

## Sorting the Benjamin Babcock Children

### Source Key

Centennial UE List	CUEL	(heritage.canadiana.ca)
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Ontario People	OP	(Ontario People 1796-1803, Transcribed and Annotated by E. Keith Fitzgerald, 1993)
Rev. McDowall Register		(my.tbaytel.net/bmartin/mcdowall.htm)

### Premises based on *A Case for Three Benjamin Babcocks*:

- Benjamin Babcock “of Camden” :
  - 1797 - has a “wife and four children”, served in the “Embodied Loyalists”, and had lived in “Nova Scotia and Canada” since 1782. *(C-1620, pp 685-686)*
  - 1796 – settled in the Kingston area (#131) *(OP, pp128-129)*
  - 1804 - His brother David gave oath that Benjamin had 7 children, the oldest being 14 years of age *(C-1476, Image 209)*
  - 1843 – died in Camden *(C-1636, p 979)*
- Benjamin Babcock “of Ernestown”:
  - 1792 – was a “single man” from Goshen, New York *(C-1634. pp 1027-1028)*
  - 1796 – settled in the Kingston area (#156) *(OP, pp128-129)*
  - 1829 – died in Ernestown *(C-1631, p 483)*
  - 1833 – Wm. Lewis makes oath that Benjamin “joined the British Standard” in 1777 *(C-1631 pp 484)*
- Benjamin Babcock “died a soldier”:
  - before 1797 - died in service, per his daughter, Elizabeth’s land petition *(C-2740, pp 1093-1095)*

In sorting the children of Benjamin Babcock, the dates and information from their land petitions and other records were compared to the records and information of each of the above Benjamin Babcocks. There appears to have been several common names among these offspring, which is to be expected, given the naming traditions of the time.

My conclusions regarding who belongs to whom are presented below (see **Assignment**). Offspring are listed in alphabetical order, not by age.

A table of research follows the lists, presented in alphabetical order by name, and chronologically sub-sorted (see **Synopsis**). When not obvious, notes explain the reasoning for placement.

**Assignment of Offspring** based on premises (above) and research (below):

<b>Benjamin Babcock “of Camden”</b>	<b>Research Entry#</b>
David	4, 5, 7
Elizabeth (Henry Harpell)	9, 10, 12
Hannah (John Case)	13
Jacob	14, 15, 17
Jesse	19
John	20, 21, 24, 25, 27
Johnston	28
Mary Ann (John Shannon)	29, 30
Meriam (Benjamin Cleveland)	31
Nicholas	32, 33,
Peter	35, 36, 38
Rachel (George Dies)	40, 41, 42
Samuel	46, 47, 48, 49
Sarah (Thomas Shannon)	50, 51, 53, 54
William	55, 56, 57

<b>Benjamin Babcock “of Ernestown”</b>	<b>Research Entry#</b>
Benjamin	2
Catharine (William Kelly)	3
David	6
Elizabeth	11
Jacob	16
James	18
John	22, 23, 26
Panina (Cornelius Hogaboom)	34
Peter	37
Rachele (James Powley)	43

<b>Benjamin Babcock “died a soldier”</b>	<b>Research Entry#</b>
Benjamin	1
Elizabeth (Ransier)	8
Samuel	45
Sarah (Isaac Smith)	52

A **Synopsis of Land Petition Information**, with reasoning/notes:

Ref#	Name	Date	Particulars	Source(s)	Notes
1	Benjamin	1803	"son of Benjamin Babcock U.E."; no location reference; signed with a signature, unsuccessful	C-1622, pp 514-515	This is only 11 years after the "single man" made petition in 1792, and no Benjamin is listed on David's oath list, so this must be a brother of Elizabeth Ransier (entry #8), and a son of the Benjamin Babcock who " <b>died a soldier</b> ".
2	Benjamin	1833	Father, "of <b>Ernestown</b> " and "previously of Kingston", is deceased; signed with a signature	C-1630, pp 297-302	
3	Catherine Kelly	1839	Married Wm Kelly; oath that her father lived in Kingston; BB of Loughborough is deceased	C-2120, pp 648-650	BB was "of Loughborough", but is deceased in 1839, so must be of <b>Ernestown</b>
4	David	1804	Son of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	<i>CUEL</i> C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; David - 12 yrs
5	David	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	<i>CUEL</i> C-1476 Image 9	Benjamin Babcock of Kingston; described as "a single man" in 1792; and a father of seven children, aged 1 to 14 yrs, in 1804
6	David	1839	David is 40 – 50 yrs; Benjamin Babcock is deceased; Wm Lewis gives oath that Benjamin would have been "upwards of" 75 yrs and his father was Job	C-1634, pp 418-423	Must be the son of Benjamin of <b>Ernestown</b> who died in 1829
7	David	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; David is 49 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
8	Elizabeth Ransier	1797	Daughter of Benjamin Babcock who " <b>died a soldier</b> "	C-2740, pp 1093-1095	Granted land in Portland

