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May 1, 1997

All Officers, Board of Directors and
All members of the Jewett Family of America

It is with some sadness that I submit my resignation as your President, effective September 1, 1997. I will be undertaking certain ventures in South America which will require my presence there for the last four months of this year. Demands on my time will be such that I will be unable to devote the time required to properly discharge my responsibilities as President.

By copy of this letter, I ask that the Board of Directors and the Nominating Chairman and his committee agree on the selection of my successor. There is an ample, talented pool from which to draw and I am sure the right decisions will be made. Implicit in this decision to resign is the fact that a new site for the Annual Meeting on September 27-28, 1997, must be chosen to replace the previously scheduled location, Tenafly, New Jersey. Because I expect to be absent from the country, I will not have the time or opportunity to prepare for such a meeting, so the logistics will fall to my successor.

I can look back over the past several years and report to you with some satisfaction: Volumes III and IV have been published. They finally exist. And JFA owns a fully-paid-for inventory of these volumes worth $40,000 (that's profit). We just completed a successful National Reunion in Rowley (our 30th since 1855) and this newly energized Family Society received a gift of $20,000 from an anonymous donor. We have an active team with 18 new Regional Vice Presidents. We initiated a useful bi-annual JFA family Directory and our membership rolls will doubtless swell with an upcoming national mailing and the 12-minute Jewett videotape which is in the works. We are substantially computerized and ready to publish our JFA E-Mail address and website. Our energetic Board of Directors--with expertise in many areas--will soon begin planning the next National JFA Reunion that could take place in the year 2,001 AD. in Hull, England or the Isle of Wight. Some of you remind me that I was "Frank Jewett's hand-picked successor". I hope I have justified his confidence.

For the tremendous help given so freely by this energetic board and these willing officers, I am deeply grateful. I thank you each for your loyalty and support during these several years. If you re-read the Foreword and Introduction to Volume III, *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America*, you will understand what I mean when I say I think Edna and Everett Jewett and my Mother, Edith Jewett Marvin Herrmann, would be proud of our organization today.

Tujours le meme.

Ted Herrmann

Theodore V. Herrmann

Genealogical Data Submittal

Lee Jewett Petry, Historian

A cursory perusal of Volumes III and IV will reveal an extraordinary amount of incomplete information which in many cases applies to people still living. For example, there will be data on a living individual and his or her children but none on his or her siblings and their children. I certainly know the facts about my brother and sister and their children. If I did not, I would pick up the phone and ask them. In many cases information on Jewett ancestors is available in Family Bibles. (I requested copies of Family Bible records in the 1996 Yearbook and have received none!) As members of the Jewett Family of America, we should be doing our best to make our genealogical records as complete and accurate as possible. As Historian, I need your cooperation and assistance in this task. With your help it can be done properly. I am belaboring this point because I believe it to be very important, and my previous low-key polite admonitions in the Yearbooks did not seem to get the message across.

Incomplete genealogical data is also being submitted for the Errata to Volumes III and IV which is scheduled for publication at the end of 1997. On page 25 you will find a form which shows the data needed for births, marriages and deaths. Please use this as a reference to be sure that you submit full and accurate data on each event. An obituary is a helpful addition to a death notification since it serves to summarize a person's life.

Birth

Colin Laule'aho'omalele Loo, son of Clayton and Julie Laine (Smalley) Loo, was born 4 Apr 1997 in Honolulu HI. Colin is the grandson of Jo Bernard and Lucille Marie (Jewett) (23227) Smalley.

Marriage

Elise Roberta Emmons (18106) married **Howard Gordon Bristow** 8 Mar 1997 at Shiloh Baptist Church, south of Thorndale TX. Howard is the son of Roy Gordon and Ione Bristow of Rockdale TX. Elise is a 1994 graduate of Calallen High School in Corpus Christi and is currently working for the Sunset Press Company in Round Rock TX. Howard is a graduate of Hutto High School and is a partner with his brother as co-owners of the Sunset Press Company.

Deaths

Mary Pelton (Cooper) Jewett Gaiser died 15 Dec 1996 in Spokane WA. She was the widow of George Frederick Jewett, son of James Richard Jewett (10362), and is survived by her two children, George Frederick Jewett Jr. of San Francisco, and Margaret Weyerhauser (Jewett) Greer of Chevy Chase MD; six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. George Frederick Jewett died in 1956. In 1961 Mary married Dr. David Gaiser, a surgeon who died in 1985. She was a civic leader and patron of the arts in the Spokane community and supported many organizations. (Information about Mary and her first husband, George Frederick Jewett, is being collected for future publication. If you know the address of either of Mary's children, please contact Historian Lee Jewett Petry.)

Katherine (Jewett) Lawson (8962) died 24 Jan 1997 in Rocklin CA. Katherine was a teacher, homemaker and artist.

Lindsay Maine Jewett (24394) died 2 Apr 1997 in Fall River Mills CA. He was born 11 Apr 1908 in Twin Falls ID. He was a ranch manager for Hollister Estate Company in Hollister and also taught school for 25 years. He attended UC Davis for three years and was affiliated with Cal Poly San Luis Obispo for six years. He was a lifetime member of the Future Farmers of America. He is survived by wife Alyce (Lowerie) Jewett; daughter Margaret (Jewett) Fish of Huntington WV; and two grandchildren. Burial took place in Pine Grove Cemetery, McArthur CA.

David Harris Jewett (8963) died 8 May 1997 in Oakdale CA.

Alberta Jean (Rose) Taylor (14280) died 14 May 1997 in Middlefield OH. She had been in ill health for several months. Her sister, Hazel Taylor, reports that Alberta enjoyed her genealogical activities and was happy to have contributed to the latest Jewett Family volumes.

New Members

CALIFORNIA	Darrell P. Jewett	Santa Rosa
COLORADO	Elaine Riddle Sawin	Lakewood
FLORIDA	Paul N. Jewett	Gainesville
	James Franklin Jewett	Middleburg
	Marion Jewett	Ft. Pierce
ILLINOIS	Carol Eva Roseman Davis	Crystal Lake
NEW JERSEY	Edward Lewis Jewett	Upper Montclair
SOUTH CAROLINA	Nancy E. Jewett	Lancaster
	Anne Simmons	Hopkins
VIRGINIA	Freeborn G. Jewett	McLean
VERMONT	Dave Jewett	Underhill

Announcements

The 1997 Board Meeting of the Jewett Family of America, Inc. will be held September 27 in Rowley MA at the First Congregational Church, not in Tenafly NJ as previously announced.

The corrected cost for Volumes III and IV of the *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* is $156 which includes shipping and handling. However, if you are a member of the Jewett Family of America, Inc., the cost is $131 which includes shipping and handling. We have a large supply of these volumes that are all profit to us at this point; so please purchase the sets for your family and as gifts to libraries or genealogical centers in your area.

Videotapes of the 1996 National Reunion will be available in August for $9.00. Please contact Ted Loranz for orders or information.

Pearl/Jewett Family Reunion

The 58th Pearl/Jewett Reunion will be held Sunday, July 27, 1997, at the home of Henry and Eleanor Moon in Hampton CT (860-455-9445) rain or shine. A pot luck luncheon will begin at 1:00 PM. Pearl/Jewett family members should collect up-to-date information on their families (births, weddings, deaths, college plans, new careers, awards, retirements, moves) to bring to the picnic. If you are unable to attend, information should be mailed to Rita Beal, 35 Sholes Avenue, Norwich CT 06360.

JFA Quarterly Format

Lee Jewett Petry. Historian and Editor of Publications

You are now holding in your hands the second 1997 Quarterly published by the Jewett Family of America, Inc. Quarterlies were published from 1952 through 1956. The first Yearbook I can find was published in 1958 with yearly volumes following except for a combination 1983-1984 Yearbook with a 1984 Supplement.

The Quarterly format can be produced at approximately the same cost as a single Yearbook but has the advantage of allowing the publication of approximately three times as much information each year on a much more regular basis. The Newsletters published during the last few years were often overlooked by our members. There were complaints about not receiving the Newsletters; but since they were not returned by the post office, this indicates that they were indeed overlooked and discarded, perhaps with the junk mail.

I asked for comments and suggestions in the first 1997 Quarterly (Nos. 1 and 2) and received no feedback whatever. How are we doing? There will be a telephone campaign to elicit comments, and you may be on of those who is called. If not, you can always send your comments to Lee Jewett Petry, 209 Marchmont Road, Knoxville TN 37923.

Charles Jewett: The "Noted" Temperance Lecturer

Charles Jewett (2782) was born 5 Sep 1807 in Lisbon CT, married Lucy Adams Tracy 5 May 1830 in Lisbon CT, and died 3 Apr 1879 in Norwich CT.

Education: Study of medicine in physician's office, CT, 1920-1830.

Career: Medical practice, East Greenwich RI 1830-1840; agent, Massachusetts Temperance Union, 1840-1854; editor, *Temperance Journal*, 1840 to 1850s; farmer, Batavia IL, 1854; farmer, Faribault MN, beginning 1855; Member, Minnesota legislature, late 1850s; Temperance lecturer and author, 1850s to 1870s.

