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Client: Katie Scanland

Ancestor: Cornelius Garvey

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Hours contracted: 5

Objectives:

- Identify the parents of Cornelius Garvey who was born in 1804 in New York. FamilySearch ID 9WVS-NDK
 - There are two possible candidates, who were neighbors on the 1810 census:
 - Cornelius Garvey Sr
 - Thomas Garvey
 - There was a George Garvey in Wisconsin with him, and he had a son named George, so possible brother

Known Information:

- Cornelius Garvey was born 16 February 1804 in New York. He died 27 March 1900 in Pilot Grove Township, Montgomery, Iowa. None of the death records attached to him list parents. Statewide registration of deaths in Iowa began 1880, but general compliance wasn't until 1924.
- His obituary indicates he was a member of the United Brethren church in his younger years. <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/memories/9WVS-NDK>
- He married Sophronia Lyon around 1833 in New York. This marriage information is a guess based on when their first child was born, search within three years of this date. There has currently been no record found for their marriage.

Analysis of Currently Available Records:

1810 census: ¹

Chatham, Columbia, New York

The ancestral Cornelius would be a male under ten.

Cornelius Garvy: one male under ten, one male ten to fifteen, one male twenty-six to forty-four, two females ten to fifteen, one female twenty-six to forty-four. Cornelius Garvy Sr would be the male age twenty-six to forty-four, putting his birth year range at 1766-1784. The female who's presumably his wife has the same birth year range.

Thomas Garvy: one male under ten, one male sixteen to twenty-five, one female under ten, one female twenty-six to forty-four. Thomas Garvy would be the male age sixteen to twenty-five, putting his birth year range at 1785-1794. As the head of household, he'd presumably be on the older end of that spectrum. If the female twenty-six to forty-four is his wife, she'd presumably be on the younger end of that spectrum; if it's his mother or other older female relative, she'd presumably be on the older end of that spectrum.

¹ 1810 U.S. census, Columbia County, New York, Chatham, p. 806 (penned), lines 1 & 3, Cornelius Garvy and Thomas Garvy; digital image, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org> : accessed 24 February 2022), citing NARA microfilm publication M252.

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Either household could contain the ancestral Cornelius Garvy. Cornelius Garvy Sr is older than Thomas Garvy.

A search for Garvys in Columbia County, New York in the 1810 census yielded no additional results.

1820 census:²

Chatham, Columbia, New York

The ancestral Cornelius Garvey would be around sixteen.

Andrew Garvey: 1 male sixteen to twenty-six (not sixteen to eighteen), one female under ten, one female sixteen to twenty-six. This household does not contain the ancestor, but this is a possible relative who appears to have established a household between the 1810 and 1820 censuses.

Cornelius Garvey: two males under ten, one male ten to sixteen, one male forty-five or older, two females under ten, one female sixteen to twenty-six, one female forty-five or older. Cornelius Garvey was older than 45 in 1820, so he was born before 1775. Combined with the 1810 census, this puts his calculated birth year range at 1766-1775. This is the same for his wife. If the ancestral Cornelius is in this household, he'd be the male ten to sixteen.

There is no Thomas Garvey on the 1820 census return for Chatham. It appears the names on this return are mostly in alphabetical order, which indicates this census return doesn't reflect the house to house order of neighbors. There were some Lyon households on this census return, possible relatives of his wife, Sophronia.

A search for Thomas Garvey in the 1820 census yielded a result in Queens, New York, which doesn't appear to match the Thomas Garvy in the 1810 census. Another result was for a Thomas Garvey in Pennsylvania, which also doesn't match the 1810 census, either. Did Thomas Garvy who lived near Cornelius Garvy Sr in 1810 die before 1820 or did he miss the census that year? Searching him on the 1830 census will answer that question.

Based on the Lyon neighbors, Cornelius Garv(e)y Sr seems a likely possibility for the ancestor's father. It is recommended to trace him and identify his children to either prove a relationship or rule him out.

