

Newton

by James M. Burton, January 2017

A private investigative genealogical thesis on the paternal ancestors of Lucia Ann Newton, of VT, WA, WI, AK in the USA, grandmother of Catherine Eames-Jones. All research was carried out on Ancestry.com, and all documentation leading to the conclusions set out below can be seen under my username 'Spooksprung' - "Eames-Jones" family. Search the member directory at <http://community.ancestry.co.uk/directory/directory.aspx> (fee payable, free at public library). Further work by myself at www.spookspring.com

Colonial family records are well preserved, extensive and thoroughly researched by professional scholars. I did not therefore have to do any special travels to USA or spend timeless hours scouring badly written parish registers, everything has been carefully laid out in clearly legible documents that are available for all to view for free. It is a great irony that it is easier to trace ancestors in a republic than in Crown lands whose principals they rejected so zealously.

The name Newton is generally accepted as deriving from habitational etymology. Thus new : new; ton : town = Newtown, reflecting the status of one who may have founded or settled at a new village after some conquest or grant. 'Aethelfread of Newtown' may have been a typical title to hail one from such before surname usage became law. As there were so many new towns established through the ages it is virtually impossible to narrow them to a common origin in England.

ABBREV: **b:** Born in. **F:** Father. **M:** Mother. **Wi:** Wife. **pres:** presumed. **m.:** Married. **s:** son. **da;** daughter.
Husb: Husband. **Lab:** labourer. **RE:** Real Estate. **Rent:** Rented house. **Own:** Owned house. USA States abbreviated.

Newton Tree

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Daniel Benjamin Newton
(NY 1821 - c.1901 WI?). Farmer, carpenter. 1861 Civil War
1st m.**Cynthia Elizabeth Palmer** (VT 1822-1901 ID)
2nd m.**Elvina Williams (Needham)** (OH 1840-1915 IA)

Charles Henry Newton
(Hinesburg, VT, 1844 - 1915, Tacoma, WA)
m.1865, Shawano, WI, **Lucia Adelle Fosdick**
(OH 1850-1927 WA). Laborer, attorney

- Candis L. Newton (1842-1867 Eden VT)
- George E Newton (VT 1847-1918 WA)
- Robert P. Newton. (VT 1848-1895 WI)
- Sarah Elizabeth Newton (NY 1853-1922 WI)
- Edwin William Newton (NY 1855-1939 WA)
- Eliza Cecilia Newton (NY 1856-1923 WA)
- Charles L. Newton (b.1859 WI)
- Myron Alonzo Newton (WI 1859-1940 WA)
- Orlando W. Newton (WI 1862-1955 ID)
- Hattie Adele May Newton (WI 1865-1891)

Lucia Ann Newton
(WI 1893 - 1936 Juneau, AK)
1st m.1912, Tacoma, WA, **John Jay Gaffney**
(Mockenna, WA 1892 - 1969 Marion, OR)
2nd m.1919, Tacoma, WA, **Archie Beaudin** (1894-70)
3rd m.1935, Juneau, AK, **James Hoag** (1910-36)

- Adell Newton (IA 1865-1928 IA)
- Addie Newton (IA 1866-1880 IA)
- Jane Newton (IA 1868-1953 NE)
- Allen Newton (IA 1870-1955 MN)
- Candice Newton (IA 1875-1894 IA)
- Frank Newton (IA 1877-1952 IA)

- Henry Wallace Newton (WI 1867-1939 WA)
- Evalena Newton (WI 1870-1925 WA)
- Albert Newton (WI 1872-1941 CA)
- Allen Leroy Newton (WI 1874-1915 WA)
- Mae M. Newton (b.1875 WI)
- Emie Newton (b. 1879 WI)
- Estelle E. Newton (WI 1879-1908 WA)
- William Ward Newton (WI 1881-1955 OR)
- Charles Gordon Newton (WI 1883-1900 WA)
- Walter Winford Newton (WI 1885-1925 CA)
- Edna R. Newton (WI 1889-1945 WA)
- Goldie A. Newton (WI 1892-1917 WA)

Dorothy Marie Beaudin (b.1927 AK)
Forrest Beaudin (1923-36 AK)

Berthele Gaffney (b.1913, WA)

Child, Hoag
(1936-36 AK)

