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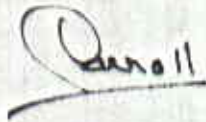
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Carroll Belknap
Feb 29 1972



March 1 1972

Mrs Charles A Potter
Librarian
Essex Institute
Salem, Mass. 01970

Dear Mrs Potter:

I think I should ask for a favor, if you think it proper to do what I request.

I should like to have the attached memo filed with the papers of Henry W Belknap, for the information of anyone who may use them in the future.

It is a copy of a memo addressed to a great grandchild of the Jesse Belknap who is #660 in H W Belknap's bound notes.

Though it is not encumbered with detailed notes on sources, it is based entirely on original military documents.

Very truly yours,

Carrell Belknap:



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November 13, 1969

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

Dear Mr. Belknap:

Many thanks for "The Parentage of
Elisha Belknap, 1789-1839." It certainly
has a place in our genealogical collections.

How's your progress with the Belknap
Project?

My best to you.

Sincerely yours,

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Librarian

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GLADYS:

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Wish I had waited one more day, before writing to you. Nat Archives documents finally arrived. And the case can now be closed. You were right -- and those county designations were wrong.


widow

Bounty land applications by wife of the Jesse Jr who was son of the Jesse who was probably an illegitimate cousin of Jonas show definitely that he was the one in Capt Daugherty's Co. (He, too, deserted -- but not till December.) So the Jesse in Capt Hills' Co. was undoubtedly my g g father.

I'm glad to say that what should have happened to Capt Hills did happen. He was kicked out, after the muster on Nov 10, as is shown on enclosed sheet from Nat Archives, which indicates allowance of \$1.34 for "time returning home," as was normal then at termination of service in NY militia.

Ditto, Ensign Doolittle -- as shown on similar sheet for him. Like Hills, he was paid for 1 month 15 days, one day more than actual service. But why he got \$1.67 extra for that travel day, when Hills (whose pay rate was twice as big) got only \$1.34 -- that's one of those militia oddities that defy explanation.

You may wish to add these two sheets to the records of the company, at your Historic Society. If not, don't bother to return them to me. I made copies for my files.



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Light Infantry.

David Doolittle
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Light Infantry.

(War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

for *not stated*, 181 .

Roll dated *not dated*, 181 .

Commencement of service, { *Sep 27*, 181 2.
or of this settlement, }

Expiration of service, { *Nov 10*, 181 2.
or of this settlement, }

Term of service charged, *1* months *15* days.

Pay per month *20* dollars *33* cents.

Amount of pay, *30* dollars *00* cents.

167

Remarks:

(572)

Hearst

Captain.

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Date of appointment or enlistment, { *Sep 27*, 181 2.

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To what time engaged or expiration of service, { , 181 .

To what time engaged or enlisted, { *40 days unless
formerly discharged* }

Present or absent *Present*

To what period paid , 181 .

Remarks and alterations since last muster:

Detached after deserters

(573)

Hearst

Captain.

RECEIVED NUMBER

REGIMENT

FILE DESIGNATION

79229
100Hills, Elizur
CPT Hills' Co., Light Inf
N.Y. Militia
WAR of 1812GSA FORM
AUG 75 6751H [Capt. Hills' Company.] N. Y.
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Commencement of service, { Sept 27, 1812.
or of this settlement,Expiration of service, { Nov 10, 1812.
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Term of service charged, 1 months 15 days.

Pay per month 40 dollars 00 cents.

Amount of pay, 60 dollars 00 cents.

134
Remarks: Inclusive of the time
of returning home.

(572)

Hearst

Copy 22.

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commencement of service,To what time engaged or { , 181
expiration of service,To what time engaged { 40 days inclusive
or enlisted, } commencing with 181

Present or absent Present

To what period paid , 181

Remarks and alterations since last muster:

(575)

Hearst

Copy 22.

GLADYS:

Jan 24 1971

So you've made still another ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ break-through for me -- albeit unknowingly. You couldn't have known that for more than a year I've been trying to find anything -- anything -- about Jesse's desertion in the War of 1812. And what you have come up with is probably the only surviving copy of the muster roll that gives any information on it. When the militia muster rolls for NY were turned over to the archives at Washington, about 1910, this one must have been missing, for there's no record of it there.

Before I comment on it, I ought to be a bit personal about myself, to show the point of view I'm expressing. It will be the view of a man who was an infantry captain in World War I and later worked on special tasks with the Army in Washington during World War II. In other words, I have some knowledge of the Army -- but as of the present time, not as it was in the militia in 1812.

As a one-time infantry captain far away and long ago, I was shocked to find that my great grandfather had been a deserter. But I was also puzzled by the fact that this desertion seemed out of character. Long since, as I gathered information about Jesse, it had seemed to me that the one word that summed him up was "Steadfast." He had always been the dependable leader wherever he was. I liked, most of all, the magnificently ungrammatical last sentence in an obituary printed in a Seattle newspaper, hundreds of miles from where he lived in Oregon: "He never joined but one church and he never joined it but once." And I knew that he had been elected captain of the 100-wagon train he led from Iowa to Oregon -- and much more, all describing a natural leader who could be depended on.

Also I knew that his children and grandchildren knew he had served in 1812. It had not been a secret concealed from them, as if discreditable.

throwing

So I was puzzled. So I'm grateful to you for ~~throwing~~ a lot of light on the puzzle.

Now for my comments.

In many ways, the story told by that muster roll is a bit amazing. I've summarized the story factually on an enclosed sheet. Now I'll try to interpret them, as an Army man.

Like this:

A militia captain whose commission is two years old, not just newmade, comes to the area near Canandaigua and forms a company of men from that area. ~~xx~~ Probably he is not himself a resident of that part of the world. Certainly was not elected as captain ~~xxx~~ by the men in the company, as was normal in militia companies.

After being mustered in, the new company goes into camp a few miles away -- far from where the action is. It stays there during the period in which the one decisive battle is fought by NY troops.

A few days after that disastrous battle all but one of the non-commissioned officers and five of the privates are listed as deserters. Maybe they knew of the battle. Maybe they didn't. Maybe -- perhaps more likely -- they just wouldn't serve any more under that captain, and just went home.

I said: "Just went home." Merely a guess, of course. But lots of precedent for it. Both in the Revolution and in the War of 1812, there were many deserters -- especially among the state troops. And usually the ~~deserters~~ deserters made no attempt to hide. They simply went back to work on their farms or in their towns. And generally little or no effort to capture them was made, for men couldn't be spared for any such effort.

This time, the captain sent an officer and a private to pursue them. Seventeen days later, they hadn't been found. As far as I now know, they never were "apprehended." The birthdates of Jesse's first two children -- both in Ontario county -- give no indication that he was anywhere else in those years.

The first thought in my mind is that if anything resembling this had happened in the company I commanded, the company would have had a new commanding officer within 24 hours -- and I'd have never commanded troops again. The Army automatically judges that a commander who suffers any such ~~loss of control~~ is unfit to command.

I'm not trying to absolve or even excuse Jesse. All I'm saying is that this captain was obviously unfit to command -- and that this "walk-out" by Jesse and three of the four sergeants, including even the most important man in the company, its first sergeant, was something for which the company commander had to be held responsible. It was a most extraordinary thing. Queer -- to the nth degree.

I should add that this is the only instance I've ever heard about, of such quick desertion. Generally, troops don't quit -- as groups -- until after long and continued provocation or dissatisfaction. An individual man might and did desert at any time, but ~~he~~ almost never so soon after volunteering. For 4 of the 5 non-coms to walk out less than four weeks after being mustered in was something extraordinary.

Will I ever find out why these men quit? I don't suppose so. Perhaps all I'll ever be able to say is the obvious statement that in their own minds they doubtless felt justified in what they did.

But of course I'll try to discover what happened to that captain.

Why do I pester you with all this personal opinion? For good reason. In hope that in that collection of old papers you noted something more about Capt Elizur Hills -- or may someday run across his trail again.

Among many things that puzzle me, now, is the reason why this copy of that muster roll was made. It wasn't usual to make such copies, at some later date. . . But there are many points that seem odd, about that muster roll. Why was this muster held? Why was another muster held just a week later -- a most unusual occurrence? And so on. But I won't bother you with them. Not now, anyway.

