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## Notes for Benjamin Hershey and Mary

The notes below follow Benjamin Hershey, son of Christian Hershey and Adelheit Scohli, and the father of Maria Hershey, wife of Benedict Mellinger, [1]. There were several different men named Ben Hershey, so some of the events listed below might belong, instead, in the notes of a different person.

1709 Christian Hershey, a Bishop in the Mennonite Church, and his three children, Benjamin, Andrew, and Anna, located in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Son Benjamin succeeded his father as a Bishop of the church. [2]

c1717 Benjamin Hershey arrived in Philadelphia in August with his father, Christian Hershey, and settled west of Lancaster. [3]

1717 Mennonites settled on the Lower Conestoga river. Bishop Benjamin Hershey emigrated from Switzerland, and settled just west of Lancaster. He served as bishop until his health failed. [4]

1718 Christian Hershey and son, perhaps father Christian and this Benjamin Hershey, were on the Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list, value 20 pounds. [5]

1719 Christian Houser and son, perhaps father Christian and this Benjamin Hershey, were on the Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list, value 52 pounds. [6]

1720 Benedictus Hershey, perhaps this Benjamin Hershey, was on the Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list, value 40 pounds (Christian was not listed). [7] This suggests Benedict was at least age 21, so he was born before 1699.

1721 Benedict Hershey [Heirse] was on the Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list, value 30 pounds (Christian was not listed). [8]

1722 Benedict Hershey [Hoerse] was on the East Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list, value 40 pounds (Christian was not listed). [9]

1724 Benjamin Hershey [Harshey] was on the Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list (A Christian was listed). [10]

1725 Benedict Hershey [Hitchi], of one mile west of Lancaster Town, and others met at the first All-American Mennonite confrence and endorsed the 1632 Dortrecht Confession. [11]

1726 Ben Hershey [Harsey] was on the Conestoga Twp, Lancaster County tax list (Christian was not listed). [12]

One source indicates that Benedict and Benjamin were brothers [13], although they never appear simultaneously in the same year in the tax records above. If they were two different people, then it might explain the uncertainty shown in the notes below about the death date of this Benjamin Hershey, but would

not clarify the identity of the Benjamin Hershey who died in 1789. Another source [14] reports that Benedict patented land in Cocalico Twp, died 1762, and shows no relationship to this Benjamin.

1727 Wendel Bowman, Martin Meiling, and Benedict Hershey [Hearsay] signed a petition on behalf of themselves and others called Menists to enable them to hold land and trade in [Lancaster County]. [15]

Research conflict: This Benjamin Hershey, son of Adelheit and Christian, perhaps did not marry Magdalena Roth as his second wife, as reported by other sources [16][17]. Instead, land deeds, below, suggest that Magdalena Roth married Benjamin Hershey Junior, son of this Benjamin Hershey, as shown in the notes for this Benjamin's son. (See the land deeds, listed below, and the notes for son Benjamin Hershey)

1728 Bess Hirschi signed the oath of allegiance to King George of England to be naturalized in Pennsylvania, which allowed him to hold land as a citizen. He was on the list of Mennonites. [18]

1729 On 12 May, the heirs of Christian Hershey: Andrew, Benjamin, widow Ode, and daughter Ann wife of Henry Long, did remise, release, and quit claim unto Hans Brubaker their interests in the SS West side (Hans Brubaker's tract) of the dividing line. [19][20]

1730 A Mennonite meetinghouse was built on Benjamin Hershey's land and was used until 1791, when the meetinghouse was moved to Rohrerstown. [21] Tradition says that Benjamin was buried near the site of the original meeting house and that his son Benjamin continued as a minister. [22]

1733 On 2 March, Benjamin/Bentz Hershey [Hirschy] warranted 100 acres on L Conestoga, Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County, adjoining John and Jacob Brubaker. [23][24] The same Bentz sold the land to Jacob Brubaker for 5 shillings in 1776, which disagrees with the death date for this Benjamin Hershey, so perhaps the Bentz named in this warrant is the son of this Benjamin Hershey.