John Lewis Gaffney
(1918, Tacoma, WA - 2000 Brunswick, ME)
m.1946 Haverhill, MA, **Dorothea P. Harland**
(AK 1919 - 2013 ME)

Lewis Eames-Jones
Carys Eames-Jones

Irene Eames-Jones

Gareth Eames-Jones
m. Claire L. Jones

Catherine Gaffney
m. **Paul Eames-Jones**

Lucia Ann Newton 1893-1936

Grandmother to Catherine Gaffney

The youngest of 11 children, born in Wisconsin, her story can be followed in detail through that of her husbands John Jay Gaffney, Archie Beaudin, & James Hoag that I previously wrote up in my paper on the '**Gaffney Family 1786-2016**'. Although we do not have a birth certificate detailing her parents, we are 100% sure of her paternity as her father Charles & family came to live in Tacoma, WA in 1900 (census) where she met her 1st husband John Jay Gaffney.

She from many years supporting her labouring husbands in that town became a pioneer in the settlement movement of Alaska in the 1930s, due to her 2nd husband Archie's calling as a shipwright. As we see her 3rd marriage with James Hoag ended in tragedy with the landslide which engulfed her home in 1936, killing both her new husband, son and newly born child. Granddaughter Catherine described her as *“a marvellous cook, but was of questionable reputation, a little crazy at times.”* For details of her children see Gaffney. Of interest her older sister Evalena came to live in Juneau AK, but died there in 1925, from which date Lucia came to be there.

Timeline of Lucia Ann Newton 1893-1936

RECORD	DATE	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE	WORK	BIRTH	NOTES
BIRTH	Dec 1893	Lucia A. Newton	0	Wisconsin	-	Dec 1893 WI	From 1900, 20, 30 Census
CENSUS	1900	Lucia A. Newton	6	6025, Union Av, Tacoma, WA	-	Dec 1893 WI	F: Charles H. Newton, machinist. B: NY. M: Lucia A. Newton B: OH
MARRIAGE	6 Feb 1912	Lucia A. Newton	18	Tacoma, WA	-	-	Tacoma, Pierce, WA. Husb: John Jay Gaffney
DIRECTORY	1912	John J. & Lucia A. Gaffney	21	5823 S Junnet, Tacoma WA	-	-	Husb. is chef
DIRECTORY	1913	John J. & Lucia A Gaffney	22	5-902 So G Tacoma, WA	-	-	Husb. is carman
DIRECTORY	1918	John J. & Lucia Gaffney	25	h 811 Madison, Seattle, WA	-	-	Husb. is clockworker
MARRIAGE	31 Oct 1919	Lucia A Gaffney	26	pres. Tacoma, WA	-	-	Tacoma, Pierce, WA. Husb: Archie Beaudin
CENSUS	1920	Lucia Beaudin	26	San Juan Island, WA	-	1894 WI	F: B: NY. M: B: OH. Husb: Archie Beaudin, Shipwright.
DIRECTORY	1921	Archie & Lucia Beaudin	27	1304, S 7 th , Tacoma, WA	-	-	Husb: cook
DIRECTORY	1922	Archie & Lucia A. Beaudion	28	6240, S Montgomery, Tacoma, WA	-	-	Husb: cook
DIRECTORY	1923	Archie & Lucia A. Beaudion	29	6240, S Montgomery, Tacoma, WA	-	-	Husb: marker
DIRECTORY	1924	Archie W. & Lucia Beaudin	29	2820, So J, Tacoma, WA	-	-	Husb: labourer
CENSUS	1930	Lycia Beaudin	35	58, Eyak Village, Cordova, AK	House keeper	1895 WI	Status: Divorced. F: B: NY. M: B: OH. S: Lewis Beaudin
MARRIAGE	c.1935	Lucia Beaudin	40	AK	-	-	Husb: James F. Hoag. Implied from news report 1936
DEATH	24 Nov 1936	Lucia Hoag	41	Juneau, AK	-	-	Landslide, US newspapers

Charles Henry Newton 1844-1915

Great-grandfather to Catherine Gaffney

Born Vermont into a family of 11, his father Daniel a carpenter, Charles is enlisted in the US Navy for a years service aged 18, described as a 'landsman', the lowest of the ranks. He appears to have been a farm labourer at this time, and returns to that occupation thereafter in Wisconsin. Aged 20 he married Lucia Adelle Fosdick who is reliably aged 15 at the time, their first child appears 2 years later.. Due to young age they produce 12 children in all. Lucia was a lineal descendant of the founding families of new England, who were once quite rich, she being the 2nd eldest daughter may have come with some perks. For further info on her husband see the '**Fosdick**' thesis by the same author. By 1900 he moves to Tacoma, WA is working as a machine shop engineer of sorts, but by 1910 a claims attorney, where he retired to a quiet suburb.