PS: Rereading, I see I haven't stated my personal bias fully. . . In all of World War I -- the US part of it -- I was smugly proud of the fact that there were no desertions from my company and that, indeed, only one man ever went AWOL. So no doubt I'm not fair in judging this captain who got into this foul-up.

RECORD OF CAPT. ELIZUR HILLS' COMPANY
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Major General Van Rensselaer

A Muster Roll of a company of Light Infantry Trained by Order of the State of New York under the command of Oliver Mills Capt in the United States service attached to a battalion under the command of David White Capt Comm^d from the 27th of Sept. 1812 when first mustered to the 2^d day of November 1812

Names	Ranks	Dates of Appointment or Enlistment	To what time engaged or Dislistment	Names Present	Remarks
Oliver Mills	Captain	27 April 1810		Oliver Mills	
David Doolittle	Ensign	27 April 1812			Detached October 24 after Deserted
Constant Shaw	1 st Sergeant				Deserted October 21 st
Nathan Briggs	2 ^d Do				Do... Do... Do
Calvin Phillips	3 ^d Do				Do... Do... Do...
Levin Phillips	4 th Do			Levin Phillips	
Zepe Belknap	1 st Corporal				Do... Do... Do
James Wright	Drum			James Wright	
John Ceas	Fife			John Ceas	
William Pool	Do			William Pool	
Briggs Oliver	Private				Do... Do... Do
Robert Thomas	Do				Do... Do... Do
Oliver Lewis	Do				Do... Do... Do
Gooding Stephen	Do			Gooding Stephen	
Gooding John	Do			Gooding John	
Goodwin David	Do				Detached to wait on Major Linton
Garlinghouse Benj ⁿ	Do			Garlinghouse Benj ⁿ	
Mills John	Do			Mills John	
Mills Stacy	Do			Mills Stacy	

Wells Isaac	200
Thiers Gideon	200
Thiers Peter	200
Malony Horan	200
Inghram Abel	200
Inghram Adam	200
Shale Phillip	200
Trafton John	200
Wace Seth	200
Briggs Artemus	200

Wall Isaac

Malony Horan
 Inghram Abel
 Inghram Andrew
 Trafton John
 Wace Seth
 Briggs Artemus

Disburse October 21st
 200 200 200

Disburse October 24th after Disburse

1126
 126
 1000

2 Recapitulation

	Capt	Lieut	Ensign	Sergeant	Corporal	Musician	Private	Total
Present fit for duty	1	"	"	1	"	3	6	11
Sick Present	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	3
Sick Absent	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
On detachment	"	"	1	"	"	"	2	3
On Command	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	3
On extra service								
On furlough								
In Captivity								
Missing								
Deserted				3	1		5	9
Dead								
Total	1		1	1	1	3	19	29

I certify on honor that this Muster Roll exhibits a true state of Capt Eliazur Hills' Company of Light Infantry Detached by order of ~~Major Van Rensselaer~~ ^{Major Van Rensselaer} Dated Sept 18th 1812 ~~at~~ Lewiston and the remarks set opposite the names of the men are accurate and just

Eliazur Hills Capt

Camp at Manchester Novm 2nd 1812

2-23-12-25000 (4-17-12)

NAME.

Belknap, Jesse

RANK.

Corpl

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Oliver Allen
CO. OF
Capt. Oliver Allen
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 27.

1812

TO

181

REMARKS.

N. Allen P.M.
Deserted. Nov. 59.

In service at Manchester, N.H.

Roll 27.

Ontario County

2-23-12-25000 (4-17-12)

NAME.

Belknap, Jesse

RANK.

Priv. also

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Thomas Dougherty
CO. OF
Lt. Col. Philetus Swift
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 28.

1812

TO

Nov. 28.

1812

\$26⁰⁰/₁₀₀

REMARKS.

N. Allen P.M.
Nov. 133.In service at Black Rock, N.Y.
Clothing in kind was issued to this
company by J. Thomas deputy P.M. Genl.
U.S. Army by order of Brig. Genl. Smythe.

Roll 27.

Ontario County

5-12-1860 (M. 1-1861)

NAME.

Belknap, Jesse

RANK.

Corpl

ORGANIZATION.

1st Lt. Eliza Hill
CO. OF
Brig. Genl. Daniel Miller

Brig.

PAID FROM

Sept 27.

1812

TO

181

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REMARKS.

No. Allen P.M.
Dressed. Nov. 59.

In service at Manchester, N.H.

Roll 24.

Ontario County

5-12-1860 (M. 1-1861)

NAME.

Belknap, Jesse

RANK.

Priv. also

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Thomas Daugherty
CO. OF
1st Lt. Philetus Swift

Under Act Feb. 6-1812.

Vol. REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 28.

1812

TO

Nov. 28.

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Nov. 133.

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Roll 78.

Ontario County

NAME.

²
Belknap, Jesse Jr.

RANK.

Priv.

ORGANIZATION.

Ensign Isaac Cradit.

Under Act of ^{CO. OF} Col. Philitus Swifts.
Sept. 6/1812.

Vol REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Nov. 2 3

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TO

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REMARKS.

Deserted.

N. Allen P. M.

Nov. 4 P.S.

In Service at Black Rock. N. Y.

Roll 1289.

Ontario County

NAME.

Belknap, Jesse

RANK.

Private.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Thomas Dougherty
CO. OF
Lt. Col. Philetus Swift

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N Allen P.M.

Vol. 133.

In service at Black Rock, N.Y.
Clothing in kind was issued to this
company by J. Thomas deputy P.M. Genl.
U.S. Army by order of Brig. Genl. Smythe

Roll 878.

Ontario County

NAME *Belknap² Samuel*

RANK *Lieut.*

ORGANIZATION.

Co. of

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

TO

\$ *126⁶⁶*

REMARKS.

*J. Nash P.M.
Personal Vow.*

Roll 2221

NAME *Belknap² Samuel*

RANK *Lieut.*

ORGANIZATION.

Co. of

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

TO

\$ *63³³*

REMARKS.

*J. Nash P.M.
Personal Vow.*

Roll 2220

9-7-11-28,000

NAME

Belknap² Moses H.

RANK

ORGANIZATION

*Capt. Justus Hyatt.
Co. of Lt. Col. Borcham.*

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

TO

\$ *2341*

REMARKS.

*J. Edmonds. P.M.
Vow. #3302*

#666

10-4-12-50,000
NAME.

Belknap, William

RANK. Ensign

ORGANIZATION.

Co. of James Brooks.
Col. Daniel Davis.
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Dec. 24

181 3

TO

Apr. 3

181 4

\$ 67.99

REMARKS.

E.C. Kinsley P.M.
Vou 12.

Roll 200.

10-4-12-50,000
NAME.

Belknap, Samuel⁴

RANK. Lieut.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. William Eckler.
Co. of James Warner.
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Oct. 7

181 4

TO

Dec. 6

181 4

\$ 90.66

REMARKS.

J. Nash P.M.
Vou 39.

Roll 211.

10-4-12-50,000
NAME.

Belknap, Samuel³

RANK. 1st Lieut.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Wm Eckler.
Co. of James Warner.
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 7

181 4

TO

Oct. 7

181 4

\$ 45.33

REMARKS.

J. Nash Vou. 19.

Roll 2198.

9-21-00 (10-10-00)
NAME. Bel Knab Ephraim

RANK. Priv.

ORGANIZATION. Capt. Lyman Deming.
Co. of
Col. Christopher P. Bellinger.
Vol. REGIMENT.

PAID FROM July 12 181 2
TO Aug. 22 181 2
\$ 17.22

REMARKS. N. Allen P.M.
Nov. 23.

In service at Sackett's Harbor, N.Y.

Roll 775.

9-21-00 (10-10-00)
NAME. Bel Knab Ephraim

RANK. Priv.

ORGANIZATION. Capt. Lyman Deming.
Co. of
Col. Christopher P. Bellinger.
Detached. REGIMENT.

PAID FROM May 12 181 2
TO July 12 181 2
\$

REMARKS. N. Allen P.M.
Nov. 32.

