 other white persons)

O - Not at Brutus

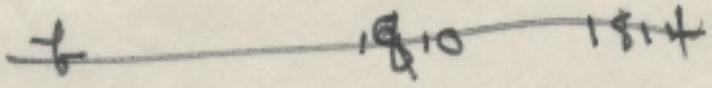


Jesse 1793
No d named Mary by m rec.
He d acc to Reform 1795
No d b before 1795

Abel 1795. b
d Mary m ? d 1823

Sam 5?

Sam 1791 d



Josh 129.3
No d named Mary
All d's married by m ord.
No d & Report 1755 —

Abel 129.6
d Mary m 1 d 1823

Sam 57

Sam 129.d
Mary 1 1811

m ① Ruth Kenfield 25 Nov 1773
② Susan Palmer 22 Nov 1792

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July 3, 1974

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25 Club Road
Riverside, Connecticut 06878

Re: Estate of Jonas Belknap, James Moore,
Rachel Belknap, Mary Parker, deceased

Dear Mr. Belknap:

In answer to your recent letter of inquiry, I have checked our records and find that proceedings have never been had in any of the above estates.

Therefore, I am returning herewith your check in the sum of $3.00.

Very truly yours,

Oressa A. Brown
Clerk Surrogate's Court

OAB:mh
Enclosure

Jonas N.B. — Source of lot at Bostwick which he sold in 1819 — (?)

George S. May P. O. Box 2, Fair Oaks, California 95628

February 25, 1975

Dear Carroll:

Your most interesting letter just came and I thank you for the information. I too would be most pleased to find some kind of more definite proof than we now have that the Mrs Elijah Parker who died in Gorham in 1814 was both the widow of Samuel Belknap and Elijah Parker Sr. I do not know that I have anything to offer from the standpoint of the Belknaps, as I do not know much about the finer points of the genealogy of this family, but possibly from the Parker family view a point or two may be of value.

The expression in the Jonas Belknap deed of 1819 about his inheritance is not an unusual one. I have seen these almost exact words in other deeds. In fact I resolved a problem in Oneida County in much the same manner as you propose, quite by accident to be sure. I found a deed made in 1799 in which Moses Dickinson of Berlin, Conn bought a certain piece of land in Oneida County. In 1824 a Moses Dickinson sold this land and the deed had in it the same expressions as used in the Jonas B. deed. As Moses D of Berlin Conn left a will naming a son Moses about whom it was not known what had happened, it was easily proven that he went to Oneida County, N.Y. There was a little more to it than that of course.

The problem I have had in Ontario County is finding who owned that land before Jonas did. The indexes show no Mary or Elijah Parker owning any land in Gorham or anywhere else in Ontario County. However the problem with drawing a completely negative verdict from this absence are (1) some deeds were not recorded at all (2) the index could be in error (I have found this several times, ie a deed on file is not indexed), and (3) even if a deed is not recorded sometimes a record appears on maps on file in the recorders office.

On this latter point # 3 above, as you no doubt know Elijah Parker Jr., has no deeds of record in Ontario County. However in Steuben County in 1810 he bought a parcel of land of 72 acres. I have a photocopy of this record and on it is a map of the parcel which shows that he owned another parcel adjacent to this one. There is no deed record that shows Elijah Parker owning this other parcel, the only record extant is this map. As an aside on this recent discovery is another one in Steuben County. In 1843 Elijah Parker of Springwater, Livingston Co. & Daniel Parker of Naples, Ontario County sold to Pitts Parker of Cohocton, Steuben County some land in Cohocton. This would be the three brothers, sons of Elijah Parker Jr. First real information I have found on Elijah III.

I am not a lawyer but one thing that I wonder about is how Jonas Belknap could have inherited property from his mother, in the absence of a will, without his brothers & sisters becoming a part of the transaction. If it was an intestate heirship all would have shared equally. I would therefore be inclined to the belief that Jonas inherited this land from his wife. I suppose though that Jonas could have taken care of his mother in her old age & that he submitted proof of this as well as a demand on the other heirs for payment for this care & was for this reason granted his mother's property. If this is so there must be some kind of record in Ontario County about it.

On the top of your page 3 you mention the possibility of James Parker of Bloomfield being a son of Elijah & Mary (Belknap) Parker. This is not so. James Parker of Bloomfield was a son of a Joseph Parker. This James died, if I recall the proper date, in 1865 and his will is on file in Ontario County. If he was related to Elijah Parker Sr it would be back some generations.

There were however three other James Parkers in Ontario County as per the 1810 census. I would like to call your attention to the one who lived at Naples in this year. His next door neighbor was a Samuel Parker. There was a Samuel Parker who was supposed to have lived in Ontario County about this time who was both related by blood and by marriage to Elijah Parker Sr and his children. This Samuel had married a daughter of Elijah & Martha (Parker) Howe. Samuel & James are shown thusly in 1810 census of Naples:

Parker, Jas.	20011	10011
Parker, Sam.	10010	32010

Neither of these two Parkers appear in the 1820 census of Ontario County. James Parker, son of Elijah Parker Sr, was supposed to have gone to Kentucky in about 1815 but no later than 1817. The Samuel Parker who was related to James was also supposed to have gone to Kentucky about the same time. This James in Naples in 1810 would be to old to have been James son of Elijah if he & his wife were the eldest couple living in this household. However if the older couple were his parents or his wife's parents then the other couple could have been James as the children are close enough to being what children James had by 1810 both as to quantity and as to age. So, I submit this as a possibility, that old Elijah Parker was living in 1810. If so where did he die? In Naples? or did he move to Gorham before his death? More questions piled on top of yours!

If old Elijah & his family had come to Ontario County after 1806 when Jonas was still at site "B"" on your map, it would be likely they would settle nearby. There is another way to look at the Gorham property situation too. If the aged Parker couple moved there sometime after the middle of 1810 & bought a 20 acre parcel they could have executed a life tenancy deed to Jonas for care for the rest of their lives. If this deed was unrecorded Jonas could have presented the original to Judge Phelps to prove his right to sell this property in 1819. Well so much for speculation on this interesting problem.

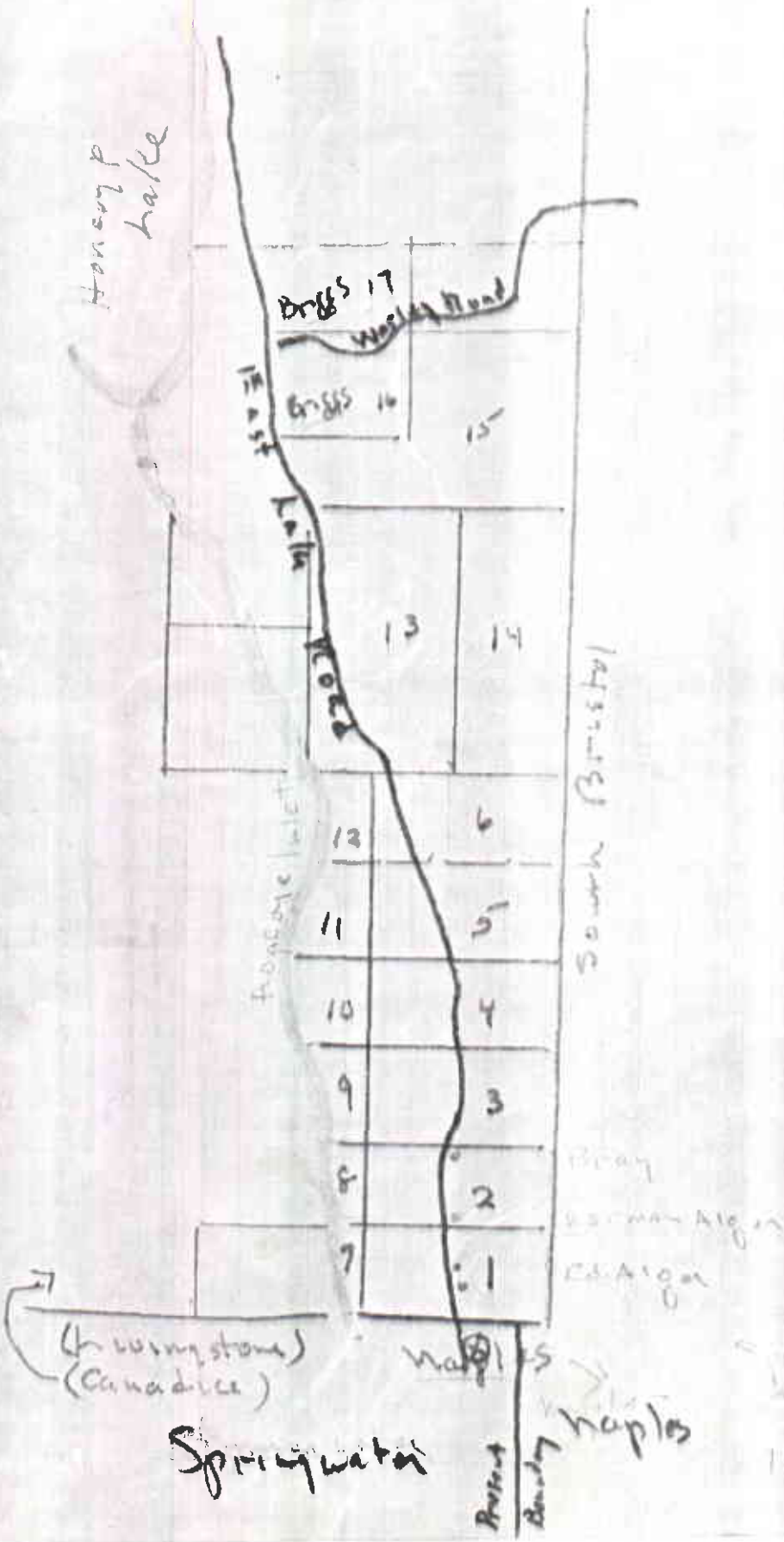
I notice on your map that you have a location "H" which you give as "Approximate location of Elijah Parker Jr in 1810". My information is that Elijah Jr lived in Bristol in 1800, went to Steuben County about 1805/7, shown in 1810 census of Dansville, Steuben County (in that part which became Cohocton in 1812) & died in Cohocton in 1813. Before 1800 Elijah Jr could have lived in this location "H". The property that Elijah Jr owned in 1810 in Steuben County was almost on the line of the two counties, just across from Naples.

I want to thank you too for your part in having a copy of the new Belknap genealogy sent to the Calif Gen Soc. Just got a letter from E.C.B. saying that the book was being sent. I am looking forward to seeing this book.

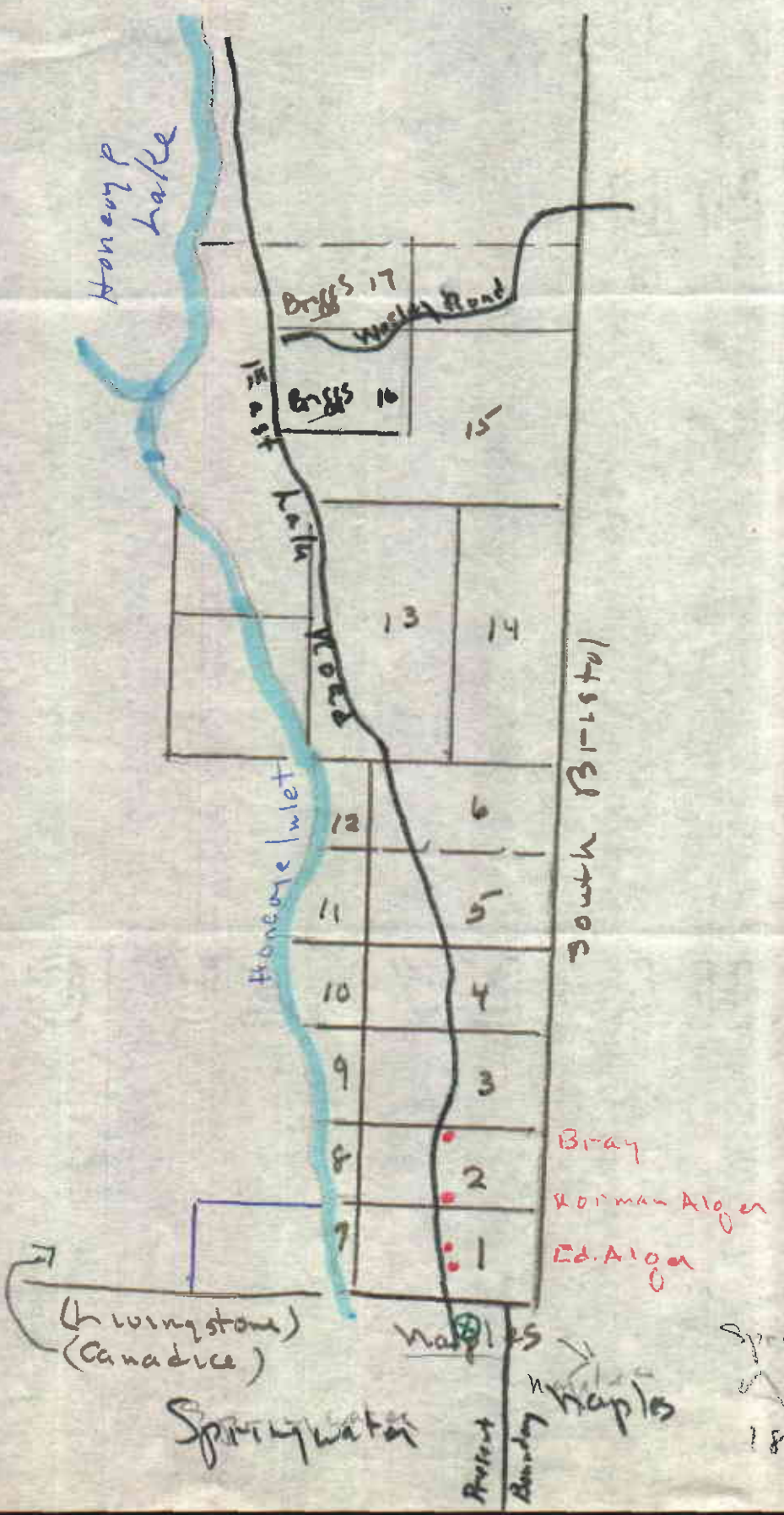
Sincerely,

George M.

South east Richmond Town.



Southeast Richmond Town.



13 July 1974

Dear George:

I'm continually amazed at the breadth and scope of the reading and thinking you have done

Long ago, Gladys Gray (who dug up most of what I know about Ontario County days) showed that there was no visible connection between the Asa Newton at Livonia and Tamar Vinton. But your surmise that he was probably Mary Newton's brother is new to me.

After you wrote about the deed that showed Jonas had inherited that lot at Gorham, I tried to see if Surrogate's Court, Ont Co, could supply will or intestate record of either Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary) or Rachel Belknap, Jonas's 2nd wife. No luck.

Considering all you know about the Newtons, I must ask if you know anything of the parentage of the Phoebe Newton who married Job Belknap, Sr, brother of Jonas's father Samuel.

Job moved to the Belchertown area when Samuel did -- went broke, on continental money -- and moved back to Connecticut. At the time when he and Samuel went to Belchertown (in Murrayfield Plantation), there seems to have been a migration of Newton/s too, from the same part of northern Connecticut. But I don't know who Phoebe's parents were. Doubt that she was sister of Mary -- but I could be wrong.

One of these days, when I've accumulated a few more facts, I'm going to dump my "Stephen puzzle" on you -- to see what your intuitive perception can see that I don't see. Thus far, it looks like one of those cases in which I'll end by using your classic phrase: "I believe but cannot prove."

(Further excerpts concerning the Belknap - Garlinghouse families - Ontario County)

I - from MacIntosh, HISTORY OF ONTARIO COUNTY, p. 227:

Joseph, son of James Garlinghous, a settler in Ontario County about 1800, from New Jersey. Some years after arrival here bought 25 acres near Allen's Hill, giving in payment the uniform of a militia officer. He served in the War of 1812; he was at the burning of Buffalo; brought back a musket which he exchanged for a cow. He married Submit Sheldon, and settled in the west part of town on the farm now owned by Tisdale Ashley. Joseph Garlinghouse raised a family of 8 children; 4 are living: Nelson, Joseph, Louise, and Mary. Nelson, the only resident in town, has lived 26 years on Allen's Hill. Mr. Garlinghouse held various offices of trust in town, andat his death in 1862 was janitor of the State Senace Chamber.

He was active in persuit and capture of the persons indicted as participants in the Morgan abduction.

p. 229 - Justin Hamilton went to Kentucky in 1818, traded his land to John Garlinghouse, moved to Ohio.

II - HISTORY OF THE PIONEER SETTLEMENT OF PHELPS AND GORHAM PURCHASE - Rochester, 1852.

p. 205 - As early as 1796 or '7 Elijah and Stiles Parker, Elisha Belknap, Col. John Green, John Garlinghouse, became residents of the town. The four first named emigrated many years since to Kentucky and in late years some of them have pioneered still further on, over the Rocky Mountains to Oregon. Joseph Garlinghouse, son of the early pioneer, John Garlinghouse, was an ex-sheriff of Ontario County; a prominent, enterprising farmer, still residing in Richmond. A son of his married a daughter of Erastus Spalding, the early pioneer in the mouth of the Genesee River; another married the daughter of David Stout, a pioneer founder of Perinton. Daughters are Mrs. Comstock of Avon, and Mrs. Sheldon of Le Roy. Mrs. Briggs and Mrs. Hopkins, of Richmond, are daughters of John Garlinghouse; and a son and daughter reside in Iowa.

III - HISTORY OF ONTARIO COUNTY - (Conover ?), p. 452: "Town of Richmond"

In the northeast part of the town the early settlers were James Garlinghouse and Joseph Garlinghouse.
(p. 453) April 5, 1796 - election of town officers: Constable and Collector: Jonas Belknap. He was also on Committee on Schools.

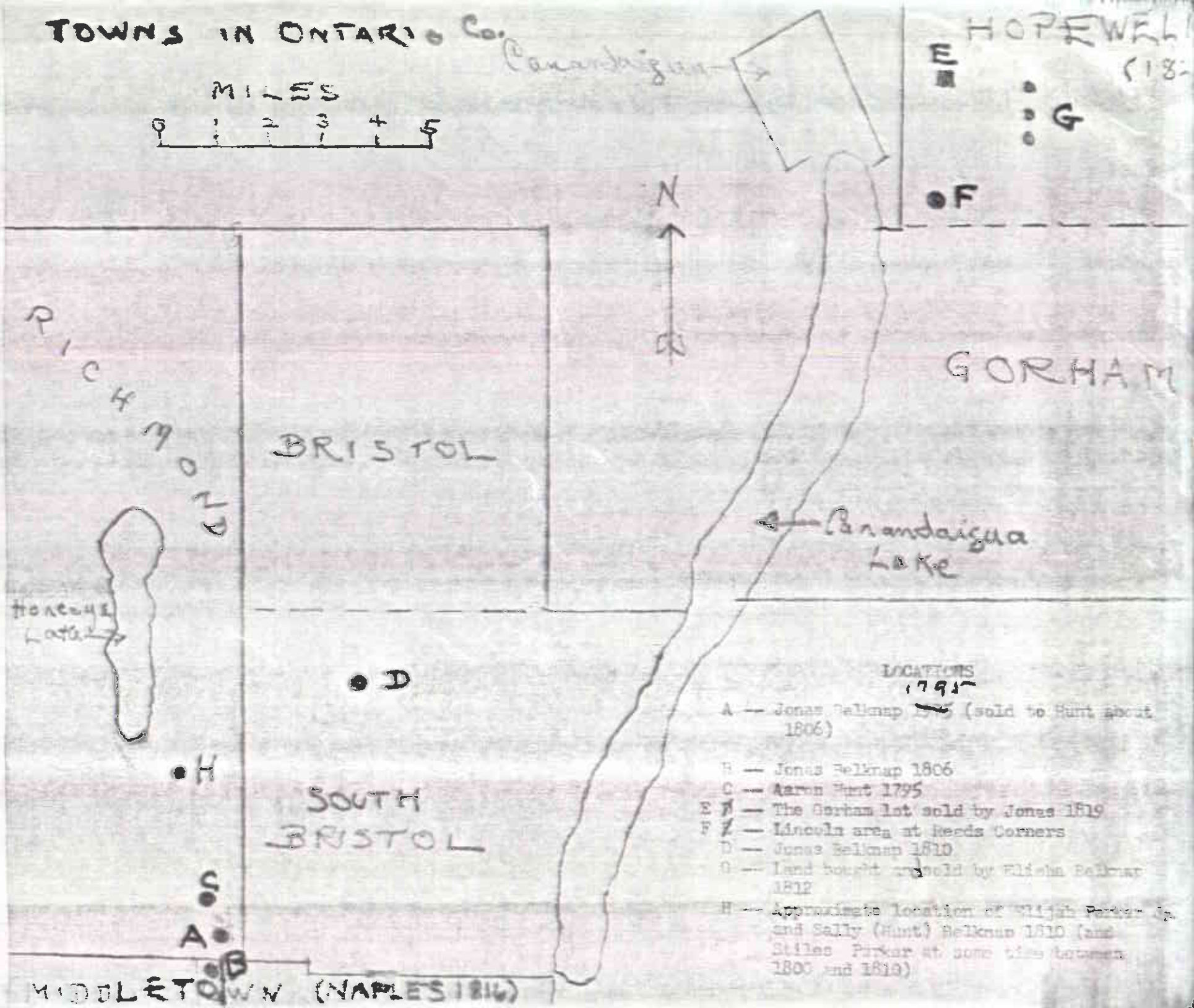
IV - Pope - PIONEERS OF MASSACHUSETTS, Boston, 1900.

Edmund Farrington of Lynn, Mass., mentioned in the inventory of Abraham Belknap in 1643.

Will dated 10 Aug. prob. 1 Nov., 1672 - bequest to wife Mary and son, Joseph Belknap.

p. 262 - A Sarah Jones is listed as marrying a _____Belknap.

A will of Nathaniel Williams, dated 22 (2) 1661 - probated 10 (7) 62 - bequest to wife Mary, and daughter Belknap and to her two children.


TOWNS IN ONTARIO Co.
MILES
0 1 2 3 4 5
HOPEWELL
E
G
F
N
PICKERING
BRISTOL
GORHAM
Canandaigua Lake
HONEOYE LAKE
D
H
SOUTH BRISTOL
C
A
B
MIDDLETOWN (NAPLES 1816)
LOCATIONS
1795
A — Jonas Bellknap 1795 (sold to Hunt about 1806)
B — Jonas Bellknap 1806
C — Aaron Hunt 1795
E — The Gorham lot sold by Jones 1819
F — Lincoln area at Reeds Corners
D — Jonas Bellknap 1810
G — Land bought and sold by Elisha Bellknap 1812
H — Approximate location of Elijah Parker Jr. and Sally (Hunt) Bellknap 1810 (and Stiles Parker at some time between 1800 and 1819)

GEORGE S. MAY
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FAIR OAKS, CALIFORNIA

OCT 1 2 1969

Dear Mr Belknap:

I have been able to garner some data for you about "Mary (Belknap) Kentfield". There appears to be not one but two of these. Here is what I find.

1790 census of Belchertown

David Kentfield		1	4	3
Willm	"	2	2	3
Jonth	"	1	1	6
Heman	"	1	-	1
Ebenr	"	2	1	5
Josiah	"	2	-	4
Mary	"	-	1	3

? Widow & Rufus

From Doolittles Sketches. The dates appended are the dates of admission to the church at Belchertown.

1766 #123 Bethia (Stearns) wife of Salmon Kentfield, dau. of #58 born 1733. She died 1807 age 74. Salmon Kentfield was father of Ebenezer, Salmon, Joel, Erastus, Josiah, and Shubal Kentfield. Salmon the father died 1787.
(Note: #58 was Ebenezer Stearns, died 1759 age 69 and #59 was Mary, wife of 58, died 1757 age 60)

1771 #140 William Kentfield, son of Ebenezer who died in the army, near Lake George, in the French War in 1756.
#141 Sarah, wife of William Kentfield. William and Sarah were parents of Rufus, Jonathan, David, Heman and Asaph Kentfield. William the father died 1791 age 64. Wife Sarah died 1790 age 66.

#255 #290

1779 #184 Mary (Belknap), widow Kentfield died 1781 age 88.

1786 #255 Rufus Kentfield, the son of #140 and #141, married Mary Belknap, Nov. 1773. He died 1787 age 37.

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Dau. of Samuel Belknap & Mary Newton

1792 #290 David Kentfield, son of William and Sarah Kentfield, numbers 140 and 141.
#291 Mary (Smith) wife of #290. They had ch. Jonathan, William, Rebecca, Samuel, Rhoda, Rufus, Triphenee, Triphosa, and Smith. She died 1802 age 44.

My guess would be that #184 was the widow of Ebenezer Kentfield and mother of William #140 and possibly Salmon #123 Kentfield and that she was formerly a Miss Mary Belknap, born about 1693. The younger one, wife of #255, who could have been born in say 1754-55 - that is if she was at least eighteen years of age in 1773 when she was married - well, I don't know. However it has always seemed strange to me that Samuel and Mary (Newton) Belknap were married about ~~5~~ years before their first child, Jonas, was born in 1759. By the way there is a Kentfield Family genealogy but it is not available here. Perhaps one of your other correspondents can find this book.

Or perhaps the Belchertown V.R. would give more substansive evidence on these two Mary (Belknap) Kentfield's. In my correspondence with the New England Historic Genealogical Society, 101 Newbury Street, Boston, they have implied that they have such records.

Do you have Tamar Vinton's birth date? July 30, 1766 according to "Vinton Genealogy"

I have also found in the 1800 census of Worcester, Otsego County the following:

Elijah Parker	- - - - 1	- - - - 1
James Parker	- - 1 - -	2 - 1 - -

Above two names adjacent. At the moment I can see no reason to doubt that this is Elijah Sr. and his son, James. Others there too are:

Stiles Parker	3 1 - 1 -	1 - - 1 -
Abijah Wright	2 1 1 1 -	1 - - - 1
Abel Belknap	2 - 1 - 1	- 1 - - 1

At Middlefield, Otsego County

Abel Belknap	2 - 1 - -	1 - 1 - -

There were also five families of the name "Rice" at this place in this census.

I was very pleased to discover the information embodied in this census. I think now that the Abijah Wright at Bristol, Ontario County in 1810 is this same person and that his wife, Roxanna, had died after 1800 but sometime before 1810 and further that Abijah had remarried to a Sally [illegible] and by 1810 had had another child by her. I will attempt to see if I can get more information on this later.

Well, my friend, I guess that is about all for now. I have a couple of more letters to write.

Best regards,

George M.

John LaPiana from CYB 24 Feb 1975

Give my congratulations to Master David and compliment him on his wisdom in choosing the right parent.

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I'm enclosing a recent memo that I think you should have -- for information only, as there's nothing you can do about it.

It deals with an old question: Did Mary Newton, widow of Samuel Belknap of Belchertown, marry Elijah Parker Sr who was the father of Esther Parker, wife of Mary's son Jonas Newton Belknap?

The scanty circumstantial evidence says "Probably." There is no proof -- yet.

The two persons to whom the memo was sent have participated for years in the search for data on this branch of the family.

The Waite mentioned in the memo was the man who prepared the genealogical sections of a remarkably accurate local history written by a man who was a contemporary of Jonas in Ontario County.

The memo may be nothing but an example of my interest in much more than names and dates. But perhaps it belongs in your files -- if you prove he be a descendant of Mary Newton.

Gorham dates

1794 or early 95 – Jonas "temporary residence" Waite

1810 – Before 19 April – Samuel died at Hopewell
(His home was at Honeoye – Census 1810
as Sally)

1812 – 27 Aug and 20 Oct – Elisha "of Gorham"
Bought + sells land
(His home at Honeoye 1810 Census)

1814 – 11 January – Mrs Elijah Lawrence (Mary) aged 76
died at Gorham

1815 – 4 July – Mrs Jonas Bellknap (Rachel)
Dies at Gorham

1819 – 6 Sept – Jonas Bellknap of Gorham
sells land at Gorham

Sept 1818 JB "of Naples" made application
for Benson – (at Phelps?)

GLADYS GRAY from CYH 19 Feb 1975 Copy to GEORGE S MAY

Unsolved puzzles knaw at me, beyond my power to resist. So here I come again, with the old question: Was the Mrs Elijah Parker who died at Gorham the widow of Samuel Belknap and mother of Jonas Newton Belknap? (Mary)

In discussing this question, I'm going to try to mention everything that may possibly have any bearing on it. So I hope you and George May will forgive me for what may seem to be minor digressions -- such as the possible date of Susannah's marriage and the meaning of Waite's statement that the property in the NE corner of Springwater was sold in 1813. Some of what I say may be far afield. But I'm going to say it, anyway.

My starting point will be the new information about the Gorham lot that Jonas sold in 1819 -- which George May dug up in 1974.

THE LOT IN GORHAM (Part of lot 11 in Tws 10 in the 2nd range)

As you'll recall, all of us suspected -- years ago -- that this lot had been inherited by Jonas, from either his mother or his second wife Rachel. George May, examining the full deed signed in 1819, has supplied proof of that assumption. The deed includes the following passage:

> (Jonas) "is well seized of the premises above conveyed as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute, and indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law, fee simple."
>
> But the person from whom the lot was inherited is not named. Could have been either Mary or Rachel, comments George.

Have you ever seen any similar phrase in any of the innumerable deeds that you have examined? Am I wrong in thinking it's so extraordinary as to require explanation?

Of course, any explanation now proposed can be mere speculation. But sometimes nothing but speculation can show a possible path to follow.

When you first pointed out the discrepancy between the 1819 deed and the 1818 pension application in which Jonas denied ownership of property, I replied that such denials were common at the time, when you had to claim pauperism to qualify for a pension. All laws imposing such requirements (like the law now governing the right to buy food stamps) always produce that claim. Every Rev War veteran who applied for a pension had to make that claim, and did -- and compassionate judges permitted it.

That may have been the correct explanation of the discrepancy. But now -- considering the relationship between Jonas Belknap and Judge Stephen Phelps -- I think I see an alternative explanation that's worth considering. Like this: In the 1818 pension application, Jonas was telling the truth when he said that he did not own any property . . . i.e., did not <u>legally</u> have such ownership. What he had was simply "squatter's right" on a lot that he had taken over, upon the death of its previous owner (whom we justifiably believe could have been only Mary or Rachel) -- and which he had continued to hold in the absence of either a will or intestate proceedings. Then, a year later, when he was preparing to go to Kentucky and needed to raise money, he found a way to sell that lot -- with the aid of Judge Phelps.

The relationship between Jonas and Judge Phelps was far from ordinary. In 1818, when Jonas applied for a pension under the new pension law, his deposition was made before Judge Stephen Phelps at Canandaigua -- and the Judge was one of two former members of

the 7th Massachusetts who signed affidavits testifying to the fact that Jonas (who had lost his discharge paper) did indeed serve in that regiment, to their personal knowledge. . . . One old soldier helping another old soldier.

Now in 1819, Stephen Phelps appears again — not only as the judge before whom Jonas acknowledged the deed, but also as one of the witnesses to Jonas's signature on the deed itself.

Is it warrantable to surmise that when Jonas needed to raise money in 1819, his one-time comrade in arms helped him again, by devising a way to transfer title to property to which Jonas had no regular legal title? Was all that excessively legalistic language, in that portion of the deed, a shrewd way of conferring legal status on squatter's rights? If you could see the original deed, not just a clerk's copy, would it surprise you to discover that it was in the handwriting of Stephen Phelps? Or would you expect this?

With all yourknowledge of Ontario County land transactions, you can answer those questions far better than I can.

In any case, another question: Is there a practical way of finding the name of the last preceding owner of that Lot in Gorham, before 1814 and possibly as early as 1801? Does the Ontario Co Deed Index show locations as well as names of persons, as the Ohio indexes do?

If the name of the last preceding owner proves to be a Parker, this may support the assumption that Elijah Parker's second wife was Jonas's mother. If it proves to be a Lincoln, this may confirm that HWB (Henry W Belknap) was right when he originally showed a Lincoln as wife of Jonas (something he did not pursue when he got good evidence about Esther Parker). That is, Rachel may have been Rachel Lincoln (possibly a widow Lincoln with a young son, as I'll indicate later in this memo).

In either event, we then may have answers to all or some of the many questions that arise in connection with "Gorham" in the record of Jonas Newton Belknap and his family in Ontario County.

THE "GORHAM QUESTIONS"

A couple of years or so ago, you raised a question about the part played by Gorham in that record. Now I'm going to pose a number of such questions, which may be answered if we find out who owned that lot before Jonas had it. (The one question which completely baffles my imagination is why on earth the 1819 deed doesn't name the person from whom Jonas "indefeasibly" inherited it.) So here goes:

1) In 1810, Jonas's son Samuel dies in Gorham (in the part that later became Hopewell). How come he was there? (20 miles from his home)

2) Sometime after Summer 1810, Samuel's wife Sally (Sarah Hunt) marries Artemus Lincoln of Gorham (and later of Canandaigua) about 20 miles from where she and Samuel lived. How come she met him?

3) In 1812, shortly before leaving for Niagara County, Jonas's son Elisha "of Gorham" buys and sells land in Gorham, about 20 miles or more from where he was living in 1810? How come he was "of Gorham" when there's no record of his owning <u>and occupying</u> land in that Town? (In the 1812 transactions, he was merely a figurehead, acting for other persons.)

4) In 1814, Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary, aged 76) dies at Gorham. Two of her stepsons and possibly one of her own sons by Elijah (James, at Bloomfield) were living not far away in Ontario County? How come she was in Gorham?

5) In 1815, Mrs Jonas Belknap (Rachel) dies at Gorham. Does this indicate that Jonas was living in Gorham, after a short residence in South Bristol in 1810 and maybe a little later? Where was Jonas living between 1810 and 1818, when he was said to be "resident of Naples" in his pension application?

6) In 1819, Jonas was "of Gorham" in the deed for the lot at Gorham. Does this mean that he was living on that inherited lot?

For possible aid to George May, I'm attaching a map based on maps you sent to me in past years. The place names in the map, and in this memo, are the names of Towns, not of villages (with possible exception of Canandaigua?). Purpose of the map is to show distances, in the light of the heavily wooded nature of the area in those years. Gorham just doesn't seem to be a likely place for so many connections in so many years, with Jonas and his family. (I hope you won't object too much to inaccuracies in my map.)

Of course these six occurences of Gorham in the known record can be meaningless -- and some of them may have other explanations, as for #2, for instance.

Sally Hunt's contact with Artemus Lincoln might be the result of the fact that (according to Waite) her brother Andrew J Hunt married a sister of Artemus. But which marriage came first? Did Sally meet Artemus at Andrew's wedding, or did Andrew meet Artemus's sister at Sally's wedding? I don't know. And don't know how to find out.

But I want to explore #5 a bit, for there may be something to learn about these people by trying to study the question of Jonas's whereabouts from 1810 on.

JONAS'S LOCATIONS, AFTER 1810

In January 1910, Jonas sold 100 acres in South Bristol. The 1810 census (presumably in Summer, as it certainly was in the Richmond area) shows him in the same area and possibly on those same 100 acres (or on land contiguous to them). How long he remained there we do not know. One local historian, quoted by you, said he was in South Bristol only briefly, whatever that meant.

The 1810 census record deserves examination. In addition to Jonas and a woman whom we assume to be Rachel, it shows 2 boys 10 to 15, 1 girl under 10, 1 girl 10-15. If the ages were correct, the girls were Cynthia aged 9 and Esther aged 13 -- and one of the boys was Orin aged 11 -- leaving unaccounted for 1 boy aged 10-15, who could be Rachel's son by a first husband.

Three of Jonas's unmarried children appear to be absent from that census record: Jonas Jr aged 24, Jesse aged 18, and Susannah aged 18.

Jonas Jr might have remained on the Springwater land in 1810. All we know about that land is Waite's statement that Jonas sold it in 1813 and went to Kentucky. But Jonas Sr did not go to Kentucky till 1819. The Jonas who went earlier (about 1814, [redacted]) was Jonas Jr, who married in Ontario County in 1813. Waite didn't give dates on land sales without good reason. Perhaps he saw a deed signed Jonas Belknap, which might have been signed by Jonas Jr -- who never used "Jr" at any time of known record.

The absence of Susannah maymean that she was already married to the husband whose name is still unknown. (I'm sure she did not marry David Chatfield, for the information listing her children must -- I believe -- have come from [redacted]

the Mrs Cynthia Avery who gave Waite such accurate information about Jonas's children.) So maybe Susannah married at 17 -- not uncommon in our family in those years.

The absence of Jesse may be apparent only. Perhaps the census classified him as 10-15, though he was 18.

However, there is another possible explanation for the absence of three children from the 1810 census of Jonas's household. Examining a microfilm record of the 1810 census, John Sherman in Los Angeles found that the record of the household of Jonas's brother Seth, in Richmond, had an added phrase: "Three other free persons."

If these three were the oldest unmarried children of Jonas, then what I see may be an instance of something that has happened a number of times in various branches of the Belknap family -- the refusal by older children to accept a father's second wife. This may be what happened. In my own ancestry, beginning with Jonas's son Jesse and his wife Jane Garlinghouse, records and memories of Jonas's first wife Esther Parker have been lovingly preserved -- but his second wife Rachel and the third wife Tamar (and Diantha the daughter) were never mentioned.

I hope these apparent digressions don't seem intrusions. Actually, I'm still on my way toward talking about that Gorham lot.

No matter how we interpret that 1810 census, what is clear is that Jonas, aged 51, was now no longer in position to engage in farming on large acreage. He had run out of family farm hands. The only son left to aid him was only 11 years old.

We may surmise that he had married Rachel in late 1809, a few months after the death of his first wife Esther Parker -- had moved to newly bought land in South Bristol -- found that he no longer could handle large-scale farming -- and quickly sold the land he had bought only a short time before January 1810.

From then on, the only known place where he could have lived, between 1810 and 1819, was that 20-acre lot in Gorham. So, two possibilities: (1) If that lot was in the posession of his mother Mary, he and his reduced family could have moved in with her; or (2) If that lot had come into the hands of Rachel, by inheritance from a first husband, Jonas and she could have moved there at some time not too long after mid-1810. And Jonas, from then on, could have been supporting himself and his diminished family by engaging in his craft -- coopering. (This craft is named only once, in the surviving records of Jonas -- in the pension application he signed in Kentucky in 1820. But he may well have followed it in his last few years in Ontario County.)

But what about the wording of his 1818 pension applicant, which terms him a "resident of Naples"? I don't think that this contradicts the assumption that the 20-acre lot in Gorham was then his home base. I take the wording -- "resident of Naples" instead of the usual "of Naples" -- to mean that he was momentarily in Naples at that time, not making his home there. He could have been working there at the moment, while his family remained on the lot at Gorham.

So I return to the hope that it may be possible to find out who owned that lot before Jonas occupied it.

Earlier in this memo, I said that the search for the preceding owner might have to go back to 1801. That statement was based on the fact the the 1800 census shows Elijah Parker Sr and his wife living alone in Otsego county -- and they do not appear in the 1810 census of that county or Ontario county. If Elijah Sr followed his sons to Ontario County, it was after 1800, when maybe 70 years old -- and a small lot near a village might have been a logical place for him to live (especially, perhaps, if he was a preacher as tradition in my family says he was).

But if that Gorham lot was one that had been inherited by Rachel from her first husband (whatever his name was) then the search for the preceding owner might have to go back into years before 1800.

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I'll be grateful for comments from you and George May -- especially if you see any errors in what I've been saying, or reasons for doubting my surmises.

1. Same old question (Gray quote)
2. ~~Brown~~ letter
   - unread
   - what explains it?
   - Last prev. owner? (Elijah)
3. Last known data on Elijah
   1790
   1800
   age 76 in 1800 (b abt 1724 pinA)
   Query: d ~~after~~ 1800-1809 - where?
   Not in 1810 Census (Poss Gorham?)
4. The Gorham date
5. JB's movements
   - Richmond 1795 to 1809
   - Not ~~reason~~ of sale of Richmond land)
   ~~+~~ (with ~~died~~ 1812 - ~~possibly~~ Jonas Jr(?)
   - Bristol in 1810 - 5 ~~slaves~~ (So Bristol - ~~slaves~~ only)
   - No further record till 1818 ~~of~~ Naples
   - est 1819 ~~of~~ Gorham

[illegible] - lot sold by James Bellknap



Gorham.