There may be a clue to this switch in career in that in 1900 his son Gordon died in a streetcar accident of which the company were found negligent, and a huge \$100,000 fund was allotted for payout (see link below). We are 100% of his paternity as his death, grave, military and census records consistently and clearly state their names and origins.

Timeline of Charles Henry Newton 1844-1915

RECORD	DATE	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE	WORK	BIRTH	NOTES
BIRTH	20 Sep 1844	Charles H. Newton	0	Hinesburg, Chittenden, VT	-	Sept 1844	From death, grave, military Records
CENSUS	1850	Charles Newton	4	Essex, Chittenden, VT	-	1846, VT	F: Daniel B. Newton, carpenter. B: NY. \$200 RE. M: Cynthia Newton B: VT
CENSUS	1860	Charles Newton	14	Oconto, Stiles, WI	-	1846, VT	F: Daniel B. Newton, carpenter. B: NY. \$100 RE. M: Cynthia E. Newton B: VT
MILITARY	13 Jun 1863	Charles H. Newton	18	?	Farmer, Landerman	Chittenden, VT	US Navy Enlistments, Chicago. Blue eyes, brown hair, 5' 11"
MARRIAGE	20 Feb 1865	Charles H. Newton	20	Shawano, WI	-	-	Wi: Lucia Adelle Fosdick
CENSUS	1870	Charles Newton	25	Shawono, WI	Farm Lab.	1845, VT	Wi: Lucia Newton B: IL. \$200 RE.
CENSUS	1880	Charles Newton	34	100, Green Bay, Shawono, WI	Farm Lab.	1845, VT	F: B: NY. M: B: VT Wi: Lucia Newton B: IL.
CENSUS	1900	Charles H. Newton	59	6025, Union Ave, Tacoma, Pierce, WA	Machinist helper	1845, VT	Rent. F: B: NY. M: B: VT Wi: Lucia Newton B: OH.
CENSUS	1910	Charles H. Newton	67	5823, Junnet St, Tacoma, Pierce, WA	Claims Attorney	1843, VT	Owned. F: B: NY. M: B: VT Wi: Lucia Newton B: OH.
DIRECTORY	1911	Chas H. & Lucia A. Newton	68	5823, Junnet St, Tacoma, Pierce, WA	-	-	-
DIRECTORY	1912	Charles H. & Lucia A. Newton	69	5823, Junnet St, Tacoma, Pierce, WA	Labourer	-	-
DEATH	7 Sep 1915	Charles H. Newton	71	Tacoma, Pierce, WA	-	c.1846	Tacoma Cemetery, Sec 5. Piper Funeral Home Records. F: Daniel Newton. M: Elizabeth Palmer

