

**Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner**  
**Parents of Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon**

February 9, 2025

Frederick Beckner	Mary Locke
b. about 1765 VA	b. about 1766 Fleming County, KY
d. before 3/9/1840 Lewis County, MO estate probated 3/13/1840 in Lewis County, MO	d. before 9/25/1845 Lewis County, MO estate probated 10/4/1845 in Lewis County, MO
m. about 1792 possibly in KY	
Census Records for Frederick and Mary: 1800 Second Census of Kentucky Tax Lists 1810 census, Flemingsburg, Fleming, KY 1820 census, Fleming County, KY 1830 census, Western Division, Fleming County, KY	
12 children, including Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon b. about 1811 in Fleming County, KY; m. Newbold J NJ Cannon, 1/15/1829, Fleming County, KY; d. 9/17/1870 in Clark or Lewis County, MO, buried Wyaconda Cemetery, Canton Twp., Lewis County, MO.	

***The following narrative is a compilation of any and every bit of information that I could find, whether on the internet at sites such as ancestry.com, genealogy forums, histories of the various areas involved, census records, legal documents, or personal correspondence. Because I'm using such a variety of sources, there is little uniformity in spelling of names, and often not in dates. I've tried to filter out bad information and be consistent in what I include.***

***That said, there are many variations that occur in people's names, and it can get very confusing, particularly considering how often children were named for their parents or other close relatives. I wish I knew how people referred to themselves, but usually there is no way for us to know. In a few cases, such as a signature or a reference on a legal document, we may be able to determine an accurate name, but people aren't always consistent about how they signed their names. Many times names were spelled as they sounded, so you can find numerous variations. Concerning Ruamy's name: I have seen it spelled Ruamy, Rhuamy, Rheuamy (from her tombstone). Frederick's will says Ruamy, but in her case, I went with her tombstone spelling. That's what her family thought was the correct spelling.***

***I am not sure how to spell Silvy; I've seen Silvy, Sylvy, Silvey, etc. I used the spelling that was used in the will.***

***I've transcribed many legal documents. As best as I could, I transcribed verbatim what I read, including what might be considered misspellings. I like the historical value and the charm of using the spelling as it was originally done, but am also leery of changing spelling to fit what I think they were trying to say; I might not understand 18<sup>th</sup> century jargon, and could make errors. So, other than the possible typo on my part, 'misspellings' in the transcribed documents follow from the original. Occasionally I added bold type so that I would be able to easily notice particularly important information.***

***Pam West, July 2008***

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### Frederick Beckner

Frederick Beckner was born about 1765, in VA, possibly Hampshire (according to rootweb, Hannah, his daughter, was born in Hampshire, VA, in 1795).

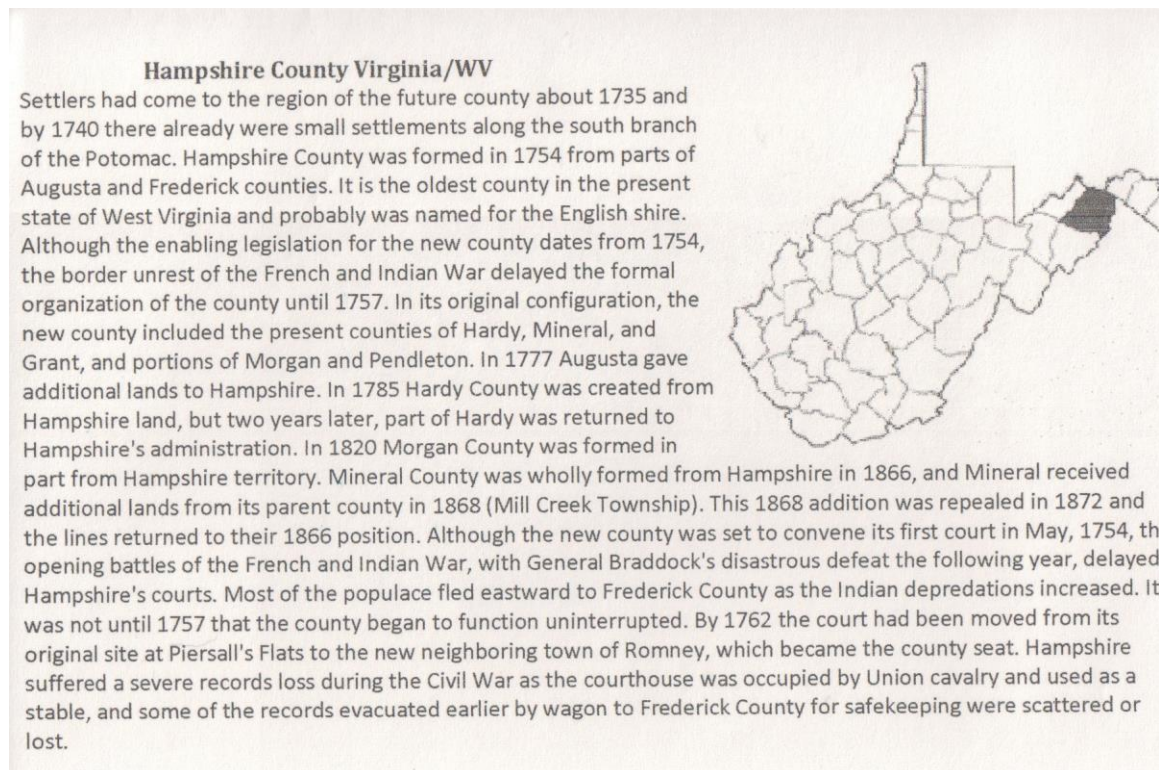
What we know so far is that **Frederick's grandfather, Johann Nicholas Beckner, was born about 1704, in Baden, Germany, died before 1779, in KY. He immigrated with his son, Peter (Frederick's father), and family. Johann may have been naturalized in Philadelphia.**

Johann Nickel Bückener from *Pennsylvania German Pioneers*, ancestry.com, German pioneers arriving at Philadelphia between 1727 and 1808

**Note: I found the following: Pennsylvania Naturalizations, 1740-73, Name: Johannes Bekner, Location: Philadelphia Co.**

**Peter Beckner, Frederick's father, was born about 1738 in Baden, Germany, and died after 1820 in Fleming County, KY. Peter married Mary ?.**

Frederick married Mary Locke, about 1792, possibly in KY.



Hampshire County, KY settlers info

### Beckners and the Church of the Brethren

There has been a scholarly study done of the Brethren of the Dunker Church. Apparently this community had close philosophical ties to the German Baptist church; both believed in adult baptism (hence their names). From Allegheny Passages, Churches and Families, West Marva District, Church of the Brethren, 1752 - 1990, I found several references to both the Overly and the Beckner families. I've included

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sections of this article in the Beckner notebook. The website is <http://www.tarvinfamily.org/AlleghenyPassage.pdf>

Besides the references to Frederick Beckner, there are Peter and Henry Beckner referenced in various places. I take these to be Frederick's dad (Peter) and brother.

From page 50-51

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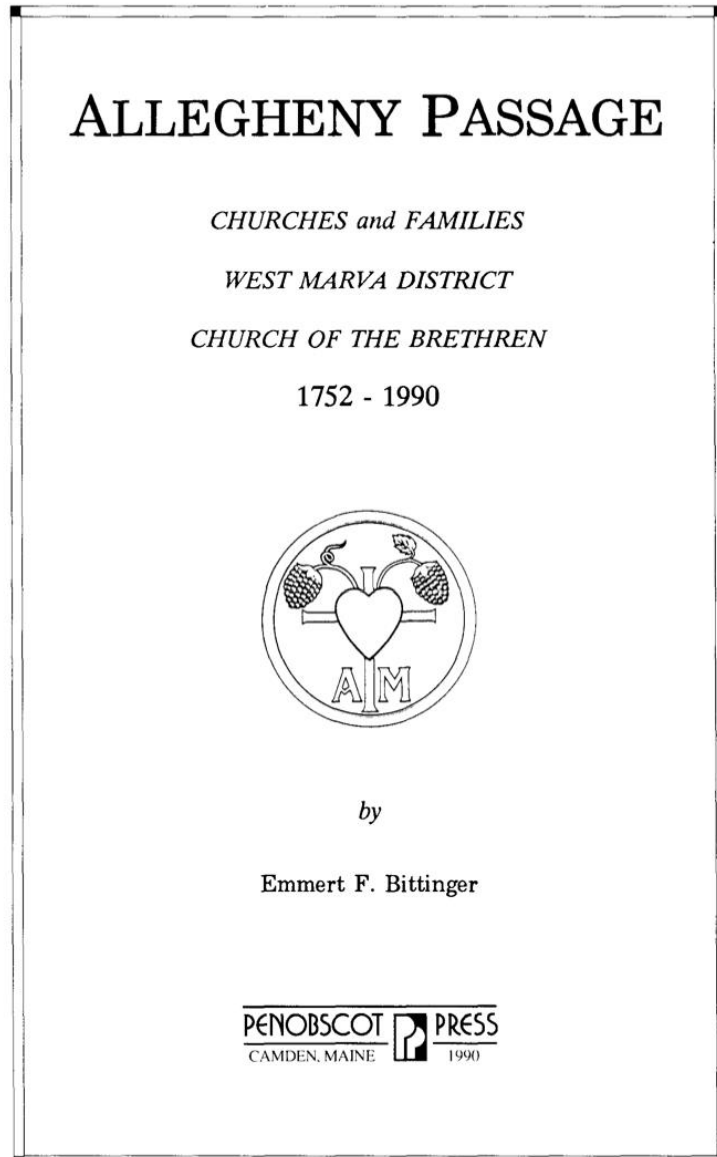
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Beckner, Allegheny Passage.1

The presence of Jacob Chrisman in Hampshire County, and his association with the Brethren on the Cacapon, is fully revealed by a land record in which George and Sarah Tarvin sold 417 acres of land about one mile from the Potomac River to John Easton (also spelled Easter in Hampshire County, records) on Oct. 18, 1794. Witnesses to this transaction were Lewis Throckmorton, Henry Beckner, Jacob Chrisman, and Charles McCracken. John Easter was located on the Great Cacapon as were the lands of George Tarvin, Dunker minister who migrated to Kentucky around the year 1794.

**Beckner, Henry Beckner, Allegheny Passage, p. 37**

Jacob Chrisman, III, the husband of Mary Overley (the family which is buried in the Dunker Log Union Cemetery), was selling his land in 1794 and 1795 in preparation for going to Kentucky. Purchasers of his land which lay in Hampshire County, were Peter Beckner, William Allender, Angus McDonald, Jacob Jenkins, and William Baker (Sage and Jones, 8).

**Beckner, Peter Beckner, Allegheny Passage, p. 38**

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**Beckner, Daniel, Henry, Peter Beckner, Allegheny Passage, p. 49**

## THE OVERLEY (OVERLY, OBERLY) FAMILY

Well established as Brethren in Kentucky, the Overley family also was a part of the Dunker community on the Cacapon River. Peter Overley was likely present in the Cacapon River Community by 1789 or before, because in 1789 he purchased 352 acres of land located on Sidling Hill (Sims Index, 217). Dunker minister Daniel Newcomb also owned land on Sidling Hill, and thus the two families were neighbors.

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<sup>22</sup> The Lost River Valley lies some fifteen or twenty miles across the mountain to the east of the South Branch Valley.

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**Beckner, Frederick, dau Mary, Overlys, Allegheny Passage, p. 50, 51**

## Family Group Record

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Husband **Johan Nicholas Beckner**  
Wife **Unknown**

### Notes

HUSBAND - Johan Nicholas Beckner (Continued)

moved side by side to Virginia and their families were close for several generations.)

There does not seem to have been any other Beckner families in the Pennsylvania area during these early years. The only exception is a tax listing for a Jacob Beckner, with 200 acres, in 1783, however, the tax list shows that there are no inhabitants on this property. This listing could well refer to either Jacob, son of Nicholas Jr., or Jacob, son of Lawrence, and not necessarily an elderly man as some have suggested. If there was another family in the area, there most likely would have been more evidence than a one year tax listing. Therefore, we have listed Marillis, John, Magdalena, Michael, Peter and Henry as additional "probable" children of the immigrant Johann Nicholas Beckner.

CHILD 1 - Johan Nicholas Beckner Jr.  
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The first mention of Nicholas in the new world appears on the 1750 Tax Records of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, where he is listed as Nicolous Bickener of Bethel Twp. [A New Index - Lancaster County, PA by Hawbaker and Groff, 1982] Nicholas appears on the 1762, 1772, and 1779-1783 Tax Lists in Berwick Township, York County, Pennsylvania. (Pennsylvania Archives Series 3, Vol 2) The 1783 reports Nicholas as having 150 acres and six inhabitants. The additional six people would have been his wife Anna, and children David, Henry, Mary, Joseph, and Catherine. The four older boys are all listed separately for that year. By 1781, Nicholas had moved his family to Botetourt County, Virginia. Deed Book 3, page 463,(1787) in Botetourt County shows Nicholas purchased 158 acres on Looney's Creek from John and Mary Moore for 150 pounds. The Virginia Genealogist (vol 9) lists Nicholas on the Botetourt County Tax List of 1800. In 1797 and 1801, there are deeds for Nicholas selling several acres of his land. Although no additional land purchases were located, there must have been some for, in 1805, Nicholas deeded 102 acres each to his two youngest sons Henry and Joseph. Deed Book 8, ppg 594-595, of the Botetourt County records reads, "for and in consideration of the said Joseph (and Henry) agreeing to comfortably and decently support and maintain their father and mother, the said Nicholas and Anna his wife and provide them with everything necessary for their comfortable accommodation and living in their old age, as long as they or either of them shall live. It is to be understood that if they fail to comply with the terms stated, the title of the land would revert to Nicholas and this deed become void." Nicholas died late in 1812. An inventory of Nicholas' estate can be found in the records of the January term of County Court for 1813.

CHILD 3 - Lawrence Beckner

Lawrence is not found on any immigration records, as he would have been seven years old at the time of their arrival in 1740, and children had to be fifteen years old to be listed separately from their parents.

Lawrence is found on the 1762, 1772, 1779-1783 Tax Lists for York County, Pa. He is also shown on the 1781 Muster List in York County. The year 1762 appears to be the earliest that the Beckner name is found in this part of Pa. It is assumed that the family resided in the Philadelphia area (their port city) until about 1760. In 1770, Lawrence's name, as well as the names of Daniel, Nicholas, and Johan Nicholas, were found on the rolls of the Great Conewago Church, in York County. The first deed found for Lawrence in Virginia is in Botetourt County (Deed Bk 3, pg 399) and is dated 8 August 1780. It records the purchase of 200 acres on Looney's Mill Creek for four hundred British Pounds Sterling. This land adjoined "The Great Road". Lawrence also appears on an 1800 Botetourt Tax List as being over 21 and owning no horses. Lawrence's will, written 21 May 1802 (Will Book B, pg 23), and probated at the October court that year, gives his land (72 ac.) to his son Daniel and (105 ac.) to his son Jonathan. To the remainder of his children, Jacob Beckner, John Beckner, Elizabeth Simmons and Susanna Garman, he bequeathed money (expressed in British pounds). The will was probated October, 1802.

CHILD 4 - John Beckner

Very little is known about John. The name John Beckner, spelled variously as Bicknard, Bickner, Bigner, Beckanan, etc., can be found on the rolls of the New Jersey Tax Lists. A John Beckner is listed from 1772 until 1789 in Middlesex County. The National Archives Revolutionary War Records also list a John Beckner, Sr. and a John Jr. on its rolls. Their military files are filled with interesting information, but reveal no additional genealogical facts. In 1792, in Middlesex County, the local newspaper listed the following, "The creditors of John Beckner, insolvent debtor, are to meet with judges of the Middlesex County Court of Common Pleas on 6 Apl 1792." (Wilson, p373) (Unfortunately, the records of the Court of Common Pleas are no longer available for this time period.) On 11 Jan 1798, in Middlesex County, there is a marriage record for a John Brackner to Charity Stephenson. Insufficient research has been done in the state of New Jersey at this time.

