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ARE YOU READY WITH YOUR SHOVEL?

As genealogists, we would like to be breaking new ground everyday. That's the ideal.

The truth is, sometimes we scratch for days, months, even years & hardly see the results of our efforts. Then suddenly there is a letter, phone call, or in today's environment – an e-mail.

Eureka! A new connection to a family that we had just about given up on finds its way into our room full of papers, folders, pictures, books, documents and CDs. At least it had been on the back burner for a while, one of our dead ends, perhaps one of many.

It doesn't matter how long we have been researching – we can be a "lifer" or a "newby", the thrill is still there when a new door is thrown open for us to explore another line.

Some of us are content to find the immigrant: You know, the guy who landed on the shores of Amerika. The rest of us are not content until we go back as far the records will take us.

As we search for German ancestors, we are very fortunate because those folks know how to keep records! Don't put it off any longer, consult the MAGS Web Page at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~usmags/> and get connected to all those German sources that will keep us entering information into that software program for days.

Now one last item - have you registered for our Oct 27th meeting in Gettysburg? Look inside for the form and send it to Diane promptly. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit some historic Civil War sites. At the same time, we shall increase our knowledge of Pennsylvania Germans and forge ahead in our research of family members living in the 1860's who served in the military, or not! The information waiting for us could throw open many windows, and give us a chance to break out that shovel.

Hope to see you there!

Dorothy Jackson Reed, Acting President



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September 9, 2001. German Heritage Festival. Blob's Park, Jessup, Maryland, 2-7 P.M. Sponsored by Association of German American Societies of Greater Washington D.C. German Heritage including beer, bockwurst, books, and dancing. Admission \$4. Info: 202-554-2664 or 301-681-3464.

September 12-15, 2001. Federation of Genealogical Societies. Annual Conference at the River Center/Adler Theatre in Davenport, IA. Theme: Great River Bend Genealogy. Contact FGS, PO Box 200940, Austin, Texas 78720-0940 or 1-888-FGS-1500. E-mail: FGS-office@fgs.org Web: <<http://www.fgs.org>>.

October 5-6, 2001. Fall Conference of the Virginia Genealogical Society, co-sponsored with Virginia Beach Genealogical Society. Theme: "Spotlight on Your Family". Cost: \$30 (mbrs.); \$35 (non-mbrs.). Contact Virginia Genealogical Soc, "Fall Conference," 5001 W. Broad St., Ste. 115, Richmond, VA 23230-3023. Ph: 1-800-847-5202.

October 14, 2001. Society of Descendants of Schwenkfeldian Exiles Annual Fall Meeting. Sunday, 2:00 P.M., Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center, 105 Seminary Street, Pennsburg, PA. Public invited. E-mail: laura.jerry.heebner@erols.com Website: <www.centralschwenkfelder.com/exile>. Ph: 215-679-3103.

October 27, 2001. MAGS Annual Fall Meeting. Holiday Inn, Gettysburg, PA. Meeting is co-sponsored by PA Chapter of Pal-Am. Subject: Civil War. For details see insert in this issue of *Der Kurier*, or check the MAGS Website.

If you would like your event or program placed on der Kalender, please send the information to the MAGS Editor by the stated deadline (see inside front page).

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MAGS Welcomes New Members

A maximum of four surnames being researched by each new member appears *in parentheses and italics* following the new member's name. Space does not permit more than four surnames or most spelling variations. MAGS encourages all members to submit their research names to the Surname Exchange Index and to have the Index searched to determine if others are also researching the same family.

George & Peggy Boinis of Chevy Chase MD

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Delaware State Archives

The new Delaware Archives, located on Duke of York Street, across from Legislative Hall, Dover, DE has announced extended hours. The hours on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will remain 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays will now be open 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. and Saturday they are open 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. They are closed on Sunday and state holidays. If you get an opportunity to visit their new facilities, take advantage of it.

Maryland State Archives

As a service to Maryland genealogists, the Maryland State Archives is posting a list of history and family history events on their web site. To view the calendar, visit: <<http://www.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/refserv/html/calendar.html>>. To have notices posted there, contact Robert Barnes, MSA Reference Archivist, at: bobb@mdarchives.state.md.us.

New York State Archives

The web site for *Rediscovering New York History and Culture* aims to improve the coverage and content of New York's documentary heritage and make it accessible to all. ... We want to help you learn about your state, community and family history. You can also contribute information that may help others at <<http://www.archives.nysed.gov/>>. Then select: "Rediscovering New York." Thanks to the Huntington Historical Society, Huntington, NY (*Past Tracks*, March 2001)

FRAKTUR FORUM

by Corinne Earnest

DUNDOR on Fraktur – Part 1

Dorothy Boyd-Rush asked about DUNDOR's on fraktur. Most examples having the name DUNDOR come from Berks County, Pennsylvania. A taufschein (birth and baptism certificate) in a private collection was made for Sussanna DUNDOR, daughter of Johann Adam and Elisabetha (MIESI) DUNDOR. Sussanna was born about 9:30 in the evening on June 23, 1808 in Bern Township, Berks County. She was baptized October 2 by Pastor HENDEL. Sponsors were Daniel MIESI and his wife, whose name is illegible due to paper loss. An added note identifies the sponsors as the "grandparents of the mother." Still another added note says Sussanna married Johannes KLOPP on November 19, 1831. The name MIESI is undoubtedly a variant spelling of MIESE, MIESSE, MEASE.