Waite 55

Jones B ---- made a temporary residence in the corner of Hopewell & Canandaigua [illegible] near Canandaigua (Remembers 1794)

Waite p 56

"Jones B sold out in 1813 to John Kelley (and) went to Ply"

1813 was prob Jan —

Jonas "was" owner of highways & fenced mine in Middletown in 1808"

JB sold his Richmond land to Aaron Hurlt 1806 JB built house in Spwater (then in Middletown)

Spwater formed from Naples & parts in 1816

April 6 1808 Middletown changed to Naples

Alethea (Alta) "about 70" — in 1850 (living March 1880)
R c 1810 - married George Roberts 5 Jan 1832, Hopewell

Samantha (never married) — 40 yrs old in 1850 Census (b. 1809-10)
Brown as "half sister" in 1860
died 30 July 1879, age 71

Sarah - died 1878 — "age 95"

Born 1807 ?

Samuel's ch.

P. 2
(2)

Frank Belknap
Buffalo
Rock
Syr

P 3
(3)

156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York 14456
October 16, 1969

Greetings,

You can still trust your assumptions. I should have told you that the Springwater history was a modern off-set copy of the 1888 volume, published by Mr. Schnuker as a personal venture. You would enjoy his bookshop at Springwater. He and his wife close up in December and rest up for four months in Florida.

I'm sorry for this yellow paper - just ran out of the white.

You'll probably say - "What! More material?" However, you know where to file it if not of sufficient interest. His material I wanted to keep a while typing various notes, decided you'd look at it

P 4

1. Gorham material - represents my conclusions and finds to date. The larger map shows the general disposition of property (Lot #33 is not an error after all.) If you superimpose the smaller map on what I've already sent you you can see the general line of travel.

2. Sarah Belknap Lincoln - She continues to interest me, very evidently a strong character. I'm going to try and find one of the Lincolns in Canandaigua who may have a genealogical passion and perhaps find 'Rachel'. I am also interested in the Hunt family, but don't know where to look yet.

3. Hobart College Library - Mrs. Schnuker informed me that someone by name of Belknap had written a definitive book on milk glass, so I went to the library here to look it up. Did not find that but did find the two indicated. I hope you don't want a digest of the impeachment proceedings.

   The old Appleton Cyclopedia is a favorite of mine - frequently contains names not found elsewhere, plus pictures. The National Cyclopedia is full of pictures of Belknaps. I listed the names, and also the family descent of one of them.

4. Telephone Directories - Went to pay my bill and saw all these directories near the door. Copied out names from three. Certainly all of these could not have been newcomers and, at a guess, one or two at least may have come from families of long residence - but which ones?

I'm glad 'Fannie' is off the list. When do you think Jonas married Tamar? And speaking of handwriting, the clerk who copied Jonas' deed (page 2, III) certainly had difficulties with that name. But how could he forget that he had already written Jonas twice, and then erase it and put James in the affidavit?

Well - you did all right by the Mets. Keep it up. Have fun.

Gladys

SOME THOUGHTS ON THE GORHAM MATERIAL

I. Waite - p. 55

"Jonas Belknap, a soldier of the Revolution, from Massachusetts but who had also been a resident of the valley of Wyoming, made a temporary residence in the corner of Hopewell near Canandaigua, and then in the spring of 1795 came to this hollow . . ."

Question: Might Jonas have purchased land here in Lot #11 at this time? Certainly it is a 'corner near Canandaigua'.

Question: Might Elisha have brought his family here and been living on his father's property when involved in the Benham affair?

II. Elisha and the Benham property:

A. Ebenezer Benham died about 1810 or 1811.
May 3, 1812 (24-125) the court found that personal assets were not sufficient to cover debts of $1,087.57 and gave permission to executors, Ebenezer Benham and Eli Benham, to sell sufficient property to meet this debt.

B. Aug. 27, 1812 - (17-362) - $101 - Administrators sold to Elisha Belknap, of Town of Gorham, two plots of land - one of ten acres and one of 100 acres. (Probably Lot #33 - see ** on next page.)

Aug. 27, 1812 - (17-364) - Elisha Belknap resold the same property to Eli Benham.

C. Oct. 20, 1812 - (24-126) - $381 - Administrators sold to Elisha Belknap - a part of lot #37

"beginning at se corner of James Lee's lot, thence
north - 19 chains, 90 links
east - 12 chains, 57 links
south - parallel with west line to the south line
west - on south line to place of beginning
25 acres.

- a part of lot #35

"beginning on south line, 21 rods west of the se corner
north - parallel with the east line to the north line
west - 95 rods
south - parallel with east line to the south line
east - to place of beginning.

Oct. 20, 1812 - (24-125) - Elisha Belknap sold to Eli Benham for $116 - the 25 acre plot.

Oct. 20, 1812 - (24-127) - Elisha Belknap sold to Ebenezer Benham for $265 - the part of lot #35.

D. It seems evident that these transactions were not only to get money to settle the estate but to allow the administrators to secure the pieces of property for themselves.

III. September 6, 1819 - $450 - (96-21) -
Jonas Belknap of Gorham - sold to James Moore - 20 acres
in Township 10, second rangge, part of lot #11

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"beginning in the center of the highway leading from the Turnpike to Chapin Mills and at the ne corner of lands deeded by Israel Chapin to Samuel Wilber, thence
north - 46 rods on the highway
west - on a line parallel with the south line 69 rods, 14 links
south - 46 rods on a line parallel with the east line to Samuel Wilber's land
east - 69 rods, 14 links to place of beginning.

(Note: Strangely enough, this was not recorded until June 21, 1851. A check of deeds before and after it revealed no connection with this property, so far as I could see.

Amusing error: The copyist had made a fine signature for 'Jonas Belknap'. In the opening part it also read Jonas, but had evidently been written over an erasure. In the affidavit there was also an erasure and 'James' Belknap swore that he signed the deed!)

There is no doubt but what this Jonas in Gorham is the one we are concerned with. It is interesting that apparently he told the ~~census people~~ Judge he had no property in 1818, though the actual deed was not given until nine months or so later.

Checking and re-checking cannot discover the source of this property. If he bought it under (I) above, the deed might well have been unrecorded - many were. It might have belonged to Rachel who died in 1815 in Gorham.

Question: I am assuming that Jonas and Aaron Hunt probably knew each other in the Wyoming valley - though there is no indication of it. If Aaron came up the Indian trail on the southern route into Naples, how come Jonas ended up in Hopewell? This might well have been the water route which eventually came up the Canandaigua Outlet at least as far as Manchester - although some flat boats made it to Canandaigua.

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(** - Jan. 17, 1809 - $420.55 - (13-571) - Oliver Phelps to Ebenezer Benham - 100 acres off the west end of Lot #33, 80 x 20 rods, bounded on north, south and west by lines of Lot #33, and on the east by a line to be drawn parallel to west line and at such a distance as will make up 100 acres.)

(14-416)
(14-417)

ODDS AND ENDS CONCERNING SARAH BELKNAP LINCOLN

I. Waite, page 56 -
"Samuel married Sarah, youngest daughter of Aaron Hunt, and died in Hopewell in 1810. His widow married Artemus Lincoln."

II. April 19, 1810 - Letters of Administration issued to wife, Sarah, and friend Abijah Wright.

III. Date of Marriage uncertain.
According to 1850 census, Sarah was four years older than Artemas. The latter was a farmer, born in Massachusetts.
Census says Sarah was born in Pennsylvania.
In the same household Samantha Belknap is listed as being 40 years old. This might indicate she was the youngest child of Samuel and Sarah, probably born in 1809.
The Lincoln's farm holdings were valued at $16,000 in 1850.

(Leman B. Garlinghouse, age 36, a miller, and his wife, Martha, age 32, plus Charles, age 3, and Frederick, age 1, were also listed in Town of Hopewell .)

IV. Other Belknap children mentioned in estate settlements:

A. Alta Belknap (Alethea), whose age is given as 'about 70' in 1880 during settlement of Samantha's estate.
Alethea Belknap married George Rogers Jan. 5, 1825, in Hopewell.
Living in Michigan at time of 1880.
She might have been a twin of Samantha, or born just prior or posthumously.

B. Mercy Belknap - married David Trembly June 15, 1831 - in Trumansburg.
Might she have been a sister of Alta?

V. &. Listed as 'half-sister or half-brother' to Samantha, 1880:
A. Hannah Chapin, of Hopewell, wife of Charles Chapin, executor of Artemas Lincoln's will (S-721) 'about 65'
Possibly first child of Sarah and Artemas (1814/15)
B. Hannah Emma Eliza Sutherland, wife of Reuben 'about 48' - (183?/32
C. Myron Lincoln - Mitchell, Ind. - 'about 44' - (1835/36)
D. Marvin Lincoln, deceased - birthdate not known, in view of childrens' ages, probably between Hannah and Sarah.
1. Sarah - 'about 57' (1842-43) (Married a Shaw)
2. Charlotte Francisco - 'about 34' (1845-46)
3. Artemas D. Lincoln - 'about 32' (1847-48)

VI. Property of Artemas Lincoln - extensive
A. Check of Index of Grantees shows that he purchased 11 pieces of property between 1811 and 1839: 44 acres in 1811 on Canandaigua Lake (T10-R3), 50 acres Lot #23 (T10-R2) 1816 and a further 103 acres of Lot #23 in 1827. Adjoining property was bought at various other times.

B. Check of Index of Grantors naturally shows fewer transactions. The most interesting are the sales of property to his children:

May 10, 1856: (110-263, 266, 268; 436; 126-179)
1. 66 acres - to Sarah Sutherland
2. 30 acres - to Hannah Chapin
3. May 15, 1856: 65 acres and 39 acres - to Marvin Lincoln
4. Aug. 25, 1856 - Lot #99, Town of Manchester - Charles Chapin
5. July 16, 1856 - 18 acres in #23, 102 acres in #23, and another 2 acres — Myron H. Lincoln

VII. Will of Artemas Lincoln (died 1867)

A. To his wife, Sarah, all personal property and the part of the farm south of Old Turnpike Road, plus the use of house and lot in Orleans County, and use of shop and lot in village of Canandaigua.
B. To Sarah Sutherland - part of farm north of Turnpike
C. To Hannah Chapin - $300
D. Tl Alta Rogers - $200
E. To Samantha - use of 47 acres, bounded on north by Chapin, east by Wykoff, south by Marvin Lincoln, west by Town Line.
F. Portion of farm south of Turnpike to be portioned to grandchildren after death of Sarah.
G. Charles Chapin, Executor.

VIII. Sarah Belknap Lincoln

A. Dec. 31, 1858 - $2,000 (116-474) - William Antis and Alice F., his wife; Eliza C. Antis, widow of Abner Antis, Mary Ann Antis, wife of Robert Antis - sold to Sarah Lincoln, wife of Artemas Lincoln, of Town of Hopewell

"commencing on the west line of Main Street, Canandaigua, 136'6" south of south line of Bristol Street, thence
S - 54'6"
W - 147'
N - 86'6"
E - 47'
S - 32'
E - 100'
Also a right of way on the north side of Robert Antis' Gun Shop as same was conveyed to Sarah ~~xxxx~~.

B. Oct. 23, 1867 - Sarah Lincoln gave a quit-claim deed to this property to Samantha Belknap and Emma E., Cassius M., Alice A., and Ralph Sutherland, children of Emma. Reserving right and use of property during her natural lifetime, thence life use to Samantha, thence life use to Emma Sutherland

C. 1878 - Sarah Lincoln died - "age 95"

IX: Samantha Belknap died July 30, 1879, age 72. Emma Sutherland, Administrator - "principle estate being a distributive share of personal estate of Sarah Lincoln".

ODDS AND ENDS THAT MAY INTEREST

I. HOBART COLLEGE LIBRARY - Geneva, New York

A. Belknap, Jeremy (1744-1798) - HISTORY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, 3 volumes. (974.2 - B 412)

B. Belknap, William W. - PROCEEDINGS OF THE SENATE SITTING FOR THE TRIAL OF WILLIAM W. BELKNAP, LATE SECRETARY OF WAR. 1166 pages, 1876. 44th Congress.

C. Appleton - CYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY: Vol. I, 224, 225
Articles on William Goldsmith Belknap, 1794-1851, of Newburg;
William Worth Belknap, 1829-1890.

D. NATIONAL CYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY: from Index under BELKNAP

Charles H. - jurist 12:476
George E. - naval officer 4:206 - picture
Jeremy - Clergyman 7:204 - picture
Robert L. - business executive 30:396 - picture
William B. - manufacturer 16:86
William E. - engineer 31:442 - picture
William G. - soldier - 4:23
William R. - merchant 16:86-picture
William W. - statesman 4:23 - picture
Belknap family - descendants of Abraham 30:396, 31:442
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Company 16:86
Belknap, Johnson & Powell - umbrellas 36:556

(Ancestry of William Ethelbert Belknap, Yonkers, 7/20/1867, (31:442) given as follows:
Abraham and Mary Webster Belknap - Joseph and Hannah Meakins - Thomas and Jane Chever (?) - Samuel and Lydia Stearns - Samuel and Abigail Flagg - Charles and Rachel Flick - Charles and Abigail O'dell.

Charles - naval officer - 44:179
George E. - naval officer 42:22
Raymond H. - insurance executive - J-174
Reginald R. - naval officer - E-32

CARROLL YORK BELKNAP 25 Club Road Riverside, Connecticut 06878

Oct 17, 1969

MEMO TO: Gladys Gray
George S May
E Clinton Belknap

First, let me say "Thanks" to all three of you for information you've given me recently — not yet digested nor even acknowledged. In this memo, I'm merely going to summarize where I think we stand, after getting the Walbridge book.

It's going to be obvious that I'm placing heavy reliance on the statements of D B Waite. As all of you know my well-founded distrust of local histories, why I must say, I trust Mr Waite. . . First, he himself stated clearly that he relied on evidence, "knowing full well that when we controvert the long-published data of misinformed and guessed-work historians who have preceded us, we are incurring the displeasure (of descendants of early settlers)" . . . Second, there are continual indications that his statements depend on valid evidence, not on recollection or hearsay. . . Third, whenever he says anything on which I have factual knowledge from other sources, he is entirely correct. . . . So I trust what he says, when it differs from what someone else has said.

Now, to begin with, what I'll call FINISHED BUSINESS.

(1) Proof of parentage of Elisha, for Carol Anne: I have plenty, now.

(2) The "two Jonas Belknaps": I'm sure you'll agree, now, that there was only one — and that two different census takers caught Jonas in two different places at two different times in 1800. I can write an essay supporting this conclusion, if necessary — but by this time all of you have beaten me to it, I'm sure.

(3) Jonas at Worcester N Y in 1798 — I now resume my early disbelief. He can't have been in Otsego Co. in that year. The citation of the church record, in Early Settlers of New York State, June-Aug 1939, must contain an error in copying — such as turning 1793 into 1798. (Modern historical publications don't command respect merely because they are printed. An issue of Oregon Historical Society journal, for example, says Jesse's son Ransom was born in Hart County, Ky -- but Ransom himself testified that it was Hardin County.)

Next, the UNFINISHED BUSINESS -- and there's lots of it.

(1) Who was the Rachel ---- that Jonas married at some time between June 10 1809 and the taking of the census in Town of Bristol, 1810?

(2) When did Jonas marry Tamar Vinton — between death of Rachel and the date of his pension application in Ky, 1820?

(3) Who was Diantha — the "one daughter aged 21 years" whom he named in that application? Was she daughter of Jonas, by Rachel? Or daughter of Tamar, by Asa Newton? 9

(4) What were the names of Samuel's children, and dates of birth? After his widow married Artemus Lincoln, did these children take Lincoln name, or retain Belknap name?

(5) Did Cynthia marry Isaac Newton? I have many reasons for thinking so; but no proof, yet. . . Also, who was Isaac Newton son of?

(6) What children did Gamaliel Garlinghouse and his wife Esther Belknap have? We know only one — Mrs Cynthia Avery.

(5½) What children did Cynthia have? ~~We know only one~~ — Cynthia Gilbert (which I'll bet was her married name; Lorenzo Gilbert from Ontario County — mentioned by Waite — married Jesse's daughter Hannah; a brother of his ~~may have married a daughter of Cynthia~~).

(7) When did Elijah, Jonas Jr, Jesse — and Gamaliel Garlinghouse — and Isaac Newton — go to Kentucky? We know only that Jesse was in Hardin County in 1817, when Ransom was born — and that the others were [illegible] in Hart Co. in 1820 — and that Jonas Sr did not leave Ontario Co till late 1819 or early 1820 (although his close associate Stiles Parker was in Ky in 1818).

(8) What was the parentage of our Garlinghouse girls — Catherine, Jane, Mary Ann (Polly)? I have only family tradition for saying they were sisters. I'm betting they (like Gamaliel Garlinghouse) were children of the James(Sr) who was in Ontario County in 1800 or before and in Ky in 1820. But no proof.

There — that's enough to occupy you, if you have idle time on your hands.

Me, I've got to lay off of you for a moment or so, while I resume pestering other people — to whom I haven't written since last Summer, 1968. Their unanswered letters are stacked deep on my desk.

P S Lest I forget George May's surmise.

(9) Was Mrs Elijah Parker (Mary), who died Jan 11 1814 at Gorham, the Mary Newton who was Jonas's mother? That is, had she married Esther Parker's father Elijah (sr) at some time after her husband Samuel Belknap died in 1775? Was she the wife shown for Elijah (sr) in 1790 census, Canajoharie? The age at death — 76 — is OK. But all we know for sure is that the Belchertown church record says she "removed" after Samuel's death. We don't know date of death for Elijah's first wife, Martha Stiles. I think (guess?) she must have been a widow when she died.

w/ letter Jan 25 1968

X Samantha Alethea

BELKNAP-GARLINGHOUSE RESEARCH - A few more finds

I. 1790 Census - Records for New Jersey destroyed by fire.

1790 Census - Luzerne Co., Penna. - James Garlinghouse
1 male over 16, 2 females.

II. Record of burials in Allen's Hill Cemetery, Town of Richmond.

GARLINGHOUSE, Joseph M - 1850 - 1882	10/6/56 - 7/4/82
Joseph - 1862, ae. 70	2/22/62, ae 77
Submit - 1861, ae. 70	4/16/1861
Amelia S. - 1845, ae 11	7/9/1845 - youngest dau. of Joseph & Submit Garlinghouse
Nellie B. - 1858 - 1942	
Lucy 1825 - 1905	
Nelson - 1812 - 1895	
Lovina - 1879, ae 38	
Mary H. Deal - 1873-1931	Mother
Stoughton T. - 1863-1947	Father
Leonard D. - 1907-1950	Son

Note: The above was given in records in Museum. Additions in red are those noted from actual visit to cemetery on 10/30/67.

III. Additional data on deaths - daughter of Samuel

Samantha Bellknap - 7/30/1879 - age 72 - Town of Hopewell (born 1807)

Joseph Garlinghouse - 6/21/1876- age 55, died in Mt. Morris

Mrs. Joseph Garlinghouse (Submit) - died 4/26/61, in Auburn (formerly of Town of Richmond)

Leman B. Garbinghouse - died 7/31/1872 - age 59 - Canandaigua

X Mrs. Elijah Parker (Mary) - died Jan. 11, 1814 at Gorham, age 76 (1738 born)

Daughter of Samuel

IV. Marriages

Alethea Belknap to George Rogers, Jan. 5, 1825 - Hopewell

Mercy Belknap - to David Trembly - 6/15/1831 - Trumansburg

Nelson Garlinghouse to Lorinda Short - 6/1/1836 - Richmond

V. Index of Town of Richmond cemeteries - Honeoye Library.

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

GARLINGHOUSE, Reuben - died Mar. 28, 1816 - age 8 days
Son of Wm. S. & Submit Garlinghouse

William S. - died July 25, 1817, age 8 weeks
Son of Joseph & Submit Garlinghouse

(Richmond Center Cemetery)

William & Submit Garlinghouse
Ashley
Mathers

VI. from Conover, HISTORY OF ONTARIO CO., p. 379
Township # 7, range 4

In District No. 7 the first settler was Aaron Hunt, who built the first grist mill in the neighborhhod. Others in this vicinity were ....Jonas Belknap.

In District No. 8 was Stephen Garlinghouse

TOWN OF RICHMOND was Township 9, in range 5.

TOWN OF GORHAM - Townships 9 & 10, second range.
Called Easton 1/27/1789
Changed to Lincoln - 4/17/06
Changed to Gorham - 4/6/1807.
In 1822, Township No. 10 was taken from Gorham and became Hopewell.

VII. from McIntosh, W. H. - HISTORY OF ONTARIO COUNTY, 1788-1876
District #13 in Town of Gorham - Otis Lincoln

p. 227 - (this may be partial duplication of earlier material)
Joseph,(son of James Garlinghouse, a settler in Ontario about 1800, from New Jersey,) some years after his arrival here bought 25 acres near Allen's Hill giving in payment a uniform of a militia officer. He served in the War of 1812; was at the burning of Buffalo; brought back a musket which he exchanged for a cow. He married Submit Sheldon and settled in the west part of the town (Richmond) on farm owned by Tisdale Ashley.

Joseph Garlinghouse raised a family of 8 children, four of whom are living - Nelson, Joseph, Louise, Mary. Nelson, has lived 26 years on Allen's Hill

At the time of his death in 1862, Mr. Joseph Garlinghouse was janitor of the State Senate Chamber. Mr. Folger addressed the Senate in reference to his decease and the following brief extract is given: "During the intense anti-Masonic excitement which convulsed western New York he was in active service of the State in persuit and capture of the persons indicted as participants in the Morgan abduction, and was also in the service of the government in the removal of the Cherokee in Mississippi, and in these capacities exhibited resolution, sagacity and persistence.

p. 229 - Justin Hamilton went to Kentucky in 1818, traded his land there to John Garlinghouse, and moved to Ohio.

p. 229 - Job Wood was an early resident on the W. G. Pierce lands. He was preceded upon the farm by Benjamin Garlinghouse, cousin of the sheriff.

VIII. Re LINCOLN family.

As you can see from item on name of Gorham, the Lincoln family was early in this territory - and still are in the region of Canandaigua, even in our own church. In the cemetery at Reeds Corners (Gorham Township) are stones for the following Lincolns:

Henry Lincoln - b. June 13, 1802 - died Feb. 1, 1885
Louisa - wife Jan. 16, 1805 - died May 13, 1882
Clement A. - son - died Feb. 15, 1859 - age 15
Clarissa A. - died Nov. 26, 1852 - in 29th year

Flavius - 1827-1885
Mary A. Hubbell, his wife - 1833-1922
Burr W. - 1868-1887

Ira W. - 1836-1905
Clementine Warfield - 1838-1921

1790 Census - General Otis Lincoln: 1-0-2-1-1//0-2-2-0-1

Order of taking census showed following Elijah Belknap - Elisha Belknap - Moses Briggs* - Jane Garlinghouse - William S.... - James Garlinghouse, Jr. - Phineas Parker - James Parker

*(see entry above under V - "Bettie Belknap, etc.)

IX - SAMANTHA BELKNAP (Belknap-Lincoln interrelationship? File #204 - Surrogate's Office -(died 7/30/1879, age 72) contained listing of heirs - her principle estate being "a distributive share of the personal estate of Sarah Lincoln, deceased" - as follows: Alta Rogers, a sister - Byron, Mich; Myron W. Lincoln, half-brother - Mitchell, Ind.; Hannah Chapin,

half-sister - Hopewell; Emma Sutherland, half-sister - Hopewell; Sarah J. Shaw and Rose Francisco, daughters of Marvin D. Lincoln deceased who was a brother of Samantha - Gorham; Artemas D. Lincoln a son of Marvin D. Lincoln, deceased, Canandaigua.

X * BENJAMIN GARLINGHOUSE - Revolutionary hero, 1761-1850 - Hunts Hollow cemetery, Naples. Marcia Garlinghouse, died Nov. 18, 1845 - age 77.

Surrogate's Office - File 49 - "Renunciation of heirs" lists following: Stephen A. Garlinghouse, Samuel Garlinghouse, Joseph French, Elizabeth French, Julia Ann French - James French, Jr. was given letters of administration.

XI - LEMAN B. GARLINGHOUSE - died July 25, 1872 - Petition for letters of administration made by Martha A. Garlinghouse, widow "left children as follows: Charles A. - Arthur - W. Edward - Walter S. - Carrie - Holmes S. - of Canandaigua, and Frederick L. residing in Saco, Maine. W. Edward, Walter S., Holmes S. were minors.

XII - A strange coincidence - to be rechecked: I was attempting to verify the identity of a person mentioned in a will of a person I'm writing about, and apparently I found both your family names:

Laura S. Garlock, wife of Cyrus Garlock, was person I centered on. I found a copy of the will of their son, George Garlock - heirs renouncing their interests in favor of Kate Garlock:
One of heirs, Clara Belknap - signed her affidavit in Kent Co., Michigan, March 5, 1890. (L 197 - p. 93)

In another entry entirely I discovered the name of Carrie Phillips Carlinghouse - daughter of Laura and Judson Phillips,- Laura being daughter of Isaac and Caroline Tilton.

Once your eyes get conditioned to certain names, they do pop up.

156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York 14456
January 25, 1968

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

Greetings in the New Year,

The inclosed newspaper clipping was in our locd paper last night and I thought you might be interested.

I am also inclosing four pages of additional material which I came across in the course of my fall activities. Some of it may be a duplication, since I neglected to keep a carbon copy of the second lot of material. However, if it is, you probably have a circular file, too.

I have on my current roll of black and white film in the camera a couple of pictures of family cemetery plots. When the roll is completed, I'll send them on to you. Their discovery (the plots, that is) provided very pleasant goals for otherwise casual riding.

I presume you are deeply surrounded by all the clippings and notes. What a job it must be. I am attempting to reclassify my notes and bibliography - writing out all I know about the various individuals - preparatory to condensing. It is really much more fun investigating than collating.

Here's hoping 1968 provides some really stunning surprises for each of us.

Cordially yours,

Gladys P. Gray

Inc.

Sarah Hunt

White lists (SA) chn of Aaron Hunt

Aaron J - Andrew - Jane - Sarah

Aaron
- when b?
- when m?

Andrew
- m 1795
- if 20 was 35 in 1810
- was b 1775
- if m at 18 was b 1777

Jane
- 16-26 in 1810
- m abt 1805
- if so then, was 25 in 1810
- was b 1785
- m Samuel R 1784
- if 18 in 1805, was b 1787

An A L Hunt - son of Andrew Jr

- if 70 in 1877 was b 1807
- if 60 " " " b 1817
- if 65 " " " b 1812

Sarah m Artemus Lunsford

- 1810
- 1811
- 1812

Query: b date for Dr Hunt?

Joseph (1st)

CARROLL YORK BELKNAP 25 Club Road Riverside, Connecticut 06878

April 23 1974

Recorder of Deeds
Hampshire County
Northampton, Mass.

Dear Sir:

At times in the past, your office has kindly supplied copies of various documents that I sought.

Can you supply copies of any deeds bearing the name of Joseph Belknap (Belnap, etc.) as either grantor or grantee? If so, I need all that are available. The period is 1668 to 1696, at Deerfield.

My check for $3 is enclosed. If more is needed, let me know.

Very truly yours,
C. Y. Belknap

C. Y. Belknap

Dear Mr. Belknap,

There is nothing listed in either the grantor or grantee file for a Joseph Belknap (Belnap). We are returning your check for $3.00.

Thank you.

R.F. Czelusniak
Register

156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York 14456
September 12, 1975

Greetings,

Suggestion for your difficulty: Why not include the name of the organization with which Miss Mankin is connected: Miss Betsy Mankin, Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Collection, South England Street, Williamsburg, West Virginia 23185. If that doesn't work, a note to the publishers of the magazine in which request appeared: New York State History Association, Wendell Tripp, Editor, Cooperstown, N. Y., 13326. However, I think the first will work.

I borrowed Clinton's book from Boston. It is certainly a fine production. If he had all those pages for a consideration of one of Jonas' nine children, how many volumes will yoube considering in considering the whole family???

Of course, I was most interested in Jonas' family in Ontario County - meeting so many of my old friends, and old problems like Tamar and Diantha-the Gorham property, etc. All very fascinating as many details I had never had to know were now filling in the gaps in my knowledge. I even found my name mentioned two or three times. I was sorry to see on page 82 that Hunts Hollow got printed as Hobbs Hollow, though it was correctly reported on page 88 when Clinton listed sources. For a while, However, I stared at "Hobbs Hollow" and wondered where he had found that.

Actually, the description of that portion of the family locations still seems to provide diffulty. It doesn't detract from the book, since noone but me knows where it is. A more accurate reading might have been: "Here, in and around the Middletown area, now Naples Township - adjoining Hunts Hollow - Pittstown, village now known as Honeoye - in Richmond Township, Ontario County - Jonas plied his trade. Other members of the family lived in nearby Livingston County, still part of Ontario until 1821. It is the problem of the indiscriminate use of "town" for both villages and townships.

I shall constantly dip here and there in Clinton's monumental work before I send it back to Boston. It is the best genealogy published recently that I have examined.

As ever,

Gladys

John LaPiana from CYB 12 June 1976
Copies to Jane Bowman and E.C. Belknap

Before I came to hospital, I drafted some notes about the great progress you have made. I haven't been able to recall where I put them. So, in this memo, I'll be relying on memory, hoping that you will spot any inaccuracies. Perhaps what I say may suggest some next steps that you'll wish to take.

My notes included five or six careful statements of the products of your recent searches. Like this:

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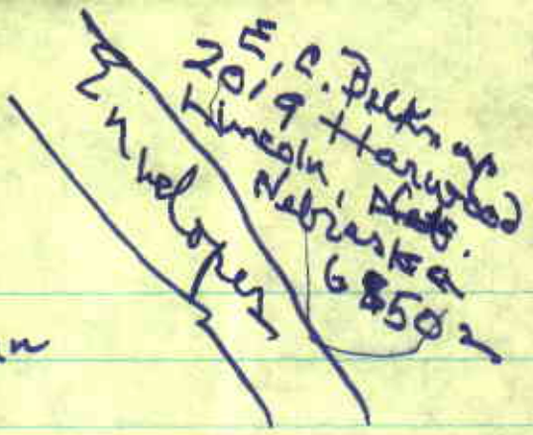
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D.26 Jul.1837, D. Feb.1873,De Witt,Ark.,
M.24 May 1807, dau. of Sylvanus Thompson of Brimfield
b.Brimfield,Mass.(Wales), & Mehitabel Locke(Brewer),
d.Smithland,Ky.
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rem.1810/1 to Worcester,Mass.,
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" to Nashville,Tenn.
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Children:

496. Caroline b.Marietta,O.
B.15 Jul.1808, D. Aug.1808,

497. * William Burke,b.Brimfield,Mass.,
B.17 May 1811, D.24 Feb.1889,

498. * Jane Gilman,b.Worcester,Mass.
B.14 Feb.1813, D. 3 Feb.1838,Smithland,Ky.

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B. 2 Nov.1815, D.23 Jul.1893,New Orleans,La.,

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B. 2 Feb.1818, D.

501. * Mary Judson,b.Pittsburgh,
B. 9 Jun.1820, D.

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B. 9 Jun.1821, D. Jan.1893,

503. * Elizabeth Wolcott,b.Droner Furnace,Tenn.,
B.23 May 1829, D.

496.1. William Burke, b.Marietta,O.
B.24 Jul.1809, D.12 Feb.1811,Brimfield,Mass.

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497. O.N.634.

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William Burke, Belknap & Mary Richardson, (254, 118, 48, 15, 4, 1,)
B.17 May 1811, B.11 Jun.1821,
D.24 Feb.1889, D.28 [illegible], lvg.1910,
M.30 May 1843, dau. of William Richardson of Lex-
b.Brimfield,Mass., & ington,Ky.
d. Synia Higgins
res.Louisville,Ky.1834,

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Children:

897. Frances Smith,
B.29 Apl.1844, D. 8 Feb.1849,

898. * Caroline,
B. 2 Jul.1846, D.30 May.1897,

899. * William Richardson, lvg.1910,
B.28 Mar.1849, D.

900. Lucy, unmarried, lv'g 1910,
B. 9 May 1854, D.

901. * Morris Burke, b.Louisville, Ky.,
B. 7 Jun.1856, D.13 Apl.1910,

498. O.N.634a1.

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Jane Gilman Belknap & Thomas L. Jewett, (254,118,48,15,4,1,)
B.14 Feb.1813, B. 9 Apl.1809, Harford, Md.
D. 3 Feb.1838, D. 3 Nov.1876, New York City,
M.11 Apl.1837, son of John Jewett
b.Worcester, Mass., &
d.Smithland, Ky., Susanna Judge,
res. M.18 May 1843, Ann Haines
he a Quaker. B.11 Dec.1812,
he bur. Steubenville, O. D.13 Apl.1898,
he was employed in a tannery in dau. of John Haines
Harford & later a leather merch- &
ant in N.Y.City. He rem. to Ky. Mary Bewont
& studid law which he practised
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was appartner of Secy. of War Stanton.

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Children: I., (JEWETT)

James Belknap, mar. 21 Dec. 1364, Fanny Bryden, 23 Apl. 1668, Elizabeth C. Johnson.
B. 3 Feb. 1338, D.

493. O.N.634a2.

James Thompson Bellknap & Martha Jones Sheppard, (254, 118, 48, 15, 4, 1
B. 2 Nov. 1815, B. 23 Aug. 1823,
D. 23 Jul. 1893, D. 4 Apl. 1877,
M. 30 Oct. 1843, dau. of Abraham Sheppard of Salma, Ala.
b. Brimfield, Mass., &
d. New Orleans, La. Eleanor Wallace
res. New Orleans, 1849-
bur. Louisville, Ky.

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Children:

902. * Morris Sheppard, b. New Orleans, La.,
B. 12 Aug. 1845, D. 19 Jul. 1890/1, Louisville, Ky.,
903. * Eleanor Wallace Thompson,
B. 15 Jul. 1848, D. 21 May 1888,
904. * Bettie Powell, lvg. 1911,
B. 22 Jun. 1855, D.

898. O.H.920.

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Caroline Belknap & Charles James Fox Allen,(497,254,118,48,15,4,

B. 2 Jul.1846, B.

D.30 May 1897, D.

M. 6 Jun.1865, son of Charles James Fox Allen of Pittsfield,Mass

b. & Mary Willis

d.

res.

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Children: (ALLEN)

William Belknap, mar. 30 May 1901, Frances Young of St. Louis, Mo.
B. 10 Dec. 1867, D.

Lafon, unmarried, 1910,
B. 2 Aug. 1871, D.

Ethel, mar. 4 Jun. 1900, Harold M. Gage of Worcester, Mass.
B. 12 Jan. 1873, D. Aug 13, 1960 res. Braintree, Mass.

Willis

Charles William, mar. Oct. 1902, Emily Lindsey of W. Newton, Mass.
B. 12 Mar. 1877, D.

Arthur Dwight, mar. 12 Jun. 1910, Jane Potter Mengel of Louisville Ky.
B. 25 May 1879, D. 8 Apr. 1949

899. O.M.921.

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William Richardson Belknap & Alice Trumbull Silliman,
B.28 Mar.1849, B.
D. D. 9 Nov.1890,
M. 2 Dec.1874, dau. of Prof.Benjamin Silliman
b. & of N.Haven
d. Susan Forbes.
res.
grad.Sheffield Sci.Sch.Yale Coll.
(2) M.23 Feb.1894, Juliet Rathbone Davison
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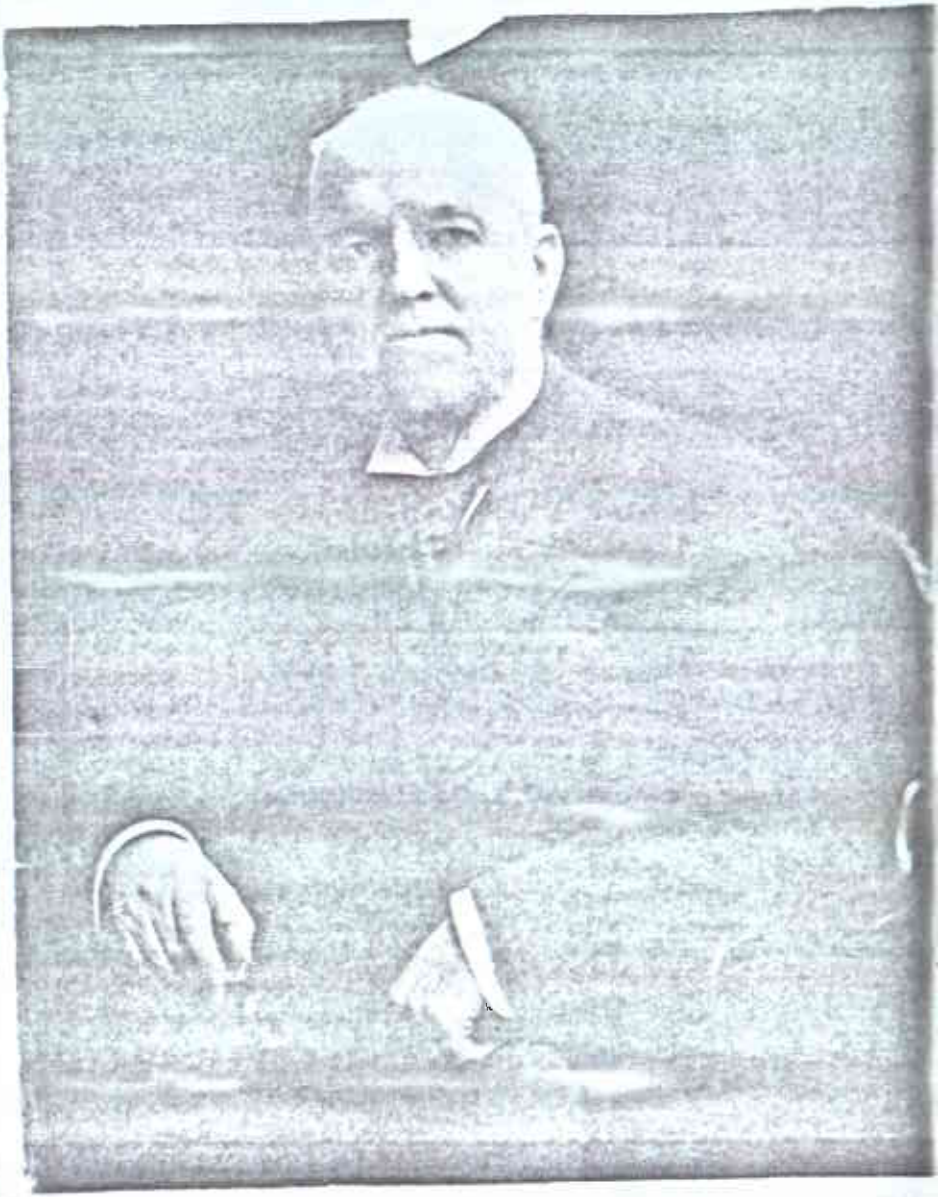
1284. * Eleanor,
B.28 Apl.1876, D.

1285. * Alice,
B. 8 Jul.1878, D.

1286. * Mary,
B. 7 Aug.1881, D.

1287. * William Burke, ~~unmarried~~, Grad. Yale Coll. 1908,
B.18 Apl.1885, D.

1288. * Christine, ~~unmarried~~,
B.25 Apl.188-, D.



