

The Trail of Michael Dries from Albany Twp., Berks, PA to Ross County, OH

The attached document was written as additional supportive evidence when questions that were raised by a genealogist at the National level of Sons of the American Revolution when I submitted an application to show lineage to Michael Treece as a Supplemental Patriot in 2019. That genealogist quite correctly requested documentation to verify that the Michael Treece who died in Ross County, Ohio in 1808 was the same Michael Treece who paid the 1779 Supply Tax in Berks County PA, since more than one Michael Treece resided in Berks County at that time. This document is cited in *Lantz-Crossley: An Experience in Genealogy*, Volumes I - IV, Third Edition with Supplement I & II by Raymond C. Lantz.

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Showing which Michael Dries from Berks County, PA died in Ross County, OH starts by tracking four Dries Family members with PA tax records. Cornelius Dries died intestate in Albany Twp., Berks, PA about 1761, and his eldest son Jacob became executor. The plan that Jacob submitted to settle the estate is attached, indicating that Cornelius owned 295 acres of land in Albany Township that was to be distributed, along with other property, among the six children of Cornelius: Jacob, John, Michael, Magdalena, Anna Maria and Barbara. John and Michael were both minors at that time. The three brothers Jacob, John and Michael showed up with their inherited property in Albany Township tax records in 1779. These three brothers then continued to move from place to place as a group over time. The confounding component is that another Michael* Dries appears in Albany Township Tax records, who ultimately settled in Longswamp Township, Berks County. The following summary tracks these four Dries Family members and when they appeared in Albany Township from 1779 to 1785. The tax records are attached for each year, and Michael* was not present on the tax lists until 1782.

Tax Records Albany Township, Berks County, PA				
Year	Jacob	John	Michael	Michael*
1779	250 Acres Blacksmith	80 Acres	140 Acres	X
1780	130 Acres Blacksmith	90 Acres	135 Acres	X
1781	130 Acres Blacksmith	90 Acres	135 Acres	X
1782	164 Acres	90 Acres	123 Acres	0 Acres (Junior ?)
1783	130 Acres	X	130 Acres	0 Acres
1784	130 Acres	X	130 Acres	0 Acres
1785	X	X	X	X

Since all members of the Dries Family were absent from Albany Township in 1785, they must be tracked with other tax records. The three brothers who did pay the 1779 Supply Tax in Berks County re-united in Northumberland County, PA in 1785, while Michael* who did not pay the 1779 Supply Tax moved to Longswamp Township, Berks County in 1785. A summary of the tax records for Michael* is given by (copies of yearly records are attached):

Tax Records Longswamp Township, Berks County, PA				
Year	Jacob	John	Michael	Michael*
1784	X	X	X	X
1785	X	X	X	0 Acres Occupant?
1787	X	X	X	13 Acres "Taylor"
1788	X	X	X	18 Acres "Taylor"

Michael* Dries apparently remained in Longswamp Township.

A summary of the records for the brothers Jacob, John and Michael Dries who moved to Penns Township, Northumberland County, starting in 1785, is given by (tax records are attached):

Tax Records Penns Township, Northumberland County, PA				
Year	Jacob	John	Michael	Michael*
1784				
1785	200 Acres	100 Acres	100 Acres	X
1786	200 Acres	100 Acres	100 Acres	X
1787	250 Acres	50 Acres	600 Acres	X
1788	X	X	X	X

All three Dries brothers were absent from Penns Township tax records in 1788 and they instead appeared in Beaver Township, Northumberland County.

Tax Records Beaver Township, Northumberland County, PA				
Year	Jacob	John	Michael	Michael*
1787	X	X	X	X
1788	250 Acres	100 Acres	400 Acres	X

Jacob remained in Beaver Township and died there in 1794, and a copy of his will is attached to show two things. First, his will had executors from both Beaver Township and Albany Township to show this is the correct Jacob Dries. Second, it states that John Dries, with whom Jacob had purchased property in Beaver Township, was his brother. John Dries died in Beaver Township in about 1802.

Michael Dries later moved to Ross County, OH. His probate records from there state that he had 14 children, and a number of them are listed as being residents of Union County, PA (attached), which had been partitioned from Northumberland County. In particular, Michael's daughter Elizabeth Treece Dean was listed as being a resident of Beaver Township (attached) in a property transfer of land in Ohio to her sister that was associated with the probate. This connects the Michael Dries who died in Ohio back to Beaver Township with his brothers Jacob and John, and all three brothers paid the 1779 Supply Tax in Berks County, PA.

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3 February 2019

To the Worshipfull the Justices of the Orphan's
Court for the County of Berks at a Court now holden
at Reading for the said County

The Petition of Jacob Freese late eldest Son of
Cornelius Freese late of the said County died
Humbly sheweth

That Your petitioner's Father dyed
Intestate about two Years ago, leaving a Widow
and Issue five Children, to wit, Jacob, Magdalena
late the Wife of Jacob Tonart, Anna Maria,
Barbara the Wife of Henry King, Michael
and John.

That the said Intestate, at the time
of his Death was seized of and in a certain
Messuage or Tenement Plantation & Tract
of Land ~~containing~~ situate in Albany Township
Containing Two Hundred and ninety five
Acres of Land - .

That the said Magdalena late the
Wife of Jacob Tonart is since deceased
having left Issue one Daughter, ^{to wit} ~~called~~ Barbara
Tonart - .

That Your petitioner is desirous of having
partition made of the said Real Estate of
the said Intestate - Wherefore The prayer

Cornelius Dries Probate Record

You Worship to Assign an Inquest to Make
 Partition of the said Real Estate to & among the
 Children & Representatives of the said Intestate, if
 the same can be done without prejudicing or
 spoiling the said Plantation and Tract of Land
 And if the same cannot be done That then the
 said Inquest may Value and Appraise the
 same And Your Petitioner be allowed to hold
 and enjoy the same upon paying unto the other
 Children & Representatives of the said Intestate
 their several and respective shares of the said
 Valuation according to the Acts of General
 Assembly of this Province in such Case Made
 and provided - And Y^r Petit^r will

ever pray &c.

Jacob Dries

August 18th 1762

Albany Township 1779

23	Peter Henry Meier		
	20 A Land	50	
	Stock of Cattle	23	73
	Trayher (wheat)		
	200 A Land	600	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	29	750
	Ernst In.		
	150 A Land	550	
	Stock of Cattle	23	573
	Ernst In. Lps		
	1 Cow		10
	Help Lps Baltasar		
	1 Co		10
	Drum Lps		
	100 A Land	427	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	23	550
	Donat Jacob		
	60 A Land	200	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	46	346
	Miss Jacob bkt Smitha		
	250 A Land	900	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	46	1046
	Diets & Michael		
	150 A Land	260	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	45	405
	Diets In.		
	80 A Land	300	
	1 Acs	50	
	1 Cow	12	362
	Don Valentine		
	50 A Land	20	
	1 Acs	20	120
	2 Cows		
	Geoy Henry		
	100 A Land	400	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	46	606
	Loarolt Jacob		
	1 Cow		10
	Geoy Francis		
	60 A Land	150	
	1 Acs	50	
	Stock of Cattle	15	215
	Janet Bastian		
	Stock of Cattle		13
	Geoy Mijos		
	30 A Land	155	
	1 Acs	50	
	1 Cow	10	215
	Gerard Jacob		
	200 A Land	865	
	2 Acs	100	
	Stock of Cattle	36	1001
	Gordon Ceter		
	170 A Land	680	

Albany Township 1780

27	Breiterer Chris & Cordw.	21			
Two	1 Cow	3	24	2	
	Breiterer Martin				
	252 A Land	315			
Two	2 Horses	20			
	5 h Cattle	12	34	28	
	Baker Gotlieb				
	132 A Land	164			
Two	3 Horses	16			
	3 h Cattle	9	269	11	5
	Probst Jacob				
	230 A Land	287			
Two	3 Horses	20			
	3 h Cattle	15	322	27	10
	Breiterer David				
	150 A Land	187			
Two	3 Horses	30			
	3 Cows	9	226	19	17 6
	Breiterer Anthony Coppi	21			
Two	1 Cow	3	24	7	
	Baker Jacob Bk Smith		32	2	15
	Corroll Jr				
Two	234 A Land	234			
	5 Horses	50			
	5 h Cattle	15	349	29	5
	Donnal Jacob Cooper				
	100 A Land	100			
Two	2 Horses	16			
	5 h Cattle	15	131	1	5
	Driss Jacob Bk Smith	20			
	130 A Land	264			
Two	3 Horses	30			
	3 Cows	9	303	25	7 6
	Drum Geo				
	150 A Land	187			
Two	2 Horses	20			
	4 h Cattle	12	219	18	7 6
	Drumman Valentino				
	100 A Land	50			
Two	2 Horses	10			
	3 h Cattle	8	168	4	
	Driss Hiehl				
	135 A Land	172			
Two	2 Horses	20			
	4 h Cattle	12	206	16	
	Driss Geo				
	90 A Land	90			
	3 Cows				

Albany Township 1781

29	Albany				
	Broucher Chris ⁿ Jr ⁿ	21			
	1 Ca	3	34	2	
	Bornhiser Har ^d				
	252 AL	215			
	2 Ho	20			
	5 Ca	12	327	188	
	Baker Jacob				
	132 AL	104			
	2 Ho	16			
	3 Ca	7	169	145	
	Bush Jacob				
	250 AL	257			
	3 Ho	20			
	5 Ca	15	330	377	10
	Boutcher Danl				
	130 AL	187			
	3 Ho	30			
	3 Ca	9	226	315	6
	Boutcher Anthony Capen				
	1 Ca				2
	Baker J ⁿ P ⁿ Smith				2
	Cornell John				
	232 AL	284			
	5 Ho	15			
	5 Ca	15	269	305	
	Bonot Jacob				
	100 AL	100			
	2 Ho	16			
	5 Ca	15	131	115	
	Drisc John Alblm ⁿ	20			
	130 AL	266			
	3 Ho	30			
	3 Ca	7	303	176	
	Drum Geo				
	150 AL	187			
	2 Ho	20			
	4 Ca	12	214	186	
	Drum Valon				
	100 AL	50			
	2 Ho	10			
	3 Ca	8	63		
	Drisc Thiele				
	135 AL	172			
	2 Ho	20			
	4 Ca	12	214		

30	Albany				
	Drisc John				
	90 AL	90			
	2 Ho	15			
	3 Ca	9	117		
	Apple Jonas				
	20 AL	20			
	1 Ho	1			24
	Baily Martin ⁿ Tanner	18			
	2 AL	9			
	2 Ca	6	33		
	Baker Nick				
	160 AL	161			
	3 Ho	30			
	5 Ca	15	206		
	Bush Cat				
	429 AL	529			
	5 Ho	50			
	10 Ca	30	609		
	Brunner Geo M ⁿ M ⁿ				
	166 AL	166			
	2 Ho	20			
	3 Ca	9	195		
	Billing Amelk				
	2 Ho				24
	2 Ca				
	Baily Thomas				
	150 AL	225			
	2 Ho	20			
	2 Ca	9	253		
	Bush M ⁿ M ⁿ				
	1/2 Mile	400			
	247 AL	180			
	2 Ho	20			
	3 Ca	9	609		
	Bush Henry				
	265 AL	381			
	4 Ho	40			
	3 Ca	9	372		
	Bush J ⁿ				
	175 AL	262			
	1/2 Mile	150			
	1 Ho	10			
	3 Ca	24	446		
	Broucher Chris ⁿ				
	185 AL	356			
	4 Ho	40			
	4 Ca	12	408		
	Broucher Chris ⁿ				
	220 AL	275			
	3 Ho	30			
	3 Ca	9	314		
	Gray M ⁿ				
	74 AL	74			
	1 Ho	5			
	1 Ca	3	82		
	Gray Frank				
	64 AL	64			
	1 Ca	3	67		

Albany Township 1782

Albany Township	Value	Total	Tax
Christ John 150 Adland 2 Cows	165 6	171	5.6.1
Diess Jacob 164 Ad 2 Hs. 3 Cows 2 Sheep	258 20 9 10	287.10	8.19
Donat Jacob 100 Ad 2 Hs. 4 Cows 4 Sheep	100 20 12 1	133	4.3.
Dum George 150 Ad 2 Hs. 3 Cows 3 Sheep	165 18 9 1	193	6.0.
Dum Valentinus 100 Ad 2 Hs. 2 Cows 4 Sheep	50 8 6 1	65	2.0.
Diess Michel 123 Ad 2 Hs. 4 Cows 4 Sheep	138 15 12 1	166	5.18.6
Diess John 90 Ad 2 Hs. 3 Cows 4 Sheep	103 20 9 1	133	4.3.1
Dum Henry 1 Cow	3	3	2.
Diess Michel Senr 1 Cow	3	3	2.
Diess Majors 75 Ad 1 Hs. 1 Cow	75 5 3	83	2.11.1
Francis Francis 67 Ad 1 Hs. 2 Cows 2 Sheep	67 5 6 10	78.10	2.9.
Federally Jacob blacksmith	8	8	5.
Faust Sebastian 1 Horse 2 Cows 2 Sheep	10 6 10	16.10	10.
Fries Peter 10 Ad 1 Cow	10 3	13	8.2
Frey Henry 106 Ad 2 Hs. 3 Cows 3 Sheep	134 20 9 1.5	214.5	6.13.4
Fries Peter Cordw' 90 Ad 1 Cow	9 3	57	1.15
Gerhard Faust 75 Ad 2 Hs. 3 Cows 5 Sheep	268 20 9 1	298	7.6.4

Albany Township 1783

3	Albany Cont.	Appr.	Exp.
	Doubens peck Jacob		
	2 Co		
	3 Sheep	1	16
	Dries Milk		
	1 Co	3	9
	Dries Milk		
	130 A. L.	201	
	100 Wood	30	
	4 Ho	40	
	3 Co	9	
	3 Sheep	1	281
	Drum Geo.		
	150 A. L.	169	
	2 Ho	18	
	3 Co	9	
	3 Sheep	1	197
	Drum Valentine		
	100 A. L.	50	
	2 Ho	12	
	2 Co	6	68
	Dries Milk		
	130 A. L.	166	
	3 Ho	27	
	5 Co	15	
	4 Sheep	1	209
	Drum Henry		
	1 Co	3	9
	Eddel Bastian		
	15 A. L.	33	
	1 Co	3	36
	Frey Moses		
	75 A. L.	78	
	1 Ho	8	
	1 Co	3	87
	Frey France		
	64 A. L.	67	
	1 Ho	8	
	1 Co	3	78
	Peathorally Jacob		
	12		
	Forst Bastian		
	100 A. L.	155	
	2 Ho	16	
	2 Co	6	
	3 Sheep	1	178
	Frey Henry		
	166 A. L.	189	
	2 Ho	20	
	2 Co	6	
	4 Sheep	1	216

Albany Township 1784

RETURN AND ASSESSMENT. COUNTY OF BERKS—1784.

ALBANY TOWNSHIP.

	Aeres.	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Arnhold, Geo., .....	..	..	1	..
Bacher, Nich's,	160	2	3	3
Brobst, Chatharina,	420	4	8	4
Briner, Geo. Mich'l,	166	3	3	6
Brousher, Daniel,	150	3	2	3
Boly, Frantz,	160	3	3	6
Brobst, Mich'l, g. m.,	253	6	6	..
Brobst, John,	300	2	2	5
Boly, Martin, .....	..	1	1	..
Brobst, John, g. m.,	175	2	4	3
Brobst, Jacob,	205	5	4	8
Broucher, Christ'r,	150	4	3	3
Broucher, Chris'n,	220	2	3	..
Bernheisel, Martin,	153	3	4	4
Berker, Godlieb,	152	2	2	3
Bousher, Anthony,	9	..	2	..
Bousher, Henry,	12	..	1	..
Bigler, Martin,	170	2	3	3
Crautz, John,	150	..	..	..
Correl, John,	253	4	4	7
Correl, Paul, .....	..	..	2	4
Donat, Jacob,	100	3	4	4
Doubenspeck, Jacob, .....	..	..	2	3
Dries, Mich'l, .....	..	..	1	..
Dries, Jacob,	130	4	3	3
Drum, Geo.,	150	2	3	3
Dum, Valentine,	100	2	2	..
Dries, Mich'l,	130	3	5	4
Drum, Henry, .....	..	..	1	..
Edel, Bastian,	15	..	1	..

Albany Township 1785

Albany P. S. d.		5
Anhalt George	3.3	
Bachert Michl	1.0.9	
Bachert Catharina	3.16.6	
Bachert John Jul.	2.9.3	
Bayer Geo. Michl	1.5.	
Bewhardt Dand	1.3.	
Bely James	1.11.3	
Bachert Michl	3.7.	
Bachert John	2.5.6	
Braunher Christ	1.10.3	
Braunher Christ	3.0.9	
Brenkissel Martin	1.5.	
Baker Godlieb	15.	
Braunherst Henry	4.	
Bachert Martine	18.	
Ber John	2.6	
Bely Charles	1.3	
Billy Emanuel	3.3	
Bely Martins	4.6	
Berk Henry	2.6	
Braunher John	2.6	
Berk John	18.	
Breuty John	1.1.	
Correl Paul	3.	
Correl John	1.7.6	
Danats Jacob	15.9	
Dubenspeck Jacob	4.6	
Duerr George	1.1.	
Duerr Henry	2.6	
Duerr Peter	6.6	
Duerr Fredk	1.3	
Eckert Valentins	17.3	
Eckert Sebastians	4.6	
Fry James	9.6	
Fry Moses	10.3	
Fiderolf Jacob	1.6	
Fust Sebastians	18.6	
Fry Henry	1.1.	
Fris Peter	1.5.3	
Fris Peter	1.5.3	
Frank Matthias	2.6	

Longswamp Township 1784

(258)		Valuation	Total	Seq
Longswamp				
Danner Jacob				
100 Als	170			
2 Hrs	20			
3 Cows	12			
		202	1.13.8	
Drepper Loranby				
166 Als	283			
2 Hrs	20			
3 Cows	12			
		313	2.18	
Drepper Conrad				
166 Als	294			
2 Hrs	20			
3 Cows	15			
		329	2.19.10	
Diehl Phil.				
200 Als	200			
2 Hrs	20			
3 Cows	10			
Whelwright	20			
		250	2.18	
Diehl Adam				
100 Als	145			
2 Hrs	9			
2 Cows	8			
Carpenter	10			
		172	1.13	
Dehabeu Peter				
6 Als	6			
3 Cows	12			
1 Gristmill	190			
1 Saw mill				
		208	1.14.8	
Drep Dawalt				
50 Als	30			
1 Hr	7.10			
2 Cows	6			
Dayton	20			
		63.10	1.10.7	
Delp Geo				
1 Cow				
Condemned				
			3.4	
Eck John				
150 Als	165			
2 Hrs	20			
6 Cows	24			
		209	1.16.10	

Longswamp Township 1785

186	Richard	Valuation	Other	Leaf
	Rock Geo	50		14.6
	Shultz David			
	Single men	9		-3.
	Peter Wendings			15
	Lucas Quable			15
	Christ. Newman			15
	Christ. Miller			15
	John Dickert			15
	Geo. Romer			15
	Geo. Myshiller			15
	Jacob Miller			15
	Anton Michel			15
187	Longswamp	Valuation	Total	Leaf
	Dickel Joseph Vaupe			
	Darius Davidoff Vaupe	25		7.6
	Darius Michael Vaupe	35		-9.6
	Darius Jacob	12		-3.9
	100 Acre	153		
	2 Acre	11		
	3 Acre	4		
	Deshay Louisy		163	2.2
	162 Acre	195		7.6
	2 Acre	18		
	3 Acre	16		
	Deshay Conrad		257	3.2.9
	162 Acre	185		7.6
	2 Acre	16		
	3 Acre	16		
	Dickel Philip		231	3.2.9
	200 Acre	126		7.4
	2 Acre	12		
	3 Acre	6		
	Dickel Adam		142	1.15.6
	100 Acre	51		14.9
	2 Acre	3		
	3 Acre	3		
	Dehaan Peter		57	14.3
	104 Acre			
	grist and sawmills	81		8
	2 Acre	15		
	3 Acre	2		
	Engle Martin Vaupe		163	2.9
	25			12.6
	25			7.6
	100 Acre	131		6.6
	2 Acre	12		12.6
	3 Acre	12		
	Engle Joseph Millwright	25	149	1.17.6
	170 Acre	141		0.6
	2 Acre	6		8
	3 Acre	6		
	Engle John Van Vaupe		177	2.4.3
	30			8.4
	30			14.6
	130 Acre	432		9.6
	5 Acre	92		3.6
	6 Acre	22		7.6
	Engelmanns Joseph		474	5.18.6
	150 Acre	126		7.6
	2 Acre	6		
	3 Acre	6		
	Engel Michael		138	1.14.6
	170 Acre	146		11.9
	4 Acre	12		
	5 Acre	12		
	Engle John Van		176	2.4
	300 Acre	402		3.7.6
	4 Acre	28		14.6
	Engle Joseph		430	4.8.9
	286 Acre	389		5.6
	4 Acre	26		6.3
	5 Acre	26		
	Engle John Van Vaupe		415	4.8.9
	Engle Peter Vaupe			5.6
	Engle John Vaupe			5.6
	Engle Peter			7.6
	70 Acre	108		18
	grist and sawmills	98		
	2 Acre	5		
	3 Acre	5		
	Engle Jacob		215	2.13.9
	100 Acre	56		7.6
	2 Acre	14		16.9
	3 Acre	4		

Longswamp Township 1787

(25%)		Valuation	Total	Tax
Longswamp				
Berger Shredts				
1 Cow	4			
2 Horses	16		20	3.4
Berger Philip				
160 Acs	134			
2 Hrs	16			
3 Cows	9		159	1.66
Charles George				
1 Cow				
Cordwainer				4.2
Charles Dawalt				
100 Acs	110			
3 Hrs	18			
4 Cows	16		144	1.2.6
Christ Conrad				
50 Acs	40			
2 Cows	10			
Cordwainer	16		66	10
Christ Henry				
70 Acs	60			
2 Hrs	10			
1 Cow	4			
Turner	20		94	15
Diel Michl				
65 Acs	90			
3 Cows	12		102	17
Diel John				
2 Cows	8			
Carpenter	20		28	4.8
Dief Michl				
18 Acs	9			
1 Hr	3			
1 Cow	3			
Taylor	16		31	5.2

Longswamp Township 1788

Hortford Longswamp		Valu.	Total	Tax.
Bastus Philip 46. a. l.	23.			
	1 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	9		
	2 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	8		
	1 Pulling Mill	80 ..	120 ..	15.
Brown George 50. a. l.	51.			
	2 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	8 ..	59 ..	8.
Biedenbemer Christoph	137. a. l.	116		
	2 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	12.		
	2 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	10.		
	Smith ..	30 ..	168 ..	1. 0. 6
Brown Frederick	315. a. l.	432		
	4 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	40		
	5 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	20	492 ..	3. 12. 6
Burger John 150. a. l.	247			
	2 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	8		
	2 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	8 ..	263 ..	1. 2. 6
Batty Benedict. Maier	1600 ..	30 ..		2. 6
Burger Frederick Maier	160 ..	30 ..		2. 6
Burger Philip 160. a. l.	134			
	2 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	16		
	3 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	9 ..	159 ..	1. 1. 6
Carl George. Shoemaker	160 ..	25 ..		3.
Carl Deobalt 100. a. l.	110.			
	3 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	16		
	4 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	18 ..	144 ..	1. 2. 6
Christ Henry 70. a. l.	60 ..			
	1 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	5		
	2 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	8		
	Taxes ..	20 ..	93 ..	10. 6
Carl Jacob, 160 ..				2.
Christ Larenty 50. a. l.	40.			
	1 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	3		
	Shoemaker. 16 ..	61 ..		7. 6
Dühl Michael	65. a. l.	90		
	3 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	12 ..	102 ..	14.
Düpf Michael 18. a. l.	9.			
	1 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	3		
	Taylor ..	16 ..	28 ..	4. 6
Düpf John 50. a. l.	25			
	1 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	3		
	Taylor ..	16 ..	44 ..	7.
Düpf Duwalt 50. a. l.	30			
	1 ⁴ / ₁₀ ..	7		
	2 ⁶ / ₁₀ ..	6		
	Taylor ..	20 ..	63 ..	8. 6

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	Acre.	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Tax.
Bard, Jacob,	100	2	1	..	9 .8
Bosler, George,	50	2	1	..	5.10
Binford, George,	100	2	1	..	10 .0
Brenner, Francis,	100	2	2	..	6 .2
Brenner, Ludwig,	100	2	1	..	10 .8
Birly, Anthony,	100	2	1	..	3 .4
Bauman, Peter,	100	1	2	..	3 .4
Bauerman, John,	100	2	1	..	3 .4
Bauer, Peter,	50	1	1	..	1 .4
Buchtel, John,	120	2	1	..	13 .2
Bauersacks, Paul,	100	2	1	..	6 .2
Bollender, Adam, Sr.,	300	3	4	..	8.10
Cook, Daniel,	80	2	2	..	9 .0
Conrad, George,	100	2	..	..	5 .0
Conrad, John,	100	1	1	..	2 .4
Cooper, Dehaven,	200	2	1	..	9 .8
Dauberman, Christian,	200	2	2	..	6 .2
Dries, John,	100	1	2	..	9.10
Devere, Abraham, .....	..	..	1	..	4
Dock, John,	150	2	1	..	14 .8
Ditzler, John,	200	2	1	..	1 .7 .0
Dries, Jacob,	200	3	3	..	1 .8 .8
Dries, Francis, .....	..	1	1	..	10
Dries, Michael,	100	3	4	..	11 .8
Dillman, Andrew,	100	1	1	..	5 .8
Everhard, Bernard,	150	2	3	..	8 .2
Eberhard, Fredrick,	100	1	..	..	8 .8
Eckhart, Jacob,	50	2	3	..	6.10
Fisher, Adam,	250	2	4	..	1 .8 .0
Fry, John,	50	1	..	..	1 .2
Fryberger, Ludwig,	50	1	1	..	1 .8
Gast, Christian,	100	2	2	..	6 .2
German, John,	50	2	1	..	3 .8
German, Jacob,	100	2	2	..	5.10
Gross, Henry,	200	2	3	..	1 .7 .8
Glass, George,	150	2	3	..	15 .2
Gemberling, Jacob,	200	1	1	..	9 .2
Gline, Jacob,	250	2	2	..	15.10
Giltner, Jacob,	100	2	2	..	6 .6
Gift, Adam,	200	3	3	..	1 .8 .6
Gillan, William,	2	1	..	1 .4
Gruber, Christian,	100	1 .8
Gill, William,	50	2	2	..	4 .6
Grow, Godfrid,	100	1	1	..	5 .2

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Penns									
Acres	Lot	Block	Names	Valuation			State Tax		
				L	S	D	L	S	D
200	2	2	Dauberman Christian	37	-	-	-	6.	2
100	1	2	Dries John	59	-	-	-	9.	10
		1	Devere Abraham	2	-	-	-	-	4
150	2	1	Dock John	85	-	-	-	14.	8
200	2	1	Ditzler John	162	-	-	1.	7.	-
200	3	3	Dries Jacob	171	-	-	1	8.	8
	1	1	Ditto Francis	5	-	-	-	-	10
100	3	4	Dries Michael	70	-	-	-	11.	8
100	1	1	Dillman Andrew	30	-	-	-	5.	-
150	2	3	Boerhard Bernard	49	-	-	-	8.	2
100	1	-	Eberhard Fredrick	52	-	-	-	8.	8
50	2	3	Eckhart Jacob	41	-	-	-	6.	10
250	2	4	Fisher Adam	168	-	-	1.	8.	-
50	1	-	Fry John	7	-	-	-	1.	2
30	1	1	Fryburger Ludwig	10	-	-	-	1.	8
100	2	2	Gast Christian	37	-	-	-	6.	2
50	2	1	German John	22	-	-	-	3.	8
100	2	2	German Jacob	35	-	-	-	5.	10
200	2	3	Groff Henry	166	-	-	1	7.	8
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Penns Township		Polls		Land		Horses		Cows		Value	Total	State	Tax
Persons Names										£ P d	£ P d	£ P d	£ P d
Bickel John	100	2	2							74		4	6
Bausher Anthony	50	1	2							20		1	
Bolender Adam Jr		2	1							14			11
Bolender Frederik		1	1							9			8
Bieg Frederik		2	1							10			8
Boder Jacob			1							4			4
Bard Jacob	150	1	1							82		5	
Busler George	100	1	2							44		2	
Brenner Widow	100	1	2							43		2	2
Bisford George	150	2	2							61		3	9
Brenner Francis	400	3	3							107		6	5
Bierly Anthony	250	2	2							93		5	8
Bowerman John	100	1	2							50		3	
Bowerman George	260									97		5	10
Bolender Adam Jr	300	2	3							220		13	0
Borver Peter	200									50		3	
Buchtel John	150	2	2							142		8	6
Bauersack Paul	100	2	2							53		3	2
Bohrer Jacob	100	2	2							49		3	
Ball George	100	2	2							78		4	8
Buckert John	50		1							29		1	6
Bright Michl	300	2	3							103		6	2
Conrad George		1	1							9			8
Conrad John	100	1	1							32		1	7
Clark James		1								4			4
Dauberman Christian	100	2	2							74		4	6
Drees John	50	2	2							65		4	
Devon Abram			1							4			4
Dook John		2	2							14			10
Ditzler John	200	2	2							238		14	7
Drees Jacob	250	3	3							245		14	11
Deto Francis	300	2	2							173		10	6
Drees Michl	600	4	4							356	1	1	4

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Acres Land	Penns continued	Acres	Cows	Valuation L. P. S.	State Tax L. P. S.
	Am. bid. forward	356	368	15106	62.11.4
100	Cozz John	50		50 " "	" 3.6
150	Kraich James			37 " "	" 3.0
60	Kingrich David			15 " "	" 1.0
250	Kruck Jacob			72 " "	" 5.2
200	Long Christly			92 " "	" 7.
300	Levi Aaron			125 " "	" 8.9
100	Meiser Michl			37 " "	" 2.6
300	Meiser John			75 " "	" 4.3
300	Miller Christian			112 " "	" 7.9
200	Peter Abr ^m			50 " "	" 3.6
300	Reiffer Geo			112 " "	" 7.9
	16 Singlman @ 10 each				23.0.0
	Penns Total Amt.	356	368	15883.0.0	89.5.6
Beaver Township					
300	Albright Jacob	2	2	95 " "	" 7.0
300	Apple Peter			112 " "	" 9.0
100	Bausche Anthy, 10 H ^u	2	2	41 " "	" 3.0
100	Buisinger Conrad			37 " "	" 3.0
200	Beard Jacob	1	2	112.0.0	" 9.0
100	Beel George	2	1	59.0.0	" 4.0
150	Bariens John	2	"	43.0.0	" 3.0
300	Becke Fredk.	2		118 " "	" 9.6
50	Charles Hae	2	1	16 " "	" 1.
400	Drees Michl	2	3	177 " "	" 14.
130	Dininger Fredk.	1	1	25 " "	" 2.
300	Dido Franky	2	1	121 " "	" 9.
250	Dityler John	2	2	278 " "	1. 3. 0
100	Drees John	2	2	93 " "	" 7.0
250	Drees Jacob	4	8	189 " "	" 15.0
100	Thomas George	1	1	32 " "	" 2.
200	Thomas John	2	2	93 " "	" 7.
150	Eberhard Bernards	3	4	105 " "	" 8.
	Am. carried over	33	31	1737	6. 15. 6

Jacob Dreese's Will

Best remembered that I Jacob Dreese of Beaver Township in the County of Northumberland and State of Pennsylvania Calling to mind the uncertainty of this life & that it appointed for all flesh Once to die, do make this my Last Will and Testament and first as touching my Body I order it to be Buried in a decent and Christian like manner next I Order that all my Just debts and several Charges be paid, Next I Give devise and bequeath to my son John and Jacob Dreese the Land whereon I now dwell together with its appurtenances to them and their Heirs and assigns for ever my said sons being the following Tracts (to wit) 207 Acres Situate on the Limestone Ridge Surveyed on the name of John Reid, 150 " in the name of John Reid also, and 45 " which I bought of John Reid, 65 " which I bought in my own name and a Sixty Acre Morvant not yet laid, together with my half of the Land that John Dreese my brother and I have yet undivided they paying out of the same. The legacies herein after mentioned and Regulated as follows that is to say that my son John is to have the sole use of all my Land till his Brother Jacob Comes of age, Together with all my Personal property he is to have & keep for ever he sending his younger brother to Church and to School so as to learn him to write a legible Hand in Dutch and to Cypher through the Rule of three and when that is done he is to learn him the art & Mystery of a Compleat Blacksmith for which purpose my Executors herein after named are to bind him to his Brother with this proviso that if he is ill treated they can release him and put him apprentice to another Master at the time of his becoming of age he his Brother John is to provide him a Compleat set of Tools to follow his Trade with the present sum aforesaid is to be his said Brothers and in case his Brother is not satisfied with the set he give him then my Executors shall Judge whether Right or wrong is done and according to their determination each party must be satisfied my son John in consequence of my personal property shall pay all my Just debts and to my Daughter Mary Magdalena the sum of Forty Bounds to be paid to her in case her Husband and her assigns to do well if not it is to be paid to her Heirs, John my sons to pay it to my Executors five years after my Death and they if they don't Judge proper to give it her are to put said Money to use and pay it equal among her Heirs when they come of age, my son John in consequence of the bequeaths to him is to pay the additional legacies herein after mentioned yet that is to say to my son Peter fifty Bounds four year after my Death in full of all his Dowry on the Receipt of which he is to give a full Release, to my Daughter Mary Elizabeth the sum of Forty Bounds six year after my Death in full of her dowry and to my Daughter Christiana the sum of forty Bounds in full of all her Dowry to be paid to her seven years after my Death all of my above heirs are to give my son John general Releases at the Receipt of the above sums given them my son John must also send his mother in all necessities of Life such as are Reasonable but in case she chose to marry then it is my Will that she get nothing but in case she continues a Widow till my Youngest son come of age then he must be part in her maintenance that is to say one full half, in case my two sons John and Jacob at Jacobs coming of age should not agree about dividing my said Land Willed to them then I do Order that my Executors shall divide it between them as Equal as possible and there Opinions shall Confirm the divide fully I do here by nominate constitute and appoint the following men my Lawfull Executors (to wit) Casper Hannamacher, Simon Hartman Senior, Peter Spengler, Jacob Lovellon & Michael Richelder for all of Albany Township Berks County except Casper Hannamacher who is of Beaver Township in the County of Northumberland. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 12th day of February in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & ninety four hereby Renouncing all former Will and Wills Ratifying and Confirming this only, Jacob Dreese ^{Esq}. Signed sealed & Renounced in the presence of us, Casper Hannamacher, Anthony Bruster, Fred Evans X

Jacob Dreese Will dated 12 FEB 1794: Wills and Probate Records, Northumberland County, PA, Book 1, page 127.

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Northumb^{er} Co. ss; Be it known that on the 14th of April 1794. Before the undersigned Register for the County aforesaid: Personally Com^{ing} Frederick Evers and Casper Hannamacher, two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will or Instrument aforesaid and made both in the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw Jacob Dreese subscribe with his own hand his name to the same, and heard him publish & declare it to be his last Will and Testament and that they together with Anthony Brasher subscribed their names as Witnesses to the same, that this happened in the Sickness of the said Jacob Dreese, and that he was at the time of so doing of sound and disposing mind & memory. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand this day and Year aforesaid. J. Simpson Reg^r

Be it remembered
 that on the fourteenth Day of April in the Year four Lord 1794. I J. Simpson with me and approved the last Will and Testament of the said Jacob Dreese de^{ceased}. Which the foregoing Record is a true Copy and Letters Testimonary issued in due and Common Form of Law to, Casper Hannamacher, Simon Hartmann Junior, Peter Shengler, Jacob Steveler & Michael Richelkefer, Executors therein named, on the same Day, Witness my Hand the same day and Year.

J. Simpson Reg^r

Samuel Harris's Will

I Samuel Harris of Loyalsock Township in the County of Northumberland do this fifth Day of August in the year four Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety three, make and publish this, my last will and Testament in manner following, that is to say: I will that my debts be paid out of my personal Estate, as soon as convenient, and the residue thereof I bequeath to all my Children share and share alike, those of my children whom I have already advanced by Donations, to bring such parts of my Estate as they have received into the aggregate sum so to be distributed, I devise unto my son Samuel Harris, fifty acres of land to be struck off the upper End of the Town upon which I live so as to border upon the River and to include his present Dwelling: this devise to be to him during his life and no longer, and not be construed as a Devise in Tail or in fee. And if at the time of his Death he should leave Issue, then I give and devise the said Lands unto such Issue or Children share and share alike as Tenants in common, and in default of such Issue to revert back into the General Fund of my Estate and to be distributed amongst my other Children according to the Directions & dispositions of my other Estate declared in this my will. I devise to my son John Harris, the Island in the River Susquehanna opposite my Farm aforesaid and three acres of Land upon the main shore to be struck off next below the above devise to Samuel, & to border on the River, a convenient breadth, this devise to be to my son John for his life and no longer, nor shall it be deemed a devise in Fee or in Tail, And after the death of my son John I devise the said Island and main Land to his Children Samuel, Margaret, and others which he may have born unto him by his present or other wife or Wives share & share alike as Tenants in Common, to them and their Heirs, saving nevertheless that if either of his said Children should die under the age of twenty one years without Issue, that such Share or Shares shall be go over by Remainder or Reversion unto his other Children specified as above, in total Exclusion of his eldest Son Henry of an from all Estate Reversion or Remainder touching this devise or any Inheritance under it. If the Title by which I now hold the said Island, to wit, by Warrant & Survey, should be deemed insufficient to hold the same in Fee, and if the same Island must yet be purchased of the State of Pennsylvania, I then charge all my other Lands and Estates with a sum of money sufficient to purchase it and to secure a sure & permanent title therein, subject to the Restrictions aforesaid. I devise the Residue of my Farm on and above Loyalsock Creek containing about two hundred and three acres, Allowance Measure, unto my three sons William Harris, Benjamin Harris and Thomas Harris their Heirs and Assigns forever as Tenants in Common and not as joint Tenants. Subject nevertheless to the Payments and Incumbrances

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Deed and Personal of our said Father, Michael Trus, Deceased, as aforesaid unto the same
Trus his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness Whereof we have hereunto set our hands and sea
This fourth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Seventeen
Signed Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of us 33
Swedenborg John Thomas & others

John Leest
in Bolinder

Frederick of Lee Thomas
 Catharine of Frederick
 Henry Thomas
 Anne of Thomas
 George of Thomas
 Margaret of Thomas
 Edward of Thomas
 Anne of Thomas
 John of Thomas
 William of Thomas

Union County:

We H. Remembers that on the day of the date of the
 foregoing Release, personally came before the Subscriber one of the
 Justice of the Peace in and for said County the above named Frederick
 Frederick, David Catherine his wife, Henry Thomas and Susan his wife, George Embertling and Magdalena
 his wife, Isaac Elmer and Amelia his wife, John True apiece of Daniel Pelatone and Christina
 wife, who acknowledged the foregoing Release as and in their act and deed and desired that the same might
 be Recorded as such according to Law. They the said Catherine Susan, Magdalena, and Amelia being
 of full Age, and Privately examined, separate and apart from their said husbands and the Contents
 hereof being made known to them, they voluntarily executed the same and became a Party thereto
 Witness my hand and seal the day and year aforesaid

State of Pennsylvania
Union County

In Betimmer

John W. ...

Michael Dries Probate

This Indenture made the twenty first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen between Valentine Deen of the township of Beaver in the county of Northumberland in Pennsylvania and Elizabeth his wife of the one part and George Meares of the township of Pickaway in the County of Pickaway in the State of Ohio of the other part Witnesseth that the said Valentine Deen and Elizabeth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars money of the United States to them in hand paid by

Michael Dries Probate

by the said George Meaow before the enrolling
and delivery hereof the receipt whereof they do her
to acknowledge have granted sold released let over and
confirmed and by these presents do grant sell release
let over and confirm unto the said George Meaow his
heirs and assigns all their right title interest claim and
property in to and for their part of the estate of the
father of the said Elizabeth Ten formerly Elizabeth Ten
Michael Dries demands the same being and lying in
the County of Putnam the state of Ohio and the said
Volentine Ten and Elizabeth his wife for themselves
their heirs executors and administrators and assigns
the said share of the aforesaid estate hereditaments
and premises hereby granted or intended so to be
with the appurtenances unto the said George
Meaow his heirs and assigns against them selves the
said Volentine Ten and Elizabeth his wife and against
all and every other person or persons lawfully claiming
or to claim the same by force or under them or any
of them shall and will warrant and forever be
paid by these presents In Witness whereof the said
Volentine and Elizabeth Ten have hereunto set
their hands and seals the day and year first
above written September 21st 1878
Sealed and delivered Volentine Ten (Seal)
in the presence of us Elizabeth Ten (Seal)
Wm. A. Hobbs
M. A. Hobbs

Received the day of the date of the within
written instrument of the within named
George Meaow the full consideration money
within mentioned Metrop our hands and
the day aforesaid
Metrop President
Wm. A. Hobbs
M. A. Hobbs
Volentine Ten (Seal)
Elizabeth Ten (Seal)