Charles Jewett grew up on a relatively poor Connecticut farm, with few opportunities for formal education. Yet he had an intense desire to learn, saved enough for limited study at a local academy, and found a doctor willing to let him study medicine in his office. Opening his own practice in 1830 in East Greenwich RI, he quickly built a large clientele and became a prosperous member of the community. In addition to treating the more common maladies of his patients, Jewett also added a preventative aspect to his practice. A total abstainer himself for many years, he would, as he recalled later, mix "a little temperance" with his medicine. Over the years, his constant attention to the antiliquor gospel made him as widely known as his medical practice, and he began to appear regularly before public groups as a temperance lecturer. For the Temperance Movement, jewett was quite a find: Physicians of the period often used alcohol freely as a treatment for a wide variety of complaints, and to have an established doctor publicly denounce the practice (which Jewett did at length), and drink in general, was a major boon to the growing reform effort. Much of his speaking was on behalf of the Rhode Island Temperance Society, which he joined in the 1830s, although occasionally he spoke out of state. The reform-minded doctor proved especially effective in inducing listeners to sign abstinence pledges. Finally, in 1840, his reputation as a temperance campaigner led to an employment offer that took him out of medicine (to which he had been devoting less and less time anyway) and into full-time reform work. The Massachusetts Temperance Union hired him as its agent, and for the next fourteen years he toured much of the nation in a concerted effort to carry the fight to the liquor traffic. His travels took him repeatedly through the Eastern and Midwestern states, where temperance forces considered him one of their most potent allies and wets developed a particular dislike for him. Throughout, he had the able and tireless support of his wife, Lucy Adams Tracy Jewett, who was an ardent reformer in her own right. By 1854, however, Jewett's rigorous schedule had helped to break his health, and he was compelled to leave the field. After an unsuccessful attempt to homestead acreage in Illinois, he and his sons began a prosperous farm in Minnesota — seemingly closing a brief but productive chapter in temperance history.

But it was not to be, for as his health improved on the farm, so did his enthusiasm for the reform wars. Jewett returned to the lecture circuit, still as cutting enemy of the traffic as ever. Moreover, he became enmeshed in local politics, running successfully for the state legislature. He was not as especially successful lawmaker, but his presence in the halls of government gave his reform pleas additional credence in the public eye. To the end of his career, he gave particular emphasis to his warnings against the medicinal use of alcohol. Jewett saw his own ideas (which were not really novel) as flowing from the addiction theories of Benjamin Rush. While Rush was not an advocate of total abstinence, however, Jewett insisted that even light alcoholic beverages could set a drinker on the path to addiction. Eventually, he explained, the drink would control the individual, with addiction demanding ever increasing amounts of alcohol, leading to the alcoholic's spiritual and physical demise. The evidence for this, he proclaimed, was clear for all to see, and he repeatedly castigated physicians who chose to ignore it and continued to send patients to their dooms. In his efforts to spread the alarms, Jewett authored a number of titles on various aspects of the liquor question, but his best-known work dealt with the issue of medicinal alcohol. Colleagues of the old campaigner considered him one of the best of their number: "No advocate of temperance," wrote Theodore Cuyler, "has ever compressed more sound common sense into his speeches than Charles Jewett." And as a final legacy to the cause, Jewett left his son, Professor F.F. Jewett (4786) of Oberlin College in Ohio, who in the 1880s and early 1890s assisted the Reverend Howard Hyde Russell in the work that led to the founding of the Anti-Saloon League.

Publications: *Speeches, Poems, and Miscellaneous Writings, on ... Temperance and the liquor Traffic* (Boston, 1849); *The temperance Cause: Past, Present, and Future* (Hartford CT, 1865); *Bound, and How: Or, Alcohol as a Narcotic* (New York, 1873); "The Medical Uses of Alcohol," 258-79, in *Centennial Temperance Volume...*(New York, 1877); *A Forty Years Fight with the Drink Demon: Or, a History of the temperance Reform...and of My Labor Therewith* (New York, 1882); *The Medical Use of Alcohol* (New York, 1885).

Source: *Dictionary of American Temperance Biography*

The Cambridge Tragedy

Women and facts are very stubborn things,
And rule this world in spite of lords and kings;
My muse of facts and women therefore sings.

In famous Cambridge, famed for the Harvard College,
Where famous men stuff empty heads with knowledge,
A kind and very worthy woman lives,
Who by economy and labor thrives —
One Mrs. Hall,
The wife of Oliver, a drinking fellow,
Who, as he loafs about and gets quite mellow,
Is no help-meet at all.

I said this woman by her labor thrives.
'Tis true; for by the toil of her hands
She brought the neat white cottage where she lives,
And even the soil on which the cottage stands;
And though her wedded lord his vigils keeps,
Night after night with vilest of vile,
In earthly hells, called rum-shops, still the while
She hopes for better days, and toils and weeps.

O could we hit on some successful plan
To make her wedded half a sober man,
'Twould dry her tears, and bid her sorrows cease,
And make that cot the dwelling-place of peace;
But soulless wretches of the basest sort,
The shame, and scourge, and curse of Cambridgeport,
Will still supply that wretched man with rum,
And send him drunk and brawling to his home.

Among the crew was one Bezaleel Wheeler,
In Boston rum a very noted dealer, —
Who kept himself and store
In what had been a blacksmith's shop of yore;
A place for merchandise not over nice —
And though, as I have heard the neighbors say,
The blacksmith's *tools* were taken all away,
'Tis plain, I think, there still remained one VICE.

This Wheeler oft did Mrs. Hall exhort
No more to furnish Oliver with rum;
But to that filthy hole would he resort,
Then crabbed, cross, and railing, seek his home.

One day, as usual, he returned, not drunk,
But half seas over, or a little more,
And set the house in such complete uproar
As vexed poor Mrs. Hall, and raised her spunk:
Said she, "I'll go see that wretch once more."
He dark eyes flashed like lightning, as she spoke,
And putting on her bonnet and her cloak,
She walked with hasty steps to Wheeler's store.

"Is Wheeler here?" the dame did eager ask;
Yet nought save echo deigned to make reply;
She searched the shop, but nothing could espy
Save bottle, glass, and demijohn, and cask.
This disappointed, say, what could she do?
Return home, smarting with a sense of wrong,
And still submit to such abuse? — O, no!
Glass-ware is quickly broke, and she was strong;

Said she, "I'll show the knave what I can do!"
And to the works with resolution flew.
Then bottles crashed,
And liquors splashed,
And glasses smashed,
As one by one against the wall she dashed.
At length she clutched a demijohn, and said,
"Come, 'tis your turn;" and bore it to the street;
Then lifting it on high above her head,
Down came the precious burden at her feet.

As erst before the ark old Dagon fell,
So she *this* heather god, and such a smell
Rose from the wreck, perfuming all the air,
As if there had been fifty topers there.

A second demijohn no better fared,
Though at its first descent it stood the shock;
Even "harmless medicines" could not be spared, *
For, seizing on the fragment of a rock,
She dealt him such a blow, so fair and full,
As broke this universal doctor's skull.
Strong as it was, at length 'twas forced to yield,
And left the lady mistress of the field;
Man's direst foe did woman's power confess,
And Cambridgeport now boasts one rum-shop less.

Reader, if you have rum-shops in your town,
Which you are quite desirous to shut down,
Look to the dealers well, and on them pour
The naked truth, in one perpetual shower;
Let drunkards' wives appeal, and children plead,
And law their pockets touch, — that *may* succeed;
But should you find your efforts baffled, all,
Take my advice, and send for Mrs. Hall.

* Lemon Bitters

Charles Jewett (2782)
Temperance Lyrics (Boston, 1848)

PREFATORY NOTE TO CORRECTIONS FOR CLUSTER 765

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For several years, I have been trying to clarify the line of my g-g-g-grandfather, Thomas Jewett, who was born in March of 1757 at Hampton, Connecticut, married Melatiah ("Millie") Woodcock, and died at Wardsboro, Vermont, in 1841. He has been confused in several Jewett Family of America publications with a Thomas Jewett from Canterbury, Connecticut, who married Prudence Rude, and died at Rome, New York, in 1838. My ancestor appears as Thomas Jewett (765) in Volume I of *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* (1908), by Frederic Clarke Jewett. So-called "corrections" were made to this line in an anonymous piece in The Jewett Family of America 1912-13 Year Book, pp. 89-90, and later in "Descendants of Thomas Jewett #765--compiled by Miss Lucyle Jewett," published in the 1953 (Oct-Nov-Dec) Quarterly, pp. 51-51, of the Jewett Family of America. These "corrections" resulted in the major error of merging the lines of the two different Thomas Jewetts as one man who was married twice, with two sets of children. Unfortunately, this error is perpetuated in Volume III of the *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* (1995).