Research Plan:

1. If using the possible brother, George, in research, evidence would need to be found that proves their sibling relationship. Search for the probate record of the one who died first, and search for any records that would have them both together. If this relationship is proved, finding the parents of one means finding the parents of the other.
2. After finding or estimating the deaths of Cornelius Garvey Sr and Thomas Garvey, search probate records for Cornelius Garvy and Thomas Garvy, assuming they died in Columbia County, New York. (These were found before death dates were estimated, so not all of these may be applicable.) While there is a possible death decade for Thomas Garvey, Cornelius seems likely due to the Lyon neighbors in the 1820 census.
 - a. Searchable databases:

² 1820 U.S. census, Columbia County, New York, Chatham, 9 (penned), line 2, Cornelius Garvey; ; digital image, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org> : accessed 24 February 2022), citing NARA microfilm publication M33.

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- i. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/8800/>
- ii. <https://www.americanancestors.org/search/databasesearch/7/new-york-abstracts-of-wills-admins-and-guardianships-1787-1835>
- iii. https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/6393/?clickref=1011liYW82QZ&o_lid=01100l4xJr&o_sch=Affiliate%2BExternal&o_xid=01100l4xJr
- iv. <https://www.americanancestors.org/search/databasesearch/204/new-york-wills-1626-1836>
- v. https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/60379/?clickref=1011liYW83JK&o_lid=01100l4xJr&o_sch=Affiliate%2BExternal&o_xid=01100l4xJr
- vi. https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/25766/?clickref=1100liYcA65T&o_lid=01100l4xJr&o_sch=Affiliate%2BExternal&o_xid=01100l4xJr
- vii. Can only view 3 per week:
 1. <https://www.gengophers.com/book.html#/book/12118?page=1>
 2. <https://www.gengophers.com/book.html#/book/16018?page=1>
 3. <https://www.gengophers.com/book.html#/book/16017?page=1>
 4. <https://www.gengophers.com/book.html#/book/28018?page=1>

b. Browse online:

- i. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1920234>
- ii. <http://www.sampubco.com/wills/ny/nycolumbia01.htm>
- iii. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/238374?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
- iv. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/247251?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
- v. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/307213?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
- vi. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/199610?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
- vii. <https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/item/717367-redirect>
- viii. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/273761?availability=Family%20History%20Library>

c. Go to FHL or FHC

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- i. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/202500?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
 - ii. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/190633?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
 - iii. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/1426828?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
 - iv. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/271712?availability=Family%20History%20Library>
- d. To find other probate resources: https://wiki.rootsweb.com/wiki/index.php/New_York_Probate_Records
3. Vital & church records:
- a. Baptism (search for Cornelius Jr. born 1804)
 - i. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1680842>
 - ii. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2443988>
 - iii. https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-Records/new-york-baptisms-1660-1862?utm_source=fmp&utm_medium=email&utm_content=575799-A-29-A&utm_campaign=fridays&dclid=ClnQ5_GqpMgCFelkMAodPDQO6Q
 - b. Marriage (search for marriage of Cornelius Jr. and Sophronia Lyon around 1833)
 - i. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1680847>
 - ii. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2373836>
 - c. Death/burial (search for deaths of Cornelius Sr. and Thomas)
 - i. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1680846>
 - ii. Only suitable for deaths 1824 and later: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2373798>
 - iii. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/16725/>
 - d. All the above:
 - i. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2787817>
 - ii. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/50015/>
4. Marriage record for Cornelius Garvey and Sophronia Lyon
- a. <https://search.findmypast.com/search-world-records/united-states-marriages?state=new%20york%2cny>
 - b. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/4244/>

