

HENRY¹ OF HINGHAM

Seventh Generation

No. 4339

NAME: Selah⁷ Chamberlain

Father: Eliphalet⁶ Chamberlain (No. 1145)
[Joseph⁵ (Joseph⁴⁻³, William², Henry¹)
and Eunice (Amsden) Chamberlin]

Mother: Julia Ann Langdon

Born: July 1812, probably Tompkins, Delaware Co., NY

Died: 4 Apr 1868, Herrick, Shelby Co., IL

Buried: Clark Cemetery near Herrick, IL

Married: (1) Phebe (?), about 1838 (?), probably Delaware Co., NY

Other Marriages: (2) Sarah Henderson, about 1853 (?), perhaps Lycoming Co.,
PA
(3) Jane Ellen Bumgardner, about 1860 (?), probably Lycoming Co.,
PA

No. 13174

SPOUSE (1): Phebe

Father:

Mother:

Born: 16 Mar 1820, Massachusetts

Died: 31 Mar 1851, Tompkins, Delaware Co., NY, "ae 30 yrs, 10 mos, 15 days"

Buried: Windfall Cemetery, Tompkins, NY

Other Marriages:

CHILD

(By First Marriage)

F 4351 Sarah Jane⁸, b. About 1839, Tompkins, Delaware Co., NY. Aged 11 years in the 1850 census. Nothing further known.

No. 13175

SPOUSE (2): Sarah Henderson

Father:

Mother:

Born: About 1835 (?),

Died: Probably before 1860, Lycoming Co., PA

Buried:

Other Marriages:

CHILD
(By Second Marriage)

M 4352 Charles Edward⁸, b. About 1854 (?), perhaps Mifflin Twp., Lycoming Co., PA. Nothing further known.

No. 13176

SPOUSE (3): Jane Ellen Bumgardner

Father:

Mother:

Born: About 1838 (?),

Died:

Buried:

Other Marriages:

CHILDREN
(By Third Marriage)

M 4353 Frank A⁸, b. About 1861 (?), perhaps Mifflin Twp., Lycoming Co., PA. Nothing further known.

M 4354 Arthur Lee⁸, b. About 1863 (?), perhaps Mifflin Twp., Lycoming Co., PA. Nothing further known.

M 4355 Jacob Wesley⁸, b. About 1865 (?), perhaps Mifflin Twp., Lycoming Co., PA. Nothing further known.

F 4356 Mary Alice⁸, b. About 1867, probably near Herrick, Shelby Co., IL. Died young, 21 Apr 1868, near Herrick, and is buried by her father in Clark cemetery near Herrick.

BIOGRAPHICAL

His first marriage is tentative. However, a Phebe Chamberlain, “wife of Selah Chamberlain,” died 31 Mar 1851, and is buried in the Windfall Cemetery, Tompkins, NY. (Her birthdate computed from her age at death.) The only two other Selah's in the country at this time were his uncle Selah, who was living in Brattleboro, VT, and his first cousin Selah, son of the former, living in Cleveland, OH, and married. Thus, Phebe can only be the wife of this man. Yet, descendants make no mention of a wife Phebe and assign the daughter Sarah Jane to the wife Sarah Henderson.

Attempts to locate him in 1850 census failed, but I now believe he was the “Peter” Chamberlain, listed in this census as living one dwelling house away from George Chamberlain (Selah's brother) and also near brother Darius. This family was enumerated in the 1850 census as follows: Tompkins, Delaware Co., NY, #387/—, 1 Aug 1850, P. 329:

Chamberlain	Peter	38	M	W	Farmer	\$ 1,100	Massachusetts
Chamberlain	Phebe	29	F	W			Massachusetts
Chamberlain	Sarah Jane	11	F	W			Massachusetts

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This record provides corroboration on his age, name of wife, name, name of daughter and proximity to other family members. Birthplace is given as Massachusetts which is probably wrong, but his brothers George and Albert are also listed as being born in Massachusetts.

Obviously, more checking needs to be done. Was “Peter” perhaps a middle name?

The major sources of information for this family were supplied by Mrs. Charles A. Taylor and Mrs. Wesley Chamberlin (see references).

According to Mrs. Chamberlain's letter, Selah removed to Lycoming Co., PA, as a young married man, and went on to say that his first wife (Sarah Henderson?—probably second wife) was buried near Williamsport, PA. He moved from Lycoming county to his farm near Herrick, IL, soon after the civil war.

Mrs. Wesley Chamberlains husband is a descendant.

His third wife's sister Frances, married his brother Calvin.

Jane Ellen Bumgardner was of Unadilla, NY.

PREPARATION OF THIS RECORD

This record was prepared by the late David C. Chamberlin Sr., using data obtained from various sources as listed. Comments and additional information are welcome and should be sent to the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society. < www.chamberlain-society.org >
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Letter from Mrs. Wesley Chamberlain, of Herrick, IL, to Portia Chamberlain, dtd 11 July 1978
Letters from Mrs. Charles A. Taylor, Woodston, KS, to Portia Chamberlain,
dtd Jan 15, 1978, and Feb 15, 1978
1850 Federal Census, Delaware Co., NY [RC 552-43]
Gravestone Inscriptions, Windfall Cemetery, Tompkins, NY

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