Children of Charles Henry Newton & Lucia Adelle Fosdick

Great Uncles & Aunts to Catherine Gaffney

- **Henry Wallace Newton** (WI 1867-1939 WA). Pump station, store assistant, farmer. WI, MN & WA. m.Olive E. Finch b.1875. **ISSUE:** Lester Issac Newton (b.1894). m. Grace
- **Evalena Newton** (WI 1870-1925 WA). m.William Louis Scott (1878-1960) an engineer.. No issue. Couple lived in Juneau, AK before Evalena died in 1925 after which sister Lucia moved there.
- **Albert Newton** (WI 1872-1941 CA) farm & rail labour. m.Marion I. No issue.
- **Allen Leroy Newton** (WI 1874-1915 WA). Car mechanic, labourer, moulder. 1st m.Lizzie Esther Ottis (1868-1908). **ISSUE:** Doris Marie Newton (1897-1984). Ward L Newton (1899-1902). Durward Newton (b.1903). 2nd m.Belle Sandefur (1868-1927). **ISSUE:** Fred Sandefur (b.1893). Monty Sandefur (b.1894).
- **Mae M. Newton** (b.1875 WI). Married or died young.
- **Emie Newton** (b. 1879 WI). Died young or married.
- **Estelle E. Newton** (WI 1879-1908 WA). m. --- Rudolph.
- **William Ward Newton** (WI 1881-1955 OR). Fitter, power plant operator, La Grande dam, Tacoma. WWI & II. m.Olga Moebius (b.1889). **ISSUE:** Gordon Henry Newton (1909-1975). Juanita Daisy White (1911-99). Marion Neva Newton (1913-94). Carl Martin Newton (1916-04). Lewis Grover Newton (1918-87). Ruth Ann Newton (1922-99). Sgt.William Spencer Newton (1928-94). Beverly Jean Newton (1932-2008).
- **Charles Gordon Newton** (WI 1883-1900 WA). Streetcar accident aged 17. July 4, 1900, car plunged off cliff in Tacoma. <http://www.historylink.org/File/7477>
- **Walter Winford Newton** (WI 1885-1925 CA). laborer, asst ship's clerk. WWI. m. Janet. No issue.
- **Edna R. Newton** (WI 1889-1945 WA). m. William Brauwn Kerr (b.1886) steel & coal engineer, machinist, foreman petroleum warehouse, aerial operator, farmer, manager Titlow Beach Lodge. No issue.
- **Goldie A. Newton** (WI 1892-1917 WA) m.--- Welch. No issue.
- **Lucia Ann Newton** (as above chapter).



CHAS. H.
NEWTON
SEPT. 20, 1844
SEPT. 7, 1915

Daniel Benjamin Newton 1821-c.1884?

Great Great Grandfather to Catherine Gaffney

Daniel was born c.1821 in New York and works thereafter as a carpenter in Vermont and Wisconsin. He married Cynthia Elizabeth Palmer of VT aged 20, siring at least 12 children. There is debate over what happened to this gent after 1861. We have a Civil War record stating a man of that name enlisted in that year, from which he was discharged in '63, but a genealogist states he died in '65. Cynthia has the status widow in the 1870 & '80 census with children from the marriage, his son Charles H. (above) also married in that year.

However a Daniel B. Newton turns up in the 1880 Iowa census aged 60 (married 1866 age 56) to a Lavinia age 40 with 6 children, and his name changed to David in the 1870 census, with no previous records to this. This mystery is solved from a first hand account of a granddaughter of his 1st wife (see pages below) who states he was previously known as George, and LEFT his wife and 9 children in 1863, confirming this hypothesis. This is why he altered his name to David, but wasn't very successful in hiding that from the enumerator. He may also have had an alias Charles or Dayton, evidenced from other researchers. One assumes he may have been a travelling carpenter or on the run from the military. Cynthia then remarried a Charles Peterson, who died in 1865, which is why she appears in the 1870 census as a widow.

The first child with Lavinia was born in 1858, 8 years before their marriage which might hint at bigamy, but Lavinia had been married previously to a Thomas Williams in 1857, who died in 1864. As for Daniel's death we are not sure, but by 1885 Lavinia has the status of widow and has dropped the Newton name. Did he do another runner? All this info is also confirmed in Lavinia's obituary (below). Walking out on a wife and 10 children to join another of the same size seems bizarre to us, but he obviously had some underlying and important reason to do so.

We have no data on the origins of his parents, in the 1880 census, he states he does not know their origins. So in the absence of certifiable evidence we must defer to the infinite for guidance. It may be possible he was a relation of a Daniel E. Newton of Massachusetts who moved to Vermont and had a saw mill in Eden county, where our Daniel B. 1st married and was working as a carpenter at the exact same time (1840). Their family *also* had a son named Charles H. *also* a carpenter in that town, hinting that *our* Charles H. (above) was a cousin and named in honour, as families often did.

Also, in the one name study of the Newtons, a Benjamin Newton from MA in his will of 1811 names two sons, Benjamin Jnr and Daniel Snr. It is within the perfect time-frame, location and possibility for one of these to name their son Daniel Benjamin in honour of the grandfather, but again I have no proof at all of relationship or of them travelling to NY, but a short distance from MA. As we know of the 9 children of Benjamin Jnr, it would more likely be Daniel Snr, he inherited all his father's property in MA, but has not been proven to have any children, but *is* listed as married on his death certificate.