In *The Fraktur-Writings or Illuminated Manuscripts of the Pennsylvania Germans*, Dr. Donald A. Shelley pictures a family register (#236) made for the Jacob MIESSE family of Bern Township. Jacob MIESSE's wife was Katharina DUNDO[R]. The MIESSE children were Jacob, Katharina, Heinrich, Samuel, Benjamin, Gabriel, Isaac, and Jonathan. No dates are given on this family register other than the date it was made in 1830. Also, the order in which the children were born is unclear. However, members of this family were well-known throughout Berks County and beyond. Jacob MIESSE, Sr. is often listed as "Esquire" on other records, as he is on this family register. Several of his sons became ministers, and their names frequently appear on fraktur as having performed baptisms. And Gabriel MIESSE (1807-86) became a well-known engraver who produced printed taufschein forms.

The Library Company of Philadelphia has a taufschein (#1970.F) made for Eleisa NOECKER, daughter of Peter and Maria (NAFSINGER) NOECKER. Eleisa was born December 10, 1839 in Bern Township. She was baptized by the Reverend MIESE on June 10, 1840. Daniel and Catharina DUNDOR were the sponsors.

A taufschein in a private collection was made for Adam DUNDOR, son of William K. and Rebecca M.D. DUNDOR. Rebecca was the daughter of Phillip HECK. Adam DUNDOR was born December 27, 1858 in Bern Township. He was baptized March 15, 1859 by Pastor KRON. The only sponsor at his baptism was Elisabeth HECK, single.

A taufschein in a private collection was made for Catharina KLEIN, daughter of Johannes and Margretha (DONDOR) KLEIN. Catharina was born February 3, 1828 in Bethel Township, Berks County. She was baptized by Pastor STEIN on March 14, 1828. The only sponsor at her baptism was Catharina MEYER, single.

A taufschein in a private collection was made for Alfred Wayne, son of Benneville B. and Elizabeth Y. DUNDOR. Alfred Wayne was born in Bern Township on April 10, 1878. He was baptized in May by R. APPEL, Reformed. Sponsors were his parents.

I will return to DUNDORs on fraktur in a future issue of *Der Kurier*. If you have names you wish me to research on fraktur, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Corinne Earnest, P.O. Box 1007, East Berlin, PA 17316. Please be patient for a reply.

SUCHANZEIGEN

Please mention at least one time, one place, and one German surname with known variants. Limit each query to one family. Use no more than fifty (50) words, not counting your name and address. There is no charge for members of MAGS. Non-members please include \$1.00 (check payable to Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society) per query with your submission. More than one query may be sent at a time, but each should be clearly written or typed on a separate sheet of 8 1/2 by 11 inch clean, white paper. Please indicate desired priority for printing. MAGS reserves the right to edit. Neither MAGS nor *Der Kurier* assumes any responsibility for accuracy. Send your Queries to Edythe H. Millar, Queries Editor, MAGS, 511 FOREST GLEN CIRCLE, MURFREESBORO, TN 37128. E-mail: ehoffmillar@netscape.net

WORLEY WÄHRLICH WERLY CARR* FUNK*

19-13 Seek info on anc of Michäl WÄHRLICH and w Margaret. Michäl WÄHRLICH signed will 1784 Hampshire Co. W/Virginia, naming wife Margaret; dau Judy; son John. Proved 1785. Judy/Julianne m John CARR (NJ RW vet): dau Margaret m John FUNK (KY War 1812 vet) Fayette Co. OH; mov McLean Co. Ill.

Paul Peak, 6251 Old Dominion Dr., Apt. 306, McLean, VA 22101-4807.
E-mail: PaulPeak@aol.com

MARTZ* MARCH BUTTERWORTH

#19-14 Seek info Albert MARTZ, Believe b Stuttgart, Ger. Arr bef 1875 in Philadelphia, an

orphan. Mo died on voyage. Mar Elizabeth BUTTERWORTH. Ch: Amanda M. MARTZ b Jan 10, 1876.

Kathleen Spivey, 261 Marigold Court, Toms River, NJ 08753. E-mail: spivey@bellatlantic.net

WOLF WOLFE* STRAEHLE STRALEY

#19-15 Seek par Jacob WOLF b 1754, d 1823. W Anna STRALEY. m poss Lancaster, PA. Both settled Hacker's Creek on Berlin Rd. Lewis Co. WV and died there. Where in Ger are Runzenheim and Mossstetten?

Raymond W. Wolfe, Jr. 5135 Post Road, Lot 214 Indianapolis, Ind 46266-4182

** Information on this family is available through the Surname Exchange Index*

Police *Melde* Registers

The FHC Library has microfilms of Police *Melde* Registers for various cities in Germany. A list of those cities is now posted on the FEEFHS Website: <<http://feefhs.org>>. *Melde* Registers are important to genealogical research because citizens were required to sign with the Police whenever they entered or left a town in Germany. These registers are one way to prove your ancestor's presence in a city, even for a brief visit.

John Movius, an IGS member, had several volunteers make surname indexes to 6 rolls of *Melde* Registers for the city of Leipzig. They have 3,700 more reels of film to index and would appreciate your help. (*IGS Newsletter*, May 2001).

Online Translation Help

Ann C. Sherwin is a professional translator of German. She has a website at <<http://www.asherwin.com>>. It includes a section titled "Resources for Genealogists" under which she is developing a "Glossary Project". Perhaps it can answer some of your translation questions. If you need additional help, Ann may be able to answer your specific question. (*IGS Newsletter*, May 2001.)

ELLIS ISLAND on the Web by Jeff Hughes

A wonderful new website for immigrant research, <<http://www.ellisland.org>>, is the Internet presence for the Statue of Liberty—Ellis Island Foundation. The foundation is a nonprofit organization established by the direction of then President Ronald Reagan for restoring and preserving The Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. Visitors to the site are required to register in order to access passenger files, but not to search the files. The search engine is very robust and flexible.

