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Filing Work Continues at the Seelye Research Center

Story by Pam Turner

Due to the quantity of information in the last newsletter, I postponed the additions and changes made to the Seelye Research Center Document Index; so here they are.

The following books were added to the SRC:

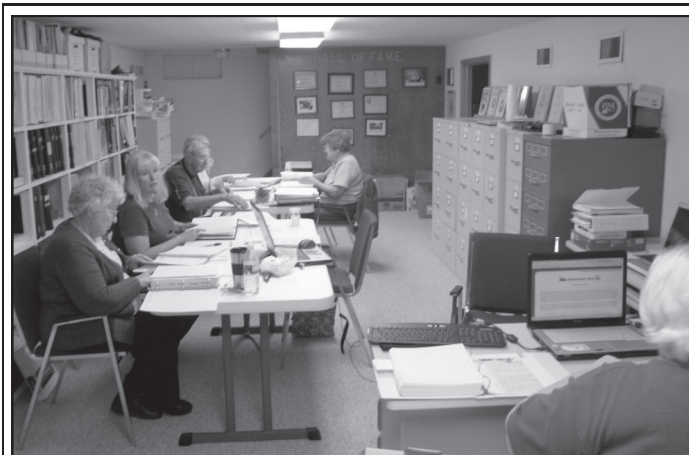
- *Bible Emblems* by Edward E. Seelye, Rev, D.D., located on Sh D2
- *Resistance of Materials* by Fred B. Seely, M.S., located on Sh D2
- *The Whispering Cup* by Mable Seeley, located on Sh D2
- *Calendar of Wills* by Berthold Fernow, located on Sh D3
- *Genealogical Data from Colonial New Haven Newspapers* by Scott and Conway, located on Sh D3
- *Muster and Pay Rolls of the War of the Revolutions 1775-1783* by Collections of NY Historical Society for 1914 & 1915, located on Sh D3
- *Families of Ancient Wethersfield, Conn.* by Henry R. Stiles, located on Sh D3
- *Seely History* by Montell & Kathryn Seely, located Sh E2
- *The Seeley Name in History* by Generations Network, Inc., located on Sh D3

The following Family Compilation documents were added:

- Records of Four Gens. Of Desc. Capt. Robt. Seeley by Willard S. Morse, located in Dr D3, FC-263
- History of the Bruen Family of England & America by Evelyn Leary Ogden, located on Sh E3, FC-OGD
- Wm. A. Seeley (1774-1858) & Hoyt Family by Tere Seeley, located on Sh E2, FC-SEE
- The Cilley Family by Richard Norman & J.P. Cilley 1878, located on Sh E1, FC-CIL
- The Richmond Family 1594-1896 by Joshua Bailey Richmond, located on Sh E3, FC-RIC
- Diaries of N. Wallington by Nehemiah Wallington, located on Sh E5, FC-WAL
- John Weltz Seeley by Lois Ann Gilmore, located on Sh E5, FC-GIL

The following additions were made to the Vital Records Section:

- Location Of Record – Surrogates office, Ulster Co., NY by Ulster Co., NY, located in DR E4, VR-47
- Index to Stark Co., Illinois Probates by Stark Co., IL, located in Dr E4, VR-48
- Deeds Grantor & Grantee 1774-1790 by Orange Co.,



In April, SGS Board of Directors and other society members pitched in on ongoing filing work at the Seelye Research Center.

- NY, located in Dr E4, VR-49
- British Census by Donald L. Hirst, located in Dr E4, VR -50

The following changes have been made:

- Family of Raymond V Seely, 131 Clover Lane, Medford OR (ShE4, FC-SR) was moved to Dr D3 in the FC-264 file.
- The SGS Treasurer's Files location has been changed to Dr B4 and the files for 2007-2010 kept by Sally Seeley were added to the files in that drawer.
- Vernon County (WI) Heritage (ShD2, BK VC) has been moved to Sh D3.

One of the major changes is to the Esther Walters

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SPECIAL INSERT: Complete List of Changes to Descendants of Robert Seeley (1602-1667) & Obadiah Seeley (1614-1657), Generations One Through Five



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Announcements

The SGS Newsletter is published every February, May, August, and November. Announcements are published for free and are due to the editor by the 15th of the month preceding publication.

SGS Mission Statement

The Society shall engage in research, study, verification, discussion, collation, publication, dissemination, and preservation of Seeley information for the Society, for its members and for posterity.

Membership

Membership is open to anyone interested in genealogy, history or biography; amateur or professional. Although the name Seeley refers to one family surname, SGS counts among its family those with surnames spelled a variety of ways such as: Seeley, Seelye, Sealy, Sealey, Seley, Selye, Seale, Seelee, Seela, Cielely, Cealy, Cilley, etc.

Membership Dues

Effective Oct. 1, 2011 SGS Membership dues are \$10 per year, \$18 two years, \$25 three years, or \$36 five years. Lifetime memberships are \$125. (Dues are in U.S. dollars and the membership year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30)

Pay all dues to:

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SGS International Reunions

are held every two years. The next one is scheduled for Aug. 8-11, 2013 in Grand Rapids, Mich. Please advise the editor if your branch or family has plans for a sectional or local reunion in the interim. Others might like to know about it.