1733 On 21 December, Hans Brubaker of Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County and the heirs of Christian Hershey, late of the county of Chester, sold land to Christian Hershey's eldest son (this) Benjamin Hershey of Lancaster, Lancaster County. The heirs of Christian Hershey were youngest son Andrew (signed in German), daughter Ann wife of Herman Long, and widow and relict Ode (Adelheit) Hershey. The land had been patented on 27 September 1717. [25] [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-187. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-187, page 188. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-187, page 189. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-187, page 190. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-187, page 191.

1738 On 26 May, Benedict Hershey warranted 200 acres on a branch of the Cocalico in Cocalico Twp, Lancaster County. The survey was dated 5 March 1738. [26][27][28] Adjacent tracts were owned by Peter Wisenant [29], Peter Rade [30], Nicholas Fiesar/Feezar [31][32], George Nooley/Henry Frelich [33], and Jacob Smith/Thomas Hewes [34].

1747 Land of Benjamin Hershey [Horsha], John Brubaker, Adam Libhart, late John Taylor, and Daniel Eschelman was adjacent to a 62 acre lot in Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County sold to Daniel Eshleman, blacksmith, by John Brubaker and wife Anne. The land was patented 11 May, 1747 by John Brubaker. [35]

1749 Benjamin Hershey, perhaps this one, and others were appointed to appraise the estate of Christian Peelman in Lancaster County. [36][37]

1753 On 26 May, Benedict Hershey, perhaps this one, warranted 200 acres of land adjacent to Nicholas Verser and Valentine Wissenant in Cocalico Twp, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, returned 7 June, 1753.

[38]

1760 On 1 September, the heirs of John Brubaker, deceased [perhaps John Brubaker who died 1748], of Lancaster County, sold land to [this?] Benjamin Hersha the Elder of Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County. The land was on the little Conestoga Creek in Hempfield Twp, part of a 1000 acre patent granted in Lancaster County, then Chester County, on 14 October, 1717 to John Brubaker (Hans Pupather) and Benjamin Hershey's father, Christian Hershey. [39][40][41][42]

The patented land was divided among John Brubaker and the heirs of Christian Hershey (including Andrew, Benjamin, widow Ode, and daughter Ann wife of Henry Long) upon Christian's death according to a division of the patent into two parts. The heirs of John Brubaker relinquished their rights to the share allotted to the heirs of Christian Hershey's land for payment of 5 shillings. [43] [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-191, page 191. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-191, page 192. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed R-191, page 193.

1766 Land of Bentz Hershey was adjacent to land that Christian Brubaker released to David Brubaker, both of Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County, on Little Conestoga Creek, adjacent Kings Road. The land had been granted to John Brubaker, father of Christian and David. [44][45]

1767 The estate of John Dehuff included a lot on the little Conestoga creek adjacent to land of John Brubaker, Benjamin Hershey, and Abraham Dehuff. The tract was part of the estate of Christian Hershey, inherited by eldest son Benjamin Hershey. [46][47][48][49][50]

1771 Benjamin Hershey was taxed £2.15.0 in Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County for 370 acres, 5 horses and 10 cattle. [51]

1772 Benjamin Hershey was taxed £2.15.0 in Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County for 375 acres, 4 horses and 10 cattle. [52]

1773 Benjamin Hershey was taxed £2.15.6 in Hempfield Twp, Lancaster County for 525 acres, 4 horses and 11 cattle. [53]

1773 On 14 May, the other heirs of this Benjamin Hershey, late of Lancaster Twp, settled the ownership of two tracts of land from Benjamin's estate by selling them to this Benjamin Hershey's son, Benjamin Hershey (Jr.). The other heirs were Christian Hirshy and wife Ann, Jacob Hostetter and wife Ann, Benedict Mellinger and wife Mary, all of Warwick Twp. Ann and Mary were named as daughters of Benjamin deceased. The first tract of 175 acres in Lancaster Twp was part of a 1000 acre tract patented 30 Nov 1717 to Christian Hershey and Hans Papather (Brubacher). Christian Hershey died intestate with heirs Benjamin, Andrew, and Ann. Heir Benjamin, son of Christian, was granted the tract by Hans Brubacher, Andrew, Ode Hirshy (widow and relict of Christian Hershey deceased), and Herman Long, husband of Ann. This first tract was next to land of Hans Brubacher and of Jacob Brubacher. The second tract of 74 acres was next to the estate of John Dehuff, Jacob Brubacher, late Christian Stoneman, and John Meyer and James Hamilton. The second tract was also part of the 1000 acre patent which was granted to heirs of Christian Hershey, then by them to Hans Brubaker in 1731, then by the heirs of Hans Brubaker to Benjamin Hershey in 1760. [54] This appears to disagree with the 1789 death date for Benjamin Hershey reported by other researchers. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed X-551, page 551. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed X-551, page 552. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed X-551, page 553. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed X-551, page 554. [Photocopy](#), Lancaster deed X-551, page 555.