A basic beginning, first name, last name and gender (or not to use gender is also an option), generates exact matches, close matches, alternate spellings and a summary. From the search one can then edit for year of arrival, ship name, port of departure, ethnicity, and age on arrival. You can begin the search with as little as two letters for the last name. Each name is a link to the passenger record which includes the name, ethnicity, place of residence, date of arrival, age on arrival, gender, marital status, ship's name and port of departure. From the passenger record you can browse the ship's manifest (in both text and actual photocopied image), Ship information and researcher annotations. While annotations are viewable to all, only foundation members can create them on the website. You can also store any and/or all of this information online in a file space provided free with registration on the site.

It is not necessary to actually join the foundation (\$45 and 100% tax deductible), although there are some features that are only available to foundation members. These benefits include:

- Annotate passenger records in the Ellis Island Archives
- Create and maintain your Family History Scrapbook
- Order one free copy of your initial Scrapbook (print or CD-ROM)
- Receive a 10% discount at their online Gift Shop or at the Center
- Support the ongoing work of the Foundation at Ellis Island

I have to say that given the access to so much information, this is a site I'll be using quite often. My only concerns regarding the site are that after being up and running several months, the Family History Scrapbook functionality is still not ready, and that the search engine will not handle soundex searches. I have addressed these questions to the foundation and will let everyone know the responses with our next issue.

Rating: ★★★★★ 4 (out of 5)

I'd really like to give this site 5 stars but can't due to two small facts. I am unable to do a soundex search, and even with over 22 million names these records only cover immigration through a single entry point into the United States and then only for the brief period between 1892 and 1924.

DAR Patriot Index Online

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution has just put their Patriot Index on line. The Internet address is <<http://members.dar.org/>>. To access the site, a DAR membership number and state of residence is needed. This site is useful as the last printed index was in the early 1990's and this site is updated about every month. (*Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 33, No. 2, Summer 2001.)

PACK-RAT ANCESTORS NEED SAVVY DESCENDANTS

by Russell D. Earnest

Homes crammed full of treasures handed down from one or many generations can be a blessing — or a curse. My wife, Corinne, and I attend many country sales to record *fraktur* before it is sold. Over the years we have witnessed a distressing trend concerning what remains with the family, what is sold, and what is trashed.

For example, last year a woman lost her parents, both of whom “never threw anything away.” The family’s original home, complete with papers from land grants dating to early in the eighteenth century, came down to this woman. She knew enough to keep some early papers, but after that she was lost in a maze of “over a million pieces of paper,” that were to be sold at public sale or tossed.

Making decisions about the destiny of hundreds let alone a million pieces of paper is a formidable task. This woman used unfortunate criteria for what she saved, what was auctioned, and what she discarded. In this case, she based her decision on nostalgia. This woman is about fifty years old. She decided that what was important in *her* lifetime was important. Thus, she saved or auctioned old issues of *Life Magazine*, *National Geographic*, and *TV Guide*. She sold advertisements for soft drinks, tobacco, cars, and food. She sold gum wrappers, cigar labels, Zane Grey books, comic books, posters, pictures of movie stars, and most anything from the twentieth century that conjured up memories in *her* life.

What she did *not* save were German-language papers. Every generation of this woman’s family was Pennsylvania German from the time they immigrated in the early eighteenth century through today. They spoke a dialect of German and wrote in German. In fact, the German-language papers she inherited were likely personal papers, many probably documenting family events. English was the official language in America, so official documents are written in English. But families of German-speaking heritage often used German at home. Thus, German-language documents are more likely to record family information than are English-language papers. When asked why she discarded what might have been pieces of her own family history, she replied, “No one can read that old German any more.”

It never occurred to this woman that thousands of copies of each issue of *Life Magazine* survive. Thousands of pictures of movie stars and cartoon characters survive. But she discarded what might have been the only copies of personal letters, ledgers, and other family records. In her defense, this lady felt overwhelmed at having to sort through so much paper. Moreover, her parents obviously failed to educate her about her German heritage. But to use nostalgia as a guide to rescue heirlooms — a trend we see too often — causes loss of genealogical treasure that can never be replaced.

What was particularly distressing in this example, but not unique to it, was that the woman *burned* those items she felt had little or no value. At the very least she could have placed the paper in box lots and let buyers decide value. The documents would have left the family, but they would have survived. But she was totally overwhelmed, had waited until the last minute before organizing for the sale, and had sorted based on faulty criteria.

The lesson for all of us is to educate our descendants about setting criteria for what they keep as heirlooms. Many genealogists are pack-rats. If you are a pack-rat, give heirs guidance about why a tattered page written in German should be saved. It might not be as valuable as a signed picture of Judy Garland, but it might be more important to the family.

Don’t leave your descendants with a paper nightmare. Take the time to sort what has family value. Organize and label family papers. Use archival folders and boxes for storage, and insert notes stating why each piece of paper is important to the family. If you don’t, your family legacy may end up at a garage sale or in a burn barrel.

BUCHBESPRECHUNGEN

The Miles Family. Primarily from Montgomery County, Maryland by William Neal Hurley, Jr.

1999. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716. Book No. H884. Size: 5"x8". Softcover, 315 pages, indexed. Cost (pre publication): \$28.50+\$5 s/h.

This book is the thirteenth in the Our Maryland Heritage series treating Maryland families. This latest work focuses on the Miles families of Montgomery, Prince George's, Howard and Frederick Counties. Included are members of the family found in other regions of Maryland and abroad.