Through the kind assistance of a number of researchers and several descendants of both Thomas Jewetts, I believe we can now distinguish between these two men. I am particularly indebted to exceptional researchers such as Joann H. Nichols, who is a charter member and former president of the Genealogical Society of Vermont and resides in Brattleboro, VT; Susan J. Moore of Corning, NY, who is Town Historian of Hornby and active in the Hornby Historical Society and Museum, Hornby, NY; Marion Springer of the Steuben County, NY, Historical Society; and Lee Jewett Petry, Historian of the Jewett Family of America, Inc. Descendants of Thomas Jewett (765) of Hampton, who were especially helpful and supportive of this project, include C. Lincoln ("Link") Jewett of Darien, CT; Hazel Virginia (Rose) Taylor of Solon, OH, and her recently deceased sister, Alberta Jean (Rose) Taylor of Charon, OH, who died on 14 May 1997; Margaret Jean (Jewett) Hommel of Kirtland, OH; and Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY. Mrs. Austin E. Emmons of Columbia, CT, whose husband was a descendant of Ebenezer Jewett (762) — a brother of Thomas Jewett (765), kindly located and shared Jewett family materials with me. John H. Bail of Greensburg, PA, and Helen C. Cooper of Kelowna, BC, Canada, who are Butts Family historians, contributed greatly to distinguishing the two Thomas Jewetts. I also thank the following descendants of Thomas Jewett of Canterbury, CT, for generously corresponding with me: Hazel Drebus of Oshkosh, WI; Lucyle Jewett of Halstead, KS; and Richard Jay Jewett of Colby, KS.

Before presenting the first installment (the sixth and seventh generations) toward a corrected Cluster 765 for my ancestor, Thomas Jewett of Hampton, I want to share some of the information I have collected on Thomas Jewett of Canterbury. In the process of clarifying lines for the two Thomas Jewetts, I collected substantial material on Thomas Jewett of Canterbury, and this brief summary is intended to assist his descendants in tracing their line.

From what I can determine, Thomas Jewett of Canterbury was born 1 Apr 1759, as Thomas Butts, the son of Elizabeth Butts, who was apparently unmarried (Canterbury VR 1:82). (The name Butts sometimes appears as But, Butt, or Buts in various records.) Thomas Butts' biological father was probably a Jewett, because that is the name by which Thomas Butts was known, at least as an adult, and his father might have been a Jewett living in New London County, CT, or possibly in Windham County, CT. His mother, Elizabeth Butts, was born 17 Feb 1735, at Canterbury, CT (VR 1:76), the fourth of fourteen children of Josiah and Elizabeth (Williams) Butts. The only known marriage of Elizabeth Butts was to Matthais/Matthias Button, 10 Jul 1764, at Canterbury (VR 1:70; Records of the Congregational Church in Canterbury; Butts Family Records).

Confirmation of both (1) Thomas [Butts] Jewett as a son of Elizabeth Butts and (2) the marriage of Thomas [Butts] Jewett to Prudence Rude is found in the handwritten, family history notebook of Elizabeth Knight Butts Bail (1837-1910), who was a descendant of Josiah and Elizabeth (Williams) Butts and the paternal grandmother of John H. Bail of Greensburg, PA. According to a letter I received from John H. Bail, dated 1 Mar 1997, his grandmother did her research between 1895 and 1900, and included many notes about the Butts family after visiting relatives in western Massachusetts, Canterbury, CT, and Rome, NY. The following appears on pages 38-39 of Elizabeth Bail's notebook entry for Elizabeth, the fourth child of Josiah and Elizabeth (Williams) Butts. (Italics are used for the entry, and my note is bracketed.)

No 4) Elizabeth (Daughter of Josiah and Elizabeth) bapd. March 16, 1735 married Mathias Button went from Canterbury CT to Cambridge NY m July 10 1764. Old record says he went from Canterbury to Mapleton, VT. Their children

Thomas Jewett m. Prudence Rude

Asa
Elizabeth
Mathias
Shubal
Joel

[Across from the names of Asa, Elizabeth, Mathias, Shubal and Joel is written one word: Buttons. Asa, Elizabeth and Shubael are in Canterbury Vital Records as children of Matthias and Elizabeth (Butts) Button. The child Mathias was probably the son of Mathias Button and his previous wife Phoebe, by whom he had six children. Joel has not yet been documented as a son of Mathias and Elizabeth (Butts) Button, but he is named in some Wells, Vermont, histories as a son of Matthias Button. Canterbury Vital Records give Jonas (b. 1769; d. 1775) and Nathan (b. 1773) as additional sons of Matthias and Elizabeth (Butts) Button.]

Elizabeth was bapd in Canterbury Conn March 16 1735 m July 10 1764

When he applied for his Revolutionary War pension on 14 Aug 1832, Thomas [Butts] Jewett gave his age as 74, said he had no record of his birth, claimed "that he was born in Canterbury, Conn. in April 1758," and stated he resided at Canterbury when he first entered service about August of 1776 (Revolutionary War Pension File S13540, Thomas Jewett). My review of the Canterbury Vital Records for 1758, as well as a check covering several years before and after 1758, did not reveal any birth for a Thomas Jewett at Canterbury. The only male birth recorded for the month of April 1758 at Canterbury was Samuel Glass, born 1 Apr 1758. Gideon Butts, a younger brother of Elizabeth, was born 8 Aug 1758 at Canterbury, son of Josiah and Elizabeth (Williams) Butts, which rules them out as possible parents of Thomas [Butts] Jewett. Interestingly enough, Thomas [Butts] Jewett and Samuel Glass were related by marriage and shared 1 Apr as a birthday in Canterbury; however, Thomas was recorded as born in 1759 and Samuel in 1758.

The names of Butts relatives are found in many of the documents for Thomas [Butts] Jewett. They are witnesses for several of his land deeds and also for his will and probate. They are also found in his pension file. For example, his pension application states that "about August of 1776 he went in the militia under Capt. Sherebiah Butts [Sr.]." An affidavit in the pension file, from Sherebiah Butts Jr. states that the Butts family and Thomas Jewett lived close to one another: "[D]uring the Revolution and previous thereto we were nigh neighbors" [in Canterbury, CT]. Capt. Sherebiah Butts, under whom Thomas served, was a brother of Elizabeth (Butts) Button and therefore an uncle to Thomas; Sherebiah Butts, Jr., was thus a cousin to Thomas [Butts] Jewett.

After the Revolutionary War, Thomas [Butts] Jewett married Prudence Rude, 3 Feb 1785 (Windham, CT, VR 2:204). Prudence and her twin sister, Mary, were born 25 Jan 1761, at Norwich, New London, CT, the daughters of Ebenezer and Abigail (Waldren) Rude (Norwich VR 2:250). Mary Rude, who is sometimes confused with her twin sister Prudence, married Ebenezer Perigo on 9 Oct 1783 (Lisbon VR 1:22).

The seven children of Thomas and Prudence (Rude) [Butts] Jewett were:

i. Elizabeth (Eliza), b. 29 Sep 1785, (Windham 2:204); mrd. James Collins.

ii. Prudence, b. 29 Nov 1787 (Canterbury 1:169); mrd. Amasa Parks.

iii. Abigail, b. 8 Mar 1790, at Windham (recorded Canterbury 1:169); mrd. John Safford.

iv. Luther, b. 1 Feb 1792 (Canterbury 1:169)

v. Mary, b. 7 May 1794 (Canterbury 1:169).

vi. Elijah, b. 10 Feb 1797 (Canterbury 1:170); mrd. (1) Ruth Waters and (2) Sophia Seymour. [For information on the descendants of this Elijah Jewett, see (1) *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America*, Vol. I, Miscellaneous Lines, 1018 Elijah Jewett, pp. 1004-1005; and (2) *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America*, Vol. III, 11493 Elijah Jewett, p. 240+.]

vii. Clarissa, b. 9 Jul 1800 (Canterbury 1:170); mrd. Levi Otis.

Thomas [Butts] Jewett appears in the census records for Canterbury, CT, in 1790, 1800, and 1810. He resided with his family at or near Canterbury, Windham Co., CT, until about 1815, when he joined Butts relatives at Rome, Oneida Co., NY. Prior to his move to New York, Thomas [Butts] Jewett apparently owned land in Canterbury and in Norwich, CT. In Septemebr of 1785 he sold land at Norwich. In 1783 and 1786, "Thomas Jewit of Canterbury" and "Thomas Jewett of Norwich" purchased and sold land in Wells, Rutland Co., VT, where several Button and Butts relatives settled, but I have not found any record that Thomas [Butts] Jewett resided in Wells, VT.

In 1820 and 1830, Thomas [Butts] Jewett appears in the census records for Rome, Oneida Co., NY. His arrival is noted in *A Descriptive Work on the City of Rome, New York* (1896), edited by Daniel E. Water: "About 1815 Thomas Jewett came from Canterbury, Conn., and settled upon the place east of where Daniel Kirkland first located, and there he resided until his death" (p. 22). This move to Rome is also referred to in Ellen D. Larned's *History of Windham County, Connecticut*, Vol. II (1880), pp. 316-17: "The emigration movement had broken out with renewed vigor, and many Canterbury pilgrims' were wending their way to distant states. . . . A pleasant eminence in Rome

[New York] called Canterbury Hill in honor of its first settlers, became the residence of Gideon, John, Elisha [Elijah?], and Daniel Butts, Samuel and Asa Smith, Samuel Williams, Thomas Jewett, Daniel W. Knight, and other roving sons of Canterbury."

Thomas [Butts] Jewett applied for and was granted his Revolutionary War pension at Rome, NY, where he died 31 Dec. 1838. His will, which was probated on 18 Feb 1839, named his "well beloved wife Prudence," six of their seven children — Elizabeth, Prudence, Abigail, Luther, Clarissa, and Elijah, and the husbands of his five named daughters. (Daughter Mary, who was not named, may have been deceased.) Witnesses for probate of Thomas [Butts] Jewett's will included Daniel Butts, Dennis Baldwin, and David K. Butts, all of whom were related to Thomas [Butts] Jewett through the Butts line.