1776 Bentz Hershey of Lancaster Twp, Lancaster County, sold land in Hempfield Twp to Jacob Brubaker

for 5 shillings. Bentz had warranted the 100 acres adjoining John and Jacob Brubaker in 1733. Witnessed by Christian Kauffman and Cas Shaffner. [55] Many documents after this date use the name Bentz. Could this refer to son Benjamin/Bentz, since this Benjamin Hershey was already deceased? If so, son Benjamin may already have been of age to warrant land by 1733.

1784 Deed written in German [I cannot read this deed]. English header: Benjamin Hershy Senior (perhaps the son of this Benjamin) to Benjamin Hershy Junior (perhaps the grand-son of this Benjamin). Ich Benjamin Herschy (der eldern) von Lancaster Taunship in Caunty Lancaster (Benjamin Hershey, the elder, of Lancaster Towship...) . Mentions bill of sale (transaction) of 14 May 1773 involving Benedict Mollinger and wife Maria, Jacob Hochstetter and wife Anna, and Christian Hershy and Benjamin Hershy the younger. No other date seen in the deed. Signed Bess Hershy. The witnesses Jacob and Christian Brubacher appeared on 23 February 1784 to affirm that they were the witnesses when Benjamin Hershy the elder signed the deed. [56]Photocopy, Lancaster deed X-555.Photocopy, Lancaster deed X-555.Photocopy, Lancaster deed X-555.

Research Notes:

1719 Benedict Hershey was ordained as a minister at the Herr Church in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He was ordained as a bishop about 1725. [<http://willowstreetmenonite.com/index.php/about/history/>]

Research conflict:

1789 The 1773 deed above indicates that Benjamin Hershey had died by 1773. Other researchers suggest that Benjamin Hershey, son of Christian Hershey and Adelheit Scholi, died in 1789, as suggested in the notes below [57][58]. I have not yet resolved this apparent contradiction. The following notes suggest that a Benjamin Hershey died in Hempfield Twp in 1789 at age 93. The only Benjamin Hershey that I have found who might have died at this time was Benjamin, whose heirs settled their inheritance in 1790 (shown in this datafile with inferred birthdate about 1737), son of Andrew Hershey and Maria Schnebeli. Neither is a good match to both the age and date of death. I welcome help or clarification in resolving this discrepancy. [59]

"The first bishop for this area was Benjamin Hershey, son of immigrant Christian Hershey. Benjamin was born about 1696 and thus was about 21 years old when the family came to America in 1717. He seems to have had a better education for that time than those who were born in this country. He is reported to have been a great help to his people in writing skills. He is thought to have been the writer of what was known as the Declaration of Peace, a message of appreciation sent to the Pennsylvania state legislature after the Revolutionary War. He died on July 29, 1789, at the age of 92, after being bedfast for 5 years. He was buried in the cemetery along the Abbeyville Road where the first Mennonite meetinghouse in Lancaster County was built. In 1791 the location for worship was moved to the site along the Rohrerstown Road where the cemetery is now located. The cemetery along the Abbeyville Road was destroyed when the building development took place." [60]

1789 "Died last Wednesday night July 29 1789 on his plantation near this town Benjamin Hirshe old and tired of living. He was in his ninety third year of his age. His remains were interred on Friday morning in the near by God's acre attached to the meetinghouse about one mile from his home. His funeral was attended by a large following of all classes and denominations. He had been bedfast for the past five years owing to his great age. He came to this country from Germany in 1717, and since that time lived on his farm. He was one of the oldest inhabitants of this county. For more than fifty years he was a teacher and a worker in the vineyard of the Lord. He served the Mennonite congregation at all times with fidelity and by

them he will be remembered in blessing forever. Mr Hirshe leaves a large number of descendants. He will be mourned by all who knew him." [61] Translated from German and described as "conclusive evidence of the early Mennonite bishop and minister living somewhere on or near the James Buchanan homestead and of the first meetinghouse and graveyard near the present Maple Grove swimming pool." [62][63] Photocopy, Newspaper extract August 5, 1789, from Lancaster Zeitung. Photocopy, Newspaper extract August 5, 1789, from Lancaster Zeitung, Title page.