Editorial Position

The editorial opinions expressed in this newsletter are the opinions of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Society or the editors, nor are the Society or its editors responsible for errors of fact or opinion. Proved errors will be corrected.

SGS President's Report

It is now less than a year until we meet for our next reunion! Grand Rapids is going to be a "Grand" place for a reunion. There is a special feeling there! It is family friendly! There are museums, parks, a zoo, beaches about 20 minutes away on Lake Michigan and an ice skating rink right behind the hotel! Hilton Grand Rapids Airport will be our conference hotel. The dates are Thursday, August 8 to Sunday, August 11, 2013. Activities will include meetings of the Society; historical and genealogical information sessions; dinner gatherings with great speakers; member presentations, tours of area sites, a family picnic and plenty of opportunity to visit with one another and find out again what a great family we belong to! Mark your calendars now and please plan to attend! The theme for the conference is: "A Grand Time in Grand Rapids: Whether you are a Seeley Grandparent or Grandchild, you'll have a Grand Time." Registration will begin with the publication of the February 2013 newsletter.



The planning committee still needs and will welcome any suggestions you might have for presentations. Are you willing to give a presentation yourself? What would you like to learn about while you are there? We want to prepare an educational and enjoyable activity for all. Please contact me with your ideas!

The nominating committee for the 2013 elections has been appointed. Linda Crocker has agreed to serve as the Chairperson with Marshall Seelye and Camille Seeley Bell as members. If you would also like to serve on this committee, please contact me. At this time, the nominating committee is still looking for people to fill the positions of Secretary, First Vice President and Second Vice President. I am very grateful to those who have held these positions: Mary Flynn Palley, Paul Taylor and Marshall Seelye. Check the constitution for the duties of these offices and if you are willing to be involved, please contact Linda, Marshall or Camille.

The souvenir books for 2011 have been mailed. If you ordered and paid for a book and did not receive one, please contact me immediately. There are a few extra and if you didn't order one and would like one, please contact me. The books are \$25.00 US including postage. The updated constitution is in there with a lot of other important materials concerning SGS as well as the 2011 speeches, presentations and pictures galore! Please send a check made out to SGS for \$25.00 to me at my address and I will send you one right away!

Where would you like to go in the future? Put your thinking cap on! Site selection for the next reunion will be determined by nominations being submitted to the Executive Board, in advance of the Membership Meeting. The Executive Board will consider the nominations and then present their recommendations to the members at the Membership Meeting for their approval. Criteria for the site should include connection to the Seeley family, location, price, activities in the area, SGS members in the area, transportation, speakers, willingness to help, etc. More details will be available later, perhaps in the February 2013 newsletter, but be preparing to make an application now!

There are approximately 160 Generation 1-5 books, but only 4 6th Generation books, and 2 7th Generation books that you can order from Terry Tietjens at the Seeley Research Center. I am still hoping a printer can be found to reprint the six and seventh generation books from the paper masters at a reasonable cost. The CD which contains the digital version of the books will be changed to a Read-only version. The changes that have been made to the Generations One through Five book are complete and are in this newsletter and will be posted to the website. Generations Six and Seven will appear in subsequent newsletters and also on the website. A new CD will be offered at the next reunion with the changes included in each of the three publications. We would like to make it so that members can print one copy of each of the books from the CD, if they desire.

The research goals for 2011-2013 are to study the "brick walls" of those men who participated in the SGS DNA lineage project and didn't fit either the Nathaniel or

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SGS Asst. Genealogist Helps Index 1940 Census

Story by Chris Havnar, SGS Webmaster and Asst. Genealogist

Friday, August 3rd was a big day for people interested in searching the 1940 Census using an "all-names" index.

First, ancestry.com announced they had fully indexed the 1940 Census and put all 134 million names on-line.

Second, familysearch.org announced that at 2:00 p.m. MDT the last batch of the 1940 Census was arbitrated and submitted for publication. By the time this article is published, they may have all states available on-line.

The process used by the two databases was very different. Ancestry used a paid transcription service, said to be off-shore. Family Search used an army of 160,000 volunteers, each page was indexed separately by 2 different individuals. Differences were sent to arbitration, where a third individual took a look at the item and upheld one of the indexers or made an independent determination.

I joined the army of indexers at Family Search, completing 14,481 individual lines. One of my pages had more than 40 individuals, the enumerator wrote all over that page, but I did have to check that those names were not on the following page. I chose to initially index California and Oregon as I knew those two states and the geography best. After those states were completed I branched out to other states, rejoicing when I got a page with an enumerator with readable handwriting, and cringing when seemingly a drunk chicken with ink on its feet completed the page. There was more chicken scratch than Palmer handwriting out there.

Initially, it was estimated that an index would not be available for at least six months from the date that the index pages were released by the government on April 2, 2012. Family Search is most proud of the volunteer effort,

and believes that based on the familiarity of the volunteers with the names and places contained in the records, the resulting index may be very accurate.