CHILD 5 - Michael Beckner

Michael first appears on the 1762 Tax List of York County, Pennsylvania. He next appears on the 1772, 1778, 1781, and 1789 Tax Lists for Middlesex County, New Jersey. In 1793, he appears on the New Jersey special census for Somerset County. He is on the tax lists for Somerset County in 1793 as well. In 1802 and 1806, a William Beckner appears on the Somerset County Tax Lists. In 1815, a Jacob Beckner appears. The National Archives Revolutionary War Records list a Michael Bickner and a Henry Beckner in the same unit, the 1st New Jersey Regiment, as brother John Beckner. The New Jersey Index of Wills lists two possibilities: Jacob Beckner who died 1871 in Cumberland County, and William and Elizabeth Bickner who died in 1845 in Mercer County. The will for Jacob Beckner has not

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Husband	Johan Nicholas Beckner
Wife	Unknown
Notes	
CHILD 5	- Michael Beckner (Continued) been reviewed at this time. The wills for William and Elizabeth Bickner did not list any children but did list a nephew, William B. Furman and his son William Furman; a nephew, Thomas Sodon; a sister, Katherine Beckner Sodon; and a niece, Mary Compton. This information ties in with a record from the Kingson Presbyterian Church which shows a marriage for Thomas Sodon to Catherine Bickner 16 Jan 1794. This same church lists an adult baptism for a William Bickner 2 Oct 1841. (Index to the Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey)
CHILD 6	- Peter Beckner Peter first appears on the 1787 Census of Virginia. It is interesting that he has not yet been found on any lists in Pennsylvania, and would be a point toward believing that Peter is not connected to Johan Nicholas Beckner. However, the name Peter Becker was a very common one in the 1700's, in Pennsylvania. It is very possible and indeed, highly probable that Peter's name is on documents there, but under the Becker spelling. Hampshire County, Virginia, (now West Virginia) records show that Peter owned land there from December, 1794, until 9 April 1798. Henry and Frederick are shown to be in Hampshire County at this exact time, and certainly must be sons of Peter. Their settlement in the Cacapon Valley of Hampshire County appears to be tied to the Brethren community which sprang up there. The names of owners of adjoining lands, Kesler, Chrisman, Tarvin, for example, are names familiar to the Brethren community. The settlement was an off-shoot of the Frederick County, Maryland, community, which was itself, an off-shoot of the Pennsylvania Brethren. Among the Pennsylvania communities was the Conewago church. This is the same community to which Johan Nicholas, Nicholas and Lawrence belonged. Peter moved on to Kentucky about 1800, along with other members of the Cacapon Brethren community. He appears on the 1810 Fleming County, Kentucky, Census. No other records have been found for Peter. It is assumed that he died in Fleming County.
CHILD 8	- Henry Beckner This Henry may have naturalized in Maryland in 1771, as there is evidence of his presence in Maryland at that time. This would put his immigration date at 1764 or earlier. Henry appears only on the 1790 Pennsylvania Census.
Sources	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Botetourt County, Va, Court Records.</li> <li>2. William Everett Beckner, Beckners of Botetourt, 1928.                          Gives date of death as 1813.</li> <li>3. William Everett Beckner, Beckners of Botetourt.</li> <li>4. Botetourt County, Va, Court Records.</li> <li>5. Hampshire County, WV, Vital Records, Deeds, Vol II, p516-18.                          Deed shows names of Peter Beckner and wife, Mary Beckner.</li> <li>6. York County, PA, Historical Society, York County, PA, Marriage Records.</li> <li>7. Squires, Linda, Kane-Robinson-Family, Ancestry World Tree Project.</li> <li>8. Squires, Linda, Kane-Robinson-Family.</li> <li>9. Todd Dorsett Interviews - 1994/95.</li> </ol>	

John Nicholas Beckner, family group record.2



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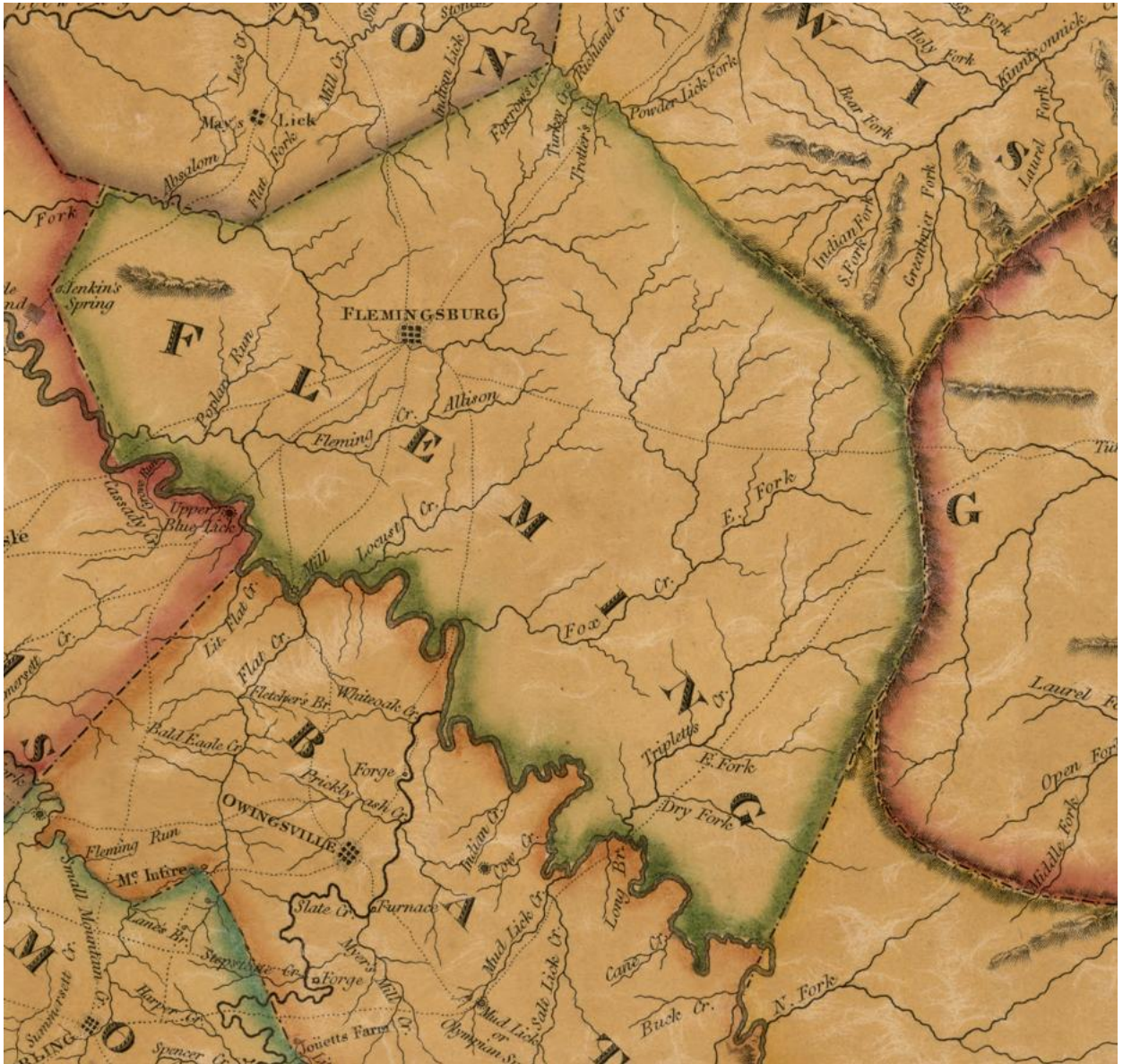
### Children of Frederick and Mary Locke Beckner

The names in blue represent those who died in Kentucky. The names in black died in Missouri.

1. John Beckner, b. 1793, KY; m. Mary Polly Parker, 2/5/1815, Greenup County, KY; d. 1829, presumably Fleming County, KY.
2. Jacob Locke Beckner, b. 4/23/1795, Fleming County, KY; m. Nancy West Lancaster, 1/23/1820, Bath County, KY; d. 10/20/1846, Letcher County, KY.
3. Peter L. Beckner, b. 9/13/1797, Fleming County, KY; m. Mary "Polly" Arnett Ledford 5/31/1821, Bath County, KY; d. 2/3/1859, Nicholas County, KY; buried in Mt. Zion Church Graveyard, Nicholas County, KY.
4. Abraham L. Beckner, b. 1799, Fleming County, KY; m. Elizabeth Kinkaid, 3/26/1823, Bath County, KY; d. 9/1854, Lewis County, MO. **Elizabeth is buried in Bond Cemetery, Warren County, IL.**
5. Esther Hester Hetty Beckner Silvy, b. 1800, Fleming County, KY; m. Lewis Silvy, 2/11/1819, Fleming County, KY; d. after 1840, before 12/28/1844, Dearborn County, IN (presumable place of death). Lewis remarried 1844.
6. Hannah Beckner Sweet, b. 1802, Fleming County, KY; m. Joshua Sweet, 3/6/1822, Fleming County, KY; d. between 1845-1850, Fleming County, KY.
7. Thomas Locke Beckner, b. 1804, Fleming County, KY; m. Malinda Cannon, 1/19/1826, Bath County, KY; d. 2/1854, Lewis County, MO. Probate was recorded 2/7/1854, in Lewis County, MO. (Malinda was sister of Newbold J NJ Cannon).
8. William Andrew Beckner, b. 3/13/1806, Fleming County, KY; m. 1<sup>st</sup> Malinda Ledford, 3/3/1825, Bath County, KY; m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sophia Brown, 2/18/1842, Marion County, MO; d. 3/3/1880, Knox County, MO; buried Colony Cemetery, Colony, Knox, MO.
9. Mary Polly Beckner Overly, b. 1808, Fleming County, KY, m. Jacob Overly, 1824, Fleming County, KY; d. about 1872, Fleming County, KY; buried Log Union Cemetery, Fleming County, KY.
10. **Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon**, b. 1811, Fleming County, KY, m. Newbold J NJ Cannon, 1/15/1829, Fleming County, KY; d. 9/17/1870, in Clark County or Lewis County, MO; buried Wyaconda Baptist Church Cemetery, Canton Twp., Lewis County, MO.
11. Ruamy/Rheuamy Beckner Kell, b. 1/22/1813, Fleming County, KY; m. Benjamin Kell, 9/13/1832, Dearborn County, IN; d. 10/20/1848, Lewis County, MO; buried Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Canton, Lewis, MO.
12. Margaret Beckner Welker, b. 1816, Fleming County, KY, m. Joseph Welker, 6/24/1834, Dearborn County, IN; d. after 1857, MO?

### Frederick and Mary Locke Beckner in Kentucky

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Fleming County KY, 1830

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I don't know exactly when Frederick moved to KY. There are some online sources that say some of his children were born in Hampshire County, VA (Hannah might have been born in VA). Supposedly his first child, John, was born in Greenup County, KY.

I found this information on a Beckner researcher's website:

*Frederick appears on the 1798 Tax List for Fleming County, Kentucky. He next appears on the 1810, 1820, and 1830 Fleming, Kentucky Census records. In Alleghany Passage (Bittinger, p. 51), it mentions. "One of John's Overly sons, Jacob, who married Mary Beckner, daughter of Frederick Beckner, is remembered by the family as having become a member of the Log Union (Dunker) Church. Frederick Beckner lived on the John Peck farm. Members of the Peck family were Brethren. Many members of the Overly family are buried in the cemetery of the Log Union Church..." Frederick's will was probated 13 Mar 1840 in Lewis County, Missouri. William Andrew Beckner was the administrator. The will enumerated all of Frederick*

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and Mary's children. Mary's will was probated 4 Oct. 1845, in Lewis county, Missouri. Newbould Cannon (Daughter, Elizabeth's husband) was administrator.

From the following biography of their son-in-law, Jacob Overly, we know where they lived in the Flemingsburg, KY, area:

**Jacob Overly  
1802-1874**

*The following article appeared The Flemingsburg Democrat on February 7, 1878.*

*Biographical Sketches*

*Of*

*Old and Young Men of Prominence*

*---Identified with---*

*The History of Fleming County*

***"Old man Beckner then owned and occupied the farm upon which John Peck now resides, two miles west of the town of Sherburne"***

Sherburne, Fleming, KY, is about 50 miles northeast of Lexington, KY, for reference.

**1800 Second Census of Kentucky Tax Lists  
Buckner Frederick Fleming 8/11/1800 page 38**

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NAME	COUNTY	TAX LIST DATE	NAME	COUNTY	TAX LIST DATE

On prior page is  
Beckner, Henry

Fleming

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Buckmon, Francis	Washington	1800
Buckner, Frederick	Fleming	8/11/1800
Buckner, Capt. Henry	Fayette	11/7/1800
Buckner, Horace	Green	1800
Buckner, Maryan	Clark	1800
Buckner, Nicholas	Jefferson	1800
Buckner, Peter	Clark	1800
Buckner, Philip	Bracken	11/22/1799
Buckner, Phillip	Nicholas	1800
Buckner, Robert	Nicholas	1800
Buckner, Thomas	Jefferson	1800
Buckner, William	Green	1800
Buckner, William	Lincoln	8/23/1800
Bud, John	Bullitt	8/16/1800

1810 census, Flemingsburg, Fleming, KY  
 Frederick Bakner (I think it reads Beckner)  
 2 males under 10 (Thomas, Andrew)  
 3 males 10-15 (Jacob, Peter, Abram)  
 1 male 26-44 (Frederick)  
 2 females under 10 (Hannah, Elizabeth)  
 1 female 10-15 (Esther)  
 1 female 26-44 (Mary)

do	William Hughes	11	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
do	Peter Beckner	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
do	Frederick Beckner	2	3	-	1	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	-
do	Samuel Pinter	1	1	-	1	-	3	2	-	1	-	-	-
do	Margret Oxley	2	-	1	-	-	4	3	-	1	-	-	-
do	Mary Boye	1	1	-	-	1	3	1	-	1	-	-	-

1810 census, Flemingsburg, Fleming, KY

Son-in-law Jacob Overly on the same page  
 Brother Henry three pages prior  
 There may be an entry for John Beckner, hard to read  
Father Peter Becker is prior entry. Both Frederick's parents are apparently still alive in 1810.

1810 census, Flemingsburg, Fleming, KY for Peter Beckner  
 1 male 45+  
 1 female 45+  
 This would be Frederick's father and mother.

Also on the 1810 census is Thomas Locke, relation to Mary?

**Flemingsburg, Fleming, KY**

**List of Letters,**  
REMAINING in the Post-Office in Flemingsburg, Ky. on the 31st December, 1814, which if not taken out by the last day of March next, will be forwarded to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

A

David Arnold, Hugh Alexander.

B

Lewis Baker, Frederick Beckner, Mrs. Dorothy Bray, William Bray, Amariah Bonnam, James Byers.

Frederick Beckner, TheUnion, Washington, KY, 1.14.1815

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**List of Letters,**  
*REMAINING in the Post-Office, in Flemingsburg, Ky on the 1st day of July, 1816, which, if not taken out before the 1st day of October next, will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters.*

A	L
John Allison, 2	John Littleton
Alexander Armstrong	William G. Lowry
William Adams	William Logan
B	Polly Lankord
Mrs. Betsey Boyers	Adam Lee
William Brown	M
Frederick Beckner	John Mark

Frederick Beckner, TheUnion, Washington, KY, 7.12.1816

**1820 census, Fleming County, KY**

**Frederick Beckner**

- 1 male 10-16 (Andrew)
- 1 male 16-18 (Thomas)
- 2 males 16-26 (Abram, Peter)
- 1 male 45+ (Frederick)
- 3 females under 10 (Mary, Ruamy, Margaret)
- 1 female 10-16 (Elizabeth)
- 1 female 16-26 (Hannah)

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1 female 26-44 (don't know)

1 female 45+ (Mary)

I don't think there is a mark under slave columns

Year of Fanning	10	16	16/18	16/26	45	45/6	10	16	26	45	45/6	45/6
George Frederick Beckner	✓	✓	✓	2	✓	✓	3	✓	✓	✓		
Oliver Laurence	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	✓	✓	✓		
Solomon Gregg	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	✓	✓	✓		
Saml Johnson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Chas. Eaton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Mrs Buckley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	✓	✓	✓		
Solomon Gregg son	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Saml Pointer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Dr. Hamilton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Gregory Hawkins	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Dr. Demoff	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Lewis Seloy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

Also on this 1820 census page are Lewis Silvey, son-in-law of Frederick and Mary.

