Beekman, William

War of 1812 Record

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Beekman, William (also borne as Beakman and

Private, Capt. George O'Briant's Co. and Capt. Joseph Rockhold's Co, Ohio Militia

(1st Regiment, Col. John McDonalds)

Service commenced July 28, 1813

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WILLIAM VAN SCHAACK BEEKMAN:

Son of Dr. Lucas Van Schaack and Sarah Hawley. William was born in Oswego, N.Y., January 1, 1941. About four years later his father died, and William's stepmother, Mary Hoes, returned with the orphan children (William and his brother Thomas) to Kinderhook. When he was about eighteen he was adopted by his uncle, Thomas Beekman, then living in what we have known as the Vanderpoel house, and received the added name Beekman. After completing his course in the Academy here he studied mechanical engineering at Union College. He entered upon his work as a mechanical engineer and was also a student of architecture in the office of Thomas R. Jackson, and had apparently a brilliant career before him when, in 1861, his country's peril appealed to him so strongly that he enlisted. He became a Captain and rendered valiant service in the conflict for the possession of the lower Mississippi, and also at Fredericksburg under McClellan, whom he greatly admired. There he was seriously wounded, and, heing incapacitated for continued service, received an honorable discharge. Purchasing a beautiful home near Saugerties he remained there about six years, having in the meantime Married Miss Sarah Ten Eyck of that village. In 1877, after a short tarry in Cleveland, Ohio, he returned to Kinderhook, where he continued to live, held in the very highest respect and esteem until his death, June 7, 1902. To the church he loved and served with signal ability and fidelity and to the whole community which honored him, his departure seemed an irreparable loss. His widow and four daughters survived him.

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