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SIXTH GENERATION

765 **THOMAS JEWETT** (Benjamin[283], Benjamin[98], Nehemiah[18], Joseph[4], Edward[1]). Born 2 Mar 1757, at Hampton, Windham County, CT; bapt. 13 Mar 1757.[1] Apparently he served in the Revolutionary War "one year and upwards," and "his certificate of discharge [was] signed in 1781"[2]. He was residing at Wardsboro (originally Wardsborough), Windham County, VT, at least by 1783-74.[3] Farmer. On Freeman's Roll of forty-eight men for Wardsborough's first town meeting in 1786; selected and sworn in as constable and hayward 14 Mar 1786; served with Hinsdell Hammond as the two-person building committee for the Baptist Church of Wardsborough in the 1790s.[4] Died in April of 1841, at Wardsboro, Windham County, VT.[5]

Thomas Jewett married **MELATIAH ("MILLY") WOODCOCK** in 1783, probably in Vermont. She was born circa 1768, probably in New Hampshire or Vermont, and would have been about age fifteen at the time of their marriage. She died 17 Aug 1855, Wardsboro, Windham Co., VT.[6] Melatiah was evidently the daughter of Elkanah and Susannah (Nichols) Woodcock, and she was probably named after Elkanah's mother, Melatiah (Lane) Woodcock.[7] Elkanah Woodcock (1740-1817) was listed as one of the original proprietors of Wardsboro, VT, in 1780, and settled there with his family.

Children [Eight children have been identified, with possibly two more.]:

765-1	i.	**MORRIS** [or **MUNNIS**] **JEWETT**. Born before 1790 in Wardsboro, VT, and evidently died before 1810.[8]
	?	Possibly a daughter born before 1790 who did not survive childhood.[9]
1622	ii.	**BETSEY JEWETT**. *
1621	iii.	**THOMAS JEWETT**. *
1623	iv.	**JERUSHA JEWETT**. *
1624	v.	**BENJAMIN JEWETT**. *
1625	vi.	**MUNNIS W. JEWETT**. *
765-2	vii.	**SUSAN/SUSANNAH JEWETT**. *
765-3	viii.	**SOPHRONA/SOPHRONIA JEWETT**. *
	?	Also a daughter born between 1811 and 1820.[10]

SEVENTH GENERATION

1622 **BETSEY JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). Born ca. 1792, in Wardsboro, VT. In the 1855 Campbell, Steuben Co., NY, census, her age was given as 63 and her birthplace as Vermont.[11]

She married **ABEL PALMER** ca. 1825. He was born ca. 1791. In the 1855 Campbell, Steuben Co., NY, census, his age was given as 62 and his birthplace as Montgomery Co., NY. Abel Palmer first appears at Painted Post, Steuben Co., NY, in the 1825 census. Abel Palmer, Chester Knowlton and Hiram Gardner ran the first store at the four-corners of Rogers & Hornby Roads, called the Palmer Settlement, the second settlement in Hornby, Steuben Co., NY.

Abel and Betsy (Jewett) Palmer are in the 1850 census at Painted Post and in the 1855 census records for nearby Campbell. In Campbell Deed Book 64, page 334, 20 Sep 1852, Abel Palmer and Betsey his wife, of Campbell sold land in Campbell — 137 acres total.

Children:[12]

1622-1 i. **DESDEMONA PALMER**. Born ca. 1826, Steuben Co., New York
1622-2 ii. **ARTEMESIA PALMER**. Born ca. 1829, Steuben Co., New York
1622-3 iii. **CATHERINE PALMER**. Born ca. 1831, Steuben Co., New York

1621 **THOMAS JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). Born 1 May 1794, in Wardsboro, VT.[13] Sworn as a freeman 5 Sep 1815, Wardsboro, VT.[14] Resided at Painted Post/Hornby, Steuben County, New York, beginning about 1818.[15] Farmer. Justice of the Peace in 1847 and 1852.[16] Baptist. Died 22 May 1873, at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY. Buried at West Hill Cemetery in Hornby, adjacent to the Jewett homestead.

He married **SYLVIA HARADON** in March of 1823 at Painted Post/Hornby, Steuben Co., NY.[17] She was born 25 Nov 1799, Norton, Bristol Co., MA, the daughter of Isaac and Anna (Stone) Haradon.[18] Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett died 2 Mar 1877, at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY.[19] Buried at West Hill Cemetery, Hornby.

Children:

1621-1 i. **ANNA MARIA ("MARIA") JEWETT**. *
1621-2 ii. **ELIZABETH ("BETSIE") JEWETT**. Born 2 Jun 1825, Hornby, Steuben Co., NY. Died 14 Jun 1835, age "10 years and 12 days." Buried at West Hill Cemetery, Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, adjacent to the Jewett homestead.
1621-3 iii. **THOMAS CARLOS ("CARLOS" or "T.C.") JEWETT**. *
1621-4 iv. **SYLVIA DELIA JEWETT**. *
1621-5 v. **AMOS JEWETT**. *
1621-6 vi. **ALMIRA J. JEWETT**. *
1621-7 vii. **NELSON MESSER JEWETT**. *

1623 **JERUSHA JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). Born ca. 1796, Wardsboro, Windham Co., VT.[20] Jerusha may have died before 1860 as she does not appear in the 1860 census in her husband's household at Malone, Franklin Co., NY.

She married **DANIEL PERRY** on 12 Jan 1834, at Wardsboro, VT.[21] He was born in 1788, at Sturbridge, MA, son of Stephen and Priscilla (Robbins) Perry, who moved to Wardsboro, VT, by 1790.[22]

Daniel Perry appears in the census records for 1840, 1850 and 1860 at Malone, Franklin Co., NY.

Children:[23]

1623-1 i. **SARAH JANE PERRY**. Born ca. 1836, Vermont. She probably married **THOMAS EARLE** and had two children: Charlotte and Herbert.
1623-2 ii. **DANIEL W. PERRY**. Born ca. 1838, Vermont.

1624 **BENJAMIN JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). For additional information on Benjamin Jewett (1624) and his descendants, see: *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America*, Vol. III, p. 239+.

Benjamin Jewett was born in July of 1798, at Wardsboro, Windham Co., VT. Died 6 Apr 1883, at Bradford Township (now Custer City), McKean County, PA.[24]

He married **LUCINDA TUTTLE** ca. 1835, probably in Tioga Co., PA, and they lived on a farm in Bradford Township, McKean Co., PA. She was born 12 Apr 1813, in Cowanesque, Tioga Co., PA, daughter of Sheldon and Loraine (Seeley) Tuttle. Lucinda's father was a farmer and preacher, and she was a Methodist. Lucinda died 27 Jul 1889, in McKean Co, PA, and was buried at the Degolia Cemetery.[25]

Prior to settling about 1836 in McKean Co., PA, Benjamin Jewett was apparently in Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, where his elder brother Thomas resided. In 1832, Chester Knowlton transferred a one-acre parcel to "Benjamin Jewett of Hornby" at the four-corners of Rogers and Hornby Roads.[26] This was the location where Abel Palmer [husband of Benjamin's sister Betsey Jewett Palmer (1622)], Chester Knowlton, and Hiram Gardner had their original store in the Palmer Settlement.[27]

While living in Bradford Township, McKean Co., PA, Benjamin Jewett was a farmer. He was a Democrat and served as Road Supervisor, School Director, Township Auditor, and Deacon of the Baptist Church.[28] He was a trustee in 1871 when the Bradford Meeting-House Association was incorporated.[29]

Children:

14,220 i. **FRANKLIN JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol. III, p. 214+]
14,221 ii. **ORVILLE JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol. III, p. 241+]
14,222 iii. **SHELDON JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol. III, p. 241+]
14,223 iv. **VICTORIA JEWETT**. Born 10 Aug 1843; died 27 Mar 1859.
14,224 v. **MYRON JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol. III, p. 242+]
14,225 vi. **HIRAM JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol. III, p. 242+]
14,226 vii. **LYDIA JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol., III, p. 243+]
14,227 viii. **ALBERT JEWETT**. * [see Jewett Genealogy, Vol., III, p. 243+]

1625 **MUNNIS W. JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). This son of Thomas Jewett (765) is listed as 10490 **MUNNIS W. JEWETT**, under "Miscellaneous Lines" in Frederic Clarke Jewett's *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America*, Vol. II, p. 1028, and also as 1625 **MORRIS JEWETT** in Vol. I, p. 191. Evidently Munnis was his correct name.[30] He currently appears, however, as 1625 **MORRIS JEWETT** in Jewett Genealogy Vol. III, p. 240, which should be corrected to 1625 **MUNNIS W. JEWETT**.