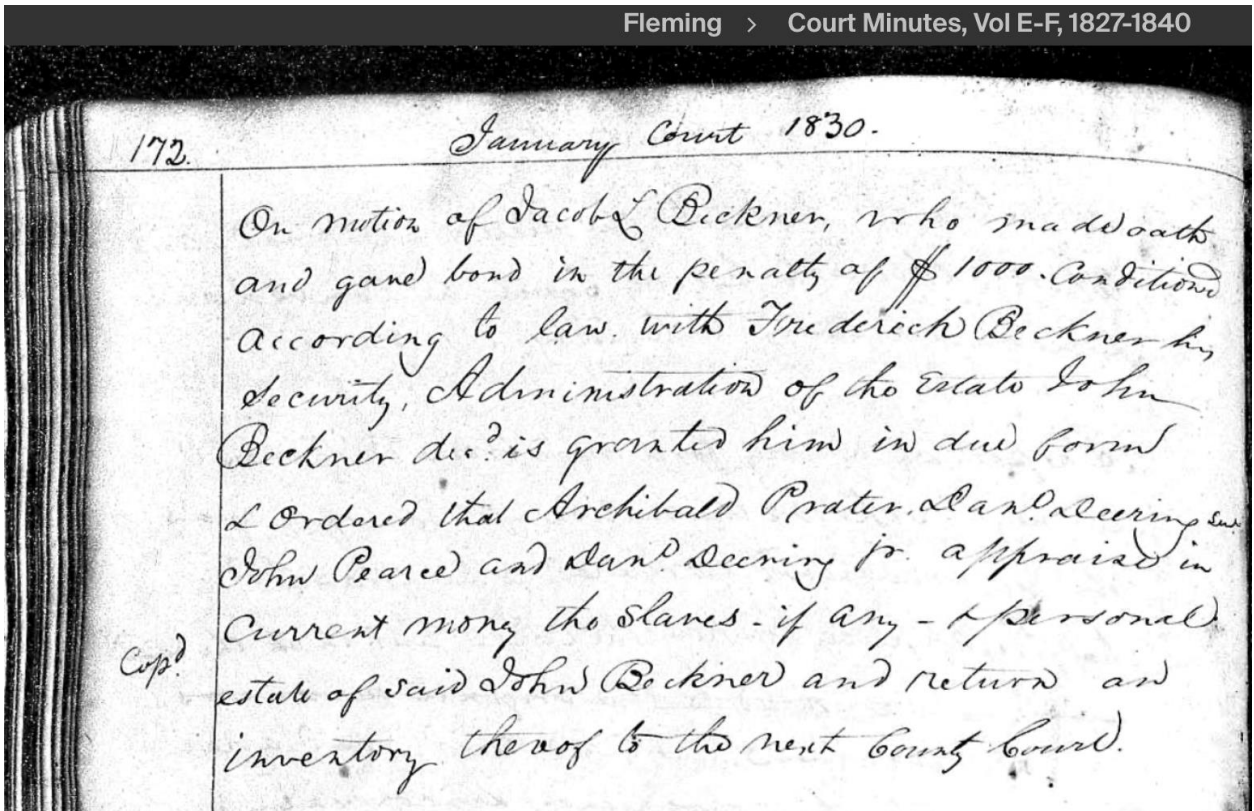
Several pages prior is Jacob Beckner, Frederick's son.

Frederick's nephew? Another brother? Jacob Beckner and Frederick's brother Henry's entries are several census pages later, next to each other

Gregory Hawkins, **NOT** the husband of Sarah Cannon Hawkins (sister-in-law of Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon) is on this page. Gregory **F.** Hawkins is in Bath County, KY, in 1820.

#### Son John d. in 1829

John's brother, Jacob Locke Beckner, was made the administrator and Frederick as security for John's estate.



John Beckner, estate, Jacob L., Frederick Beckner, Fleming County, KY, 1.1830

**1830 census, Western Division, Fleming County, KY**

**Frederick Beckner**

- 1 male 60-70 (Frederick)
- 1 female 10-15 (Ruamy)
- 1 female 15-20 (Margaret)
- 1 female 50-60 (Mary)
- No slaves on census

		under 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	100, &c.	under 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	100, &c.
Fleming	Carl Deering					2				1									2								
	Katherine Beckner		1												1	1				1							
	Polly Beckner		2	2			1													1							
	David Gray		3	1		1	1													1							
	Walt Vice		2	3	1	1	1										3	1	1	1							
	Draper Chapman		1		2					1						1								1	1		
	Frederick Beckner									1						1	1										

Concerning Katherine Beckner: there is a marriage in Bath County. I don't know who this is, unless a child of Frederick's brother:

Marriage:



Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Groom: Wm. BECKNER  
Bride: Catherine SIX  
Date: 27 March 1823  
Source: Bath County Marriage Book #1, As compiled by Alice P. Reynolds

Polly Beckner on this 1830 census was Frederick and Mary's daughter-in-law, widow of John Beckner.

Census records for Beckners in **1830**. Andrew and NJ (Elizabeth's husband) are in Missouri:

**Frederick Beckner**, Western Division, Fleming County, KY  
**Polly Beckner**, Western Division, Fleming County, KY (*widow of Frederick's son John*)  
**Willi Beckner**, Western Division, Fleming County, KY (*??- this may be a child of Frederick's brother*)  
**Lewis Sylvy**, Western Division, Fleming County, KY – *Frederick's daughter Ester and son-in-law*  
**Jacob Overly**, Western Division, Fleming County, KY – *Frederick's daughter Mary and son-in-law*  
**Joshua Sweet**, Eastern Division, Fleming County, KY – *Frederick's daughter Hannah and son-in-law*  
**Abram Beckner**, Nicholas County, KY - *son*  
**Jacob L. Beckner**, Nicholas County, KY - *son*  
**Peter L Beckner**, Bath County, KY - *son*  
**Andrew Beckner**, New London, Ralls, MO - *son*  
**NJ Cannon**, Marion, MO – *Frederick's son-in-law, Elizabeth Ann's husband*

#### **When did Frederick and Mary leave Kentucky?**

Among Frederick's estate papers is a bill from his son, Andrew, for materials to build a log house or cabin, in Sept. 1838. That implies to me they were either in the state or coming very soon.

Two Beckner children, Thomas Locke and Elizabeth Ann, married Cannon children (Malinda Cannon and Newbold NJ Cannon). Both of these families, along with Andrew Beckner, moved to Missouri in the late 1820's/early 1830's. The Cannons seemingly moved before Frederick and Mary, judging from the census records.

#### **Land purchased in Lewis County, MO, in 1838**

When Frederick's estate was inventoried in 1840, this was said of land he owned in Canton Twp:

*Delivered to us by the administrator for examination one deed belonging to the estate dated **May the 23 of 1838** being for **the east half of the north east quarter of Section eighteen in Township sixty two North of the base line Range six west continuing eighty acres given Joseph S. Green and Darcus his wife.***

#### **Land patent #17175, 4/1/1839**

Frederick bought land in Lewis County, MO, while still 'living' in Bath County, KY. The land was purchased 4/1/1839. At first I assumed he purchased this land long distance, but it says that it was purchased by appearing in Palmyra. Could you have someone purchase land in your name for you without being present? Or was Frederick in Missouri before the date of this purchase? They owned land in Sec. 18 of that township in 1838, according to the above deed.

The Cannon family (along with his daughter Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon and her husband Newbold NJ) left for Missouri in the late 1820s; I believe they were in Lewis County by 1829, using the property documents, and birthdates of various children.

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Frederick and Mary obviously didn't come in that first migration.

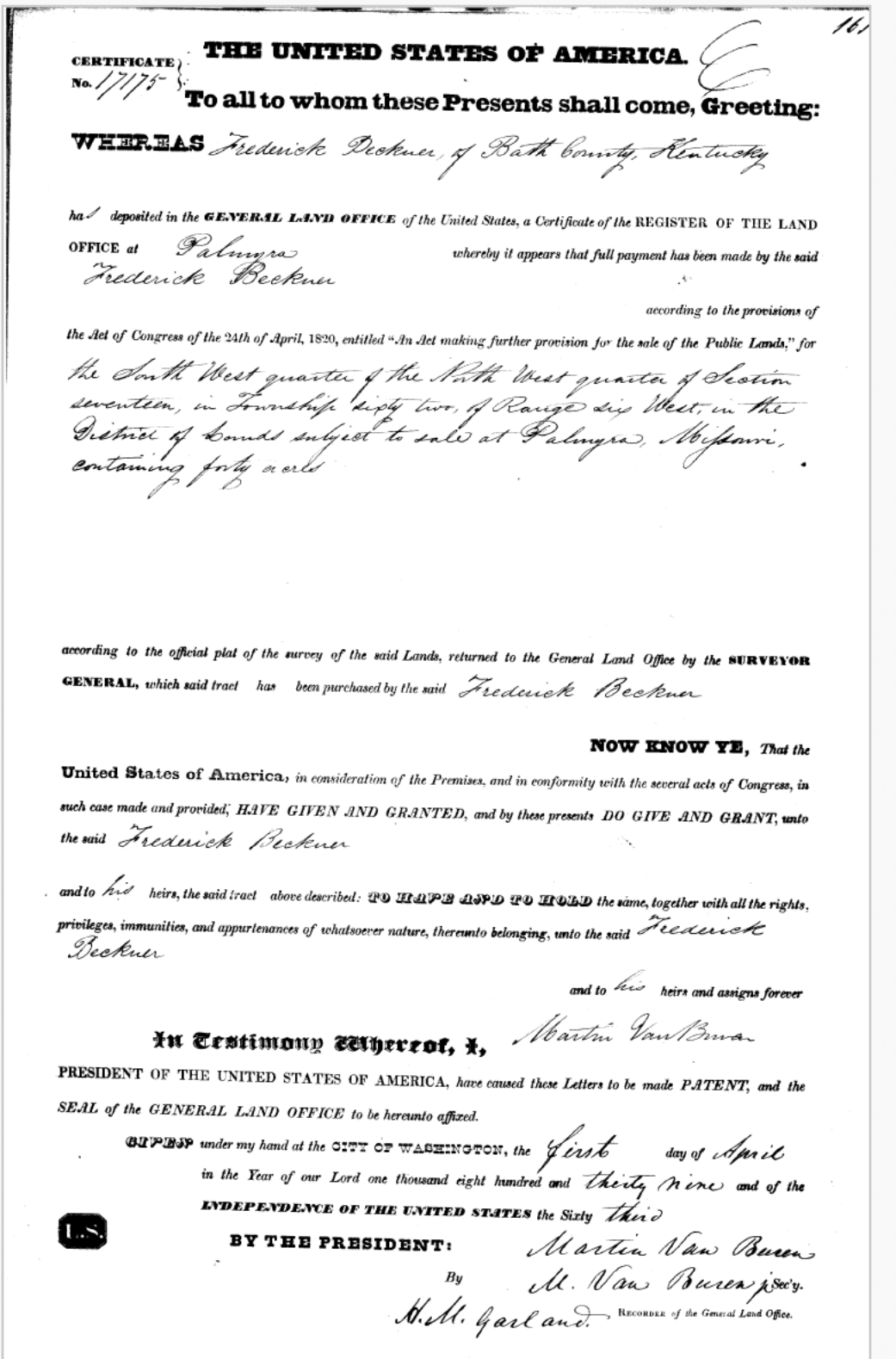
Land Office Record

Frederick Beckner, of Bath County, KY

40 acres, Issue date: 4/1/1839

Land office: Palmyra, document number 17175

SWNW, Section 17, Township 62-N, Range 6-W, 5<sup>th</sup> PM, Lewis County (SW¼ NW¼ Sec. 17, 62N, R6W)



Frederick Beckner, 4.1.1839 land patent 17175

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

This is a diagram of original land patent holders. Frederick is shown owning the land stated above, but the year is 1836. Newbold J. and Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon have land in Sec. 17, the E 1/2 SE 1/4, purchased in 1833 and 1836.

		1834	1836
John J. Cannon Cott 3 1836	James Cannon Cott 16 1836	James Cannon Cott 16 1836	James Cannon Cott 16 1836
James Cannon Cott 24 1836	James Cannon Cott 24 1835	James Cannon Cott 24 1835	James Cannon Cott 24 1835
George Cannon July 30 1836	George Cannon July 30 1836	George Cannon July 30 1836	George Cannon July 30 1836
Dwight Cannon Febr 2 1835	Dwight Cannon Febr 2 1835	Dwight Cannon Febr 2 1835	Dwight Cannon Febr 2 1835

This may be easier to read.

John J. Downes Learney Sherman Oct 3 1836	James McClay Oct 16 1836	
Frederick James Beckner Lewis Dec 13 1836	James Lewis Oct 24 1835	Henry Hill Oct 3 1836
Gorge D. Clark July 30 1836	Joseph M. Beckner May 31 1836	Charles J. Cannon Apr 2 1836
Timothy Brown Dec 2 1835		Andrew J. Cannon Feb 14 1833

Andrew Beckner had land in Sec. 18 SE ¼ SW ¼, and the NE ¼ SE ¼, both dated 1834.

<p>Jacob Albertin New York, N.Y. Apr 2 of Aug 25 1836</p>	<p>1836 1836 Special Person Oct 1 1835 Nov 1 1836</p>
<p>Samuel Rapall July 5 1833</p>	<p>Special Person Oct 1 1835 Nov 1 1836</p>
<p>Samuel Rapall July 8 1832</p>	<p>William H. Parrott Febr 12 1833</p>
<p>Samuel Rapall July 8 1832</p>	<p>Andrew Beckner Jan 4 1834</p>
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	<p>Frederick &amp; Mary Locke Beckner Sept 4 1835</p>
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	Jacob Martin Henrick R. Green Nov 24 Aug 25 1836 1836	Depaul Johnson Oct 14 1835	Joseph Brown Sept 12 1836
	Samuel Russell July 8 1833		
	18		
Samuel Russell July 2 1834	William No. Purcell Dec 12 1835	Henry Andrew No. Purcell Beckner Sept 4 1835	Andrew Beckner Jan 4 1834
	Andrew Beckner Jan 4 1834	Samuel Depe Jeffrey M. Phasno July 7 1836	Andrew Beckner Jan 4 1833

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1878 plat map showing Sec. 17

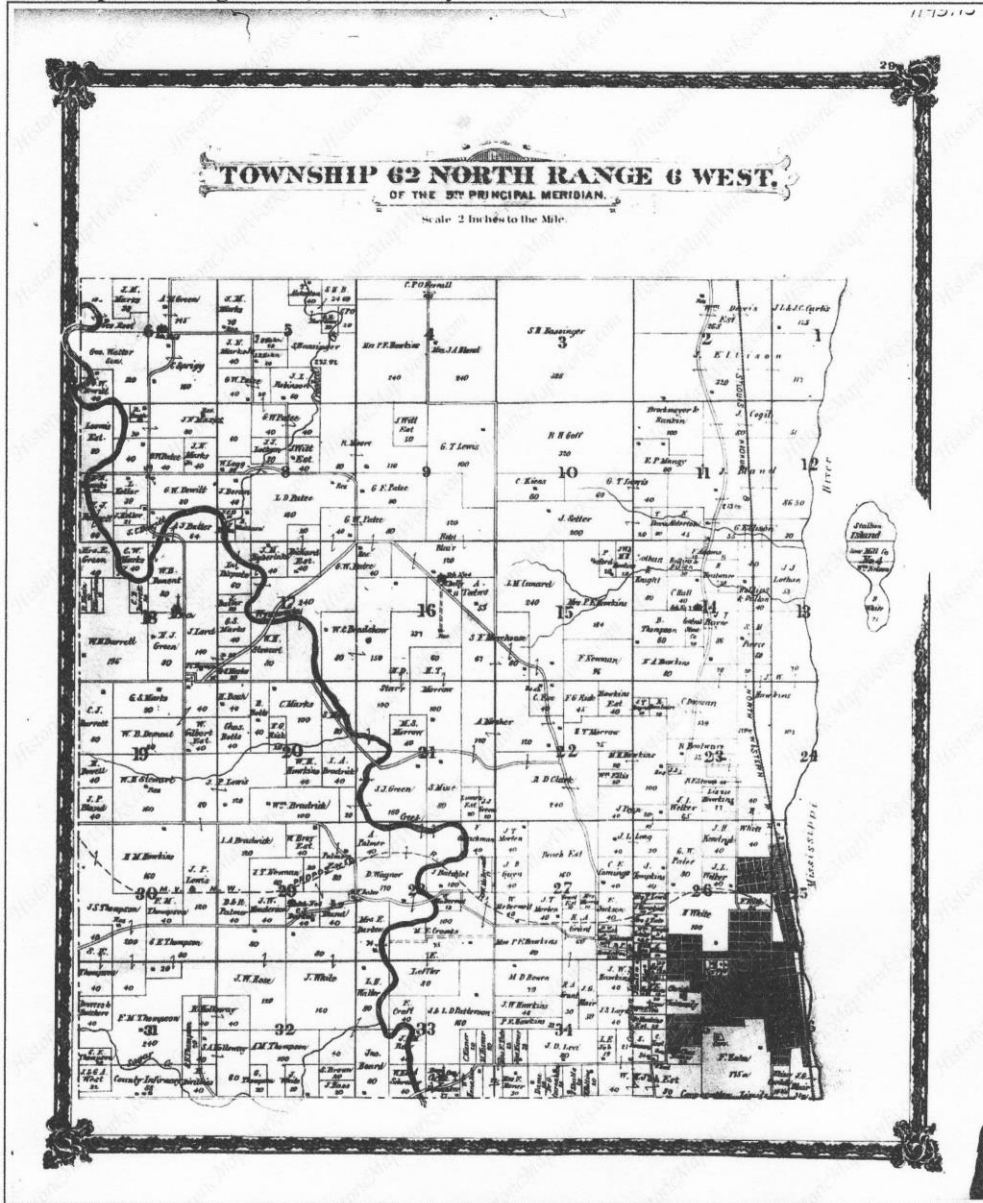
**Frederick and Mary's daughter, Elizabeth and NJ Cannon owned land in the same section:**