A summary report says that Bishop Benjamin Hershey (1696-1789), son of Christian, lived on the late Landis B Herr farm on the Marietta Pike. He was the father of Christian Hershey (1719-83). [64]

"In the western end of the Mennonite settlement during the life of Hans Herr was Bishop Benjamin Hershey, who with his brother Andrew, also a preacher, lived with their father on 500 acres of land, most of which are now occupied by Herr's ice plant, Maple Grove swimming pool and mill, and Abbyville farms. There are two places on this farm where there are remains of old tombstones. Tradition has it that the bishop is interred in the one just south of the Abbyville barns, on a beautiful slope facing south, and that the old meetinghouse was near his tomb, which is unmarked. The plow has gone over the hallowed spot, and rich crops have been harvested by successive farmers, all ignorant of what has transpired here under the care of the first white owner who came into an unbroken forest to make a home for himself and his family." [65]

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"Benjamin Hershey (1697-29 July 1789) came to Pennsylvania with his father Christian, his mother Oade, and his brother Andrew, emigrating from Friedelsheim, Palatinate, Germany, whither he had fled from Switzerland about 1671. They arrived in America about 1717 and Benjamin settled "one mile west of Lancaster Town" on the Marietta Pike in the same community as the Hans Brubakers and Peter Swarr. He was early a minister, signing the 1725 edition of the Dordrecht confession (published 1727 at Philadelphia) for the Lancaster area, became bishop and established the Abbeyville congregation and the churches to the northwest. He was moderator of the Lancaster Conference during the Revolution and the stormy days following. The name occurs on some extant documents. He steered the church through the divisions of Francis Herr, the United Brethren, and the Brethren in Christ schisms. His children were Christian, Bishop Benjamin II (died 1812), who became his successor, and two daughters. He was the author of the petition of 1775 to the Pennsylvania Assembly for release from military service, A Short and Sincere Declaration (in Mennonite Historical Library [Goshen, Indiana])." [67]

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## Footnotes:

- [1] Richard Warren Davis, Mennosearch.com, Hershey B22, agrees about the parents and children of this Benjamin Hershey, but reports a different death date.
- [2] Scott Funk Hershey, *History and Records of the Hershey Family from the Year 1600* (New Castle, PA: The Petite Book Company, 1913), 16, 59, [[Internet Archive](#)].
- [3] Gail Breitbard, "Some Names from the 1725 Pequea Tax Lists, Lancaster County, PA. (Conestoga Township)," *The Lost Palatine* 35 (1986), 7-11.
- [4] Martin G. Weaver, *Mennonites of Lancaster Conference* (1931), 90.
- [5] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 163, top half, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [6] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 165, middle third, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [7] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 167, top half, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [8] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 172, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [9] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 175, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [10] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 179, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [11] Ira David Landis, *The Lancaster Mennonite Conference: History and Background* (1956), 57.
- [12] H. Frank Eshleman, "Assessment Lists and Other Documents of Lancaster County Prior to the year 1729," *Historical Papers and Addresses of the Lancaster County Historical Society* 21, No.7 (1916), 155-194, at 190, [[HathiTrust](#)].
- [13] Frederick Lewis Weis, *The colonial clergy of the middle colonies, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania 1628-1776* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co, 1978), 72, [[Google Book](#)].
- [14] David R. Johnson, "The Early East Petersburg Area Hershey Family," *Pennsylvania Mennonite Heritage* 1 (January, 1978), 6-16, at 9.
- [15] Ira David Landis, *The Lancaster Mennonite Conference: History and Background* (1956), 56.
- [16] Richard Warren Davis, Mennosearch.com, Roth B31332 and Hershey B22, reports Magdalena Roth

married to Benjamin Hershey (1696) as his second wife.