In service at Cape Vincent, N.Y.

Roll 775.

9-21-00 (10-10-00)
NAME. Bel Knab Augustus

RANK. P.M.

ORGANIZATION. Co. OF REGIMENT.

PAID FROM Jan'y 3rd 181 4
TO Jan. 23rd 181 4
\$ 425 ²⁷/₁₀₀

REMARKS. Paid on
Personal Voucher by
S. Edmonds P.M.

Roll 775.

INTEGRITY
NAME.

Belknap William

RANK. *Lieut.*

ORGANIZATION.

Capt John Miner
CO. OF
Col. Robert Hopkins

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Aug. 29

181 *✓*

TO

Sept. 17

181 *✓*

\$ —

REMARKS.

H. Watkins P.M.

*Mutilated Unit of pay could not be
obtained there only being Receipt Master
Rolls for this Co.
No pay Roll.*

Roll 2331.

10-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100

NAME: *Belknap, Ira*²

RANK: *2nd Lt.*

ORGANIZATION: *N.Y. Militia*

CO. OF:

REGIMENT:

PAID FROM: *Sept. 18* 181 *4*

TO: *Dec. 3* 181 *4*

\$ *180.60*

REMARKS: *Officers paid on personal Vouchers by P. F. Huron Pay Mtr.*

Roll 27

10-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100

NAME: *Belknap, Ira*

RANK: *Qr. Mr.*

ORGANIZATION: *Field staff*

CO. OF: *Col. Isaac Belknap*

REGIMENT:

PAID FROM: *Aug. 18* 181 *4*

TO: *Sept. 17* 181 *4*

\$ *54.20*

REMARKS: *P. F. Huron P.M.*

Roll 2795

9-7-11-25-000 (11-18-00)

NAME: *Belknap, Ezra*

RANK: *Priv.*

ORGANIZATION: *Capt. Hezekiah Scoville*

CO. OF: *Al. Zeban Barter*

REGIMENT:

PAID FROM: *Aug. 2nd* 181 *4*

TO: *Aug. 22nd* 181 *4*

\$ *5.16*

REMARKS: *paid by J. Edmonds P.M. Voucher #4371.*

Roll 11

NAME *Belknap² Israel*

RANK. *Sergt.*

ORGANIZATION

Cap. Peter Milliken
Co. of James Warner
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM *Oct. 7* 181 *✓*

TO *Dec. 6* 181 *✓*

\$ *46.⁰⁰*

REMARKS. *J. Nash Voucher 36.*

NAME *Belknap, Israel*

RANK. *Ser. v. t.*

ORGANIZATION

Capt. Peter Milliken
Co. of James Warner
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM *Sept. 7* 181 *✓*

TO *Oct. 7* 181 *✓*

\$ *23.⁰⁰*

REMARKS.

J. Nash
Vou. #18.

Roll # 2196.

NAME *Belknap, Isaac³*

RANK. *Lt. Col.*

ORGANIZATION

Field. of N.Y. militia
Col. Isaac Belknap
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM *Sept. 18* 181 *✓*

TO *Dec. 3* 181 *✓*

\$ *150.⁰⁰*

REMARKS.

P. F. Hume Pay Mstr

Roll 2796

10-17-13 25,000 (10-13-13)

NAME.

Belknap, Isaac²

RANK.

1st Col.

ORGANIZATION.

N.Y. militia

CO. OF

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 18

181 4

TO

Dec. 3

181 4

\$301.20

REMARKS.

officers paid on personal
Vouchers by P. F. Heenan
Pay. Mas.

Roll 279.

10-17-13 25,000 (10-13-13)

NAME.

Belknap, Isaac

RANK.

St. Col.

ORGANIZATION.

Field & Staff
N.Y. militia
Col. Isaac Belknap

CO. OF

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Aug. 18

181 4

TO

Sept. 17

181 4

\$68.00

REMARKS.

P. F. Heenan P.M.

Roll 2795.

10-17-13 25,000 (10-13-13)

NAME.

Belknap, Ira³

RANK.

Q. M.

ORGANIZATION.

Field and Staff

CO. OF

Col. Isaac Belknap

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 18

181 4

TO

Dec. 3

181 4

\$115.00

REMARKS.

P. F. Heenan Pay. Mas.

Roll 2796.

10-17-19-25,000 (10)

NAME.

Belknap, James²

RANK.

Adj't.

ORGANIZATION.

Field & Staff
N.Y. Militia

Col. Michael Smith

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Oct. 6

181 4

TO

Dec. 12

181 6

\$89.33

REMARKS.

Pro. Grant Vow. 45.

Roll 2662.

10-17-19-25,000 (10)

NAME.

Belknap, James¹

RANK.

Lieutenant.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. James Butterworth's
New York Militia.

Co. of

Col. Michael Smith's

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 10

181 4

TO

Oct. 7

181 4

\$ 22.50.

REMARKS.

Promoted 26th Feb.

Pro. Grant P.M.
Vow. 51.

Roll 2678.

10-11-25,000 (10)

NAME.

Belknap, Jacob

RANK.

Private.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Amos Miller.
Co. of
Lieut. Col. Richard Cox.
46th REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Mch. 3rd

181 3

TO

Mch. 14th

181 3

\$ 32.00

REMARKS.

J. Edmonds P.M.
Vow. 55. B.

Roll 2679.

NAME *Belknap, John*

RANK *Private*

ORGANIZATION *Capt. Chauncy Bills.*
CO. OF *Col. Jedediah Crosby.*
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM *Aug. 29* 181 *4*
TO *Sept. 29* 181 *4*

\$ *825*

REMARKS.

Thos Tufts
Nov. 29.

Roll # 1721.

10-4-12-25,000
NAME *Belknap, John*

RANK *Priv.*

ORGANIZATION *Capt. Seth Belknap.*
CO. OF *Col. Anthony D. Samatre.*
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM *Sept. 18* 181 *4*
TO *Dec. 2* 181 *4*

\$ *20.00*

REMARKS.

J. P. Cox P. M.
Nov. 120.

Roll. 1742.

10 & 15 35,000
NAME *Belknap John*

RANK *Private*

ORGANIZATION *Capt. Seth Belknap.*
CO. OF *Col. Anthony D. Samatre.*
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM *Aug. 18* 181 *4*
TO *Sept. 17* 181 *4*

\$ *800*

REMARKS.

J. P. Cox
Nov. 47.

Roll # 1721.

NAME.

Belknap Moses H.

RANK.

Serg.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt Justus Hyatt.
CO. OF
Lt Col. Borchams.
13 REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 2nd 181 4
Oct. 2nd 181 4

TO

\$ 11⁰⁰

REMARKS.

J. Edmonds P.M.
Vow 167. H.

NAME.

Belknap² Joseph

RANK.

Fifer.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Hazeckiah Scoville.
CO. OF
Col. Ziboam Butler.
REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Aug. 2nd 181 4
Aug. 22nd 181 4

TO

\$ 5⁰⁰

REMARKS.

Paid by
J. Edmonds P.M.
Voucher #43. N.

NAME.

Belknap Joseph

RANK.

Music

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Amos Miller.
CO. OF
Lieut. Col. Richard Cox.
46 REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Mch. 1st 181 3
Mch. 14th 181 3

TO

\$ 4²⁰

REMARKS.

J. Edmonds P.M.
Vow #55. B.

dots below

RECEIPT NUMBER

SEARCHER

DATE

58209

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FILE DESIGNATION

Belknap, Eli
157 Regiment (Westcott's)
New York Militia
1812

GSA FORM
AUG 70 6751

B

157
(Westcott's.)N. Y.
Militia.*Eli Belknap*

Part, { Lieut. Arunah Wright's Company,
 157 Reg't New York State Militia.

(War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *Oct 8 to Nov. 11, 1814.*

Roll dated

not dated, 181Date of appointment } *Oct 8*, 1814.
or enlistment,Date of appointment or }
commencement of service, 181To what time engaged or }
expiration of service, 181To what time engaged }
or enlisted, 181Present or absent *Present*

To what period paid, 181

Remarks and alterations since last muster:

Murray

(609)

Copyist.