MR. WILLIAM R. BELKNAP

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B. 7 Jun.1856, B. 7 Mar.1858,
D.13 Apl.1910, D.29 Dec.1893,Louisville,Ky.,
M.14 Jul.1883, dau. of Gen.Simon Bolivar Buckner
b.Louisville,Ky., &
d. " Mary Jane Kingsbury
res. "
(2) M.16 Jul.1900, Marion Stewart Dumont
grad.Sheff.Sci.Sch. B.15 Aug.1872,
Yale Coll.1877. D.
serv.Col.1st.Ky.Inf. dau. of John B. Dumont of Plainfield
1898-1903, & N.J.
Col.& Lieut.Col.1st.Ky.Reg. Elizabeth S. Cook
Spanish-Am.war when he contracted a disease which ultimately caused his death.
Del.to International Cong.of Chambers of Commerce,Liege,1905.
Enl.1879,priv.in Capt.W.O.Harris' Co.Louisville Legion,
Elec.Captain 1890,Co.A.1st.Reg.Ky.
Lieut.Col.1893,
On Staff of Gov.S.B.Buckner,1887, retired 1898,
Candidate for Gov.of Ky.1903,Republican ticket,
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Children: I.

1289. * Gertrude, lvg.1910,
B.11 Jun.1884, D. 1912?

1290. Walter Kingsbury, unmarried 1910,
B.23 Feb.1886, D. 25 Jan. 1954

1291. * Lily, lvg.1910,
B. 3 Jul.1889, D.

1292. Morris Burke, lvg.1910, Did not marry
B.30 Jan.1893, D. 25 May 1952

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Ormsby

Morris Sheppard Belknap & Mary Dumesnil,(499,254,118,48,15,4,1,)
B.12 Aug.1845,
D.19 Jul.1890/1,
M. 5 Dec.1871,
b.New Orleans,La.
d.Louisville,Ky.
res.
B. 1850,
D. 1894,Louisville,Ky.
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&
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serv.ac.19 Capt.of Arty.Confed.Army,
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Children:

1293. Georgie Thompson, unmarried,
B. 5 Dec. 1872, D.

1294. * Eleanor Sheppard, res. Biltmore, N.C., 1910,
B. 1 Jul. 1877, D.

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B.15 Jul.1848, B.22 Aug.1841,
D.21 May 1888, D.11 Jun.1900,Louisville,Ky 8
M. 5 Dec.1876, son of 10
b.New Orleans,La. & 12
d.Louisville,Ky. 14
res. 16
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Children: (QUARRIER)

Cushman,
B.16 Sep.1872, D. lvg. 1910,Louisville,Ky.
Archie Belknap,mar.23 Oct.1902,Frances Price Thompson,2chn
B.27 Nov.1873, D.
Mattie Belle,b.Louisville,
B.10 Sep.1876, D.18 Apl.1905,N.Y.City,

O.N.918-9.8, 2

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Bettie Powell Belknap & Marshall Joseph Smith, (499,254,118,48, 15

B.2[illegible] Jun.1855, B. 8

D. D.

M. son of Col.Marshall Joseph Smith of Warrenton,Va 10

b. &

d. Mary Taylor, 12

res.New Orleans,La.1911, 14

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Marshall Joseph, mar. 11 Apl. 1878, Leo Pomoski of Norway, lch.
B. 11 Apl. 1878, D.

Eleanor Belknap, mar. Walton Robertson of N. Orleans, La. lch.
B. 30 Jul. 1880, D.

Mary Taylor, unmarried,
B. 13 Jan. 1882, D.

Belknap Sheppard, mar. Lelia Loisel, & Genevieve Favrot,
B. 16 Jun. 1883, D.

Bettie Belknap, mar. 4 Jan. 1911, George H. Tichenor,
B. 6 Feb. 1887, D.

Mattie Belle, unmarried,
B. 17 Mar. 1889, D.

Euclid Borland,
B. 30 Oct. 1895, D.

5. Corbin Lee,
B. 5 Mar. 1885, D. 1897,

1284. O.N. 1062-1,
Humphrey Gen.

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Eleanor Belknap & Lewis C. Humphrey,(899,497,254,118,48,15,4,1,)
B.28 Apl.1876, B.18 Sep.1875,
D. D.
M.19 Dec.1904, son of Rev.Edward Porter of Louisville,Ky.
b. & Humphrey
d. Caroline Catherine Prather
res.

Children (HUMPHREY)
Alice
William
Edward

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1285. O.N.1062-2.

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Alice Belknap & Forbes Hawkes, (899,254,113,48,15,4,1,)
B. 8 Jul.1878, B.
D. D.
M.25 Apl.1905, son of of N.Y.City,
b. &
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1286. O.M.1062-3.

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Mary Bolknap & George Gray, (889,254,118,48,15,4,1,)
B. 7 Aug.1881, B.
D. D.
M.12 Jun.1909, son of of Louisville,Ky.,
b. &
d.
res.

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Christine Bolknap & Charles Bonnycastle Robinson

b. 25 Apl.1890, b. 25 Jul.1879,
d. d.
m. 20 Jun.1914, ch. of Charles Bonnycastle Robinson,
b. &
bp. Helen Blasdell Avery
d.
br.
res. Anchorage, Ky.

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Gertrude Belknap & Ronald Currie Lee,
B.11 Jun.1884, B.
D. Jan.1913, D.
M.27 Apl.1912, son&of
b.Louisville,Ky. &
d.
res.

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...ment birth of a daughter.

Miss Belknap to Wed in Louisville.

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Belknap to Ronald Currie Lee will take place at the home of Mrs. Morris B. Belknap, Louisville, Ky., on Saturday afternoon, April 27. Miss Belknap's grandfather, Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, will give her in marriage, and her only attendant will be her sister, Miss Lily Belknap. Mr. Lee's best man will be William Springer Mitchell of New York, and the ushers are to be Walter and Morris B. Belknap, Jr., brothers of the bride.

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Lily Belknap & Charles Harwood Moorman,(901,497,854,118,48,15,4,1)
b. 3 Jul.1889, b.
d. d.
m.28 Nov.1914, sn.of
b.Louisville,Ky. &
d.
res.Louisville,Ky.
mar. "

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1294. O.H.1061-6.2,

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Eleanor Sheppard Belknap & Charles Edward Waddell, (902,499,254,
B. 1 Jul.1877, B.
D. D.
M. son of
b. &
d.
res.Biltmore,N.C.,1910,

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Children: (WADDELL)

Eleanor Belknap,
B.14 Aug.1905, D.
Charles Edward,
B. Mar.1908, D.

1294.1. O.N.1061-1.

15,4,1,)

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Laude Hillen Belknap & William Smith Harley,(907.2,505,255,118,

B.14 Nov.1875,. B.

D. D.

M.11 Jan.1897, son of

b.Van Wert,O., &

d.

res.

.Columbus,O.,

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1294.1

Children: (HARLEY)

Florence, B. D.

Elizabeth, B. D.

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255,118,15,4,1,) 4

William David Belknap & Carrie Elizabeth Forrester,(307,2,505, 6

B.22 Sep.1879, B.

D. D. 8

M.20 Aug.1901, dau. of 10

b.Ada,O., &

d.

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Child:

1629.1. Edith F.,
B.20 Jun.1902, D.

1295. O.N.1031-7.

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Delilah Orilla Belknap & William Seymour Young, (908,508,255,118, 48,15,4,1,1)
B.11 Feb.1881, B.
D. D.
M.18 May 1904, son of James Young
b. &
d. Victoria Taylor
res.

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Child: (YOUNG)

Helen Ruth, B. 8 Jan. 1909, D.

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Charles Warriner Belknap & Jacksahena Dyer, (254, 118, 48, 15, 4, 1,)
B. 2 Feb. 1818, B.
D. D.
M. 26 Jan. 1842, dau. of of Ky.
b. Pittsburgh, Pa., &
d.
res.

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Children:

905. Mary, Sylvester, b. St. Charles, Ark.,
B. 9 Jul. 1849, D. 14 May 1881, Denver, Col.

906. Katherine,
B. 10 Aug. 1855, D. lvg. 1912,

907. Morris, Dyer, rem. to Col. wth. sister, not heard of since father's
B. 10 Mar. 1858, D. prob. dead. death.

904.1. Charles, died -
B. D.

prob. others -

501. O.N.634a4.

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Mary Judson Belknap & John Sylvester. (254,118,48,15,4,1,)
B. 9 Jun.1820, B.
D.19 Feb.1892, D.18 Aug.1848,bur.New Orleans,La.
M.13 Jul.1840, son of of Queenstown,Md.
b.Pittsburgh,Pa. (Pine &
d.De Witt,Ark. Creek)
res. m.Bardstown,Ky.
he a Captain,

(2) M.14 Feb.1851, James C. Patrick,
m.Grand Gulf,Miss. B.
D. 1853,Grand Gulf,
son of
&

(3) M. 9 Dec.1867, William H. Halliburton
m.Nashville,Tenn. B. 4 Nov.1816,Stewart Co.Tenn.
he a Colonel, D. lvg. 1912,De Witt,Ark.
no children. son of Thomas Halliburton of Wake Co.N.C.
&
Lucinda Herndon of South Carolina,

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Children: I. (SYLVESTER)
John Morris, b. Louisville, Ky.
B. 14 Jul. 1845, D. 5 May 1862, St. Charles, Ark.
James Londdale, b. Algiers, La. mar. H.O. Williams,
B. 21 May 1848, D. lvg. 1912, res. Arkadelphia, Ark.
II. (PATRICK)
James Callaway,
B. D. 28 Jun. 1857, St. Charles, Ark,

[Son by Patrick - d. yng -

7 4,1,)

Elizabeth Wolcott Belknap & Charles H. Hamilton, (254,118,48,15, 6

B.23 May 1829, B.

D. Feb.1905-6, D. 8

M. Jan.1853, son of of Miss.

b.Droner Furnace,Tenn. &. 10

d. 12

res.

(2) M. M. Thrasher of Fort Gibson,Miss. 14

no children, B. 16

D.

son of 18

& 20

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one dau. mar. Earl Humphreys, 24

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Children: (HAMILTON)

Richard,
B. D.

Mary,
B. D.

Nannie,
B. D.

Bettie,
B. D.

Charles,
B. D.

Mollie,
B. D.

Robert Lee, res. Fort Gibson, Miss.
B. D.

James,
B. D.

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Morris Locke Belknap & Elizabeth A. Mc.Craw, (354,118,48,15,4,1,)

B. 9 Jun.1821,
D. Jan.1893,
M.25 May 1847,
b.Pittsburgh,Pa.
b.? May 1823,
res. Rhoda. 1840-
no children.

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William Burke Belknap & Lucy Hewitt(899,497,254,118,48,15,4,1)

B.18 Apl.1885 B.

D. D.

M. dau. of Edward Ringwood Hewitt

b.Lousiville,Ky. &

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LUCY HEWITT WILL WED PROF. BELKNAP

Granddaughter of Late Mayor Engaged to Member of Faculty of Louisville University.

WAR WORKER IN FRANCE

She Was Twice Decorated for Her Services—Her Fiance Served Overseas in the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ringwood Hewitt of Gramercy Park have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lucy Hewitt, to William Burke Belknap of Louisville, Ky.

Miss Hewitt is a granddaughter of the late Abram S. Hewitt and a great-granddaughter of Peter Cooper. She is a member of the Colony Club and the Junior League, although she made no formal début owing to the war. She gave her time in New York and in France to the work of the American

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Committee for Devastated France. For her services she received the Medaille de Reconnaisance from the French Government, and the inhabitants of Vieaur-Aisne, where she had headquarters for six months while in France, presented her with one of twenty special Medailles de Reconnaisance in recognition of her work.

Her sister, Miss Candace Hewitt, has been engaged in relief work in Turkey for the Near East Committee for a year, being stationed at Konia, Anatolia, where she directs an orphanage for Armenian children and supervises immediate relief to refugees. Another of her duties is to make surveys of economical possibilities.

Abram S. Hewitt is to start for Europe today to join his sister in Turkey and to return with her for the wedding, the date for which has not yet been set.

Mr. Belknap is a son of the late William Richardson Belknap and a brother-in-law of Dr. Forbes Hawkes of this city. He is a grandson of the late Professor Stillman of Yale and a great-grandson of the famous Governor John Trumbull of Connecticut, whom General Washington called "Brother Jonathan," which originated the expression as sometimes applied abroad to Americans of today. He was graduated from Yale, class of '08, and took his M.A. degree at Harvard in 1915. He is now a professor of economics in Louisville University.

During the war Mr. Belknap volunteered for overseas service in the Red Cross, and was in charge of the work at various times at Ramsay and Plymouth, England. He is a trustee of Berea College and a member of the Harvard Club of Boston, Yale Club of this city, and the Pendennis Club of Louisville.

TO MARRY A COLLEGE PROFESSOR

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LIST OF EXHIBITS

(A) Typed transcript of excerpt from Bradsby; History of Bureau County, Illinois; 1885
(B) Typed transcript of obituary of Eliza Carney Belknap, from a newspaper in Ringold County, Iowa.
(C) Family Record pages from Bible of Elixha Belknap and Lucy Finch (
(D) Excerpt from Walbridges; "Early History of the Town of Springwater; 1887;
(E) Tracing of old map of southeastern part of Town of Richmond
(F) Present-day map of that area in New York.
(G) Letter from Orin Belknap Jr., to Henry Wyckoff Belknap 5 Oct 1919.

Exhibit A

History of Bureau County Illinois 1885
H. C. Bradsby, Editor

ELI B. BELKNAP

Berlin, was born in Niagara County, N. Y., April 13, 1819. His parents, Elisha and Lucy (Finch) Belknap, were both natives of New York, and in 1830 moved to Licking County, Ohio, were the father died in 1839, at the age of fifty-two years. Eli B. Belknap spent his early life on the farm in New York and Ohio, till 1839, when he came to Bureau County. In 1840 he brought his widowed mother here, where she died in 1845, at the age of sixty-three years. July 3, 1844, he was married, in Licking County, Ohio, to Miss Mary Whitehead, who was born in that county July 3, 1826. She is the daughter of E. F. And Margaret (Doremus) Whitehead, both of whom were natives of New Jersey, removed to New York when small, and after marriage, to Ohio. He was born November, 1796, and died in Ohio, at the age of seventy-one years. His wife was born July 31, 1799; died August 13, 1880. After marriage Mr. and Mrs. Belknap came to Bureau County, but after a residence here of two years they returned to Ohio; remained there four years, and then again came to this county, settling in 1852 on their present farm of 160 acres, in Section 3, Berlin Township. They are the parents of six children living, viz: Augustus H., born February 20, 1845, married Lydia S. Palmer, and resides in Pocahontas County, Iowa; Edwin F., born April 26, 1850, married Esther Hall, and lives in Mitchell County, Kan.: Jerome B., Born August 2, 1852, lives in Wright County, Iowa, married Flora I. Taylor; Harry W., born June 15, 1855, resides on the old homestead, married Mary M. Cater; Mary L., born May 3, 1862, wife of Elias Bower, of Adair County, Iowa. The eldest child, Sarah, born September 9, 1845, died October 5, 1845. Mr Belknap and wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Arlington. In politics, he has been a Republican since the party was organized, and previous to that was an Abolitionist.

Exhibit B

(FROM A NEWSPAPER IN RINGOLD COUNTY, IOWA)

DEATH OF MRS. E. BELKNAP

Mrs. Eliza Belknap died at the home of her son, Wesley Belknap, at Goldfield, Iowa, May 11, 1906. Her death was due to old age as she was 92 years, four months and 29 days old at time of death. Mrs. Belknap was well known in Ringgold County, having made her home for several months at a time on several different occasions with her daughter, Mrs. P. T. Clayton, of Liberty township.

Eliza Carney was born near Lockport, New York, December 13, 1813. She was married February 3, 1833, to Lacy Belknap, moved to Licking county, Ohio, in 1835, lived there until 1854, when they moved to Bureau county, Illinois, where they remained until 1881. Then they moved to Creston, Nebraska. Here her husband died February 16, 1887. Since that time she visited with her children, until the last twelve years she has been unable to travel. Her children are William Belknap of Lincoln, Missouri, W. I. Belknap of Creston, Nebraska, Wesley Belknap of Goldfield, Iowa, Mrs. P.T. Clayton of Mt.Ayr, Iowa, Warren Belknap of Denver Colorado, W. B. Belknap of Norfolk, Nebraska. Her children's ages range from 72 to 53 years, all enjoying good health.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist Church, of which the deceased was a member, with Reverend Mr. Hoelscher in charge. The remains were laid to rest in Glenwood cemetery at the side of her husband.

Lacy Belknap
Lincoln Mo
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FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Elisha Belknap was born
Jan 18th 1789

Lucy Finch was born
August 7th 1788

Lucy Belknap was born
July 5th 1808

Elisha Belknap A was
born Oct 25th 1811

Delana Belknap was
born Sept 14th 1813

Henry Belknap was
born May 8th 1817

DEATHS.

Delana Belknap
died Nov 1st 1895

Elisha Belknap
died Jan 8th 1877

Lucy Belknap died
[illegible] died 1810
She died Apl 1887 - at 77 yrs

August 5th 1845

Elisha Belknap Jr
died Apr 9th 1875

Mariah Wasley
died April 27th 1878

Lucy Belknap died
Feb 16th 1887

Eli B Belknap died
Oct 27th 1896 Aged 77 years

1877

Exhibit C

FAMILY RECORD

1858

MARRIAGES.

Elisha B. Belknap, & Lucy [illegible] was married July 1st 1810

Lucy, B. Belknap, & Eliza Bacon, was married, Feb 9th 1824

Elisha, B. Belknap, Junior & Rosina Eastman, was married, Mar 1833

Henry B. Belknap, & Eleanor Conney, was married, Sept. 30th 1837

Richard H. Belknap & Lucinda Bowles, were married, Oct 1840

John, Masters, & Maria, B. Belknap, was married, March 1841

Eli, B. Belknap, & Mary Whitehead, was married, July 4th

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Eli. B. Belknap. was
born April 13th 1816

Richard W Belknap
was born April 1st 1821
Maria H ll .

DEATHS.

Family Record

Eli B Belknap and Mary Whitehead was married July 1844

Augustus H Belknap and Lydia Parmer was Married Oct. Jan 22. 1874.

Edwin J. Belknap and Esther A Hall was Married Oct 1st 1874.

Harry H. Belknap and Mary L. Cater was Married Oct 19. 1876

Jerome B. Belknap and Flora L Talor was Married Dec 26 1877

Mollie L. Belknap was Married to Edward H. Cator Dec 27 1877

Emma S. Belknap and Eli Bower was married D. 26. 1880

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EARLY HISTORY

—OF—

THE TOWN OF

SPRINGWATER,

LIVINGSTON COUNTY, N. Y.

—BY—

ORSON WALBRIDGE,

WITH ADDITIONS BY

D. B. WAITE AND OTHERS.

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CHAPTER VII.

HUNTS HOLLOW—THE FIRST SETTLEMENT IN THE PRESENT TOWN OF SPRINGWATER—WRITTEN BY D. R. WAITE.

The historian, when he has all the facts and data carefully preserved for him and ready for reference, can feel as he selects and arranges his items that he is not disturbing the crumbling ruins and debris of past ages; but when he is obliged to cull a little here from decaying native tombstones engraved by unlettered art, and a little there from almost obliterated relics of family history, and from the memories of those who, long ago received the last warning of their final dissolution, and arrange them in legible shape, it is certainly not a very pleasing pastime. This we have been obliged to do, and we have aimed to retain such items only as will bear the test of the closest scrutiny, knowing full well that when we controvert the long-published data of misinformed and guessed-work historians who have preceded us, we are incurring the displeasure at least of those, or the descendents of those who took a part in framing the history of their own peculiar people. We shall ask the indulgence of the reader somewhat, for in introducing our earliest settlers we feel obliged to include some who were not residents of the town, but were so closely and so intimately interwoven with its history, that it would be almost impossible to make a separation, and yet present the facts intelligibly, and again, we fully realize the unpleasant fact to us, that as the land had not yet been subdivided, no one knew how lots would be located, and hence two or more would often locate on the same lot, and for convenience often crossed the line of townships. This was emphatically the case in the first settlement of the present town of Springwater, which commenced in its north-east corner, in what has been called from a very early day "Hunt's Hollow." A few pioneers from Berkshire county, Massachusetts had settled in the present village of Naples, and were undergoing the privations incident to the life of backwoodsmen, when Aaron Hunt, a soldier of the Revolution from New Jersey, who had a few years before taken up his abode in the once pleasant valley of Wyoming, thinking he could better his situation, with his wife and four children, Aaron J., Andrew, Jane and Sarah, and Jacob Holdren an enthusiastic admirer of Jane, in the early spring of 1795 left Wyoming

and ascended the Susquehannah as far as Newtown, now Elmira. Here they put upon an ox sled necessary provisions and what articles of furniture they could conveniently carry, with the family on foot, and proceeded as far as what is now Blood's Corners, where temporary cabins had been erected by Richard Hooker and Joseph Bivin. Fearing the little snow remaining would leave, and thus make it almost impossible for them to bring the balance of their goods on their only land vehicle thus far towards their destination, they unloaded the sled, and the team and driver returned to Newtown for the articles left there. The company now six in number, with what provisions and articles they could carry on their backs, took the Indian trail that led from the Susquehannah to Honeoye lake. Night came on; they lost their way, and amid the howlings of wolves, they spent a dreary night beside a fallen tree in the unbroken forest near the eastern line of the present town of Springwater. The next day they resumed their journey to what was after the subdivision of lands lot No. 2, in the present town of Richmond. This is the farm on which Mrs. M. A. Bray lately resided, and the first one settled between the head of the lake and the present village of Naples. Col. John Green had preceded them one year, and was the first settler on the J. G. Briggs farm near the head of the Honeoye lake, and Elijah and Stiles Parker were very early comers there. Many of the first settlers along that road exchanged their farms with the Hon. Francis Granger of Canandaigua for wild lands in Hardin county, Kentucky, and removed thither in an early day. Jacob Holdren took at first what proved to be lot No. 7, mostly in the present town of Canadice, built him a cabin where the old orchard is on the bottom north of the present school house, married Jane Hunt, and made a temporary abode there, and in the spring of 1796 built a house where George Alger lives, and became the first permanent settler in that town. Jonas Belknap, a soldier of the Revolution, from Massachusetts, but who had also been a resident of the valley of Wyoming, made a temporary residence in the corner of Hopewell near Canandaigua, and then came in the spring of 1795 to this hollow and took lot No. 1, the extreme south lot in the town of Pittstown, now Richmond, and Andrew Hunt, a brother to Aaron, came and went into the cabin first erected by Holdren. Belknap's house stood in the present town of Richmond, but he extended his claim southward into what is now the town of Springwater, and he made the first improvements, and may well be said to be the *pioneer* of the town. Andrew Hunt also extended his claims southward, and set out the orchard back of the school house near the old burying ground. James and John Garlinghouse the next year put up a cabin on the south side of the line a little west of the present saw mill, and be-

came the first actual residents of the town, and here Mary Garlinghouse was born in June 1797, and was the first white child born in town. She became in time the wife of Thomas Briggs, of whom we shall speak hereafter. James Garlinghouse married Elanor Hunt, a sister to Aaron. Through the kindness of Mrs. Cynthia A. Avery, a grand-daughter of both Jonas Belknap and James Garlinghouse, of Grandville, Ohio, we have had access to the family records of Jonas Belknap, and learn that Esther Belknap was born just across the line April 1, 1797, Orin Belknap, May 29, 1799, Cynthia Belknap, July 12, 1801, and just over the line in Canadice, Samuel Holdren in 1798. Those were the earliest births in this hollow. John Garlinghouse and his Nephew, Benjamin, afterwards settled in what is now called the "Garlinghouse Settlement." John afterwards went to Richmond, died there and Moses Briggs, the father of Caleb, Thomas, Barzillai and John, married his widow. Belknap sold out his interests on the Richmond side of the line to Aaron Hunt, and in 1806 built a house in Springwater a few rods from the line, where the apple trees are west of the present road. Here his wife, whose maiden name was Esther Parker, died June 10, 1809, and was no doubt the first white person who died in town. She was buried in Richmond, north of the old orchard on the bottom set out by Jacob Holdren and Jennie Hunt in 1795, by the side of George Holdren who was burned to death in 1801. This was without doubt the first death in this hollow. Jonas Belknap sold out in 1813 to John Kelly, went to Kentucky, died and was buried on the bank of Green River, Feb. 16, 1824. He was a man of fair qualifications, a commissioner of schools in Pittstown in 1796, a constable and collector there, also overseer of highways and fence viewer in Middle town in 1808. His children were Samuel, Elijah, Elisha, Jonas Jr., Jesse, Susannah, Esther, Orin and Cynthia. Samuel married Sarah, the youngest daughter of Aaron Hunt, and died in Hopewell in 1810. His widow married Artemus Lincoln, after whom Dr. A. L. Hunt of Springwater was named. Lincoln was his uncle by marriage. Elijah died in Indiana, Elisha, Susanna, Esther, Orin and Cynthia in Ohio, and Jonas Jr., and Jesse in Oregon. Kelley came from Canada to his farm, built the house William S. Washburn now lives in; kept tavern there, and was undermined in 1821 or '2 by John Otto. Otto traded farms with Isaac Maltby for lands in Naples, and Hiram, a son of Isaac, kept tavern there in 1839, and remained there one year longer, when Maltby exchanged it with Thomas Briggs for land in Richmond. Briggs lived there until a severe accident befell him, leased the land to George Chapman for two years, and removed to Richmond where he died. Chapman staid there till the expiration of his lease in 1851, when Barzillai T. Briggs, son of Thomas,

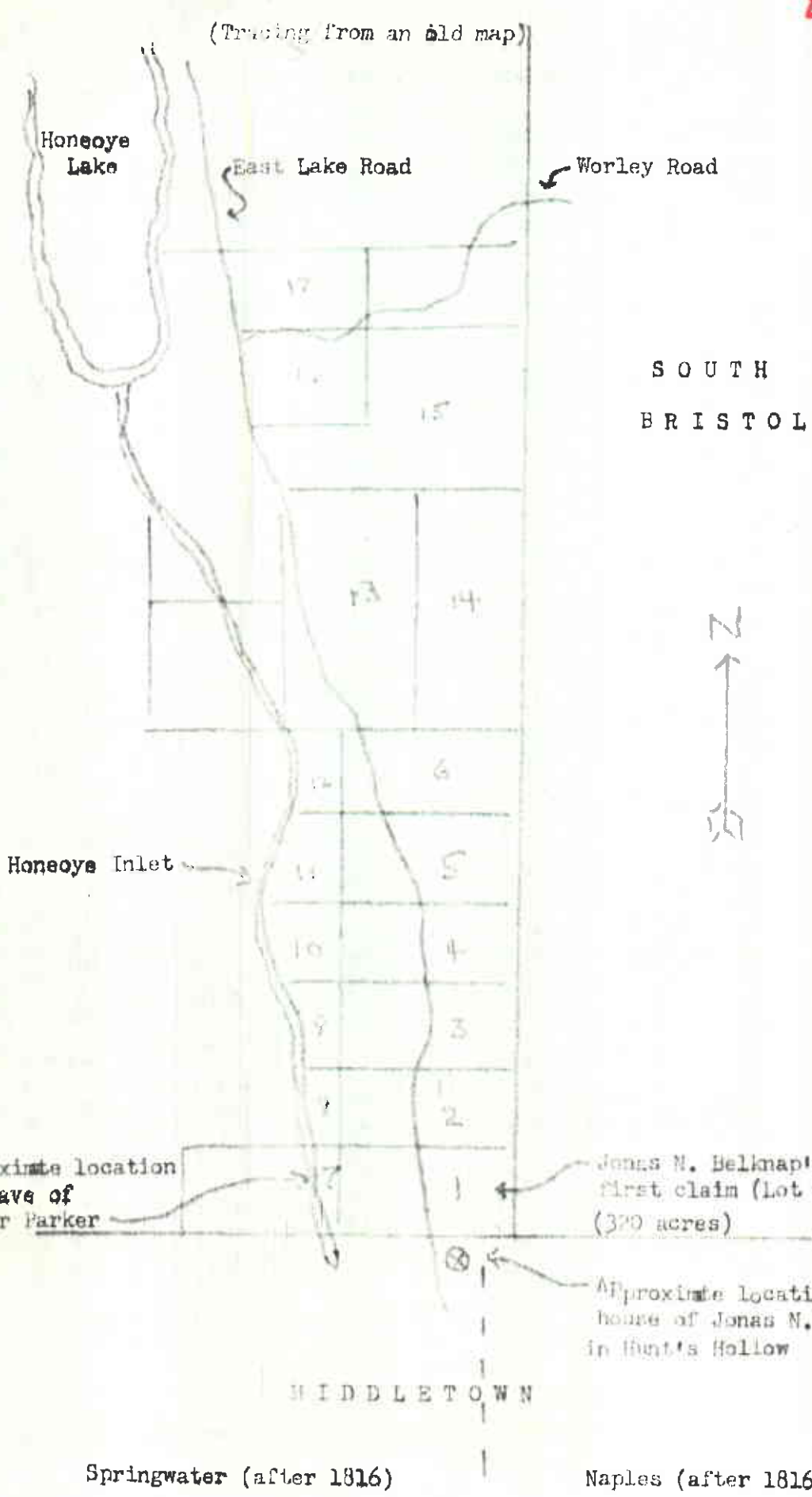
bought out the heirs, obtained a deed from the land office, and sold two years afterwards to Frank Culver, and he not meeting the conditions of the contract with Briggs, his father George W. Culver took it off his hands and sold in 1854 to John B. Moore. Moore lived there until 1872 and sold to Cheney and George Abbey 45 acres off the west end of the farm, and they to William S. Washburn, and he to Samuel G. Wilber the present possessor. Moore sold the east 55 acres to the present owner, William S. Washburn, who is the owner of some three hundred acres of land in one body and lying in the five towns of Naples, South Bristol, Canadice, Richmond and Springwater. Kelly's wife died there in 1821, and he and his children went to troupsburg. His children were just an even dozen, John, James, William, Joseph, Jedediah, Ner, Richard, Abram, Catherine, Martha, Sarah and Harriet. Otto died in Naples in 1857 aged 85 years. He came from New Jersey to Canandaigua and to this place; had twenty-one children and brought up two grand children. Hiram Maltby was son-in-law to Otto; went south for his health, and when returning died on shipboard off the coast of South Carolina and was buried in the sea, March 18th, 1848. Moore was born in 1816 in Naples; his mother died in 1821, and he was brought up by Hamilton on the east shore of the Honeoye, and is now living at Blood's Corners, and his children are Lillie living at home in single blessedness, and Albert J. is a train dispatcher at Avon. Barzillai T. Briggs is living in Livonia. Horace Gaylord Washburn grandfather to the present owner of the most of this farm came from Worcester, Otsego county to this hollow in 1798.

The tract of land next south containing some three hundred acres, was first claimed as a home by Samuel Chapin in 1799. He built his first house west from the present road where the old orchard is, and a little north of the old mill site. Elisha Coxe soon afterwards erected a cabin on the west side of the hollow. Andrew Hunt and Samuel Chapin built a gristmill there, probably about 1812 or '13, and a man by the name of Narrowcorn lived in a log house just south of Chapin and tended it. Isaac Maltby came from Vershire, Orange county Vermont in 1814, and bought out Samuel Parker and James Wright in Naples, just across the line of towns as the line runs now. Andrew Hunt sold out all his worldly interests to Chapin about the same time, and Hunt, Parker and Wright went to Kentucky. Chapin lived there quite a number of years and then built the house, now across the line, where Rachel Maltby now lives, and sold in 1823 to Isaac Maltby. The Maltby farm in Springwater once included all the lands now owned by Byron and William Maltby, John Polmateer, Elisha G. Washburn and George Muck, besides the farm first written about. Ira Maltby, son of Isaac, was the next oc-

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SOUTHEAST RICHMOND TOWN

(Tracing from an old map)



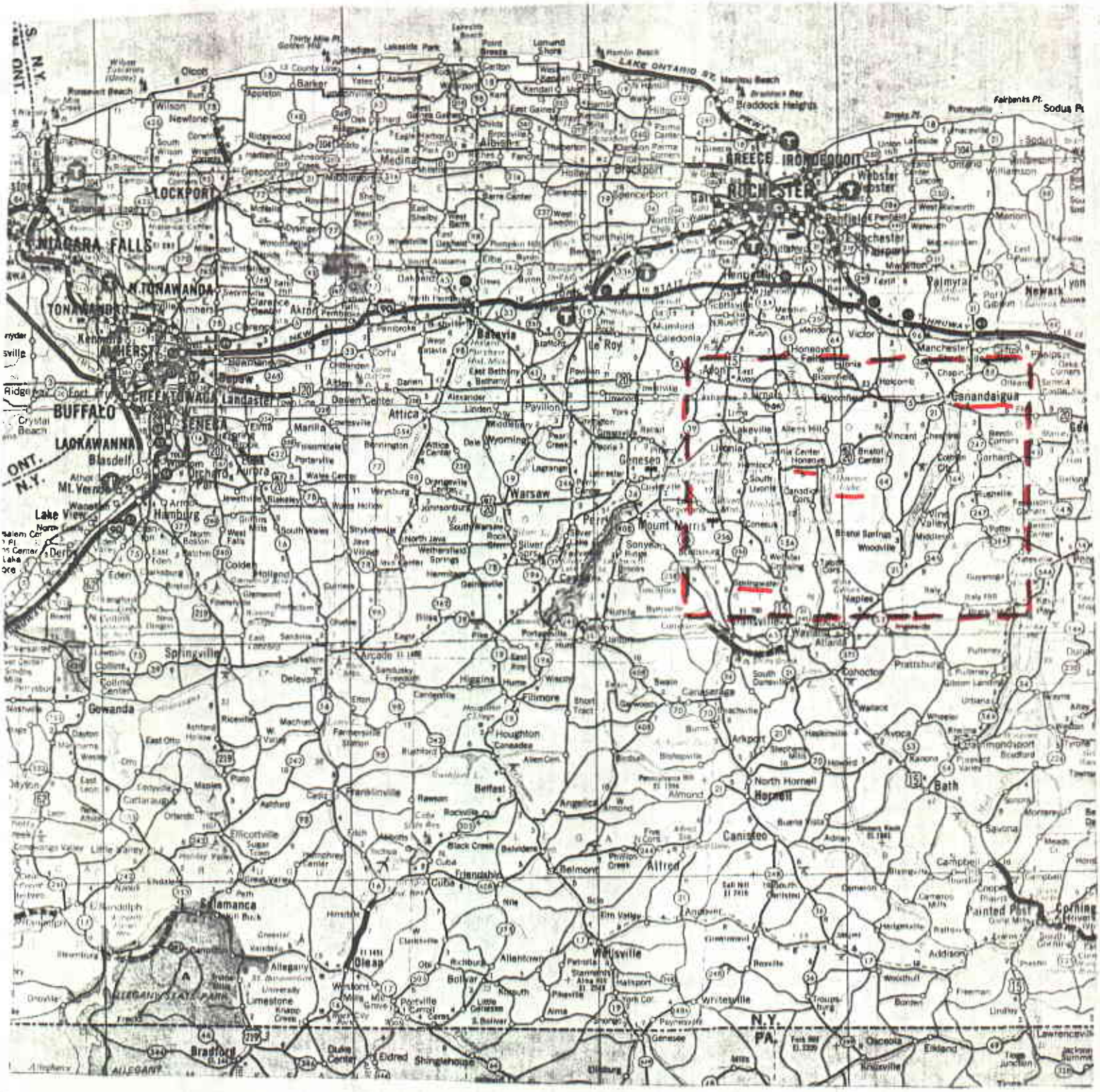

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Exhibit F

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Kettle Falls, Washington,
Oct. 5th., 1919 .

Henry Belknap,
Salem Mass.,

My dear Kinsman:-

I was glad, indeed, to get your letter, which enabled me to add the record to the legendary history of the millitary career of my grandfather, poured into the eager ears of my boyhood by my father, in the long, long ago.
The only regret I now have is in regard to my own inability to help you. I am almost 80 years of age, and memory persists in playing tricks with the old man.
The date and place of my mothers birth are not known to me.
Her maiden name was Anna Draper.
Of her parents I knew nothing.
The exact date of my fathers birth is forgotten, beyond recall.
His second marriage was in the fall of 1856; date forgotten.
You conclude that my step-mothers name was Naomi S.
You are "off your base." That was the old lady's way of writing an L.
She was first married to a man named Lyman; and in after years wrote her name Naomi L. Belknap. Her parents name was Carpenter.
There were no children by my fathers second marriage.
The family record of my fathers family was lost after my mothers death, when the old family bible disappeared; and however sudgelled, my slippery old memory refuses everything but the names of my fathers children.
Their names, in order, were:- William, Charles Wesley; Isaac Newton; Jane; Martha Ann; Marilla; Lafayette; Orin; Flora; Lewis; and Jasper.
The "George" of the old lady's letter, was George Lyman; her eldestson.

The "Cynthia Gilbert" of the letter was a daughter of my fathers sister, next younger than him; whom I saw in 1856, a hale and hearty old lady, in Licking Co. Ohio; but never since.
Of her birth , marriage, death, or color of hair----ask of the winds!
The "Flora" of the letter, was my younger sister: Jane and Martha, were elder ones.
You note that Elisha was with my father at his death.
True. But not his son. A nephew of my fathers; a farmer who lived near him ; but of whom I cantell you nothing.
My wife's maiden name was Helen Dunbar. Daughter of Albertus and Deborah Dunbar. Born in "York State", in 1847; married to me on Feb 14th., 1867: in Petersburgh Jackson Co., Minnesota.
Our children 's names were Byron; Willis; Maud; Bruce; Clyde; Paul; Reno and Arthur. Clyde and Paul are dead.

Sincerely yours;

Orin Belknap.

CARROLL YORK BELKNAP 25 Club Road Riverside, Connecticut 06878

THE PARENTAGE OF ELISHA BELKNAP, 1789-1839

A report prepared for Carol Anne Belknap

October 24, 1969

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

This memorandum examines all the factual evidence yet known that has any bearing on the possibility that the Elisha Belknap who came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1830 was the Elisha Belknap who was a son of Jonas Newton Belknap and lived in Ontario County, N. Y., from 1795 to 1812. The findings are as follows:

I. PROBABILITIES

(1) The Licking County Elisha was born 18 January 1789.

-- The Ontario County Elisha was probably born at about that time.

(2) The Licking County Elisha arrived in that Ohio County in 1830.

-- No trace of the Ontario County Elisha has been found in that area of New York after 1812.

(3) The Licking County Elisha came to Ohio from the area near Lockport, N. Y.

-- That area is 65 miles west of the part of Ontario County where the Ontario County Elisha grew up and was married. After leaving that County, all descendants of Jonas Newton Belknap always kept moving westward until they settled permanently.

(4) The Licking County Elisha and his family settled and remained in the part of that County in which all the then-living children of Jonas Newton Belknap (except one daughter) resided in 1830.

-- Throughout the 19th Century, the family and descendants of Jonas Newton Belknap consistently clustered in close-knit colonies: first in Ontario County, N. Y.; then in central Kentucky in 1820; then in Licking County, Ohio, in 1830; and then, for those who did not remain in Ohio, in southeastern Iowa in the early 1840's, and in Benton County, Oregon, in the late 1840's and the rest of the century.

(5) The Licking County Elisha had a son born in 1808, two years before his marriage to Lucy Finch, who came to Ohio with him.

-- The Ontario County Elisha was left with a son "under 10" years of age when his wife Bettie Briggs died in 1810.

(6) The Licking County Elisha had married Lucy Finch 1 July 1810.

-- The wife of the Ontario County Elisha, Bettie Briggs, died in May 1810, at least a month before the date of marriage to Lucy Finch.

(7) The place where the Licking County Elisha married Lucy Finch is not yet known and her parentage has not yet been determined.

-- In the period 1800-1810 there were 11 Finch families in or near the place where the Ontario County Elisha was living in 1810.

II. FIRST-HAND IDENTIFICATION

In 1919, a grandson of Jonas Newton Belknap identified Elisha Belknap, Jr. -- first-born son of the Licking County Elisha and Lucy Finch -- as "a nephew of my father." This grandson, Orin Belknap Jr., had grown up in Licking County among other descendants of Jonas Newton Belknap.

In effect, he identified the Licking County Elisha (Sr.) as a son of Jonas Newton Belknap -- and thus as the Ontario County Elisha.

III. ADVERSE EVIDENCE

No evidence contrary to these findings -- either factual or traditional -- has been found.

Carroll York Belknap, October 24, 1969.

