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OWEN, ETHAN - born about 1775 in Poultney, Vermont  
He married 22 Jan 1801 in Milton, Vermont. He  
died 21 May 1849 in Schylar County Illinois. He  
was the son of ELIJAH OWEN and OLIVE BEEMAN.

Ethan Owen was married to HANNAH SEELEY, born 25  
Dec. 1783 in Thetford, Orange, Vermont. She was  
the daughter of Sheldon Seeley and Deborah Barker  
(Bowker)

Children ETHAN OWEN and Hannah Seeley

Ann Owen born about 1802 in Milton Vermont and mar to  
Lewis Swan, 26 July, 1827.

Alvley Owen, born 7 Oct. 1803 in Milton, Vermont and  
married to Sophia Kenike.

Seeley Owen born 20 March 1805 in Milton Vermont and  
married to Lydia Adaline Owen

Luke Owen born about 1810 and married Rhoda Owen 27  
Nov. 1834

Hannah Owen born about 1812 and married 1 Sept. 1831  
to William Trainer

Rachael Owen born about 1822 in Ohio and married 5 Feb.  
1839 to Bernard Black

Ethan Owen born in 1829 in Ohio and married 18 Sept.  
1856 to Rebecca Ann Carter

Owen, Daughter, about 1818 in Ohio.

According to 1810, 1820 and 1830 Census, Ethan Owen had  
other children we have not been able to identify.

Sources of Information

1810 Census- Milton Vermont

1820 Census of Licking Co. Ohio

1830 Census records of Schuyler, Ill. Also 1840-1850  
and 1860 census of Schuyler Co., Ill.

Milton Vermont Vital Recs. # 6851

Application for Pension of 1812 War made by widow  
Marriage Rec. Licking Co. Ohio.

Vermont Vital Recs. # 6593 pt, 227, pt 191  
Death cert. of Ethan Owen

Child # 3 Seeley Owen married 22 March 1847 Elizabeth  
Pickle as a second wife.

Child # 4 Luke mar. 2nd 15 Apr. 1849, Eliza Haslett.

Salisbury, Connecticut Historical Collections, 1913:

1:31: Bemas, Jotham of the Oblong married Oct. 5, 1755, Elizabeth Bicknell of Salisbury.  
Bement, Freelove, dau. of William Jr., and Sarah born June 1764  
Fenton, Olive m. Nov. 10, 1756, Elijah Owen, both of Salisbury

Salisbury, Conn. V.R.

Beaman, Hannah, d. Samuel and Martha, born Feb. 20, 1766.  
Samuel, Jr., born Feb. 9, 1768  
Edith, born Aug. 4, 1770  
Polly, born Feb. 21, 1784  
Bingham, born Feb. 1, 1786  
Clarissa, dau. Chloe, born July 15, 1775

Preston, Conn. V.R.

Beaman, Uriah, reputed son of John Beaman of Kent, begotten of Silence Herrick, born Feb. 24, 1746/7; married Preston, Nov. 12, 1771, Anna Safford, both of Preston.

Kent, Connecticut Church Records- 1/41-1859:

Beeman, John, m. Nov. 5, 1746, Sarah Thompson of Kent.

John, s. of John bp. May 1, 1748

Oliver, bp. May 12, 1750/1

Sarah, bp. Sept. 10, 1749; named in father's will. See P.2 Also Matthias bp. June 1-1752.

From "Descendants of John Owen of Windsor, Conn.," by Owen, 1941, page 60.

Elijah Owen, son Joshua and Margaret (Woodworth) Owen, born Lebanon, Conn., Jan. 29, 1721/2 died probably Milton, Vt., June 1799; married (2) Salisbury Conn., Nov. 10, 1756, Olive Beeman, dau. of Friend Beeman, Jr., born about 1735, who died Milton, Vt., June/July 17, 1792.

From the foregoing it can be readily seen that OLIVE BEEMAN, WAS NOT the daughter of Friend Beeman, Jr.

Children, OWEN, by 2nd wife.