All indexes should be reviewed against the original records. As an indexer, sometimes the difference between similarly shaped letters were difficult to determine. Is it an "n" or is it a "u"? Some of the enumerators didn't follow the rules of the census – How could a child less than 5 years of age, have a residential location in 1935? Location in 1935 is going to be interesting to track as people moved across country. There were large auto camps in California where all the residents were from Oklahoma in 1935. This to me, made history come alive. Previously the dustbowl was a thing from history and the photos of cars loaded with all a family's possessions tied to the car. The census showed the family landing in California and gave some idea of how successful or not, the family was.

On the homepage of the SGS website, www.seeley-society.net, is a link to the "badges" earned by data transcription. Other SGS members probably indexed and although they may have allocated their work to another organization, SGS can still claim their work. If you indexed or arbitrated the 1940 census – let me know and I will attempt to add your states to the 1940 census page.

Having two indexes to check will be a good thing. We can hope that the two indexes do not replicate errors, and we all know that errors happen.

I can't find my father in the Ancestry index and am hoping that I can find him when Family Search completes their index. Compounding my problem, he didn't use his full surname until the military imposed their rules.

SGS Members: Every One is Important to the Society

Story by Lynda Simmons, SGS Membership Chair

You are very important to the Seeley Genealogical Society (SGS). You are our lifeblood. You can make a real difference. This is how:

First, please keep track of when your membership needs to be renewed. Look each time your Seeley Genealogical Society Newsletter comes just below your name. It will tell you when your membership is due. In every issue of the Newsletter, there is a Membership form. Please fill it out and send it to me if your membership is due. Do it!

Second, think of every relative and friend who has a Seeley in their heritage. Tell them things that you like about the Seeley Genealogical Society. It could be the excellent Research available to members. It could be the great Newsletter. It could be the interesting cousins you get to meet and know. It could be our wonderful reunions every two years. The next one will be in the summer in 2013 at Grand Rapids, Michigan. It could be the informative materials available. There are many other very good reasons. Please think of them and ask your friends and family to join us. The SGS's dues are very low, starting at only \$10.00 for a year's membership. That is

about the cost of eating lunch out only once. Think about the great reasons to belong and the low cost of membership. Send in your membership and invite someone to join! Do it!

Third, think how you could help our organization get better and stronger by volunteering to serve. You could be on a committee or be an officer. There are so many ways you could serve in the Seeley Genealogical Society. Do it!

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research files. The following binders were added to the grouping:

- Nathaniel Descendants Generations 4 & 5, 2 binders.
- Obadiah Descendants Generations 5 & 6, 2 binders.
- Unconnected "Seeley" Lineages A400-500 files, 1 binder.
- Index to the Seeley Notes, 1 binder.

Please note that all of Esther Walters' research files can be found on shelves C1-C3.

I am currently changing the format of the index from word to excel and when that is finished the updated index will be posted to our website. Thanks for your patience.

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Obadiah profiles. It is believed that this will lead to the names of other immigrants and DNA profiles for those immigrants. If you are one of these people, please let Linda Crocker know.

The board is very supportive of the DNA project and voted to give any man who pays for the DNA testing a free one-year membership to SGS with the newsletter being sent by email. We do need more men to participate in the DNA project. If you haven't already done so, consider doing it now! We are certainly happy to have Walt Seelye on the board as the DNA project manager. Be sure to contact him if you have questions, concerns or comments about the DNA project.

I have heard from the attorney concerning the Robert Seeley Johnson and Evelyn Johnson bequest. The case was to be heard on August 3, 2012 and the final disposition made. If approved, SGS will receive \$83,919.16 in addition to the \$5000.00 we have already received! I would like to hear from you, the membership of SGS. How do you think we should allocate this money so that we maximize the benefits of this very generous gift? Please send me your ideas!

SGS will apply for Non-Profit Status (Title 501c3) in Kansas because we have an address there. There are some advantages (tax deductions for contributors to SGS; protection for interest income; tax deductions for officer expenses); and some disadvantages (expenses to apply; tax returns; government interference) to being a Non-Profit organization. A constitutional change may be needed. I will be in charge of the process. If any of you have ideas concerning this, please contact me.

I would like to thank everyone who is involved with the Seeley Genealogical Society in any way. Each member is very important. Thanks to all of our elected and appointed officers! They are all volunteers who give of their time and energy freely and I thank them all! Thanks to all those who spend many hours to help the Society reach its goal to "engage in research, study, verification, discussion, collation, publication, dissemination and preservation of Society information for the Society, for its members and for posterity." SGS Constitution, Article II, Section 2.

Kathie Olsen
SGS President

Does SGS Have Your E-Mail Address?

The Answer Is: Probably Not.

News travels fast in the information age and sometimes it's helpful to be able to reach out to SGS membership immediately.

Please send an e-mail note with your e-mail address to SGS Membership Chairman Lynda Simmons at summitkids@yahoo.com

Afraid of spam? Fear not! SGS will not publish, sell, or share your e-mail address and will only reach out to you with important society information.