*Newbold NJ Cannon's land was the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Sec. 17, as of 1835. In 1838, he purchased the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Sec. 17. In 1838 he purchased the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Sec. 17, so he then owned the 80 acres shown on the 1878 map owned by W.C. Bradshaw.*



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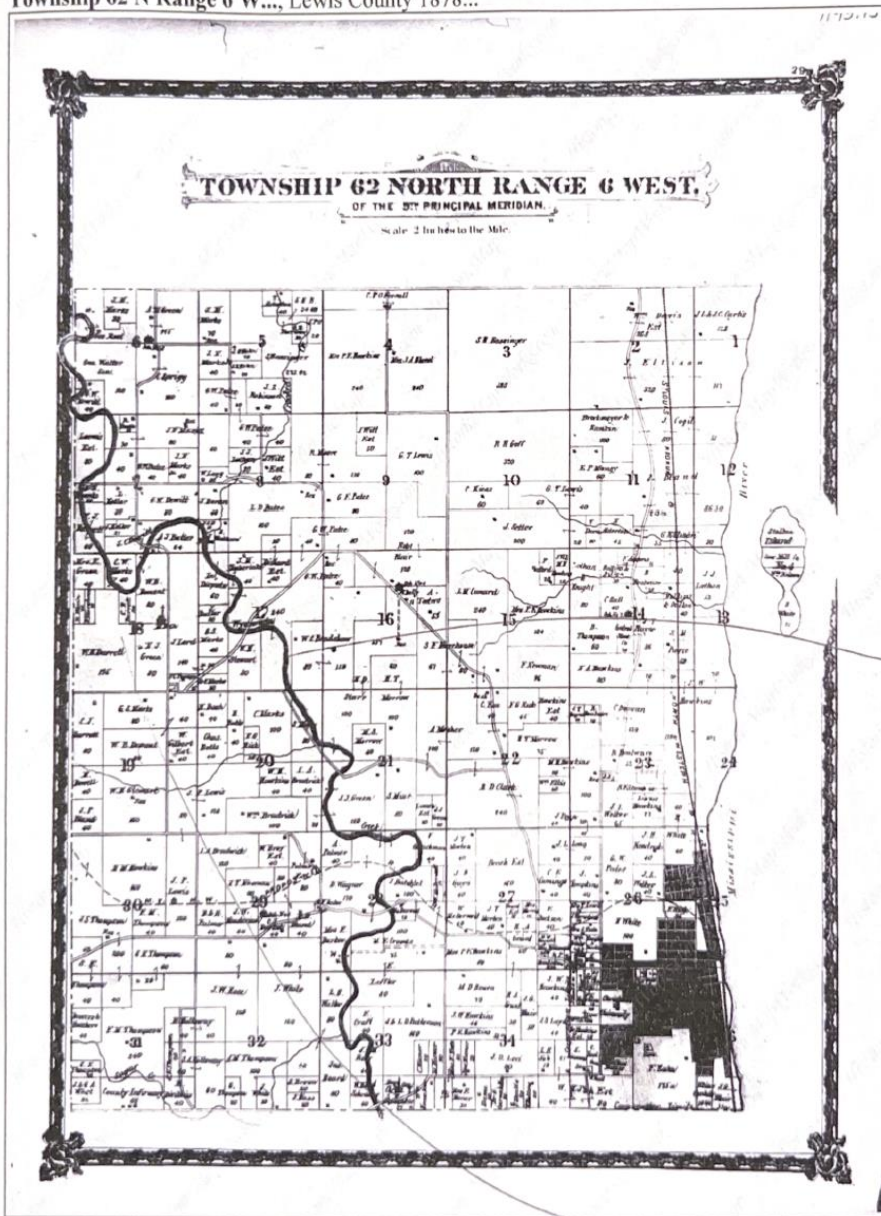
Township 62 N Range 6 W..., Lewis County 1878...



Original patents  
 Sec 7 Thomas L. Beckner  
 Sec 17 J. Cannon  
 Joseph A. Walker  
 Sec 18 Jesse D. Matheson  
 Andrew Beckner  
 Sec 29 Gregory J. Hawkins  
 Madison C. Hawkins

Sec. 33 Thomas L. Beckner  
 Sec 20 Thomas L. Beckner  
 Sec 24 Thomas L. Beckner  
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~~Sec 20~~ Thomas L. Beckner

Township 62 N Range 6 W..., Lewis County 1878...



Frederick  
Beckner  
patent  
4/11/1839

SW 1/4  
Sec 17  
Twp 62  
R 6 W  
40 Acres

1840 will &  
inventory  
E 1/2 NE 1/4  
Sec. 18  
Twp 62  
R 6 W  
80 A

SW 1/4 NW 1/4  
Sec. 17  
Twp 62  
R 6 W  
40 A



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State of Missouri }  
 County of Lewis } This day personally appeared before  
 me J. H. Blair clerk of the County Court of Lewis County  
 Andrew Beckner who was ordered by the County Court of  
 Lewis County to take charge of the estate of Frederick  
 Beckner dec'd and make oath that said dec'd died  
 with a will <sup>which</sup> was rejected by said court, & that the  
 children of said dec'd are as follows, viz. Thomas Beckner  
 Andrew Beckner, Elizabeth Cannon wife of Newbold  
 Cannon, and Margaret Walker wife of Joseph Walker  
 residing in Lewis County Mo. - And Peter Beckner, Abram  
 I Beckner, Jacob Beckner, Mary Overlay wife of Jacob  
 Overlay, and Hannah Sweet wife of Joshua Sweet  
 all of the State of Kentucky but in different counties  
 also. ~~John~~ Martin Sibly wife of Lewis Sibly, Ruany Bell  
 of ~~the~~ Benjamin Hill of Dearborn County Indiana  
 and that he will make a perfect Inventory of  
 and faithfully administer said estate & pay the  
 debts as far as the assets will extend & the law direct  
 & account for the same all assets which shall come to  
 his possession or knowledge Andrew Beckner

Subscribed & sworn to before me this  
 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1840

J. H. Blair Clerk of  
 Lewis Co  
 Mo

Andrew Beckner  
3<sup>d</sup> Bond  
State of Missouri  
Frederick Beckner, Est.

Filed for Record  
March 1840  
J.H. Blair Clerk

Frederick Beckner estate, Admin Bond, 3.9.1840.3

This day personally appeared before me J.H. Blair Clerk of the County Court of Lewis County Andrew Beckner who was ordered by the County Court of Lewis County to take charge of the estate of Frederick Beckner decd. And makes oath that said decd. **Died with a will which was rejected** by said Court & that the children of said decd. Are as follows: viz **Thomas Beckner, Andrew Beckner, Elizabeth Cannon wife of Newbold Cannon, and Margaret Welker wife of Joseph Welker residing in Lewis County, MO – and Peter Beckner, Abram L. Beckner, Jacob Beckner, Mary Overley, wife of Jacob Overley, and Hannah Sweet wife of Joshua Sweet all of the state of Kentucky but in different counties, also Hester Silvy wife of Lewis Silvey, Ruamy Kell wife of Benjamin Kell of Dearborn County, Indiana** and that herein make a perfect inventory of and faithfully administer said estate and pay the debts as far as the assets will extend and the law direct & account for & pay all assets which shall come to his possession or knowledge.

Andrew Beckner

Subscribed Sworn to before me this  
13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1840

J.H. Blair Clerk et cet  
Lewis County,  
MO

Note: I added the bold type.

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

This document presents a bond between Andrew Beckner, as administrator of Frederick Beckner's estate, and Newbold NJ Cannon and Gregory Farmer Hawkins as securities, in the sum of \$4,000.

What is most interesting about this document is the list of heirs, and where they reside as of 1840. We learn that:

Thomas, Andrew, Elizabeth Cannon and Margaret Welker live in Lewis County, MO  
Peter, Abram L., Jacob, Mary Overley and Hannah Sweet are in KY  
Hester Silvy and Ruamy Kell are in Dearborn, IN

**Why isn't son John or his children mentioned in the probate?**

John died in 1829, and Frederick was the security for his will/probate and estate in 1830.

John's children (or widow, for that matter) aren't mentioned, either, even though there were as many as 7 children born before Frederick died. Frederick would have known these children, as they were born when Frederick and Mary were still in KY.

I notice that Mary Locke Beckner is not listed as an heir. She is mentioned as 'widow' on his sale documents.

**Appraisal of estate, 3/17/1840, filed 6/8/1840**

Frederick's property is appraised prior to holding a sale:

On March 17, 1840, Andrew Beckner, Rauzel Durkey, Alexander Henton and Charles Juley agree to impartially '*view and appraise the slaves and other personal estate to them produced belonging to the estate of Fredrick Beckner lately Deceased.*'

86 This day personally came Rawzel Turkey  
Alexander Henton and Charles Tuley  
before me Walter B Henton a justice of  
the peace within and for the County of  
Louis and State of Missouri and after  
being duly sworn depose and say that  
they are not interested nor of kind to any  
person interested in the estate as heir or  
Devisee and that they will to the best of  
their ability view and appraise the slaves  
and other personal estate to them produced  
Belonging to the estate of Frederick -  
Beckner lately Deceased Andrew Beckner  
administrator  
Rawzel Turkey  
Alexander Henton  
Charles Tuley

The State of Missouri }  
County of Louis } sworn and subscribed  
to before me a justice of the peace  
within and for the County and State  
above said this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 1840  
Walter B Henton

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

*Affidavit Appraisers  
of  
Beckners Estate*

*Filed June 8<sup>th</sup> 1840  
E. H. Blair Clerk*

Frederick Beckner, estate appraisal affidavit, 3.17.1840

After the appraisers filed their affidavit, they made and filed their appraisement bill. I notice that the appraisers' names read to me as Coswell Durkee, Alexander K. Henton, and Charles Ludley.



Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Appraisement Bill  
of  
Frederick Beckner.

Filed in June 8<sup>th</sup>  
1840  
J. H. Blair Clerk.

State of Missouri }  
County of Lewis set }  
Personally appears in open court  
Andrew Beckner Administrator of the Estate  
of Frederick Beckner dec<sup>d</sup> & maketh oath  
that the within & foregoing statement is  
a full Inventory & description of all the money  
goods chattels & estate, real & personal, books  
papers & evidences of debt, & of title of the  
deceased, & of all debts due or becoming  
due, so far as he can ascertain them, except  
the property reserved as the absolute property  
of the widow, & that he was not indebted or  
bound in any contract to the dec<sup>d</sup> at the  
time of his death, except as stated in the in-  
ventory - Andrew Beckner  
Subscribed & sworn to in open court this  
4th day of May A.D. 1841.  
Notary Clerk  
William Beckner

	Ten head of hogs and fifteen pigs	18	00
	one broken mare	60	00
	one cow	16	00
	two <sup>or</sup> yelings	05	00
t	one Brinds cow	14	00
ats	one Dining table	07	00
th	one plow	12	00
	one shove plow	07	00
	one ridding hoe	00	50
	one hay fork	00	25
eg	two chopping axes	01	75
leg	one pair of horse gears	05	00
	one man saddle	04	50
	one goods box	00	50
	one stone hammer	00	50
	one pair saddle bags	02	50
tt	one stew <sup>basin</sup> kettle	03	00
t	one seeder churn	00	50
or	three barrels	01	00
	one box	00	37 1/2
	one lot of cast irons	02	00
	one hand saw	01	25
	one <del>pot</del> mettle pot	01	25
	one iron sew kettle and lid	00	62 1/2
	one small oven and lid	01	00
	one large oven and lid and hooks	01	00
	one skillet	00	50
	one iron teakettle	00	50
	one brileing iron	00	50
	one pair of Stiliards	00	75
up	one Grunk	00	25
	two augers	00	37 1/2
	one Box	00	25
	one pair of and irons	02	00
	one fier shovel	01	50
	one frying pan	00	25
		00	25

one fier shovel	00	50
one frying pan	00	25
one flat iron	00	25
one pot hooks	00	75
two water Buckets	00	75
	<b>00</b>	<b>6 5 1/2</b>

one lot of lipboard ruan	03	00
three chais	01	00
one looking glasf	00	50
one negro woman name Milly	500	00
one negro girl two years old	500	00
one pane of shew pinchers	00	37 1/2
one pocket Book	00	50
	<b>605</b>	<b>37 1/2</b>
	<b>760</b>	<b>6 5 1/2</b>
	<b>767</b>	<b>03</b>

delivered to us by the administrator for examination  
 one deed belonging to the estate dated may the 23<sup>rd</sup> of  
 may 1838 being for the east half of the north east  
 quarter of Section eight in Township sixty two or south  
 of the base line Range six west containing eighty  
 acres given Joseph & Green and Darius his wife  
 one duplicate for the south west quarter of the north  
 west quarter Section no. 17 Township 62 north of  
 the base line Range 6 west of the fifth prime  
 meridian containing forty acres

one note against Andrew Beckner for one hundred  
 and twenty dollars executed the 20<sup>th</sup> of March 1836 12.0  
 payable when called for without interest

one receipt on Peter Beckner executed April  
 the 29<sup>th</sup> 1838 for a note on James Blain and John L  
 Beckner for four hundred dollars 400

one bill of sale for negro woman and child executed July  
 the 26<sup>th</sup> 1839 by Sanford Briant

found money to the amount of thirty Dollars 30

one note on Andrew Becker executed July 21<sup>st</sup> 1839  
 payable one day after date for one hundred Dollars 100

Andrew Beckner for to interest on Note

650	03
767	
1417	03
1026	624

Inventory made and certified subscribed to and subscribed to this 17<sup>th</sup> of March 1840

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Roswell Durkin  
Alexander Henton  
Charles Ludery

one ac count on N Cannon non  
to one account on Peter An Jacob & Beck  
one note on Benjamin Kell  
one dry hid sold for  
one whet stone sold for

40	50
100	10
13	00
151	50
	87
\$188	87

Frederick Beckner, estate, appraisement, 3.17.1840

As is always the case, what these people owned and how it was valued is fascinating. It appears that NJ Cannon owed his father-in-law \$70.50. Peter and Jacob owed their father \$100?, and Benjamin Kell, another son-in-law, owed Frederick \$13.00. Also a 'dry hid (hide??) sold for \$151.50, if I can read the writing correctly, and one whet stone for .87.