1. Patience, born Feb. 2, 1758
2. Elijah, Jr., born 1759
3. Elisha, born 1760
4. Electa, born Jan. 3, 1763
5. Esther, born Aug. 22, 1766
6. Ann, born Aug. 27, 1765
7. Lois, born Feb. 28, 1767; m. Hiram Sanderson
8. Julius Augustus, born Apr. 25, 1769 (Julas, s. Park 2- Thomas 1- Beeman, born in Kent, Conn., Jan. 28, 1773)
9. Ambrose, rec. Salisbury, Dec. 25, 1770, died in Milton, Nov. 20, 1792.
10. Ira, born Poultney, Vt., 1774.
11. Heman, born Poultney, about 1779.

Ibid., P. 109

Wealthy, dau. Elisha (son of Elijah and Olive (Beeman) Owen, born Milton, Vt., June 24, 1801; mar. Milton, Jan. 16, 1860; married about 1820, Orlando, s. Friend Beeman, Jr., who died in Milton, 1868.

(According to account of family in Boston Transcript, July 6, 1931, Orlando was the son of Reuben Beeman, brother of Friend Beeman, Jr.)

5. (prob.) Deborah, married Kent, Aug. 26, 1762,  
Samuel Cummings.

Children CUMMINGS, born Kent, Conn:

- a. Anne, born June 22, 1763, died Aug. 8, 1766
- b. Lucy, born Aug. 14, 1765
- c. Amos. born July 15, 1767
- d. Samuel ? Preson, b. July 26, 1769.
- e. Deborah, born Mar. 3, 1777

6. FRIEND BEEMAN, born Feb. 6, bp. Sept. 16, 1750,  
married Kent, May 9, 1771, Mary Logan of Washington,  
prob. dau. of John Logan, of Washington. Her  
sister was shot accidentally by brother during  
Revolution; removed to Vermont with father;  
Vermont 1790 Census, Cornwall, Addison Co.,  
P. 11: 3m 16 and upward; 1 male under 16;  
2 females:

Children, BEEMAN, 1st 2 born Kent, Conn.:

1. Reuben, born Sept. 30, 1771 married  
abt. 1788 to -----, who died prob.  
Milton, Vt., 1808-1810; lived with  
father in Cornwall, 1790. Later lived  
Milton, Vt.

Children Reuben Beeman

- a. Reuben, Jr.
- b. Charles
- c. Orlando
- d. Alonzo.

2. Friend Beeman Jr., Born Kent, 1776

3. Sheldon, born Kent, Feb. 5, 1774  
All were in Milton 1800

7. Hannah, born Feb. 10, bp. July 12, 1752

8. Isaac. born Jan 7, bp. June 15, 1755

9. Tracy, born May 20, 1762, died Kent, March 13, 1850  
ae. 88; buried Kent Hollow Cemetery, Kent, Conn:  
Will named wife Polly and large family.

#### REFERENCES:

Preston and Kent, Conn., vital, church, land and probate  
cemetery records.

Parke Families of Connecticut, Iark, 1906, P. 50.

Tracy Family, Tracy, 1898, page 53

New England Parish Families, Parish, 1938, page 14.

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3. Daniel, bp. Aug. 10, 1721; m. Kent, Oct. 6, 1743, Lydia Cogswell; he died Kent, Aug. 19, 1757, Children, BEEMAN, b. Kent, Conn.:
  - a. Thomas, born Aug. 13, 1749, died warren, Dec. 20, 1833, ae. 84; warren, Conn. Cemetery.
  - b. Timothy, born Mar. 20, 1751; married Feb. 26, 1778, Grace Bliss.
  - c. Phebe, born Feb. 9, 1753, died Apr. 2, 1757.
  - d. Daniel, Jr., born Jan. 18, 1756; married Feb. 23, 1779, Mary Bliss.

BEEMAN, Daniel, Kent, Litchfield, 1757 #551 : Will dated Apr. 11, 1757, names wife Lydia; sons Thomas, Timothy and Daniel; sister, Hannah Cogswell; witnesses, Matthew Beale, Caleb Sweetland, Hannah Beal.

4. Ruth, bp. July 1, 1722; married (Prob.) Thomas Morris.

5. Joseph, named in father's will.

The name OLIVE BEEMAN, does not occur in any printed public record of Connecticut, or in any church, land or cemetery record we have searched. She and others were unrecorded children of Thomas Beeman, Jr., and he could have had only the one wife, Bethiah Tracy, mother of his children.