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- c. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/8936/>
 - d. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/16723/>
 - e. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/62116/>
 - f. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61695/>
 - g. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/7854/>
 - h. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/4244/>
 - i. FHL books:
 - i. 974.7 V2bfqa copy 1: 10,000 vital records of eastern New York, 1777-1834 by Fred Q. Bowman
 - ii. 974.7 V2bfq copies 2-4: 8000 more vital records of eastern New York state, 1804-1850 by Fred Q. Bowman
5. Track both men in census and tax records
- a. Census
 - i. Look for Thomas Garvy on the 1830 census; if he's not found, he probably died before 1820.
 - ii. Look for Cornelius Garvey Sr in the 1830 and later censuses until he's no longer found; then they'll be a hint to his death.
 - b. Tax records—if none are found on online searches, periodicals such as the NYG&B will need to be checked.
 - i. <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/6771/>
 - ii. <https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/item/568174-redirect>
 - iii. <https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/item/515275-redirect>
 - iv. <https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/online-records/collection/new-york-researcher>
 - v. Roger D. Joslyn, 'New York State Censuses and Tax Lists,' *The NYG&B Newsletter* 9 (1998): 17-19.
 - vi. David Kendall Martin, 'A 1798 United States Assessment List for Northern New York State [Plattsburgh],' *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* 113 (1982): 93-102,
 - vii. C. R. Carey, 'Town of Deer Park 1798 Assessment Records,' *Orange County Historical Society Publication No. 8* (Goshen, 1978'79): 13-25.
 - viii. NYG&B newsletter <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/614574>
 - ix. FHL book 974.7 X23d lists resources for tax records and similar sources

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x. NYG&B periodicals

1. [https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/resources/periodicals/new-york-researcher?
_ga=2.126365701.989437720.1649277124-558794534.1646351974](https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/resources/periodicals/new-york-researcher?_ga=2.126365701.989437720.1649277124-558794534.1646351974)
6. [https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/resources/periodicals/the-record?
_ga=2.126365701.989437720.1649277124-558794534.1646351974](https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/resources/periodicals/the-record?_ga=2.126365701.989437720.1649277124-558794534.1646351974) Church records for United Brethren church
 - a. FamilySearch had no collections specific to this denomination in Columbia County, New York. If there are records in Columbia County, New York, they can only be obtained by contacting the United Brethren in Christ church. The ancestor Cornelius Garvey was born only four years after the church was officially organized, so it's a low chance he was born and raised in the United Brethren church. It is recommended to search UB church records throughout his life working backwards from death to birth to find out when and where he joined that denomination. If he was a convert, do his church admission records indicate his prior religious preference? Do any records of him prior to his conversion indicate his prior denomination? It is also recommended to find out when UB first had a presence in Columbia County, New York.
 - i. For instructions contacting the United Brethren in Church Christ: https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/United_Brethren_in_Christ_in_the_United_States
 - ii. General resources from FHL:
 1. [https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/225869?
availability=Family%20History%20Library](https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/225869?availability=Family%20History%20Library)
 2. [https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/519298?
availability=Family%20History%20Library](https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/519298?availability=Family%20History%20Library)
 3. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/1838901>
 4. [https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/168640?
availability=Family%20History%20Library](https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/168640?availability=Family%20History%20Library)
 5. [https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/282822?
availability=Family%20History%20Library](https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/282822?availability=Family%20History%20Library)
 6. <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/3460871> volume 10
 7. [https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/680196?
availability=Family%20History%20Library](https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/680196?availability=Family%20History%20Library)
 8. Some of the above books are off-site storage at the FHL, fill out this form to request them before coming: [https://forms.office.com/Pages/
ResponsePage.aspx?
id=s-7mYddfqqkquPGHo3rCbeXDgy5vNu0pJhOnXB8jRDZtUOEw3RDUwRk
xWWIQ00FZZUjVCSDIVTVg4RC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=s-7mYddfqqkquPGHo3rCbeXDgy5vNu0pJhOnXB8jRDZtUOEw3RDUwRkxWWIQ00FZZUjVCSDIVTVg4RC4u)

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7. Instructions for ordering records from NY: http://www.archives.nysed.gov/research/res_tools_nysa_path_probate
 - a. <https://iarchives.nysed.gov/xtf/view?docId=ead/findingaids/J0038.xml>
8. Columbia County guide: <https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/knowledgebase/columbia-county-new-york-guide>