Munnis W. Jewett was born 27 Oct 1802, at Wardsboro, Windham Co., VT.[31] He was a farmer and resided at Monson, Hampden Co., MA.[32] He died 24 Jul 1873, possibly at So. Wilbraham (now Hampden), MA, and may have been buried in E. Wilbraham, MA.[33]

He married **LOUISA/LOISA FERRY**, daughter of John and Polly (Cross) Ferry, possibly at Ellington, CT, ca. 1829.[34] Louisa was born 29 Sep 1811, at Monson, MA, and died 10 Jun 1897, at Monson.[35]

Children:[36]

1625-1 i. **HENRY JEWETT**. Born 12 Sep 1831, Monson, MA; died 1855.
1625-2 ii. **LESTER JEWETT**. Born 23 Feb 1834, Monson, MA; died 14 Feb 1837, Monson, MA.
1625-3 iii. **ANGELINE LUCY JEWETT**. Born 29 Dec 1835, Monson, MA.
1625-4 iv. **ELLEN JEWETT**. Born 12 Mar 1839, Monson, MA; died 5 Apr 1843, Monson, MA.
1625-5 v. **THOMAS JEWETT**. Born 7 Apr 1843, Monson, MA; died 7 Apr 1893, of pneumonia," Monson, MA..
1625-6 vi. **ELMER JEWETT**. Born 5 Mar 1846, Monson, MA. He enlisted for the Civil War from Wilbraham, MA, 18 Dec 1863, in Co. I, 27th Mass. Regt.; was taken prisoner at Drewry's Bluff, VA, 16 May 1864. He died of disease (diarrhea), at Andersonville Prison, Andersonville, GA, on 28 Sep 1864. The number of his grave in Andersonville is 9951.[37]
1625-7 vii. **MARIA JEWETT**. Born 2 Jun 1848, Monson, MA; died 28 Apr 1923, of "paralysis agitans, senility," Monson, MA. Buried in Wilbraham.
1625-8 viii. **MARCIA MINERVA JEWETT**. Born 28 Feb 1852; died 23 Jul 1934 in Kingston, MA.
14,228 ix. **CHARLES LABAN JEWETT**. * [See Jewett Genealogy Vol. III, p.243+.] He was born 16 Mar 1854, at Monson, MA, and resided at Monson, where he was a school teacher. Died 18 Oct 1938. He married **VIOLA SOPHRONIA BRADWAY**, 29 Nov 1880, at Monson. She was born 11 Jul 1854, in Monson, daughter of John Dwight and Sophronia (---) Bradway. She died 7 Jan 1919. The three sons of Charles Laban and Viola (Bradway) Jewett were Raymond Dwight Jewett, Paul Norris Jewett, and Roy Harmon Jewett.

765-2 **SUSAN/SUSANNAH JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). Born ca. 1805 at Wardsboro, Windham Co., VT.

She married **NELSON MESSER**, born 3 Jul 1803, Shrewsbury, Rutland Co., VT, son of Daniel and Lydia (Sanderson) Messer, who were married 23 Sep 1801, at Shrewsbury.[38] Nelson Messer appears in the 1830 census at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, and he later resided at Campbell. Steuben County Deed Books show that Nelson Messer and his wife Susan sold land at Hornby and Campbell in the 1830s and 1840s.[39]

In the early 1840s, the Nelson Messer family moved to Dundee, Kane Co., Illinois. Susan and Nelson Messer were admitted to the Dundee Baptist Church in 1843 and dismissed in 1847.[40] They next appear in the 1850 and 1860 census records at Barrington, Cook County, Illinois.

Children:

?Six Daughters?[41]

765-3 **SOPHRONA/SOPHRONIA JEWETT** (Thomas[765]). She was born ca. 1810 at Wardsboro, Windham Co., VT. Died 5 Jun 1857, at age 47, and was buried at the Wardsboro Cemetery, Wardsboro, VT.[42]

She married **ALFRED EATON**, born ca. 1804, at Wardsboro, VT, son of Ebenezer and Lydia (---) Eaton.[43] They resided in Wardsboro, and Alfred Eaton of Wardsboro bought and sold land in nearby Jamaica, beginning in March of 1831. After the death of Sophrona in 1857, Alfred Eaton married Betsey L. (---).[44] He died of "consumption" on 1 Mar 1879, at Jamaica, Windham Co., VT, age 75.[45]

Alfred Eaton and Thomas Jewett (765), father of Sophrona, executed deeds in 1840. On 27 Apr 1840, a year before his death, Thomas Jewett sold his Wardsboro farm to Alfred Eaton, for $800, with the provision that Thomas and his wife Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett would be housed and cared for, on the farm, for the rest of their lives.[46] Thomas and Melatiah Jewett were apparently living in Alfred Eaton's household in the 1840 Wardsboro census as one male 80-90 and one female 70-80. In the 1850 Wardsboro census, Melatiah Jewett, the widowed mother of Sophrona, was living in the Eaton household.[47]

No children have been identified for Sophrona (Jewett) Eaton; however, the 1840 Wardsboro census includes one female, between the ages of 5 to 10, in the Eaton household. This may be a daughter who did not survive early childhood as she does not appear in the 1850 census.

Cluster 765 will be continued in the next Quarterly with the eighth and subsequent generations.

Endnotes

1. The birth date of Thomas Jewett (765) as 2 Mar 1757 at Hampton, CT, appears in Windham, CT, Vital Records: 1:137. The same date of birth is found in Jonathan Clark's compilation of Windham Family Records 1692-1850, Part I, Windham, page 133 (Photocopy from Margaret A. Fox, Town Clerk of Hampton, Windham Co., CT, to Jean M. Ward, with a letter dated 26 Dec 1995). The date of Thomas Jewett's baptism, 13 Mar 1757, was incorrectly given as his birth date in Vol. I of Frederic Clarke Jewett's *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* (1908), the series hereafter referred to as Jewett Genealogy.

Hampton, CT, was originally called Windham Village, then was named Canada Parish after David Canada of Salem, and became known as Hampton in 1785. "Hampton was set off from Windham, Pomfret, Brooklyn, Canterbury and Mansfield in October, 1786" (Letter to Jean M. Ward from M. A. Fox, Town Clerk of Hampton, 18 July 1996).

2. These references to the Revolutionary War service of Thomas Jewett (765) are in letters from G. [George] W. Skinner, Corning, Steuben County, New York, to the Commissioner of Pensions, 22 Apr 1856 and 27 May 1856, in which Skinner requested pension information for a surviving child of the deceased Thomas Jewett and his deceased wife. These letters were incorrectly placed in pension file S13540, the file of Thomas [Butts] Jewett, born 1 Apr 1759 at Canterbury, CT; mrd. Prudence Rude, 3 Feb 1785, at Windham, CT; moved to Rome, Oneida Co., NY, ca. 1815; died in 1838 at Rome, NY. The Pension Office's response to G.W. Skinner's first letter was filed in Record Group 15, Records of Veteran's Administration Correspondence, letters sent 1880-1866 [sic], Washington, D.C., and was dated 14 May 1856: "I will send you the proper forms for the preparation of a declaration for arrears of pension if after receiving an answer to the following questions there shall appear to be any claim. How long did the soldier to whom you refer serve in the War of the Revolution? When did he die? Did he leave a widow? If so, when was he married to her? When did she die? Are there any children of this marriage alive now?" Answers to these questions were provided in Skinner's second letter, dated 27 May 1856. Final response from the Pension Office has not yet been located.

Because of this confusion in the original filing of the G. W. Skinner letters and the absence of any other information to date, the Revolutionary War record of Thomas Jewett of Hampton, CT, is unclear, and I have found no record that he or his widow ever filed for a Revolutionary War pension. One or both of the following, however, may prove to be his record: (1) Thomas Jewett who appears in Connecticut records as a private, "Feby 1 to March 15th in A Pay Roll of Capt Moses Branch's Company in Col Johnson's Regiment of Militia from the State of Connecticut now in Service in the State of Rhode-Island from the First of February 1778 untill the 15th of March

1778 both Days Inclusive"; (2) Thomas Jewett who appears in the Vermont records in "A Pay Roll of Capt. Elijah Gates' Company of Volunteers in Col. Benjamin Wait's Battalion in the service of the State of Vermont, from the 17th of July, 1781, to the 15th of Decr 1781, inclusive. Thomas Jewett July 27 to Nov. 27, 124 days."

3. Wardsboro records document that Thomas Jewett was located at Wardsboro at least by 1784, when he and Hinsdell/Hinsdale Hammond were witnesses to a land transaction for Elkanah Woodcock [father-in-law of Thomas Jewett], on 8 Apr 1784. Thomas Jewett appears in a number of land and town records at Wardsboro, but how and when he obtained his land there is not yet known. On 17 Sep 1794, Thomas Jewett signed a petition to the General Assembly for construction of a bridge over the West River at Dummerston (MS VT SP, Vol 19, p. 104), but the land he owned was apparently at Wardsboro. (For disposition of Thomas Jewett's land at Wardsboro, see the following Wardsboro records: Thomas Jewett to Benjamin Felton, 85 acres, recorded 15 Dec 1821, Book 5, p. 291; Thomas Jewett to Nathaniel Smith, "30 acres 2 rods 10 perches," recorded 29 Dec 1823, Book 5, p. 418; Thomas Jewett to Alfred Eaton, 43 acres, recorded 9 Dec 1840, Book 8, pp. 66-67).

Thomas Jewett appears in the census records for Wardsboro, North District, VT, from 1790/91 to 1840. He is listed as "Thos Jewel" [sic] in 1790/91, as "Thomas Jewett" in 1800 and 1820, and as "Thomas Jewet" in 1810. In 1830 he is listed as "Aaron [sic] Jewett".