We give herewith what we deem the children of THOMAS BEEMAN, Jr., those not definitely identified prefaced by "probably." and thought to be "unrecorded".

Children, BEEMAN:

1. (prob.) OLIVE, born about 1735; married ELIJAH OWEN.
2. Abigail, dau. Thomas, Jr., bp. Preston, Aug. 5, 1739.
3. Benajah, son of Thomas, Jr., bp. Preston, Dec. 31, 1740.
4. (prob.) Christopher, died, Kent. Jan. 5, 1777; married, Kent, Jan. 16, 1776, Hannah Main; Feb. 10, 1778, Hannah Beeman was appointed guardian to children of Christopher Beeman:
  - a. Aaron, ae. 5
  - b. Bethiah, ae 8
  - c. Nathan, ae. 10

Children of CHRISTOPHER BEEMAN born in Kent. Conn.

- a. Eunice, born Apr. 18, 1768, died Feb. 3, 1777.
- b. Bethiah, born Feb. 10, 1770
- c. Aaron, born June 14, 1772
- d. Nathan, born 1768

THOMAS BEAMAN-BEEMAN FAMILY

I THOMAS BEAMAN-BEEMAN, born about 1690, died Kent, Litchfield County, Conn., Nov. 16, 1750; married 1712 PHEBE PARK(E), dau. NATHANIEL<sup>3</sup> THOMAS<sup>2</sup> ROBERT and SARAH (GERR) PARKE, born Groton, Conn., who died Kent, Conn., Oct. 3, 1777.

BEEMAN, Thomas, Kent, Litchfield District, 1750 #566: Will dated Sept. 2, 1750, Thomas Beman of Kent names wife; sons Daniel and Joseph Beeman; daughter Ruth Morris; sons Thomas Beeman, Ebenezer Beeman, John Beeman, Park Beeman; witnesses, Stephen Pain, Noah Pain, Jonathan Sackett.

The Boston Transcript, July 6, 1931, over the initials L.B. R., stated that Thomas Beeman removed to Kent, Connecticut from Preston, Conn., about 1738. The article is concerned with Friend Beeman, who removed to Vermont, with his father, Thomas Beeman, Jr., Preston, Conn. Land Records, v. 3:201, Apr. 24, 1719 nine acres laid out by Thomas Clark, Stephen Gates, Nathaniel Tracy.

Thomas Beeman, Jr. served in the revolution and a year or so later moved to Arlington, Cornwall and Milton Vermont. After 1812, Reuben and Sheldon Beeman, his grandsons, sons of Friend Beeman, disappeared from Vermont.

The DAR Lineage Book v. 18:34, states that Thomas Beeman, 1715-1790, served as a private 1776, in the Thirteenth regiment of the militia and that he was born in Kent and died in East Kent, which is in error, if he removed to Vermont, as above stated.

Children, BEAMAN-BEEMAN, 1st 4 bp. Preston, Conn.:

1. THOMAS, JR., bp. Oct. 9, 1715; m ? (1)-----(2) BETHIAH TRACY
2. Ebenezer, bp. Apr. 5, 1719, d. probably Warren, Litchfield, Co., Conn., 1802 (probate, no will or distribution); married Kent, Conn., Feb. 25, 1741/2, RACHEL TRACY, dau. DAVID, JR, and SARAH (PARISH) TRACY, born Preston, Conn., Nov. 29, 1724;  
Children BEEMAN born Kent Conn.:
  - a. Reuben, born Dec. 14, 1742
  - b. Elijah, born Nov. 3, 1744
  - c. Abel, born Dec. 7, 1746 married in Kent, Nov. 8, 1770, Mary Keeney
  - d.----, born March 28, died Apr. 24, 1749

have any real reason for thinking that the father of Hannah Seeley was Benjamin, I think I can be of some help, though it might call for research in Vermont to get proof of her parentage. I have some records of three Benjamin Seeleys who if I recall all had Revolutionary service. I have asked for names of Hannah's Owen children for possible clues if they had any Seeley names.

After I hear from you, I will give further study to my Seeley records and will arrange and put in to shape such data as I have on the various Benjamins in the Seeley family, which should be helpful even if you later have to get Vermont records searched to prove Hannah's connection.