9	Elizabeth	1804	daughter of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	CUEL C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; Elizabeth - 1yr
10	Elizabeth	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	CUEL C-1476 Image 9	
11	Elizabeth	1836	Daughter of BB "formerly of... Kingston, late, of <b>Ernest Town</b> " ( <i>sic</i> ); petition submitted by John, her brother; Elizabeth described as a "lunatic"	C-1632, pp 677-684	<i>Note: An Elizabeth Babcock married Henry Harpell in 1824, 12 years prior to this petition. If this were she, her husband, not her brother, would be mentioned in the land petition, so she must be the daughter of Benjamin 'of Camden', and hence the Elizabeth listed in David's oath, and Nicholas' Land Petition (entry #33). Elizabeth Babcock Harpell did not file a Land Petition.</i>
12	Elizabeth	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Elizabeth is "37 or 38" yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
13	Hannah Case	1836	Daughter of BB; Benjamin Sr witnessed and made oath for this petition, and signed with an 'X'; Hannah is married to John Case;	C-1731, pp 451-453	BB of Ernestown died in 1829, so this must be BB of <b>Camden's</b> daughter
14	Jacob	1804	Son of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	CUEL C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; Jacob - 5 yrs
15	Jacob	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	CUEL C-1476 Image 9	
16	Jacob	1833	BB is deceased and "resided in Kingston, then moved to <b>Ernest Town</b> "; oath that B died 30 Aug 1829; Wm Lewis personally knew him from childhood	C-1631, pp 478-485	

17	Jacob	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Jacob is 42 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
18	James	1831	BB of <b>Ernestown</b>	C-1629, pp 72-74	
19	Jesse	1843	Brother of William (entry #55) gave oath that Jesse was the son of the late BB of <b>Camden</b> ; (O'Roblin?) gave oath that BB died "last winter", "served in Ward Block House", and "had 4 or 5 wives"	C-1636, pp 977-981	<i>"Ward Block House" ties this Benjamin of Camden to Captain David Babcock</i>
20	John	1804	Son of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	<i>CUEL</i> , C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; John - 3 yrs
21	John	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	<i>CUEL</i> C-1476 Image 9	
22	John	1834	BB "of the Midland District"; oath of A. Williams (Justice?) re BB "late of the Township of Ernestown"; "Recommended"; "Proof required of the age of Petitioners Father"	C-1630, pp 658-661	John states that Benjamin lives in Midland District; it is the oath maker who refers to Benjamin Babcock of Ernestown.
23	John	1834	Land Book register for entry #22	<i>CUEL</i> C-105 image 583	BB is not listed as "late", so this must be BB of <b>Camden</b> ;
24	John	1835	BB "of Kingston"; John signed with an 'X' at Adolphustown; "Recommended"	C-1631, pp 414-416	<i>Q: Why would the same person petition twice (#23 &amp; #25), when the first petition was successful? The 1834 and 1835 petitioners must be two different people.</i>
25	John	1835	Land Book register of entry #24	<i>CUEL</i> C-105, image 717	This entry in the Land Book immediately precedes William Babcock's register (entry #57).
26	John	1836	On behalf of sister, Elizabeth, "lunatic" (entry #11); BB "formerly of Township of Kingston, late, of <b>Ernestown</b> "; "Order issued"	C-1632, pp 677-684	

27	John	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; John is 39 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
28	Johnston	1836	Johnston lives in Kingston; BB of the "Township of Kingston"; "Recommended... Order issued"	C-1633, pp 16-18	BB is not listed as "late", so Johnston's father must be BB of <b>Camden</b> ;
29	Mary Shannon	1833	Married John Shannon; BB "of the Township of <b>Camden</b> "	C-2805, pp 941-943	
30	Mary Ann	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Mary Ann is 35 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
31	Meriam Cleveland	1835	Wife of Benjamin Cleveland; BB "of the Township of Kingston"; "Recommended...Order Issued"	C-1728, pp 919-920	BB is not listed as "late", so Meriam's father must be BB of <b>Camden</b> .
32	Nicholas	1842	"of the Township of <b>Camden</b> ", BB "of the same place"	<i>CUEL</i> C-107, image 379	
33	Nicholas	1842	Son of "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston and now of <b>Camden</b> "..."eighty years of age"; Nicholas is 21 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	Nicholas provided a list of some of his siblings which matches the list given as oath by David, Benjamin's brother
34	Panina Hogaboom	1831	"wife of Cornelius Hogaboom"; BB is "late --- of the Township of <b>Ernestown</b> "	C-2051, pp 494-495	
35	Peter	1804	Son of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	<i>CUEL</i> , C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; Peter - 10 yrs
36	Peter	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	<i>CUEL</i> C-1476 Image 9	
37	Peter	1816	BB "of the Township of <b>Ernesttown (sic)</b> "; Peter signed with an 'X'; Benjamin made oath that Peter "is the person he describes himself to be" and signed his oath "Bengamin Babcock"	C-1626, pp 849-853	Benjamin makes no mention of where he currently lives in his oath;  <i>Q: Did both Benjamin's reside in Ernestown for a time? Were there two Peter Babcocks?</i>