MEMBER: Historical Society of the Town of Greenwich (Conn.)
New England Historic Genealogical Society

THE PARENTAGE OF ELISHA BELKNAP, 1789-1839

This memorandum presents all the known evidence bearing on the question of whether or not the Elisha Belknap from whom Carol Anne Belknap is descended was a son of Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker. None of the evidence here shown depends on mere family tradition. All of it comes from valid documentary sources.

This evidence has been accumulated in the course of revising and extending the genealogical records of all branches of the Belknap family. Beginning in 1964, all known major collections of such records -- and a number of minor ones -- have been brought together in one place, for comparison and analysis. These records, containing more than 4,000 names and totalling more than 8,000 pages and sheets, often differ in many ways; and all of them contain visible or probable errors, which can be corrected only by checking the accuracy of sources and by seeking better sources when necessary.

In the case of Jonas Newton Belknap and his family, the revision is not yet complete. But it has gone far enough to provide evidence on the parentage of his children by his first wife, Esther Parker.

This evidence, of course, is seldom found in church records. After this family left Massachusetts, between 1785 and 1792, it was for many years a pioneer family moving ahead of the establishment of new churches, and far ahead of the recording of vital statistics. The marriages were performed by itinerant clergymen. Evidence of marriages, births, and deaths has to be found in surviving family Bibles or in records provably copied from them -- or in gravestones, in obituaries, in wills, in deeds of land transactions, in old letters, and in other types of documentary sources.

The evidence bearing on the parentage of Elisha Belknap, born 1789, died 1839, needs to be seen against a background of what is now known about him and about Jonas Newton Belknap.

As Carol Anne Belknap is unquestionably descended from the Elisha Belknap who was in Licking County, Ohio, from some date in 1830 till his death in 1839, it seems advisable to begin with that part of the record and then work back into earlier years.

I. Elisha Belknap in Ohio

This Elisha came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1830, from the northwest part

of New York. He and his wife Lucy Finch had been born in New York. (Exhibit A: Excerpt from Bradsby, History of Bureau County, Illinois; 1885)

He had a son named Lacy Belknap. Exhibit B (typed transcript of obituary of Eliza Carney Belknap) confirms the statement that Lacy's parents came from the northwestern part of New York.

The family Bible of this Elisha Belknap and Lucy Finch (Exhibit C) gives 18 January 1789 as the date of Elisha's birth -- and 7 August 1782 for Lucy's birth.

The original entries in the Bible (disregarding interlined alterations made at some later date, in completely different handwriting) show (1) that Elisha married Lucy Finch 1 July 1810, and (2) that his son Lacy had been born 5 July 1808 -- two years before that marriage. These facts provide a test to meet in identifying this Elisha as a son of Jonas Newton Belknap.

Other Bible entries of equal importance in the identification are those for the first son born to Elisha and Lucy: Elisha Jr., born 25 October 1811 -- died 3 April 1875. As will be shown later, a son of Jonas Newton Belknap's son Orin named this Elisha Jr. as "a nephew of my father." Before giving the evidence on that identification, however, it seems well to show how it happened that the identification -- based on first-hand knowledge -- could be made.

So, at this point, a summary of the travels of Jonas Newton Belknap and his children is essential.

II. The Travels of Jonas Newton Belknap and His Children

Jonas Newton Belknap, son of Samuel Belknap and Mary Newton, was born at Windsor (Ellington) Connecticut, 19 May 1759. Shortly thereafter, his father and mother moved to the large plantation called Murrayfield, in Massachusetts, which had in it the settlements of Belchertown and Granby. In 1761, his father and mother joined the Belchertown church, and Jonas was baptized there 12 April 1761.

On 3 May 1775, Jonas and his father enlisted in a militia company. His father died in camp at Cambridge the day after the battle of Bunker Hill. Jonas enlisted in the 7th Massachusetts regiment, from which he was discharged 10 June 1783.

Meanwhile, 17 January 1783, when on leave from the Army, Jonas married

Esther Parker at Belchertown. Their first two children were born there or on a nearby farm in 1784 and 1785.

At some time between 1785 and 1792, Jonas and Esther and their young children left Belchertown. In 1792 they were in Cherry Valley, N.Y., where more children were born. They do not appear in the census of 1790; but the census figures for the household of his uncle, Abel Belknap, at Cherry Valley, make it seem highly probable that Jonas and his family were living with this uncle in that year. (Before the Revolution, Abel Belknap lived in Saratoga County, N.Y. His farm, there, was a part of the field of the Battle of Saratoga -- in which Jonas fought. On returning after the war, Abel found his farm in ruins and moved to Cherry Valley, which was then in the Town of Canajoharie in Montgomery County.)

In late 1794 or early 1795, Jonas and his family arrived in the eastern part of Ontario County, N.Y., which then included all of Western New York State. In 1795 they settled in what was then called Pittstown (later called Richmond; today called Honeoye). A little later, they lived on adjacent land in what was then called Middletown -- in the part that became the Town of Springwater in 1816. ("Town", in New York, meant not a settlement but an area of from 50 to 100 square miles, within which there might be a settlement of the same name or a different name.)

In that part of Ontario County, three more children were born; and all the children of Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker grew up there and were married there. Their oldest son, Samuel, died there in 1810. After the death of his wife Esther in 1809, Jonas married again -- twice. He remained in Ontario County till late in 1819, moving to Hart County, Kentucky, in time to be recorded in the 1820 census of that county, where he died 16 February 1824.

Three of his sons -- Elijah, Jonas (Jr.), and Jesse -- were also in that part of Kentucky in 1820: Elijah and Jonas (Jr.) in Hart County; Jesse in adjacent Hardin County, where his first son George was born in 1815. Also in Hart County in 1820 were Jonas's daughter Esther and her husband Gamaliel Garlinghouse; and his daughter Cynthia and her husband Isaac Newton.

(NOTE: Because of the need of attaching to this memorandum a number of exhibits bearing on the parentage of Elisha Belknap, it does not seem advisable to burden the reader by continual annotation of the source of all statements of dates, places, etc. Every statement of fact in this memorandum, however, comes

directly from an acceptable documentary source which can be named if necessary. For example, the date and place of the death of Jonas Newton Belknap come from records supplied by the National Archives and Records Service.)

At some time before 1830, all of Jonas's children who were in Kentucky moved to Licking County, Ohio. The 1830 Census shows Jonas (Jr.) in Harrison Township. Elijah and Jesse were in St. Albans Township -- as also was the youngest son of Jonas Newton Belknap: Orin, who did not leave Ontario County, N. Y. till some year after 1824. Also in that Licking County area, centering around Granville, were two of Jonas's daughters: Esther and her husband Gamaliel Garlinghouse; Cynthia and her husband Isaac Newton.

So, by the time when the 1830 Census was taken, all but two of the living children of Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker were clustered closely in Licking County, Ohio. The two not there were Susannah and Elisha. (As far as is now known, the daughter Susannah and her husband David Chatfield stopped in the southeastern part of Ohio. And no Elisha was recorded in Licking County at the time when the census was taken in 1830. It was later in that year, when an Elisha Belknap arrived.)

An essential point, now, is that from 1795 on, this was a cohesive family tending to cluster closely together, first in one small area in Ontario County, N. Y., then in Kentucky, and then in a part of Licking County, Ohio. So it might be said -- and indeed has been said -- that an Elisha Belknap who came from western New York to that part of Licking County at that time was almost certainly a son of Jonas Newton Belknap, rejoining his brothers and sisters. (From a diary kept by a daughter-in-law of Jonas's son Jesse, beginning in the early 1830's, it is known that there was family correspondence by mail before 1830, even though the postage for a letter was 25¢, a sizable sum in pioneer country at a time when eggs were 6¢ a dozen.)

Later in the 1830's, Elijah, Jonas Jr., and Jesse went to southeastern Iowa, forming another Belknap colony there. (Elijah returned to Indiana in the 1870's for some temporary reason, and died there). In the late 1840's, Jesse and Jonas Jr. led their children and grandchildren from Iowa to Oregon, where they grouped together in "Belknap Settlement" in the Willamette Valley. The others -- Esther, Orin, and Cynthia (and the Elisha who came there in 1830) -- became permanent residents of Licking County, Ohio, although in the 1850's Orin set out to join Jesse and Jonas Jr. in Oregon. He abandoned this effort when his wife died on the trail in western Iowa, and

returned with his children to the Belknap colony in Licking County, and lived there till he died in 1873.

Always the children of Jonas Newton Belknap kept moving westward (by a zig-zag route) until they settled permanently. And wherever they paused or settled, they formed close-knit family colonies.

Knowledge of the location of the children of Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker, from 1820 on, plays an important role in evaluating some of the evidence presented in the remaining pages of this memorandum.

The next step, now, is to return to Ontario County, N. Y., in order to examine the known facts about the Elisha Belknap who was there from 1795 to 1812.

III. Elisha Belknap in Ontario County

Exhibit D (Excerpt from Walbridge: Early History of the Town of Springwater, Livingston County, N. Y., Chapter VII, Hunt's Hollow, by D. B. Waite: 1887) names an Elisha Belknap as a son of Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker.

As this listing is a key fact in the evidence, its validity requires careful consideration.

This book, in its present form, is a facsimile offset reprint of a book published in 1887. At the time when it was written, what was then Livingston County was no longer a part of Ontario County as it had been when Jonas settled there. D. B. Waite, author of Chapter VII, was a teacher and a surveyor. The present Town Historian of Springwater, Reid Robinson, says that Waite's historical writing was very accurate. Thorough examination of what Waite wrote in Chapter VII and in other parts of the book, discloses that he had an almost passionate reliance on dependable records and a considerable contempt for mere recollection and hearsay. Comparison with other and earlier histories of the area has indicated that Waite often differs with them -- and seems to be right when he does so.

Exhibit E (tracing from an old map showing the original division of land into lots, in the southeast part of the Town of Richmond) indicates the location of places named by Waite.

Exhibit F (present-day map) will aid in locating the places and towns named by Waite.

~~Exhibit "B" (present-day map) will aid in locating the places and towns named by Waite.~~ For the purposes of this memorandum, the most significant lines in Chapter VII are those concerning Jonas's family. For convenience, they are condensed below.

> "Through the kindness of Mrs. Cynthia A. Avery, of Grandville, Ohio, a grand-daughter of both Jonas Belknap and James Garlinghouse, we have had access to the family records of Jonas Belknap, and learn that Esther Belknap was born just across the line (that is, south of the southern boundary of Pittstown, CYB) April 1, 1797, Orin Belknap, May 29, 1799, Cynthia Belknap, July 12, 1801 . . . Belknap sold out his interests on the Richmond side of the line . . . and in 1806 built a house in Sprinewater a few rods from the line . . . Here his wife, whose maiden name was Esther Parker, died June 10, 1809 . . . Jonas Belknap . . . went to Kentucky, died and was buried on the bank of Green River, February 16, 1824 . . . His children were Samuel, Elijah, Elisha, Jonas Jr., Jesse, Susannah, Esther, Orin and Cynthia . . . Elijah died in Indiana, Elisha, Susannah, Esther, Orin and Cynthia in Ohio, and Jonas Jr. and Jesse in Oregon."

Mrs. Avery, from whom Waite obtained this information, was a daughter of Jonas Newton Belknap's daughter Esther and Gamaliel Garlinghouse. From the fact that she mentioned the death of Jesse (who died in Benton County, Oregon, 1881) the date of her correspondence with Waite can be fixed as between 1881 and 1887. Presumably he got her name and address from one of the many Garlinghouses still living in Ontario County -- or possibly from correspondence between her or her mother and Samantha Belknap, daughter of Jonas's son Samuel. Samantha lived till 1879, in the family of Artemus Lincoln -- second husband of Samuel's widow Sarah Hunt -- in Ontario County. Mrs. Avery's mother, Esther Belknap Garlinghouse, also lived till 1879, in Licking County, Ohio.

The most notable characteristic of the information Mrs. Avery supplied to Waite is its detail on dates -- full dates for the births that occurred in Hunt's Hollow and for the death of Esther Parker and the death of Jonas. This sort of detail acquires added significance when coupled with Waite's phrase, "the family records." At that time, among such people, the words "family records" had only one meaning: the Family Record pages in a family Bible -- which generally were the only places where exact dates of births, marriages, and deaths were set down in full.

So it seems highly probable that Mrs. Avery either had in her possession

the family Bible of Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker or else had (what is less likely) an exact copy of the entries in that Bible. Her mother, Jonas's daughter Esther, who died at or near Granville, Ohio, in 1879, would have been perhaps the person most likely to have taken charge of that Bible when Jonas died, being the oldest daughter present in Hart County, Kentucky, at that time. (Her younger sister Cynthia was there; but the older sister Susannah was then in Ohio.)

The significance of Mrs. Avery's list of Jonas's children is that it can be regarded as contemporary or as based directly on a contemporary record -- whereas similar lists based on mere family tradition cannot be accepted as valid evidence.

With but a single exception, the information that Waite gives about Jonas and his family is in accord with facts known from other dependable sources. The one exception is the placing of Elisha between Elijah and Jonas Jr., in the list of children. If this list was intended to show sequence of birth, that placing is in error. The known birthdates for Elijah and Jonas Jr. are 1785 and 1786. Jonas's son Elisha could not have been born between them. The probable year for his birth will be discussed later.

Meanwhile, the testimony of Mrs. Avery can be taken as acceptable evidence that Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker had a son named Elisha.

To be identified as the Elisha Belknap who came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1830, this son of Jonas must pass some specific tests:

(1) There must be evidence that he was born, or probably was born, in 1789.

(2) There must be evidence that he had a son by a first wife and that this first wife died before the date of the marriage to Lucy Finch.

(3) There must be evidence that he did not remain in Ontario County.

#1 -- DATE OF BIRTH

Except for the date in the Bible of Elisha Belknap and Lucy Finch, 18 January 1739, which of course must be disregarded for the moment, no original record of the date of birth of Jonas's son Elisha has yet been found. However, a

reasonable approximation of that date can be obtained by examining the known birth-dates of all the other children.

For this purpose, year-dates will suffice:

> Samuel 1784 -- Elijah 1785 -- Jonas 1786 -- Josse and Susannah 1792
> Esther 1797 -- Orin 1799 -- Cynthia 1801

These dates show two periods in which the son Elisha could have been born:

(A) The four years between 1792 and 1797 (1793, 1794, 1795, 1796)

(B) The five years between 1786 and 1792 (1787, 1788, 1789, 1790, 1791)

"A" can be ruled out quickly. If born in any of those four years, he could not have been more than 17 years old in 1810, when the census recorded him as having a young male child (as shown in #2, below).

So "B" requires examination:

If Born In	Age in 1810
1787	23
1788	22
1789	21
1790	20
1791	19

Allowing for a one-year gap after the birth of Jonas in 1786, and assuming that Elisha was married at least one year before 1810, the likely year for this Elisha's birth seems to be 1788. . . . The Elisha who came to Licking County was born 18 January 1789: 18 days past 1788. Though not conclusive, this seems to be close enough to agreement on date of birth.

#2 -- FIRST MARRIAGE

The Census of 1810, for Pittstown, Ontario County (later called Richmond, now Honeoye) shows this record:

> Belknap, Elisha: 1 male under 10 years of age; 1 male aged 16-25;
> 1 female aged 16-25

The Index of Town of Richmond Cemetaries, in Honeoye Library, contains this record:

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

In the Census of 1810, Ontario County, Elijah Belknap and Sally Belknap (Sarah Hunt, widow of Samuel Belknap) are also shown at Pittstown -- that is, in the section where Jonas Newton Belknap first settled in 1795. Elijah, who was born in 1785, is shown as aged 16-25. Sally is shown as aged 16-25, with two children under 10. On 19 April 1810, letters of administration of the estate of Samuel Belknap, intestate, were granted to "wife Sarah and friend Abijah Wright," who was either the husband of Roxana Parker -- a sister of Esther Parker Belknap -- or a son (Abijah Jr.) of that husband.

Also on nearby lots in the area around Honeoye Lake, in 1810, were Stiles Parker and Elijah Parker, Jr. These two brothers of Esther Parker served in the same regiment as Jonas Newton Belknap -- 7th Massachusetts -- and were almost inseparably his companions for many years after the war: in Otsego County, N. Y., in the early 1790's; then in Ontario County; and (in the case of Stiles) in Kentucky in 1820. Stiles also went from Kentucky to Licking County, Ohio, when the children of Jonas moved to that area in or before 1830.

Other near neighbors in Ontario County -- on land that was uncleared forest when they and Jonas settled there -- were James and Eleanor Garlinghouse, who are known to be the parents of Gamaliel Garlinghouse, husband of Jonas's daughter Esther. It is probable that they were also the parents of the three Garlinghouse girls who married sons of Jonas Newton Belknap. They, too, were later in central Kentucky near Jonas and his children -- and, still later, near Jonas's children in Ohio.

These records of close and neighboring association appear to provide confirmation that the Elisha Belknap who was at Pittstown in 1810 -- and became a widower with a young son in May of that year -- was most probably a son of Jonas Newton Belknap.

The date of the marriage of Elisha Belknap and Lucy Finch was -- as previously stated -- 1 July 1810. That is, at least a month after the death of Bettie (Briggs) Belknap.

These facts warrant identifying the Ontario County Elisha as the Licking County Elisha -- and identifying the young son of Elisha and Bettie Briggs as the Lacy Belknap born 5 July 1808.

As Elisha is known to have stayed in eastern Ontario County until 1812, when he is on record as buying and selling land, it must be assumed that the marriage to Lucy Finch occurred in that County. The parentage of Lucy Finch, however, has not yet been determined, though there were 11 Finch families in and near Pittstown (Richmond, Honeoye) in the period 1800 to 1810. What can be said, thus, is simply that there could have been a Lucy Finch in that locality in 1810. To this extent, the absence of contrary evidence aids the identification.

#3 -- DEPARTURE FROM ONTARIO COUNTY

The identification is also supported by the fact that 1812 is the last year in which Elisha is known to have been on record as in Ontario County.

On 27 August 1812, and again on 20 October 1812, Elisha Belknap, then "of Town of Gorham," bought and sold various parcels of land, in cooperation with the administrators of the estate of Ebenezer Benham.

Thereafter, no trace of him has been found in that county.

Thus he could have been the Elisha Belknap who came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1830.

III. THE IDENTIFICATION BY ORIN BELKNAP, JR.

Up to here, the identification of the two Elishas as being the same man has rested on probability -- of a very high degree, which could be over-ruled only by assuming what would seem to be an incredible series of coincidences.

But in 1919 a direct, first-hand identification was made by a grandson of Jonas Newton Belknap -- Orin Belknap Jr., son of the Orin who lived and died in Licking County, Ohio. The evidence on this identification has been found in the correspondence files of Henry Wyckoff Belknap, who was then curator of Essex Institute, Salem, Massachusetts. After Henry's death in 1946, his papers were given to the Institute.

During 1919, Henry was in correspondence with an Orin Belknap then living in

Kettle Falls, Washington. This Orin named himself as one of the younger children of the Orin who was a son of Jonas. To substantiate this statement, he submitted a letter written by his stepmother Naomi (Carpenter) Belknap, widow Lyman and second wife of his father. This letter, written when his father died (15 February 1873) named the children who should be notified.

Commenting on this letter, Henry wrote (23 September 1919): "I see Elisha was with your father at his death" -- followed by wording indicating that he did not understand who this Elisha was.

In reply, Orin Jr. wrote (5 October 1919): "You note that Elisha was with my father at his death. True. But not his son. A nephew of my father; a farmer who lived nearby." (Exhibit G)

This Elisha is certainly the Elisha Jr. who was the first-born son of Elisha Belknap and Lucy Finch -- born 25 October 1811; died 3 April 1875, three years after the death of Orin Belknap (Sr.). Census records in the second half of the 1800's show him living in St. Albans Township, Licking County, with his wife Rosina Eastman and their children. His father, Elisha (Sr.) had died there in 1839. No other Elisha Belknap is known to have been in that area. (The only other known Elisha Belknap in that generation or the preceding generation was born in Rhode Island, lived there all his life, and died there in 1827.)

This identification of Elisha Jr. as a nephew of Orin (Sr.) appears to be positive identification of his father as a brother of Orin (Sr.), therefore a son of Jonas Newton Belknap. (No other child of Jonas Newton Belknap had a son named Elisha.)

In considering this identification, its value as evidence must be appraised. In October 1919, Orin Jr. was almost 80 years old (born 25 December 1839). But examination of all the letters he wrote to Henry has made it plain that his mind was alert and clear and that he refused, again and again, to express even opinions on anything that was not either a matter of written record or else firmly fixed in his memory -- although Henry asked many questions to which hazy answers might easily have been given. It seems warrantable to accept his testimony at face value.

Exhibit G is a facsimile copy of his letter of 5 October 1919. It will be noted that his signature was typed, not handwritten. This was true of all his letters to Henry.

Carroll York Belknap, 24 October 1969.
Member: Historical Society of the Town of Greenwich (Conn.)
New England Historic Genealogical Society

A summary of genealogical data for Jonas Newton Belknap is appended to this memorandum. CYB

GENEALOGICAL DATA FOR JONAS NEWTON BELKNAP

as known 24 October 1969

JONAS NEWTON BELKNAP, son of Samuel Belknap and Mary Newton.

Born, Windsor (Ellington) Conn., 19 May 1759
Baptized, Belchertown, Mass., 12 April 1761

Married: (1) Esther Parker, daughter of Elijah Parker & Martha Stiles, 17 January 1783 at Belchertown, while on leave from the Army. She was born 30 January 1761 at Bolton, Conn., and died 10 June 1809 in Middletown, Ontario County, N. Y. (now called Springwater, Livingston County). Buried in Town of Richmond (now Honeoye).

(2) Rachel (last name not yet known) -- married between 10 June 1809 and date of census taken in Town of Bristol, Ontario County, N. Y., in 1810. She died 4 July 1815 in that County.

(3) Tamar Vinton, widow of Asa Newton; daughter of Abiathar Vinton and Rachel Caswell; born 30 July 1766 at Charlton, Mass. Married Asa Newton 25 January 1789. Married Jonas Newton Belknap at some time between 4 July 1815 and 12 December 1820. Date and place of death not yet known.

Died, 16 February 1824, in Hart County, Kentucky. Buried "on the bank of the Green River."

CHILDREN BY FIRST WIFE, ESTHER PARKER:

Samuel: born 1784, Belchertown, Mass. (or on a nearby farm). Baptized at Belchertown 14 August 1785 (two weeks after his parents joined the Belchertown church). Married Sarah Hunt in Ontario County, N. Y., date not yet known. Died in 1810, at Hopewell, in that county, before April 19.

Elijah: Born 1785, Belchertown, Mass. or nearby. Baptized at Belchertown 14 August 1785. Married Catherine Garlinghouse in Ontario County, N. Y., 8 January 1806 -- died in Indiana 1874 (date uncertain).

Della

from Carroll G. Belknap
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JOHN LaPIANA from CYB 27 Jan 1975

I'm glad to be able to say that I've found an error in my memo to you 30 Oct 1974. In the bottom paragraph on p 1, I said that Evans got "Mary" as name of Stephen's wife from the records of Admiral Charles Belknap page 8. I now find that I misread the admiral's statements on that page. Neither on that page nor anywhere else in the 600 pages of his records did he mention this "Mary."

This finding is helpful. It eliminates one element in the problem. So we can confine our search to the records left by the only man who put that "Mary" on paper -- Evans.

We need to concentrate attention on the possible sources from which Evans may have got this "Mary." They are indicated only in his final 1950 compilation. In his last preceding compilation (issued in 1947 or 1948) he had nothing on Stephen except the correct birth year 1769 and the words "Drowned in Canada" with no indication of the source of this notation.

His 1950 compilation names three sources of information about Stephen: (1) Charles DeGroff; (2) Mina Beebe; (3) John Harrison Belknap. The last of these three was a great grandson of Stephen and Eleanor Middaugh, who didn't know the name of Stephen's Canadian wife and could not have named "Mary." Of the first two possible sources, I think now that DeGroff is the one to demand first attention.

But before going farther, I should emphasize that all our information about the children of Stephen of Belchertown and Stephen of Galway comes from the one least reliable source: statements by descendants. Unlike a real genealogist, who demands documentation, an amateur compiler like me must use the information supplied by descendants -- except when its probable inaccuracy forces him to dig for confirmation. But he uses it with his fingers crossed, knowing that the number of conflicts in data is directly proportional to the number of descendants supplying alleged information. The more descendants, the more confusions. So we must be skeptical about the statements we are considering. They do not constitute proof.

I have two statements of the names of the children of Stephen of Galway:

(1) Clyde Belknap, 1924, letter to H W Belknap, named the following children: "Pilgrim, Mary Ann, Polly, Minerva, Hiram," giving a birthdate only for Hiram. I have assumed that "Polly" is surely the pet-name for Mary, so that Clyde was actually naming four children, not five -- which would match the 1800 Census figures of 2 boys and 2 girls under 10, if Hiram was born before 1800 instead of in 1808 as Clyde said.

(2) Evans' section said to be based on information from George De Groff: I'll copy it here, in full:

257 Stephen Belknap (6) mar. Mary.
b. 1770 Canada B b. 1770 d. 1858 bur. Cato Cem, Meridian F
d. at Cayuga Co., N.Y.
r. St. Lawrence Co., N. Y. C
(7) CHILDREN

553 Cleracy E	1791		
554 Pilgrim	1794-1869	Mar. Anne Colvin	
555 Polly	1797		
556 Hiram	1799 D	mar.	b. St. Lawrence Co., N.Y. C
557 Lavina	1802	mar. Mr. De Groff	r. Meridian, N. Y.
558 Stephen A	1804	mar.	

From George De Groff's records of Meridian, Cayuga Co., N.Y.
F Burial lot in Cato Cemetery, Meridian, " " "

The fact that this table by Evans names three children who were named by Clyde Belknap is enough to indicate that it should be considered seriously. But it is full of confusions, which I'd better deal with -- at points marked A, B etc., in red.

A -- The posthumous son of Stephen and Eleanor Middaugh, born in Hamilton, Ont., in 1815, not 1804. Evans got this name and date from John Harrison Belknap, who gave no name for the mother and gave wrong date 1804. This line in the table did not come from DeGroff -- indeed, couldn't have come from him. Evans just added it to whatever he got from DeGroff.

B -- This is apparently the first statement of 1770 birth year for Stephen, by Evans. His "Canada" for birthplace is obviously just a careless error, for he knew better. Evans used 1770 in all subsequent mentions of Stephen in his 1950 compilation. Did he get it from DeGroff? Maybe. No one else has ever used it.

C -- St Lawrence County. Confusing, but perhaps I can untangle it. . . From Franklin Belknap's notes on information from J W Belknap, Evans got that county as residence of Hiram. Now in this table, Evans translates that correct statement into birthplace of Hiram and residence of Stephen. Queer -- but Evans did things like that.

D -- 1799 birthdate for Hiram, differing widely from 1808 date given by Clyde and by other descendants of Hiram. May be correct, but hardly likely to have been given by DeGroff. May have been invented by Evans. From my contact with many hundreds of pages of Evans' material, I've learned that his birthdates were often originated by him alone, apparently as outcome of his method of identifying persons by name plus year of birth. Having adopted this method, he was forced to state a year of birth even when there was no record of one. Often (as in the case of Stephen's grandfather Samuel, to cite a typical instance) he estimated an approximate birthyear and then stated it as a fact instead of saying "about 1703" as is normally done. So I should warn you to be wary of accepting birthyears stated by Evans unless they are supported by real evidence. . . His dates for Pilgrim seem to come from information obtained from Mina Beebe, and may be correct. His 1802 birthyear for Lavina may have come from DeGroff.

E -- Cleracy. A common corruption of Clarissa, in those years. She may have been the Minerva named by Clyde? Might have been christened "Minerva Clarissa" or "Clarissa Minerva"? Such cases of varying use of first or second name were frequent.

F -- Burial of Mary. . . Here, I think, the question to consider is whether Evans got "Mary" from DeGroff or not. . . In your letter to Mrs Bowman, 25 Oct, you quoted from Cayuga County Cemetery Inscriptions: Cato-Meridian Cemetery, Mary Belknap, d. 8 Oct 1858, ae 87-11-0. . . Evans called it "Cato Cemetery, Meridian at Cayuga Co." This garbled phrasing is just the sort of alteration that Evans would be likely to produce when copying a record. So I think that he was getting his information from that publicaion, dated 1932. It's not the sort of information that a descendant is likely to supply -- not usually, anyway. . . So, two possibilities, (1) DeGroff said Lavina's mother was named Mary, and Evans matched it with the cemetery record for the same locality. Or (2) DeGroff did not say "Mary" but Evans on his own initiative decided that the Mary Belknap buried in that locality was Lavina's mother. . . In either case, no firm proof. But even if Evans was only guessing, it might have been an accurate guess.

I hope all those detailed annotations haven't made you feel that the DeGroff lead is not worth following up. I've merely been trying to help you avoid being distracted by the questionable parts of what Evans said. AndI think it imperative to search for whatever now remains of the records of that George De Groff -- in the hope that they will yield proof of the name of the mother of Pilgrim, etc.

So I trust you are continuing to hunt for a living DeGroff who has those records, about 25 years later.

Meanwhile, it may be worthwhile to suggest other things that might be tackled.

In what Evans said, there is one sure fact -- that a Mary Belknap was buried in 1868. Starting with that fact, you could search for evidence showing who she was.

Cayuga County Land Deeds: If she was wife of some other Belknap, not Stephen, her name might appear on some deed as wife of grantor. (I have record of all Belknap deeds in that county through 1834. Might be worth looking at deeds in 1835 to 1858?) But look at full deeds, not mere abstracts.

Surrogate Court, Cayuga County: Does name of Mary appear on any Belknap will or intestate proceedings, in years before 1858? (Not just as testator but also as legatee)

This sort of search might yield negative evidence -- proof that she was not wife of Stephen. Even so, essential.

Also, something I don't know how to do -- search for a record of divorce. Maybe Stephen's Galway wife, whoever she was, divorced him when he left for Canada, on whatever grounds were then legal in New York. Divorce in those days was extremely rare, but it sometimes did occur. Your historical society could tell you where to find such records. You might start with Cayuga County, on guess that by about 1810 Stephen's wife moved to Cayuga County with her children and got her divorce there. (Fact: Pilgrim, about 18 yrs old, enlisted in Cayuga County 1812 -- indicating possibility his family home was then in that County.)

PS: I should add one more bit of information, to keep you from being confused by any other Belknaps you run into in studying Cayuga county records. Near neighbors were [redacted] Stephen's brother Jonathan and his wife Sabra Shedd, in northern Oswego County. They and some of their children sometimes appear in land transactions in Cayuga County, and some of their grandchildren were born in that county.

ADDENDUM 28 Jan 1974

Reading what I wrote yesterday, I note some points I didn't mention.

(1) In searching records for Belknaps, it's necessary to look for the many variant spellings used by those who wrote or copied the name, such as:

BE	Belknap	Bellknap	Belleknap	
BI	Bilknap	Billknap		
No K	Belnap	Bellnap	Bilnap	Billnap

(2) In tracing the movement of Stephen, it might be helpful to learn where he may have met Eleanor Middaugh. I note that you did not find Middaugh in 1810 census of the counties you searched. Suggest you look at index for 1800 census. . . The name Middaugh is one I know little about, except that there were members of this family in Illinois in 1870, which suggests that the family moved west through New York. Again, watch for possible variant spellings, such as ME for MI -- one D instead of two -- possibly Meadow, etc.

(3) As in most cases in N Y in the period 1790-1830, we have no actual record of the marriage to Eleanor Middaugh. The statement that she was Stephen's wife in Canada rests on statements made by the posthumous son Stephen, born 1815 andpresumably raised (along with his sister Susan who married Stephen Fox in Canada) by his mother. The assumption that a mother was also wife of the father is one that has to be made in most instances in that period in NY. But of course there's also the possibility that Stephen just ran off with Eleanor.

(4) In searching NY records for that period, the absence of a record does not prove anything. Many deeds were never recorded, as there was ~~not~~ no legal requirement of recording -- and still isn't. Numbers of persons knownto be in NY in census years were not noted by census takers-- such as Belknaps in Oneida Co/in 1800 and 1810. Some known wills and intestate proceedings have vanished from the court records, just as in early Massachusetts. . . For genealogy, the years before and after 1800 are just about the most difficult ones in up-state N Y.

(5) For the record -- not for immediate action -- I should mention one other possible way of finding the records Evans got from De Groff and Mina Beebe. After Evans died, his widow (it is said) deposited with Michigan State Library, Lansing, two boxes containing his "notes" -- which may be his correspondence, etc. A day or two at Lansing might dig up the source material on Stephen.



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3 February 1975

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Dear Mr. Belnap:

You will never believe how hard it is to type the name BELNAP instead of BELKNAP! Needless to say, we are relatives and have had a long and happy correspondence with Della! She is a dear and has been a lot of help to us. We hope that we have been half as much help to her.

Della tells us that your book is about to be ready for distribution and that prompts this letter. We think that we know what it covers and might be interested in it. We know that our line is not therefor ours goes:

Alsemina[7] m. Norman[8] GOODELL (direct line)
Pilgrim [6] m. Anna Colvin
Stephan [5] m. Mary Newton
Samuel [4] m. Mary Dickinson
Ebenezer[3] m. Hannah Ayer
Samuel [2] m. Sarah Jones
Abraham [1] m. Mary Stallion

We THINK that you cut out with Jesse who was a brother of our Stephan[5]. If we are right your Jessee m(1) Eunice _____ (2) Deborah Hattery.

Please tell us if we are correct. We have the line down from Abraham- but of course do not have all of the lines- only our direct one. We think that we are interested but have to know how much of the line is in the book before we send a check.

Most appreciate your help and look forward to hearing from you soon. Might be able to get a couple if we are right about coverage!

Most sincerely,

John C. LaPiana

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27 August 1974

MEMO TO:
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(Descendant of Pilgrim, son of Stephen Belknap of Galway)
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(Descendant of Stephen Belknap of Belchertown)

SUBJECT: IDENTIFICATION OF STEPHEN BELKNAP OF GALWAY, SARATOGA COUNTY, N. Y.

I think the time has come for me to set down for you everything I know or surmise that may have any bearing on this subject -- which, essentially, is the question of whether Stephen of Galway and Stephen of Belchertown were the same man. In doing this, I'll have to repeat much of what I've said in earlier letters to some of you. And I may have to ramble a bit, for which I ask pardon.

KNOWN RECORDED FACTS ABOUT STEPHEN OF BELCHERTOWN, MASS.

-- Son of Samuel [redacted] Belknap and Mary Newton, born at Belchertown, Mass., 28 June 1769.
-- In 1785, when 16 years old and legally entitled to name a guardian, chose as his guardian his oldest brother Jonas Newton Belknap. This is the only surviving document on which his name appears. [redacted] Its wording suggests that perhaps his father Samuel had followed the family custom of Burough English: bequeathing his land to his youngest son, with his wife Mary to have possession of it till that son came of age, as he would in 1790. However, this inference is merely my surmise; I have no proof for it.
-- No other facts are known for the next 27 years.
-- In 1813, in Hamilton, Ontario, a daughter Susan was born to Stephen and his wife Eleanor Middaugh. Date of marriage unknown -- possibly 1812?
-- In December 1814, Stephen was drowned in Burlington Bay, near Hamilton.
-- In June 1815 a posthumous son [redacted] was born, and was named Stephen by the widow.

These known facts have long posed a question: Where was this Stephen in the 27 years between 1785 when he was 16 and about 1812 when he was 43? Is it likely that he remained unmarried so long?

KNOWN RECORDED FACTS ABOUT STEPHEN OF GALWAY

-- He appears in the 1800 Census of Galway, with the following figures for members of his household: Males -- 2 under 10; 1 26-45; Females -- 2 under 10; 1 26-45.
-- No other record has yet been found. No deeds are on record in Saratoga County. Surrogate's Court, that county, has no record of a will or of intestate settlement of his estate. Town Clerk, Galway, has no record of him or of members of his family. Town Historian, Galway, has no such records in her files.
-- Citing data which apparently came from the family Bible of Stephen's son Hiram and Hiram's wife Sarah R Eastman, a descendant of Hiram -- Clyde Belknap in 1814 -- named Stephen's children as Pilgrim, Mary Ann (Polly), Minerva, and Hiram. Birthdate of Hiram, 3 September 1808, at Galway. No dates for other children -- but Pilgrim's enlistment in 1812, N Y militia, suggests that he was probably born about 1792 or 1793.
-- Stephen does not appear in 1810 and 1820 Censuses, Saratoga County, nor in census records for those years in other N Y counties thus far searched.

THE OBVIOUS INFERENCE

The known facts obviously suggest that the two Stephens were the same man, for the 1800 Census record for Stephen of Galway fits right in the middle of the 27-year gap in the known record of Stephen of Belchertown.

THE POSSIBLE DISPROOF

That inference could be destroyed by finding any evidence indicating that Stephen of Galway was not in Ontario by 1812. For example:

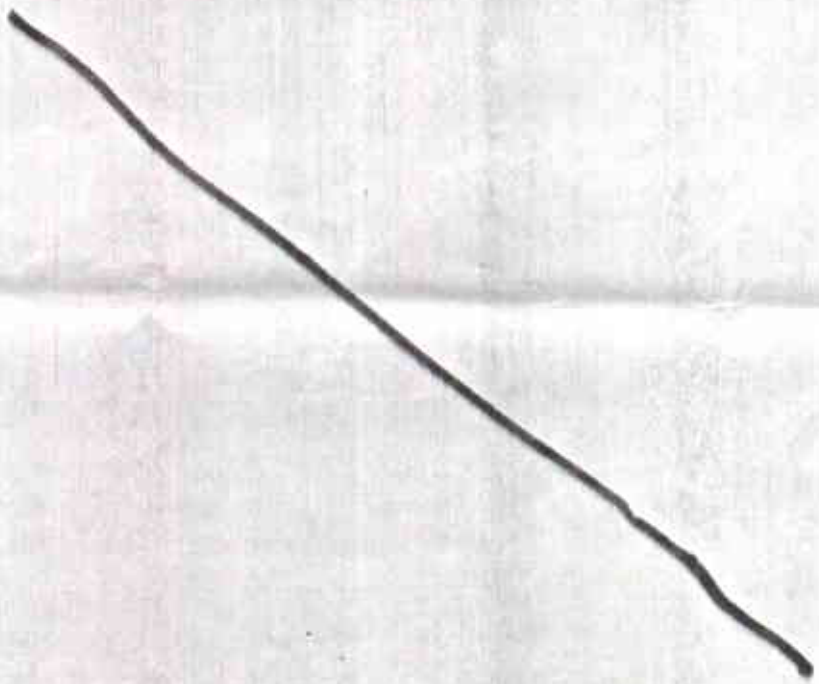
-- Evidence of his death in New York before 1812.. . or in any later yesr.
-- A Census record elsewhere in New York in 1810 and 1820.
-- Any other evidence that he was in New York in 1812 or later.

Thus far, the only New York counties in which the censuses of 1810 and 1820 have been searched are Saratoga, Lewis, and Oneida. To search the records of other counties will be a laborious task, for there are no indexes to the censuses of 1810 and 1820 and so the record of each county must be examined page by page and line by line.

All that can be said for the moment is that efforts to find such negative evidence, thus far, have not succeeded.

So all that can be done now is to consider carefully and cautiously all of the evidence now in hand -- beyond the coincidence of that "filled gap," which of course could be merely a coincidence.

Some of this evidence is factual. Some is inferential. The task is to see if all of it, cumulatively, justifies a conclusion -- either final or tentative.



Before discussing the evidence bearing on whether or not these two Stephens were identical, I had better digress to tell briefly the story of the Belchertown family, for my [redacted] knowledge of that story (Jonas, son of Samuel, was my own great great grandfather) has been bound to color my thinking and my interpretation of the evidence. Moreover, some of the story is essential background for the evidence.

THE BELCHERTOWN FAMILY

In 1760, Samuel Belknap of Ellington, Conn., and his wife Mary Newton left Ellington where their first three children had been born and moved to Belchertown in central Massachusetts. Their children were: Mary, born 8 Nov 1754; Chloe, 3 January 1757; Jonas Newton, 19 May 1759; Susanna, 3 June 1761; Joseph, 13 Dec 1762; Jonathan, 15 April, 1764; Seth, 19 April 1767; Stephen, 28 June 1769.