In the 1840 census Thomas Jewett and his wife "Melletiah" [sic] appear to be in the household of their son-in-law Alfred Eaton, to whom Thomas Jewett deeded his Wardsboro farm on 27 Apr 1840, with provision "to secure to himself and Millatiah [sic] Jewett his wife a comfortable support and maintainance during their natural lives" (Wardsboro Records, Book 8, rec. 9 Dec 1840, pp. 66-67). Specifics of this agreement were clear: "The said Alfred Eaton is to find good and suitable food and clothing and keep suitable fires and find suitable Doctoring and nursing for the said Thomas Jewett and his wife during their natural lives and the said Jewett is to have the south room in said house and have a privilege in the cellar & chamber, what is necessary for them to use and the said Eaton is to keep a cow for the said Jewett and the milk of said cow is to be used and disposed of at their own pleasure for such things as they may think proper. Said cow is the same they have had on said farm and is to be kept for them as long as the said Mellatiah is able to milk and take care of the milk if the cow lives so long and no longer, and the household furniture is to be used in the family during the said Thomas and Melletiah's natural lives and then at their disposal. The said Thomas and Mellitiah are to eat at the said Eaton's table when they are able, and the said Eaton is to pay the debts of the said Jewett, which debts are not to exceed Fifteen Dollars and the said Eaton is to have one two year old Heifer, one yearling bull and calf ten Sheep and all the farming tools which property belong to the said Thomas Jewett."

4. C. S. Streeter, *Return to Yesterday: A History of Wardsboro, Vermont* (Canaan, NH: 1980), pages 6, 7, 24; also see Wardsboro Town Records, Vol. I.

The Congregational Church was the approved church in early Wardsboro. At a Wardsboro town meeting on 23 Apr 1789, Thomas Jewett, Hinsdell/Hinsdel/Hinsdale Hammond, Elkanah Woodcock and six other men "were excepted from paying minister rates the ensuing year," probably because they were Baptists. When they were "debarred" of the "privilege of Voting respecting the important Business of the [town] meeting," Baptists such as Thomas Jewett, Hinsdel Hammond, and others signed a Remonstrance of Sundry Persons, Wardsborough North District, 7 Apr 1796, which documents a disagreement with "the Congregational Denomination" that extended at least into December of 1797 (Wardsboro Town Records, Vol. I, pages 93 and 123).

5. Letter from G. W. Skinner to Commissioner of Pensions, 27 May 1856: "[T]he soldier to whom I referred (Thomas Jewett) died in April 1841." Because Wardsboro, VT, vital records are incomplete, with many records destroyed by fire in 1919, letters such as Skinner's, in combination with sources such as census and land records, have been used to reconstruct Thomas Jewett's life at Wardsboro.

6. Letter from G. W. Skinner to Commissioner of Pensions, 27 May 1856: "He [Thomas Jewett] left a widow who died in August (last) 1855 was married to her in 1783. The widow was not married again. There is six children alive issues of this marriage." Melatiah was age 82 in the 1850 Wardsboro, VT, census and living as a widow--"Militia [sic] Jewett"--in the household of her son-in-law Alfred Eaton and his wife Sophrona (Jewett) Eaton, along with the families of Aaron Smith and Elisha Davidson. Melatiah's birthplace in the 1850 census was given as Vermont. "Camelia Jewit" [sic] died 17 Aug 1855 appears in the microfilmed Wardsboro vital records at Middlesex, Vermont, and was taken from church records. "Camelia Jewit" [sic] is listed as a member of the Wardsboro Baptist Church in 1852, and a notation in the church record bppk gives her death date as 17 Aug 1855. "Camelia" was probably an interpretation of her name: "Milly" (Melatiah).

7. Although the wife of Thomas Jewett is given in the Jewett Genealogy, Vol. I, as "Milly Babcock," her correct name was Melatiah (Milly) Woodcock. For this information, I am indebted to Joann Heselton Nichols of Brattleboro, Vermont, who has researched and published articles on the Woodcock family, one of her late husband's lines.

Elkanah Woodcock, who was evidently the father of Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett, was born 4 Jun 1740, at Attleborough, Bristol County, Massachusetts, the son of Jonathan [II] and Melatiah (Lane) Woodcock. His family located at Swanzey, NH, by 1753. Elkanah Woodcock married Susanna Nichols, 24 Sep 1765, at Lancaster, MA, and he served in the Revolutionary War from New Hampshire, in Capt. Daniel Carlisle's Co., Col. Bedel's Regt., 1776. Elkanah Woodcock died 11 Jun 1817, at age 77, at Wardsboro, VT; Susanna (Nichols) Woodcock died 16 Jan 1828, at age 90. Both are buried in the Wardsboro Cemetery. Thomas and Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett's daughter Susanna/Susan was probably named after Melatiah's mother, Susanna (Nichols) Woodcock.

A number of records show the Jewett-Woodcock connection. For example, on 26 Sep 1787, Thomas Jewett, Elkanah Woodcock, and Asahel Woodcock (son of Elkanah), signed a petition to the General Assembly, from "the inhabitants of Wardsborough," requesting division to be made in Wardsborough for more convenient public assemblies and worship (MS VT SP, Vol. 17, p. 317); on 23 Apr 1789, Thomas Jewett and Elkanah Woodcock were exempted from paying minister's fees at Wardsboro, probably because they were Baptists and not members of the approved Congregational Church; on 23 May 1815, Asahel Woodcock, son of Elkanah, recorded a deed from Thomas Jewett for determining a line between their Wardsboro properties; at a Wardsboro town meeting, 17 Feb 1820, the request of Thomas Jewett and Asahel Woodcock to set off a separate school district "passed in the negative"; however, following a committee study, a new district was approved as 7th school district at the town meeting of 11 Apr 1820 (Wardsboro Town Records, Vol. I, pages 159, 165, 166).

Evidence pointing specifically to Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett as a daughter of Elkanah is found in settlement records of the estate of the deceased Asahel Woodcock, son of the deceased Elkanah Woodcock. Elkanah had deeded his property to Asahel in February of 1804, and the next month a deed was signed as an indenture for $1.00 for Elkanah and Susannah to continue to use the property. Yearly rent was to be one peppercorn if demanded. When Asahel Woodcock died on 11 Oct 1823, he left a will dated simply "Sept. 1823," with no day of the month given. Apparently Asahel had no children and left everything to his wife, Submit (Sanderson) Woodcock, and reserved "to my honored mother, Susannah [Nichols] Woodcock, an honorable and comfortable spot during her natural life." On 15 Dec 1823, Thomas Jewett appealed the probate: "Thomas Jewett of Wardsborough in said district, whose wife Milly Jewett, is one of the heirs at law to the estate of Asahel Woodcock, late of said Wardsborough, deceased, appeared before the Probate Court, and professing himself to be aggrieved and dissatisfied with a certain decree of this Court, made and promulgated at Probate Court, holden at Marlborough, . . whereby the said Probate Court allowed and approved a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said Asahel Woodcock, . . ." Thomas Jewett failed to follow through on his appeal, and it was not allowed. (Asahel's will was filed in Marlboro District Probate Court, Brattleboro, VT; appeal of the will was recorded in Vol. XI:151; judgment of the Supreme Court was recorded in Vol. XI:263; inventory and expenses from the executor were listed in Vol. XI:264; payment to Submit Woodcock was recorded in Vol. XI:265.)

8. Comparisons of the 1790/91, 1800, and 1810 census records for the Thomas Jewett household in Wardsboro, VT, suggest that Morris Jewett was born before 1790 and died before 1810. Morris has been confused in some records with Munnis W. Jewett (1625), his younger brother. For example, see *Genealogical and Personal History of Northern Pennsylvania* (1913), Vol. I, ed. John W. Jordan, p. 273: "Munnis [Morris] who was drowned when a young man." The informant for this entry was probably a descendant of Benjamin Jewett, who lived in McKean Co, PA, and was a son of Thomas and Melatiah.

9. The 1790/91 census for Wardsboro, VT, shows two females in the household of Thomas Jewett, one of whom would have been his wife, Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett. The second female is unaccounted for. She might be a daughter who did not survive childhood or a female relative living with the family.

10. The 1820 census for Wardsboro, VT, includes an unaccounted for female, age 0-9, in the household of Thomas Jewett, and she evidently appears again in the 1830 census as a female, age 15-19. (She does not appear to be living in the Alfred Eaton household with Thomas and Melatiah Jewett in 1840.) School reports for Thomas Jewett in 1824, 1828 and 1829 show that he had one scholar between the ages of 4 and 18 in his household, which corresponds with the census material (Wardsboro Town Records, Vol. II: District 7). This child in the census and school records may well be another daughter of Thomas and Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett.

11. Ages for Betsey and her husband Abel Palmer do not agree in the 1850 and 1855 census records. In 1850, both are shown as age 56; in 1855, Betsey is shown as 63 and Abel as 62. The 1855 information appears more reliable as it correlates with earlier census records for Betsey as a female child in Thomas Jewett's household at Wardsboro, VT. Date and place of death for Betsey (Jewett) Palmer have not yet been determined.