Chapter 1 discusses the earliest records of Mileses in the colonies and possible connections to the family lines discussed later in the text. Chapter 2 concerns descendants of Charles Miles who died in Montgomery County ca. 1842. Charles fathered fifteen children, establishing a majority of family lines dealt with in the remainder of the text.

The author provides an every-name index. To distinguish between persons with the same name, dates generally follow the index entry. A plain date indicates the date of birth or nearly so. A "d/1789" entry indicates the date of death, while a "m/1789" indicates marriage date. The book also includes a bibliography.

The book should prove to be a helpful aide to Maryland Miles family researchers.

Reviewed by Al Werking

Early History of Schenectady, New York and its First Settlers by John Sanders

1999 facsimile reprint of 1879 original. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716. Book Number 3S051. Softcover, 346 pages. Index, appendices of original documents. Cost: \$28.50 plus \$4 shipping and handling.

Genealogies for the first settlers of Albany and Schenectady are printed in the first 200 pages of this book. Historically, Schenectady was settled in 1661 although Bible entries of several residents indicate 1658. The author determines the location of land holdings of the nine original settlers and follows their descendants into the 19th century. The Dutch were the principal settlers in this area and they lived peacefully with members of the Five Indian Nations who intermarried with the whites. The Mohawks were generous in grants of land to their white friends and especially to married connections to the tribes.

The organization and creation of Schenectady is described, and there is a good history of the area including the burning of Schenectady in 1690. Old city names are identified and their current names given, i.e., Orange (Albany), Corlear (Schenectady). The mutation of names is also given in some cases, such as Captain Sander (John Alexander Glen), and his Indian name, Mr. Coudre. Genealogists have a new challenge!

In the last 96 pages of the book the Revolutionary Battles are described, along with churches in the vicinity, organization of the county and transportation methods. The Battle of Oriskany, August 6, 1777 was the most severe and in proportion to numbers of people the bloodiest of the Revolution. Schenectady was easily accessible to the enemy because of its terrain and proximity to the English, the French and other Indian tribes in Canada; therefore, they suffered greatly. The "hardy Palatinates" that fought for freedom are referenced, but the major population was of Dutch extraction.

This is a good book for researchers seeking historical and genealogical knowledge and information about this area of New York.

Reviewed by Marilynne G. Ocando

**Virginia Court Records in
Southwestern Pennsylvania**
by Boyd Crumrine

1974. Originally published as Annals of the Carnegie Museum, Volumes I-III, Pittsburgh, PA 1901-1905. Reprinted by Clearfield Co., Inc., 200 E. Eager Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. 541 pp. Soft cover. Every name index. Item #1260. Cost: \$39.95+\$3.50 s/h.

For anyone researching southwestern Pennsylvania and West Virginia, which until 1863 was Virginia, this book is invaluable. It is broken down as follows:

1. Boundary Controversy between Pennsylvania and Virginia 1748-1785.
2. Minute Book of the Virginia Court Held at Fort Dunmore (Pittsburgh) for the District of West Augusta 1775-1776.
3. Minute Book of the Virginia Court Held for Yohogania County, First at Augustatown (now Washington, PA) and afterwards on the Andrew Heath Farm near West Elizabeth, 1776-1780.
4. Minute (or Order) Book of the Virginia Court Held for Ohio County, Virginia at Black's cabin (now West Liberty, WVA) from January 6, 1777 until September 4, 1780 when its jurisdiction over any part of Pennsylvania had ceased.
5. Records of Deeds for the District of West Augusta, Virginia for the Court Held at Fort Dunmore (Pittsburgh, PA) 1775-1776.

It was from this book that I found the only trace of my ancestor, Henry Brindley. He had died in 1779 and Van Swearingen had himself made administrator of Brindley's estate at Washington PA, but living on Buffalo Creek in what is today Brooke Co., WVA. This time frame is during the period of the extensive Indian uprisings along the Ohio River and makes for interesting reading.

Reviewed by Gail Komar

**Virginia Militia in the
Revolutionary War**
by J.T.McAllister

Heritage Books, 1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716. 237 pp. Soft cover. Indexed. Bk# M101. Cost (pre-publication): \$24 + \$4 s/h.

In the Introduction of this book no claim is made that this is a history of the Virginia Militia in the Revolution, nor is any claim made to the fact that it ..."gives a complete list of the companies from any of the counties."

The author notes even though those serving in the War were mostly able bodied men...the militia records were not well kept and many have been lost, so compilations such as the present work take on special value.

This book's layout empowers the researcher in overcoming the record shortfall as the Secretary of War in 1832 said: "there are in this department no rolls of the State troops except those of Virginia"... You will find details from two record sources...which do generally exist: the county records of officers appointments and Federal pensions. These are the basis of this work.

A quick rundown of the contents: Introduction: Virginia's Share in the Military Movements of the Revolution, Virginia Counties, Old and New. Part I: Summary of the Services of the Militia Arranged by County. Part II: Declarations of Virginia Militia Pensions. These 250 Sections.."is given in full, the language of the original documents being followed." Part III: Militia Officers Appointed in Various Counties, Section 251-280. Part IV: Pensioners Residing in Virginia in 1835 who Received Pensions as Virginia Militiamen. Part V: Pensioners Residing Outside Virginia in 1835 who Received Pensions as Virginia Militiamen. (This list was compiled from a report made by the Secretary of War in 1835.) A large General Index, subdivided into three parts, becomes a reader speed pass, viz: Index to Places, Index to Battles and skirmishes, which

includes services against Indians and at Albemarle Barracks and Index of Names.