SGS Queries

Coordinated and Compiled by SGS Query Editor Linda Crocker (Data Current as of Aug. 10, 2012)

Introduction to Queries

Query number is 2 digit year, 2 digit month of newsletter, query sequence number.

Please send your queries to SGS Query Editor Linda Crocker at llbc100@msn.com or mail to Linda at home (see inside back cover). Queries are assigned a query number by the Query Editor, researched and then sent to the Query Team and Area Coordinators for their input. Linda summarizes each query and any responses for inclusion in the newsletter.

If you have any information on the queries below contact the submitter but also remember to send a copy of the information to Linda so the query can be updated in the next newsletter.

Query Updates

Update to Query 0702-3 Re Effie Julia Seeley

Renee Mizar (reneemizar@yahoo.com), the original submitter, is still researching her family. We had established that Rionel Seeley was Effie's father but didn't have a death date nor burial location for him. She now has located his grave in Fouts Cemetery, Ottawa, Franklin

County, KS with birth year 1853 and death year 1928.

Renee is now interested in finding out more about Sarah Thompson, 1st wife of Rionel and mother of Effie. Terry Tietjens was in contact with a Dorothy Thompson of Ft Myers, FL in the 1990-s who was also interested in Sarah Thompson. Renee would like to contact her or her family to see if they have further information on Sarah.



Linda Crocker
SGS Query Editor

Update to Query 0908-1 Re Rachel 'Anna' Malora Seeley b. Dec. 24 1872 in Erie Co. PA

Charlene Hall Davis, who is still looking for Anna's father, has a new email address: vincescomet@yahoo.com

Update to Chief Genealogist Report November 2011 on Horace Clinton Seeley, SGS# 3671d

Horace Clinton Seeley had 2 wives. We were interested in finding out details of each. I was contacted by Ruth E French (ziaref@cox.net). Horace's 2nd wife was Frederika Kornbau and Ruth has done research on the

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Comprehensive List of Changes to Generations 1-5 Book Published

Updated by the Seeley Genealogical Society as of August 10, 2012

In 1977, SGS Genealogist and Editor of Publications Esther Houtz compiled the generations one through five descendants of Robert Seeley into a single volume which was published by the society.

Fifteen years later, SGS Genealogist Madeline Mills undertook the task of compiling the sixth generation descendants of Robert Seeley and Obadiah Seeley. She was assisted in that task by her daughter Katherine Olsen, the current president of SGS.

While working on that project, the two decided it was time for an update to the original Houtz book and to include Obadiah Seeley and his first five generations of descendants. The result was published by the society in 1997 under the title *Descendants of Robert Seeley (1602-1667) & Obadiah Seeley (1614-1657), Generations One Through Five*.

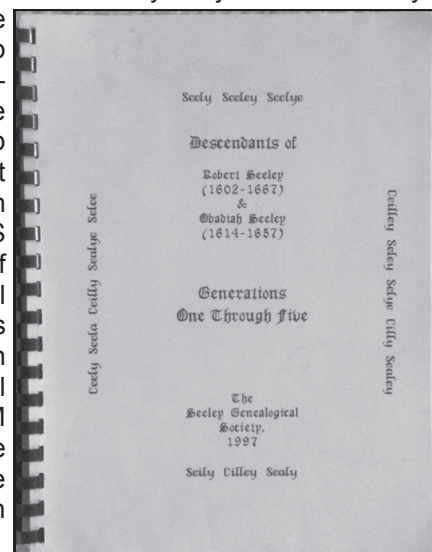
The revision was undertaken because much new information had been generated since the 1977 publication by Esther L. Houtz. Also, by then it had become clear, and later DNA testing would prove, that Obadiah was not the son of Robert as was previously believed. In fact, the DNA testing proved the two were not even closely related. However, by that time the SGS numbering system was already in place, so it was decided to keep the original numbering system. Hence, Obadiah is numbered with the

Descendants of Robert Seeley SGS#1

second generation.

Since the book's original publication in 1997, research has continued and new information has come to light adding to the body of knowledge about Robert and Obadiah. The following pages are a compilation of changes approved by the society.

All three books are still in print and available for sale. They can be purchased from Terry Tietjens at the Seelye Research Center. The books are also available on a CD-ROM which can be purchased from Bob Seeley (see contact information for both gentlemen in the SGS Newsletter). Also of note, the Nathaniel sections of the books were entered in Personal Ancestral File (in GEDCOM format) and are available from Kathie Olsen (contact info in the SGS Newsletter).