12. The three daughters of Abel and Betsey (Jewett) Palmer are named in the 1850 census for Campbell, Steuben Co., NY: Destmona [sic], age 24; Artimissa [sic], age 21; and Catherine, age 19. They appear also in my family's Jewett Papers, collected by Clara Augusta (Jewett) Morrow, my maternal grandmother: "Sister Betsey Jewett [sister

to Thomas Jewett (1621)] married Abel Palmer, lived at Cooper's Plains [village at north edge of Erwin, south of Campbell], NY. (Guy Palmer moved to Ohio and died.) There were three Palmer girls as follows: Catherine, unmarried; Desmonda [sic], married Marvin Smith; Artemesia, husband's name not known." I have not yet determined the full identity of the named "Guy Palmer," but he evidently was at Hornby in 1855. (See: Letter of Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett, written at Hornby, to her daughter, Sylvia D. Jewett Nute, 12 Aug 1855.)

13. Full dates of birth and death are given on the tombstone of Thomas Jewett (1621) at West Hill Cemetery, Hornby, Steuben Co., NY. Date of death, 22 May 1873, also appears in records of the administration of his estate: Hornby Township, Steuben Co., NY, Case No. 5798, Book 6A, p. 305. He died without a will, and his estate was valued at $2,385. Record of administration of the estate, 9 Jan 1875, includes names of his wife, Sylvia H. Jewett, and their six children who survived to adulthood: Anna M. Jewett Garnett, Thomas C. Jewett, Almira J. Jewett Smith, Amos Jewett, Nelson M. Jewett, Sylvia D. Jewett Nute (deceased). The names of the deceased Sylvia D. Jewett Nute's sons are also given as George E. C. Nute, grandson, and Thomas J. Nute, grandson.

14. Wardsboro Town Records, Vol. I, page 322: "5 Sept. 1815. Thomas Jewett, Junr. sworn as freeman." Thomas, born in May of 1794, would have been age 21 in September of 1815.

15. Thomas Jewett appears in the 1820 census at Painted Post, Steuben Co., NY. In the 1855 census for Steuben Co., NY, Thomas Jewett is reported as having resided there for thirty-eight years, which would place his arrival time about 1817-18. In Harlo Hakes, *Landmarks of Steuben County* (1896), Thomas Jewett is said to have arrived at Campbell in 1818 and settled at Hornby in 1820 (p. 47).

Hakes' references are to what was originally called Painted Post, one of the six towns comprising Steuben County at its formation in 1796. Painted Post, which included the later towns of Caton, Corning, Hornby, Lindley, Erwin, and Campbell, was divided in 1826 for the creation of Hornby; Campbell was established in 1831. The village of Corning was incorporated in 1848, and the name of Painted Post was changed in 1852 to Corning, sometimes referred to as Corning City. (See: Thomas P. Dimitroff and Lois S. James, *History of the Corning-Painted Post Area: 200 Years in Painted Post Country*, 1977; W. B. Thrall, *Pioneer History & Atlas of Steuben County, N.Y.*, 1942; rpt. Steuben County Bicentennial Commission, 1996.)

In *Part First. Historical Gazetteer, Steuben County, New York* (1891) compiled and edited by Millard F. Roberts, rpt. Steuben Co. Historical Society (1979), the following is noted: "Thomas Jewett came from Vermont, and after a brief residence in the town of Campbell, settled in Hornby in 1822, first on the Joseph Chapman [Chapin] farm, and later on the farm now occupied by Amos Jewett" (p. 345).

No record has been found to document why Thomas Jewett moved from Windham Co., VT, to Campbell, or how he acquired land at Painted Post/Hornby ca. 1820; however, a number of Windham folk made the move to Steuben Co. about the same time. David and William Holmes, the original owners of lands on Mead's creek in the eastern part of what became known as Campbell, Steuben Co., NY, "traded their wild lands . . . with the first settlers for farms in the state of Vermont," and they "induced quite a colony to emigrate here and settle in that part of the town in 1816" (*Historical Gazetteer*, p. 188). Among the early colonists at Campbell were Hinsdale/Hinsdell Hammond, Jonas and Jacob Woodward, and Stephen Corbin, all from Windham Co., VT.

In Book 19 of Steuben County Deeds, page 406, dated 4 Apr 1832: Thomas Jewett of Hornby received 50 acres from the Pulteney Estate; in Book 73 of Deeds, page 523, dated 13 Jul 1862: Thomas Jewett received 50 acres from William Hornby, Trustee of the will of John Hornby.

16. In W. W. Clayton, *The History of Steuben County* (1879), Thomas Jewett is named as Justice of the Peace for 1847 and 1852.

17. Letter from Parnach Haradon, brother of Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett, dated 31 May 1824, at Painted Post, Steuben Co., NY, to John Haradon, a half-brother living in Savoy, Berkshire County, MA,: "Sylvia was married a year ago last March to a young man by the name of Thomas Jewet they have one child a daughter they call it Anna Mariah they live about a mile and half from us their child was born the second of March last."

I am indebted to Sara (Baird) Haradon of Daytona Beach, FL, for sharing her extensive research on the Haradon line.

18. The birth of Sylvia Haradon is documented in the IGI for Massachusetts and in *Vital Records of Norton, Massachusetts to 1850* (1906), published in Boston by the NEHG at the charge of the Eddy Town Record Fund: "Hereden (see Haraden, Haradon, Heredon, Heridon), Sylvia, ch. Isaac (Haredon) and Anna, Nov. 25, 1799" (p. 71).

Sylvia's father, Isaac Haradon, was born in 1755 at Norton, Bristol Co., MA, son of John and Charity (Hoar) Haradon, and he was baptized 30 May 1762. Isaac Haradon served in the Revolutionary War as a private from Massachusetts and married (1) Jemima Gay of Dedham, who died in June of 1795, and (2) Anna ("Annie") Stone, whom he married on 10 Mar 1796. Sylvia's mother, Anna (Stone) Haradon was born 15 Mar 1760, at Norton, Bristol Co., MA, the daughter of Nathaniel and Content (Daws) Stone. Isaac Haradon appears in the 1790 and 1800 census

records at Norton Town, Bristol Co., MA, and in the 1820 census at Fort Ann, Washington Co., NY. Isaac and Anna (Stone) Haradon arrived at Painted Post, Steuben Co., NY, about 1822 (Clayton, *The History of Steuben County*, p. 47). Isaac died at Painted Post on 28 Jan 1824; Anna died at Hornby, 26 May 1836.

19. The death date of 2 March 1877 for Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett is given in the records of Hornby Township, Steuben Co., NY, for administration of her will, dated 10 July 1876 (Case No. 5907, Book 14, p. 181).

20. Jerusha is listed as age 54 in the 1850 census for Malone, Franklin Co., NY. Her husband, Daniel Perry, is listed in the same census as age 61.

21. The marriage of Jerusha and Daniel is in the carded Wardsboro records at Montpelier, VT, and also appears in Streeter's *Return to Yesterday*, p. 143: "Daniel Perry married Jerusha Jewett of Wardsboro, Jan. 12, 1834, daughter of Thomas Jewett."

22. Streeter, *Return to Yesterday*, p. 143.

23. Jerusha and Daniel Perry appear in the 1850 census for Malone, Franklin Co., NY, with their children: Sarah J. Perry, age 14, born VT; Daniel W. Perry, age 12, born VT. In the 1860 Malone census, the following are living with Daniel Perry, age 71: Sarah Earle, age 25, born VT.; Thomas Earle, age 28, farmer, born NY; Charlotte Earle, age 3, born NY, and Herbert Earle, age 2 months, born NY. Sarah Earle is probably Sarah Jane (Jewett) Perry, the wife of Thomas Earle, in this 1860 census. (See: Letter of Sylvia Haradon Jewett, 12 Aug 1855.)

24. Birth and death dates for Benjamin Jewett are given in *Genealogy and Personal History of Northern Pennsylvania*, Vol. I, p. 273. Information was possibly provided by Benjamin's son, Sheldon Jewett, who is featured with a photograph in this volume.

25. Information on Lucinda (Tuttle) Jewett is found in *Genealogy and Personal History of Northern Pennsylvania*, Vol. I, p. 273; *History and Biography of McKean County* (1890), p. 368; and the Jewett Genealogy Vol. III, p. 240. No date is given in any of these sources for the marriage of Benjamin and Lucinda. Place of the marriage was probably Tioga Co., PA, which is where Lucinda was born, across the state line from Steuben Co., NY.

26. Steuben Co., NY, Deed Book 20, p. 168, dated 16 Jun 1832: Chester Knowlton to Benjamin Jewett of Hornby.

27. Letter to Jean M. Ward from Susan J. Moore, Hornby Historical Society and Museum, dated 13 Nov 1995.

28. *Genealogy and Personal History of Northern Pennsylvania*, p. 273; the Jewett Genealogy Vol. III, p. 240.

29. Letter to Jean M. Ward from George E. Berkwater, President, McKean County Historical Society, Smethport, PA, dated 28 Sep 1995: Benjamin Jewett "was a trustee when the Bradford Meeting-House Association was incorporated on June 21, 1871. The society was formed to control property of the Congregational Church."

30. In the papers of Paul Norris Jewett (14256), a grandson of Munnis Jewett, the following is noted: "I think Munnis is correct name. My father [Charles Laban Jewett] felt certain of this after spending several days in Wardsboro, VT" (Photocopies provided by C. Lincoln Jewett of Darien, CT, son of Paul Norris Jewett).