"The Valley of Virginia had been settled such a length of time that a majority of the men it sent into the Revolution were native to the soil. This was not at all the case west of the Allegheny divide"...where very few had been there as long as ten years. "They were immigrants from the older counties of Virginia and from the neighboring states of Pennsylvania and Maryland."

Reviewed by Carl Shrader

U.S. Medals and Rolls of Honor:

Civil War

by Gwen J. Hurst

1999, Heritage Books, Inc., 1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716. Ph: 1-800-398-7709. Item # H890. Softcover, 346 pages, location index. \$32.00 plus \$4 shipping.

If your ancestor distinguished himself or herself during the Civil War, he or she may be mentioned in this book as having received recognition for meritorious valor. Recipients of various Medals of Honor and recognition in Rolls of Honor are listed in *U.S. Medals and Rolls of Honor: Civil War*. Medals include The Congressional Medal of Honor, Kearney Medal, and others.

This alphabetical listing gives the person's name, rank, company, type of award, and the official date of distinguished action. Naturally, recipients of awards were primarily from northern states. All of the nearly 1,000 men who volunteered for an attack on Port Hudson, Louisiana, on June 15, 1863 received recognition in Rolls of Honor. Thus, these people listed for that single event inflates the importance of that battle over other battles. In fact, the Battle of Gettysburg, which was fought just days after the attack on Port Hudson is represented less in this list.

Most entries are relatively simple. For example, Private Charles Stump's entry is typical of an entry concerning the attack on

Port Hudson. Stump served in Co. K, 156th New York. He received the "*Roll of Honor* and medal as part of the storming party during the attack on Port Hudson, Louisiana on 15 June 1863."

Other entries have more information. For example, Corporal John C. Hesse of Co. A, 8th U.S. Infantry, received the *Congressional Medal of Honor*. Corporal Hesse was stationed at San Antonio, Texas, at the beginning of the War. On April 23, 1861, he was taken prisoner. A few days later, he attempted to conceal beneath his clothing the regimental colors which were also captured. "Corporal Hesse took the torn color which the regiment had carried through the Mexican war, put it around his body under his shirt and blouse, and passed out of a building which was strongly guarded by the rebels." He was able to smuggle the colors then to a Lieutenant Hartz, who returned them to the regiment on May 26, 1861.

A few entries give genealogical clues about the recipients. For example, we learn under Jacob Parrott's entry that he was from Ohio and that he was an orphan and uneducated. He was eighteen when the War broke out. After volunteering to serve, he was captured on April 12, 1862 at Big Shanty in Georgia and sent to a "negro jail in Chattanooga." Afterwards, he was transferred to various other prisons and exchanged in March of 1863. When captured, Private Parrott was severely beaten with 100 lashes in front of a crowd that wanted to hang him, for he refused to give his rebel captors information they wanted.

Many entries, of course, are for recipients with English and Scots-Irish surnames, and many simply say they were awarded for "distinguished conduct," but numerous German names do appear, and many entries detail the action for which the recipient received an award.

Reviewed by Corinne Earnest

AHNENTAFEL

Submitted by William McClure Stine
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I

1 William McClure STINE, b 7 May 1942, Chewsville, Washington Co MD; m (1) 22 Jun 1963, Patricia Ann STEVENS, New Haven CT; div 3 Jul 1975, Hartford CT; m (2) 1 Nov 1975, Marian Louise KARPPINEN, Damascus, Montgomery Co MD; div 2 Nov 1987, Fairfax, Fairfax Co VA; m (3) 22 Dec 1988, Brigitte Pierrette Christiane WISS, Issy Les Moulineaux, France; div 15 Sep 1998, Fairfax, Fairfax Co VA.

II

2 William McClure STINE, b 8 Mar 1909, Feagsville, Frederick Co MD; m (1) 15 Nov 1929, Marguerite BIGLAR; div; m (2) 16 Oct 1940, Kathryn Virginia HIMES; d 10 Dec 1947, Chestnut Grove, Washington Co MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

3 Kathryn Virginia HIMES, b 17 Nov 1915, Myersville, Frederick Co MD; m (1) 16 Oct 1940, William McClure STINE; m (2) William Lee KINDLE; d 7 Apr 1995, Tuscon AZ.

III

4 William Cartee STINE, b 27 Jul 1880, Frederick Co MD; m 8 Apr 1903, Ada Jane Elizabeth YOUNG, Middletown, Frederick Co MD; d 27 Feb 1925, Frederick Co MD; bur aft 10 May 1925, Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

5 Ada Jane Elizabeth YOUNG, b 4 May 1883, Chantilly, Fairfax Co VA; d 24 Feb 1961, Frederick, Frederick Co MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

6 Maurice Ellsworth (Bud) HIMES, b 7 Jan 1880, Euclid, Frederick Co MD; m 5 Dec 1901, Angie Ellen FORREST; d 18 Nov 1957, Greencastle PA.

7 Angie Ellen FORREST, b 21 Jul 1877, Garfield, Frederick Co MD; d 8 May 1949.

IV

8 Thomas Franklin STEIN, b 17 Nov 1849, Frederick Co MD; m 9 Nov 1871, Mary Long CARTEE; d 7 Feb 1926, Frederick Co MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

9 Mary Long CARTEE, b 17 May 1854; d 26 Dec 1911, Frederick Co MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

10 John Walter YOUNG, b 12 Oct 1849; m Anna E. BUSSARD; d 20 Apr 1905.

11 Anna E. BUSSARD, b 6 Dec 1856, Frederick Co MD; d 10 Mar 1927.

12 Daniel I. HIMES, b 12 Jun 1854, Wolfesville, Frederick Co MD; m (1) Florence Anna Virginia (Jennie) BROWN; m (2) Emma ---; d 27 Jan 1939; bur Fort Richie, Frederick Co MD.