Ten head of hogs and fiteen pigs	18.00
One brown mare	60.00
One cow	16.00
Two yearlings	04.00
One brindle cow	14.00
One dining table	01.00
One beauro	12.00
One shove plow	01.00
One weding hoe	00.50
One hay fork	00.25
Two chopping axes	01.75
One pare of hong geers	05.00
One man sadle	04.50
One goods box?	00.50

One stone hammer	00.50
One pare saddle bags	02.50
One stew bas/ kettle	03.00
One seeder churn	00.50
Three barrels	01.00
One box	00.37 ½
One lof of oak irons?	02.00
One hand saw	01.25
One mettle pot	01.25
One iron stew kettle and lid	00.62 ½
One small oven and lid	01.00
One large oven and lid and hooks	01.00
One skillet	00.40
One iron teakettle	00.40
One boiling iron	00.50
One pare of stiliards	00.75
One trunk	00.25
Two augers	00.37
One box	00.25
One pare of and irons	02.00
One pier shovel	00.50
One frying pan	00.25
One flat iron	00.25
One pot hooks	00.25
Two water Buckets	00.75
	161.65 ½
One lot of Cupboard ??	03.00
Three chairs	01.00
One looking glass	00.50
One negro woman name Milly	500.00
One negro girl two years old	100.00
One pare of sherv? pinchers	00.37 ½
One pocket Book	00.50
	605.37 ½
	161.65 ½
	767.03
Delivered to us by the administrator for examination one deed belonging to the estate dated May the 23 of 1838 being for <b>the east half of the north east quarter of Section eighteen in Township sixty two North of the base line Range six west continuing eighty acres given Joseph S. Green and Darcus his wife.</b>	
One duplicate for the <b>south west quarter of the north west quarter Section No. 17 Township No. 62 north of the base line Range No. 6 west of the fifth principal meridian containing forty acres.</b>	
One Note against Andrew Beckner for one hundred and twenty dollars executed the 20 <sup>th</sup> of March 1836 Payable when called for without intrust	120
One receipt on Peter Beckner executed April the 29 <sup>th</sup> 1838 for a note on James Blaire and Jacob L.	400

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Beckner for four hundred dollars	
One bill of sale for Negro woman and child by Sanford Briant executed July the 26 <sup>th</sup> 1839	
Found money to the amount of thirty dollars	30
One note on Andrew Becker executed July 21 <sup>st</sup> 1839 payable one day after date for one hundred Dollars	100
	650.03
Andrew Beckner Adm. to intrust on note	767.00
	1417.03
<i>Line drawn to Andrew Beckner intrust</i>	0006.62 ½
Inventory made and subscribed to and subscribed to this 17 <sup>th</sup> of March 1840.	Coswell Durkee Alexander K. Henton Charles Ludley
One account on N. J. Cannon	\$70.50
To one account on Peter & Jacob L. Beckner	100.00
one note on benjame kel	13.00
one dry hid sold for	151.50
one whet stone sold for	<u>??87</u>
	<u>\$188.87</u>

The parcel of land in Section 18 was purchased in 1838, which is the earliest date I have for Frederick in connection with Missouri. His land grant was dated 1839, and that document states he is of "Bath, Kentucky." Both of these parcels are mentioned in the Sheriff's deed, dated 1850 and 1857, mentioned below. Also worth noting is that the bill Andrew presented to the estate, mentioned below, shows that they were building a log house or cabin in 1838. I presume the cabin was on section 18 since they didn't own the other parcel until 1839.

**Sale held, 5/9/1840, filed 6/8/1840**



Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

*Sale Bill  
of  
Frederick Beckner*

*Filed June 8th 1840  
J. H. Blair Clerk*

80 May 9th 1840 A sale bill of the Estate of Frederick Beckner Deceased Andrew Beckner Administrator

		\$	cts
Mary Beckner	1 Lot of hogs	8	00
Mary Beckner	1 Mar	36	00
Do	1 Cow	10	00
Do	2 Calf	7	25
Do	1 Cow and calf	8	00
Do	1 Table	4	00
Do	1 Burrow	6	00
Do	1 Shovel Plow		50
Do	1 hoe		50
Mary's	1 hay fork Paid		100 1/2
	2 Axes	1	00
Mary Beckner	1 Lot of Gars	2	00
Do	1 Saddle	2	00
Do	1 Box		25
Do	1 Hammer		62 1/2
Ng Cannon	1 Pair of Saddle Bags	2	25
x W Cooks Paid	1 Kettle	1	00
			25
Mary Beckner	1 Corn		125 1/2
Do	3 Salt		64
Do	1 Box		87 1/2
Do	1 Lot of Iron		
x W Cooks Paid	1 hand Saw	1	25
A Beckner	1 stew Kettle		37 1/2
Mary Beckner	1 oven		75
Do	1 Do		50
			00

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Mary Beckner	1 oven	50
Do	Do	25
Do	1 skittit	75
Do	1 tea kettle	50
Do	1 green iron	37 <sup>1/2</sup>
Do	1 pair of tailors	12 <sup>1/2</sup>
Do	1 trunk	75
Do	2 awgars	
W. Lockey		96
		43

		\$	cts
Do	Mary Beckner 1 Pot		50
	John White 1 Whetstone Paid		87 1/2
	Mary Beckner 1 Pair of Daggers 1		00
	Do 1 Shovel		25
	Do 1 Pan		25
	Do 1 Pair of Pot hooks		12 1/2
	Do 2 Buckets		25
	Do 1 Lot of cup board ware		50
	Do 3 chairs		37 1/2
	Do 1 Glass		25
	H Leland 3 Pincher Paid		50
	A Beckner 1 Pocket Book		25
	Do 1 Slide		50
	+ 48 marks 1 Pot trammel Paid		12 1/2
			7 75

State of Missouri }  
 County of Lewis }  
 May the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 1846  
 You do solemnly swear that the above list of sales is correct to the best of your knowledge and that you have performed the duties of clerk without favour or partiality and that you are of no kind to any person interested in the estate  
 David White

Frederick Beckner, estate sale bill, 5.9.1840.4

Mary Beckner	1 lot of hogs	\$8.00
Mary Becker	1 Mar	36.00
Do	1 Cow	10.00

Do	2 Calf	7.25
Do	1 Cow and Calf	8.00
Do	1 Table	4.00
Do	1 Barow	6.00
Do	1 Shovel Plow	.50
Do	1 how	.50
Mo??	1 hay fork paid	.14 ½
Mary Beckner	2 axes	1.00
Do	1 lot of Geers?	2.00
Do	1 sadle	2.00
Do	1 Box	.25
NJ Canon	1 hamer	.62 ½
W Cooksy paid	1 Pare of sadle Bags	2.25
Mary Beckner	1 kettle	1.00
Do	1 curn	.25
Do	3 salt b?	.12 ½
Do	1 Box	.6 ¼
W Cooksy paid	1 Lot of Iron	.87 ½
A Beckner	1 hand Saw	1.25
Mary Beckner	1 Stew kettle	.37
Do	1 oven	.75
Do	Do	.50
Do	1 Skillet	.25
Do	1 tea kettle	.75
Do	1 grid iron	.50
Do	1 pair of stilards	.37 1.2
Do	1 trunk	.12 ½
W Cooksy (paid)	2 awgars	.75
		96.43 ¼
Mary Beckner	1 pot	.50
John White	1 Whetstone paid	.87 ½
Mary Beckner	1 pare of day irons	1.00
Do	1 shovel	.25
Do	1 pan	.25
Do	1 par of pot hooks	.12 ½
Do	2 buckets	.25
Do	1 lot of cupboard ware	.50
Do	3 chairs	37 ½
Do	1 glass	.25
H. Lilard	S Pincher Paid	.50
A. Beckner	1 Pocket Book	.25
Do	1 Hide	1.50
J G Marks	1 Pot trammel paid	1.12 ½

It's interesting to see how much of her own things Mary Beckner bought. There were very few purchasers. NJ Cannon bought a 'hamer,' and a few other people bought some things, but Mary was the primary buyer.

Andrew Beckner bought a hand saw, which I thought was interesting, considering there are bills from Andrew to the estate for building Frederick's log cabin, and his coffin.

Bills presented to Frederick's estate

368  
 Lewis County Court. November term 1840  
 J. W. McDaniel Plaintiff  
 vs  
 Andrew Beckner adm.  
 of Frederick Beckner dec'd Sept-3

Acct. \$5.00 allowed  
 of 5th class

Now at this day comes the plaintiff  
 aforesaid and files his account, and the said defendant also  
 came into court and waives the necessity of notice required  
 by law, and the said plaintiff makes oath of assets and  
 credits, and thereupon introduces evidence and establishes  
 his demand. It is therefore considered by the court here  
 that the said Plaintiff do have and recover of and from  
 said defendant the sum of five dollars together with his  
 costs and charges herein expended. It is further ordered  
 by the court that said demand be endorsed as class No five

Frederick Beckner, estate, JW McDaniel, 11.1840 p. 268. McDaniel claimed and was awarded \$5.00.

Many bills are presented to an estate for payment, and we didn't copy all of them. One we did copy shows what kind of work was done in that era, and the value of the labor:

Frederick Beckner  
 To Andrew Beckner DR

1840.	To cash paid for cutting 3 acres wheat	\$3.00
	"    "    "    July 2 bushels corn	.80
		<hr/> 3.80
	Or by 2 days stacking wheat 4/6-	1.50
	Bal. due -	<hr/> <u>\$ 2.30</u>

	To Andrew Beckner	DR
1840	To Cash paid for cutting 3 acres wheat	\$3.00
	"    "    "    July 2 bushels corn	<hr/> .80

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3.80

*Cr by 2 days stacking wheat 2/6*

1.50

*Bal. due -*      \$2.30

**Another bill from Andrew, which includes materials for log cabin or house**

Andrew charged his father's estate with what looks like a list of materials and labor costs involved in building a log house, among other charges.

F. Beckner  
In B of  
B  
A. Beckner

Almond

Filed in the Court  
May 11<sup>th</sup> 1881.  
J. H. Main  
By J. H. Main

I can barely make out anything on this page:



Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

J. A. Blair Clerk of the County Court within  
and for the County of Lewis do hereby certify that  
Ann Downes and Anna Julia Downes and  
Nancy Ann Downes of the children account was  
allowed to the sum of \$100.00  
J. A. Blair Clerk  
City of Washington

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A bill of work done by A Beckner for F Beckner	
to getting a set of house logs in the month of September 1838	thirty eight dollars and 40 cts 38,40
to hauling the same	three dollars 3,00
to three thousand shingles four dollars per thousand	12,00
to hauling the same	one dollar and 50 cts 1,50
to putting on roof in full	fifteen dollars 15,00
to pointing house	nine dollars 9,00
to getting hewing and putting in sleepers	3,37
to finding plank and laying floor	12,00
to cutting out and jaming up doors and fire place	1,00
to sawing down corners	2,00
to two days work on chimney	1,50
to one lot of cattle	18,00
to ten bushel of wheat one dollar per bushel	10,00
to paying for recording Deed	1,06
to one phial of burn harns Drops	00,50
to one Ovis	00,50
February 1839	
to eight hundred boards	6,00
to cash payed to Doctor Elson	1,50
to cash payed for breaking ground	2,50
to cash loaned	3,00
to eight days work	8,00
to 62 lbs beef three cts per pound	1,86
to window sash	1,50
to 15 lbs bacon	1,80
to three days on buisness to Robt County	3,50
A Beckner received of F Beckner	13,50
	158,49
	13,50
	144,99

Frederick Beckner, estate, bill from Andrew Beckner for log cabin etc, 5.1841

F. Beckner  
IN }  
A. Beckner

Allowed

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Filed?

May ? 1841

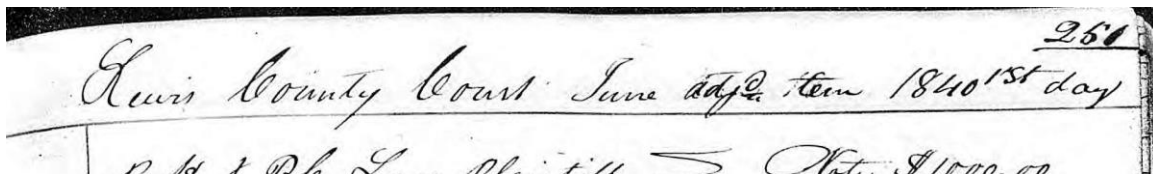
J.g. Blair, Clk

By ? Magee, Dy

<i>A bill to work done by A. Beckner for F. Beckner to getting a set of house logs in the month of September</i>	
<i>1838, thirty eight dollars and 40 cts</i>	38.40
<i>to hauling the same three dollars</i>	3.00
<i>to three thousand shingles four dollars per thousand</i>	12.00
<i>to hauling the same one dollar and 50 cts</i>	1.50
<i>to putting on roof in full fifteen dollars</i>	15.00
<i>to pointing house nine dollars</i>	9.00
<i>to getting howing? and putting in sleepers</i>	3.37
<i>to finding planck and laying floor</i>	12.00
<i>to cutting out and jamming up doors and filn place</i>	1.00
<i>to sawing down corners</i>	2.00
<i>to two days work on chimney</i>	1.50
<i>to one lot of cattle</i>	18.00
<i>to ten bushel of wheat on dollar per bushel</i>	10.00
<i>to paying for recording Deed</i>	1.06
<i>to one phial of bunn harns drops</i>	.50
<i>to one clivis</i>	.50
<i>Febuary 1839</i>	
<i>to eight hundred boards</i>	6.00
<i>to cash payed to Doctor Ellison</i>	1.50
<i>to cash payed for braking ground</i>	2.50
<i>to cash loned</i>	3.00
<i>to eight days work</i>	8.00
<i>to 62 lbs beef three cts per pound</i>	1.86
<i>to winder sash</i>	1.80
<i>to 18 lbs bacon</i>	1.80
<i>to three days on business to Rols County</i>	3.50
<i>A Beckner ? received of F. Beckner</i>	13.50
	<u>158.49</u>
	<u>13.50</u>
	144.99

We can tell from the dates included above that they were in MO from 1838, that they may have had the log house built prior to February, 1839, and that someone was ill. Perhaps that someone was Frederick; they have purchases of medicines and a doctor's bill. I have yet to find a census record for Frederick (he may have died prior to the 1840 census) or his widow Mary.

**June term 1840**



Now at this day comes Andrew Beckner ad  
 ministrator of the estate of Frederick Beckner deceased  
 and on his motion leave is given him, to hire  
 out the slaves belonging to said estate privately  
 until 20<sup>th</sup> month of February next.

W. C. Gittitt & Co.

Frederick Beckner, estate, hire out slaves, 6.1840

**Bills presented to estate, 5.1.1841**

James Tate plaintiffs  
 No. 30  
 Andrew Beckner admr. of F. Beckner Estate & default class. No. 30  
 and now at this day comes the plaintiffs  
 files his account herein and also he administ  
 ation and waives the necessity of notice in open court  
 required by Law, and the plaintiff makes oath of  
 assets and credits, and establishes their demand  
 It is there fore considered by the Court here, that  
 the said plaintiffs have and recover of and from  
 said defendant the sum of Three dollars and 50 cts

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ty cents together with their costs and charges in this behalf laid out and expended and that this demand be endorsed as of Class Number 6.

John W. Forman plaintiff  
vs.  
Andrew Beckner & family } Decr \$1.50  
of R Beckner Estate } Class no. 5

And now at this day comes the plaintiff and files his account herein and also the Administrators and waives the necessity of notice in open Court required by Law and the plaintiff makes oath of assets and credits and established his demands. It is therefore considered by the Court here that the said plaintiff do have and receive of and from said defendant the sum of one dollar and 50 cents together with his costs and charges on this behalf laid out and expended. It is ordered that this demand be endorsed of Class Number five.

Frederick Beckner, estate, H Tate bill \$3.00, 5.1.1841.2. Includes bill from John W. Forman for \$1.50

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Lewis County Court May Term 1841

The Court appointed Chellom B. Tate Administrator of the Estate of A Beckner dec'd.

Andrew Beckner Plaintiff  
 vs  
 C. B. Tate Administrator of A Beckner's Estate Defendant

And now at this day comes the plaintiff off and files his account herein and also the Administrator and in open Court and waives the necessity of notice required by Law. And the plaintiff makes oath of assets and credits and established his demands. It is therefore considered by the Court here that said plaintiff do have and recover of and from said defendant the sum of One Hundred and forty four dollars and nine cents together with his costs and charges in this behalf laid out and expended and that this demand be enforced as of class number five

Andrew Beckner Plaintiff  
 vs  
 C. B. Tate Administrator of A Beckner's Estate Defendant

And now at this day comes the plaintiff off and files his account herein and also the Administrator and in open Court waives the necessity of notice required by Law. And the plaintiff makes oath of assets and credits and established his demands. It is therefore considered by the Court here that said plaintiff do have and recover of and from said defendant the sum of Ten dollars and thirty cents together with his costs and charges in this behalf laid out and expended and that this demand be enforced as of class number five

Frederick Beckner, estate, C B Tate bills, 5.1.1841. \$144.99 and \$10.30

Now at this day, James Andrew Beckner  
Administrator <sup>of the Estate</sup> of Frederick Beckner deceased  
And files his account for Annual Settlement  
which was approved by the Court, and ordered  
for records.

Ordered that Andrew Beckner Administrator  
of the Estate of Frederick Beckner deceased  
be permitted to hire out the negro woman  
engaged to said Estate privately

Frederick Beckner, estate, annual settlement, 5.1841, and permission to hire out negro woman

#### Annual Settlements

Settlements are required of the administrator on an annual basis. The probate book shows the dates of the statements Andrew made, which obviously weren't done annually:

1<sup>st</sup> Annual Statement 5/4/1841  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Statement 8/25/1845

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Statement, 5/4/1841

This document is so interesting; Andrew went to Indiana and Kentucky and was gone for 32 days. I presume he had to tell his siblings about the death of their father, and notify them of the legal proceedings.