In 1853-6 *our* Daniel B. moved back to NY at Syracuse, Onondaga, siring 4 children there, might this have been his father's home or property? Both Benjamin Jnr & Daniel Snr above died in 1852 fitting with this theory, but no property is mentioned in their estates as being in NY only MA. Of course he may have been a bastard child of one of these families and abandoned in NY, but retained links with them as compensation for his loss. It seems too much of a coincidence to be a coincidence that as he is working, cohabiting and has similar names to the MA founding families for him to be nothing more than a free loading transportee to the colonies.

The founding father of the Newton MA families is traced back accurately through wills and land grants to a Richard Newton born in 1609, supposedly in England. Many vain attempts have been made to relate him to Sir Issac Newton of fame by suggesting he is his uncle. I can neither prove, disprove or even factually link our Benjamin Daniel to any of these founding families, let alone a hero of calculus. So it remains entirely open to further extensive research.

Timeline for Daniel Benjamin Newton 1821-c.1884

RECORD	DATE	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE	WORK	BIRTH	NOTES
BIRTH	1821	Daniel B. Newton	0	New York	-	1821, New York	From Military and Census records
MARRIAGE	1842	Daniel B. Newton	20	VT?	?	-	Eden, Lamoille, Vermont. Wi: Cynthia Elizabeth Palmer.
CENSUS	1850	Daniel B. Newton	30	Essex, Chittenden, VT	Carpenter & Joiner	1820, NY	Wi: Cynthia Newton B: VT. \$200 RE.
CHILD BIRTH	1853-6	Daniel B. Newton	33	Syracuse, Onondaga, NY	?	-	
CENSUS	1860	Daniel B. Newton	39	Stiles, Oconto, WI	Carpenter & Joiner	1821, NY	Wi: Cynthia E. Newton B: VT. \$100 RE.
MILITARY	1 Nov 1861	Daniel Newton	42	?	Private, Civil War	?	Malone, NY. C Company 98 th Infantry. Expiration 1863, Chaffins Farms, VA
MILITARY	1863	Daniel Newton	44	?	Private, Civil War	?	Discharged from army, left 1 st wife, testimony from granddaughter
MARRIAGE	1866	David B. Newton	48	Webster City, Hamilton, IA	?	?	m.Elvira Williams (née Needham)
CENSUS	1870	Cynthia Newton		Oconto, WI	Widow	VT	Children from 1860 present
CENSUS	1870	David B. Newton	50	Webster, Hamilton, IA	Farmer	1820, NY	Wi: Lavinia Newton. B: OH m.1866
CENSUS	1880	Dan B. Newton	60	Webster, Hamilton, IA	Farmer	1820, NY	F. & M. B: ?? Wi: Lavinia Newton. B: OH. m.1866
DEATH?	1884 or 1901?	Daniel Newton	64/ 81?	IA? WI?	-	-	Inferred as wi. Lavinia is widow in 1885 census, but also 1901 death cert in WI