13 Florence Anna Virginia (Jennie) BROWN, b 11 Jun 1860; d 25 Nov 1904; bur Fort Richie, Frederick Co MD.

14 Daniel Webster FORREST, b 8 Dec 1836, Frederick Co MD; m 11 Jan 1865, Amanda Catherine DUBEL; d 11 Oct 1908, Frederick Co MD; bur Garfield, Frederick Co MD.

15 Amanda Catherine DUBEL, b 25 May 1843; d 5 Dec 1885, Frederick Co MD; bur Garfield, Frederick Co MD.

V

16 Henry (Mike) STEIN, b 20 Nov 1821, Bavaria; m 7 Oct 1845, Elizabeth BROWN, Frederick Co MD; d 27 Oct 1900, Frederick Co MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

17 Elizabeth BROWN, b 22 Mar 1827; d 13 Jan 1872, Middletown, Frederick Co MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

18 George W. CARTEE, b 1817; m Phoebe Ann ---; d 7 Dec 1894.

19 Phoebe Ann ---, b 1823, England; d 7 Aug 1887.

22 John BUSSARD, b 28 Sep 1822, Frederick MD; m 18 Dec 1850, Elizabeth Ann HIME(S); d 3 Dec 1893, Frederick MD; bur Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

23 Elizabeth Ann HIME(S), b 11 Oct 1830; d 17 Apr 1924, Jefferson, Frederick Co MD.

24 John HEIMS, b 6 Feb 1818, PA; m Mary SMITH; d 16 Feb 1887.

25 Mary SMITH, b Feb 1821, Washington Co MD; d 21 Jul 1887.

26 Henry BROWN, b 1821, Frederick Co MD; m 4 Feb 1846, Mary TOMS; d 17 Jan 1878; bur Mt Moriah, Foxville, Frederick Co MD.

27 Mary TOMS, b 5 Aug 1827, Frederick Co MD; d 8 Jun 1888; bur Foxville, Frederick Co MD.

28 Solomon FORREST, b 12 Jan 1789; m 11 Jan 1812, Elizabeth WOLF; d 3 Feb 1869; bur Garfield, Frederick Co MD.

29 Elizabeth WOLF, b 5 Jan 1794; d 6 Nov 1885.

30 John DUBEL, b 31 May 1801, Frederick Co MD; m abt 1826, Sophia DICK; d 24 Feb 1871.

31 Sophia DICK, b 24 Mar 1803, MD (?); d 27 Apr 1891, Frederick MD; bur Ellerton, Frederick Co MD.

VI

32 John STEIN, b 1792, Bavaria; m Charlotte F. HOOVER; d abt 1875, Frederick Co MD. Immigrant.

33 Charlotte F. HOOVER, b abt 1795, Germany; d abt 1860.

44 William BUSSARD, b 3 Oct 1783, Frederick MD; m 15 Aug 1806, Maria Magdalena HARNER, Frederick MD; d bef 29 Oct 1844, Frederick MD.

45 Maria Magdalena HARNER, b 14 May 1781, MD; d 2 Sep 1863, Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

52 John Nathan BROWN, b Jan 1780; m (1) Mary Nancy BUHRMAN; m (2) Elizabeth SMITH.

53 Mary Nancy BUHRMAN, b 1780.

54 William Hiram TOMS, b 11 Nov 1799, Foxville, Frederick Co MD; m 1825, Mary Ann (Polly Ann) CASEBIER; d 24 Nov 1868, Frederick Co MD; bur Garfield, Frederick Co MD.

55 Mary Ann (Polly Ann) CASEBIER, b 15 Oct 1806; d 31 Oct 1881, Garfield, Frederick Co MD; bur Garfield, Frederick Co MD.

56 Jacob FORREST, m Anna LACEY; d abt 1821; bur Garfield, Frederick Co MD.

57 Anna LACEY, d aft 1821.

58 David WOLFE, b Oct 1761, MD; m abt 1787, Nancy Matilda HAUVER, Frederick Co MD; d 29 Dec 1845, Frederick Co MD.

59 Nancy Mathilda HAUVER, b 1768, Frederick Co MD; d 19 Oct 1833, Wolfsville, Frederick Co MD; bur Garfield MD.

60 Benjamin DUBEL, b 20 Jun 1775, Frederick Co MD; m 22 Mar 1796, Elizabeth RIDENOUR, Graceham, Frederick Co MD; d 24 Sep 1845, Frederick Co MD.

61 Elizabeth RIDENOUR, b 20 Jul 1777, Powell's Fort, Shenandoah Co VA; d 16 Feb 1850, Wolfsville, Frederick Co MD.

VII

88 Samuel BOSSERT, b 30 Apr 1751, Montgomery Co PA; m (1) Maria BRANDENBURG; m (2) 22 Jun 1805, Catherine NEFF; d 1827, Frederick MD.

89 Maria BRANDENBURG, d bef 1805.

104 Thomas BROWN, b abt 1736; m Hannah PITTINGER; bur Creagerstown (?), Frederick Co MD.

105 Hannah PITTINGER, b abt 1745.

106 Johannes BUHRMAN, m Katherine Ellen MARTIN.

107 Katherine Ellen MARTIN.

108 Abraham TOMS, b 14 Oct 1770, Frederick Co MD; m abt 1798, Hannah HARP; d 8 Dec 1851, Foxville, Frederick Co MD; bur Aunt Mandy Place, Foxville, Frederick Co MD.

