

EAST OF SUNDOWN

There's a sleepy little village east
of where the sun goes down
One that never grew quite big enough
but yet was called a town.
There's a highway passing through it
where crossroads wind their way,
And the homes are reminiscent of
what's now a bygone day.

To that village, years ago, there
came those hardy pioneers
Who had brought their families seeking
out a place for new careers.

By the railroad in that village--
we remember it so well--
Was the country store where Old's
had so many things to sell.
But the memory that lingers
is the stove so warm and bright
A magnet for the people
in the day or in the night.

'Round that sleepy little village--
far beyond the sunset there--
Is a countryside as fertile as
is found most anywhere.
From the toil of sturdy pioneers
the soil has richer grown
To produce a gen'rous living from
the seeds which they have sown.

Now that many years have settled
on the scenes we dream about,
We can ponder on a life that's left
so many things in doubt;
In that sleepy little village,
that is known as Beebetown.

Adapted from the poem "West of Sundown"
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23 Beebetown

Census Records of S.W. corner of Strongsville

+ 1820 - no families

1830 - ^{strong} Seth Bartlett

- Ebenezer Fuller

- Cotton Fletcher

- John Coulton

1850 - Rezia Pope

Prospect - west on Boston + Marks to R.R.
1850 - Oliver Hicks

Willard Barber;

W. P. Fuller

⑦ Ebenezer Fuller

Curtis Fuller

Steven Ashby

Wm. Stroud?

1860 - John Barber

Clark Johnson

Jonathan Hancock

⑦ Willard Barber

Ebenezer Fuller

Stephen Ashby

James Brasse

1870-

William Curtis

Clark Johnson

Jonathan Hancock

(8)

Judith Barber

Ebenezer Fuller

Chas. Loy nes - (Fuller land?)

Stephen Ashby

James Brasse

1880

William Curtis

Clark Johnson

Jonathan Hancock

(9)

Judith Barber

Edward Clement

William Fuller

John Bleil - (Fuller land?)

John Swinburn

James H. Brasse

Potash Works - Brunswick

Tannery + Carriage Works - Brunswick side

II Brunswick

Isaac Lewis

- cheese factory on this farm (probably before Lewis)
- cheese factory later moved to Liverpool corner + made into general store + post office. Isaac Lewis was first postmaster. Another cheese factory in Beebetown built by Wm. Lock 1870. (Boone)

Sept. 2, 1870 4000 pounds daily
\$1800 value bldg. + apparatus
for farmers + deliver to Wellington

- about 1900 Jake Smith bought land from Isaac Lewis. He was a wagon maker + blacksmith

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Abraham Beebe

- 1823 - from Canandaigua, NY
- southern edge of property given for cemetery
- Warner Beebe (prob. a son) settled just south of Abr. + gave land for church.
- Benjamin Beebe (brother of Abr.) settled just west of Abr. on Boston Rd.
- Beebe's came here from Eng. 1650
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- brother Roderick who lived west of corners and started a nursery

Dan Sartwell had a blacksmith place

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Levi Schnell

- Nelson Hawkins had a blacksmith shop
where Mr. Schnell's horse barn stood

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Ebenezer Fuller

- oldest frame house - built 1827
English family - came to Amr in 1628

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Steven Ashby, Sr.

- wife Dorothy Brett was a good singer
- she confined to chair many years
- He came from Eng. to NY about 1830
- To Str. shortly after.
- built log house first - wild animals numerous
- ~~considered well-to-do for that community~~
- Stephen, Jr. (letter 1848):
(found - garage - upstairs - in wooden box)

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Grandparents' place Dewitt + Ethelyn (Hoyt) Howar
Oliver Hicks

- Said they built log cabin + barn + could hear beech nuts rattle down the small chimney.
- husband's health failed + she did much of clearing of the land + caring for 11 children.
- 2nd house (frame) later used as garage
1870's built present house
- Jane Ashby w/o Jonathan Hancock
invalid many years. - childless -

Wm. Hoyt, Jr. - great grandfather

grandparents Dewitt + Ethelyn (Hoyt) Howar

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