

|                          | <b>Rose Hill Mansion</b>   | <b>Becker House</b>  |
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|                          | <b>1850</b>  | <b>1890</b>  |
| <b>Place</b>             | Town of Fayette  | Village of Seneca Falls  |
| <b>Family</b>            | Newlywed Robert and Margaret Swan do not yet have children   | Norman and Catherine Becker and their 6 children                               |
| <b>House Style</b>       | 24 room Greek Revival mansion  | 23 room Queen Anne mansion   |
| <b>Work</b>              | Mr. Swan is just starting his 353 acre farm  | Mr. Becker owned a bank  |
| <b>Servants</b>          | A cook and a housemaid help with domestic work   | Housemaid to help with domestic chores   |
|                          | Tenant farmers and laborers help with farm work  |  |
| <b>Cooking</b>           | Mrs. Swan plans meals and cooks when necessary   | Mrs. Becker did not cook meals.  |
| <b>Hearth</b>            | Food is cooked over an open fire in cast iron pots.  | Food was cooked on a coal or wood cookstove.                                   |
| <b>Water</b>             | Water was carried into the house by bucket from a nearby well and heated over the fire.                                  | Water was pumped into a sink in the kitchen and heated on the stove.           |
| <b>Food</b>              | The farm provided much of the family's food, including wheat, meat, butter, milk, eggs, and vegetables.                  | All food was purchased from the local stores and merchants.                    |
|                          | Some things like coffee, tea, and sugar were purchased in Geneva.  |  |
| <b>Food Preservation</b> | The Swans smoked meat in their smokehouse, made butter to use and sell. Meat could also be preserved in brine or salted. | Canned goods were available at the store. The icebox kept purchased food cold. |
|                          | Vegetables and fruits were canned or stored in the root cellar.  | Ice was purchased from the ice man.  |
|                          | Ice for the icebox was cut from Seneca Lake and kept on the farm in an ice house.  |  |

|   |                          | 1850                          | 1890                          | 2011   |      |  |  |
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| <b>Population</b>   |                          |                               |                               |  |      |  |  |
|   | U.S.A.                   | 23 million                    | 63 million                    | 310.9 million                                  | 2010 |  |  |
|   | New York State           | 3 million                     | 6 million                     | 19.5 million                                   | 2009 |  |  |
|   | New York City            | 515,547                       | 1.5 million                   | 8.2 million                                    | 2006 |  |  |
|   | Ontario County           | 43,929                        | 48,453                        | 105,650  | 2009 |  |  |
|   | Seneca County            | 25,441                        | 28,227                        | 34,049   | 2009 |  |  |
|   | Village/City Geneva*     |                               | 7,557                         | 13,271   | 2009 |  |  |
|   | Town of Seneca*          | 8,505                         | 2,600                         |  |      |  |  |
|   | Town of Geneva*          |                               | 8,877                         | 3,351  | 2009 |  |  |
|   | Town of Fayette          | 3,786                         | 2,912                         | 3,603  | 2009 |  |  |
|   | Village of Seneca Falls* |                               | 6,116                         | 6,494  | 2009 |  |  |
|   | Town of Seneca Falls*    | 4,296                         | 6,961                         | 9,119  | 2009 |  |  |
| *Comparison of population figures for the villages of Geneva and Seneca Falls are difficult because the census did not count villages in 1850. In addition, the Town of Geneva was not created until 1872. Before that, the village of Geneva was part of the town of Seneca. |                          |                               |                               |  |      |  |  |
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|   | <b>Number of States</b>  | 30                            | 42                            | 50   |      |  |  |
|   | <b>US President</b>      | Zachary Taylor                | Benjamin Harrison             | Barack Obama                                   |      |  |  |
|   | <b>New York Governor</b> | Hamilton Fish                 | David Hill                    | Andrew Cuomo                                   |      |  |  |
|   |                          |                               |                               |  |      |  |  |
| <b>Transportation</b>   |                          |                               |                               |  |      |  |  |
|   |                          | Water: river, lake, canal     | Water: river, lake, canal     | Water: for recreation on lake and canal        |      |  |  |
|   |                          | Road: turnpike, dirt roads    | Road: turnpike, dirt roads    | Road: major mode of transport by car and truck |      |  |  |
|   |                          | Rail: major mode of transport | Rail: major mode of transport | Rail: mainly for goods                         |      |  |  |
|   |                          |                               | Bicycle                       | Bicycle: mainly for recreation                 |      |  |  |
|   |                          |                               | Automobile: rich man's toy    | Airplane: for distance travel                  |      |  |  |