Page #	SGS #	Name	Change Summary	References:
1	1	Robert Seeley	Robert and Mary's son Nathaniel (SGS#2) was baptized in St. Stephen's Parish on 16 Sep 1627.	St. Stephen's Parish Record
4	2	Nathaniel Seeley	NATHANIEL SEELEY (bapt. 16 Sep 1627,	St. Stephen's Parish Record
6	2	Nathaniel Seeley	NATHANIEL SEELEY (bapt. 16 Sep 1627,	St. Stephen's Parish Record
7			Children (3) by 1st Wife	
9	32	John Seelye	It appears that the Martha Benjamin (b 19 Jan 1681, Wethersfield, Hartford, CT), daughter of Caleb and Mary Hale Benjamin is not the wife of John Seelye, SGS #32. Delete everything after Martha. His wife was named Martha according to his will.	Add Deem, Robin research. Add Jacobus, Donald Lines, <i>Hales, House and Related Families</i> (pg 10-11)
11	37	Mary Seeley	Delete: d before 1710. Add d in or after 1713. Benjamin Dunning m 2nd in or after 1713, Elizabeth Minor	Add Newtown, CT vital records
12	12	Sarah Seeley	Change Reference to Virkus	Virkus <i>Compendium of American Genealogy</i>
16	89	Nehemiah Seeley	Add: Abigail still living at his death. Delete m 2nd, 26 Sep 1769, Redding, CT, Sarah Dibble. Sarah Dibble was the wife of Nehemiah Seeley, SGS#239.	

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Page #	SGS #	Name	Change Summary	References:
17 - 18	32	John Seelye	It appears that the Martha Benjamin (b 19 Jan 1681, Wethersfield, Hartford, CT). Daughter of Caleb and Mary Hale Benjamin is not the wife of John Seelye, SGS #32. Delete everything after Martha. His wife was named Martha according to his will.	Add Deem, Robin research. Add Jacobus, Donald Lines, <i>Hales, House and Related Families</i> (pg 10-11)
20	37	Mary Seeley	Add: MARY SEELEY (4) (John, Nathaniel; Robert) (bapt 12 Sep 1687, Stratfield Parish, CT; d in or after 1713) m Benjamin Dunning who was the son of Theophilus Dunning. Benjamin Dunning m 2nd, about 1713, Elizabeth Minor. Children (5) SGS#107ga Mary Dunning (b 6 Jul 1707; bapt 20 Jul 1707) SGS#107gb Benjamin Dunning, Jr. (b 9 Aug 1709; bapt 14 Aug 1709) m 1st, Sarah Burritt. m 2nd, 13 Oct 1773, Mary Bristol, a widow. SGS#107gc David Dunning (b 6 Sep 1711; bapt 11 May 1712) m 1st, Sep 1736, Hannah Botsford. m 2nd, 1738, Hannah Shepard. SGS #107gd Sary/Sarah Dunning (b 14 Aug 1713; bapt 25 Oct 1713) m 30 Mar 1732, Jehiel Hawley. Moved to Arlington, VT about 1764. Founder of the first Church of England (Episcopal) in Vermont. They were Loyalists. Jehiel Hawley died enroute to Bath, Ontario, Canada.	Barbour Collection Duthe, Rick Correspondence McConnell, Randy Correspondence Newtown, CT vital records, LR, p 118
21	107cc	Sarah Sherman	Add: SGS#107cc Sarah Sherman (b about 1730; d before 5 Nov 1806, Newtown, CT) m 4 Dec 1754/9, Newtown, CT, George Terrill, Jr. (chr 28 Jan 1727/28, Milford, CT; d 1 Apr 1806, Newtown, CT)	Add Bobseine, Marilyn Kelley submission
21	40	Rebecca Seeley	Add: William Castle is a brother to Isaac Castle who is the father of Samuel Castle who m Martha Seeley, SGS#47	
30	73	Nathan Seeley	Delete "Nathan served as a Lieutenant in the "Householders." Nathan commanded the militia that repulsed seven British frigates in Mar 1777." This information applies to his son, Nathan Seeley SGS#224.	Seelye, Walt research
35	251	Phebe Seeley	Delete: No issue found	
36	91	David Seeley	Add: m 2nd, Johanna Bassett, 1 Oct 1752.	Add International Genealogical Index
36	268aa	Ephraim Seeley	Change SGS# from 268+ to 268aa	
37	93	Mary Seelye	Change Obadiah Weller (b Springfield, MA) Son of John and Rebecca Cooley Weller. Add: John Weller was the son of John and Mary Alvord Weller.	Add New Milford Town Clerk Records
38	95	Joseph Seelye	Change m 1st, 4 Aug 1735, New Milford, Litchfield Co., CT. Add to Jonathan Weller (b 1 Jul 1705, New Milford, Litchfield Co., CT; d 23 Mar 1734, Springfield, Hampden Co., MA) Change to Son of John and Rebecca Cooley Weller. Delete Mary. Add: John Weller was the son of John and Mary Alvord Weller.	Add New Milford Town Clerk Records Bailey, Frederick <i>Old Connecticut Marriages</i>
39	279	Abner Seelye	Change to b New Milford, Litchfield Co., CT	Add New Milford Town Clerk Records
39	281	Joseph Seelye	Add /Mercy to the name of Mary/Mercy Tupper	Add <i>Thomas Tupper and His Descendants</i>