88 Final Settlement of Andrew Beckner  
At the May Term of the

To this amt. as per Sale Bill	\$ 98	18 3/4
" " " Cash		30
" " " notes uncollected as per Inventory	620	00
" " " notes as per Sale Bill	188	87
	\$ 937	55 3/4

Adm<sup>r</sup> of the Estate of Frederick Beckner dec<sup>d</sup>  
County Court of Lewis County Mo Ad 1841

By Account allowed adm <sup>r</sup> agt <sup>t</sup> Estate as per Voucher No. 1	144	99
" " " " " " 2	2	30
" 32 days absence to the States of Kentucky & Indiana on business of the Estate \$1.50 per day	48	00
" Cash expended in the trips	20	00
	\$ 221	29
By this amt in favor of Estate	\$ 715	70 3/4
	\$ 937	55 3/4

Filed May 4<sup>th</sup> 1841  
J. H. Blair Clerk



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Frederick Beckner, estate, 1st annual settlement, 5.1841.1

**Citation to Andrew, executed on 7/6/1842**

In July, 1842, Andrew was subpoenaed because 'he had not made *'the annual settlement of his accounts as Administrator of the estate of Frederick Beckner deceased as is required by the Statute in such cases'*

Lewis County Court  
August term 1842

Frederick Beckner's Estate

To Citation

Andrew Beckner Adm.

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State of Missouri  
County of Lewis } The State of Missouri  
To the Sheriff of Lewis County greeting  
We command you to Cite Andrew Beckner that  
he do and appear in our County Court at the  
Court house in the Town of Mountcellis in and for  
said County on the first Monday in August  
next, then and there before the Justices of our  
said Court to show cause if any he have why  
an attachment should not issue against  
him for failing to make annual settlement of  
his accounts as Administrator of the estate of  
Frederick Beckner deceased as is required by  
the Statute in such cases made and provided  
and this you shall in no wise omit and have  
you then and there this writ.

Witness J. H. Blair as Clerk of  
our said Court and the Seal thereof  
Done at office in Mountcellis at the  
County of Lewis on this 1<sup>st</sup> day  
of July 1842  
J. H. Blair Clerk

I do hereby Certify that I executed the within Citation by reading the same to Andrew Beckner on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1842 in Lewis County, Mo.  
N. A. Sublet Shff Lewis  
By his Dept. J. D. Million  
Shffs fee 50 cts

Frederick Beckner, estate, Citation to Andrew Beckner, 7.6.1842.1

Lewis County Court  
August term 1842

Frederick Beckner's Estate

To} Citation

Andrew Beckner Adm.

State of Missouri )  
County of Lewis ) The State of Missouri

To the sheriff of Lewis County Greeting

We command you to Cite Andrew Beckner that he be and appear in our County Court at the Court house in the Town of Monticello in and for said county on the first Monday in August next, then and there before the Justices of our said court to show Cause if any he have why an attachment should not issue against him for failing to make annual settlement of his accounts as Administrator of the estate of Frederick Beckner deceased as is required by the Statute in such cases made and provided and this you shall in no wise omit and have you then and there this write.

Witness. J H Blair as Clerk of  
Our said Court and the seal thereof  
Done at office in Monticello at the  
County aforesaid on the 1<sup>st</sup> day  
Of July 1842

J.H. Blair Clerk

I do hereby certify that I executed the within citation by reading the same to Andrew Beckner on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1842 in Lewis County, MO

N.A. Sublet, shff Lewis  
By his Dept. J.D. Million

Shffs fee 50 cts

**Annual Settlement of Frederick's estate, 2/1843**

Annual Settlement of Andrew  
Estate of Isaac Beckner  
by  
To this amount on hand as  
Per Settlement 1841 \$ 715-76 3/4  
" Hire of Negro Woman 2 years - 80-00 -  
\$ 795-76 3/4

*Beckner Administrator of the  
Estate, Febr. Term County Court - 1843*

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1842

By this as per Poncher (no 1) ---	\$5.37½
" " paper Widow " (no 2) ---	25.17
" " " " " (no 3) ---	<del>88.68</del>
" " " " " (no 4) ---	10.00
" " " " " (no 5) ---	<del>24.75</del>
" " Taxes for Estate for 1840. no. 6 ---	1.31
" " Clerk's fee - no. 7 ---	4.87½
	\$ 161.56
Balance on hand	634.20
	\$ 795.76

795.76	
161.86	
634.20	

Frederick Beckner, estate, annual settlement, 2.1843.2

*Annual Settlement of Andrew Beckner Administrator of the  
Estate of Frederick Beckner Deceased Febr. Term County Court 1843*

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To this amount our hand as }  
Per settlement 1841 }

\$715.76 ¾

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

**Hire of Negro Woman 2 years**

**80.00**

\$795.76  $\frac{3}{4}$

1842

By this as per Voucher (No 1) --- \$	5.37 $\frac{1}{2}$
" " paid widow (No 2) ---	25.17
" " " " (No 3) ---	88.68
" " " " (No 4) ---	10.00
" " " " (No 5) ---	26.13
" " Taxes for estate for 1840 No. 6 ---	1.31
" " Clerks fees No. 7	<u>4.87 <math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u>
	\$161.56
Balance on hand	<u>634.20</u>
	\$795.76

I added the bold type. Want to make sure we follow through on finding this woman, if possible.

**'Insurance of a Mare', filed 2/6/1843**

Andrew presented the estate with a bill for the 'insurance of a Mare,' for \$5.00, and calculated interest up to the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 1842 \$00.37 $\frac{1}{2}$ , which was allowed by the court. This was filed 'Feby. 6, 1843.'

The bill was incurred 5/1839.

The bill was then allowed in the Nov. 1840 session. I guess it wasn't paid at that time, and hence the interest, which McDaniel was requesting in addition to the original debt, on 1/25/1842.

Frederick Beckner in account with  
J. W. McDaniel May 1839  
to the insurance of one Mare  
to Horse \$5.00  
Calculated Interest up to the 25<sup>th</sup> of January  
1842 \$00 37  $\frac{1}{2}$

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Five and five dollars allowed  
within against Frederick Beckner  
estate Nov 3 1840  
Attest J. A. Blain Clerk  
Filed Feb 6 1843  
J. A. Blain Clerk

Frederick Beckner, estate, bill from J W McDaniel, filed 2.6.1843.

Not sure what this means – was he breeding a mare? Maybe it's not the word 'insurance.'

**Bill for making coffin, 2/6/1843, \$5.00 deduction filed 8/27/1845**

It looks as if Andrew didn't pay the entire bill for the coffin in 1840, which was allowed 2/6/1843, and is being charged for the rest of 8/27/1845.

So  
I certify that the within account of five  
dollars was allowed against the estate of  
Fredric Beckner Decd of the 6<sup>th</sup> class of dem  
ands on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1843  
Attest  
J. A. Blain Clerk

None here

1840 Estate of F. Beckner Decd.  
To A. Beckner Dr  
To making & finishing Coffin  
for Deceased \$15.00  
Filed August 27-1845 deduct 5.00  
J.H. Blair clk All<sup>o</sup> 10.00  
By I.G. Blair Dy

1840 Estate of F. Beckner Decd.

To A. Beckner	Dr
To making & finishing coffin	
For Deceased	\$15.00
Filed August 27 1845 deduct	<u>5.00</u>
	Allowed 10.00

J.H. Blair Clk  
By I.G. Blair Dy.

I certify that the within account of ten dollars was allowed against the Estate of Fredric Beckner decsd of the 6<sup>th</sup> class of lien and on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1843

Att.  
J.H. Blair Clerk  
(in margin)  
November 2

I don't understand the two dates on this bill. Apparently on 2/6/1843 (the date of the 1<sup>st</sup> annual settlement), some portion of it was approved. The bill was reduced by \$5.00 at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Settlement, 8/27/1845.

**Citation to Andrew, executed 6/7/1843**

Apparently making the annual statement was a problem for Andrew again the following year:



Lewis County Court  
August ten 1843

Frederick Beckner vs

3 } Citation

Andrew Beckner Advers

Executed the within by reading the same to  
Andrew Beckner on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1843 —

fee \$1.50

C. P. State Sheriff L.C.  
by C. Durbin deputy

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State of Missouri }  
County of Lewis } The State of Mo  
To the Sheriff of Lewis County Greeting  
We command you to cite Andrew  
Beckner that he be and appear in  
our County Court at the Court  
House in the Town of Monticello  
within for the aforesaid County on  
the first Monday in August next  
then there before the Justices of our  
said Court to shew Cause if any  
he has why an attachment should  
not issue against him for failing to  
make Annual Settlement of his  
accounts as Administrator of the  
Estate of Frederick Beckner deceased  
as is required of him by the Statute  
in such Cases made & provided and  
thus you shall in no wise Fault and  
have you then there this Wit

Witness J. H. Blair Clerk  
Of our said Court and  
the seal thereof Done at  
Office in Monticello the  
County aforesaid on this  
28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1843  
J. H. Blair Clerk  
By J. G. Blair Deputy

Lewis County Court  
August term 1843

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

*Fredrick Beckners Est  
To } Citation  
Andrew Beckner Adm*

*Executed the written by reading the same to Andrew Beckner on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1843-----*

*C.B. Tate Sheriff L.C.  
By C. Durkee depty*

*Fee \$1.50*

*State of Missouri  
County of Lewis  
The State of MO*

*To the Sheriff of Lewis county Greetings We command you to cite Andrew Beckner that he be and appear in our County Court at the court House in the Town of Monticello within the aforesaid County on the first Monday in August next then there before the justices of our said Court to shew cause if any he has why an attachment should not issue against him for failing to make annual settlement of his accounts as Administrator of the Estate of Fredrick Beckner deceased as is required of him by the State in such cases made & provided and this you shall in no wise omit and have you then there this writ.*

*Witnesseth JH Blair clerk  
Of our said court and  
The seal thereof done at  
Office in Monticello at the  
County aforesaid on this  
28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1843  
JH Blair Clerk  
By JG Blair Deputy*

**Filed 8/27/1845**

It seems that there two nearly identical motions - each one has two of Frederick's heirs – Thomas Locke Beckner and Newbold NJ Cannon – asking the court to require Andrew Beckner as administrator to account for his accounting. One talks of 10 per cent interest on the account, the other 6 per cent.

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Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

*C. Beckner &  
N. J. Cannon  
wife  
3  
A. Beckner*

*Frederick & Mary  
Beckner  
By W. B. Cannon*

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T. Beckner and  
N. J. Cannon & his  
Wife Elizabeth late  
Elizabeth Beckner  
Adm<sup>r</sup>

A. Beckner adm<sup>r</sup>  
of said Estate

County Court of  
Salem County, Me  
Aug - 1845 -

Now at this day comes  
the above named heirs and state to the  
Court here that said adm<sup>r</sup> as for the  
inventory of said Estate reciving a large  
amount of notes on which said adm<sup>r</sup>  
has been drawing large amounts of interest  
and has made or might have made ten  
per cent per annum - that for the  
amount of the said bill he has drawn  
ten per cent per annum - from  
the time the same became due - they  
therefore move the Court to require said  
adm<sup>r</sup> to account for ten per cent  
per annum for all amounts remaining  
in his hands after deducting the debts  
against said Est. and paid by said  
adm<sup>r</sup> and also deducting the expenses  
of administration -

Wm W. Woodard  
Att<sup>y</sup> for heirs

Frederick Beckner, estate, T Beckner, NJ Cannon vs A Beckner, 8.27.1845.1

T. Beckner &  
N.J. Cannon &  
Wife  
}  
A. Beckner

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By J.G. Blair Dy

T. Beckner and  
N.J. Cannon & his  
Wife Elizabeth late  
}  
A. Beckner admin  
Of said estate

County Court of  
Lewis County, MO  
Aug 1845

Now at this day comes the above named heirs and state to the Court how that said admin as per the inventory of said Estate receiving a large amount of notes on which said admin has been drawing large amounts of interest and has made or might have made ten per cent per annum and that for the amount of the sale Bill he has drawn ten per cent cent (sic) per annum – from the time the same became due – they therefore move the court to require said admin. to account for ten per cent per annum for all amounts remaining in his hands after deducting the debts against said Est. and paid by the admin. And also deducting the expenses of administration.

Green & Woodyard  
Atty for hire

**6 per cent rather than 10 per cent, filed 8/27/1845**

J. Beckner - &  
N. J. Cannon & wife  
as { motion  
A. Beckner

Filed August 27. 1845  
J. H. Blair Clerk  
By J. G. Blandy

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Thomas Beckner &  
N. J. Cannon heirs of  
Fred. Beckner - Decd.  
as }  
A. Beckner admr.  
of said Est. }

County Court  
Linn County Mo  
August Term  
1845

now at this come the  
above named heirs of Fred. Beckner Decd.  
and move the Court to require the admr.  
of said Est. to account for the amount  
of money due said Estate, and also  
to account for 6 per cent per annum  
on the amount remaining due the  
estate at <sup>each</sup> settlement, until paid  
out according to Law or pursuant  
to the order of the Court - - except  
so much as was necessary to pay  
the demands against the estate, and  
the Expenses of administration

Green & Woodard  
Attys

Frederick Beckner, estate, Thomas Beckner, NJ Cannon vs A Beckner, 8.27.1845 another version.1

T. Beckner &  
N.J. Cannon & wife  
} motion  
A. Beckner

Thomas Beckner &  
N.J. Cannon heirs of  
Fred. Beckner - Decd.  
}  
A. Beckner admin

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewning Downes/Theodore Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewning/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

of said Est.

County Court  
Lewis County, Mo.  
August Term  
1845

Now at this come the above named heirs of Fred. Beckner Decd. And move the court to require the admin. of said Est. to account for the amounts of money due said Estate, and also to account for 6 per cent per annum on the amount remaining due the estate at each settlement until paid out according to Law or pursuant to the order of the Court - except so much as was necessary to pay the demands against the Estate, and the Expenses of administration.

Green & Woodyard  
Atty

Frederick's heirs request distribution of estate, filed 8/27/1845

Cannon & others  
vs Motion  
F Beckner Est

Filed Aug 27-1845  
Attest  
By W. B. Blair



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 Thomas Beckner  
 & N. J. Cannon, Jr.  
 his wife Elizabeth  
 heirs of Fred. Beckner dcd. } County Court  
 on August term  
 A. Beckner adm. 1845  
 of said Est. }

Now at this day comes the above named heirs and states to the court that there are Eleven heirs of said Est. whose names are entered on the Records of the court. & they move the Court to make distribution equally among said heirs, of the amount in the admr hands and direct the admr of said Est. to pay the same accordingly. They state that the amt. in admr hands is about 750 Dollars & of  
 Wm. Woodard  
 Atty for Heirs

Frederick Beckner, estate, Thomas Beckner, NJ Cannon, Cannon & others vs A Beckner, 8.27.1845.2

Cannon & Others  
 } Motion  
 F. Beckner Est

Filed August 27, 1845  
 JH Blair Clk  
 By IG Blair Dy

Thomas Beckner  
 & N.J. Cannon, Jr.  
 His wife Elizabeth  
 Heirs of Fred. Beckner dcd.  
 }  
 A. Beckner adm.  
 Of said est.

County Court  
 August term  
 1845

Now at this day comes the above named heirs and states to the court that there are **Eleven** heirs of said Est. whose names are entered on the Records of the court & they move the Court to make distribution

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equally among said heirs, of the amount in the adm. hands and direct the admin. of said Est. to pay the same accordingly. They state that the amt. in adm. Hands is about 751. Dollars.

Green & Woodyard  
Atty for Heirs

Bill to estate from Blair, county clerk, filed 8/27/1845

86 The estate of J Beckner deceased  
 As Administrator  
 For one day taking out letters \$1.50  
 For one day appraisin property 1.50  
 For one day attending sale 1.50  
 For advertising sale 2.00  
 For one day filling in return and sale bill 1.50  
 For four days attending court making settlements &c 6.00  
 For amount for trouble &c &c  
 expenses in attending to the business  
 of this estate 40.00  
 53.50

Proved

Filed August 27<sup>th</sup> 1845  
 J. H. Blair clerk  
 By J. H. Blair

432.58  
 50.00  
 2.116

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Filed August 27, 1845

JH Blair Clk

By JG Blair Dy

The estate of F. Beckner deceased

To A. Beckner administrator	
To one day making out letters	\$1.50
To one day appraising property	1.50
To one day attending sale	1.50
To advertising sale	2.00
To one day filing? inventory and sale bill	2.50
To four days attending court making settlements etc.	6.00
To amount for trouble & Expenses in attending to the business Of the estate	<u>40.00</u>
	<u>\$55.50</u>

**Final settlement, 8/1845**

SD  
In County Court Lewis  
William Ellis Administrator of

In Final Settlement of Andrew Beckner Admin-  
To this Amount of Money as per last settlement 634-20  
Interest required by the Court 185-65  
\$819-85

County Missouri August Term 1845  
Shelton G Spear deceased probate settled & Co.