Children of Daniel Benjamin Newton & 1st wife Cynthia Elizabeth Palmer

G. Grand Uncles & Aunts to Catherine Gaffney

- **Candis L. Newton** (1842-1867 Eden, Lamoille, VT). m.Oberlin E. Bigalow (1837-1896) (origin Suffolk via Netherlands 1600s). Farmer, Civil war vet. No issue.
- **Charles Henry Newton** (as above section).
- **George E Newton** (VT 1847-1918 WA). Farm lab, knitting mill. m.Addie Amy Smith (b.1849). Died suddenly working on the railroads.
- **Robert P. Newton.** (VT 1848-1895 WI). Farmer, lumber mill. Convicted of 2nd degree murder of Richard Kingston. Shot over row about blankets. 25 years solitary in Waupun prison died there. Previously cautioned 1881 for shooting at a sheriff when his 3 children were being taken into custody due to starvation and neglect. m.Hannah Tourillott. (1858-1900). **ISSUE:** Daniel Newton (1874-1983). Ira Newton (1876-1949). Ephraim Newton (1877-1880). Leah Newton (b.1879).
- **Sarah Elizabeth Newton** (NY 1853-1922 WI) m.George Washington High (1846-1915), saw mill. **ISSUE:** Charles High (1870-1870). Mary High (1872-1872). William Lyman High (1874-1938). George Rodney High (1877-1957). Bertha Mary High (1881-1961). Lincoln Taylor High (1884-1958). Martin Hoeft, Jr. (b.1884)
- **Edwin William Newton** (NY 1855-1939 WA). Farm lab. Door carpenter 1st m.Elsie Adelaida Duell (1856-1915). **ISSUE:** Francis Newton 1877. Silas Wesley Newton (1879-1961). Emma May Newton (1880-1888). Elmer Newton (1882-1945). Edina Newton (1884). Edward Myron Newton (1884-1961). Claude Newton (1886-1959). Veda Newton (1891). Albert Newton (1893). Lesley Newton (1897). 2nd m.Margaret M. Ribble Burnham (1869-1933). No issue.
- **Eliza Cecilia Newton** (NY 1856-1923 WA). m.John Veranserler Wilks (1845-1933), farmer, road supervisor. **ISSUE:** John William Wilks (1873-1955). Edward Wilks (b.1875). Emeline Wilks (b.1876). Eliza Lucinda Smith (1878-1953). George Franklin Wilks (1883-1965). Martha E. Wilks (b.1888). Lily Ester Wilks (b.1889). Lottie Mamie Lantz (1891-1949). William Dave Wilks (1892-1928). Josse Florence Wilks (1894-1982). Zoa "Florence" Wilks (b.1894). Ruth E Wilks (b.1896). Bertha Myrtle Wilks (b.1898). William Smith (b.1900).
- **Charles L. Newton** (b.1859 WI). Rail Lab., farmer, river shell digger, clerk. m.Ester R Newton (b.1868). **ISSUE:** Chancy R Newton (1885-1920). Stacy Edwin Newton (1887-91)
- **Myron Alonzo Newton** (WI 1859-1940 WA) iron prospector, logger, laborer. 1st m. Ida Maye Duell (1862-1926) **ISSUE:** Maude Cora Newton (1881-1966). Mable Louisa Newton (1884-1954). Emma Pearl Newton (1886-1962). Ivy Newton (1897). 2nd m. Emma Lucindia Markham (1871-1943). **ISSUE:** Bertha Rozina Newton (1895-1976). Iva Irene Newton (1896-1992). Elden Newton (1900-1955).
- **Orlando W. Newton** (WI 1862-1955 ID) farmer, laborer. m.Bertha Bublitz (1872-1925). **ISSUE:** Henry Newton (1892-1970). Frank Newton (b.1913).
- **Hattie Adele May Newton** (WI 1865-1891). No issue.

Children of Daniel Benjamin Newton & 2nd wife Elvina Williams (née Needham)

G. Grand Uncles & Aunts to Catherine Gaffney

- **Adell Newton** (IA 1865-1928 IA) m. John Willis Vonnieda, (1873-1964) farmer. **ISSUE:** Elsie Vonnieda (b.1906).
- **Addie Newton** (IA 1866-1880 IA). Died age 14 diptheria.
- **Jane Newton** (IA 1868-1953 NE) m. Francis J. Bentley 1863-1942, lather, carpenter. **ISSUE:** Lee L. Bentley (b.1889). Arthur N. Bentley (1891-1985). Olive H. Bentley (1893-1984). Marilyn L. Bentley (1901-1999). Lowell R. Bentley (1903-1993)
- **Hattie Newton** (IA 1870-1953 SD). m. Samuel A. Vonnieda (1862-1921), farmer, blacksmith. **ISSUE:** Harvey Glen Vonnieda (1890-1962). Ethel Vonneida (1896-1983). Floyd R Von Nieda (1901-1902).
- **Allen Newton** (IA 1870-1955 MN). Farmer. (Took name Williams, most of his children were 'feeble minded') m. Viola M Daniels (1880-1966). **ISSUE:** Goldie Williams (1900-1985). Lyda Williams (1904-1914). Edna Williams (1906-1986). Merlyn Williams (b.1908). Belva Mae Williams (1910-1995). Milo Williams (1911-1986). Bell Marie Williams (1914-2003). Mellie Williams (b.1916). Rose Violet Williams (1918-2004).
- **Candice Newton** (IA 1875-1894 IA) died age 19.
- **Frank Newton** (IA 1877-1952 IA). Farmer. 1st m. Carrie J. Brower (1883-1943). 2nd m. Sarah Ellen Wood. No issue.