[17] Lawrence Berger-Knorr, *The Relations of Milton Snavelly Hershey* (2005), 10, persons 32-33, reports Benjamin Stauffer Hershey, born 1696; died July 29, 1789. He was the son of Christian Schmidt Hershey and Adelheid Galle Stouffer. He married Mary Rhode.

[18] Barbara L. Weir and Laurie A. Roffini, "German Qualification for Naturalization in Pennsylvania, 1728," *Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine* 37 (1991), 367-373, at 369, [[American Ancestors](#)].

[19] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed R-189. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].

[20] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed QQ-517. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].

[21] Martin G. Weaver, *Mennonites of Lancaster Conference* (1931), 41.

[22] Martin G. Weaver, *Mennonites of Lancaster Conference* (1931), 41, no documentation.

[23] Pennsylvania Land Warrant, Lancaster County, H28, no survey or patent has been found under either the name Hershey or Brubaker, [[PA Land Warrant Links](#)].

[24] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed R-275. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].

[25] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed R-187. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].

[26] Pennsylvania Land Warrant, Lancaster County, H155, [[PA Land Warrant Links](#)].

[27] Pennsylvania Land Patent, A19-101, dated 26 May, 1755, [[PA Patent Book Links](#)].

[28] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, C76-123, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[29] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, D16-21, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[30] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, C190-58, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[31] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, C48-88, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[32] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, D7-24, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[33] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, C143-255, dated 1747, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[34] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, C203-115, dated 1765, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].

[35] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed B-473. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].

[36] *Pennsylvania Vital Records From the Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine and the Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 1 (1983), 332.

- [37] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed A-163. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [38] Pennsylvania Land Warrant, Lancaster County, H-155, [[PA Land Warrant Links](#)].
- [39] Pennsylvania Records of the Land Office, RG-17, Old Rights index, Chester County, 1682-1740. (series #17.78), page 70, item 25, [[PA Historical Museum](#)].
- [40] Pennsylvania Land Patent, A5-268, [[PA Patent Book Links](#)].
- [41] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, D73-156, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].
- [42] Pennsylvania Archives Land Office Survey, D82-29, [[PA Survey Book Links](#)].
- [43] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed R-191. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [44] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed M-256. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [45] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed M-256. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [46] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed M-120. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [47] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed G-139. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [48] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed G-303. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [49] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed G-311. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [50] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed B-443. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].
- [51] William Henry Egle, *Pennsylvania Archives, Third Series, Volume 17 (Lancaster Taxables)* (1897), 117, [[Google Book](#)], [[Internet Archive](#)].
- [52] William Henry Egle, *Pennsylvania Archives, Third Series, Volume 17 (Lancaster Taxables)* (1897), 243, [[Google Book](#)], [[Internet Archive](#)].
- [53] William Henry Egle, *Pennsylvania Archives, Third Series, Volume 17 (Lancaster Taxables)* (1897), 392, [[Google Book](#)], [[Internet Archive](#)].
- [54] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed X-551. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), type-written transcription, only the last page of the hand-written copy is shown, which names witnesses Daniel Frank and Cas Shaffner,



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[55] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed R-275. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), recorded 1776, [[Online Images](#)].

[56] Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Deed X-555. Images online: find Book in Film Roll list (Double letters are near the top), then find Page (often differs from image number), [[Online Images](#)].

[57] Ira David Landis, *The Lancaster Mennonite Conference: History and Background* (1956), 55.

[58] David R. Johnson, "The Early East Petersburg Area Hershey Family," *Pennsylvania Mennonite Heritage* 1 (January, 1978), 6-16, at 8.

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[60] Landis H. Brubaker, "The Brubakers and Their Lands in East Hempfield Township," *Pennsylvania Mennonite Heritage* 5 (April 1982), 10-29.

[61] Newspaper, Neue Unpartheyische Lancaster Zeitung und Anzeigs Nachrichten newspaper, Wednesday, August 5, 1789, page 3.

[62] Martin G. Weaver, *Mennonites of Lancaster Conference* (1931), 90.

[63] Martin G. Weaver, *Mennonites of Lancaster Conference* (1931), 120.

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