38	Peter	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Peter is 47 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
39	Rachael	1809	Birth register of Rachael to Benjamin Babcock and Susanah Smith of the Township of Richmond	Rev. McDowall Register	<i>FYI: Richmond Township is west of Camden Township, which is north of Ernestown Township</i>
40	Rachel	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	<i>CUEL</i> C-1476 Image 9	
41	Rachel Dies	1835	Wife of George Dies; BB "of the Township of Kingston"; "Order issued"	C-1877, pp 792-793	Not "late", so must be BB of <b>Camden</b>
42	Rachel	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Rachel is 51 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
43	Rachele Powley	1816	Wife of James Powley; daughter of BB "of <b>Ernesttown (sic)</b> "; Benjamin made oath and signed with a signature; DUE approved	C-2490, pp 998-1000	
44	Richard	1804	Son of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	<i>CUEL</i> , C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; Richard - 14 yrs. In Benjamin Babcock's U.E.L. entry note, his oldest child is a daughter, Rachel, while David's oath list states that Benjamin's oldest is a son, Richard. Subsequent contemporary documents support the entry note list of children; this Benjamin Babcock's first born was a daughter, Rachel.  <i>(continued on next page)</i>

44 <i>(cont.)</i>	Richard	1804			<i>I suspect a transcription error was made in copying David's oath to the UEL List. I doubt that David would have made such a mistake, given that he apparently not only knew the childrens' names, but also their ages.</i>
45	Samuel	1803	"son of Benjamin Babcock U.E."; no location reference; signed with an 'X', "This Benjamin Babcock not priviledged common settler"; "Located in Land Book H page 35"	C-1622, pp 516-517	This petition was made only 11 years after the "single man" made petition in 1792, and no Samuel is listed on David's oath list, so this person must be a brother of Elizabeth Ransier (entry #8), and a son of the Benjamin Babcock who " <b>died a soldier</b> ".
46	Samuel	1835	BB "of the Township of Kingston"; Samuel lives in Camden and signed with an 'X'; "Recommended"	C-1631, pp 414-416	No "late" is in the description of BB "of... Kingston", so this Samuel's father must be 'of Camden'.
47	Samuel	1835	Land Book register of Samuel's petition (entry #46)	CUEL C-105, image 716	
48	Samuel	1836	Oath of William (Burke?): "I am well acquainted with Benjamin Babcock, the father of Samuel", BB's age is "upward of seventy years"; BB "of the Township of Kingston"; Samuel signed with an 'X'; "Recommended"	C-1632, pp 216-218	"I am..." indicates that this Benjamin is still living so this must be BB of <b>Camden</b> .  <i>Q: Why would the same Samuel make this second petition when his first petition in 1835 (entry #46) was successful? Were there three Samuel Babcocks?</i>



49	Samuel	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Samuel is 30 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
50	Sarah	1804	Daughter of Benjamin Babcock of Kingston	<i>CUEL</i> , C-1476 Image 209	David, BB's brother, makes oath re Benjamin's children and their ages; Sarah - 7 yrs
51	Sarah	1805	<i>From Benjamin Babcock's entry on the UE List</i>	<i>CUEL</i> C-1476 Image 9	
52	Sarah Smith	1820	Wife of Isaac Smith; daughter if "the late Benjamin Babcock"	C-2813, pp 751-754	Only the Benjamin who " <b>died in service</b> " is deceased in 1820
53	Sarah Shannon	1835	Wife of Thomas Shannon; daughter of BB "of Kingston" (not 'late')	C-2818, pp 948-949	BB is still living, so this must be the Benjamin "of <b>Camden</b> "
54	Sarah	1842	<i>From Nicholas's list (entry #33):</i> "Benjamin Babcock, formerly of Kingston, now of <b>Camden</b> " is 80 yrs; Sarah is 44 yrs	C-1636 pp 525-528	
55	William	1833	Son of BB "of the Township of <b>Camden</b> " who "obtained his Loyalty during the late War"; William signed with a signature in Adolphustown; "Benjamin Babcock of Camden is not on the UE list"	C-1636, pp 28-30	<i>Q: Is this when and why the children of BB of Camden started referring to their father as "of the Township of Kingston" or "Of Midland District"?</i>
56	William	1835	Son of BB "of the Midland District"; William signed with a signature at Adolphustown; "Recommended"	C-1631, pp 428-430	"Township of Kingston" was scratched out of the petition
57	William	1835	Land Book register of entry #56	<i>CUEL</i> C-105 image 717	John Babcock's register (entry #25) is directly before this register

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