B

157
(Westcott's.)N. Y.
Militia.*Eli Belknap*

Part, { Lieut. Arunah Wright's Company,
 157 Reg't New York Militia.
 (War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

for *Oct 8 to Nov. 16, 1814,*Roll dated *not dated*, 181Commencement of serv- } *Oct 8*, 1814.
ice, or of this settlement,Expiration of service, } *Nov. 16*, 1814.
or of this settlement,Term of service charged, *1* months *9* days.Pay per month, *8* dollars cents.Amount of pay, *10* dollars *32* cents.

Signer's name

Remarks:

Murray

[672]

Copyist.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

ORDER FOR PHOTOCOPIES
CONCERNING VETERAN

(See reverse for explanation)

1. NAME OF VETERAN (Last name, first, middle)

BELKNAP, Eli

JUN 30 1971

2. DATE OF BIRTH

3. PLACE OF BIRTH

4. WAR IN WHICH OR DATES BETWEEN WHICH HE SERVED

1812

5. STATE FROM WHICH HE SERVED

6. UNIT IN WHICH HE SERVED (Name of regiment or number, company, etc., or name of ship)

157 Reg. (Wescott's) N Y Militia
Your Microcopy 602, roll 15

7. BRANCH IN WHICH HE SERVED

☐ INFANTRY

☐ CAVALRY

☐ ARTILLERY

☐ NAVY

☐ OTHER (Specify)

8. KIND OF SERVICE

☐ VOLUNTEERS

☐ REGULARS

9. IF SERVICE WAS CIVIL WAR

☐ UNION

☐ CONFEDERATE

10. PLACE(S) WHERE VETERAN LIVED AFTER SERVICE

11. PENSION OR BOUNTY LAND
FILE NO.

12. NAME OF WIDOW OR OTHER CLAIMANT

Please supply copies of all available documents, notifying me if additional fee required.
OF SPECIAL INTEREST: Name of town where enlisted or where his organization was formed.

13. IF VETERAN LIVED IN A HOME FOR SOLDIERS.
ENTER LOCATION (City and State)

14. DATE OF DEATH

15. PLACE OF DEATH

Please send copies of your General Information leaflets 5,6,7

16. CHECK RECORD DESIRED (Enclose \$1 for each record requested)

☐ PENSION

☐ BOUNTY LAND (Service before 1856 only)

☒ MILITARY

17. INDICATE HERE THE NUMBER OF
ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THIS
FORM (GSA FORM 6751) DESIRED

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INSTRUCTIONS

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Mail to:

Cashier
National Archives (GSA)
Washington, D.C. 20408

mil. - ✓
only ✓

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS AREA

REPLY

RECORD(S) ENCLOSED

☐ PENSION

☐ BOUNTY LAND

☐ MILITARY

RECORD(S) NOT FOUND

☐ PENSION

☐ BOUNTY LAND

☐ MILITARY

☐ SEE ATTACHED FORMS/LEAFLETS.

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GSA FORM 6751 FOR THE VETERAN'S OTHER RECORDS.

☐ A REFUND OF \$

☐ WILL BE SENT BY THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

☐ IS ENCLOSED

REFUND AUTHORIZATION

RECEIPT NUMBER

SEARCHER

DATE

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1.00

FILE DESIGNATION

Belknap, Eli
157 Regiment (Wescott's)
New York Militia
1812

C. Y. BELKNAP
25 CLUB ROAD
RIVERSIDE
CONNECTICUT 06878

Print or type your name and address (including Zip Code) within the dots below

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

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Pension or bounty-land warrant application files usually include an official statement of the veteran's military or naval service, as well as information of a personal or genealogical nature. If we find such a file, we send copies of the documents we think will be most useful to you. If we do not find a file, we refund your money.

Military service records based on service in the United States Army (officers who served before June 30, 1917, enlisted men before October 31, 1912), Navy (officers and enlisted men who served before 1886), Marine Corps (officers and enlisted men who served before 1896), and Confederate armed forces (1861-65). If we do not find a file, we refund your money.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

ORDER FOR PHOTOCOPIES
CONCERNING VETERAN

(See reverse for explanation)

1. NAME OF VETERAN (Last name, first, middle)

BELKNAP, Jesse

2. DATE OF BIRTH

~~189~~ 26 January 1792

3. PLACE OF BIRTH

Cherry Valley N Y

4. WAR IN WHICH OR DATES BETWEEN WHICH HE SERVED

1812

5. STATE FROM WHICH HE SERVED

N Y

6. UNIT IN WHICH HE SERVED (Name of regiment or number, company, etc., or name of ship)

Capt Hill's Co, Light Inf.
N Y Militia (This information

is said to come from your War of 1812 microcopy 602, roll 15

7. BRANCH IN WHICH HE SERVED

☒ INFANTRY

☐ CAVALRY

☐ ARTILLERY

☐ NAVY

☐ OTHER (Specify)

8. KIND OF SERVICE

☐ VOLUNTEERS

☐ REGULARS

9. IF SERVICE WAS CIVIL WAR

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10. PLACE(S) WHERE VETERAN LIVED AFTER SERVICE

PLEASE SEND COPIES OF LEAFLETS ~~5~~ 5,8,9 LISTED ON BACK OF THIS FORM

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FILE NO

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DATE

FILE DESIGNATION

2302A
1.00

Kh
Jesse Belknap
Capt. Hill's Co. Light Inf.
New York Militia
1812

Print or type your name and address (including Zip Code) within the dots below

C. Y. BELKNAP
25 CLUB ROAD
RIVERSIDE
CONNECTICUT 06878

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1812
New York Militia
1812
12-16-70
12-16-70

FILE DESIGNATION

SEARCHER

RECEIPT NUMBER

date below

B

Capt. Hills' Company.
Light Infantry.

N. Y.
Militia.

Jesse Belknap

1st Corp., { Capt. Elizur Hills' Company of
Light Infantry.

(War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

for *not stated*, 181

Roll dated *not dated*, 181

Commencement of service, { *Sept 27*, 1812.
or of this settlement,

Expiration of service, { _____, 181
or of this settlement,

Term of service charged, _____ months _____ days.

Pay per month _____ dollars _____ cents.

Amount of pay, _____ dollars _____ cents.

Remarks *Deserted*

(572)

Copyist.

B

Capt. Hills' Company.
Light Infantry.

N. Y.
Militia.

Jesse Belknap

1st Corp., { Capt. Elizur Hills' Company of
Light Infantry.

(War of 1812.)

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *Sept 27 to Nov 10*, 1812.

Roll dated

not dated, 181

Date of appointment { *Sept 27*, 1812.
or enlistment,

Date of appointment or { _____, 181
commencement of service,

To what time engaged or { _____, 181
expiration of service,

To what time engaged { *90 days unless*
or enlisted, { *sooner discharged*, 181

Present or absent

To what period paid _____, 181

Remarks and alterations since last muster: _____

Deserted

Hearst

(569)

Copyist.

NAME.

Belknap, Jesse

RANK.

Corpl.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Eliza Hiles
CO. OF
Brig. Genl. Daniel Miller.

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Brig. Sept. 27,

181 2

TO

181

\$

REMARKS.

N. Allen P.M.
Dressed. Nov. 59.

In service at Manchester, N.Y.

Roll 829.

Chondaga County

NAME.

Belknap, Elijah

RANK.

Pvt.

ORGANIZATION

Lieut. Jno. A. Graham.

CO. OF

McMahon's Regt. (Nat. Archives
newspaper)

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Aug. 24

181 4

TO

Nov. 8

181 4

\$

20. 12 1/2

REMARKS.

J. L. Richardson P. M.
Nov. 14 2.

Det. copy
to Clinton
7/19/11

Roll. 1266.

Ontario County.

Hwp B 386

24-423-55-909 (1-1-77)

NAME.

²
Belknap. Seth

RANK.

Captain.

ORGANIZATION.

Capt. Seth Belknap.

CO. OF Col. Anthony D'Amato.

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Sept. 18

181 4

TO

Dec. 2

181 4

\$

100. ⁰⁰

REMARKS.

J. P. Cox P. M.

Vol. 120.