On 3 May, 1775, Samuel (aged 45) and his oldest son Jonas (aged 16) enlisted in a militia company. Six weeks later, they were on Bunker Hill together. The next day Samuel died in camp at Cambridge, 18 June 1775. Jonas enlisted in the 7th Massachusetts and served till the end of the war in 1783. As far as the military record shows, the only time he came home was at Christmas time 1782-3.

So, during those war years, Mary Newton Belknap was head of that family. In 1775, when Samuel died, the oldest daughter Mary was 21, but had married a Belchertown farmer Rufus Kentfield when she was 19 -- 25 Nov 1773. Chloe, 18, would not marry till 1780. Susanna, 14, would die suddenly and tragically in 1781. All the five remaining boys were young, but not too young to help with the farming: Joseph, 13 -- Jonathan, 11 -- Seth, 8 -- Stephen, 6. Somehow, with her children, Mary brought her family through, quite likely with the aid of her son-in-law Rufus Kentfield, who helped meet the bond that had to be posted when Jonas became Stephen's guardian.

In June 1783, when Jonas came home for good, after having married Esther Parker of Belchertown when he was there on leave at Christmas, only his brothers were living with his mother, for Chloe had married Levi Shumway in 1780. Joseph was now 20, and would stay at Belchertown till 1785, two years after Jonas returned. Jonathan was 19. Seth was 16, and would get married rather suddenly in 1787, when only 20, and start farming on land given to him, presumably by a relative of the bride as was normal in cases of what has been termed "a marriage of necessity." Stephen was 14. Two years later, when he was legally able to chose a guardian, he would name Joseph first, and then change to Jonas when Joseph decided to leave. And Jonas and his wife Esther would start building their own family and having their first children baptized a bit belatedly.

In 1790, the years at Belchertown come to an end. The census in that year shows not even one Belknap household at Belchertown. Indeed, we do not know with certainty where any of the family, except the two married girls, was living in that year.

We think (but have no sure proof) that Mary the mother had become the second wife of Jonas's father-in-law Elijah Parker Sr. . . There is evidence to suggest strongly that Jonas and his young family were living with his uncle Abel in Cherry Valley, New York, till Jonas could locate himself in that area. . . Joseph, in that year, was in process of moving from Stafford, Conn., to Lewis County, New York. . . Of the whereabouts of Seth we know nothing till 1800, when he was at Cambridge in Washington

County, N.Y. By 1810 he had joined Jonas in the Honeoye area of Ontario County, N.Y., where Jonas had settled in 1794. . . Jonathan's location, too, remains unknown till 1800, when he was briefly at Charleston in Ontario County (now Lima, Livingston Co.) a few miles from Jonas, before moving to Oswego County where he remained.

Of Stephen in that period -- 1790, 1800, or later -- we know nothing at all except that 1790 was the year in which his inheritance from his father would become his, when he was 21.

So the question that arises is whether or not Stephen of Belchertown settled in New York after 1790 as his brothers did. On this question our evidence comes from a letter written in 1880, quoting statements made by Jesse Belknap, a son of Jonas.

THE TESTIMONY OF JESSE BELKNAP

In 1847 and 1848 Jesse Belknap and all his children and grandchildren had founded Belknap Settlement in the Willamette Valley in Oregon. In 1880, Edward Belknap, a grandson of Stephen of Belchertown, went from Michigan to Oregon to work at the college at Corvallis. In late May of that year, he went up river to Belknap Settlement, to meet the Belknaps there.

On 1 June 1880, Edward wrote to his parents. His letter began: "At last we know who our ancestors were." He had told Jesse, the patriarch of the tribe, the only thing that he and his parents knew or thought they knew: the names of his grandfather's brothers -- and the names had matched (almost) the names that Jesse knew.

That "almost" deserves explanation, for it's an interesting example of the typical "confusion of generations" that often occurs when knowledge of ancestry is based solely on memory -- and also because a very similar error was made, for the same reason, by descendants of Stephen of Galway.

In his letter, Edward reminded his parents of the names of the brothers whom they knew -- a correct list except that it included "Samuel." With the passage of time, the name of a father had come to be thought the name of a brother.

The descendants of Stephen of Galway had made precisely the reverse error -- calling Stephen's son Pilgrim his brother (a mistake which for many years prevented examination of the possibility that this Stephen might be Stephen of Belchertown).

The main point, however, is the light that this error about Samuel may throw on the question of what Stephen in Canada probably told his wife about his own background. I believe we can assume, correctly, that he told Eleanor the name of his father as well as the names of his brothers. In other words, he did not attempt to conceal his background.

It can be argued that if he was Stephen of Galway he may have had something else to conceal from Eleanor -- desertion of a wife and children in Saratoga County -- and that the fact that Eleanor apparently gave no information of this sort to her son may mean that her husband was not Stephen of Galway. Or it can be argued that the meaning is exactly the opposite. . . A bit later in this memo, I may be able to shed a little light on this debatable interpretation.

Meanwhile, something that Jesse said, in 1880, also is worth noting. "Jesse said," wrote Edward in his letter, "that they often wondered what became of (his) Uncle Stephen after he went to Canada." The underlining is mine, to stress that there was nothing secret about Stephen's departure for Canada. His brother Jonas (Jesse's father) knew about it -- and so, probably, did his brother Seth who was living close to Jonas in 1810.

When this Stephen went to Canada, where did he go from? Again that letter of Edward's may provide the answer. He quoted Jesse as saying: "After the Revolutionary War his (Samuel's) sons settled in the State of New York." Although Edward did not write "all sons", I think we can warrantably interpret Jesse's statement as including Stephen. Otherwise Edward would have worded the quotation so as to exclude Stephen: he'd have said "some of the sons" or "the other sons," or something of that kind.

So I believe we can firmly conclude that Stephen of Belchertown settled in New York about 1790 or a bit later and, to at least that extent, might have been Stephen of Galway.

And we can turn our attention to whether or not the ages of the two Stephens, in 1800, were the same.

THE AGES OF THE TWO STEPHENS

In 1800, Stephen of Belchertown was 31 years old.

The 1800 Census figures show Stephen of Galway as aged 26 to 45 -- a broad range which means little. But the number and ages of the children means a lot: 4 children under 10 years of age. This was a normal figure at that time, for a married man of about 31 or 32 years of age -- provided he married in about 1790 or 1791.

If Stephen of Belchertown married in 1790, when only 21, he was marrying at an earlier age than was then customary for sons of farmers in that part of the country. Normally, such men did not marry till 23 to 26 years old. They waited till they were in position to support a wife, either by a craft or by farming -- which meant waiting till they had accumulated enough money to make at least a partial payment for farm land.

But Stephen of Belchertown was under no compulsion to wait. When he was 21, he would receive his inheritance. There is no surviving record of what he inherited or of its value: but from the terms of his guardianship bond we can judge that it amounted to not less than "100 pounds in lawful Massachusetts currency" -- that is, not in worthless "continental money" but in sound currency, and a sizable sum in those days. So this Stephen was in position to marry at 21, without delay, if he wanted to.

Parenthetically, this fact recalls memory of a tradition among descendants of Stephen of Galway: that he was engaged in teamstering at Galway and owned a number of horses. If he was Stephen of Belchertown, he had the capital to engage in this enterprise -- which may also explain why we find no deeds in his name at Galway, for a teamster could have rented whatever property he needed. But this point need not be taken too seriously: family tradition, much too often, has no truth behind it.

SOME REASONS FOR BELIEVING THAT THEY WERE THE SAME MAN

(1) They were of about or exactly the same age.

(2) Both of them are known to have settled in New York, in the period 1790-1800.

(3) In years of searching for the parentage of Stephen of Galway, the only probable father who has been found thus far is Samuel Belknap of Belchertown.

(4) There was no other known Stephen Belknap at that time who could possibly have been Stephen of Galway. All the other known Stephens then living have been identified completely, and their record of marriage and children is known.

(5) No trace of Stephen of Galway has been found, after 1800 -- except the date of 3 Sept 1808 for birth of his son Hiram, as stated by his descendants.

These reasons lack documentary support. They are entirely inferential. But no evidence contradicting the inferences has yet been found.

There remains one important question to answer -- or try to answer as best we can.

WERE THE CANADIAN CHILDREN LEGITIMATE?

If -- about 1810 -- Stephen of Galway left a wife and children there and married again in Canada, the Canadian children were the product of a bigamous marriage.

This possibility has to be considered. Such evidence as I have found seems to deny it.

For one thing, there's the census of 1810, for Saratoga County. It was a census of households. If there were a Belknap household headed by a woman, it would be shown. But there is no such household in that county in 1810 -- indeed, no Belknap household at all.

The obvious inference is that the Galway wife was either living in some other county -- or had died before 1810.

In this connection there's what may be called "evidence given by Hiram" -- which is most notable for what it does not contain.

What Hiram said about his parentage is known only by inference from the genealogical information stated by Clyde Belknap in 1914. The apparent source of that information was the family Bible maintained by Sarah Eastman Belknap, wife of Hiram. The entries in this Bible appear to have been scrupulously exact and detailed, containing even the full names of Sarah's parents and the dates of their birth. If Sarah had known the name of Hiram's mother, she surely would have entered it and it would be known today.

As her information could have come only from Hiram, the plain conclusion is that while Hiram knew the name of his father he did not know the name of his mother, from which fact the only sensible inference is that she died either at his birth or shortly afterward.

If I am correct in drawing this conclusion, there's one more question for me to consider.

WHAT BECAME OF THE GALWAY CHILDREN?

We know little about what happened to the children of Stephen of Galway, after he vanished from the scene.

Son Hiram, born in 1808, is said to have married in 1835 -- we do not know where. His whereabouts in the 27 intervening years are unknown. He settled in Jefferson County.

Son Pilgrim enlisted in the N Y militia in 1812, in Cayuga County (not in Genessee County as one militia record erroneously reports). Assuming that he was about 20 when enlisting -- a typical age for enlistment in the War of 1812 -- he was probably born about 1792 or perhaps 1793. We know nothing of how he came to be in Cayuga County -- where he married about 1816 to 1818 and raised a large family.

As to the other children we know nothing but the possibility that a Minerva Belknap who married Rufus Stanton in 1815, in either Cayuga County or Montgomery County, N.Y., might have been Stephen's daughter -- or might have been the daughter of Elijah Belknap and Thankful Lake of Peru, Mass. (if Elijah moved to N. Y.).

Before we leap to the conclusion that Stephen simply abandoned his children we should think of the possibility that he made arrangements to have them live with some other family. Such arrangements sometimes occurred in that period.

One possibility that may deserve exploration is that maybe Stephen left some or all of his children with his brother Joseph, who had settled in Lewis County, at West Leyden, not far from Galway. I have nothing to support this guess but an oddity in H W Belknap's record of the children of that Joseph. At some date after he set down his record of Joseph's children, he added a Mary with a birthdate that would be OK for Stephen's Mary Ann (Polly). The notes showing the source of this belated entry were destroyed when his home burned down in 1914 -- so I know nothing more, and it may mean nothing to us.

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So there I end. I have told you everything I know or surmise. My reason for doing so has been that I'm going to have to leave it to you to do any further research that you feel is needed. The time has come when I must reluctantly withdraw from the time-consuming fascination of pursuing puzzles. I must now settle down to the task of preparing for publication what I have assembled on the history of the family.

If any of you wish to go farther, you may want to begin with personal search at Galway. What it will cost I can't predict. But here are the names of two women who are said to be experienced workers in this field: ("Reasonable fee" I'm told)

Mrs Ira L Alsdorf, 17 Frederick Lane, Ballston Spa, Saratoga County, N Y 12020
Irene G Wood, 111 Saratoga St, Ballston Spa, N Y 12020

As for my own files -- they'll show as "probable" that Stephen of Belchertown married twice, name of first wife unknown. . . I can hope that perhaps you'll do better than I have done.

I'm sending copies of this memo to some of the knowledgeable people who have been most helpful in my work on Belknap genealogy, in the hope that they may run into something that might be useful on this problem.

Russell

Rec'd 9/6/74

Carroll Belknap:

Visited cem. in Whitewater, Wis. & Orangeville, Ill. so the following information. Much information can be had from Register of Deeds in Elkhorn, Wis. County Courthouse. I didn't have time to do this. Also the people in Orangeville information may be had from Court house at Freeport, Ill.

Also found a grave at Whitewater with the name Averill Belknap ~~d. April~~ d. May 8,1869 was 51 yrs. 8mo.15das. and wife Persis Belknap wife of Averill d. April 9,1871 was 51 yrs. 10 mo. Now I do not have any idea who this is , He was bur. in same cem. as Daniel David Belknap M.D. , but quite a distance from Daniel's grave. This was in Hillside Cem. This Averill evidently was b. approx. Sept 23,1817 Wonder if he could have been a cousin of Daniel's from Vermont. Also in the cem. at Goldfield where my Grandfather Frederick A. Belknap and Walter Perrin Belknap are buried is an Eli B Belknap b. April 13,1819 d. Oct. 27,1896 m. Mary Whitehead b. July 5,1826 d. Mar.3,1913 . This is right near my Grandfather's grave. My mother says he is no relation, but I am wondering from what family is he.

Also I'm afraid Frank Belknap in Salt Lake doesnot know exactly when his father died. I got my information from Eleanor Belknap Wehr, Uncle Edwin's daughter who kept very close ties with her father Also Frank says Phoebe Gray was Wm. Sill's wife. I have pictures of grave etc and Wm. Sill's wife was Rhoda Gray. Phoebe m. a Kline.

Then when I was in Austin, Minn. a girl called my cousin John Hobart Belknap to see if he knew where she could find her father. This girl is Helen Belknap Conlee 22yrs.old . Address: 4000 Westbrook Bldg. 3 Apt. 609 Brooklynd, Ohio 44109 . Phone: 216-741-7809 . Her father's name is Rex Lindel Belknap. Don't know the circumstances, but sounds like the mother either didn't tell her about her father and she has just found out she has a father. If anyone knows his whereabouts to call that number collect. She would appreciate anything.

Probably will be getting more information someday, but thought this should go out now.

Are you printing a book and when do you expect to get it finished? I can't remember what I have given you . I have all of Uncle Edwin's and Aunt Laura's families down to the present. Wonder if I sent them.

I am disturbed by the order of Moses Belknap's Jr. children. On Royal's grave it says he died 18 Mar. 1869 and that he was 59 years 7 mo. old That would make him born approx. Sept. 1809 and in the line up we have him younger than Walter Perrin Belknap who was born in 1814. I understand Montpelier, Vt. has some of these births.

Also Uncle Bissell had son and daughter die in infanc,, but didn't get their names. Maybe when I get in contact with these families , I may find out.

You may keep these sheets.

Virginia Tabor

Dear Della: June 1 1974

Bless you for your long letter of May 25. It has reminded me of things I should have done -- but neglected. And it's always good to hear from you, forI value our cooperation. So here goes, for an attempt to deal with points in your letter.

(1) Charles Belknap records at Boston: I expected NEHGS to turn down the request for loan. The one time I examined those records, I copied some things I needed at the moment and made -- I thought -- arrangements to borrow the whole bundle a little later. But Miss King, librarian, couldn't get the board to agree. . . I hope Dr Dean does get someone to go there and make a copy. [redacted]

> The copying will have to be done by hand. NEHGS does not have a Xerox copying machine, and will not permit one to be used, either at the library or somewhere else in Boston. The material contains two ledger books -- one in which CB noted data when he found it, with (usually) a notation of the source -- and one in which he summed up, in what he regarded as final form, the findings he had developed on each family group. The final summaries are good, but not always reliable in my opinion. Checking his conclusions against his notes on sources, I sometimes found reason for disagreeing with his reasoning. So both books should be copied. Nothing he wrote should be accepted without careful study of his original data. . . Both books, as I remember them, contain pasted-in clippings and/or letters, which should be copied -- for they may not always agree with what he wrote. . . Considering the virtual certainty that anyone copying by hand will make errors on dates and spelling, the resulting copy should be proof-read very carefully -- which can only be done by two persons, one reading the original, the other reading the copy. Responsibility for accuracy should not be left in the sole hands of the copyist.

[redacted]

(2) Running through this most recent letter of yours and many earlier letters, there's a thread of frustration which both of us have often felt -- "When different people give different statements, how do I decide which one to use?" May I give you the answer that I've found? It goes like this: "I don't have to make that decision. First, I should search for factual information that will make that decision for me. Then, if I can't find such information, I should say -- in my record for publication -- that the point [redacted] is questionable. For example: 'said to be....' -- or 'no confirmation found . . .' -- or 'other sources say . . .'" -- and so on. That is, I should follow the practice of professional genealogists, who always say 'maybe' when they aren't sure. Only amateurs think that they have to be positive on every detail; so they leave a trail that misleads those who follow them." illustration

(3) Diantha: Your query about whether ~~xx~~ I have "decided that her name is Diantha Jane Newton and not Diantha Belknap" provides an [redacted] of what I've just been saying. What I shall say, in all likelihood, is something like this: "May have Phoebe been the Diantha [redacted] Newton who married Alba Jeffers and died 13 September 1900 at Johnson Township in Plymouth County, Iowa." But I don't yet know even whether I should say that. Two letters from ~~xx~~ the man who provided the information, from her death certificate, do not agree with each other. In one letter, he calls her Diantha Phoebe and in the other he calls her Phoebe Diantha. So I've ordered a copy of the death certificate (which, alas, does not name her parents, as Iowa didn't require parentage on death certificates until 1904). In any event, "May have been" will be

all that I can say, for I have no hope of finding definite proof. All else I can say, of my own knowledge, is that no known descendant of Jonas Newton Belknap has ever included a Diantha in a list of his children; and some of those lists were set down in paper soon after his death.

(4) Joseph Belknap & Prudence Morris: Did I actually send you a sheet on them and their children? Or was it merely a comment on an error in your sheet in the file I have here? In case I did not send you the sweeping rewriting that came from years of work by John Sherman and me, I enclose a copy of it..... The most serious mistakes made by HWB were in this branch of the family. Sherman and I eventually put together a record based on documented facts, covering many descendants of Joseph and Prudence -- all in completed notes in my files but few of them yet transcribed into finished form for my master file -- a big job that I've neglected in order to have time for other puzzles. . . In my file, I have a note to myself, written a couple of years ago, saying that the following pages of your records should be revised: 487, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, and possibly 495 through 500, and 510 and 511. Doing this for you is one of my "not dones." . . . Will do it as soon as I can. Meanwhile, I should warn you that your 492, Eli and Cleracy, does not belong in this branch of the family. Putting them in it was a sad blunder by HWB.

(5) Lorenzo Dow Gilbert and Hannah Belknap: I have held this back, in hope of getting correct answers on 5 birthplaces. Am sending you, now, a copy of the sheet prepared by Claudia Gilbert Marshall with the aid of her father. She agrees that I am right in doubting the birthplaces shown for children ii, iii, iv, and v, but hasn't yet found proof of where they were born -- not even whether in Ohio or in Iowa. As to vi, Corrington (named for my grandfather Corrington Belknap, brother of Hannah) I pointed out to Claudia the obvious reasons why birth in Saunders County Nebraska was simply impossible; she has found no better answer yet. She said that Saunders County came from a sheet obtained from Salt Lake. I replied that I have seen at least three Salt Lake sheets for Elisha, brother of my great great grandfather -- and no two agreed with each other. So best thing to do, yet, is simply to omit birthplace for this child. Claudia's error on "Lane County" for children vii, viii, ix, was result of her ignorance of location of boundary line between that county and Benton County. She agrees to Benton County, now. . . Otherwise, the sheet is OK. . . . Child ii, George, "Mult." in place of death is Multnomah County.

(6) Other children of Jesse and Jane: The sheet for the Gilberts is in the batch of sheets for Jesse and Jane and all their children -- which I'm sending because I'm not sure which of them I've sent to you in the past . . . Thanks for telling me that you still had my 1971 sheet for Ransom, on which I made an error in typing name of Angeline's husband. I should have sent you, long since, my 1972 revision -- which in '73 was finally completed after my long search for names of 2nd and 3rd wives of Webster Clark -- iv -- was finished. That search, by the way, identified the man whom I regard as the most distinguished living Belknap. Till I told him his line of descent, all he had known all his life was the names of his father and mother. All his own efforts to trace his ancestry had failed.

(7) Job Belknap & Phoebe Newton (your 349): "Better not print anything now," you have added in handwriting. But I think I can help you get this one right. Your 349 seems to have been based on very early work by HWB, lacking corrections he made in later years. I've gathered enough confirmatory evidence to be pretty certain in what I say.

-- Darius and Ruth were unquestionably children of Job and Phoebe, even though birth day and month have not yet been found. (They could not possibly be children of Samuel and Mary Dickinson.)
-- To them should be added, as HWB later did, Hannah, born 1771, d 6 Dec 1849 ae 78. This is the Hannah you show on your #398, where you show husband as John Gleason. In HWB's final records, he was Jonah Gleason, Jr. The date you show for this Hannah's death, on #349 and on #401, was date of Jonah's death. (On 401 you show same death date for both of them.) If you have proof his name was John, not Jonah, please tell me.

-- Your 349 shows the old Mary Wood error, as on many other sheets. I hope you have corrected this error in the many places where it was made.
-- Only unsolved problem on this family, yet, is parentage of Phoebe Newton. I have not found an answer. Not noted.

You say "too many versions on all the Jobs." There were only 2 of them. Job Jr married twice. (1) Hannah Bartlett, widow Blodgett, (2) Clarrissa Booth, 28 May 1814. Clarissa married (2) Moses Sevrance, 5 Sept 1821. She and Job had no children. Following comments on list of children of Job by Hannah, on your 398.

-- Your birthdate for Hannah Bartlett is way off. You show 8 Nov 1766 -- it was 8 Nov 1748. She was 35 years old when she married Job Belknap who was only 18. So the long list of children on your # 398 is obviously impossible.
-- The last two, Roswell and Joseph, were Blodgetts, as shown correctly on your #399, with proper evidence.
-- Hannah, as noted above, was sister of Job Jr, not his daughter.
-- For Lydia, Annie, I know of no evidence. If you got them only from HWB's early records, you can discard them, for they do not appear in his revised records. If you got them from any other source, please tell me all about it.
-- You mention, as sources, Scott Belknap of Carthage, Ill. and "his cousin Leveret Belknap of Hartford." I hope you'll send me a copy of what they provided, so that I can check to see if they are right and I am wrong.

Perhaps I should explain that unusual marriage of Job Jr and Hannah Bartlett Blodget. When Job Sr went broke, Job Jr in his 'teens went to work for Roswell Blodgett -- I don't know what kind of work, maybe just as hired man on a farm. Blodgett soon died, and Job at 18 married the widow, aged 35./ HWB did not know this story in his first work on this family. (in 1783, apparently)

So I end by saying that on these two Jobs, as I see it, the only unsolved problem is merely the parentage of Phoebe Newton. I think you can safely print, if you make the changes I've suggested. (Should add, haven't yet found birthdate of Amy, dau of Job Jr.)

QUERY: Your records make frequent reference to "Leverett Belknap's records." If you have them, could you have a copy made for me -- at my expense?

(8) Merrick Belknap: It's been so long since I put his file away, believing it just about OK, that I remember nothing about it. When I find time, will dig it out and copy it for you. Meanwhile, please tell me what's the problem that's troubling you, so I can look for the answer if I have it.

(9) Walter Perrin Belknap: I think the final word will be based on what was reported by his daughter Laura, Mrs James Sill. Am waiting to hear from Virginia Taber, on this point.

QUERY: Do you want me to return the copies of two sheets filled in by Edwin M Belknap, son of Walter Perrin B ?

(10) Osgood Sheets: Thanks for letting me see them. Am returning. Your query about whether Abraham Belknap could have come on same ship with Osgood in March 1633/4 -- not possible. Register North Weald shows birth of son John there in 1635. As Col. Banks couldn't find ship for Abraham, in years of work, I've not tried to do what he couldn't do.

Yhanks, too, for copies of material on Rev J D Belknap of Syracuse -- can you identify him? May be in my records, but I haven't found him yet.

Also, letter of Jane Ayer -- interesting.

QUERY: Recently, a correspondent sent me a copy of ~~thexpx~~ a page in the diary of the clergyman who married Jesse Belknap (thus spelled) and Eunice Hall, noting his performance of that marriage. Maybe you already have it. Will make a copy for you if you want it.

Now two warnings about material I've sent to you thus far:

Sheet for Samuel Belknap and Mary Newton: I showed son Jonathan born April 10, 1774. Had good evidence for it. Yet am now doubting it -- and am taking steps to verify or disprove. Have reasons for believing Stephen -- not Jonathan -- was the youngest son.

-- Incidentally, am now deep in effort to examine possibility that our Stephen was the Stephen of the so-called brothers Stephen and Pilgrim -- who have been without known ancestry for 75 years. Have proved that Pilgrim was that Stephen's son, not his brother -- which makes it possible he was brother (Stephen) of Jonas, my gg grandfather. If it works out that way, I'll have about 100 more names to add to my branch of the family.

Sheet for Jonas Newton Belknap and Esther Parker: On what looked like overwhelming circumstantial evidence, I wrote that dau Susannah m David Chatfield. But recently received a letter written by your sister Flora in 1949, containing her handwritten copy of a letter or memo written about 1895 by an unidentified grandchild of Jonas Newton Belknap, giving a totally different list of names of Susannah's children. So, pending outcome of laborious work now being done, can only say that our Susannah may be the Susannah Belknap who married David Chatfield, but there is evidence that this was some other, unknown Susannah Belknap. Who that other Susannah could have been, I haven't even a guess.

June 3 -- 2:30 PM -- I've ended what I started writing on June 1.

Yours --

Carroll

VIRGINIA TABER from CYB 29 Oct 1974

The way of a compiler ishhard -- when he is working toward publication and knows that what he publishes will be repeated by those who come later. So he keeps striving for accuracy, even on minor details.

When you so kindly sent me copies of your charts, I passed some of them along to Della Belnap, secretary of the "Belnap Family Organization" in Utah, who maintains the other major compilation of Belknap genealogy. Though her primary interest centers on descendants of the Jesse Belknap who was the ancestor of the Mormon branch, her work and mine overlap at some points. So we have been cooperating for many years, arguing amicably about the differences in our records -- to our mutual benefit.

Della has returned a few of your sheets to me, with questions that I can't answer. So I'm enclosing them, now. I'll be most grateful if you'll find time to deal with the points she has raised.

Ogden Utah
Oct 20, 1974

Dear Carroll;

Have checked through the rest of the information sent in by Virginia Taber. I have some questions. It probably would be better to check with her direct, because you are so busy. I do not have her address. I take it she is the daughter of Maud M. Belknap and Earl E. Taber, and could be living in Billings, Mont.

There are no references on her sheets as to where the material if found. It would help if there were. Then one could check it out if they have differences. Your could mention this to her.

I'm returning sheets that I have questions on. Some of the questions could be mis typing. It happen to all of us.

Edwin Mead Belknap signed his name as above. There was no "E" on Mead. I'll take a signiture to be more correct. It is the way that person wanted his name spelt. If found in Vital records another way, then a memo should be made. Hear say and Bibles could be what some one else thought. One never knows for sure.

His son Frank Edwin Belknap gives his marriage date as July and not June. He should know the day he got married, I hope.

The other sheets I think you can see what the questions are. Will get to the other letters you wrote as soon as possible. Thought best to answer one subject at a time.

Thanks for every thing.

Della

Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND James Sill
Birth 9 Sept. 1847 Place Stafford, Ohio
*Chr. Place
Death 27 Nov. 1937 Place Seattle, Wash.
Buried Place
Father William Burgess Sill Mother‡ Rhoda Gray
Married 3 Feb. 1871 Place Webster City, Iowa
*Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE LAURA ANN BELKNAP
Birth 23 April 1851 Place Orangeville, Ill.
*Chr. Place
Death 19 April 1916 Place Seattle, Wash.
Buried Place
Father Walter Perrin Belknap Mother‡ Almira Jane Seeley (Seelye)
*Other Husb. (if any)

*Christening date requested only in lieu of birth date (not L.D.S. Church Blessing).
†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡List complete maiden name for all females.

Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
	1 Clarice Mabel	15 1 1872	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 3 Sept.1891 To Chas. Frank Shaffer
	2 Frank LeRoy	14/10/1873	Goldfield	Ia.	29/10/1959	Date 5 Nov.1898 To Sallie A. Frost
	3 Arthur Luverne	24/6/1875	Goldfield	Ia.	6/3/1933	Date 3 Aug. 1910 To Gertrude Horn
	4 Hattie Florence	22/9/1878	Goldfield	Ia.	4/4/1962	Date Never married To
	5 Eugene Belknap Sill	13/5/1881	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 15 Jan.1931 To Ethel Adel Johnson
	6 Raymond Wilson	16/5/1885	Goldfield	Ia.	3/1/196	Date 28 June 1911 To Jessie Pathiel
	7 Harold Ward Sill	7/4/1889	Goldfield	Ia.	12/19/1951	Date 18 Oct.1910 To Mabel A. Blanchard
	8					Date To
	9 Which death date is yours Hazel					Date To
	10					Date To
	11 Herman Pathiel Pathiel				Hazel	Date To
	12 Hebron [illegible]					Date To
	13					Date To
	14					Date To

Form

Place date

Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND Raymond Wilson Sill

Birth May 16, 1885 Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father James M. Sill Mother† Laura Anne Belknap

Married June 28, 1911 Place Seattle, Washington

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information about this family record obtained?

Family Representative

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE Jessie C Patheal (Pathiel) South Dakota

Birth June 9, 1888 Place Vermont City, [illegible]

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Alexander William Patheal Mother† Lodema Kinney

†Other Husb (if any)

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or wife. List Additional Marriages and Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet)
F	1 Naoma Eleanor	6--1--1913	Seattle			Date June 27, 1936 To Paul A. Post
M	2 Raymond Pathael	3--6--1915	Seattle			Date June 28, 1936 To Edith Davies
F	3 Marjorie Elaine	11--10-1919	Seattle			Date July 9, 1939 To C. Rueben Andersen
M	4 Robert James	20--9--1926	Olympia, Wash.			Date August 23, 1946 To Betty Mae Hill
	5					Date To
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
	9					Date To
	10					Date To
	11					Date To
	12					Date To
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	14					Date To
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*Christening date requested only as like of birth date (not L.D.S. Church Blessing).
†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡List complete maiden name for all females.

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Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND EDWIN MEADE BELKNAP

Birth 21 Jan. 1862 Place Argyle, Wisconsin

*Chr. Place

Death 2 July 1955 Place Riverside, California

Burial Place

Father Walter Perrin Belknap Mother‡ Almira Jane Seelye

Married 21 Oct. 1886 Place Wright County, Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE Mary SILL

Birth 11 Dec. 1866 Place Wright County, Iowa gold field

*Chr. Place

Death 9 September 1951 Place Riverside, California Ramona

Burial Place

Father William Burgess Sill Mother‡ Rhoda Gray

†Other Husb (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

*Christian name requested only in lieu of birth date (not L.D.S.)
‡Maiden surname (necessary).
†List other wives of husbands in order of marriage.
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Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages (with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet)
M	1 Hazel	16/7/1889	grundy	Ia.		Date 3 Oct. 1919 To Eugene Kelly Nail
F	2 Eleanor (Nell)	4/8/1891	Stuttford	Ia.		Date 4 June 1912 To Robert Albert Wehr
M	3 Frank Edwin	28/2/1903	Salt Lake	Utah		Date 11 June 1938 To Laureen Meachum
F	4 Marian	2 Sept 1897	Los angles	calif	10 July 1904 Infancy	Date To
	5					Date To
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
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Form F1

Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND CLEMMER CLARENCE BELKNAP

Birth 27 Oct. 1855 — Place Orangeville, Illinois

*Chr. — Place

Death 2 Oct. 1932 — Place Portland, Oregon

Burial — Place Portland, Oregon

Father Walter Perrin Belknap — Mother‡ Almira Jane Seeley (Seelye)

Married 5 Jan. 1879 — Place Iowa

*Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE EMILY SILL

Birth 29 Sept. 1856 — Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. — Place

Death 24 Nov. 1940 — Place Portland, Oregon

Burial — Place Portland, Oregon

Father William Burgess Sill — Mother‡ Rhoda Gray

*Other Husb. (if any)

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F	1 Angie Gazelle	17 Nov1879	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 17 April 1907 To Helen Bates
F	2 George Earl	13 Jan.1884	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 14 Sept.1901 To Fred O. Shaeffer
F	3 Blanche	28 Nov.1889	Gladbrook	Ia.	7 July 19[illegible]	Date To Never married
M	4 Clifford Vernon	30 Jan.1898	Deer Lodge	Mont.	Living	Date 19 July 1923 To Margarete Gertrude [illegible]
F	5 Margery Iris	1 Sept.1900	Cora	Wyo	10 Nov.19[illegible]	Date To Never married
	6					Date To
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*Christening date requested only in lieu of birth date (not L.D.S. Church Blessing)
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Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND FREDERICK OSCAR SHAEFFER

Birth 9 April 1876 Place Stratford, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death 19 Jan. 1964 Place Paonia, Colo.

Burial 22 Jan. 1964 Place Cedar Hill Cem. Paonia, Colo.

Father Tillman Shaeffer Mother‡ Anna Ferlen

Married 14 Sept. 1901 Place Cora, Wyoming

*Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE ANGELINE GAZELLE BELKNAP

Birth 17 Nov. 1879 Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death 8 Feb. 1968 Place Delta Mem. Hosp. Delta, Colo.

Burial 11 Feb. 1968 Place Cedar Hill Cem. Paonia, Colo.

Father CLEMMER CLARENCE BELKNAP Mother‡ Emily Sill

*Other Husb. (if any) Has father's middle name Benson Belknap

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Church Blessing).
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	1 HELEN SHAEFFER	3/9/1902	Stratford	Ia.	15/6/1907	Date D. at Cora, Wyo. To
	2 ~~BERNITE~~ SHAEFFER	7/8/1904	Cora	Wyo.	10/7/1906	Date D. at Cora, Wyo. To
	3 CLEMMER SHAEFFER	9/10/1907	Cora	Wyo.	17/8/1908	Date D. at Cora, Wyo. To
	4 JEANETTE ALICE SHAEFFER	24/6/1910	Stratford	Ia.	9/3/1927	Date D. at Denver, Colo To
F	5 LAURA MARJORIE SHAEFFER	11/9/1912	Hotchkiss	Colo.		Date 10 June 1934 To Earl Newton Clock
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
	9					Date To
	10					Date To
	11					Date To
	12					Date To
	13					Date To
	14					Date To
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	Franklin's Copy	Variations by Others
CHN Polly &	b 15 Feb 1778	14 Feb 1778
		9 Feb 1778
	d 23 Nov 1862	23 Nov 1812
Moses Jr	d 10 Apr 1836	10 Apr 1835
	b 24 Jan 1780	24 Feb 1780
Walter	b 19 Oct 1792	9 Oct 1792
Chester	~~d 20 Feb 1795~~	
	d 6 Aug 1872	29 June 1872
		29 June 1871
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	m 9 Mar 1774	9 March 1775

Dalla's sources

209 Marian J. – Edwin M. Bertsch, Aug 1943 Ferris
Franklin B (1890's)

213 Bessie P – E M Bertsch, Ridott, Ill.
Mrs Pearl Kunz Gorton, Centerville, Tenn.

216 Edwin C. " " " "

217 Walter Ferris – Edwin M Bertsch, Ferris Ill.
source of Phoebe Gray
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	FWB orig.	FWB ck — = same	
Moses SA			
b	~~N~~ 7 Sept 1754	—	
d	× 21 Aug 1836	[21 ~~Sept~~ Aug 1835] CM	
m	× 9 March 1775	9 March 1774	
Sarah Kirk			
b	~ 2 April 1753	—	
d	○ 27 June 1822	24 June 1822	"this ~~word~~ record" WRD
	[day not in FA]		
'Sallie'	b ~ 17 March 1776	—	
FB Sally	d ~ 12 Feb 1796	~~[not in FB]~~ —	
Polly	b ~ 15 Feb 1778	9 Feb 1778	
	d ~ 23 Nov 1802	23 Nov 1812	
Moses Jr	b ~ 24 Jan 1780	24 Feb 1781	
	d ~ 10 Apl 1836	10 Apl 1835 ~	~~(illegible)~~
Patsey	b ~ 12 April 1782	—	
	d ○ 18 Nov 1868 (VR)	—	
~~Sophronia~~	~~b ~ 7.~~		
Orpha	b ~ 23 July 1784	—	
	d ○ ~~7 Sept~~ 1890	—	
Roxa	b ~ 9 Aug 1787	—	
	d ~~1 Sept 1870~~	—	
	~~[illegible]~~		
Sophronia	b ~ 16 Feb 1791	—	
	d [11 June 1890] CM	—	
Walter	b ~ 19 Oct 1792	—	
	d [26 May 1874] CM	—	
Charles	b × 20 Feb 1794	20 Feb 1795 ✓	
	d × ~~25 June 1872~~ [6 May 1872] CM	29 June 1871	
Sarah	b ~ 9 ~~Aug 1797~~	—	

MWB orig same as FB (14)

× differs w/ FB (4)

○ did not (3) copy from FB

Chn of Moses (SA) b 7 Sept 1754 — Adm 9 March 1774 — Della 1775 + Evans

	Moses Jr	Della	HWB	AdmCB	Moses Jr	Chas M?		HWB	Della
Sally	17 March 1776	✓	17 March 1776	17 March 1776	12 Feb 1796			12 Feb 1796	12 Feb 1796
Polly X	15 Feb 1778	✓	14 Feb 1778	9 Feb 1778	23 Nov 1802			23 Nov 1812	23 Nov 1802
Moses (Jr) X	24 Jan 1780	✓	24 Jan or Feb 1780	24 Feb 1780	10 April 1836	10 Apr 1836		10 Apr 1836	10 Apr 1836
Betsy Elizabeth X	12 March 1782	✓	12 April 1782	4 April 1782				18 Nov 1868	1836
Orpha	22 July 1784	✓	22 July 1784	22 July 1784				7 Sept 1840	
Roxa Roxana	9 Aug 1787	✓	9 Aug 1787	9 Aug 1787				—	
Sephronia	16 Feb 1791	16 Feb 1791	16 Feb 1791	16 Feb 1791		11 June 1890		11 June 1890	11 June 1890
Walter ⊗	19 Oct 1792	•	19 Oct 1792	9 Oct 1792		26 March 1874		26 March 1874	26 March 1874
Charles X	20 Feb 1795	✓	20 Feb 1795	20 Feb 1795		6 Aug 1872		29 June 1872	6 Aug 1872
Susan (Suky) Lukey ⊗	6 Nov 1798	✓	6 Nov 1798	26 Nov 1798		6 Dec 1889		6 Dec 1889	6 Dec 1899

Della "Lucrecy"

✓ HWB original agrees w/ JB

⊗ Adm only

Moses Jr & Della Evans HWB

m 9 March 1774 — 9 March 1775 — 1775

d 1835 — 1836 (E) 1835

21 Sept — 21 Aug

From Franklin Belknap's Record, Book A, pages 143-144-

Temple Rec. Book B, p65 -70-

Fourth Betsey B. was born Apr. 12, 1782.

Fifth, Orpha B. was born July 22, 1784.

Sixth Roxa B. (Harper Richeso) was born Aug. 9, 1787.

Seventh, Sophronia B. was born Feb. 16 1791.

Eighth, Walter B. was born Oct. 19, 1793.

Ninth Chester B. was born Feb. 20, 1795.

Tenth, Lukey B. was born Nov. 6, 1798.

Our oldest child Betsy died Feb. 12 1788.

Our second child Betty died Nov. 23, 1802.

Our third child Moses, Jr. died Apr. 10 1836.

Our fifth child Orpha died Sep. 7.

I, Moses Belknap, was 66 years old last Sep. 7 day. My wife Sarah B., was 65 last Apr. 2 day. I was born in the year 1764. My wife in the year 1765.

Sarah Belknap died June 1822.