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Administrator of Frederick Beckner deceased August 25 1845 - Cr

By Amount as per Voucher No one	1 50
By Amount as per Voucher No two	10 00
By Amount as per Voucher No three	55 00
By Amount as per Voucher No four	5 72
	<hr/>
	70 22
Balance due said Estate	749 65
	<hr/>
	819 87

Filed for Record August 27<sup>th</sup> 1845  
 J. A. Blair Clerk  
 By J. A. Blair Deputy

Frederick Beckner, estate, final settlement, 8.25.1845

**Mary d. before 9/22/1845**  
**Named Newbold J NJ Cannon her administrator**

Her will was probated **10/4/1845**. Newbold J NJ Cannon, her son-in-law, was appointed her administrator.

Mary died without a will.

**Mary's probate:**

Browning, Mary E. Admr.	192	Sept. 23 1845	1	243	1	258	
Beckner, Mary							
Cannon, N. J. Admr.	193	Oct. 4 1845	1	244			Nov. 24 1846
Blackston, Ann C.							

Aug. 29 1849	3	91	(B. 2-P. 276, 277, 282, 355) (B. 3-P. 57, 205, 219, 239, 255.)
			(B. 2-P. 323, 342, 346, 351, 391, 392, 393)

I can't tell if Mary's estate includes only the items on the line across from her name, or also the items right below the line, also in B.2. I'm inclined to think her entries continue to page 393.

Aug. 29 1849	3	91	(B. 2-P. 276, 277, 282, 355) (B. 3-P. 57, 205, 219, 239, 255.)
			(B. 2-P. 323, 342, 346, 351, 391, 392, 393)
Nov. 26 1849	3	95	(B. 3-P. 10, 49, 62, 194, 263)

Newbold J Cannon, Administrator Bond for Mary's estate 10/4/1845

Mary died without a will, as stated on page 208 of the record book. Newbold J Cannon, her son-in-law, was made her administrator. His brother, J(ohn) Cannon, and Henry T. Hughes were the other securities for the administrator bond. Following the administrator's bond is an oath Newbold J made listing all her heirs.

*Cannon* Know, all men by these presents that  
I Newbold J Cannon, as principal  
Beckner and John Cannon & Henry T. Hughes  
estate as security are, hold and firmly bind  
unto the State of Missouri in the  
sum of Three Hundred Dollars  
for the payments whereof well &  
truly to be made we bind ourselves  
our heirs Executors Administrators &  
Jointly Severally & firmly by these presents  
Given under our hands &  
Seals this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. A.D. 1845  
The condition of the above bond  
is that if Newbold J Cannon  
Administrator of the estate of Mary  
Beckner deceased shall faithfully

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Administer said Estate, account for  
payments & deliver all Money & property  
of said estate and perform all other  
things touching said Administration  
required by law or the Order or  
Decree of any Court having  
Jurisdiction then the above bond  
to be void & otherwise to remain  
in full force

J. P. Cannon (Seal)  
J. P. Cannon (Seal)  
H. P. Hughes (Seal)

State of Missouri }  
County of Lewis } This day personally  
appeared before me J. H. Blair  
Clerk of the County Court within  
& for said County Newbold J. Cannon  
Administrator of Mary Beckner deceased  
and makes oath that said deceased  
leaving as her heirs the following  
named persons to wit Jacob Beckner  
whose residence is not known the heirs  
of Betty Silby who married Lewis  
Silby & resided in the State of Indiana  
Dearborn County Peter Beckner  
who resides in Bath County Ky  
Abraham Beckner and Polly Overly  
who married Jacob Overly who resides  
in Fleming County & State of Ky  
Hannah Sweet who married John  
Sweet & resides in Fleming County Ky  
Margaret Wilkes who married Joseph

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William & Maria on the State of Illinois  
and Thomas Beckner Andrew Beckner  
Rumney Steel who married Benjamin  
Steel and Elizabeth Ann Cannon  
who married Newbold Cannon  
all of whom reside in Lewis County  
and State of Missouri that had  
deceased and without will, that  
I will make a perfect inventory  
of and faithfully administer all the  
estate of said deceased and pay  
the debts as far as the estate will  
extend and the law direct and account  
for & pay all assets which shall come  
to his possession or knowledge  
Subscribed & sworn to before  
{  
me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Octr 1845 }  
J. M. Blair Clerk } M. Cannon  
By J. M. Blair Dep } }

Filed for Record October 11<sup>th</sup> 1845  
J. M. Blair Clerk  
By J. M. Blair Dep

Newbold NJ Cannon, administrator bond, Mary Beckner estate.2

Of the 12 children Mary and Frederick Beckner had, 11 are mentioned here. The only one not mentioned is John, who died in 1829, supposedly from a farm injury. I believe John had at least 7 children, but they aren't mentioned in the will. Note: Frederick served as security on his son's estate, so they knew he had passed, and perhaps that's why he wasn't mentioned.

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Esther (Hetty) is the only other child who had died prior to when Mary's estate was probated in 1845. The following comes from page 207 and 208.

*Jacob L. Beckner, residence not known  
 the heirs of Hetty Silvy, who married Lewis Silvy and resided in the state of Indiana and county of Dearborn  
 Peter Beckner, who resides in Bath County, KY  
 Abraham Beckner and  
 Polly Overly who married Jacob Overly who resides in Fleming County, KY  
 Hannah Sweet who married Joshua Sweet and resides in Fleming County, KY  
 Margaret Welker who married Joseph Welker and resides in the state of Illinois  
 Thomas Beckner  
 Andrew Beckner  
 Ruamy Keels who married Benjamin Keels  
 Elizabeth Ann Cannon who married Newbold J Cannon, all of whom live in Lewis County, MO*

**Sale Bill for two Negro women, 11/15/1845, filed 11/22/1845**

Now that both Frederick and Mary are dead, the farm and possessions need to be distributed to the heirs. They prepared to sell the two slave women weeks after Mary died.

Frederick's inventory appraisement in 1840 listed two slaves - Milly and a 2-year old little girl.

**This is the 1840 appraisement.** The two year old would be about 7 by 1845.

one lot of beipboard ruan	03	00
<del>three</del> chais	01	00
one looking glasf	00	50
one negro woman name milly	500	00
one negro girl two year old	200	
one pane of shew pinchers	00	37 1/2
one pocket Book	00	50
	605	37 1/2
	765	65 1/2
	767	03

**Bill of Sale for the Negro slaves, 11/15/1845**

This has to be for the little girl and the woman on the estate inventory earlier. Milly was named in both documents. The two-year-old in the 1840 inventory MAY be the girl named Marion in 1845.

George Forest bought Milly. ES Patterson bought Marion.



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Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

Andrew Beckner  
To Lace Bill  
A Beckner Est

Filed Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> 1846  
J. H. Beane cler  
G. L. Beane Dy

George Forest Negro girl Milly \$500.00  
E. J. Patterson Negro girl Maria 250.00

State of Missouri,  
County of Lewis } Nov 15, 1845  
personally appears Martin E  
E Green who being duly sworn  
deposes and says that he did well and  
truly act as clerk of the Sale Bill above  
mentioned to the best of his knowledge  
the property belonging to the Estate Frederick  
Beckner Dec Martin E Green

State of Missouri,  
County of Lewis }  
Sworn and subscribed  
to before me J E Mckley an acting Justice  
of the peace of Canton Township in Lewis  
County this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1845  
J E Mckley J. P.

Frederick Beckner, estate, sale bill, 11.22.1845.2

Andrew Beckner  
to }

F. Beckner Est.

Filed Nov. 22, 1845  
JH Blair CLK  
By HG Blair Dy.

George Forest Negro girl Milly \$500.00

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

E.S. Patterson Negro girl Marion 251.00

State of Missouri }  
County of Lewis }

Now Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1845 personally appears Martin E Green who being duly sworn deposeth and seth that he did well and truly act as clerk of the sale Bill above mentioned to the best of his knowledge the property belonging to the Estate Frederick Beckner Decd.

Martin E. Green

State of Missouri }  
County of Lewis }

Sworn and subscribed to before me JE Mickley an acting Justice of the peace of Canton Township in Lewis county this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1845

JE Mickley J.P.

**Bill to Mary's estate, filed 8/29/1849**

This is a record of a bill presented to her estate, by Newbold J NJ Cannon, her executor.

<p>Dr Newbold J Cannon Admr of the Estate This account charge himself with to account due on last settlement to of Inventory Collected</p> <p style="text-align: right;">176-22 7 67</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$183 07</p>	<p>of Mary Beckner Decd.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>No</td> <td>Chas Accountants Credits himself with</td> <td>Co</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Admr paid M C Martin's Medical A/c</td> <td>\$ 4 61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>" " George Marks for Coffin</td> <td>6 00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>" " Plain Caskets for</td> <td>6 11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>" " W G Watson</td> <td>1 50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>" " H H Woodyard atty for</td> <td>7 50</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>" of Claim against R Vraynes not Collected</td> <td>70</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>" paid for auditing Vettes</td> <td>2 50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>" " Varnum final settlement</td> <td>2 50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td> <td>" of Admr's Account</td> <td>25 00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td><u>\$ 123 88</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>\$ 183 07</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: right;">Filed for Record August 29<sup>th</sup> 1849 W G Watson Clerk</p>	No	Chas Accountants Credits himself with	Co	1	Admr paid M C Martin's Medical A/c	\$ 4 61	2	" " George Marks for Coffin	6 00	3	" " Plain Caskets for	6 11	4	" " W G Watson	1 50	5	" " H H Woodyard atty for	7 50		" of Claim against R Vraynes not Collected	70		" paid for auditing Vettes	2 50	6	" " Varnum final settlement	2 50	7	" of Admr's Account	25 00			<u>\$ 123 88</u>			\$ 183 07
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Mary Locke Beckner, estate, bill from Newbold J Cannon, 8.29.1849



of Mary Beckner Aced.		Cr
Dr	This accountants credits himself with	
No 1	Am't paid M C Hawkins Medical Aids	\$ 6 61
2	George Marks for Coffin	6 00
3	Blair Clarke for	6 11
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		<u>\$ 123 88</u>
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	W G Watson Clerk	

Mary's 1<sup>st</sup> annual settlement, 11.1846

114 1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Settlement	
Dr	The Admr of the Estate of Mary Beckner
	This accountant charges himself with amount of sale Bill
	<u>\$ 224 21</u>

*of N. J. Cannon Adm'r &c*  
*deed in acct with said Estate*      *Cr*

*This accountant credits himself with the*  
*following amounts viz*

<i>No 1</i>	<i>By amt Paid Dr Brown (last receipt)</i>	<i>\$16</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>... .. A L Richard for Burial Expense</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>00</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>... .. C B Tate for Taxes</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>33</i>
	<i>... .. Estate for collecting personalty</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>... .. Appraisers</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>00</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>... .. Clerk of Sale</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>31</i>
	<i>... .. Clerk of Sale</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>... Services in gathering personalty</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>... Attending appraisers 1 day</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>... .. Sale</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>... .. Court 3 days @ 2.00</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>... Keeping horse 1 month</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>00</i>
	<i>Bal due estate when collected</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>32</i>
	<i>Filed for Record Nov: 24<sup>th</sup> 1846</i>	<i>\$204</i>	<i>21</i>

*J. H. Blair Adm'r*  
*By J. H. Blair Supty*

Mary Locke Beckner, 1st annual settlement, 11.1846, p. 114

**Sheriff Deed, 9/15/1857, page 454**

I don't entirely understand what is happening here; perhaps I don't have all the pertinent documents.

There is a sale by Sheriff J.A. Richardson for real estate previously owned by Frederick. The date of the Sheriff's sale was 9/15/1857.

BUT: In 1850, some of Frederick's heirs asked the court to force a sale of the land, and Andrew Beckner purchased it.

*...witnesseth that whereas at the May term AD 1850 of Lewis Circuit Court the petition for partition wherein' the plaintiffs petitioned the court for partition and were granted their 'prayers,' and the sheriff was ordered to sell the land on '22<sup>nd</sup> day of October AD 1850'*

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

I don't understand why, if the land was sold in 1850, and supposedly owned by Andrew Beckner, there is a sheriff's deed dated and filed in 1857, unless it was never correctly filed in 1850? Or did he not give his siblings their share?

The plaintiffs in the case are:

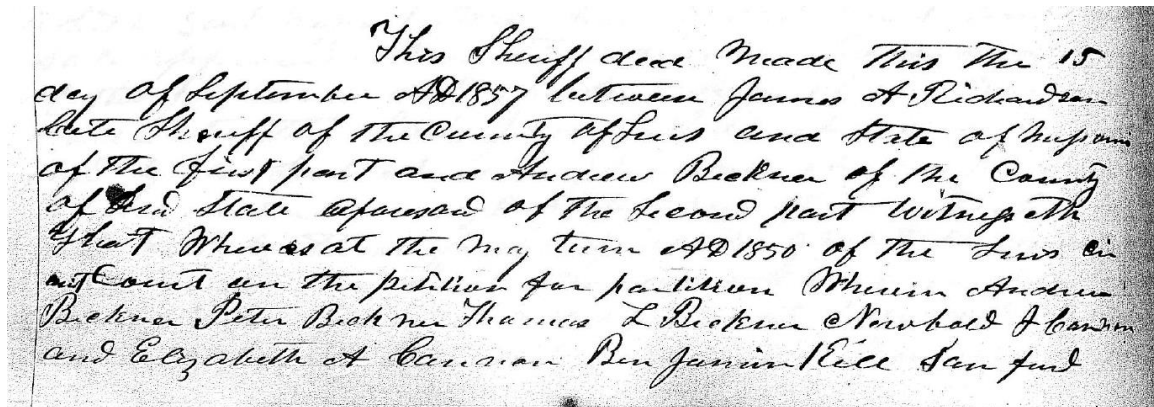
**Andrew Beckner, Peter Beckner, Thomas L. Beckner, Newbold J. Cannon and Elizabeth A. Cannon, Benjamin Kell, Sanford Kell, Samuel Kell, Luis Kell, Emily Kell, William Kell, Benjamin Kell and Ruamy Elizabeth Kell minor heirs, by their guardian Benjamin Kell.**

The defendants are:

**Abraham Beckner, Jacob Overly and Mary Overly, Joseph Walker and Margaret Walker, and the unknown heirs of Jacob Beckner deceased, the unknown heirs of John and Hannah Sweet, Deceased, and the unknown heirs of Luis and Hester Sylvia, deceased.**

You can see that the Silvys, the Sweets, and Ruamy Kell have died between the 1840 will of Frederick and 1850, or 1857, depending on when the list of heirs was made. From what I've learned at rootsweb, John Sweet was killed in 1857, so this list may be current as of 1857, not 1850.

HOWEVER, Abram is listed as an heir, but he died in 1854, so I am confused about dates of death for the Sweets, especially. Did they die prior to 1850? If so, then the story online about Joshua Sweet being murdered in 1857 is inaccurate. Of course, notice that the will mentions John Sweet, not Joshua. Confusing.