Roll. 1742.

Wester & Grange Counties

10-4-10-05, 000

NAME.

Belknap, Seth

RANK.

Capt.

ORGANIZATION

Capt. Seth Belknap.

Co. of

Cel. Anthony De Samatre.

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Aug. 18

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TO

Sept. 17

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\$ 40⁰⁰

REMARKS.

J. P. Cox
Ven. #47.

Roll #1721.

Orange County

Major General Varnum

A Muster Roll of a company of Light Infantry Trained in Order of the ~~State of New York~~ ^{of the State of New York} under the command of Oliver Hills Capt in the United States service attached to a battalion under the command of David White Capt Comm. from the 27th of Sept. 1812 when first mustered to the 2d day of November 1812.

Names	Ranks	Dates of Appointment or Enlistment	Do what time engaged or Enlistment	Names Present	Remarks
Oliver Hills	Captain	27 April 1810		Oliver Hills	
David Doolittle	Ensign	27 April 1812			Detached October 24 after Discharge
Constant Shaw	1st Sergeant				Discharged October 21st
Nathan Briggs	2d Lt				Do... Do... Do...
Calvin Philips	3d Lt				Do... Do... Do...
Louis Phillips	4th Lt			Louis Phillips	
Isaac Belknap	1st Corporal				Do... Do... Do...
James Wright	Drum			James Wright	
John Beers	Fife			John Beers	
William Pool	Do			William Pool	
Briggs Oliver	Private				Do... Do... Do...
Boyet Thomas	Do				Do... Do... Do...
Oliver Louis John	Do				Do... Do... Do...
Gooding Stephen	Do			Gooding Stephen	
Gooding John	Do			Gooding John	
Goodwin David	Do				Detached to wait on Major Leitch
Gooding James Benj.	Do			Gooding James Benj.	
Hills John	Do			Hills John	
Hills Stacy	Do			Hills Stacy	

Wells Isaac	200
Nicks Gideon	200
Wicks Elias	200
Malony Thomas	200
Ingham Abel	200
Ingham Adm	200
Shaw Phillip	200
Tipton John	200
Wade Seth	200
Briggs Artemus	200

Hall Isaac

Malony Thomas
 Ingham Abel
 Ingham Andrew
 Tipton John
 Wade Seth
 Briggs Artemus

Disputed Oct 21st
 200 200 200

Disputed Oct 24th after Disputed

1126
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2 Recapitulation

	Capt	Lieut	Ensign	Sergeant	Corporal	Music	Private	Total
Present fit for duty	1	..	..	1	..	3	6	11
Sick Present	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3
Sick Absent	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
On detachment	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	3
On Command	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3
On extra service								
On Furlough								
In Captivity								
Missing								
Deserted				3	1		5	9
Dead								
Total	1		1	1	1	3	19	29

I certify on honor that this Muster Roll exhibits a true state of Capt Eliazur Hills's Company of Light Infantry Detached by order of ~~the Commander in Chief~~ ^{Major Van Rensselaer} Dated Sept 18th 1812 ~~at~~ Lewiston and the remarks set opposite the names of the men are accurate and just

Eliazur Hills Capt

Camp at Manchester Novm 2nd 1812

Dear Gladys:

Feb 28 1972

Only five years? It seemed much more than that. . . as if I'd always known you.

Once upon a time, I amused myself by starting to compute--by sound statistical procedure -- the odds against my ever having found you. But I quit when I reached a point at which I had to use the mathematical terminology of the astronomers -- such as 2×10 .

For your Garlinghouse file, here's a clipping dug out by Peg. If you want to write to this one, the office address of his company (A T & T) is 195 Broadway, New York 10007.

I agree that your amazingly complete record of the personnel of Capt Hills' Company makes it self obvious that the Jesse in that outfit was mine.

But I'm still troubled by the county designations on the pay roll slips obtained from Albany (copies enclosed).

Those slips were prepared in or about 1912, from paymaster's records. (Albany made no copies from muster rolls, which were sent to Washington in or about 1910.) At some date not now known, someone added the county designations indicating place of enlistment. What bothers me is that in every other case where I know the residence of a NY Belknap who served in 1812 War, the county annotation is correct. This is the only one where an error can be assumed.

I'm still waiting for response by Nat Archives, on my requests for additional records which may help settle the matter -- I hope. They can give me copies of similar slips from both pay records and muster rolls -- and I've also asked for copies of muster rolls if available, but doubt I'll get ~~them~~ them.

I'm grateful for being told about Early Settlers in Western NY. Got the books from Boston and discovered a few things that I didn't know -- such as final location of the Briggs Belknap who interested you long ago. He settled, finally, in Pen Yan. (He is notable mostly for having made the journey from Newburgh to Ontario Co. overland -- ten days -- which was unusual in early 1800's.)

Thanks -- as usual,



CONCERNING THE MEN ON THE MUSTER ROLL, Nov. 2, 1812

I. ELIZUR HILLS -

A. 11 Oct. 1794 - Ephraim Wilder sold to Elizur Hills of
50 pounds the town of Canandaigua, 200 acres in
(13 - 325) said township, part of lots #13 and #14.

B. 1800 Census - 1-0-1-1-0 2-0-0-1-0 Town of Bristol

C. 1810 Census - 3-1-0-1-0 2-2-0-1-0 "

D. 15 Dec. 1817 - Elizur Hills and Abigail, his wife, of
\$4,000 Town of Bristol, sold to Gideon Granger
(29 - 316) 132 acres - having previously sold rest
of land to one Boughton.
(land abutted on that of Samuel Mallory -
see Horace Mallory on muster roll.)

E. Feb. 3, 1830 - Abigail Hills died and letters of administra-
tion granted to Myron C. Hills - "Abigail
Hills, late of Granger, Medina Co., Ohio,
formerly of Town of Bristol."

II. JOHN HILLS - listed in 1800 census, Town of Seneca

III. STACY HILLS - son of Norman and Sarah Hills, died Nov. 24, 1812.

A. Norman Hills

1. 1810 Census - 2-1-3-0-1 1-0-1-0-0

2. Died July 31, 1840, age 78

B. Sarah died Dec. 21, 1834, age 66

IV. DAVID DOOLITTLE - listed in index of deeds as buying land.

A. Asa Doolittle, listed in 1800 census, Town of Canandaigua

B. Harvey Doolittle, listed in 1800 census, Town of Bristol

V. CONSTANT SHAW

A. 1800 Census shows Joseph Shaw, town of Canandaigua-3-3-0-1-0
Daniel Shaw, " 2-0-0-1-0
Elizabeth Shaw, "

B. 1810 Census, Town of Bristol

Constant Shaw 3-0-0-1-0 2-0-0-1-0

VI. NATHAN BRIGGS

A. 1800 Census - Zenos Briggs - 3-1-1-0-1 1-1-0-1-0

1810 Census - Enos Briggs - 1-1-2-0-1 0-1-0-0-1

VII. ELIHU BRIGGS - died Oct. 6, 1821 - age 32 (wife Ruth)

VIII. ARTEMAS BRIGGS

A. 1810 Census - 0-0-1-0-0 0-0-1-0-0

B. Artemas Briggs died 1870, age 83.

IX. CALVIN PHILIPS

A. 1800 Census shows Jonathan in Bristol, Luther in Bristol,

B. 1810 census - Jonathan, Bristol - 1-2-0-0-1 2-0-1-1-0

C. Mrs. Calvin Philips died 1825, age 22.

X. LORIN PHILLIPS - no mention

XI. JESSE BELKNAPP - in view of all these Bristol people, he has to be your Jesse!!!

XII. JAMES WRIGHT -

- A. 1800 Census shows 10 families in Ontario County
William in Bloomfield, Gilbert in Bloomfield, Libens in Lima, Abraham, Daniel, Jacob, John and Joseph in Avon, etc.
- B. 1810 Census shows a Wright living between Briggs & Elijah, plus couple of more farther down the road, in Honeoye. (Didn't look them up again.