Moses Belknap died Sep. 21 1836.

Chester " " Aug. 6, 1872.

Walter " " Mar 26, 1874.

Moses Jr. " Apr. 10, 1836.

Minerva, 2nd wife of Moses Jr. date not given.

Sophronia " June 11, 1890.

Lukey " Dec. 6, 1869.

Ny. S. Kearsarge.

Key West Fla. Mar. 9, 1890.

Mr. J. O. Belknap,

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your letter and accompanying notes,

From Franklin Belknap Record , Book A, pages 142,143.

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Book B, p 65

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{ Moses Belknap Jr. — B. Jan. 24th 1780
Margaret Richardson — B. 2-15 1781 — m. Sept. 28th 1827

Their children

	Born	Town	State	married *
Waite Febina Sanford	11-6-1803	Randolph	Vt.	1832 to Fanny Bagood
Sarah Bissel went to Oneco, northern Illinois	24th Dec. 1811	Randolph	Vt. 15 Nov. 1887 died	June 10-1836 to Sabonah Cole
Walter	9 Sept. 1814	Randolph	Vt. 14 Jan. 1885	June 29-1836 to Almira Scalp
Royal				
Augustus				
Mariah				* Wright
Daniel	left Albany, going to Whitewater Wis. then to Delavan Wis. Febina remained in Albany, N.Y.			
Adalene				* Millard
Laura				* Edwin Meade

My father, Edwin Mead Belknap, was born in Argyle, Wis. & went to Goldfield Iowa when about ten years of age. He died July 2nd 1955 Riverside, Calif. 93 years. 5 months. 11 days.

Eleanor Belknap Webb

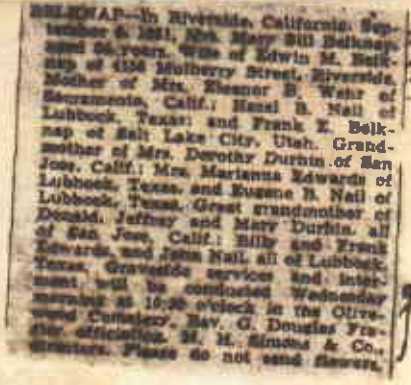
Moses Belknap Jr. Wife margaret Richardson *
child Zelvina See History Albany, N.Y.
born 11-6-1813 Randolph Vermont
died Albany N.Y. Married 1832 Fannie Osgood.

Moses Sr. + wife Sarah Kibbe
History. Royalton Vt. (Conejay)

Walter Parrin + wife Sophronia Belknap
Chester Belknap + wife Hannah Cole (History.)

* margaret Richardson born 2-15-1781
Vt. Historical mag. II/258
History Royalton Vermont. (Conejay)

Roxy Richardson (widow of Sanford)
Receiving pension (No. W. 17531)
Probably daughter margaret is mentioned
See D.A.R. Bulletin 1919
Conn. Rev. Soldiers.



BELKNAP—In Riverside, California, September 6, 1951, Mrs. Mary Gill Belknap, aged 56 years. Wife of Edwin M. Belknap of 4156 Mulberry Street, Riverside. Mother of Mrs. Eleanor B. Weir of Sacramento, Calif.; Hazel B. Nail of Lubbock, Texas; and Frank E. Belknap of Salt Lake City, Utah. Grandmother of Mrs. Dorothy Durbin of San Jose, Calif.; Mrs. Marianna Edwards of Lubbock, Texas, and Eugene B. Nail of Lubbock, Texas. Great grandmother of Donald, Jeffrey and Merr Durbin, all of San Jose, Calif.; Billy and Frank Edwards, and Jesse Nail, all of Lubbock, Texas. Graveside services and interment will be conducted Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Olivewood Cemetery, Rev. G. Douglas Frazier officiating. H. H. Sinnes & Co., directors. Please do not send flowers.

9235 Montgomery Way
Sacramento, Calif.
Oct. 12" 1951

ginia:-

Its nice you are so interested in genealogy. Such a pity we didnt delve into the subject while some of the Gills were living so we could get enough information to enable tracing.

Mrs. Remely found some very interesting circumstances about two branches of the Gill family, but we could never establish, to which we belonged. Your uncle Clarence has the old Gill bible but nothing has been recorded in same. If it had names + dates we could have traced a few generations.

You are correct in saying Nell is just a nickname.

I wanted you to see that Eleanor

I have had the information for some months. Also wanted dates about Papa's last illness + death, which I supplied. No acknowledgement has been received.

I find some mistakes in "Nell's" charting. Papa's mother was Almira Jane Gilly, not "Mary Jane", I have corrected name. Havel made correction on Emily to Mary. My name is Eleanor, Nell Nellie + Sutton, miserable nick names.

June 15, 1976

Mr. Belknap:

Am enclosing some photo copies of Eleanor Belknap Wehr's letters to me. In one you will notice her saying Nell is just a nickname. The obituary of course is of her mother.

Eleanor & Bob Wehr have passed away as has Dorothy their daughter. Dorothy's daughter is Mary Durbin of San Jose. This was written in 1951 and of course Mary is married now and I don't know her married name or address. Possibly her father has married again. Eleanor had her father's material (Edwin M. Belknap) and I have seen some of the material. All that I have on their family came from Eleanor and that is one reason I doubt what Frank has given you.

I wish someone could locate this family because Uncle Ed had a storehouse of information. He got some of his early information from Perley Seymour Belknap. He had been writing to him ever since I can remember.

1. Simeon Belknap - Mary Gibbs
2. Seymour Belknap -
3. Julius Orlando Belknap - b. April 16,1840; d. Oct. 10,1910 Royalton, Vt. ; m. Mary E. Black Feb 5,1865
4. Perley Seymour Belknap, b. April 23, 1870 E. Barnard , Vt.

I made a typigraphical error on Almira Jane Seeley. She was born March 4,1817 and d. July 4,1888. Her grandchildren used to always say she was born on the day the presidents were inaugurated and died on Independence Day. I have known this most of my life and I do apologize for this error. Her mother's name was Susan Witt. I have her death certificate as well as a picture of her gravestone, in Rochester,N.Y.

I will send other photo copies as I receive them.

I am enclosing two genealogical sheets that you wanted corrected. I sent them to Raymond Wilson Sill's daughter Naoma Sill Powers Crockett for correction. Her mother is Jessie Patheal Sill.

Have just completed my term of being Regent of our DAR chapter in Billings so that is why you are hearing from me again. It was such a responsibility since I live 62 miles from Billings. Also it is a big chapter 131 members. I had to drive down sometimes twice a week.

Della Belnap says in one of your letters that I have not given source of my material. I received it from M Eleanor Belknap Wehr who got it from her father Edwin Mead Belknap son of Walter Perrin Belknap/ Now the material of Edwin's brothers & sisters I got from their families. I know most of them so of course I could write the descendants.

June 15,1976

Do you have anything on this family? A lady friend in Vt. sent me this:

Harper Richardson - Roxa Belknap (??????????) Who is she ?
Sanford Richardson - Roxalana Burroughs
Margaret Harper Richardson - Moses Belknap, Jr.

If she is a Belknap close to Moses Jr. , Margaret & Moses Jr. must be some kind of cousin. Sanford ~~was born~~ died June 7,1818 Bethel, Vermont He was in the Rev. Am anxious about the relationship. !!!!!

I'm enclosing war record of Franklin Louis Belknap. There seems to be a disagreement there as to where he died.

As to Walter Perrin Belknap's death, we got it off the g.s. 1886. I also got a certified birth certificate for him from Montpelier and it says 9 Sept. 1813. Also Franklin's war record shows when Walter was married. I have Susan Witt's picture of the g.s. & it says Susan Witt as Almira's mother.

I will send more material as I find it. If you want to ask for something you want proven do ask and I'll see if I can do it.

Sincerely,

Virginia Gard Taber

Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND FREDERICK AUGUSTUS BELKNAP

Birth 3 Nov. 1843 — Place Albany, New York

*Chr. — Place

Death 15 March 1917 — Place Ceylon, Minn.

Burial 18 March 1917 — Place Goldfield, Iowa

Father Walter Perrin Belknap — Mother‡ Almira Jane Seeley (Seelye)

Married 11 January 1872 — Place Clarion, Iowa

†Other Wives (If any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE MATILDA JANE SILL

Birth 16 Nov. 1849 — Place Stafford, Ohio

*Chr. — Place

Death 15 January 1944 — Place Ames, Iowa

Burial 17 January 1944 — Place Goldfield, Iowa

Father William Burgess Sill — Mother‡ Rhoda Gray

†Other Husb. (If any)

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	1 Baby Boy	11/1872			11/1872	Date — To
+	2 Clarence Rossiter	20/8/1874	Goldfield Wright	Ia.	19/11/1958	Date 23 March 1898 To Julia Dignan
	3 Merritt Austin	11/6/1877	Eagle Grove " Goldfield	"	14/6/1893	Date — To
+	4 Cole Edgar	6/8/1879	Goldfield "	"	2/5/1972	Date 29 Nov. 1916 To Agnes E. Jorgensen
+	5 Grace Edna	18/7/1882	Goldfield "	"	Living	Date 18 Sept. 1901 To David G. Keith
+	6 Maude Mary	19/4/1885	Goldfield "	"	Living	Date 8 Dec. 1909 To Burdette W. Agard
	7 Sidney	6/12/1887	Goldfield, I"	"	9/12/1902	Date — To
	8					Date — To
	9					Date — To
	10					Date — To
	11					Date — To
	12					Date — To
	13					Date — To
	14					Date — To
	15					Date — To

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Place Add

Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND Clarence Rossiter Belknap

Birth August 20, 1874 Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death Noember19, 1958 Place Ames, Iowa

Burial November 23, 1953 Place Ames, Iowa

Father Frederick Augustus Belknap Mother‡ Matilda Jane Sill

Married March 23, 1898 Place Eagle Grove, Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Julia Dignan

Birth April 29, 1875 Place

*Chr. Place

Death November 2, 1916 (2 Dec. 1916) Place Des Moines, Iowa

Burial Place Ames, Iowa

Father Edward Dignan Mother‡ Viola Woodard

†Other Husb. (if any)

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X M	1 Willis Vernon	13	3	1900	Goldfield,	Wpight	Iowa				Date Oct. 16, 1926 To Nola Marie Baker
X F	2 Blanche	18	6	1904	Ceylon,	Martin	Minn				Date November 30, 1928 To Edward Barrett Wyllie
X F	3 Alice Jane	13	5	1907	Ceylon,	Martin	Minn.				Date June 3, 1937 To Gilbert Wayne Price
	4										Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND Willis Vernon Belknap

Birth March 13, 1900 — Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. — Place

Death Jan. 7, 1971 7 Jan. 1971 — Place Humboldt, Ia.

Burial — Place Clarinda, Ia.

Father Clarence Rossiter Belknap — Mother‡ Julia Dignan

Married October 16, 1926 — Place Clarinda, Page Co., Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Nola Marie Baker

Birth December 16, 1902 — Place Clarinda, Page Co., Iowa

*Chr. — Place

Death 19 May 1973 19 May 1973 — Place Humboldt, Iowa

Burial — Place Clarinda, Iowa

Father William S. Baker — Mother‡ Minnie Margaret Wynn

†Other Husb (if any)

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	1 No Children					Date To
	2					Date To
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	4					Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND Edward Barrett Wyllie

Birth July 8, 1903 Place

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father ~~James~~ Wyllie Mother‡ Lena Thomann

Married November 30, 1928 Place Sigourney, Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Blanche Belknap

Birth June 18, 1904 Place Ceylon, Minnesota

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Clarence Rossiter Belknap Mother‡ Julia Dignan

†Other Husb. (if any)

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Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day	Mo.	Yr.	WHERE BORN Town	County	State or Country	DIED Day	Mo.	Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
+ M	1 William Barrett Wyllie	28	6	1933	Ames	Story	Iowa				Date March 29, 1958 To Marie Blanche Labee
+ F	2 Joyce Anne Wyllie	21	12	1934	Oskaloosa	Mahaska	Iowa				Date March 24, 1956 To Richard Bryan Munn
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND William Barrett Wyllie

Birth June 28, 1933 Place Ames, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Edward Barrett Wyllie Mother‡ Blanche Belknap

Married March 29, 1958 Place Berkley, California

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Marie Blanche Laboe

Birth October 13, 1932 Place Monroe, Michigan

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Jerome G. Laboe Mother‡ Agatha S. Laboe

†Other Husb. (if any)

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M	1	David William Wyllie	30	12	1958	Oakland, Ca.	Alameda	Cal.				Date To
F	2	Anne Marie Wyllie	4	3	1960	Oakland		Cal.				Date To
F	3	Caroline Elizabeth Wylie	12/5/1961			Salem		Ore.				Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND Richard Bryan Munn

Birth November 6, 1933 Place Eureka, California

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Daniel Bryant Munn Mother‡ Marian Solari

Married March 24, 1956 Place Oceanside, California

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Joyce Anne Wyllie

Birth December 21, 1934 Place Oskaloosa, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Edward Barrett Wyllie Mother‡ Blanche Belknap

†Other Husb. (if any)

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M	1 Daniel Barrett Munn	2 5 1958	Augsburg Bavaria	Germany		Date To
	2 Steven Richard Munn	15 5 1960	Modesto, Cal			Date To
	3 Bryan Scott Munn	2/10/1961	Modesto	Cal.		Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND Gilbert Wayne Price

Birth March 15, 1908 Place Emporia, Kansas

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Charles Blondell Price Mother‡ Eva Coulson

Married January 3, 1937 Place Newton, Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Alice Jane Belknap

Birth May 13, 1907 Place

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father ~~Clarence Rossiter Belknap~~ Mother‡ Julia Dignan

†Other Husb. (if any)

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Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND Raymond Wilson Sill

Birth May 16, 1885 Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death Jan 1, 1969 30 JAN 1969 Place Seattle

Burial Place

Father James M. Sill Mother† Laura Anne Belknap

Married June 28, 1911 Place Seattle, Washington

†Other Wives (If any)

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Jesse C Patheal (Pathiel) ? Jesse C. Patheal

Birth June 9, 1888 Place Vermont City, South Dakota

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Alexander Willian Patheal Mother‡ Lodema Kinney

†Other Husb. (If any)

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Family Representative:

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F	1 Naoma Eleanor	6 6--1--1913	Seattle			Date June 27, 1936 To Paul A. Power 1
M	2 Raymond Patheal	3--6--1915	Seattle			Date June 28, 1944 To Edith Davies
F	3 Marjorie Elaine	11--10--1919	Seattle			Date July 9, 1943 To C. Rueben Anderson
M	4 Robert "James	20--9--1926	Olympia, Wash.			Date August 23, 1946 To Betty Mae Hill
	5					Date To
	6 (20-8-1926) Naoma Power Crockett					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
	9					Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND JAMES SILL

Birth 9 Sept. 1847 Place ~~Stafford, Ohio~~

*Chr. Place

Death 27 Nov. 1937 Place Seattle, Wash.

Burial Place

Father William Burgess Sill Mother‡ Rhoda Gray

Married 3 Feb. 1871 Place Webster City, Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained? Virginia Faber

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE LAURA ANN BELKNAP

Birth 23 April 1851 Place Orangeville, Ill.

*Chr. Place

Death 19 April 1916 Place Seattle, Wash.

Burial Place

Father Walter Perrin Belknap Mother‡ Almira Jane Seeley (Seelye)

†Other Husb. (if any)

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	1 Clarice Mabel	15.1 1872	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 3 Sept. 1891 To Chas. Frank Shaeffer
	2 Frank LeRoy	14/10/1873	Goldfield	Ia.	29/10/1959	Date 5 Nov. 1898 To Sallie A. Frost
	3 Arthur Luverne	24/6/1875	Goldfield	Ia.	6/3/1933	Date 3 Aug. 1910 To Gertrude Horn
	4 Hattie Florence	22/9/1878	Goldfield	Ia.	4/4/1962	Date To ~~Never married~~
	5 Eugene Belknap Sill	13/6/1881	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 15 Jan. 1931 To Ethel Adel Johnson
†	6 Raymond Wilson	16/5/1885	Goldfield	Ia.	3/1/196	Date 28 June 1911 To Jessie Pathed
†	7 Harold Ward Sill	7/4/1889	Goldfield	Ia.	12/19/1951	Date 18 Oct. 1910 To Mabel A. Blanchard
	8					Date To
	9					Date To
	10					Date To
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Which death date do you want corrected 1-4-69 by Noma Lower Crockett

The name Pathiel, Pathead or Pathael - which is correct?

corrected Noma Lower Crockett

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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND CLEMMER CLARENCE BELKNAP

Birth 27 Oct. 1855 — Place Orangeville, Illinois

*Chr. — Place

Death 2 Oct. 1932 — Place Portland, Oregon

Burial — Place Portland, Oregon

Father Walter Perrin Belknap — Mother‡ Almira Jane Seeley (Seelye)

Married 5 Jan. 1879 — Place Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE EMILY SILL

Birth 29 Sept. 1856 — Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. — Place

Death 24 Nov. 1940 — Place Portland, Oregon

Burial — Place Portland, Oregon

Father William Burgess Sill — Mother‡ Rhoda Gray

†Other Husb. (if any)

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F	1	Angie Gazelle	17 Nov1879	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 17 April 1907 To Helen Bates
	2	George Earl	13 Jan.1884	Goldfield	Ia.		Date 14 Sept.1901 To Fred O. Shaeffer a.
	3	Blanche	28 Nov.1889	Gladbrook	Ia.	7 July 19[illegible]	Date To Never married
	4	Clifford Vernon	30 Jan.1898	Deer Lodge	Mont.	Living	Date 19 July 1923 To Margarete Gertrude [illegible]
	5	Margery Iris	1 Sept.1900	Cora	Wyo	10 Nov.19[illegible]	Date To Never married
	6						Date To
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who did she marray ?

Is Angie a nick name? yes

Looks like three marriages are renounced (yes)

Hearing

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HUSBAND CLEMMER CLARENCE BELKNAP
Born 27 Oct. 1855 Place Orangeville, Illinois
Married 5 Jan. 1879 Place Wright Co. , Iowa
Died 2 Oct. 1932 1932 Place Portland, Ore.
Buried at Portland, Ore. Church Aff.
Other wives

FATHER Walter Perrin Belknap
Born 9 Sept. 1813 Place Randolph, Vt.
Married 29 June 1836 Place Albany, N. Y.
Died 14 Jan. 1886 Place Goldfield, Iowa
Buried at Goldfield Church aff. Methodist
MOTHER Almira Jane Seelye (Seeley)
Born 4 March 1817 Place Albany, N.Y.
Died 4 July 1888 Place Goldfield, Iowa
Buried at Goldfield Church aff. Methodist

WIFE Emily Sill
Born 29 Sept. 1856 Place Goldfield, Iowa
Died 24 Nov. 1940 Place Portlamd, Ore.
Buried at Portland Church Aff. Methodist
Other husbands

FATHER William Burgess Sill
Born 18 April 1822 Place Stafford, Ohio
Married 20 Feb. 1845 Place Stafford, OHI O
Died 7 Jan. 1911 Place Ceylon, Minn.
Buried at Goldfield, Iowa Church Aff. Methodist
MOTHER Rhoda Gray
Born 1 Oct. 1825 Place , Ohio
Died 7 Nov. 1876 Place Goldfield, Iowa
Buried at Goldfield, Iowa Church Aff. Methodist

Sheet submitted by:

This material was made out by Clemmer's Granddaughter
Date
AUTHORITIES:
(List volume and page)

Laura Shaeffer Clock

	CHILDREN	BORN When Where	DIED When Where	MARRIED To whom When Where
1	Angeline Gazelle	17 Nov. 1879 Goldfield, Ia.	8 Feb. 1968 Paonia, Colo.	Frederick Oscar Shaeffer 14 Sept. 1901 Cora, Wyoming
2	George Earl Belknap	13 Jan. 1884 Goldfield, Ia.	7 Feb. 1957 Apple Valley, Cal.	Helen Alzada Bates 17 April 1907 Pinedale, Wyo.
3	Blanche Belknap	28 Nov. 1889 Gladbrook, Ia.	7 July 1891	never mar.
4	Clifford Vernon	30 Jan. 1898 Deer Lodge, Montana	living 1976	Margarete Gertrude Hoering 19 July 1923
5	Margery Iris Belknap	1 Sept. 1900 Cora, Wyo.	10 Nov. 1919	never mar.
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND FREDERICK OSCAR SHAEFFER

Birth 9 April 1876 Place Stratford, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death 19 Jan. 1964 Place Paonia, Colo.

Burial 22 Jan. 1964 Place Cedar Hill Cem. Paonia, Colo.

Father Tillman Shaeffer Mother‡ Anna Ferlen

Married 14 Sept. 1901 Place Cora, Wyoming

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Laura Shaeffer Clock

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE ANGELINE GAZELLE BELKNAP

Birth 17 Nov. 1879 Place GOldfield, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death 8 Feb. 1968 Place Delta Mem. Hosp. Delta, Colo.

Burial 11 Feb. 1968 Place Cedar Hill Cem. Paonia, Colo.

Father CLEMMER CLARENCE BELKNAP Mother‡ Emily Sill

†Other Husb (if any) (his father was Walter Perrin Belknap (yes))

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	1 HELEN SHAEFFER	3/9/1902	Stratford	Ia.	15/6/1907	Date D. at Cora, Wyo. To
	2 MERRITT SHAEFFER	2/8/1904	Cora	Wyo.	10/7/1906	Date D. at Cora, Wyo. To
	3 CLEMMER SHAEFFER	9/10/1907	Cora	Wyo.	17/8/1908	Date D. at Cora, Wyo. To
	4 JEANETTE ALICE SHAEFFER	24/6/1910	Stratford	Ia.	9/3/1927	Date D. at Denver, Colo To
F	5 LAURA MARJORIE SHAEFFER	11/9/1912	Hotchkiss	Colo.		Date 10 June 1934 To Earl Newton Clock
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Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND EARL NEWTON CLOCK

Birth 27 April 1912 Place Sunnyside, Kansas

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father George Merton Clock Mother‡ Ruth Norton

Married 10 June 1934 Place Ragged Mountain, Colo.

†Other Wives (If any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE LAURA MARJORIE SHAEFFER

Birth 11 September 1912 Place Hotchkiss, Colo.

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Fred O. Shaeffer Mother‡ Angie G. Belknap

†Other Husb. (If any)

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X	1 KEITH ARNOLD	23 Nov. 1935	Paonia	Colo.		Date 29/10/1956 To Amateene McKelva
X	2 CLINTON SHAEFFER	14 /11/1937	Paonia	Colo.		Date 30 June 1961 To Rosalie Schroeder
	3					Date To
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	15					Date

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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND KEITH ARNOLD CLOCK

Birth 23 November 1935 Place Paonia, Colo.

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Earl Newton Clock Mother‡ Laura Marjorie Schaeffer

Married 29 October 1956 Place Paonia, Colo.

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE AMATEENE McKELVA

Birth 5 January 1935 Place Telephone, Texas

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father James Hamlet McKelva Mother‡ Ethyll Herald McEwin

†Other Husb. (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

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†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡List complete maiden name for all females.

Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
	1 Collette Renee	20/10/1957	Delta	Colo.		Date To
	2 Nancy Lynette	2/1/1959	DELTAwood Sprgs.	Colo.	4/1/1959	Date To
	3 Thad Daniel	22/3/1960	Glenwood Sprgs.	Colo.		Date To
	4 Collin Randall	11/3/1961	Delta	Colo.		Date To
	5 Tracy Denise	13/5/1963	Leadville	Colo		Date To
	6 Travis Carey	20/2/1968	Grand Junction	Colo		Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
	9					Date To
	10					Date To
	11					Date To
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Genealogical Data for Husband

HUSBAND CLINTON SHAEFFER CLOCK

Birth 14 November 1937 Place Paonia, Colo.

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Earl Newton Clock Mother‡ Laura Marjorie Shaeffer

Married 10 June 1961 Place Paonia, Colo.

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE ROSALIE JUNE SCHROEDER

Birth 14 January 1942 Place Redwing, Minnesota

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Gustav Wm. Schroeder Mother‡ Ida Lydia Stunkard

†Other Husb. (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

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Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day	Mo.	Yr.	WHERE BORN Town	County	State or Country	DIED Day	Mo.	Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
	1 Kirby Allan	26	9	1962	Paonia		Colo.				Date To
	2 Nolan Curtis	12	7	1965	Paonia		Colo.				Date To
	3										Date To
	4										Date To
	5										Date To
	6										Date To
	7										Date To
	8										Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND GEORGE EARL BELKNAP

Birth 13 January 1884 Place Goldfield, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death 7 Feb. 1957 Place Apple Valley, Cal.

Burial 11 February 1957 Place Rose City Cem, Portland, Ore.

Father CLEMMER CLARENCE BELKNAP Mother‡ EMILY SILL

Married 17 April 1907 Place Pinedale, Wyo.

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE HELEN ALZADA BATES

Birth 6 October 1884 Place Orange, Mass.

*Chr. Place

Death 16 July 1958 Place San Bernardino, Cal.

Burial Place Rose City Cem. Portland, Ore.

Father Frank E. Bates Mother‡ Cora A. Alger

†Other Husb. (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

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†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡List complete maiden name for all females.

Sex M F		CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
	1	Lawerence		Pinedale	Wyo.	8 mo.o	Date To
	2	Katherine Louise		Pinedale	Wyo	at birth	Date To
+	3	Helen Kathleen	8 /6/1914	Pinedale	Wyo.		Date 16/2/1941 To John Rod Jackson
	4						Date To
	5						Date To
	6						Date To
	7						Date To
	8						Date To
	9						Date To
	10						Date To
	11						Date To
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HUSBAND JOHN R. JACKSON

Birth 3 October 1908 Place Mt. Pleasant, Iowa

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Mother‡

Married 16 Feb. 1941 Place Camas, Washington

†Other Wife(s) (if any) Avelona Biornton

Genealogical Data for Wife

WIFE HELEN KATHLEEN BELKNAP

Birth 8 June 1914 Place Pinedale, Wyo.

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father GEORGE EARL BELKNAP Mother‡ HELEN A. BATES

†Other Husb. (if any)

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Family Representative:

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Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
	1 Linda Kay	9/12/1941	Portland	Ore.		Date To M. G. Alandi
	2 Richard Earl	9/1/1948	SanBernardino	Cal.		Date To
	3					Date To
	4					Date To
	5					Date To
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND CLIFFORD VERNON BELKNAP

Birth 30 Jan. 1898 Place Deer Lodge, Montana

*Chr. Place

Death living 1974 Place

Burial Place

Father Clemmer Clarence Belknap Mother‡ Emily Sill

Married 19 July 1923 Place Spokane, Wash.

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE MARGARETE GERTRUDE HOERING

Birth 20 Jan. 1898 Place Spokane, Wash.

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Rudolph Henry Hoering Mother‡ Rachel Owens

†Other Husb. (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

*Christening date requested only in lieu of birth date (see L.D.S. Church Blessing).
†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡List complete maiden name for all females.

Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
M	1 Donald Edward	29 7 1925	Portland	Ore.		Date To Mary Patricia Young
	2					Date To
	3					Date To
	4					Date To
	5					Date To
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
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	11					Date To
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	15					Date To

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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND DONALD EDWARD BELKNAP M.D. (in Spokane)

Birth 29 July 1925 Place Portland, Oregon

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Clifford Vernon Belknap Mother‡ Margarete Hoering

Married Place

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE MARY PATRICIA SAVAGE

Birth 9 April 1927 Place Spokane, Wash.

*Chr. Place

Death Place

Burial Place

Father Oscar Savage Mother‡ Mary

†Other Husb. (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

*Christening date requested only in lieu of birth date (not L.D.S. Church Blessing).
†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡List complete maiden name for all females.

Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
	1 Steven Edward	5/11/1951	St. Louis	Mo.		Date To
	2 Margaret Mary	29/12/1953	Spokane	Wash.		Date To
	3 Laurel Ann	20 Sep. 1956	Spokane	Wash.		Date To
	4 John Thomas	18/ 7/1961	Spokane	Wash.		Date To
	5 Joseph Michael	24/5/1968	Spokane	Wash.		Date To
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND EDWIN (MEADE) BELKNAP

Birth 21 Jan. 1862 — Place Argyle, Wisconsin

*Chr. — Place

Death 2 July 1955 (1954 not!) — Place Riverside, California

Burial (Correct) — Place

Father Walter Perrin Belknap — Mother‡ Almira Jane Seelye

Married 21 Oct. 1886 — Place Wright County, Iowa

†Other Wives (if any)

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Mary SILL

Birth 11 Dec. 1866 — Place Wright County, Iowa gold fields

*Chr. — Place

Death 9 September 1951 — Place Riverside, California

Burial — Place

Father William Burgess Sill — Mother‡ Rhoda Gray

†Other Husb. (if any)

Family Representative:

Name and address of person submitting this sheet.

Birthdate, no! Look on obituary enclosed

*Christening date requested only in lieu of birth date (not L.D.S. Church Blessing).
†List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.
‡Use complete maiden name for all females.

Sex M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth	WHEN BORN Day Mo. Yr.	WHERE BORN Town County	State or Country	DIED Day Mo. Yr.	MARRIED (First Husband or Wife) List Additional Marriages with Dates on Reverse Side of Sheet
+	1 Hazel	16/7/1889	grundbrook	Ia.		Date 3 Oct. 1919 To Eugene Kelly Nail
+	2 Eleanor (Nell)	4/8/1891	Stratford	Ia.		Date 4 June 1912 To Robert Albert Wehr
+	3 Frank Edwin	28/2/1903	Salt Lake	Utah		Date 11 June 1938 To Laureen Meachum
	4 Marian	22 Sept 1897	Los angles	calif	10 July 1908 Infancy	Date To
	5					Date To
	6					Date To
	7					Date To
	8					Date To
	9					Date To
	10					Date To
	11					Date To
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	13					Date To
	14					Date To
	15					Date To

no, a nickname see enclosure

July Eleanor gave me June

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Indicate which child is ancestor of Family Representative by placing "x" in front of name. Place Add:

April 1 1972

ECB from CYB

I think your revision of your "Historical Background" is admirable. I have only one factual change to suggest -- the result of a careless error of mine in some earlier memo to you. I should have given 1400, not 1300, as the date by which the male line of the Lincolnshire Beltofts had died out.

Checking that section of my files, now, what I find is that the last appearance of that male line, in the lengthy research done by Bernau, was in the record of a court suit in Lincolnshire, 1395, by Robert De Sheffield and his wife Katrine (whose maiden name was De Beltoft). It showed the following pedigree to support claim to title of certain land: Thomas de Beltoft (circa 1275, CYB) had two sons, Roger who died s.p. (without issue), and Peter who was the father of Robert who died s. p., Thomas who died s. p., and Katrine, wife of Robert de Sheffield (in 1395). So the last male Beltofts died before 1395, and I should ask you to alter 1300 to 1400 in the last two paragraphs on the fifth page of your script.

I hope you don't think I'm being too pedantic in stressing accuracy. As I've said, I hope you'll deposit copies of your finished work in such places as NEHGS, Salt Lake Gen. Society, Newbury Library, etc. -- to help counteract the many sadly erroneous things they now have in stock. To illustrate how bad such things often are, I'm enclosing a copy of two pages in a typed version of a genealogy of one New Hampshire branch of the family -- which is on file in Boston and Salt Lake and Heaven knows where else. The writer obviously drew on HWB's published work but couldn't get it straight.

Much of the garbled stuff traces to misunderstanding of the footnotes in HWB's 1914 piece. As you have quoted a part of one of those notes, I think I should comment on their actual meaning (in the light of what HWB said in letters to Bernau and others).

"Alternative surnames are said to have been somewhat uncommon in England, although much used in the Channel Isles."

> This has been widely interpreted as meaning that Beltoft and Belknap were "alternative surnames." It should have been interpreted as meaning exactly the opposite. The source was a letter from Bernau in which he said that the use of alternative surnames was "very rare in England at that time," thus expressing his disbelief that this case was one of that sort. But HWB never quite rid his mind of that erroneous notion. So he went on to cite a source for the sometime synonymous nature of "toft" and "knap" but I doubt that he cited it correctly.

Unfortunately, I've not been successful in getting a copy of the Dictionary of Dialect that he quoted. But I question that this work called "toft" and "knap" "terminations" with a hyphen, for both words were old nouns that stood on their own feet and to the best of my knowledge were never used as "terminations" in anything but those two surnames. I think HWB coined those two hyphens. At the time when he wrote that note, the only sound source of word derivation and usage -- the great Oxford Dictionary -- had not yet reached the letter T; so he couldn't see what It says about "toft". [redacted] And I don't think it had yet published its section on K. Too bad -- for if it had been available HWB might not have [redacted] the way he did.

~~In any event, HWB's~~

I have often wished that HWB had never written that footnote, for it has lead to endless confusion and misstatement.

HWB's unfortunate bias (which is clear in some of his letters) is shown early in his 1914 piece -- in the last paragraph on page 83: "Mr. Bernau began his search with the Lay Subsidy Rolls . . . and there discovered that the surname of the Sawbridgeworth branch of the Belknap family was sometimes Beltoft or Beltofte." True, but inexactly stated. The words "sometimes" sounds like something more or less continuing over a period of time. But the record in the tax rolls was that Beltoft ends with Bennet and that only Belknap appears after his death. There was nothing simultaneous about the use of the two names in the tax records -- nor had there been, at any time. (The only later appearance of Beltoft is the one I discussed in my notes on the change of name.)

When I come to start writing, I'll have to deal with that footnote, for it has caused much trouble. And what I'll say will be what is obvious to anyone who has any acquaintance with criminology and plain crookery -- that when men choose an alias they very commonly adopt something that bears some sort of resemblance to their real name. In short, Beltoft was a natural and easy alias for Belknap, since "toft" was still in common use in the 15th century when the first person using that name appeared at Sawbridgeworth.

I suppose I should explain that phrase "the 15th century." The first Richard Beltoft, who died between 1500 and 1510, was probably born about 1470 (judging by the age of his children when he died). If we assume that he was born in Sawbridgeworth, the unusual size of his landholding would indicate a likelihood that at least two generations of his forebears had been there.

At this point what is significant is that field workers from Salt Lake, in the past year or so, have found no Beltoft on Sawbridgeworth tax rolls before 1400 (i.e., during the lifetime of the Judge). If they find such a record in the next century, then we'll know what the name Beltoft begins to appear there.

I've rambled far afield, haven't I. But once I started talking about that trouble-making footnote, I had to keep on -- or thought I did.

By this time, what's pretty obvious to you -- I suppose -- is that I wish you wouldn't perpetuate that footnote by merely repeating it without explanation.

It has already done enough harm.

March 27, 1972
MEMORANDUM
To: Carroll Y. Belknap, 25 Club Road, Riverside, Conn., 06878
From: E. Clinton Belknap, 2019 Harwood St., Lincoln, Nebr., 68502

Thank you for providing, as I had requested, a critical review of the proposed preface to the compilation of material relating to my segment of the Belknap family. I refer to yours of 3/6/72.

Think I'll have to post the observation of your former English professor, "the hardest thing on earth is to state a simple fact correctly," reminding me to be more careful and thorough -- and it wouldn't hurt if I learned how to spell too!

It was good of you to take time, not only to criticize but to organize your remarks so systematically and to offer suggested rewordings or additions here and there. Because of your patient surveillance, you're going to have me looking fairly good in spite of myself and I do appreciate it. You have, of course, learned long since that my background in ancient English history leaves much to be desired and that, as a genealogist, I am very much an amateur.

I have the revision of your sheet on Abraham and the revised "SEQUENCE OF CHANGE OF NAME, AS RECORDED."

The fact that you discovered an error in your own work and that I have come upon another in your memorandum dated August 6, 1968, is a reminder that even the best of scholars do at times err -- that have "feet of clay" to a greater or lesser degree.

Concerning your points (4½) and (5), I find in your August 8, 1968, memo, page 2, paragraph 2, line 4 and 5: "His father is assumed to be the John Bealknap who was practicing law in London in 1343 ...." I have now corrected that remark in said memo in keeping with your current memo and with DNB.

In that same communication you referred me to the DNB article on Robert as "generally accurate except for two points: (1) the statement that Robert was 'undoubtedly descended from the Belknape who came with the Conqueror...' and '(2) the omission of the names of the two children of the Judge, John and Joan, and omission of Joan who was maid of honor to Katharine ...'" It was on the authority of DNB that I referred to Robert as "lord of the manor of Hempstead." I am inclined to feel that the question of whether the use of "lord", without the capital "L" in this instance is proper or improper may be debatable. It is a little hard to believe that the Oxford University Press editors would have let it stand had it not been considered acceptable usage when written. However, "owner" probably

serves the purpose as well and may provide greater clarity so that term will now be used. See revised draft.

I garnered my interpretation of the meaning of "page" (See your point (7), from Webster's New World Dictionary -- "1. formerly a boy training for knighthood..," but am now modifying the wording as you will notice.

Regarding point (18), the adjective "embarrassed" was my own. If he wasn't embarrassed by all the difficulties his impeachment had brought upon the King, he certainly should have been. Your knowledge of this character is much greater than mine however, and if you say he wasn't embarrassed that's good enough for me.

I note your point (37) and your concern lest true genealogists look with disgust upon speculation as to early meaning of our name. I personally do feel that the possible similarity in original meanings between Bealknap and Beltoft may indeed have some real significance as to the origin of the Sawbridgeworth family. If one is to be suspect for speculation, even if labeled as speculation, but based upon acceptable works in the derivation of words and names, then perhaps such genealogists could be rated as a bit stuffy. I do respect your judgement in the matter and have in my revision confined any allusion to the subject to a foot note quoting a portion of a foot note from HWB's 1914 article in NEHGR. Surely no one could seriously question his status as a genealogist. Do you find this acceptable? If not, I can always confine my comments along this line to the summary material passed along to my two sons and their families.

Please do look over my revision as you have time and let me know your reactions. And again, my thanks to you!

ecb.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Belknaps In Early England

Persons bearing the name of Bealknap or de Bealknap (later Belknap) were residents at an early date in at least the three English counties of Warwick, Kent and Sussex. Whether their line went back to ancestors who related to the Naorman Invasion, back even farther to the Anglo-Saxon era, or before is not entirely clear.

The only early English Belknap family, historically speaking, of which this compiler has found documentation is that of Sir Robert de Bealknap, sometimes referred to as "the Knightly Family," and, in more modern times as "the Judge's Family."

Born about 1337, Robert de Bealknap had by 1375, become owner and master of the manor of Hempstead in Kent County. The son of parents whose first names were John and Alice, there is an assumption that he may have been the son of the attorney Bealknap who was practicing law in London in 1346-7. Associated with the Court of both King Edward III and King Richard II, Sir Robert had a most interesting and eventful career - a career however, which was to have a most unhappy conclusion.

In his younger days he served as a page in the Court of King Edward III at the same time as Geoffery Chaucer who was later to become a member of Parliament as well as an English poet of renoun. By 1374 Robert had become a Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas and some eleven years later would be knighted by King Richard II. Along the way to the high office of Chief Justice he had received a variety of appointments and assignments.

In 1365, and again in 1369, he was named a commissioner to survey the coast of the Isle of Thanet (the northeastern part of Kent, which was then largely separated from the mainland by rivers) and to find a way to effectively protect the homes in the area from the sea. In 1366 he was appointed King's Sergeant. This was an appointment for young men who were training to become judges as distinct from those who would become lawyers. As such a trainee, Robert would participate in hearing minor civil and criminal cases coming before the various courts in the area.

In 1372 Robert became a member of the commission designated to provide for the defence of the coast of Kent against invaders. In 1374 he was one of seven sent overseas to confer with representatives of the Roman Papal Court in an attempt to bring about an acceptable settlement of matters pertaining to the Church as it related to the King and the realm of England. Reflected in this venture were the basic difficulties

of long standing between the Roman Catholic Church in Rome, and the Crown of England -- difficulties which would, more than 100 years hence, in 1532, result in the establishment of the Church of England and a complete break with the papal authority at Rome.