109 Hannah HARP, b 1774; d 1 Dec 1840; bur Aunt Mandy Place, Foxville, Frederick Co MD.

110 Jacob CASEBIER, b 1753, York Co PA; m Anna Barbara HAUVER.

111 Anna Barbara HAUVER, b 1753, York Co PA.

112 John FORREST, b abt 1710; m Leah COVELL; d 1782.

113 Leah COVELL.

116 --- WOLFE.

117 Anna SARTOR, b Palatinate, Germany.

118 George HAUVER, b bef 1728, Switzerland or Germany; m 1750, Ann Suzannah ---; d 1800, Frederick Co MD; bur near Foxville, Frederick Co MD.

119 Ann Suzannah ---, b bef 1732, Frederick Co MD or Switzerland or Germany; d 1800, Frederick Co MD.

122 George Adam REITENAUER Jr., b abt 1728; m Marie Elizabeth CASSEL.

123 Marie Elizabeth CASSEL, b bef 1731, Frederick Co MD.

VIII

176 Samuel BOSSERT, m Catharina ---.

177 Catharina ---.

208 William BROWNE, b Brittain's Bay, St Mary's Co MD.

210 Daniel PITTINGER, b abt 1713; m abt 1732, Elisabeth BIGGS, NJ; d abt 1796, MD.

211 Elisabeth BIGGS, b 6 Dec 1713, Kingston NY.

216 William TOMS, b 1746, Conococheague area, Frederick Co MD; m 1769, Barbara DEARDORFF, Frederick Co MD; d 30 Dec 1823, Myersville, Frederick Co MD; bur Farm-Myersville, Frederick Co MD.

217 Barbara DEARDORFF, d abt 1810.

218 John HARP, b abt 1705; m Mary ---; d 1810.

219 Mary ---.

224 William FORREST, b abt 1687; m abt 1707; d abt 1756.

226 Jonathan COVELL, m 14 Oct 1707, Mary CAINE, All Hallow's Church, Anne Arundel Co MD; d bef 30 Mar 1739, Anne Arundel Co MD.

227 Mary CAINE, b abt 1690; d 1746.

244 George Adam REITENAUER, b 1718; m Maria Elizabeth KISSINGER.

245 Maria Elizabeth KISSINGER.

IX

416 Anthony BROWNE, m --- LANGHAM.

417 --- LANGHAM.

420 John PITTINGER, b abt 1670, Somerset NJ; m Elizabeth ---; d betw 1721 and 1732, NJ; bur Piscataway NJ.

422 John BIGGS, b 23 Jul 1687, Marletown, Ulster Co NY; m Eva Lambertse BRINK; d 1761, Monocacy, Frederick Co MD.

423 Eva Lambertse BRINK, b abt 6 Nov 1687, Hurley, Ulster Co NY; d bef 1749.

432 John William TOMS, b abt 1700; m Catharine ---; d abt 1753, Middletown, Frederick Co MD.

433 Catharine ---, b Europe; d betw 4 and 20 Aug 1770.

436 Daniel HARP.

448 William FORREST, b abt 1650; d abt 1721.

452 John COVELL.

488 Johannes REUTENAUER, b 3 Mar 1690, Tieffenbach, Bas-Rhin, France; m 21 Apr 1716, Maria Catharina LENDLERLEHNHARDT, Tieffenbach, Bas-Rhin, France; d 3 Nov 1755, Pike Twp, Berks Co PA.

489 Maria Catharina LENDLERLEHNHARDT.

X

832 John BROWNE, m Mary ---.

833 Mary ---.

834 William L. LANGHAM, m 10 Apr 1828.

840 Richard PITTINGER, b 1650, Netherlands; m bef 1665, Sychra HENDRICKSON, Holland; immigrated 1665, NJ; d bef 16 Oct 1715, Hillside Twp, Hunterdon Co NJ.

841 Sychra HENDRICKSON, b abt 1652, Holland, Netherlands; d NY.

844 John BIGGS, b aft 1625, Worcestershire, England; m Mary HALL; d aft 1703, Kingston NY. Occup: Ensign, Lieutenant.

845 Mary HALL, b abt 1668, Ulster NY; d aft 1709, Kingston NY.

846 Huybert Lambertsen BRINK, b abt 1655, Wageningen, Gelderland, Holland; m 16 Mar 1679, Hendrickje Antoni SWARTHOUT, Kingston, Ulster Co NY; d 1715.

847 Hendrickje Antoni SWARTHOUT, b 1661, Wiltwick, Ulster Co NY; d bef 1779, Hurley, Ulster Co NY.

864 John TOMS, b abt 1679; d abt 1744.

896 William FORREST, b abt 1628; d abt 1706.

904 John COVELL, b abt 1617; m Ann MOTT (?); d bef 1659.

905 Ann MOTT (?), m (1) John COVELL; m (2) bef 1675, Hubert LAMBERT.

976 Nicolaus REUTENAUER, b 7 Aug 1650, Gondiswill, Bern, Switzerland; m 1674, Susanna LUFIDACH or WINDSTEIN, Tieffenbach, Bas-Rhin, France; d 27 Feb 1717, Tieffenbach, Bas-Rhin, France.

977 Susanna LUFIDACH or WINDSTEIN, b 1652, Volksberg, Bas-Rhin, France; m 1674, Nicolaus REUTENAUER, Tieffenbach, Bas-Rhin, France; d 28 Mar 1713, Bas-Rhin, France.

XI

1664 John BROWNE, m 16 Sep 1668, Sarah MINARD, Somerset Co MD.

1665 Sarah MINARD.

1680 Richard PITTINGER, b abt 1624.

1692 Lambert Huybertse BRINK, b abt 1629, Wageningen, Gelderland, Netherlands; m 1658, Hendrickje CORNELIS, New Amsterdam; d bef 11 Apr 1702, Hurley, Ulster Co NY.

1693 Hendrickje CORNELIS, b abt 1639, Netherlands; d bef 1759, Hurley, Ulster Co NY.

1694 Roeloff SWARTWOUT, b 1634, Amersterdam, Holland; m 13 Aug 1657, Aefje Eva Albertse BRADT, Beverswyck, Kingston Co NY; d 30 May 1715, Hurley, Ulster Co NY.

1695 Aefje Eva Albertse BRADT, b 1633, Amsterdam, Holland; m (1) Oct 1647, Antoni DE HOOGES, Rensselaerwyck NY; m (2) 13 Aug 1657, Roeloff SWARTWOUT; d abt 1689, Hurley, Ulster Co NY.

1728 William TOMS, b abt 1658; m abt 1678.

1792 Peter FORREST, b abt 1601, Morborne, Huntingdonshire, England; m abt 1623, Elizabeth IRONMONGER, England; d 1665.

1793 Elizabeth IRONMONGER, b abt 1606.

1952 Hans REUTENAUER, b abt 1612, Bern, Switzerland; m 10 Feb 1634, Katharina SCHAR or SCHOR, Gondiswill, Bern, Switzerland.

1953 Katharina SCHAR or SCHOR, b abt 1614.

1954 Nickel WINDSTEIN, m Ottilia EICH.

1955 Ottilia EICH.

XII

3328 William BROWNE, b abt 1621; immigrated 8 Mar 1634, MD; m Margaret ---; d 28 Feb 1665, Brittain's Bay, St. Mary's Co MD.

3329 Margaret ---.

3384 Huybert LAMBERTSE, b bef 1606; m abt 1619, Jantsen JOOSTEN, Gelderland, Netherlands; d abt 1660, Wangeningen, Gelderland, Netherlands.

3385 Jantsen JOOSTEN, b betw 1579 and 1606; d bef 1726.

3390 Albert Andriessen, the Norman, BRADT, b 1607, Fredrickstad, Norway; m (1) 11 Apr 1632, Annetie Baerwents VAN ROTMER, Oudekerk (Old [Reformed] Church), Amsterdam, Holland; m (2) abt 1669, Geertruy VOSBURGH, Albany NY; m (3) abt 1670, Pietertje JANS, Albany NY; d 7 Jun 1686, Albany NY.

3391 Annetie Baerwents VAN ROTMER, b 1608, Oude, Lower Saxony, Germany; d 3 Jun 1662, Albany NY.

3456 William TOMS, b 1638 or 1639, England; d 12 Jan 1678. Occup: Captain.

3584 Thomas FORREST, b May 1572, Morborne, Huntingdonshire, England; m (1) abt 1600, Margaret FOXE; m (2) abt 1624, Elizabeth DANCASTLE. Immigrant.

3585 Margaret FOXE, d abt 1608, Jamestown VA.

3586 Samuel IRONMONGER, b abt 1585, Goldenfield, England; m abt 1605, Anna LAWSON,

London, England; d 1626, Donnington, Bucks, England. Occup: Gentleman.

3587 Anna LAWSON, b 1585, London, England; d 1625.

3904 Anton REITNOWER, b abt 1586; m 24 Sep 1611, Margarete CHRISTEN, Gondiswill, Bern, Switzerland.

3905 Margarete CHRISTEN, b abt 1590, Bern, Switzerland.

XIII

6780 Andriense Arentsen BRADT, b 1576, Fredrickstad, Norway; m Eva KINETIS; d Schenectady NY.

6781 Eva KINETIS, b 1586, Fredrickstad, Ostf, Norway.

7168 Robert FORREST, m abt 1543/44, Agnes WOLCOTT; d May 1599, Morborne, Huntingdonshire, England; bur 1599, Morborne, Huntingdonshire, England.

7169 Agnes WOLCOTT.

7172 William IRONMONGER, b 1540, Maidenhead, England; m Alyce DAVYS; d 1600, Goldingfield, Berkshire, England.

7173 Alyce DAVYS, b 1580, Donnington, Berkshire, England.

7174 Thomas LAWSON.

7808 --- REITNAWER.

XIV

14336 Miles FORREST, Esq., b Morborne, Huntingdonshire, England; m Catherine BEVILE; d abt 1558, Morborne, Huntingdonshire, England; bur 20 Aug 1558, Huntingdon, England.

14344 James IRONMONGER, b 1500 Staffordshire, England; m abt 1535 Katherine ORPHWOOD, Shrewsbury, England; d 1560.

14345 Katherine ORPHWOOD, b Shrewsbury, England.

28690 John ORPHWOOD.

XV

28674 --- BEVILE, b Chesterton, Huntingdon, England; m Ann KIRKHAM.

XVI

57350 --- KIRKHAM, b Warmington, Northampton, England; m Helen RIGBY.

28675 Anne KIRKHAM, b Warmington, Northampton, England.

57351 Helen RIGBY.

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3 - "Early Families of Northampton Co., Pennsylvania," Repsher / Dietrich, Vol. I by John T. Humphrey.

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THE ABCs of GERMAN-AMERICAN MIGRATION, *Annotated Guide to German-American Migration Records*. Money Tree Imprints, Asheville, NC, 6" x 9", Softbound, 317p. 100p.

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Acc #1438: F157.L5C754, 1997, Conrad, Tim LEHIGH CHURCH, LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP, Lehigh County, PA. Genealogists Guide. Contributed for use in USGenWeb Archives, 8½" x 11", 1997, paper, 31p. Download for free circulation by Library.

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