XIII. JOHN CEASES (?) - a fifer - cannot be sure of last name.

XIV. WILLIAM POOL -

- A. 1810 Census - ISAAC POOL - 0-2-2-0-1 3-2-3-1-1

XV. THOMAS BOLD (?) - did not look up.

XVI. JOHN CLEVELAND -

- A. 1800 Census showed 5 families with this surname - Canandaigua, Jerusalem, Naples, Naples, Sparta
- B. 1810 Census - John Cleveland 0-0-0-1-0 1-0-0-1-0

XVII & XVIII - ZEPHANIAH, Sr. (?) & JOHN GOODING

- A. 1810 Censüs - Town of Bristol

Seth Gooding	0-0-0-0-1	1-0-1-0-1
David Gooding	0-0-1-0-0	0-0-1-0-0
Nathaniel	1-0-1-0-0	0-0-1-0-0
Thomas	1-0-0-1-0	2-0-0-1-0
William	2-0-1-1-0	1-2-1-1-1
Charles	1-0-1-0-0	0-0-1-0-0
Ebenezer	0-0-1-0-0	1-0-1-0-0

XIX - DAVID GOODWIN

- A. Census of 1800 - three families, one in Bristol, one in Canangaigua
- B. Census of 1810 - did not check

XX. BENJAMIN GARLINGHOUSE - you know.

XXI. ISAAC HALE - did not check

XXII - GIDEON HICKS

- A. 1800 Census 0-0-1-0-0 0-0-1-0-0
- B. 1810 Census 2-0-0-1-0 2-0-0-1-0

XXIII- PELEG HICKS - do not know to whom he belongs - other Hicks:

- A. Aaron - 1800, Bristol
- 1810 - " , 0-0-0-0-1 0-0-0-0-1
- B. Jabez - 1800, Bristol
- 1810, " , 2-3-0-1-0 2-0-0-1-0
- C. Otis - 1800, Bristol
- 1810, " , 3-2-0-1-0 0-0-0-2-0

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XXIV - & XXV - ABEL INGHAM AND ANDREW ANGHAM

- A. 1800 Census lists Elisha in Bloomfield, Benjamin and Richard in Canandaigua, Eleazer, Nathaniel and Nathaniel in Jerusalem
- B. 1810 - did not check.

XXVI - PHILLIP SHAW - see No. V above.

XXVII - JOHN TRAFTON - did not find, except for a death of a Mrs. Trafton - no first name - so family was in locale.

XXVIII - HORACE MALERY -

- A. 1800 Census lists a Samuel Malery in Bristol
- B. 1810 Census, Bristol - 3-0-0-1-0 1-2-0-1-0

XXIX - SETH WADE -

- A. 1800 Census - Bristol
- B. 1810 Census - Bristol

3-0-0-1-0	0-2-0-1-0
2-0-2-0-1	1-1-1-1-0

(NOTE: Remembering that your Jonas was living in Bristol in the 1810 Census, and noticing that practically everyone was from Bristol on the muster roll, including your poor Captain, this roster roll Jesse must be your ancestor!)

P.S. Old gazeteer of New York State says that Manchester became Niagara Village - modern Niagara Falls.

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NONPROFIT ORG.
ADL 074 PQ.



Constant Shaw	1st Sgt
Nathan Briggs	2nd ✓
Calvin Phelps	3rd ✓
John Burton	Corp.
Elmer Briggs	Put
Thomas Boler(?)	✓
John Cleveland	✓
Gideon Weeks	✓
Peter Weeks	✓

did not desert

Briggs, Artemus
 Lavin R. Leys 4th Sgt
 12th
 (12)

~~23rd Aug~~

~~13th Oct~~

Occupation
 of P. H. B.

Dear Gladys:

Feb 7 1972

What a great-hearted person you are! Digging deep in our correspondence and other papers to help me, despite back spasm. I had it once, years ago -- so I know how painful it was.

Now, as result of your letter Feb 2, we have a whole new ball game with a tie score. Your discovery of the location of Manchester and Black Rock as on the Niagara Frontier has opened the whole subject for complete reconsideration -- so that I'm trying to get additional information from National Archives. . . Maybe I should wait for that further information before troubling you again; but I long ago learned the profitability of sharing my problems with you. So here goes.

For much more than a year, I have had two Jesse's to look at, either of whom could have been the one who deserted!

(A) Jesse, son of Jonas

(B) Jesse, son of the Jesse whom you found at Locke in Cayuga Co., on deed in 1814 (date of recording, I assume, not date of deed itself).

The Jesse at Locke was certainly related to Jonas in some way or other. His descendants in Utah claim on very tenuous grounds that he was a son of an uncle of Jonas, by that uncle's first wife. No one else has ever agreed to that claim. Opinion of everyone else who has studied the problem (including some of his descendants) has been that he was almost certainly an illegitimate son of one of Jonas's uncles or even of Jonas's father. Be that as it may, an essential fact is that he had a fine record as a soldier in the Revolutionary War (he helped make the chain that Washington ordered strung across the Hudson, below West Point, to bar the British ships from attacking that fort); and, like Jonas, he served steadily from the beginning to the end of that war.

So, legitimately or illegitimately, Jesse's A and B were cousins -- and I have 1812 records for both of them and ~~HM~~ know which is which. I thought I did; now I'm uncertain. don't

The record for one Jesse shows him as in Capt Elisur Hills' company -- and an annotation on one card says he came from Onandaga County, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ and says he was stationed at Manchester. . . and deserted.

The record for the other Jesse says he was in Lt Col Swift's Regiment, in Capt Daugherty's company (later commanded by Ensign Credit) -- came from Ontario County -- was stationed at Black Rock -- and was paid in full on Nov 28, after enlisting on Sept 28 -- presumably discharged on Nov 28, but this isn't yet proved.

Thinking that Manchester was the town near Canandaigua -- and having had reason long ago to think that a place then called Black Rock must have been near Rome or Syracuse -- I arbitrarily decided that the annotations "Ontario County" and "Onandaga County" were made many years later, were just another instance of the blundering that characterizes many militia records. The apparent nearness of Manchester made me decide that the Jesse at that place must be my Jesse, and that the annotator had just confused the two Jesse's.

Then, when I saw familiar names (including Garlinghouse) on the roll of the company that was in camp at Manchester, I felt sure I had been right in over-ruling those annotations as to home counties. Now, when you tell me where Manchester and Black Rock really were, I'm not at all sure.

It may be that I'll never be able to get plain proof as to which Jesse was in Capt Hills' Co., so that eventually I'll have to base a decision on appraisal of indirect evidence. So bear with me while I try to summarize what I now know.

WHICH JESSE WAS IN CAPT HILLS' COMPANY?

(A) Jesse, son of Jonas: PRO -- Presence of others from Canandaigua area, in that company

CON -- Annotation showing home as in Onondaga County, for the Jesse in that company
-- Rank as Corporal very unlikely for a man only 20.

(B) Jesse, son of Jesse: PRO -- Annotation of Onondaga Co as home, a likely place for this Jesse to be in 1812. He was then 31 yrs old; his family had been at Rome in 1800, before his father moved to Leeke. ~~HHHHH~~

and had 3 children;

-- Rank as Corporal for the Jesse in "Hills' company (militia non coms were usually years older than privates, and pride in his father's military record might well have made this Jesse enlist -- for 90 days, probably -- at age 31).

CON -- Presence of others from Canandaigua area, not Syracuse area, in Hills' company. (NOTE: If I can get a muster roll for Daugherty's company, it may throw light on the problem)

As is obvious, it boils down -- thus far -- to the question of which is the more conclusive: (a) the names in Hills' company, or (b) the annotations on home counties.

The rank as corporal is only worth considering -- by no means conclusive.

Wish me luck in digging up more evidence.