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Page #	SGS #	Name	Change Summary	References:
45	339	Seeley Fithian	Change m 1st, 25 Apr 1790, Ruth Burgin. Delete (b 1767; d 1783) Add: m 2nd, Esther Hunt (d 1830)	
46	107c	Henry Seeley	Change Child of 1st wife (6)	
47	119	John Seeley		Reference on p 48 should be Genealogy

Descendants of Obadiah Seeley SGS#4

Page #	SGS #	Name	Change Summary	References:
1	4	Obadiah Seeley	Insert a ? before chr. Put a period after Mary. Delete Angel Miller (b about 1623, England) Daughter of James and Anna Elliot Angel. Change to Children (3)	Hart, Frederic research
3	19	Jonas Seeley	Delete birth and death date from father of John Waterbury. It is a duplicate of the son's information. Add a colon to the sentence, Mary had at least one child by John Waterbury: Thomas Waterbury.	
8	177	Sarah Seeley	Should read *SARAH SEELEY (b 4 Apr/14 Jun 1714) m Josiah Reeder	Poponoe, Oliver research
11	149	John S. Seeley	Add: Daughter of Stephen and Ann/Mercy Slasom Bishop.	Majdelany, Jeanne <i>Story of the Early Settlers of Stamford, CT 1641-1700</i>
14	154	Elijah Seeley	Change death date of Eunice Scofield to 9 Sep 1707. Add: Daughter of Samuel (d 20/27 Jan 1707)	Scofield, Harriet A <i>Scofield Survey</i>
15	435a	Mary Beardsley	Her daughter, Lydia Comstock m Daniel Seeley, SGS#609. Delete lineage unknown.	Kellerman, Richard correspondence
16	175	Samuel Seely	Change death date of Mary DeHaven to d after 22 Sep 1787. Add the following children: 440a Samuel Seeley (b abt 1735) 440b Isaac Seeley (b abt 1740)	Seeley, Sylvanus (SGS#447) diary
16	441	John Nichols Seely	Add m 1st, unknown. m 2nd, after 1789, Katherine/Ketrum Brinker (b 1767, PA). Katherine/Ketrum Brinker was m 1st, Jacob Shafer/Shaver. They had three children: Jacob Shafer; Margaret Shafer/Schaffer (b 1789, PA; d 1871) m about 1807, Westmoreland Co., PA, Philip Keister, Jr.; and Elizabeth Shafer.	Matthews, Mary correspondence
17	453	Christopher Seely	Add (b before 1768; d before 19 Sep 1792 in 25th year) Went to Providence, West Indies (Bahamas) as an office foreman on 26 Dec 1788.	Seeley, Sylvanus (SGS#447) diary

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Page #	SGS #	Name	Change Summary	References:
17	456	Deborah Seely	Add: d Oct 1787	Seeley, Sylvanus (SGS#447) diary
18	179	Jonas Seely		Add Seeley, Sylvanus (SGS#447) diary
20	468	Catherine Seely	*CATHERINE SEELY (b 27 Dec 1776; d 25 May 1850; buried Williamson, Wayne Co., NY) m Daniel Poppino (b 30 Jan 1777, Orange Co., NY; d 1 Jul 1841; buried Williamson, Wayne Co., NY	Popenoe, Oliver research
22	484	Israel Seeley	Delete from this location. Child of Nathaniel SGS#189	Crocker, Linda research
22	487	Elizabeth Seeley	Delete from this location. Child of Nathaniel SGS#189	Crocker, Linda research
24	189	Nathaniel Seeley	Add: Nathaniel served in the Westchester Co. Militia , 3rd Regiment, under Col. Thaddeus Crane.	
24	500a	Israel Seeley	Add: *ISRAEL SEELEY (b 1750, Cornwall, Orange Co., NY; d 1832) m 26 Oct 1775, Goshen Presbyterian Church, Millicent. (Previous SGS#484)	Crocker, Linda research
24	505a	Elizabeth Seeley	Add: *ELIZABETH SEELEY (b 14 Jan 1764, Cornwall, Orange Co., NY; d 1843 at the residence of her son, Richard Hetfield, between Elmira and Horseheads, NY). Elizabeth m 24 Oct 1781, Abner M. Hetfield (b 6 Feb 1762, Orange Co., NY; d 1810, Chemung Co., NY). (Previous SGS#487)	Crocker, Linda research
24	506a	Adam Seeley	Add: *ADAM SEELEY (b 1766/8) (Previous SGS#1641)	Crocker, Linda research
24	507a	Sarah Seeley	Add: *SARAH SEELEY (b about 1772; d after 1850) m about 1788, Samuel Barton Edsall (b 14 Feb 1768; d 3 Jul 1845, Bradford Co., PA) Son of Jacobus/James and Charlotte Barton Edsall. He was the brother of Richard Edsall who married Jemima Seeley SGS#505, her sister. (Previous SGS#1705)	Crocker, Linda research 1850 Census Granville, Bradford Co., PA
24/25	191	Josiah Seeley	Change all 14 listings of Chenango Co. to Orange Co. There was an Oxford in both locations, but this family resided in Orange Co. not Chenango Co.	Seely, Raymond submission
26	193	John Seely	Change all 6 listings of Chenango Co. to Orange Co. There was an Oxford in both locations, but this family resided in Orange Co. not Chenango Co.	Seely, Raymond submission

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Kornbau family. Ruth sent us documentation that Frederika's 1st husband was Frederick Graeter whom she married: Apr 27, 1882 at the Salem-Zion United Church of Christ. Mr Graeter died 3 May 1888 at Philadelphia. They had a son Frederick August Graeter b. 17 Nov. 1888 (6 mos. after his father died). The son died at age 11 mos.