(VII) Daniel E. Newton, son of Daniel E. Newton, was born about 1815, in Worcester. He lived in Grafton, Mass., a few years, and removed about 1840 to Upton, in the same county. About 1850 he settled in Fletcher, Vermont, afterward living in Lowell and Eden, in that state. He was a shoemaker by trade, and also a farmer. He married, at Grafton, Oct. 19, 1837, Amanda M. Drury, of Walpole, Mass. Children, born at Grafton; Martha Jane, April 6, 1838; Henry Howard, mentioned below. Born at Upton: Harriet Caroline, Jan. 16, 1842; Ruth Eliza, October 29, 1844; Mary A., January 24, 1846; Francis A., December 6, 1848. In Vermont: Rev. Oliver E., now of East Thompson, Connecticut; Clinton; Frederick.

(VIII) Henry Howard Newton, son of Daniel E. Newton, was born December 15, 1839, at Grafton, Massachusetts. He came to Vermont with his parents, and lived in Eden and Lowell, Vermont. He owned and operated a saw mill for a number of years, and also followed farming. He is now living at Lowell Vermont, retired. In politics he is a Republican. He represented the town of Eden in the state legislature in 1888, and for a number of years was deputy sheriff of Orleans county. He was selectman of Eden, member of the school board, and has held other offices of trust and honor. He was made a Master Mason at Cambridge, Vermont, and is now a member of Troy Lodge, and of the local chapter, Royal Arch

Possible relations to Daniel B. Newton. Extract from 'New England families, genealogical and memorial'
Vol 4 p.2144. By William Richard Cutter. Pub 1914, Lewis Historical Pub. Co.
<https://archive.org/stream/newenglandfamili041847#page/n573/mode/2up>

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE PROBATE COURT AND THE WILL.

1811. Benjamin Newton, Worcester, 43068 A.
 Will copied, allowed September 3, 1811.
 Decree.
 Bond of Molly Newton, widow, appointed Exx.
 Sept. 3, 1811,
 \$10,000 (Silas Hemenway)
 (Abel Wesson) Sureties.

Affidavit. of notice,
 Inventory. Beal \$1122.67
 Total \$1769.05
 Personal includes cattle, farm products and tools, furniture and notes.
 Letter to Judge from Daniel Holbrook.

Will allowed Sept. 3, 1811.

In the name of God Amen, I Benjamin Newton of Worcester, in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Yeoman, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound and perfect mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following; that is to say—

First I give and bequeath unto my son Benjamin Newton Jur. and to my son Daniel Newton, all my wearing apparel to be equally divided between them— And I also hereby relinquish unto my son Benjamin the payment of all monies due from him to me on Notes of hand or otherwise, excepting one hundred Dollars and the Interest thereof from the date of his note, on the sole condition however, that he shall not bring any demand against me, or my estate after my decease: which with what I have heretofore given him, will make his full share in my estate—

Also I give and bequeath unto my eight Daughters (viz) Nabby, Molly, Esther, Thankfull Susanna, Anna, Sally and Harriet, one Dollar each, and I also give unto my said Daughters the aforesaid one hundred Dollars, due from my son Benjamin, with the Interest thereof from the date of his note, to be equally divided and paid to them respectively by my Executrix hereafter named in two years from and after my decease—

And also my will is, that my said Daughter Anna shall have the privilege of making my house her home free of any expence to her, so long as she shall remain single and unmarried

Also, my Will is, and I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Molly Newton, after the payment of my just debts and funeral charges, the remainder of all my personal estate of every denomination— And I also give and devise unto my said wife the use and improvement of all my real estate wherever the same may be situated during her natural life, subject however to such annual support as I am under obligation to furnish to my venerable Aunt Thankful Stearns, widow and Relict of Bazael Stearns dec—

Also I give and devise unto my son Daniel Newton in fee, after his mothers decease, the remainder of all my real estate, wherever the same may be situated, to him his Heirs or assigns forever

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my said wife Molly Newton sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament; hereby revoking all former wills by me made or executors by me appointed—

In witness whereof I have herennto set my hand and seal, this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Eleven—

Benjamin Newton (Seal)

Obituary for Mrs Elvira Needham (2nd Wife of Daniel Benjamin Newton)

Researched from the Lehigh Valley Argus, Apr.23, 1914, "Mrs. Elvira Williams Newton passed away at her home in Homer, Monday night, age 74 years, death being due to old age and complications of diseases. Funeral services were held in the Christian church, conducted by Rev. John Estick. Interment in the Homer cemetery."