X Do not Row

War of 1812 Microcopy 602, roll 15. National Archives, Washington C. C. (8/14/67)

Augustin ^{us} Belknap, Adam's Regiment, N.Y. Volunteers -- Pay master
Augustine ^{us} Belknap, Davis' Frigate, N. Y. Volunteers -- Quarter Master

~~Elia Belknap 157 Reg. (Mason's), N. Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Elijah Belknap, McMahan's Regiment, N. Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Echraim Belknap, Bellinger's Regiment, N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Ezra Belknap, 101 Regiment (Carver's), N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~George Belknap, ^{us} McMahan's Regiment, N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Gilbert Belknap, McMahan's Regiment, N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Haras Belknap, 1 Regiment (Andrews), Ohio Militia -- Private~~

~~Ira Belknap, 1 Regiment, (Belknap's) N.Y. Militia -- Quarter Master~~

~~Isaac Belknap Jr. 1 Regiment (Belknap's) N.Y. Militia -- Lt. Colonel~~

~~Israel Belknap, Detached Cavalry Regiment (Warner's) N.Y., -- Sergeant~~

~~Jacob Belknap, 46 Regiment (Coxe's) N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~James Belknap, Consolidated Regiment (Smith's) N.Y. Militia -- 2nd Lt. Adjutant~~

~~Jesse Belknap, Capt. Militia Company, Light Infantry, N.Y. Militia -- Corporal~~

~~Jesse Belknap Jr., Swift's Detachment (1812-13) N.Y. Volunteers -- Private~~

~~John Belknap, Parmenio Adam's Battalion, N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~John B. Belknap, 2 Regiment (Delemater's) N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

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~~Joseph Belknap, ~~101 Regiment (Carver's)~~ 101 Regt., (Carver's), N.Y. Militia -- Fifer~~

~~Joshua Belknap 1 Regt. (Davis') N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Joshua S. Belknap, Col. McCook's Regt., U.S. Volunteers -- Private~~

~~Joshua S. Belknap, 1 Regt. (Davis') N.Y. Militia -- Corporal~~

~~Moses Belknap, 1st Regt. (Eliak's), N.Y. Militia -- 1st Lt. Lieutenant~~

~~Moses H. Belknap, Battalion Artillery (Forbes's) N.Y. -- Sergeant~~

~~Pilgrim Belknap, (Davis' Regt.) N.Y. Militia -- Private~~

~~Samuel Belknap, Detachment Cavalry Regiment (Warner's) N.Y. -- ^{1st} Lieutenant~~

~~Samuel A. Belknap, 2nd Regt. (Osgood's) Massachusetts Militia -- Private~~

~~Seth Belknap, 2nd Regt. (Delemater's), N.Y. Militia -- Captain~~

~~Thomas Belknap, 7 Regt. (Osgood's) Virginia Militia -- Private~~

~~William Belknap, 1 Regt. (Davis'), N.Y. Militia -- Ensign~~

~~William Belknap, 1 Regt. (Honkin's), N.Y. Militia -- Lieutenant~~

~~John Belknap, Crosby's Regt., N.Y. Volunteers -- Private~~

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→ John Belknap, Crosby's Regt., N.Y. Volunteers -- Private

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February 2, 1972

Dear Carroll,

While I am reviving from a minor muscle spasm in lower back and now able to get up and down more easily, I thought I would send you a hasty answer to your two letters.

Some time ago you mentioned the state in which my correspondence to you had arrived, most evident when you tried to find something. I know exactly how you feel. I went back and forth through my files to find the answer to your question about the Benjamin on the muster roll. Had I known the extent to which my share in your project would expand, I would have numbered each page I sent you continuously and set up a card index of each name!

However, to keep you from plowing thru as I've just done, in my letter of Oct. 31, 1969, I wrote:

"I re-checked Allen's Hill cemetery and discovered stones for a Jane Garlinghouse, wife of John, who died May 27, 1841, age 77 years. This might be the sister-in-law of James, who married Moses Briggs? Another stone, same size and shape, next to hers was so weathered that nothing could be determined. Was this John's? The third stone - "Erected to the memory of Benjamin Garlinghouse who died December 28, 1812, in the 21st year of his life, by brother Joseph Garlinghouse."

I agree with you that he was a son of John and Jane Garlinghouse, and a brother of Joseph. Mrs. Keeney's list says they had five sons and five daughters. There is no doubt but what the stone above indicates (?) the same Benjamin as the muster roll. The tombstone for the older Benjamin is "Revolutionary Hero, 1761-1850" (Hunt's Hollow Cemetery), and "Marcia Garlinghouse, died Nov. 18, 1845 - age 77". I talked with the wife of a descendant of this Benjamin, and she pulled out the genealogy for me. (See letter of Oct. 31, 1969). No mention was made of Anne Morehouse, and they listed a first son, named Stephen, not listed by Mrs. Keeney. I shall write her, of course, giving her the additional information, dates, etc., which I have. Her Rev. War record for Benjamin does not agree with one I got from New Jersey (she also says the three Garlinghouse men served from New York!) War record says this Benjamin was enlisted in 1778 at age of 16!

I did not keep a copy of the muster roll myself, but I recall there was at least one Briggs - more? - an Artemas Briggs. His tombstone states he died July 4, 1870, age 83 years, 10 months, 5 days. I find a note, source unknown (!), "a John Briggs died July 7, 1812, at Black Rock. Artemas' will mentions a grandson, Artemas, too, son of John G. who died Nov. 21, 1873, age 62. My letter of January 13, 1969, listing 1800 census records in order of families ~~xxxxxxx~~ visited had Bright between a Briggs and Belknap so one of the Wrights in the muster roll may well have been a friend.

2/2/72

I was much amused by your military comments on the muster roll and poor Captain Hills. He had a great deal of company, - Captain Jehiel Moore ~~xxxxxxx~~ "not a single man reported sick in hospital or on separate duty, and the whole 55 were absent without leave".

I started to review again the materials - our director thinks they may be the most valuable we have - a wonderful source for a Ph.D. in local 1812 War activities. There are general orders to Col. Dobbin, morning reports, etc., etc. Incidentally that regiment was not in Manchester, New York, Ontario County, as I thought at first - but "Village of Manchester on Niagara River". On reading some biographical material, and some accounts of the action, I discovered the reason for the muster at that time - see extra page. Col. Hugh Dobbin was one of our local celebrities - a Revolutionary soldier of some ability apparently. Interestingly enough, he also came from Orange County!

A couple or two other discoveries of not much more than interest:

1. "Return of a General Court Martial, Cayuga and Seneca, Tompkins, Steuben, Ontario and Genesee Counties - reported to 31st Oct., 1812" -

Auburn, 18 May 1815 - Moses Trumbull and James H. Trumbull fined 24¢ each - had served under "Captain Belknap".
No first name given.

- II. Saw a HISTORY OF STEUBEN COUNTY, Irvin W. Near, 1911, and of course checked for 'Belknap'.

A - p. 373 - "The Canadadea Rifles, also known as the Hornellsville Guards, was organized early in 1857 . . . The company was very prominent socially and on Jan. 8, 1857, gave its first annual ball in the Osborne House. The committees were as follows: "Honorary Committee . . . and Captain C. M. Belknap of Hornellsville."

B - p. 445 - Re: 47th Separate Company, N.G., N.Y., organized Sept. 30, 1891.
"The casualty list of the Company since its muster into the service of the state, Sept. 30, 1891, until May 22, 1911, is as follows:
Walter H. Belknap.

This has developed into a lengthy epistle. Shall see what I can do to help Mrs. Keeney and in the meantime keep your military cool. How would you have felt had you been Col. Dobbin reviewing the results of the muster?

Always rootin' for underdog -

Gladys

2/2/72

Battle of Queenstown had been fought on 13 October.

"On the 16th Lt. Col. Dobbin had orders to consolidate the 18th and 20th regiments into one regiment and report the number fit for duty to General Miller who now had the command of the 6th and 7th Brigades consolidated into one brigade headquarters at Manchester, where he ordered Lt. Col. Dobbin to station his regiment and Gen. Smyth marched his troops back to Black Rock. Nothing more particular until the 3 of November Gen. Smyth in general orders directed Lt. Col. Dobbin to consolidate and . . . the brigade of Gen. Miller now in service into one regiment of Infantry and one Battalion of Riflemen and directing all the officers commanding companies to furnish Col. Dobbin with their proper muster rolls, he finds no less than 436 deserters and he reported the same to Gen. Smyth and that he had some 15 or 20 prisoners confined in the guardhouse at or waiting their trial by a general court martial. But no court martial was appointed to try them and Gen. Smyth had left an order to discharge Lt. Col. Dobbin and his command of the Militia from service dated 26 of Dec. 1812."