In 1381, after the outbreak of "The Great Revolt" in England, triggered by the recently imposed poll tax, Robert was sent into Essex with an entourage of clerks and jurors all set to seize defiant rebels and render predetermined verdicts of guilt and punishment upon those who were apprehended. But, characteristic of the defiant attitude across the realm at the time, the resentment and rebellion of the people of Essex were of such violent magnitude that Robert's forces were far too small to accomplish the job he had been sent to do. The men in fishing villages north of London beheaded some of his clerks and jurors and made Robert go down on his knees and vow never again to undertake a punitive mission such as this. The Chief Justice, thus confronted, was glad to escape with his life!

A few years later followed the episode that was to result in a tragic and disasterous experience for Sir Robert and his family. In 1386 Parliament had impeached Michael de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk, for corruption and waste of tax monies. This action was, in turn, followed by a transfer of administrative authority (formerly vested in the Earl by authority delegated by the King) to a Council of Nobles, responsible directly to Parliament. The inference of this act of transfer of authority from an Earl of the kingdom to Parliament was, of course, most disturbing to the King and he called a meeting of the justices in Nottingham to consider the matter. Sir Robert Belknap, one of two Chief Justices attending the session, although objecting strongly within the group to such counter actions, was compelled, under threat of death, by the Duke of Ireland, Robert de Vere, and the recalcitrant Earl of Suffolk, to join in expression favorable to the Crown.

Caught in this crossfire between the King and what Will Durant refers to in The Reformation as the "Merciless Parliament", Sir Robert, along with the other justices attending the session at Nottingham (except Tressilian, Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, who had already been executed), were summarily impeached by Parliament on charges of treason; divested of their citizenship and all rights to hold property, and were condemned to die. Only through intercession of the Bishops and the Queen were their lives spared. Sir Robert's sentence was commuted to banishment to Ireland, where he was to be confined within a three mile radius of the town of Drogheda, situated at the mouth of the Boyne River on the eastern coast. All other terms of the sentence remained as in the original decree.

When Richard II regained control of Parliament in 1397, Sir Robert and the other attainted judges were recalled to England and restored to their full rights. However, only two years later, with the dethronement of King Richard II by his adversary, Henry Bolingbroke (who became King Henry IV) the restoration was nullified. In that same year, 1399, it is reported that the Commons asked Parliament to restore Sir Robert's estate. Since he is reported not to have joined with the two other justices in 1401 for the removal of the attainder, it is assumed that he had died before that time. English historians list 1400 as the probable date of death.

During the long period of Sir Robert's banishment and disgrace, his wife, Juliana, daughter of John Darset of Essex, had, in her own right, sued for recovery of her husband's vast estate for the support of herself and family. So unusual was it for a woman to independently pursue such matters in the English courts at the time that she was ridiculed by at least one judge. But she apparently stood her ground and absorbed the ridicule along with the other harrassment visited upon the family during those trying years. Although it was not until sometime after her death, in 1414 or 15, that Parliament officially removed the attainder and restored the estate to Sir Robert's only known grandson, Hamon, the Judge's wife had nevertheless been permitted to retain possession of her husband's holdings during the period of her life!

By the time of King Henry V, beginning in 1413, "the Judge's family" had come back into royal favor and remained so from then on. Joan Belknap, a granddaughter of Sir Robert, served as maid of honor to Katherine, queen of Henry V. Sir Robert, through his son John's descendants, was also an ancestor of Queen Elizabeth II (see Time Magazine, August 6, 1951, p. 34) and was progenitor, through his daughter, Joan Belknap, of Mary Arden, mother of William Shakespeare, (Time Magazine, above cited, and Patrick W. Montague-Smith, Editor of Debrett's Peerage, Surrey, England, in a letter dated 20 January, 1968, to Mr. Carroll Y. Belknap, Riverside, Conn.).

In compiling the above summary, we have drawn heavily upon the (English) Dictionary of National Biography, Vol. 2, p. 9-10, and Vol. 21, p. 962-972; information provided by Mr. Carroll Y. Belknap, Riverside, Connecticut; the writings of Henry Wyckoff Belknap in the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Vol. 68, April, 1914, and Vol. 85, July, 1931; and Will Durant's The Reformation, published by Simon and Schuster, New York, 1957.

Belknaps In America

It is of interest to note that so far as can be determined, the lineage of every Belknap/Belnap in America, if pursued, goes back to the common amcestor, Abraham Belknap, whose origin was in the Hertford County village of Sawbridgeworth, England, and who, as indicated earlier, settled in Lynn, Massachusetts by 1637.

One might be prompted to reason that "with all the Belknaps recorded in early English history, and with the large migration of Englishmen to America, surely some others by the name of Belknap must have found their way to this country in addition to this particular man known as Abraham Belknap". To be sure, an erroneous entry carried in the commercially generated Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy has stated that Abraham Belknap was accompanied to America by two brothers. However, this allegation has been conclusively shown to be without factual foundation. This matter was treated in an article by Henry Wyckoff Belknap, genealogist, in the April issue, 1914, Volume 62, of the highly respected New England Historical and Genealogical Register.

The reason the migration of Belknaps to America was limited to that of Abraham, his wife and children, we are told, is that the Sawbridgeworth Belknaps constituted the only family then bearing the name of Belknap in all England, and none of the others of that family seemed interested in following Abraham's example.

All known male members of the Belknap family previously known to have existed in England, so far as is now known, are believed to have died out with the death of Sir Edward Belknap, descendant of Sir Robert Belknap in about 1521. Many years of research, states one Belknap family genealogist, have failed to reveal a record of anyone in England bearing the surname of Belknap between that time and the beginning of the emergence of the Sawbridgeworth village Belknap family about 1600.

On 28 January, 1599/1600, one Josias, uncle of our American progenitor, Abraham, and member of a village family which had gone by the name of Beltoft, signed his will with the surname of Belknappe -- a name which more than one has contended, was known by the family to have been their real name all along. While we have no quarrell with the merits of this contention, we shall leave it to others, better grounded in historical probabilities than is this compiler, to pursue and comment more fully upon such conjecture.

Bennet Beltoft, father of our American Abraham Belknap, was listed by Bennet's brother, Josias, in his previously mentioned will as "Bennet Belknappe".

On 6 February, 1599/1600, two days following the burial of Josias, Bennet, as executor, probated the will of his deceased brother and attested under oath that his own name was Benedict Belknappe.

Although Bennet reverted to the use of the name Beltoft subsequent to the probation of the will of Josias, he was buried by his wife and family as Benedictus Belknap. The family members were regularly known as Belknap thereafter, including, of course, our common American ancestor, Abraham Belknap. For more details concerning the transitional sequence of this change from Beltoft to Belknap, see Family History sheet, page 2, following Family Group No. 1 listing in this compilation.*

The Name, Belknap

In reviewing records extending over the years, it is found that the Belknap name has been spelled in many ways at various times and in various locations, depending, apparently, on how the name sounded to the one who did the recording, and whether the "k" carried the hard sound, or was softened, or left completely silent as it is today. Among the spellings in early English history and/or here in America have been: de Bealknap, de Bealknp, Beltknap, Beltrap, Belknappe, Belcknapp, Beltknape, Belknape, Bellknapp, Belknopp, Belknope, Bealeknappe, Bealknappe, Belnap, and, as most commonly used today, Belknap.

1400

Mr. Carroll York Belknap points to the fact that during the Middle Ages, prior to 1300, there were segments of a Beltoft family in Lincolnshire, England, numerous enough to have five different coats of arms and two different crests. In the old records, he reports, the name appears variously as "Beltoft", "de Beltofte" and "de Belle Tofte". But, he further comments that this family is not known to have come south of Lincolnshire in England, and their coats of arms and crests had no resemblance whatever to those of the Belknaps subsequent to this very early period.

about 1400

Henry Wyckoff Belknap, with the assistance of the English Record Agent, Charles Bernau, whom he had employed, traced that early Beltoft family and found that it had died out completely in England by 1300. Carroll Belknap reports that Henry Wyckoff Belknap and Charles Bernau found no reason to

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* Henry Wyckoff Belknap made the following observation in a foot note to his April, 1914, "English Ancestry of American Belknaps" article in the New England Historical and Genealogical Register: "It is interesting to find in Wright's Dictionary of Dialect that the termination '-toft' signifies, among other meanings, 'a low hill', while '-knap' has 'a small hill' as one of its menaings."

think there was any connection between this ancient Beltoft family and the Beltoft/Belknap family which emerged subsequently. Carroll also agreed with their interpretation of the evidence accumulated and with their conclusion that there was no known link between the old Lincolnshire Beltoft and the Beltoft family found in the village of Sawbridgeworth in Herts about 1500 -- "two centuries or more after the death of the last known Lincolnshire Beltoft".

The American Belknap's English village ancestors, calling themselves Beltoft, were traced by Henry Wyckoff Belknap, with the help of the previously mentioned Charles Bernau, to one, Richard Beltoft, who died in Sawbridgeworth sometime during the ten year period of 1500 to 1510. The first in the line of descent from Richard is believed to have been a Beltoft carrying the first name of Lawrence, followed by a second Richard. The Bennet Beltoft, listed in the will of his brother, Josias, as Bennet Belknappe, was a son of the second Richard, and in turn, the father of the Lynn, Massachusetts settler, Abraham Belknap. For summaries of the studies made by Henry Wyckoff Belknap in regard to the English ancestry of Abraham Belknap, see the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Vol. 68, April, 1914, p. 190-198; Vol. 85, July, 1931, p. 265-288, and Vol. 104, October, 1950, p. 316-317.

Family Builds Heritage In America

Regardless of whether their ancestral heritage may have gone back to that of the famous Sir Robert Belknap's early English family, or was confined to a village family in Sawbridgeworth, the Belknaps have proceeded to establish themselves in their own right in America. The same basic courage that brought Abraham and his family from the Old World to the New, placed descendants of this early family in the vanguard of pioneer settlers in the New England area and on out across the frontier from Massachusetts to Ontario County, New York, to Kentucky, Ohio, Iowa, Nebraska, and on to Utah and Oregon. Others established themselves at points along the way, or migrated to still additional sections of the nations, including perhaps most notably, Michigan, Illinois, Kansas, Texas, and California.

Like a great majority of the early pioneers in America, many of the earliest Belknaps had their roots in the soil, with farming and other agricultural pursuits commanding the largest following. Even the early religious leaders in the family tilled the soil for their sustenance. Among the Agri-associated occupations recorded among the early Belknap settlers, other than farming itself were: tanner, carpenter, joiner, weaver, tailor, blacksmith, and cooper (barrel maker).

Members of the American Belknaps have made their presence known at the battle front in every war in which this nation has been engaged, with many serving with distinction in the various branches of the service. Commander Charles Belknap, Vice Admiral Reginald Rowan Belknap, and Brig. General William Goldsmith Belknap, (in whose honor Fort Belknap in Young County, Texas, was named), have been among those who served. Others have distinguished themselves in the field of education and religion. Joseph Belknap, a son of the original Lynn, Massachusetts immigrant, Abraham Belknap, was a co-founder of the now famous Old South Church of Boston.

Numerous other members of this early American family have made themselves known in the professions of law, nursing, medicine and social service; in the fields of science, industry, insurance, market research and sales counseling, business, manufacturing, banking, politics, arts, crafts, literature and journalism, while the list continues to grow with each succeeding generation, as it has with practically all other established American families in a land that has presented ever expanding horizons of opportunity and needs for service and leadership.

March 13 1973

THE NAMES OF OUR ENGLISH ANCESTORS

Before stating my views on the principles we should follow in naming our English ancestors, it may be well for me to summarise as best I can what reason there may be for thinking that I have any qualifications for expressing these opinions. In essence, what qualifies me is the simple fact that I am the only living person who has been in position to study in detail not only what Henry Wyckoff Belknap published in NEHG Register in 1914 and 1931 but also the original documents and correspondence on which his articles in the Register were based. The only other person who ever had access to this material, as far as I know, was G. Andrews Moriarty; and there were considerable portions of it which he obviously did not examine. (Through the courtesy of Essex Institute, I have copied all of it.)

A necessary beginning point, now, is the personal history of the genealogical work done by Henry Wyckoff Belknap, to whom all Belknaps must be forever indebted. He had no formal training as a genealogist, but made himself one by long years of trial and error. Before taking a minor position at Essex Institute in Salem, he had been a clerk in Tiffany's in New York and then a partner in a small firm of interior decorators. Eventually, he reluctantly accepted the position of Curator of Essex Institute, meanwhile having begun to work on Belknap genealogy and on the genealogy of some of his other lines of descent -- which led in time to occasional work as a genealogist for a retainer fee of 25¢ an hour.

In his early work, there were naturally many errors. As time passed, he kept correcting past mistakes and revising his records, till in the 1920's he completely rewrote all his records of Belknaps in America and destroyed the old ones. But by that time he had generously shared his records with anyone who sought information, with the result that much of his faulty early findings got into wide circulation and is still being quoted today.

In a way, his first publication of his findings on our English ancestry, in 1914, was an illustration of his relative inexperience at that point in his career. For instance, he used the term "alias" -- sometimes -- when it was not justified by the actual record: as when he named the father of Bennet Beltoft as "Richard Beltoft, alias Belknap" (Register, 1914, p. 103), a mistake for which he was reproved by professional genealogists, so that he carefully avoided it in his later article in the Register in 1931.

Unfortunately, many people have not noted his omission of that "alias" in 1931. (Partly, this has been because of widespread reliance on the reprint of his 1914 article in the Library of Congress. No similar reprint of the 1931 article was issued.) The result has been an oft-repeated use of "Richard Beltoft, alias Belknap" and even "Richard Belknap" in naming Bennet's father.

Another outcome of relative inexperience, in 1914, was lack of complete exactitude in quoting from correspondence. Two instances of this weakness have led to

much misinterpretation of the facts shown in what he published.

The first of these two instances is on the first page of his 1914 article (Register, 1914, p. 83), when he wrote: "Mr. Bernau began his search with the Lay Subsidy Rolls . . . and there discovered that the name of the Sawbridgeworth ~~family~~ branch of the Belknap family was sometimes Beltoft or Beltofte." (Underlining mine.)

The facts shown in the correspondence and documents from Bernau were quite different. He reported finding one record of a tax payment by Bennet Beltoft and one record of a tax payment by Daniel Bellnapp of Netteswell, whom he identified correctly as son of Bennet. That was all. There was no justification for the generalization ~~XHIM~~ "sometimes." The truth was simply that one record was before Bennet's children dropped Beltoft and adopted Belknap, while the other record, years later, was after the change in name had occurred.

That word "sometimes", in what H. W. Belknap loosely wrote in 1914, has done great harm by leading many people to believe that the Sawbridgeworth family used the two names concurrently over a long period -- resulting in a frequent assumption that this presumed concurrent usage extended back through Bennet's ancestors all the way to the first known Richard Beltoft.

The foregoing comments do not imply that H. W. Belknap deliberately falsified a record. He was incapable of doing anything of that sort. He merely fell into the common beginner's error of writing not the exact facts but his interpretation of them -- without making it plain that what he said was an interpretation.

The same kind of inexact wording also occurred in a footnote that has misled many people. On page 84, 1914 Register, he wrote in a footnote: "Alternate surnames are said to have been somewhat uncommon in England, although much used in the Channel Islands." The underlining is mine, to draw attention to the difference from the wording ~~of the original~~ he was citing: a passage in a letter from Bernau, his English record agent. Bernau, expressing disagreement with H. W. Belknap on this point, had written: of the original

> "The use of two surnames is very rare in England, but common in the Channel Islands."

Again, it seems, he set down his own interpretation without checking the wording of his source.

This footnote, too, has caused opnfusion -- by fostering the notion that "alternate surnames" were used generally by the Sawbridgeworth family.

This misapprehension was fostered in some of his letters to Belknap correspondents. In letters before 1920, such sentences as this appear: "They sometimes called themselves Belknap and sometimes Beltoft." From 1920 on, he stopped saying this.

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My reason for the foregoing introduction is that the present need, in anything we issue or publish, is to do what we can to end the long-standing misconception

about the use of the two surnames.

Of course anyone who studies the whole record carefully, as I have done over a period of some years, will almost certainly come to the conclusion that what happened when the change in name occurred was that an entire family group, under the influence of a vigorous religious revival, decided to resume the family name that it believed was its true name.

The change was not gradual. It did not extend over a slow succession of years. It happened suddenly and dramatically -- the moment that Bennet died.

Up to that moment there had been, it seems to me, a conflict between two brothers: on the one hand, the gentle and loving and successful Josias, who on his deathbed forced Bennet to admit being a Belknap; on the other hand, the stubborn and unsuccessful Bennet, deeply in debt, clinging to the Beltoft name, admitting to Belknap only in order to obtain an inheritance that would help him meet his financial needs, then returning to Beltoft in signing his will, refusing till his death to use Belknap more than just that once.

But on his death, his wife and his children buried him as a Belknap -- and from that day forward not one of them ever again used Beltoft in any recorded way.

As I see it, the history of the Sawbridgeworth family divides into four distinct periods:

THE BELTOFT-ONLY PERIOD: Richard, Laurence, Richard -- all these, like John, are never anything but Beltoft, in the records. We have no right to call them anything but just plain Beltoft, no matter what we think.

THE TRANSITION PERIOD: Josias, baptized Beltoft but changing to Belknappe some sizable time before his death, else his will would have been meaningless to his legatees; and Bennet, who once and once only used Belknap when forced to do so. We can justifiably call him "Bennet Beltoft, alias Belknap." But for Josias, it seems too me, the best wording is "Josias Belknap (baptized Beltoft)", because he obviously used Belknap for an extended period, and was known as Belknap, not Beltoft.

THE GENERATION OF CHANGE: Bennet's children, all of whom changed to Belknap when Bennet died. For them, in my judgment, the best wording is "Belknap(baptized Beltoft)."

THE BELKNAP-ONLY PERIOD: All children and descendants of Bennet's children.

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If we do not make this sharp distinction, we lose the impact of what the change in name meant. It was, it seems to me, an emotional event of dramatic significance in the family at the time of Bennet's death.

When we blur the lines of the story, ad H. W. Belknap did -- and lead people to think that the two names were used more or less interchangeably -- we sacrifice the heart of our story. . . and we encourage well-meaning people to invent the sort of imaginative nonsense about Beltoft-Belknap with which I've been bombarded ever since I began work on Belknap genealogy.

October 29, 1971

Mr Richard S. Cheney
3316 Edison Ave.
Wesleyville, Pa. 16510

Dear Mr Cheney:

It was most kind of you to send me the material accompanying your letter of the 18th. I'm very grateful.

The only statement I have found, on the parentage of Jesse Belnap of North East, came to me from Miss Della A. Belnap, secretary of the Belnap Family Organization, in Utah, which has many of his descendants in its membership. I enclose a copy of the sheet she sent to me. Perhaps you will wish to write to her, as she can give you the evidence behind this attribution of parentage. Her address is:

815 Thirty Second St., Ogden, Utah 84403

I am passing your letter and attached sheets along to her, after making a copy for my files.

As you and she will note, there are many differences in the two records; so I'll be much interested in the outcome of the comparison. For what it may be worth, I think it likely that each record has points at which it is better than the other one.

One problem on this Jesse Belnap is that of tracing his movement through New York State. I have sure locations at only three places: (1) Canojaharie in Montgomery Co. in 1790 Census; (2) Rome in Oneida Co. in 1800 Census; (3) Locke in southern Cayuga Co. after 1800 or a bit later. So I question some of the birthplaces shown in Della's sheet, which makes him do some backtracking that seems unlikely.

As to residence at Locke, in Cayuga Co., I enclose a record of land transactions that I received a short time ago. Item X is this Jesse. Item XI is doubtless his son David. (The Jesse Belknap shown in Item XIII is another man, in a different branch of the family). The dates shown are the dates of recording, not the dates of the transactions -- which can be obtained only by examining the deeds.

Again, my thanks.

Cordially,

C. Y. Belknap:

SOME FINDINGS IN RECORDS OF CAYUGA COUNTY
Auburn, New York - 9/20/71

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100 pounds
(FA-269)

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(FB-211) in estate for his services during the war.

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2 lbs. interest in 600 acres to Mr. J. Vredenburg.
(FB-340)

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15 lbs. one-half equal part in 200 acres due William
(FC-129) from Congress, and 1000 acres from New York donation to every lieutenant.

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1,100 Thomas Robinson, Robert Brown, Jonathen Fry
(I-425) Lot #30 - Cato - being the original right of Christopher Schultz.

VIII. 9 Sept. 1805 Ebenezer Bellnap, of Durham, to
70 pounds Stephen Butler, of Onondaga County
(G-278) Lot #38 - Town of Cato, being part of grant of 600 acres to Schultz.

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$50
(R-418)

XI. 14 Feb. 1816
$800
(S-529)

David Belnap, Genoa, Cayuga Co., and Betsey, his wife to David Beardslee
Part of Lot #57, Genoa

XII. 8 Oct. 1829
$540
(NN-147)

Samuel Maine and wife to Jonathan Belknap, of town of Constantia, Oswego, Co.

Part of Lot #84 - beginning at the nw corner of Lot #4 in subdivision of said lot #84, thence
south - 6 chains, 14 links
north 86½ east - 8 chains
north 11½ east - 5 chains, 16 links
west - 9 chains, 4 links to place of beginning
being 4 3/4 acres and 31 rods.

(signed in presence of Joseph Belknap)

Also part of lot #3, bounded on the north by land conveyed by party of first part to Maine, extending south as to include in the form of a parallelogram the south half of the north moiety of lot #3 being 25 acres.

(NN-148)

Jonathan Belknap and Sabra, his wife to John W. Beach
a raceway or canal of sufficient dimensions in which to conduct the waters of said Owasco Creek from Charles&Amos Park's dam upon said creek to or near the Erie Canal.

XIII. 8 Nov. 1830
$100
(NN-147)

Jonathan Belknap, of Mentz, Cayuga Co., and Sabra his wife, to Jessie Belknap

Property as lies east and south of Fly Brook which had been conveyed by Samuel Maine and Hannah, his wife, to Jonathan 8 Oct. 1829 - 8 acres of lot #84 in old township of Brutus, now Mentz, excepting land heretofore conveyed to Beach for canal.

XIV. 8 Nov. 1854
$200
(VV-12)

Jonathan Belknap, of Mentz, and Sabra, his wife to Charles Belknap
as in XII above, excepting all land as in XIII

3316 Edison Ave.,
Wesleyville, Pa.
16510

Mr. C. Y. Belknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Conn. 06878

Dear Mr. Belknap:

I saw the notice in the October issue of the Register that you are collecting Belknap information.

Without doubt you have everything on the enclosed pages, but I am sending them anyway just in case something may be of help to you. These are from my personal collection of Erie County (Pa.) notes but I am sure there is other information to be found here in the public records.

I, myself, have no connection with the Belknap family. However, I am interested in all of the pioneer families of this section, and the Belknaps were among the earliest.

If you can give me the ancestral line of Jesse Belnap, our Revolutionary soldier, I would be glad to add same to my records.

Very sincerely,

Richard S. Cheney

Richard S. Cheney

18 October 1971.

Source: Soldiers of the American Revolution - - of Erie County, Pa. Issued by Erie County, Pennsylvania Chapters, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. 1929.

Belknap, Jesse: Buried in Philips Cemetery, main road, east of North East, Erie County, Pa. Data contributed by James E. Dean of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Born August 31, 1760, Tolland Co. Conn. Died October 10, 1854, North East, Pa. Enlisted from Hebron, Tolland Co., Conn. Aug. 6, 1777, for a term of three years; private in Capt. Stephen Osborne's Co., in Regiment of Artificers, credited to the State of Conn. In the winter of 177-1778 he worked as a blacksmith at Danbury, Conn., and in the spring and summer of 1778 was at New Windsor engaged in making the chain to place across the Hudson river. This chain is preserved at West Point. He was later at Morristown, and Breakness, and received his discharge in Peekskill, N.Y., August 4th, 1780.

He married in Redding, Conn., Apr. 28, 1779, Eunice Hall, born May 25, 1762; died March 12, 1849. They later lived in Canajoharie, Montgomery Co., N.Y. when the 1790 census was taken. Came to Erie County, Pa. in 1812, settling in the eastern part near the state line.

Children from family records, tombstone inscriptions, and his will:

1. David, b. March 24, 1780, probably at Redding, Conn.; d. May 6, 1858 at North East (Pa.) Married Dec. 3, 1800 at either Cayuga or Tompkins Co., N.Y., Betsy, dau. of Phil and Irene (Murray) Guernsey, b. July 8, 1785; d. Feb. 28, 1843. He m. (2), July 2, 1843, Sally Long.

2. Jesse, b. July 9, 1781; d. July 1, 1849 at North East; m. Sally Camp.

3. Eunice, b. Aug. 28, 1783; d. June 20, 1822; m. Buel Phillips.

4. Ira, b. Apr. 3, 1785 in Montgomery Co., N.Y.; d. Nov. 29, 1878 at Wooster, Ohio; m. Oct. 11, 1814, Mary Dockard.

5. Ansel, b. Mar. 24, 1787 near Niagara, N.Y.; d. Oct. 20, 1870 at Lowell, Mich.; m. Oct. 26, 1815, Jane, dau. of James MacElmoyle, b. Apr. 9, 1797 in Scotland; d. Aug. 30, 1886 in Sacramento, Cal.

6. Rosel, b. June 4, 1789; d. Dec. 2, 1832 at Port Hope, Canada; m. Jane Richmond.

7. Elam, b. Jan. 14, 1791; d. Oct. 17, 1813; unm.

8. Anne, b. Aug. 18, 1792; d. Aug. 25, 1808; unm.

9. Gilbert, b. Mar. 27, 1794; d. Oct. 25, 1851 at North East; m. Jan. 13, 1822, Polly, dau. of Simeon and Polly (Bailey) Gardner, b. July 9, 1787; d. Jan. 19, 1857.

10. Sally, b. Aug. 8, 1795; m. William Campbell; her father's will names her as a widow of Ira Avery.

11. Laura, b. Apr. 3, 1799; d. Mar. 6, 1875; m. June 6, 1815, Jacob,

probably son of William Alexander, b. Apr. 6, 1793; d. Jan. 18, 1843.

12. Betsy, b. Jan. 11, 1800; d. June 24, 1801.

13. Hiram, b. July 30, 1802; d. Nov. 15, 1848 at North East; m. Mar. 22, 1831, Harriet, dau. of William and Ruby (Sherman)Randall, b. June 21, 1815; d. Dec. 28, 1862 at Shelbyville, Ill.

14. Isabel, b. June 28, 1804; d. Sept. 13, 1805.

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Source: History of Erie County, Pa. (Warner-Beers, 1884)

Belnap, Mrs. Sarah A. - North East, was born in 1820 in North East Township, daughter of Hermon and Sally (Hall) Ensign, natives of Connecticut, the former of whom came to Erie Co. in 1815, settling near North East Village. In 1855, he moved with his family into the village, and there died in 1875, his wife having preceded him in 1872. They left 2 children - William A. and Sarah A., who was married, Feb. 6, 1855, to Volney, son of Gilbert and Polly Belnap. To this union were born 2 children - William E. and Sarah E. Mr. Belnap was twice married. His first wife left him 2 children - Cornelia Antoinette, wife of Robert McCord, and C. L., now in the grocery business in North East. Mr. Volney Belnap was Postmaster for many years in North East, and was a man of considerable influence. He died Sept. 6, 1881, aged fifty-eight years.

-Biographical Sketches, p. 135.

Belnap, S. M. - grocer, North East, was born Sept. 25, 1827 in North East, Township, son of Gilbert and Polly (Gardner) Belnap. The former was a native of Pennsylvania; the latter, who was a widow at the time she became Mrs. Belnap, was a native of Connecticut. They came to North East Township and settled there in 1814. Their family numbered 4 children, viz.: Volney, Maria A., deceased; Nancy Jane, deceased when young; and our subject, who was married Feb. 11, 1851, to Sarah E. Orton. To this union were born 2 children - Clara A., wife of S. O. Minegar, have 1 child - Anna L. (by his wirst wife, Mr. Minigar has 2 children - Charles L. and Clarence O.); and Mary E., wife of L. B. Hitchcock, have 1 child - Clarence. Mrs. Belnap, dying Jan. 30, 1873, our subject married Eveline A., daughter of Glover P. Wattles. Mr. Belnap had held some of the township offices. He is a member of the Knights of Honor.

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Belknap, E. Sherlock - retired miller and merchant of Erie, was born in Otsego Co., N.Y. Aug. 16, 1822, son of David Belknap, a descendant of a pioneer family of N.Y. State. The subject of our sketch was reared to merchandizing, and when twenty-five years of age he came to Fairview (Erie Co.) and engaged in the drug business, in which he continued for several years. Then he was actively engaged in the milling business for several years. Mr. Belknap was united in marriage in 1863 to Adeline Nicholson, daughter of Alex Nicholson, and grand-daughter of George Nicholson, a pioneer of Fairview Township. They are members of the Episcopal Church. Our subject has always worked actively in developing the social and industrial life of this city since coming here.

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Belknap, William H. - at present a grocer at Aiken, McKean Co., Pa., was born in Rensselaer Co., N.Y., Apr. 2, 1824; he was united in marriage Dec. 10, 1845 with Anna Gray, who was born in Wayne Township (Erie Co., Pa.) Aug. 14, 1826, dau. of Matthew Gray, who served in the War of 1812, and was an early pioneer of Erie County. Six children have blessed this union - four sons and two daughters: Charles M., E. L., E. A. J. (deceased), W. A., C. H., and Ella M. The homestead contains 360 acres of land and the farm is conducted by the youngest sons. E.A. Josephine died Jan. 14, 1876, aged twenty-four years and ten days.

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Source: tombstone inscriptions, Oak Hill Cemetery, North East, Pa.:

Addie Belnap/ 1860-1865

Charles L. Belnap/ 1848-1921
Mary Louise Belnap/ 1852-1942

Clarence Belnap/ 1852-1854

Eveline A. Belnap/ 1848-1939

Gilbert Belnap/ Died/ October 25, 1851/ Aged 57 Years, 7 Months
Polly/ His Wife/ Died/ January 19, 1857/ Aged 70 Years
Maria Antoinette/ Died/ January 4, 1843/ Aged 16 Years, 9 Months, 16 Days
Nancy Jane/ Died/ December 17, 1848/ Aged 19 Years, 1 Month, 28 Days/
Daughters of Gilbert and Polly Belnap

Infant Son/ of/ Gilbert and Polly Belnap/ Died/ March 12, 1825

Sarah Ann Belnap/ 1820-1899

Stillman Belnap/ 1827-1891
Sarah Belnap/ 1826-1873

Volney Belnap/ 1823-1881
Elizabeth N. Belnap/ His Wife/ May 9, 1854/ Aged 33 Years, 10 Months, 20 Days
Albert E./ Their Son/ Died/ October 12, 1851/ Aged 1 Year, 4 Months, 7 Days

William E. Belnap/ 1858-1883

Source: Tombstone inscriptions, Phillips Cemetery, North East Township, Erie County, Pa.:

Jesse Belnap/ August 31, 1760/ October 10, 1854
Eunice/ His Wife/ May 25, 1762/ March 12, 1849

Jesse Belnap, Jr./ Died/ July 1, 1849/ Aged 68 Years

David Belnap/ Died/ May 6, 1858/ Aged 78 Years
Betsey/ His Wife/ Died/ February 28, 1843/ Aged 57 Years

Hiram Belnap/ Died/ November 15, 1848/ Aged 46 Years, 3 Months
Infant Child/ of/ Hiram & Harriet Belnap/ Died/ March 29, 1843

Julia Ann/ Wife of/ Ira Belnap/ Died/ February 20, 1843/ Aged 30 Years

R. B. Belnap/ Died/ November 19, 1852/ Aged 41 Years, (This was Reuel)
Emily S./ His Wife/ Died/ May 26, 1842/ Aged 26 Years.

Various Items:

Belknap, Ann K.: Died August 23, 1872, Ann K. Belknap, aged 8 months, 16 days. (Erie Observer, 1/2/1873: deaths in 1872)

Belknap, Mrs. Blanch: Mrs. Blanche Belknap, wife of Cassius H. Belknap, passed away at the family home south of town (Waterford) on Wednesday, August 2, after a long illness.

Mrs. Belknap was born in Waterford (Erie Co., Pa.) on April 9, 1870, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Moore, and attended the Waterford public school and Academy. She was united in marriage to Mr. Belknap, of Beaverdam (Erie Co., Pa.) on October 22, 1892, and to this union was born four children: Grace and Mildred Belknap, Edith Belknap, who died at the age of 14 months, and Clyde Belknap.

Mr. and Mrs. Belknap lived at Beaverdam until 1915, when they moved to their present home in Waterford township. She joined the United Presbyterian Church in her early teens and was a consistant attendant until ill health prevented. She was a member of the Grange for 25 years.

Funeral services were held on Saturday from the late home at 2 p.m. by her pastor, the Rev. Louis W. Lytle, of the United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Dr. Lyle B. Free, Philadelphia, assisting. Interment was made in Waterford Cemetery. She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, and three children, a brother, Lee, and a sister, Edith Moore, of Waterford township, several cousins and a host of friends.

Waterford Paper Aug. 10, 1939.

Belknap, Cassius H.: inscription, Waterford Cemetery: Cassius H. Belknap/ 1862-1948.

Belnap, Eunice: Died on the 12th of March, 1849, in North East, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Laura Alexander, Mrs. Eunice Belnap, consort of Jesse Belnap, a Revolutionary soldier, aged 86 years.

Erie Gazette Apr. 5, 1849

Belnap, Jesse: Died in North East township on the 10th inst., Jesse Belnap, in the 95th year of his age. He was in the Revolutionary War.

Erie Gazette Oct, 19, 1854,

Belnap, Eliza M: inscription, East Springfield Cemetery (Erie Co., Pa.):

Eliza M./ Wife of/ Ira Belnap/ Died/ March 4, 1854/ Aged 35 Years, 6 Months, 11 Daus.

Belnap, Hiram: Treasurer's sale of unseated lands; unpaid taxes, Erie Gazette, March 8, 1838 ; Hiram Belnap; tract 15; 50 acres, tax for 1836: $.26

Marriages:

On Wednesday the 10th of December by the Rev. William Johns, W. H. Belnap to Miss E. Gray, daughter of Mr. Matthew A. Gray, all of Wayne (township)
(undated)

On the 2nd of July, 1843 by Joseph Lee, Esq., Mr. David Belnap, aged 63 years, and Miss Sally Long, aged 29, all of North East.
Erie Observer July 29, 1843.

On Thursday the 26th by the Rev. Joseph E. Lee., Mr. Ruel J. Belnap of North East to Miss Cemantha Loomis of Greenfield (Erie Co.)
Erie Gazette Feb. 2, 1837.

On the 1st of October, 1840 by the Rev. T. D. Blinn, Mr. Alonzo Belnap to Miss Nancy Lyon, both of North East.
Erie Gazette Oct. 10, 1840.

On February 19, 1851 in North East by Rev. Mr. Orton, Mr. Stillman Belnap and Miss Sarah Orton, all of North East.
Erie Observer Feb. 22, 1851.

In Ripley, N.Y. November 11, 1874 by the Rev. A. H. Tennant, assisted by Rev. J. T. Ostoby, Stillman M. Belnap of North East to Miss Eveline N. Wattles of Ripley.
Erie Gazette Nov. 17, 1874

On August 31, 1876 by Rev. J. T. Oxtoby, S. C. Miniger to Miss Clara A. Belnap, all of North East.
Erie Gazette Sept. 3, 1876

In North East, December 23, 1874 by Rev. J. T. Oxtoby, L. Butler Hitchcock to Miss Libbie Belnap, both of North East.
Erie Gazette Dec. 29, 1874
Erie Observer Dec. 31, 1874

Married February 4, 1864, William Thompson of Conneaut, Ohio and Miss Mary Belknap of North East by Rev. B. F. Bignell.
Erie Gazette Feb. 11, 1864

Married April 12, 1849, Alexander Warren of Erie and Miss Malvina M. Belnap of Springfield by Rev. Joel Johnson: Erie Gazette Apr. 26, 1849.

THE ENGLISH ANCESTORS OF ABRAHAM BELKNAP

(Based on two articles by Henry Wyckoff Belknap: The English Ancestry of the American Belknaps, New England Historical and Genealogical Register, 1914, pp 83-92 and 190-198; and Belknap: Additional Records, Register, 1931, pp 265-268 -- with corrections and comments by C. Y. Belknap, May 1973)

This summary and commentary is needed for two reasons: to aid persons who have seen only the first of HWB's articles and thus are not aware of the revisions he made in 1931; and to warn against misinterpretations resulting from errors and unwarranted assumptions by HWB in both articles -- as well as some present-day misinterpretations which seem to have gained wide currency.

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The earliest proven ancestor of Abraham was a farmer in the Parish of Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire, who was known as RICHARD BELTOFT, and died during the first decade of the 16th century (1501-10) or possibly earlier. The line of descent to Abraham ran through Richard's son Laurence, his grandson Richard, and his great grandson Bennet, all of whom bore the name Beltoft. With one exception in the year 1600 (1599 by Old Style reckoning) none of these Beltofts ever used any other surname -- contrary to the mistaken impression conveyed by HWB in his 1914 article.

In 1624, all of the then-living descendants of the first Richard Beltoft -- including Abraham -- suddenly changed the family surname to Belknap, and never thereafter reverted to Beltoft.

The widespread notion that this family used "alternate surnames" has been derived from some of the wording in HWB's 1914 article -- especially from his distortion (no doubt unintentional) of a statement on this point by his record agent in England, C. E. Bernau. In a footnote in 1914, HWB misquoted what Bernau had written on the subject of alternate surnames, so as to support HWB's own belief that "they sometimes were called Beltoft and sometimes Belknap" -- whereas what Bernau actually said in his letter to HWB was an effort to show that he did not agree.

This point in the record is important. Mistaken belief in "alternate surnames" has led to many imaginative versions of the family history, some of which have been rather fantastic.

The record is simply this: a century and more of nothing but Beltoft, then more than three centuries of nothing but Belknap. (The exception in 1600 was merely the forerunner of the sweeping change that was made in 1624, as will be shown later.)

There has never been any justification for calling any of the early Beltofts "alias Belknap", as has often been done by some present-day members of the family.

With this background on the two surnames, the detail of the ancestry can be examined.

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1. RICHARD BELTOFT & Christian ----------.

All that is known of this Richard and his family comes from the detailed records of lawsuits over his land, years after his death. He owned a "messuage" (i.e., land and buildings) of 30 acres -- a holding much larger than the average farm of those times. As he died about 1501-1510, it can be estimated that he was born not later than about 1460 or possibly as early as 1445 -- the choice of year depending on whether his son John was his eldest son as HWB believed or was his youngest son, as he possibly may have been, for reasons that will come to sight in a discussion of the will of his great grandson Bennet, later in this memorandum.

4. BENNET BELTOFT alias BELKNAP & GRACE [illegible]AM

Born before 1558; buried 21 May 1624. Baptized Beltoft; signed will Beltoft; but his wife and children buried him as Belknap.

Once, and once only and under compulsion, Bennet called himself a Belknap. The occasion was when he probated the will of his brother Josias, who had made Bennet his chief legatee. Josias was the mystery man in our family history. All that we know about him comes from the brief and tender will [illegible] as he lay dying. From that will, we know that he had -- at age 37 -- accumulated an amount of money most unusual for a young villager in Shakespeare's time. How he did it, we do not know. He also owned "landes" (obviously at Sawbridgeworth) which he probably had never cultivated, but had been leasing to Bennet for at least four years without receiving payment of rent by Bennet. These lands and a sizable amount of money, he bequeathed to his brother. But to receive this inheritance, Bennet had to swear on oath in court that he was "Bennet Belknappe."

Josias had signed his will Josias Belknappe and had named his brother as "Bennet Belknappe." So, two days after Josias was buried, Bennet swore he was a "Belknappe." Why Josias, baptized Beltoft, chose to call himself Belknappe, is not known; but it seems plain that he must have been using that name for some time.

The one time that Bennet is known to have called himself Belknappe was on 6 February 1599/1600. The will he signed 23 years later gave his name and that of his children as Beltoft. But when he died a year later, his wife and children buried him as Bennet Belknap -- and never used the name Beltoft again, in any recorded moment.