Horace's 1st wife was Anna Virginia (Jennie) Mullen. Her name is listed on the funeral card for her dau. Olive May Seeley Corby.

Ruth has also created Findagrave memorials

- a. # 91594737 Horace Clinton Seely (1845 – 1937)
- b. # 92644133 Anna Virginia "Jennie" Mullen Seely (1847 – 1891)
- c. # 91601687 Friedericka Amelia Kornbau [Grater] Seely (1862 – ????)
- d. # 46349607 Frederick Grater (1859 – 1888) (she doesn't manage this one)
- e. # 90689301 Friedrich August Grater (1888 – 1889)

New Queries

Query 1208-1 Submitted by DR Jackson (djax@jacksonpublications.com)

Mr Jackson wrote a book about an Ontario family that included descendant Margaret Gertrude Davidson. Margaret entered the US at Detroit, MI on 18 May 1933 with her mother Alma Marion Davidson. Their contact at their place of departure was Margaret's father, William Davidson of Frazerburgh, SCOT. They were going to reside in Detroit with Alma's father William Marfleet. Margaret was age 2 years and 10 mos.

1940 census Detroit, Wayne, MI

- Marfleet, William H. age 55 b. ENG, caretaker of paint and Varnish factory
- Marfleet, Gertrude A., wife age 55 b. ENG
- Davidson, Margaret G, grda. Age 9 b. CAN

Margaret married a Richard Seeley. They had two children, Margaret b. about 1950 and Richard b. about 1951.

US Naturalizations:

- Margaret Gertrude Seely b. 30 Aug 1930 CAN, nat'uralized at Detroit 10 Jun 1953

Mr Jackson would like to know the identity of the Richard Seeley who md Margaret G Davidson and also further information on Margaret – where and when did she die? Did she have another marriage.

Query 1208-2 Submitted by Linda Crocker (llbc100@msn.com)

Who is Edward Howard Seeley, father of Edward Howard Seeley Jr b. 1927, Richard Stanley Seeley b. 1929, Helen A Seeley Boyer b. 1932 and John R Seeley b. 1935?

SGS Response: Edward Howard Seeley was married 1st to Myrtle Irene Watson and 2nd to Armida Virginia Boyd. We have obituaries for Armida, Richard Stanley and John R on our website that mention these names.

1940 census Washington DC

- Seeley, Myrtle I D age 29 b. VA, md, lived same place

in 1935

- Seeley, Edward Jr age 12, b. CT, Richard S age 10 b. VA, Helen A age 7 b. CT, John R age 4 b. DC

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- Edward Seeley b. 1 May 1905, d. Feb 1970 Alexandria, Alexandria City, VA

I have been unable to find the family in the 1930 census nor can I identify Edward Howard Seeley in any other census records. If you have information on this family, please contact me.

Query 1208-3 Submitted by Jeremy Troy Donaldson (troy16b@yahoo.com)

Troy was born June 3rd 1977 at the Naval Hospital in Norfolk VA. His birth name was Reginald Alan Wayne Seeley. He was told that his mother's name was Kathy Marie Seeley of Woonsocket R.I. Troy was adopted August 15th 1979 through the Albertina Kerr adoption agency by James and Cheryl Donaldson in Oregon where he lived until he joined the U.S. Army in 1997. He is a sergeant stationed in Florida and currently deployed to Afghanistan. He is interested in knowing if his birth mother is still alive, where she lives etc. and if she would be willing to establish or have contact with me.

SGS Response: The Albertina Kerr Agency is located in Portland OR. From their website it looks like their main focus now is working with children with developmental delays but they used to be heavily into work with single moms, foster care and adoptions. I suggested Troy contact them to see if he could get any more information. There are lots of Kathy/Katherine Seeleys....

Query 1208-4 Submitted by Linda Crocker (llbc100@msn.com)

Here is another mystery Seeley. Illinois Death Index: SEELEY, WALTER, age 81, died 19 Jan 1950, Kane County

From Findagrave: West Batavia Cemetery, Kane Co. IL

- Walter E Seeley "father" 1868-1950, Plot: Lot 639, Grave 09
- Mary E Seeley 1870-1962 "mother" Plot: Lot 639, Grave 10
- Walter Clyde Seeley, Plot: Lot 639, Grave 06, b. 22 Jun 1892, d. 9 Jan 1954