Sincerely,

*Donald F. Jacobus*

P.S. Some of the female lines on the Beaman side can easily be worked out, at no great cost, many of them from good printed sources; much of this you could do yourself at the Library, but before spending time and expense on it would be advisable first to try to get positive proof of Olive's indicated parentage.

Very good ancestry on Parke and Tracy sides. See Parke Genealogy for Tracy, see Particularly Appendix in my Waterman Family, Volume I.

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Dear Mrs. Butler:

As you will see by the enclosed report, a great deal of time has been spent on the question of the ancestry of Olive Beaman. It seems quite certain that she was not born at Simsbury, Conn., nor daughter of Friend Beaman, Jr., as you had it. From the fact that both the Owens and Friend Beaman settled in the neighborhood of Milton, Vt., it does seem very probable that Olive was connected with Friend Beaman, but it is necessary to place her as an older sister of Friend Sr.

This Beaman family moved from Preston, Conn., to Kent, Conn., where Thomas Beaman, Sr., died. I include an abstract of his will. From the dates, it would have been possible for Olive to have been the youngest child of Thomas Sr., but his will proves that she was not. The only son of Thomas Sr., who was old enough to be the father of Olive was Thomas Jr., and it was Thomas Jr. who is the proved father of Friend Beaman. And it was Friend who moved to Milton, Vt., where Olive also settled.

Thomas, Jr., father of Friend and probably of Olive, appears to have removed to Vermont after the Revolution; hence to try to get positive proof, I think you should write to Vermont for the will or probate of this Thomas Beaman. The records have been pretty well combed so far as Connecticut is concerned. The parentage and ancestry of Olive indicated is very probable but not positively proved; if the proof exists, it should be in the probate of Thomas Beaman in Vermont, or possibly in deed there if Thomas conveyed to daughter Olive, or if Olive and her husband conveyed land inherited from Thomas.

I expected the Seeley problem to be difficult, but did not look for any great difficulty with the Beaman family as Olive was given as born in Connecticut and the name of her father is stated in the Owen Genealogy--incorrectly, as it now turns out. I am sorry that the cost of the search has been so costly for you. I have also spent a little time on the Seeley family, which I will let go if you want to drop the matter here. However, if you

is Friend Beeman, Jr.

Also, we would like to follow through on Hannah Seeley's line. Could you help us there?

We are interested in getting all the pertinent and identifying information about Ethan Owen.

Let me know in advance what money you need to start this research and I will send the same.

Yours truly.

/s/ Darlene Cowan Butler

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I have several genealogical problems that I need help with. I wondered if you still did research. If not, could you refer this to some competent researcher?

Two of my grandparents, according to family traditions, were first cousins. I would like to have proof of this and their ancestors.

Seeley Owen born about 1805 in Vermont, was the son of Ethan Owen and Hannah Seeley. He married Lydia Adeline Owen, born about 1814. The marriage date is about 1837. Lydia is the daughter of Ira Owen and Betsey Castle. If Seeley Owen and Lydia were first cousins, their father's (Ira and Ethan) would be brothers. As Ira is the son of Elijah, then Ethan would be, too. However, I have not found any evidence or proof than Ethan is the son of of Elijah. This is where I need help. Could you find any original records to prove or disprove this? One book compiled by Ralph D. Owen on the Owens states Ethan was probably the son of John Owen. (John and Elijah are brothers. I do not believe this is correct.

Elijah had 3 wives and children by the first two. He had many children (possibly 17 or 18). The 1790 Census has Elijah listed with males under 16, but not John. Ethan would have been born by 1775.

Elijah lived in Salisbury 1757-1768. In 1771 he removed to Poultney, Rutland Co., Vt., living there 1786-1787. He moved to Milton, Chittenden, Vt. 1788. Elijahs brother John also removed to Poultney and lived with them.

I am including a Pedigree Chart, which I hope will help you. If some of these names on the chart look familiar, it is because about ten years ago you did research on the Castle and Pitcher lines for Mrs. Lois Shaffer. She has tried, without success, to follow Olive Beeman's (Beaman) line. Olive is the second wife of Elijah Owen. We are all very anxious to continue this line. Could you do some research there? Ralph D. Owen's book says her father

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