(from the file of Col. Dobbin's papers
both military and personal, plus auto-
biography and other personal deeds, etc.)

Not And
2/7/72

Jesse BELKNAP

1812

New York
Militia

Regiment of Lt Col Philetus Swift
Company of Capt Thomas Daugherty
Ensign Isaac Credit

X

X

Said to be listed on NY State militia master rolls 878, 1289, 1291

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X

Hannich

B 21 Dec 1814

Kuziah

B 6 Feb? 1813

March?

James

E. 30 Aug ~~1812~~
1817

James 1812

Gen Stephen Van Rensselaer
Commanded militia on ^{British} Bayne
Repulsed after successful
attack on Queenston Heights
because his militia failed
to come to support of
An expeditionary force

Ny Boatswain - War of 1812

1812

~~Capt~~ - Sept 27 - Nov 10 (Onondaga Co)
John Jr - Sept 26 - Nov 28 (Ontario Co)
Pelgrim - June 29 - July 10
Ephraim - May 12 - Aug 22

1813

Joseph March 1 - 4
Joseph March 3 - 14
William Dec 24, 1813 - April 3, 1814

1814

Capt Seth Aug 18 - Dec 2
Eli - Oct 18 - Nov 16
Elijah - Aug 24 - Nov 8
~~Joseph - March 1 - 4~~
Joseph - Aug 2 - 22
Moses - Sept 2 - Oct 2 - Dec 3
John - (Capt Seth) - Aug 18 - Dec 2
John (Capt Hills) - Aug 29 - Sept 29
James - Sept 10 - Dec 12
Israel - Sept 7 - Dec 6
Isaac - Aug 18 - Dec 3
Isa - ~~Sept~~ Aug 18 - Dec 3
Ezra - Aug 2 - 22
Augustus - Jan 3 - 23
(2) Samuel - Sept 7 - Dec 4
William - Aug 29 - Sept 17

Ready

1) Parker etc - illness

2) Manchester & Black Rock

3) militia records -

3) 2 Jassie's
& counties

4) Identification by Manchester
confirmed by Benj - Briggs etc

5) But are too young for Capt -

Regt or Brigade, etc
Adams: ^{Regt:} Augustin

Adams
Battalion: John

Davis: ~~X~~ Augustin
Polygram
~~X~~ William

157 (Westcott): ~~Self~~

McMahon: ~~Ely~~
~~George~~ +
~~Gilbert~~ X

Bellings: Ephson

101 (Ritter): Ezra
Joseph

1 (Andrews): Hor
1 Regt (Belknap): In-
Joane

Warner's: Israel
Samuel

41 (Cox) Jacob
Joseph

Smiths: James

Hills: ~~James~~

Smith ~~James~~ Jr

2nd Delaware: John
Seth

Forbes = Moses H

1st (Davis): Wm

1st (Hopton) Wm

Crosby: John

X Order

July 23 1971

Col. John B Hayek
Bureau of War Records
Division of Military and Naval Affairs
Public Security Building
State Campus
Albany, N. Y. 12226

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of 14 July, enclosing copies of pay-roll cards of some War of 1812 soldiers. I'm most grateful, for they show each man's county of residence -- something not obtainable from Washington.

As you did not indicate what fee should be paid for this aid, it embarrasses me to ask for still more such records. But I enclose a list of men on whom I need similar information. I'll be grateful if you can supply it.

And of course I'll gladly pay whatever fee is proper. If you haven't yet established such a fee, but will now do so, please let me be your first paying customer.

C. Y. Belknap

C. Y. Belknap
(One-time Capt. Inf. U.S.A.)



STATE OF NEW YORK
DIVISION OF MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS
PUBLIC SECURITY BUILDING
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ALBANY, NEW YORK 12226

MAJOR GENERAL J. C. BAKER
CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE GOVERNOR

WR War of 1812

14 July 1971

Mr. C. Y. Bellknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Conn. 06878

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of 25 June 1971.

Inclosed are photo-stat copies of the pay-roll cards for each of the Bellknap's in your request who served in the War of 1812.

The records we have on file for the War of 1812 consist of a pay-roll card file only. The original Muster Rolls for this war are not available at this office. They were sent to Washington some years ago at the request of the Adjutant General, Department of the Army.

Sincerely yours,

John B. Huyck

JOHN B. HUYCK
COL, AGC, NYARNG
Chief, Bureau of War Records

Encl: (8)

June 25 1971

Division of Military and Naval Affairs
Public Security Building
State Campus
Albany N Y

Gentlemen:

I enclose (a) letter dated Dec 27 1970 to the Office of the Secretary of State, Albany, and (b) reply received from the New York State Library, dated Jan 25 1971, saying the inquiry had been forwarded to you.

Since that last date, I have heard nothing further.

So I assume your office was not in position to answer my inquiry. If this is the case, I'll be grateful if you can suggest an other possible source that I should consult. National Archives, from which the original listing was obtained, have said that further information can be obtained only from New York State Archives.

Very truly yours,

C. Y. Belknap:

Dec 27 1970

Office of the Secretary of State
Albany, N. Y.

ARCHIVES DIVISION

Gentlemen:

If this letter should be addressed to some other office, will you please pass it along to that office?

I am seeking information about the military service in the War of 1812 by the following men, who are named in National Archives Microcopy 602, roll 15: (All said to be in NY Militia)

Belknap, Elijah -- private -- McMahan's Regt., N Y Militia
Belknap, Jesse -- corporal -- Capt Hill's Co., Light Infantry
~~XX~~
Belknap, Pilgrim -- private -- Davis' Regt.
Belknap, Jesse, Jr., Swift's Detachment, N Y Volunteers
Belknap, Seth -- captain -- 2nd Regt., (Delamater's)
Belknap, Eli -- private -- 157 Regt. (Wesset's)

In each instance, what I hope to get is

~~XX~~

- (1) Military Record of the man
- (2) Place where his unit was raised or recruited

And, of course, what fee is required for this aid?

Very truly yours,

G. Y. Belknap:

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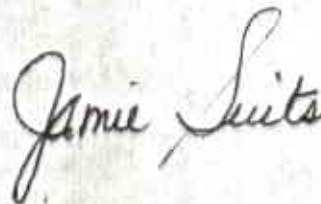
January 15, 1971

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

Dear Mr. Belknap:

Since the War of 1812 military records on file here contain no references to military service in this state of Elijah, Jesse, Pilgrim, Jesse Jr., Seth and Eli Belknap, a copy of your letter is being forwarded to the Division of Military and Naval Affairs, public Security Building, State Campus, Albany, New York for further reply relative to records on file with that Department.

Sincerely yours,



Jamie Suits
Assistant Librarian

NAME

Belknap, Eli

RANK.

Private

ORGANIZATION

Capt. Amos Wright.

CO. OF

REGIMENT.

PAID FROM

Oct. 8

TO

Nov. 16

181

181

\$10 ³²/₁₀₀

REMARKS.

Co. from Craig County
Mustered Nov. 11. Disch. Nov. 13.

65 Miles 3 days travel.

S. Edwards P. M.

New #60 - L.

Craig County.

Reginald

21 Aug 1859 (gravestone)

aged 15 6 46

∴ b 6 Feb 1813 —

Feb 6

1 J
2 J
3 J
4 O
5 S
6 F
7 J
8 J
9 ML

Hannah

21 Dec 1814

1 Nov

20

3 S

4 A

5 J

6 J

7 M

8 ~~A~~

9 March 21

James

Hill's Co

Desertions

m. 20 Feb 1812

married ~~Sept~~ ^{Sept} 27(?) 1812

formed by 27
1812

Reynolds
conceived ^{abt} May 6 1812

~~Left for~~ to Sept 26 1812

Order for Detachment
Sept 18

Recorded

Oct 21 1812

Deserted

Reynolds born Feb 6 1813

Hannah

conceived ^{abt} March 21, 1814

Hannah
born

Dec 21, 1814

Desertion Oct 24

Insign ^{got}
Det. Oct 24

Find muster
Nov. 2 1812

James
R Key

30 Aug 1817