The reason for this sudden and dramatic change of surname is not known and need not be discussed in this memorandum, though a strong case can be built for the hypothesis that under the influence of a vigorous religious movement the first generation in which all the sons bore Biblical names (instead of the Norman first names that had been the rule in earlier generations) insisted on resuming the surname that they felt was rightfully theirs. But this is only an hypothesis, without real proof. If there is proof for this or any other explanation, it will be found only when the record of earlier Beltofts at Sawbridgeworth -- before the first Richard -- has been traced.

Bennet's children:

Abraham, baptized 10 March 1589/90
Frances, bpt 3 January 1590/1
John, bpt 8 April 1593
Daniel, bpt 2 November 1595
Josias, bpt 12 August 1599

Of these children, only Abraham was married before their father's death. All the others married as Belknaps, in the years following the death of Bennet. And Abraham, who had married as a Beltoft seven years earlier, was called Belknap when a man was tried for stealing sheep from him, six months after Bennet's death.

What usage should be followed in naming Abraham and his brothers, after the change in surname? HWB called them "Beltoft alias Belknap" in what he published in 1918. At other times, he called Abraham "Belknap alias Beltoft." Unfortunately, the use of the word "alias" has seemed to foster the notion that the two surnames were used alternatively and concurrently, which was never done at any time. It seems better, now, to adopt a terminology that recognizes and emphasizes the suddenness and completeness of the change -- such as "Belknap, formerly Beltoft" or more compactly "Belknap ex-Beltoft."

Josias

Abraham, who had married and moved away, was obviously not in Bennet's favor. Bennet's long and detailed will virtually disinherited his eldest son, Abraham, and left all main property to go to his youngest son, after the death of Bennet's wife Grace -- whom he directed, in his will, "to keep the house and buildings in good condition and not to strip or waste the wood" (my wording, in present-day English. CYB) Abraham was cut off with a bequest of 20 shillings -- but was to inherit the land and buildings if his young brother Josias died without "heirs of his body" -- an unlikely contingency, which did not occur.

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Now is time to explain the change of name from Beltoft to Belknap. I'll state the facts, without exploring motives at this time.

This part of the story begins with Bennet's brother Josias -- Abraham's uncle. All that we know of him comes from the short and sweet and tender will that he obviously wrote or dictated as he lay near death. It contains none of the usual legal wording of wills drawn up by lawyers at that time. And he himself signed it. (None of his generation or before could sign their names.)

others

From the will of Josias we know that he had married a Brown, who was dead. And that he loved her brothers and was grateful to the servant of one of them. And that though he owned "landes" (which he did not describe) he apparently did not live in a home of his own, as all his possesions aside from money were stored with a brother-in-law and with Bennet. And that he willed to Bennet "my landes and everything I received from my father" -- together with some money and forgiveness of the money debt owed to him by Bennet, including unpaid rent on the "landes." And that by some unknown means he had built up what was a remarkable estate for a 38 year old villager who had begun with no real inheritance -- including money owed him in Ireland and in Southwark on the south bank of the Thames. I can estimate his estate at probably about 150 pounds -- a huge sum for those days, for a young villager. (Shakespeare, after a much longer business life of great prosperity, accumulated only about three times that much wealth -- in the same period in which Josias lived.)

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And we know from his will that Josias was away from home when this will was drawn -- probably at Southwark, where he [illegible] buried. Entry in church register in Southwark, in the year when Shakespeare's Globe Theatre was built, "Josias Belknappe, a stranger and no parishioner," 4 Feb. 1599/1600.

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St. Saviours

And we know from his will that he called himself "Belknappe" and that he forced his brother Bennet to go into court and swear that he was Benedict Belknappe, as named in the will of Josias.

Josias was buried 4 February 1599/1600. Within two days, Bennet hastened to court to probate the will, as "Benedict Belknappe", on oath in court.

That is the only time that Bennet is known to have called himself a Belknap.

Twenty-three years later, when he signed his will, he made his mark as Bennet Beltoft.

But in 1624, when Bennet died, his two chief legatees -- his wife Grace and his youngest son Josias, probated his will by swearing under oath in court

 (This page revised Nov. 1, 1969, to include new information on Abraham's marriage)

that though his will was signed Beltoft (by mark), his name was Belknap. And meanwhile, before prpbating his will, his wife and children had buried him as Bennet Belknap.

From then on, it was Belknap. A few months after Bennet died, his daughter Frances married, as a Belknap. When her brothers John, Daniel and Josias died, they married as Belknaps and they christened their children Belknap — and were buried as Belknaps. And Bennet's wife Grace was buried as a Belknap. (There were only two reversions to Beltoft, both many years later, when some pastor or church warden wrote Beltoft in the church register when someone who had been christened Belknap was buried.)

But one of Bennet's sons had led the way, before Bennet died. Abraham, from whom all American Belknaps are descended, married Mary Stallion in Latton, Essex, 28 Oct. 1617, giving his name as Beltoft. He continued using that name while living at nearby Netteswell. But when he moved a bit farther south in Essex, to North Weald, the church register of the baptisms of his children born there shows that he had begun using the name Belknap before March 1624. (The North Weald church register spelled it "Beltrap" — but that was a frequent misspelling in the days when some one else wrote down what he thought he had heard said by a man who could not write — and from a deposition that he signed while living there the identification of Abraham at North Weald as Abraham Belknap is unmistakable.)

It's a good guess, I think, that Abraham had changed to Belknap in some year before 1624 — possibly as early as 1621, for the last date on which he is known to have called himself Beltoft was 6 December 1620, when his first child was buried at Netteswell. This may well be why he was in disfavor with his father, Bennet, who stubbornly clung to Beltoft from 1600 to his death in May 1624 — and who apparently prevented his other children from calling themselves Belknaps as long as he was alive.

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So I think that we should take care in using those two names. I think we should say Beltoft when it was only Beltoft — that is, for all generations before Bennet. Then, properly, "Belknap alias Beltoft" or "Beltoft alias Belknap" for Bennet alone. Then, "Belknap ex-Beltoft" for Abraham and his sister and his brothers. Finally, just Belknap for their children and all later descendants.

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As for Abraham, he finally abandoned hope of inheriting his father's land and took his wife and three sons to Massachusetts — where he was allotted land (mostly worthless salt marsh) at Lynn, in 1637.

He had just six more years to live.

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London Marriage Licences, 1521-1869, by J.L. Chester.

Thomas Belknappe alias Stownes and Avice Petye of the diocese of Winchester, cent., 13 June 1548. (Faculty Office of the Archbishop of Canterbury).

Musgraves Obituary, by the Harleian Society.

Nich. Belknap, Span. Mercht., St. Mary Axe, 14 Apr 1792. (from the European Magazine and London Review)

Sir Robt. Belknap, Ld. C.J. of C.P. temp. R. II. (from English Worthies by William Winstanley, London 1660)

Index to Early Chancery Proceedings, 1385-1467, by the Harleian Soc.

William Belknap - page 288 - suit number 155.

William Belknapp - page 322 - suit number 10.

Note: Page indicates the page of the Printed List (No.XII) of Early Chancery Proceedings at the Public Record Office, Vol.I, published in 1901.
Suit number indicates the reference number to the first document of the suit.

John of Gaunt (eyb)

Medieval London, by Sir Walter Besant, Vol.I.

"The new reign - Richard was only eleven - began happily for London by a reconciliation of the City with the Duke of Lancaster. At the Coronation Banquet the Mayor and Citizens claimed their right to assist the chief butler, but they were refused by Robert Belknap, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, who told them that they might come and wash up the pots and pans if they pleased. The citizens therefore set up an effigy of Belknap on one of the arches erected in Cheapside for the procession. The figure was made to vomit wine continuously. This is an early example of caricature in things political. Robert Belknap withdrew his opposition; the effigy was removed, and the Mayor and Aldermen played their accustomed part in the Coronation Banquet. It is noted by Sharpe (London and the Kingdom, p.213) that the Kings Butler in ordinary could claim the post of City Coroner."

The Great Chronicle of London, by A.H. Thomas of Guildhall Record Office and I.D. Thornley.

p.46. - Richard II. - The Rising of the Lords.

"Also Sir Robert Belknappe, John Holte, and John Lokton, John Gray, William Burgh, Robert Fulthorp, Justices, were exiled into Irelond there forto dwelle all here lyfe." (date 1388)

Mr. Clinton Belknap
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Lincoln, Nebraska 68502

Abraham Belknap, born 1589 in England, a farmer, resided and died September 1643, at Lynn, Mass. Hiss wife was named Mary. He migrated in 1635 from Sawbridgeworth, Co. Herts with his wife and several children and settled in Lynn, where he had a small farm. The inventory of his estate is on file in the Essex Co. Probate Court in Salem but the will which was probated Feb 20, 1643/44 has been lost. He

His son; Samuel Belknap, bprn 1627/28 in England, a joiner, resided at Salem, Haverhill, Malden, Mass., East Hampton, Long Island. Married Sarah Jones, who d died April 18, 1689 at Haverhill, Mass. She was the da daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Jones of Hingham, Mass.

His son; Ebenezer Belknap, born Dec 1667, Salem, Mass. a joiner, resided and died Haverhill, Mass., Nov, 1762. Married Hannah Ayer, on February, 25, 1690/1. She was born December 19, 1672/3 daughter of Nathaniel Ayer and Tamesin Turlear, and died Nov, 1779 at Haverhill, M Mass., aged 106 years and 11 months. This is the longest lived family on record (See Annals of the American Academy). The parents and all but one of the twelve children lived to be nearly or over 100.

His son; Samuel Belknap, born Haverhill, Mass., a weaver, resided at Mansfield, Enfield, Windsor, Conn. died about 1757, Windsor, Conn. Married Mary Dickinson on July 9, 1723. She was bornon Nov 29, 1701, daughter of James Dickinson of Rowley, Mass.

His; son Samuel Belknap, born June 13, 1732, Enfield., Conn. resided Windsor, Conn. now Ellington, Murray - -field, Mass., 1770/1. Died June 18, 1775, at Camb- -bridge, Mass., in camp of heat prostration following the battle of Bunker Hill. Married Mary Newton, June 19, 1754. She was born Nov.8, 1737, East Windsor, Conn., the daughter of Stephen Newton of Ellington Windsor.and mary Gibbs.

His son; Jonas Newton Belknap, born 1758/60. at Windsor, Conn ? resided at Belchertown, Mass., New York State. Private in Mass, Regiment., severely wounded in battle with French and Indians but rejoined and served to the end Married Esther Parker Lincoln 1783/4 She died 1817/8

His son., Elisha Belknap, born Niagara County, N.Y. Jan 18, 1789. married Lucy Finch born Aug 7, 1782, native of New York. Married July 1, 1808. resided in New York until 1830 when they moved to Licking County, Ohio. Elisha Belknap died Jan.8, 1839 in Licking County, Ohio and is buried on the old Carter farm St Albans Township. Age 51yr 11m, 21days . Lucy Finch Belknap died Aug 5, 1845 in Bureau, Cy. Illinois, where she lived with her son Eli, Belknap. Buried in the Malden cemetery, Malden, Illinois.

His son; Eli B. Belknap born April 13, 1819 in Niagara County, N.Y. moved to Licking County, Ohio, in 1830. resided in Ohio until 1839 when he moved to Bureau County, Illinois. July 3, 1844 he returned to Ohio and married Married marriedx Mary Whitehead , she was the daughter of E.F. and Margared Whitehead and was born in that County , July 3, 1826. They moved to Goldfield , Wright County, Iowa in 1897.
Eli Belknap d. Oct 27, 1896 and is buried in the Goldfield. Mary Whitehead Belknap died at Council Bluffs , Iowa March 3, 1913. buried in the same cemetery.

His son; Harry W. Belknap born June 15, 1855 Bureau County, Illinois, married Mary Cater born Feb,10, 1857, in Belmont County , Ohio. married Oct 19,1876 She was the daughter of James Cater born June 7, 1833 in Belmont County, Ohio and Susanna Perry daughter Jessie and Malinda Perry. resided in Goldfield, Iowa and Big Stone, South Dakota where thet both are buried. Mary Cater Belknap died Nov 29, 1912 and Harry W. Belknap died Nov 9, 1923

His Son; Milton Ray Belknap born July 19, 1891 in Goldfield, Iowa. died Aug 16. 1962 Des Moines, Iowa married April 25th 1917, at Creston to Jane E. Arnold born April 6, 1894 at Allston, Iowa., daughter of R. Hurless Arnold born June 17, 1867, Kinggold Cy, Iowa. and Anna King Arnold born Nov 19, 1863 at Lovilia, Iowa . R. Hurless died at Creston, Iowa , Nov 20, 1945. Anna King , Arnold died Feb 22, 1941 Des Moines, Iowa. Milton Ray Belknap resided in N Des Moines, Iowa from 1917 until his death 1962.
He was a veteran of World War 1 , and stationed at Fort Bayard , New Mexico. Serial #

His son; Raymond Arnold, Belknap born Nov 15, 1918 Des Moines, Iowa
Married June 20, 1947 at Marengo, Iowa . to Rachael Myrene Misel . born March 10, 1925. She was the daughter daughter of Oscar S. and Minnie Misel.
also

Donald Allison Belknap born Mar 11, 1923 Des Moines, Iowa. Married June 1948 at Muskegon, Mich to Bonnie E. Eklund born August 18, 1925 daughter of Louis and Oral Eklund

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June 27 1971

Mr Nuel Belnap
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Dear Cousin Nuel:

A letter from Nuel, Jr., who has so kindly sent me a copy of a map of Sawbridgeworth, reminds me that even before I write to him I should answer your neglected letter of June 1. But, first, my applogies for delay.

I'm just emerging from weeks concentrated mainly on pursuing the story of a really heroic Belknap -- John Belknap of Holland, Mass. -- whose heroism, to my mind, had nothing to do with the fact that he served in the expedition against the French in Canada in 1756 and then, at 50, for three years in the Revolution. I call him a hero for what he did in the last 17 years of his long life. . . In1794, when he was 69 years of age, he received word that his eldest son, also a John, and that son's wife had died somewhere in NW Massachusetts, leaving six young children -- four sons, two daughters. The old man at once sold all his property in the town where he had lived successfully all his life and, with his wife, went to take care of these children -- and then stayed with them until he had got all of them established as property owners in New York State and (in one case) in Ohio. It was, obviously, his money that bought land for them. Finally, in 1812, at 86, he died -- leaving what remained of his estate to his own surviving children, for he had finished his task of taking care of these six grandchildren. . . Meeting a man like this is one of the rewards of genealogical work.

There's much in your letter to be answered, So here goes.

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From the salutation at top of the note to you, about the death of the wife of Admiral Reginald, I'm assuming you are the "Snapper Belknap" of whom I heard when I was at the University of Chicago. Friends from University of Illinois used to ask me "Are you related to Snapper." I would reply, "Of course, but I don't know how. All Belknaps are cousins, no matter how they spell the name."

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Admiral Reginald -- you say you have data of 14 grandchildren. Please send me what you can on his children and grandchildren. My records aren't complete. My occasional correspondence with him, in World War II, was confined to military subjects. (I was at that time a consultant to the Army).

Reginald's father, Admiral Eugene, was a friend of a man you surely knew -- John Henry Wigmore -- who was virtually foster father to my wife after her father died in her infancy. He and his wife were Uncle Harry and Aunt Emma to us. We were married in their home in Evanston; and my son John Henry, named for him, was one of his heirs in a small way.

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You ask if I know Rush Bloget. No, his name is new to me. But I am forced to agree with him (and apparently with you) that the parentage of the Jesse born 1760 is one of the many, many unsolved puzzles in the family record. I haven't given up working on it. The professionals whom I have consulted don't accept the solution arrived at by Della's father -- but I've said nothing about it to dear, kind Della who has helped me so much. The files of correspondence left by Henry Wyckoff Belknap contain letters on this subject but provide no helpful clues -- mostly just a record of clues that didn't lead anywhere. I haven't given up hope -- for many a time a chance inquiry reaching me by roundabout channels has led to a solution of a problem just as troubling. One thing I haven't yet done is to follow up the Michigan descendants of Jesse -- who have spelled the name both ways from time to time.

I'll be interested in seeing some of Bloget's letters, which you offer to send. It may be helpful to know just what searches he made -- and didn't make.

Me, I cling hopefully to the old scientific saying: "There no insoluble problems; just problems that haven't yet been solved."

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Query: Another great unsolved problem, of same sort -- the parentage of Pilgrim Belknap and his brother Stephen, who appear out of nowhere at Galway, in Saratoga County, N. Y., about 1800 (I'm not taking time to look up the exact date). Lots of descendants in upstate New York and in the Middle West. . . Have you anything on them?

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My best wishes for your recovery fmm illness. It's been good to hear from you.

Cordially,

Lake Shore Club of Chicago
850 LAKE SHORE DRIVE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 60611
TELEPHONE WHITEHALL 4-4850

8 May 1971

Dear Snapper,

FEDUNDITY SEEMS TO RUN IN THE BELNAP STRAIN.

Any relation ?

DEATHS–

ASHE—On 11 Apr at Bethesda Naval Hospital, RAdm George B Ashe, USN-Ret, 80. Widow Mrs Ellen Ashe and sisters Mrs William Bason, Mrs Joseph Graef, & Mrs George Flint.

BELKNAP—In Montclair, NJ, Mrs Julia Belknap, 95, widow of RAdm Reginald R Belknap. Daughter Mrs Emilia Field Sabalot; 11 grandchildren; & 26 great-grand-

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DIED IN

An.

A retired Navy Admiral who married me have 14 Grandchildren

Dear Cousin Carol,

I'm sorry to claim you as a cousin, even though, except for assumptions by Deeds father, my line

My Grandfather was a first cousin of Deeds Grandfather - Gilbert

Jesse (1760 - 1856).
Hiram.
Reed Montgomery
Hiram Williams
Reed A Belknap

Cannot be proven to be connected with Abraham

Love

and his Known descendants.

Enjoyed your letter of May 23rd. -

I'm have a round of Tennis the hospital. & another ~~busy~~ beginning tomorrow to Rest until about June 15th) + will write you more fully when I get home again.

Do you Know of Rush Bloget. whose line is I recall it was

Jesse 1760 - 1856
David
Philo Guernsey
Archimedes
Carrie - M. a Bloget
Rush Bloget. -

I had seen the years considerable interesting correspondence with him. He had researched his own pedigree and had come to the opinion that Jesse had no father or mother. When I am able to be back at the office where all my files are -- even tho I am now retired -- I'll send copies of some of his letters.

Sincerely
Merl

GARLINGHOUSE

(A)

Benjamin Garlinghouse b.1761, England; d.1850, Italy, Yates Co., New York. Served 7 years in Rev. War, enlisted as a private under Col. Lewis DuBois. Married: Anne Morehouse of Ibaly, New York. Their Children:

1. Samuel, m. Orpha Harrington
2. Elizabeth m. Joseph French of Naples, N.Y.
3. Julia Ann m. James French of Naples, N.Y. Had a gbanddaughter, Mary Eaton.

Samuel lived at Richmond, Ontario Co., N.Y. Samuel and Orpha's children:

1. Nelson--had a son Franklin, dau Ida, lived Ann Arbor, Mich.
2. Darius m. Jennie Minerva White
3. Franklin
4. Peter died in infancy
5. Phoebe "
6. Mary Ann b ca 1836 m. Isaac Wilbur Wilcox. All were b at Richmond, Ontario Co., N.Y.

Darius Hill Garlinghouse was b. 1 Nov 1833 at Richmond, NY. Died 9 Nov 1896, Sand Springs, Iowa. He m. Jennie Minerva White 15 Dec 1863 at Worthington, Iowa. She was b 28 Dec 1845 Greenfield, Ohio. Died 17 Dec 1924, Sand Springs, Iowa. Both are bur. at Sand Springs, Iowa. Their Children:

1. Jennie May
2. Emma Frank died age 11
3. Edmund Oscar
4. Almond Jewett
5. Lyman Edwin
6. Nelson Darius died age 2
7. Orpha Marie died age 53, never mar.
8. Samuel Dayton
9. Jessie Mabel
10. Nina Grace died age 6 mon.

Jennie May Garlinghouse b. 19 Sep 1864 d 26 Apr 1907 m/1 Isaac Evan Littlefield 1882, he d 1886. They had a son A. E. Littlefield still living at Halfway, Oreg., and one dau Jennie, deac.
m/2 Fred Ratcliff II 23 Aug 1888. Their children:

1. Frederick Darius III b.1889
2. Ida May
3. John Edwin, living now --Hopkinton, Iowa.
4. Nelson Frand, killed WW I, never m.
5. Orpha Grace
6. Jessie Mary Ann, living R.R. Ryan, Iowa.
7. Manley Lawton
8. Minerva Susanna

Frederick Darius Ratcliff III, b. 9 Jul 1889 d.4 Jan 1957. m. Nettie E. Milroy 9 Feb 1916. Their children:

1. Donald Milroy, killed WW 2, never m.
2. Laura May
3. Atha Orpha

Laura May Ratcliff b 9 Nov 1919, Hopkinton, Iowa. m/1 Wilson C. Monath Their dau Elaine May. m/2 Wallace E. Keeney, their son Donald Fred.

Direct Line of Mrs. Wallace Keeney, Box 253, LaCrosse, Wash. 99143.

GARLINGHOUSE

Mary Ann Garlinghouse dau of Samuel and Orpha Harrington Garlinghouse, b. ca 1836, Richmond, Ontario Co., NY.; m. Isaac Wilbur Wilcox, 19 Aug 1857, Richmond, NY. Isaac b 8 Nov 1825, R.I. d 14 Feb 1908. Their children:

1. Ella
2. Mary A.
3. Orpha
4. Ulric
5. Ellen
6. Elvira
7. Jessie

1850 Census, Ontario Co., Richmond, New York

Joseph Garlinghouse	age 66		b. N.Y. b.1784
Submit (or Summitt)	wife age 59		b. Vermont
Nelson		39	N.Y. b.1811
Mary		24	N.Y.
Ellen		22	N.Y.
Arabella		8	N.Y.
Jane		4	N.Y.
Mary Ward		19	Ireland

Near by lived:

Stephen Garlinghouse	age 54		b. N.Y. b.1796
Elizabeth (wife)		50	"
Hosetta F.		24	"
Lucina		22	"
Samuel		19	"
Truman		10	"

1860 Census, Richmond, P.O. Honeaye, Ontario Co., N.Y.

Nelson Garlinghouse	age 47	b.1813	no birthplace given
Lucy (wife)		36	
M---al		4 fe.	
Joseph		3	
Nellie		2	
Infant		3/12 fe.	

1870 Census Town of Canandaigna, Ontraio Co., NY

L--man Garlinghouse	age 50	b.1820	b. NY	Liquor dealer
Martha (wife)		52		
Arthur		22		
Edward		18	works in vineyard	
Walter		15		
Carrie		13		
Holmes		10		

Near by lived:

Clias Garlinghouse	age 28	b. NY	
Mary (wife)	24	b. NY	

1880 Census Richmond, Ontario Co., NY

Nelson Garlinghouse	67		
Lucy	55		
Joseph	23	Staughton	16
Nellie	21	Addie	14
Emma	19	Fanny	12

1880 Census Bristol, Ontario Co., NY
Mollie Garlinghouse age 26 Schoolteacher, living in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Henry A Marble.

James Garlinghouse b ca 1765 possibly N.J. m. before 1790. Was in Luzerne Co., Pa. 1790. Went to Ontario Co., NY 1796 and before 1820 to Hart and Hardin Co., Ky. 1840 was in Ohio. Served in Rev. War from N.Y. with brother John and nephew Benjamin. Parents names not know. Married Eleanor Hunt. Their children:
Catherine b. Dec 1786, Penn. m. Elijah Belknap b. 1785.

Jane b 26 Mar 1792, Penn. d. 10 Dec 1876 Benton Co., Ore. m. Jesse Belknap 20 Feb 1812 Ontario Co., NY. In Oregon Donation Land Claims Vol I claim no. 185 lists--Jesse Belknap, Benton Co., Ore. b 1792 Cheary Valley, NY. He settled his claim 4 Feb 1850. Signing the affadavit were: Samuel F. Starr, Ransom A Belknap, Orin Belknap, Philander Gilbert and Wm. F Dixon.

Gamaliel Remained in Ohio m. Esther Belknap b. 1796 dau Cynthia M.------Avery of Ohio.

Patty m. Rufus Palmer

Mary Ann(Polly) b Penn or NY d. 1867 Benton Co., Ore. m. Jonas Belknap b. 1786.

Silas

Rachel m. Abither Newton

George m. Elsie Lee

Eleanor m. Robert Thamson

John Garlinghouse b. April 1759 d. 12 Aug 1810 lived Ontario Co.,NY
m. Jean Leonard They had 5 boys and 5 girls.
Mary Ann b. 1797 Springwater, NY m. Thomas Briggs

Joseph (2nd son) b 1785 NJ d. 1862 Leroy, NY. served in War of 1812 m. Summit Sheldon 1808, Williamstown, Mass. Lived at Allen's Hill, Ontario Co., NY. Children:

1. Nelson
2. Leman
3. Joseph
4. Louise
5. Mary
6. Ellen
7. Arabella
8. Jane

John Newland Garlinghouse lived Jefferson Co., Indiana 1818. m. Luanna Bennett. Their son George B. b. 1815 Ontario Co., Ny.
George m. 2 times son Clay from 2nd m.
I find a record of a land deal in Switzerland Co., Indiana--John Keeney and wife Lucinda Hewitt Keeney deeded 80 acres of land to George Garlinghouse (possibly this Geo.) on 4 Apr 1848

Clay Garlinghouse had a dau Jeanette who m. Daniel Farley.

from: Mrs Wallace Keeney, Box 253, La Crosse, Wash. 99143

Route 1 Box 244
Junction City, Oreg
26 Nov. 1971

Dear Mr. Belknap,
Thank you so very much for the lists of children for the four generations of Belknaps I did not have. I appreciate it very much and it makes my 18 generation Belknap pedigree chart so much more complete. I have made copies to forward to Kay Barrett and my aunt Bernice Hansen. I'm sure they will be delighted to have this information also.

Mrs. Wallace Keeney advertised in the Genealogical Helper seeking information pretaining to the Garlinhouses. I wrote to her telling her my connection and what information I was seeking.

She answered and sent the enclosed information which I thought you would like for your Garlinghouse file. Some I already knew, but, possibly this is something of interest here for you.

Her question is: Could her ancestor Benjamin Garlinghouse be the same Benjamin, nephew of James and John? I of course have absolutely no information about nephew Benjamin so once again Mr. Belknap I'm writing to you as you are my only source of Garlinghouse information.

Do you have any information about nephew Benjamin? Or any of her other connections on the 1st pg.?

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Sylvia

SYLVIA

Dec 2 1971

Mrs Keeny's data on Garlinghouses is impressive -- obviously the result of a lot of skilled research, avoiding the errors that have often appeared in statements about lines of descent in that family.

As to the identification of her Benjamin, there is no room for doubt. The place names she gives for his descendants make it certain that he was nephew of James and John. Even today, the area where he and his descendants settled and lived in the southrn part of Ontario County is still known as "the Garlinghouse area" -- near Naples.

The most direct evidence of relationship comes from what is ~~just about~~ the only local history I've ever seen that is throughly accurate on genealogy: Walbridge, Early History of the Town of Springwater -- published in 1887 by a local newspaper -- written by a man who was a boy in that area in the early 1800"s and became the builder of most of the churches in that area of Ontario County (in the days when that county included all of western New York), with the genealogical portions written by a surveyor-schoolteacher, D B Waite, who relied only on first-hand documentation and contradicted correctly many errors in other histories of that section of the state. Amazingly, this unmatched picture of what things were like in the early 1800's,and exactly who the people were and how they were related, was recently reprinted in facsimile by the one bookstore in that town of 300 inhabitants: Schnucker's Books, Springwater, N. Y. 14560. Price, $5 plus 25¢ postage.

From that book: pp 55-56:

> "James and John Garlinghouse the next year"(1796, the year after Jonas Newton Belknap arrived there) "put up a cabin on the south side of the line a little west of the present sawmill, and became the first actual residents of the town, and here Mary Garlinghouse was born in June 1797 and was the first white child born in the town" (This was Mary Ann, daughter of John, not the Mary Ann daughter of James, who married Jonas Belknap Jr.) "She became the wife of Thomas Briggs, of whom we shall speak hereafter . . . . John Garlinghouse and his Nephew, Benjamin, afterwards settled in what is now called the "Garlinghouse Settlement." John afterwards went to Richmond, died there, and Moses Briggs . . . married his widow."

My files contain a good deal of miscellaneous data of Garlinghouses -- not segregated or filed systematically, for my interest lay entirely in establishing the parentage of Jane and Mary Ann and Gamaliel, who married childfen of my great great grandfather. It's possible that I might be able to find answers to any specific questions that Mrs Keeney might wish to send to me. Meanwhile, I can assure her that in tracing a number of families mentioned in that book, I have yet to find even the slightest error in it. It's fantastically accurate. I regard it as indispensable.

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Dear Claudia:

I promised I'd send you the backward extension of the English ancestry. So here it is. [redacted] there are and will be other people to whom I should send it.

I have already given you the published sources of what I'm going to be saying -- New England Historical and Genealogical Register, 1914, 1931, 1950. But what I'll be saying is based on more than was published, for I havebeen fortunate enough to be able to study the correspondence beiween H W Belknap and the English record agent Charles Bernau, over a period of many years in which they worked together on the task of tracing the English ancestry of Abraham. So I know the basis of what HWB wrote and published.

And so, before starting, I must make one point -- that HWB was not only a devotedly persistent perfectionist but also, very often, a rather stubborn man, clinging to a notion that he had adopted, even when it no longer was justified.

Early on, he was impressed by a casual sentence in a letter from Bernau, to the effect that "the use of alterhate surnames was very rare in England (in the 16th century) though somewhat common in the Channel Isles." He quoted this sentence in what he published, as an indication that he belived that our village ancestors used both surnames — Beltoft and Belknap — alternatively and more or less at random. But examination of Bernau's letter shows that Bernau meant exactly the opposite — that he, himself, did not really believe that this was a case of alternate surnames. . . Similarly, Bernau wrote that he had found a couple of instances in which the Lay Subsidy rolls showed the same man as Beltoft one time and Belknap another time. HWB, in what he wrote, magnified this into a broad generalization covering three generations. When I study the actual evidence, I find that there were only two such instances, and both were in the generation that dropped Beltoft and adopted Belknap as its surname.

Thinking as he did when he wrote what he published in 1914, HWB called Abraham's grandfather "Richard Beltoft alias Belknap." In all the detailed evidence behind what he wrote, it is plain that this Richard was never on record as being "also known as Belknap." In what HWB published in 1931, he corrected this error, on the advice of other genealogists, but he said nothing about having made the correction and few people seem to have noticed it. Even in recent years there have been advertisments in genealogical magazines, offering for sale information about "Richard Belknap", Abraham's grandfather — and what they offered turned out to be based solely on what HWB published in 1914, without noting what he published in 1931.

Partly this perpetuated error results from the fact that HWB got The Register to run off, in booklet form, 100 copies of what he published in 1914. Most of these copies, still in his hands, were destroyed when his home burned down in the Salem Fire in 1917. But he had a few of them in his office in Essex Institute, where he was curator. And he had placed a copy in the Library of Congress — another copy in the New York Public Library — another copy in the library of the New York Genealogical Society — and so on. (And some few copies found their way into the hands of individuals; like Maynard, for example.) . . . Unfortunately, he did not do the same thing for what he published in 1931. So [redacted] that 1914 booklet [redacted] is cited again and again.

What I have been trying to say, in this sort of preamble, is that there is no known justification for saying "alias Belknap" until those Beltofts actually changed from Beltoft to Belknap. I'll show you just when that change occurred. But I will not, at this time, attempt to deal with the reason for the change. That's a separate subject, involving statements of my personal interpretation of the long and detailed evidence in my hands (including much that has not been published). I'll write about that subject some other day. For the moment, I'll merely give you the facts — as shown in church registers, wills, lawsuits, and depositions in law suits, etc.

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The record that has been traced, up to now, begins with Abraham's great-great-grandfather.

(1) RICHARD BELTOFT, Sawbridgeworth, Herts. A yeoman farmer with an above-average holding of land in fee simple (absolute ownership).. As the result of a lawsuit in the middle of the 16th century, this land passed out of the family. . This Richard's birth date is unknown, but it is known that he died in the first decade of the 16th century — 1500 to 1510. But he probably was relatively young when he died, as he left a family of young children. For this same reason it is assumed that his wife CHRISTIAN (surname unknown) was the mother of his children. The order of birth of his sons is apparent from what is known about his will. Nothing is known about the two daughters.

Children:

John, probably born not later than 1490 or 1493 (John, in three lawsuits, was always called Beltoft.)

LAURANCE
Edmund
Thomas
2 daughters

The very lengthy records of the lawsuit resulting from this first Richard's will always name him Beltoft — never anything else.

(2) LAURENCE BELTOFT, son of the first Richard — also never named as Belknap. Lived at Sawbridgeworth. Date of birth unknown. Date of death, probably about 1525 as that is the year in which Laurence's older brother John took Laurence's son Richard into his home, where he lived till he grew up . Wife's name unknown.

Children: order of birth unknown

RICHARD, born about 1520
Alice
Another daughter, first name not known

(3) RICHARD BELTOFT, son of Laurence — never on record as anything but Beltoft. Wife's name unknown, but HWB said Bernau "thought" it was "Elizabeth". No proof exists. A landless farmer, on copyhold (that is, a tenant of the local "squire"). Lost both the land owned by the first Richard and also the house and small acreage bequeathed to him (through what we now call a "living trust") by his uncle John. Prosperous enough to be able to bequeath other

rather considerable possessions to his children.

Born about 1520. Lived Sawbridgeworth. [redacted] Buried at Sawbridgeworth 17 January 1588 [redacted] (by calendar then in use; 1589 by our present-day calendar). [redacted]

Children: (Order of birth not certain, but sound reason for believing Bennet to be the eldest)

BENNET (date of birth not known, but probably [redacted] before 1558 when Sawbridgeworth church register began)
Alice, baptized 15 Sept. 1561 (6
Josias, baptized 6 Sept. 1562

Now I must summarize the unusual will of this Richard Beltoft, for it plays a small part in the later change of name to Belknap..... His wife being dead, this Richard's will left "the Best" of everything he owned to his younger son Josias. Then the executor and administrator were to ~~dived~~ divide the rest of Richard's possesions into two parts "as equal as possible" and let Josias take his choice — with Bennet, the older son, [redacted] receiving what Josias did not want.

(Sounds like this Richard didn't much like his son Bennet, doesn't it? Well, neither do I — for reasons that I'll be explaining in a moment.)

(4) BENNET (short for Benedict) BELTOFT. Always known as Beltoft except on three occasions, which [redacted] I'll come to in a moment or so.

Born probably before 1558. Lived Sawbridgeworth. Buried 21 May 1624.
Married Grace Adam, 25 May 1586. His will dated 11 April 1623.

Often referred to as "the church warden" — but was elected to this office for only one year — 1610. (Two churchwardens elected each year, for one-year term. Fact that in this small village he was thus chosen only once may indicate he was not too popular.)

Inherited no land, [redacted] from his father. Did inherit land later, from his younger brother Josias. May have acquired some land by his own effort, but this is not known.

Children:

ABRAHAM, baptized Beltoft, Sawbridgeworth, 10 March 1589/90.
Frances, baptized Beltoft 3 January 1590/1
John, baptized Beltoft 8 April 1593
Daniel, baptized Beltoft 2 Nov 1595
Josias, baptized Beltoft 12 August 1599

What emerges from study of Bennet's will and his apparent relations with his wife and children is a picture of a petty tyrant. Of all his children, the only one that married before his death was Abraham, who left Sawbridgeworth and moved (first) to Netteswell, the other side of the River Stort. Frances did not marry till she was almost 35 years old, soon after her father's death. John must have been about 26 when he married. Daniel, about 38. Josias, [redacted] 32. All late [redacted] ages for marriage in such villages in those times.

make + send copy to Carroll

1610 Osband Ave.
Lansing 10 Mich.
Feb. 19, 1951.

Mr. Clinton Belknap
2019 Harwood Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68502

Clinton Belknap,
2019 Harwood St.
Lincoln 2 Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Belknap:

This will acknowledge receipt of your lett[er] of Feb. 17th. with enclosure of your check for $ 25.00 balan[ce] due in full for the Belknap family genealogy- many thanks.

First bpt. indicates the date of baptism, usually taken from church records, but in some instances copied into the records.

The underlined names, are heads of families, whose line has been extended in my records, usually with their children

Samuel Belknap's death should be 1676 instead of 1678. died at Haverhill in 1676 he must have settled there before,

Horace Belknap was born at Ellington Ct. in 1791. He kept journal of his family records dating back to Samuel (4) [b]orn 1703 and his wife Mary Dickenson. Descendants loaned these records to Franklin Belknap of Chicago Lawn, Ill. and from this source was acquired by me. Franklin is dead.

It seems that Adm. Charles Belknap, who was not an Admiral but a Commander in the Navy, caught the urge to gather the family records. Franklin of Chicago and the Vermont Belknap's sent their records to him as he had promised to publish them and copies available to interested Belknaps. He died before doing and the records went to his eldest son, who refused to even the Belknaps copy them or even see them. Naturally he was very unpopular with these Belknaps who in old letters which came into my possession, set forth in most uncomplimentary terms, his character etc. These records were lost, During correspondence with a Mr. Belknap connected with Washington University, at St. Louis (spl) Mo. I learned that he was a young brother of this Belknap and he had these records which he had loaned to an associate of his in the navy, who was attempting to arrange his lineage. I loaned the records, succeeding in having them deposited with the N. E. H.&G Society of Boston. They sent them to me insured for $ 1,? and I copied them and included them in my MSS. They are now IN Boston, Mass.

The first records which I secured of Olive Brock Robert came through the Hostettler Family and her names were reversed Here is her corrected data. Olive Brock was born Jan. 17, 1844 In Tennessee. She married Samuel Roberts who lived in Mo. and died about a year after their marriage. She then married Joseph (not sure) Belknap and thy had 10 children. She died in 1913 at Cedar Valley Kansas. After her death Joseph moved to Comanche Texas where lived with sons by his first marriage.

After the migration started from the New England states

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and the Belknaps moved Westward, I think that you will find that they generally were primarily farmers. They would secure cheap land improve it and then sell out and move fyrther West to repeat the operation.

Reginald Rowan Belknap was a Navy Officer whose people came from Newbury, N.H. His Father was George E. (8) 1832 and his grand father was Sawyer (7) 1806. Reginald Rowan Belknap was born in 1871 and I believe spent most if not all of his career in the Navy. He married Julia Averill of Stockbridge, Mass. and had Frances G b. 1904 and Emelia b. 1906.

Thanks for the corrections of your family.

As for my-self I was born near Battle Creek Mich, my grandfather b. 1801 in Vermont, settled in Mich. in 1836. My brother and I attended Olivet College in Mich. and in 1901 went to the Filipines as teachers. He later was appointed the first governor of the Bontoc Igorrotes, the head hunters of northern Luzon, for whom a special government had been set up. After a few years I was given the south half of the Islands, as a secret service agent in the Bureau of Internal Revenue, working mostly on opium smuggling. I ran a garage and machine shop in Wichita Kansas, a welding shop in Battle Creek and Lansing, Mich. and have been in the Real Estate business for about 30 years. I am a life member of Lansing Lodge F.& A.M. # 33, a past patron of Amity Chapter Order of the Eastern Star. My sister Minnie E. Keyes was the General Grand Secretary of this Order for about 30 years, having retired a few years ago. as General Grand Secretary Emeritus.

I used to play a great deal of golf but as it tired me I have quit it and have spent my spare time with this geneaology as a hobby. I have met many fine people in this work.

My brother in law lives in Omaha, Neb. and he is Manager of the Kaelox products, office stationary etc. and has a large district, probably makes your city. His name is Bradley Moredick and he is well known around Omaha.

Thanks for your kind invitation to call on you, should you ever come up this way would be pleased to seeyou and you are welcome to look over my Belknap records which are quite voluminous.

Sincerely Yours,

Glen W. Evans

Glen W. Evans.