In response to my inquiry about Munnis Jewett's name, Nancy C. Morrell, Town Clerk of Monson, MA, wrote me the following, dated 12 Mar 1996: "After looking up the records of his children, I have found the spelling to be Munnis, Munis, Munnice, and Morris. As you can see, the name varies with each document."

Further evidence for the name "Munnis" is found in the 1850 and 1860 census listings for "Munnis Jewett" in Monson, Hampden Co., MA. No record of his birth has yet been located at Wardsboro, Vermont.

I conclude that his name was, indeed, Munnis Jewett, and that variations in spelling and copying contribute to the confusion in various records.

31. Date of birth for Munnis is taken from the Jewett Genealogy II and the Jewett Genealogy III.

32. Munnis Jewett appears in the 1850 and 1860 census records for Monson, MA.

33. Date of death, place of death, and place of burial are taken from Jewett Genealogy II and Jewett Genealogy III. I have not yet located the records for Munnis' death or burial.

34. "Louisa" is the spelling found in Jewett Genealogy II and in her death record, at Monson, MA; "Loisa" is the spelling found in Jewett Genealogy III and in the papers of Charles Laban Jewett, her son, and Paul Norris, her grandson. Jewett Genealogy II gives the name of her father as John Ferry; records of the Monson Town Clerk show John and Polly (Cross) Ferry as Louisa's parents (Letter from Nancy C. Morrell, Monson Town Clerk, 16 Jan 1996, to Jean M. Ward). The marriage of Munnis and Louisa as 1829 in Ellington, CT, appears in Jewett Genealogy II and Jewett Genealogy III; however, I have been unable to locate a marriage record in Ellington.

35. Louisa Ferry's date of birth is given in Jewett Genealogy II. Her date of death is given in Jewett Genealogy II as 10 Jul 1897, but Monson records show her date of death as 10 Jun 1897 and cause of death as "senile morasmus" (Letter from Nancy C. Morrell, Monson Town Clerk, 16 Jan 1996, to Jean M. Ward).

36. Records for the births of the following children were provided by the Monson, MA, Town Clerk, 16 Jan 1996: Angeline, Charles Laban, Ellen, Henry, Lester, Mariah [Maria], Thomas, and Elmer. Records for the deaths of the following children were provided by the Monson, MA, Town Clerk, 16 Jan 1996: Ellen, Elmer, Lester, Maria, and

Thomas. In a few cases, these Monson vital records differ from dates found in Jewett Genealogy II, 1028-1029. Birth of Marcia Minerva is found in Jewett Genealogy II, and her death date and place are from the Paul Norris Jewett notes. Death date for Charles Laban Jewett is from Jewett Genealogy III.

The Paul Norris Jewett notes indicate that only the following had children: Henry Jewett, two daughters; Angeline Lucy Jewett, two daughters; Charles Laban Jewett, three sons. (See: Jewett Genealogy II and III for Charles Laban Jewett and his descendants.)

37. Records from the National Archives provide detail on the capture and death of Elmer Jewett. I am grateful to Lee Jewett Petry, JFA Historian, for sharing this material, which complements the information found in the Jewett Genealogy II, p. 1028.

38. Date and place of marriage of Susan Jewett and Nelson Messer have not yet been found. Records of Shrewsbury, Rutland Co., VT, give birth of Nelson Messer and marriage of his parents.

Two brothers of Nelson Messer were Thomas Messer, born ca. 1802, and Daniel Messer, Jr., born 20 Sep 1805 at Shrewsbury. Thomas Messer is in the 1850 census at Campbell, Steuben Co., NY: Thomas, age 48, born VT; Sally, his wife, age 32, born NY; son Nelson, age 2 months. The 1873 atlas for Hornby and adjoining Campbell shows Thomas Messer living in Campbell, just over the Hornby line and not far from Thomas and Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett.

39. Steuben Co., NY, Deed Book 23, p 582 (9 Dec 1833): Daniel Messer, Nelson Messer and Susan, Nelson's wife, of Campbell, to Jacob Woodward of Hornby, 9 acres in Hornby. Deed Book 32, p. 390 (29 Mar 1839): Thomas Messer received 54 acres from Nelson and Susan Messer and Daniel Messer. This land had been received in part from Hinsdell Hammond. Deed Book 33, p. 430, 1840: Nelson and Susan Messer; Seymour Messer a witness. Deed Book 47, p. 92 (30 Sep 1847): Thomas Messer received a one-acre piece from Nelson and Susan Messer of Campbell. This land also having been given to Nelson and Susan Messer by Hinsdell Hammond. Deed Book 64, p. 538 (1 Jun 1852): Thomas Messer acquired a 50-acre parcel from Simson Jenks for a total of 105 acres.

40. In *History of the Hornby Baptist Church, from 1820-1860* (1892), William H. Gardner names Nelson Messer, Daniel Messer, and Moses Hammond as three who moved from the Hornby church to Dundee, IL (p. 4). Moses Hammond was a son of Hinsdale Hammond, and his wife Sally may have been a sister of Nelson Messer.

Photocopies of the Dundee Baptist Church records, provided by the Dundee Township Historical Society, show that Nelson Messer and Susan Messer were admitted to the church on 3 Feb 1843, by letter, and they were dismissed in 1847. Moses and Sally Hammon[d] were admitted in January of 1842 and also dismissed in 1847.

41. Names of the children of Nelson and Susan (Jewett) Messer have not yet been found. The reference to "six daughters" is in my Jewett family papers, collected by Clara Augusta (Jewett) Morrow, my maternal grandmother: "Susan Jewett, born Wardsboro, married to Nelson Messer--six daughters--names unknown. Home of this family was at Campbell, N.Y.--moved to a town near Elgin, Ill."

42. Information on the death of Sophrona was provided by Joann H. Nichols of Brattleboro VT, from Wardsboro cemetery records.

43. The place of Alfred's birth and name of his father, Ebenezer Eaton, appear in Alfred's death record at Jamaica, VT, Book 2, p. 11. Alfred's mother's name is not listed in the record, but she was probably Lydia (---) Eaton, who appears as the wife of Ebenezer Eaton in other records.

44. The 1860 Wardsboro, VT, census shows Alfred Eaton, age 55, farmer, born VT, and his wife Betsey, age 42, born VT. The two children in the household--Fayette, age 13, male, born VT, and Edward, age 11, male, born VT, were evidently sons of Betsey Eaton from a former marriage. In one of the deeds executed at Wardsboro by Alfred and Betsey, she appears as Betsey L. Eaton (Book 12, p. 254, 25 Nov 1865).

45. Death record of Alfred Eaton was provided by Sophia Eaton Sanderson, Asst. Town Clerk of Jamaica, VT, in a letter dated 15 Feb 1996, to Jean M. Ward.

46. See endnote 3. above for particulars of the 1840 agreement between Thomas Jewett and Alfred Eaton.

47. The 1850 census record for the household of Alfred Eaton in Wardsboro includes the following: Aaron Smith, age 22, born VT; Isabel Smith, age 24, born MA; Elisha Davidson, age 37, born MA; Susannah S. Davidson, age 27, born VT; James W. Davidson, age 3, born VT; Alfred Eaton, age 45, born VT; Sophrona Eaton, age 40, born VT; Julia Hutchins, age 7, born VT; Militia [sic] Jewett, age 82, born VT. Relationships if any of the Smiths, Davidsons, and Julia Hutchins, age 7, to the Eatons and Jewetts, has not yet been determined.

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Mandamus of the Mayors of Jewett City
vs
Ezra Bishop an out Law

To Reuben Willoby & Fred[k] Fanning, Sheriffs of the City of Jewett, this Mandamus comes greeting — Whereas Ezra Bishop an imposter & intruder in and upon the Liberties & authority of this City hath been legally cited to appear before me the Mayor of s[d] (said) City to show cause why & wherefore he should assume & even attempt to appear in this our City & pretend to exercise the Authority of Mayor of s[d] City, of having neglected to appear & Judgement entered against him as an out Law & a public intruder — And whereas he the s[d] Bishop hath imprudently entered s[d] City & endeavoured to exercise authority in & over the Citizens, & above all when I the most worshipfull Mayor when about to enter into the peaceable & social Bands of Matrimony, & about to Join with a fine fair young blooming rich Widow & commence the salubrious enjoyment thereof — the s[d] Ezra, not having the fear of God before his eyes, but moved & instigated by the Devil, has dared to forbid the bands of Matrimony; for with vile, atrocious & infamous conduct, the s[d] Ezra is declared to be without the protection of the Law, & is forwarned to disappear from this our City & no longer suffered on any account to enter therein. All Citizens of this our City are forbid to harbor the s[d] Ezra, & more especially to give him any good old Spirits, Wine, Brandy, or good rich food, under all penalties the s[d] Mayor shall think fit to inflict, & the s[d] Ezra shall be liable to receive the Lash his favorite Instrument of correction by & from all good Citizens, so soon & as often as he shall dare to enter this our City; untill by humble penitence & contrition of heart shall obtain my clemency & Pardon — Given under my hand at Jewetts City this the 14 Day of May 1799

Is this the Eleazer Jewett (663) who began the settlement of Jewett City CT and did he indeed marry a third time in 1799? This mandamus was found among the papers of Richard Henry Lee Jewett (4781).

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