This Sheriff's deed made this the 15 day of September AD 1857 between James A. Richardson late Sheriff of the County of Lewis and State of Indiana of the first part and Andrew Beckner of the County of said State of the second part witnesseth that whereas at the May term AD 1850 of the said Circuit Court on the petition for partition wherein Andrew Beckner Peter Beckner Thomas L. Beckner Newbold J. Cannon and Elizabeth A. Cannon Benjamin Kell Sanford

Kell Samuel Kell Lewis Zell Emory Kell William Kell  
Benjamin Kell and Nancy Elizabeth Kell Minors  
Benjamin <sup>the said</sup> Samuel Kell of their Guardian John James  
Kell one plaintiff And Abraham Beckner Jacob  
Caul and May Caul Joseph Walker and Margaret  
Walker and the undersigned heirs of Jacob Beckner dead  
the undersigned heirs of John and Hannah Lewis  
deceased and the undersigned heirs of Lewis and Hester <sup>Leg-</sup>  
-ids deceased were defendants by which said judgment  
The said Circuit Court in accordance with the prayer  
of said petitioners ordered the Sheriff of the County  
of Lewis to sell the real Estate in said petition then  
found and whereas the said party of the first part  
in pursuance of said Order did on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
of October AD 1852 at the Court House door in the  
Town of Monticello in said County of Lewis what  
said Court was in Session expose said real Estate in  
said order mentioned publicly at Auction for ready  
Money as in said Order mentioned having previously  
given notice by advertisement ~~of~~ the same by ten hand  
bills signed by the said James A Richardson Sheriff of  
Lewis County set up in the most public places  
in said County stating the time place and terms of  
said sale and what real Estate was to be sold and  
where situate between the hands of mine in the fore  
noon and five in the afternoon of said day  
when and when the said Andrew Beckner being  
then and there the highest and best bidder became  
the purchaser of the East half of the <sup>the East</sup>  
quarter of Section Eighteen (18) and the South West  
quarter of the North West quarter of Section No Seven  
teen (17) all in Township No Sixty Two (62) of Range  
No Ten (6) West Containing 120 acres of land more or  
less situate in the County of Lewis and State of Miss  
sippi for the sum of one thousand dollars and  
whereas said party of the first part made a report  
of said sale and the proceedings thereon to  
said Circuit Court at the September Term 1857 whereof  
which said report was seen by said Court and said  
sale approved Now therefore in consideration  
of the premises and the said sum of one thousand  
dollars to the said James A Richardson in hand  
paid by the said Andrew Beckner the receipt whereof  
is hereby acknowledged both grant bargain and  
sell and by these presents doth grant bargain and  
sell unto the said Andrew Beckner his heirs  
and assigns forever all the right title and interest  
the said parties in said partition had in and to said



real estate to have and to hold the said real estate unto the said Andrew Beckner and to his heirs and assigns forever together with all and singular the appurtenances and hereditaments therunto belonging or in any wise appertaining In Witness whereof the said James A Richardson Sheriff of Lewis County as aforesaid has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal this the day and year first above written

J A Richardson  
Late Sheriff of Lewis Co  
State of Missouri Lewis Circuit Court  
County of Lewis sp } September term 1857

Seal

J B R Magee Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the County and State aforesaid do Certify that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September AD 1857 personally came into Open Court James A Richardson late Sheriff of Lewis County and then and there before the Hon A Russ Judge of said Court acknowledged that he executed the foregoing instrument of Writing to be his act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned

Seal

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court done at office in Monticello on this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October AD 1857

J B R Magee Clerk  
By W F Staples D.C.

Filed for Record Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 1857

J B R Magee Recorder  
By W F Staples D.C.

Frederick Beckner, estate, Sheriff deed, filed 9.15.1857.1

This Sheriff deed made this the **15 day of September A.D. 1857** between **James A. Richardson late sheriff of the County of Lewis and State of Missouri** of the first part and **Andrew Beckner of the county of said State aforesaid of the second part** witnesseth that whereas at the May term A.D. 1850 of the Lewis Circuit Court on the petition for partition Wherein **Andrew Beckner, Peter Beckner, Thomas L. Beckner, Newbold J. Cannon and Elizabeth A. Cannon, Benjamin Kell, Sanford Kell, Samuel Kell, Luis Kell, Emily Kell, William Kell, Benjamin Kell and Raummy Elizabeth Kell minor heirs, Benjamin and ??? Kell by their guardian Benjamin Kell are plaintiffs.** And **Abraham Beckner, Jacob Overly and Mary Overly, Joseph Walker and Margaret Walker, and the unknown heirs of Jacob Beckner deceased the unknown heirs of John and Hannah Sweet deceased and the unknown heirs of Luis and Hester Sylvia, deceased were defendants** by Which said Judgement the said circuit court in accordances with the prayer of said petitioners Ordered the Sheriff of the county of Lewis to sell the real estate in said petition mentioned and whereas the said party of the first part in pursuance of said order did on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of **October AD 1850** at the court house door in the Town of Monticello in said County of Lewis whilst said court was in session expose said real estate in said order mentioned publicly at auction for ready money as the said order mentioned having previously given notice by advertising the same by ten hand bills signed by the said

Pamela Downes West/H. Finley Downes/Letha Florence Chewing Downes/Theodore Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Lizzie Cannon Chewing/Elizabeth Ann Beckner Cannon/Frederick & Mary Locke Beckner

*James A. Richardson Sheriff of Lewis County set up in the most public places in said county stating the time places and terms of said Sale and what real estate was to be sold and where situate between the hands of nine in the fore noon and five in the after noon of said day when and where the said **Andrew Beckner being then and there the highest and best bidder** became the purchaser of the **East half of the North East quarter of Section Eighteen (18) and the South West quarter of the North West quarter of Section No. Seventeen (17) all in Township No. Sixty Two (62) of Range No. Six (6) West containing 120 acres** of land more or less situate in the county of Lewis and State of Missouri for the sum of one hundred dollars and whereas said Party of the first part made a report of said sale and the proceedings thereon to Lewis circuit court at the September term 1857 thereof which said report was seen by said court and said sale approved. Now therefore in consideration of the premises and the said sum of one hundred dollars to the said James A. Richardson in hand paid by the said Andrew Beckner the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained and sold and by these represents doth grant bargain and sell unto the said Andrew Beckner his heirs and assigns forever all the right title and interest in said parties in said partition hand in and to said real estate. To have and to hold the said real estate unto the said Andrew Beckner and to his heirs and assigns forever together with all and singular the appurtenances and hereditaments thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining. In witness whereof the said James A. Richardson Sheriff of Lewis County as aforesaid has here unto set his hand and affixed his seal this day and year first above written.*

*J A Richardson (seal)*

*Late Sheriff of Lewis Co.*

*State of Missouri } Lewis Circuit Court*

*County of Lewis } September term 1857*

*I.C.R. Magee Clerk of the circuit court in and for the county and state aforesaid do certify that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September AD 1857 personally came into open court James A Richardson late Sheriff of Lewis County and then and there before the Hon A Rees judge of said court did acknowledge that he executed the foregoing instrument of writing to be his act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.*

*Given under my hand and the seal of*

*Said court done at office in Monticello*

*On this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October AD 1857*

*CR Magee Clerk C  
By WF Staples DC*

*Filed for Record Oct 13<sup>th</sup>, 1857*

*CR Magree Recorder  
By WF Staples DR*



Canton Twp., 1878 map. Frederick and Mary owned the land owned in 1878 in Sec. 17 by J. Butler and Sec. 18 by J. Lord.

Frederick purchased land in Sec. 18 in 1838 (E½ NE¼ Sec 18, Twp 62, R6W), and an original land patent in Sec. 17 in 1839 (SW¼ NW¼ Sec 17, Twp 62, R6W).

Where did Mary live between 1840 (when Frederick died) and her death in 1845? If Andrew didn't purchase her land until 1850, did she continue to live on the property Frederick and she purchased?

### Beckners in America, the First 250 years

I found this at rootsweb in 2008.

According to information in the Beckner in America the First 250 Years

Peter Beckner (son of Johan Nicholas Beckner Sr. ) born about 1738, died 1810/1820. His wife 's name was Mary (last name unknown.). They had 2 children 1. Henry Beckner born about, 1758, died about 1825 in Fleming County , Kentucky. He married Charity Mannon April 28, 1788 in Lincoln County Kentucky. She was born about 1767. Charity died 1815/1821 in Fleming County, Kentucky. They had 14 Children.

1. Laney Beckner born about 1788 in KY.
2. son Beckner born about 1789 in KY
3. son Beckner born about 1791 in KY

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4. *Jacob Beckner, born about 1792, died November 2, 1866*
5. *Catherine "Caty" Beckner, born about 1794.*
6. *John Beckner born about 1798 in Fleming County, KY. John died Before 1850 in KY.*
7. *Elizabeth Beckner born January 17, 1800, died October 17, 1835.*
8. *Margaret Beckner, born about 1802, died about 1845.*
9. *Peter Beckner, born November 20, 1803, died December 10, 1879.*
10. *William Beckner born September 7, 1804, died Feb. 2, 1877.*
11. *Henry Beckner, born about 1806, died 1879.*
12. *Hannah Beckner, born about 1808.*
13. *Charles Beckner, born about 1813.*
14. *Christiana Beckner born about 1815, died 1849.*

*Henry married for the second time to Sarah "Sally" Modlin Dec. 4, 1821 in Nicholas County, KY*

**2. *Frederick Beckner, born about 1765, died about 1839 in Lewis County, MO. He married Mary Locke about 1792. Mary died Aug. 25, 1845. They had 12 Children***

1. *John Beckner, born about 1793, died 1829.*
2. *Jacob Locke Beckner, born April 23, 1795, died Oct. 20, 1846.*
3. *Peter L. Beckner, born Sept. 13, 1797, died Feb. 3, 1859.*
4. *Abraham L. Beckner, born about 1799.*
5. *Esther Beckner, born about 1800 in Fleming County, KY*
6. *Hannah Beckner, born about 1802, died before Oct. 1845.*
7. *Thomas L. Beckner, born about 1804, died about 1854.*
8. *William Andrew Beckner, born March 13, 1806, died before March 18, 1880.*
9. *Elizabeth Anne Beckner, born about 1809 in Fleming County, KY.*
10. *Ruamy Beckner, born about 1810 in Fleming County, KY*
11. *Margaret Beckner, born about 1813 in Fleming County, KY*
12. *Mary Beckner, born about 1815.*

*If you would like more information please contact me at [conniere45@attbi.com](mailto:conniere45@attbi.com) I do have the book Beckners in America the First 250 Years. It has lots more information in it of the family that you are asking about.*

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### Re: Johan ? Beckner family from germany

Posted by: Dennis

Date: May 30, 2000 at 17:02:49

In Reply to: Johan ? Beckner family from germany by Stacy beckner

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I found the following info at:

<http://www.familytreemaker.com/users/b/a/u/James-F-Bauer/BOOK-0001/0010-0001.html>

JOHAN NICHOLAS1 BECKNER was born Abt. 1704 in Germany, and died Bef. 1779 in Pennsylvania. He married \_\_ in \_\_.

Notes for JOHAN NICHOLAS BECKNER:

The Beckner family lineage described in the book Beckners in America( by Branda Cook Beckner & Barbara Roland Beckner, Beckners in America, (Gateway Press Inc., 1001 N. Calvert Street Baltimore, Md. 21202). , known as the Johan Nicholas line, was of Swiss-German descent. This family sailed from Rotterdam on the "Lydia", arriving in Philadelphia 27 Sep 1740. Johan Nicholas, Nicholas and Lawrence Beckner are found on the roles of the Little Conewago Church in 1770 in York county, Pennsylvania. Descendents live in Virginia, Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey and elsewhere.

Children of JOHAN BECKNER and ?? are:

- i. JOHAN NICHOLAS BECKNER, JR., b. Abt. 1725, Germany; d. Abt. 1812, Botetourt County, Va..
- ii. MARILLIS BECKNER, b. Abt. 1730, Germany; d. Unknown.
- iii. LAWRENCE BECKNER, b. Abt. 1733, unk; d. 1802, unk.
- iv. JOHN BECKNER, b. Abt. 1734, Germany; d. Unknown.
- v. MICHAEL BECKNER, b. Abt. 1736, Germany; d. Unknown.
- vi. PETER BECKNER, b. Abt. 1738, unk; d. Bet. 1810 - 1820, unk.
- vii. MAGDALINA BECKNER, b. Abt. 1745, Pennsylvania; d. Unknown; m. CHRISTOPH FUCHS, June 04, 1765, York County, Pa.; b. Unknown, unk; d. Unknown, unk.
- viii. HENRY BECKNER, b. Abt. 1750, unk; d. Bet. 1798 - 1800, unk.

Johan Nicholas Beckner, genealogy

A few years ago I came across information that one of our clan, Nancy (Brecunier) Deardorff attended the Dunkard Church in Illinois and in Panora Guthrie, Iowa. They are buried in the Brethren Cemetery, Guthrie Co., Iowa. The Dunkard church splintered & the Old German Baptist Brethren was formed. The OGBB split in 1881 and the Brethren Church was formed. I have been subscribing to the Brethren Rootsweb, (On the Internet) which was formed to share queries for those with Brethren roots. One of the queries (in May 1998) was about Johan Nicholas Beckner Jr who came to America on the ship Lydia in September of 1740. My first thought was "wait a minute here"! I had copies of the ship Lydia's log which spelled his name Johan Nicholas Peckoner Jr. This query was about the new book called "The Beckners in America, The First 250 Years" by Brenda (Cook) Beckner & Barbara (Roland) Beckner in 1996.

Below is an excerpt from my web site about this Beckner book! .....

It lists a Johan Nicholas Beckner SR (who the authors say arrived in America on the ship "Lydia" Sept 27, 1740) as the progenitor of the Beckner Clan.

The ship Lydia's passenger list that I found list a Johan Nichol "Peckoner" SR who came to America on the ship "Lydia" on September 27, 1740 from Rotterdam and arrived in Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

I have been in contact (via email) with Brenda Beckner concerning the above Beckner book since June 1998. Brenda has conferred with her co-author Bobbie Beckner recently concerning our web site. They have asked me not to reveal any of the contents of their book on our web site anymore, since they want to sell more books. Most, if not all, of our family genealogists quote from resource books from time to time. I can't imagine that the Beckner authors would not want anyone to use their new book as a reference to be quoted from. So the dozen or so of our clan who have been contacting me lately concerning the Beckner Book, will now have to contact the book authors about any content they may be interested in. To read and find out if these Beckners are part of our clan, I coughed up \$47.50 and purchased a copy of the Beckner book! This book, in my opinion, does nothing to establish that the Beckners are related to Johan Nicholas Peckoner Jr (John Nicholas Beckner Jr as the book suggests). However the Beckners shown to be sons & grandsons of John Nicholas Peckoner (Beckner) were named John and Nicholas, which none of our clan were named Nicholas after this same man. The Beckner family have chosen (for some reason) to spell Johan Nichol Peckoner's name "Beckner".

My records show the following:

The Captain of the "Lydia" was James Allan. There were three passengers lists for this ship, list 76 A, B, & C.

On list 76 "A" A list of the men's Names & Ages per the Lydia, Capt. James Allen, from Rotterdam, but last from Dover. Qualified Sept. 27, 1740.

Johan is listed as:

Johan Nichol Peckoner (age 36)  
Johan Nichol Peckoner Jun (age 15)

On list 76 "B" Palatines imported in the Ship Lydia, Capt. James Allan, from Rotterdam. Qualified Sept 27, 1740

Johan is listed as:

Johann Nickel Buckener

On list 76 "C" At the Courthouse Philad, Sept 27, 1740 Present: Jeremia Langhorne, Thomas Graeme & Thomas Griffiths. The Palatines whose names are underwritten, imported in the Ship Lydia, James Allan, Commander, from Rotterdam, but last from Dover, did this day take & subscribe to Oaths to the Government, viz.,

Johan is listed as:

Johan Nickel Boeckener

It appears that the ships crew had a field day with the "Proconier" surname. The above information is from a book titled "Pennsylvania German Pioneers" Vol 1. They show the printed spellings of the passengers names by the crew, and the signatures of the passengers from the ship Lydia in 1740.

As I mentioned on the Research Page of this web site, that over the years some of the Proconier family have researched it's ancestors, and most came to the conclusion that Johan Nichol Peckoner SR was probably the progenitor of our family. However none had any proof of such a claim, just "Probably" the progenitor of our family. The Beckner book states that Johan SR appears on a Philadelphia tax list in April of 1743, the same year Johan SR was naturalized in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Research reveals nothing on Johan SR for the next 26 years until they find Johan SR in York County, Pennsylvania in 1770

where he is named a single member of the Great Conewago Church of the Brethren. It is believed that Johan SR must have died before 1779 as he is not on the tax list for York County, as were his sons! The Beckner book lists eight (8) children for Johan SR, (Johan JR, Marillis, Lawrence, John, Michael, Peter, Magdalene & Henry) but note ... that no record has been found naming Johann Nichol SR's wife or children, with the exception of the ships log of the Lydia with Johan JR listed! All eight children of Johan SR listed by the "Beckners in America" were said to be found in York County, Pennsylvania. Records show that Lawrence and Johan Nichol JR moved side by side to Virginia and their families were close for several generations. Ref: "The Beckner in America 1996"

So here we find ourselves again with all this marvelous research & still do not know who the "Progenitor" of our family is. The Proconiar'iers and the Beckners can not claim this Johan Peckoner SR as the progenitor of our families, other than to point to some circumstantial evidence and say he is "Probably" our progenitor.

I will be adding more to this page, but I wanted to give you some thought on the new book "Beckners in America". David C. Proconiar 8/11/98 .....

John Nicholas Beckner, genealogy research.2