Inscription: ILL. PFC HQ DET 89 DIV. WWI

1900 Census: Shabbona, DeKalb, Illinois

- Walter Seeley age 31 b. Nov 1868, WI, NY, NY, Day Laborer, md 11 yrs to
- Mary Seeley age 28, b. Nov 1871 IL, NY, NY, mother of 7 ch., 6 living,
- Frances Seeley dau. b. May 1889 IL, WI, IL
- Louis Seeley dau. b. Aug 1889(?) IL, WI, IL
- Walter Seeley b. June 1891 born IL, WI, IL
- Johnnie Seeley b. Nov 1893 born IL, WI, IL
- Clarence Seeley Dec 1896 born IL, WI, IL
- Lillie Seeley Dec 1898 born IL, WI, IL

1910 Census: Shabbona, DeKalb, Illinois

- Walter Selley age 40 born NY, Unknown, Unknown, Fireman Railroad, md 22 years to
- Mary Selley age 39 mother of 8 – 6 living, born IL NY

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Unknown

- Lois Selley age 19 born IL NY IL
- John Selley age 16 born IL NY IL
- Clarence Selley age 12 born IL, IL, IL
- Lily Selley age 11 born IL, IL, IL

1920 Census: Geneva, Kane, Illinois

- Walter J Seely age 51 b. WI, NY, NY, Laborer Foundry
- Mary A Seely wife age 49 born IL, NY, NY
- Walter I Seely son age 27 born IL, WI, IL, laborer Railroad
- John Seely son age 26 born IL, WI, IL, Laborer Foundry
- Clarence Seely son age 23 born IL, WI, IL, Gateman Railroad
- Lilly Seely daughter age 21 born IL, WI, IL
- William Melby boarder age 25 born IL, Norway, IL, Painter House

In 1920, 1930 and 1940 Walter and Mary Seeley continue to reside in Geneva

CA Death Certificate Transcription: District # 1992 Registrars No. 582 Certificate # 988 – Los Angeles County

- Walter Clyde Seeley:

Date of Death: January 9, 1954 8:17 AM

Place of Death: Veterans Administration Hospital, Wilshire & Sawtelle Blvd., West Los Angeles

Last usual residence: Tucson, Pima County, Arizona

Length of Stay in this city or town: 10 days

Date of Birth: June 22, 1892

Age: 61

Birthplace: Illinois

Male White

Veteran - WWI

Married – Alma Seeley

Father: Walter Seeley born Illinois

Mother: Mary Spears born Illinois

Usual Occupation: Kitchen Helper Veterans Administration

Informant: Records of Veterans Administration Center

Removal 1/13/54 Batavia, Illinois

Shabbona Historical Society Marriage Index

Seeley A.	Melby, Wm.	30Jun1920
Seeley, Alice	Challand, Walter	12Feb1890
Seeley, Lois	Brown, Frank	04Oct1913
Seeley, Walter C.	Johnson, Clara	30Jun1920
Seeley, Walter E.	Spears, Mary	07Aug1888

I have more information on the children and grandchildren of Walter Seeley and Mary Spears. I can send it to anyone who is interested. Finding Walter's parents is the problem.

1880 census Shabbona, DeKalb, IL

- Mary Spears age 8 with her parents Walter and Mary and sisters Sarah, Louisa, Nancy, Cora and Orah

1880 census Shabbona, DeKalb, IL

- Seeley, Harlis, age 37, farmer b. NY, NY, NY
- Seeley, Mariah, age 31 b. CAN, CAN, CAN
- Seeley, Alice age 14 b. WI, NY, CAN; Eva age 5, Linda age 2 both b. IL, NY, CAN

Also in Shabbona

- Seeley, Melissa age 45, her sister Julia age 58 and

mother Mercy age 77, bedridden, all b. NY, NY, NY

Also in Shabbona

- Seeley, John, age 41 b. NY, NY, NY, widower, laborer
- Seeley, John Jr age 10 b. IL, NY, NY

In 1870 Mercy Seely age 66, July age 47 and Melissa age 38 were in Victor, DeKalb, IL.

I can't find Harley/Harlis or John Seeley in the 1870 census.

1860 census Clinton, DeKalb, IL

- Seely, Thomas, age 68 b. NY
- Seely, Mercy, age 58 b. NY
- Seely, Julia age 33, Melissa age 29, John age 23, Harley age 21, all b. NY

1850 census Clymer, Chautauqua, NY

- Seely, Thomas, age 60 b. NY, farmer
- Seely, Mercy age 48 b. NY
- Seely, Melissa age 20, John age 18, Harvey age 12, Sarah age 8, all b. NY

So it would seem like Walter should be somewhere in this family since there are no other Seeleys in Shabbona. But this next bit is strange:

There is an 1880 death record in Shabbona, DeKalb IL for Walter Seeley age 12 b. IL, NY, NY who died of diphtheria in Mar 1880. If you have any ideas let me hear from you.

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If you would like to submit a query please follow a few guidelines.

Be specific and detailed: Give us all the information you have about the person or family in question, especially dates and locations.

What resources have you already consulted? The SGS publications or website? The census? Cemetery records? County histories? Family Bible? Others? (specify)

What exactly do you want to know? Parents' names and details? Sibling information? Information on a family marrying into the Seeley family? Our sources?

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