

# WEISEL HISTORY

Michael & Susanna's journey to America in 1732

Michael Weisel abt 1693-1770

Susanna abt 1696-1773

## JOURNEY TO PENNSYLVANIA

The journey to Pennsylvania fell naturally into three parts. The first part, and by no means the easiest, was the journey down the Rhine to Rotterdam or some other port. Gottlieb Mittelberger in his *Journey to Pennsylvania in the year 1750*, writes: <sup>24</sup>

“This journey lasts from the beginning of May to the end of October, fully half a year, amid such hardships as no one is able to describe adequately with their misery. The cause is because the Rhine boats from Heilbronn to Holland have to pass by 26 custom houses, at all of which the ships are examined, which is done when it suits the convenience of the custom-house officials. In the meantime the ships with the people are detained long, so that the passengers have to spend much money. The trip down the Rhine lasts therefore four, five and even six weeks. When the ships come to Holland, they are detained there likewise five to six weeks. Because things are very dear there, the poor people have to spend nearly all they have during that time.”

The second stage of the journey was from Rotterdam to one of the English ports. Most of the ships called at Cowes, on

Many of the ships, but others made the trip frequently. The ship St. Andrew is listed nine times, the Two Brothers eight times, the Edinburgh seven times, the Minerva, Lydia, Friendship and Crawford six times, the ships Samuel, Patience, Robert & Alice, Mary, Loyal Judith, Chance and Brothers, each five times. Five ships arrived four times, thirteen ships three times and twenty-four ships twice.

A number of different names were applied to these ships or sailing vessels. Most of them are merely called ships. But twenty-five are called snows, fourteen brigantines, four brigs (which according to the dictionaries are to be distinguished from the brigantines) four are called pinks, eleven galleys, and six billenders or billinders. All these names have long passed out of common use, along with the sailing vessels themselves.

The record which the captains made was similar to that of the ships. The 324 ships were commanded by 193 captains. Of these 146 made the trip to Philadelphia only once, but 47 made frequent trips. One of them, Thomas Arnot, with a record of twenty-four years of service, from 1747 to 1771, crossed the Atlantic thirteen times. Charles Smith crossed the

Michael & Susanna sailed on a type of ship called a pink. The ship's name was the *John & William*.

A vivid account of the arrival of these passenger ships in the harbor of Philadelphia, is given by the Rev. Henry M. Muehlenberg, in a report, which he sent to Halle in the year 1769. He writes: <sup>29</sup>

"After much delay one ship after another arrives in the harbor of Philadelphia, when the rough and severe winter is before the door. One or more merchants receive the lists of the freights and the agreement which the emigrants have signed with their own hand in Holland, together with the bills for their travel down the Rhine and the advances of the 'new-landers' for provisions, which they received on the ships on account. Formerly the freight for a single person was six to ten louis d'ors, but now it amounts to fourteen to seventeen louis d'ors.<sup>30</sup> Before the ship is allowed to cast anchor at the harbor front, the passengers are all examined, according to the law in force, by a physician, as to whether any contagious disease exists among them. Then the new arrivals are led in procession to the City Hall and there they must render the oath of allegiance to the king of Great Britain. After that the ship. Then announcements are

- Passengers inspected by physician.
- Oath of allegiance at City Hall

Apalonia Apel	Maria Vyberton
Sophia Rynhart	Susan Vyberton
Anna Kootson	[71 men, 98 women & children].
Anna Wyberton	A true List.
Gertruy Smiden	Constable Tymperton.

Philad<sup>ia</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1732.

At the Courthouse Present:

The Hon<sup>ble</sup>, the L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>, S. Hasell, Esq<sup>r</sup>, May<sup>r</sup>, Charles Read, Esq<sup>r</sup>.

The foregoing List was by the Master af<sup>d</sup> declared to be a full & true one.

Rob<sup>t</sup> Charles, Cl. Con.

"At the Courthouse of Philadelphia, October 17th, 1732.

Sixty one Palatines, who with their families, making in all One hundred and sixty nine persons, were imported in the Pink John & William of Sunderland, Constable Tymperton, Master, from Rotterdam, but last from Dover, as by Clearance thence." From the Minutes of the Provincial Council, printed in *Colonial Records*, Vol. III, p. 466.

[List 28 B] Palatines imported in the Pink John & William, of Sunderland, Constable Tymperton, M<sup>r</sup>., from Rotterdam, but last from Dover p. Clearance thence. Qualified October 17<sup>th</sup> 1732.

Bernhard (X) Weymer	Fredrick (O) Wysell
C. Wilgar	Ludwig Johann Herr
Moritz (O) Lorentz	Johann Jägi
Jerig (O) Albright	Johann Philippus Reinhart
→ Lorentz (O) Keefer	Hans Pieter (O) Brechbill
Jacob (JB) Brakebill	Benedict (O) Brechbill
Stephen (O) Mattes	Hans (O) Brechbill
Bartel Maul	Hans Jerig (O) Spreicker
Hans Gorg Marttin	Johannes (O) Nagel
Hans Erhart Vosselman	Pieter (O) Smidt
Hans (O) Emich	Johannes (O) Housam
Feltich (O) Sheydecker	Johann Michael Hoffman
Joh <sup>s</sup> (O) Deynen	Johann Nicklaus Boschung
Pieter (O) Haywigh	Balser Gerlach
→ Michael Weissel	Christman Low



John Penn (1699-1724)  
(From Portrait painted by Jose So)

The ship sailed from Rotterdam to Dover to Philadelphia with Michael, son Fredrick, and Lorentz Keefer, a possible relative of his wife Susanna. Here it is spelled Keefer, but just as with Weisel, Wysell, Weissel, there are alternative spellings.

*John and William 1732*

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Dorothy Kooler  
Elisabeth Kooler  
Barbara Hyvigh  
Susanna Wysel  
Ablonia Wysel  
Barbara Wysel  
Barbara Kuyser  
Maris Savina [Kuyser]  
Johan David [Kuyser]  
Luodwick Melchionar  
Anna Drogo  
Maria Katrina  
Paulina Yege  
Katrina Moll  
Maria Britbill  
Anna Britbill  
Maria Helferren  
Christophel Helferren  
Cathrina Spreakering  
Maria Nagelin

Barbara Lorrence  
Maria Shookan  
Hans Shookan  
Maria Shookan  
Cathrina Shookan  
Jacob Lorrence  
Eve Reylen  
Jerick Reylen  
Jacob Vry  
Catharin Spis  
Susanna Spis  
Michael Proops  
Felder Proops  
Cathrina Miller  
Cathrina Miller  
Philiphbena Miller  
Caspar Miller  
Hans Miller  
Michael Miller  
Cathrina Proops  
Anna Dubo

Susanna, wife of Michael,  
and their daughters  
Ablonia and Barbara  
appear on the ship's list

Stephen <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> Matthes  
 Bartholmae  
 Hans <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~gery~~ <sup>schwarth</sup>  
 Gouf <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Enforn~~ <sup>Woffelmann</sup>  
 Johannes <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> Emich  
 Felten O Scheadecker  
 Johannes O Seynen.  
 Peter <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> Haywigh.  
 Michael Weisel  
 Frederich <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> Wyffel  
 Ludwig Jofann <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~forn~~  
 Gouf  
 Jofann <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Phil~~ <sup>Phil</sup> ~~Rein~~  
 Hans Peter <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> Brechbill  
 Jofann <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Phil~~ <sup>Phil</sup> ~~Rein~~  
 Jakob <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Conrad O Law  
 Ludwig <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> