Beadle Family—Town of Sweden, NY

In 1808, **Robert** and **John Bedell** came to Sweden from Oneida County to look over the land which their father had seen while serving as a captain in Sullivan's Army. They purchased land east of the Lake Road on or near the Swamp Road.

Their father, **Capt. John Bedell**, and his wife, **Abigail Cleveland**, came from Bath, N. H. They had thirteen children, but it would appear that only **Johnson**, **Abigail** and **John** moved to Sweden to make this area their homes. (**Robert** married **Susanna Chapin**, but there is no record that he remained here).

Johnson Bedell (1774-1844) was the owner of the first tavern which was opened between 1808-1810. He is buried in East Lake Cemetery with his wife, **Sally**.

Abigail married **James**, son of **Robert Bedel**, probably a distant relative from Bath, N. H. They emigrated to Sweden between 1808-1810. The first will probated in Monroe Co. was that of **James Bedel**, according to a document in the possession of the **Peake** families. They had nine children: **Johnson**, **Philetus** (married **Sarah Sanford**), **Louisa**, **Lorena** (married **Amos Stickney**), **Esther**, **James**, **Moses**, **Ickabod** (married **Mary Wheelock** – children were **Rufus** and **Addie Pollock**), and **Ruth**.

Moses Beedle married **Mehitable**, daughter of **Moses Stickney**, and their children were: **Lavinia**, **Keziah**, and **John**. **John** married **Mary Gill** (children were **Harry**, **Alvin**, **Florence** and **Lewis**). Granddaughter **Florence** married **Howard Peake** (sons were **Waldo** and **Arthur**). Great grandson **Arthur Peake** married **Sarah Rowell** and their four children are **Arthur Jr.**, **Mildred Carpenter**, **Janet Clark** and **Betty Jean**, all of whom, except **Arthur Jr.** are local residents.

Waldo Peake, grandson of **Moses Beedle** married **Mary Robinson** and their sons were **Ralph** and **Everett**. **Ralph**, who married **Madeline Jubenville**, lives with his family on Colby Street on the old homestead. **Everett Peake** and his wife, **Patricia White**, live on the **Ichabod Beedle** homestead.

The children of **Leo Beadle** are also descendents of the pioneer family of **James** and **Abigail Bedel**.

John Beedle (1798-1872) married **Abigail**, daughter of **Samuel** and **Martha Bentley** of Rhode Island. He bought land on the Beadle Road from his cousin, **Rowland Saunders**. **Rev. John Beedle** preached in the Methodist Church of Sweden Center. Their children were: **Levi**, **Zilphia**, **Zenas**, **Martha**, **Eunice**, **J. Wesley**, **Almon**, **Joseph**, **Sarah**, **William** and **Mary**. Of his nine children who attained adulthood – **Almon**, **Zenas** and **Wesley** remained in Sweden. **Zenas** (1822-1904) married **Emily Davis**, daughter of **Horatio Davis** of Riga. **Walter**, **Emily**, **Carrie** and **Edward** were their children. **Walter** married **Hattie Sheldon** of Sweden and moved to LeRoy where his descendents still reside. **Carrie** married **Oliver Day** and moved to Buffalo. Edward lived on the farm, which **Zenas** bought on the corner of Beadle and Lake Roads. He married **Elizabeth Emilcamp**, who was born in Holland.

J. Wesley married **Elizabeth Bentley**, daughter of **Samuel Bentley**, a pioneer, They had one son, **Roy**, who married **Carrie Johnson** and their son, **Stanley**, and his wife, **Dorothy Harmo**r, live in West Sweden with their children: **Betty**, **Rosalie**, **Elaine** and **George**.

Almon Beedle (1821-1909) married **Abigail Avery**. **Almon** lived on the homestead and at one time raised hops. (See account of old hophouse.) His children were: **Frances**, **Sarah**, **Llewelyn**, **George** and **Gertrude**. **Frances** married **Charles Sheldon** and lived for a time on the **Benjamin Sheldon** homestead on the Fourth Section Road. **Leland**, **Edith** and **Clinton** were their children. **Gertrude** married **Benjamin Burch**. Their children were: **Francis**, **Marian**, **Lorraine** and **Harold**. All have married and moved away from the immediate area. **Francis Burch** married **Pauline Masters** and they have a son, **Hale**, who married **Amy Meinhold**. **Francis'** second marriage was to **Myrtle Knapp**. **Francis** now resides in Hilton with his wife, **Betty Reed**, and their three sons: **John**, **Fred** and **James**.

After the old homestead burned, **George** and **Llewelyn Beadle** lived as bachelors in the hophouse. In 1910 **George** built a new house for his bride, **Wilhelmina**, daughter of **Stephen Sheppard**. Besides farming and raising a family, **George Beadle** was active in politics and also found time to exercise his excellent bass voice. He sang in several musicales and was a member of the Presbyterian Choir for over fifty years. They had four girls: **Mary Louise**, **Margaret** and **Marjorie** (twins) and **Eunice**. **Mary Louis** married **Robert Henion** and they have one daughter, **Mary Eunice**. **Margaret** married **Floyd Freer** and now lives in Wolcott. **Marjorie** lives in New York City. **Eunice** married **Glen Baker**. They have three children: **Bill**, **Marnie** and **Louise** and they live in Macedon. **Mary Eunice Henion** and **Marnie Baker** are

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the third generation to attend the College at Brockport.

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