OBITUARY: Miss Elvina Needham was born at Canton, Ohio, Feb. 26, 1840 and died of apoplexy, at her home in Homer, April 14, 1914, after three days illness. She came to Iowa at the age of fifteen. She married Thomas Williams in 1857, he dying in 1864. To this union were born four children; Josiah M. Williams near Stratford, Albert W. Williams of St. Louis, Mo, .Mrs. E. E. Claflin near this city and Mrs. J.W. VonNieda of Adel, Iowa. Mrs. Williams was again married in 1866 to D.B.Newton of New York state. To this union were born four children: Allen Newton residing south of this city; Frank Newton of Mitchell, S.D.; and Mrs. Frank J. Bentley of this city. The funeral was held at the Christian church in Homer at two o'clock, April 15th. The deceased having united with that church of which she was a faithful member, at the age of 15. (This obituary came from Maralyn L. Christenson, granddaughter of Elvina Needham, probably from the Webster City paper.)

<http://iagenweb.org/boards/hamilton/obituaries/index.cgi?review=2374>

"GRANDMA BOOKER"

aka Cynthia Elizabeth Palmer, 1st wife of Daniel Benjamin Newton

G.G. Grandmother to Catherine Gaffney

"I found this story on the Oconto County Genweb genealogy site; I have included it here exactly as written by Cecial N. Ralston". *(In turn this was posted on Ancestry.co.uk)*

"Grandma Booker, as my father remembered her, was an expert in a lot of ways. One story he told about himself gave some proof that she could handle perverse children. My father had quite a temper and as a child he would demonstrate it very actively. Howling and screaming, he would throw himself on the floor and hold his breath till he would turn a shade of blue. Cynthia never paid much attention except to pick up the water pail and douse him with the entire contents and proceed to walk from the room, leaving him to figure out his own predicament.

She was a very cool lady. She is also reported to be a bit on the spiritual side. My father told us that when one of her sons died she was told about (it) by rapping noises that went all around the house. The next day she received the news. It was true, Cynthia did many things for other people. They could count on her if they were ill. They called on her day or night and it didn't matter who they were. White or Indian, she would go to help. On one of

her night time missions she was making her way through the trees and brush. Parting the undergrowth with her hands. Suddenly her hand contracted a heavy furry head and said, "Mr. Bruin", you go your way and I'll go mine", and off she went. I think she had a very deep and abiding faith in a Supreme Being and I am sure he watched over her at all times. The more I learn about her the more pride I feel that I have such a strong person for an ancestor. I feel that I know her."

"When I found this story on the Genweb Site, I sent an email to the person who posted it inquiring if this is the Cynthia that was married to George E. Booker of Oconto, WI. I received a return email from the descendent of Cynthia Peterson and Cecial Ralston who wrote the story and it goes as follows:

October 3, 2009 to Roberta Annala "Hello, The story written about Grandma Booker was written in the first person by my aunt. She is deceased. However, I wanted to preserve the information and placed it in the form you found it. Cynthia Booker married George Booker after her second marriage ended in the death of her husband, Charles Peterson. She was older than he was and my guess is that she cared for him in exchange for a place to live. She also had other children that were not on their own as far as I know.

Cynthia's maiden name was Palmer. Her father, Robert Palmer, died before they left Vermont in 1850. Her first husband, George or later Daniel Benjamin Newton, left her sometime in 1862 or 3. She had 9 or 10 children and some of them were pretty young. After George Booker died, Cynthia moved west with two of her sons. She died in 1903 in Idaho. There may be some relatives in Lewiston, I have to check on that.

My grandfather was the youngest son of Cynthia's daughter Sarah. She married a man by the name of George Washington High. My father was the oldest son of George and Sarah's youngest son Lt High. And now that you are completely confused, my name is Luon nee High Gueller. Feel free to contact me again. I will try to answer any questions I can.

Thanks for the information. Lu"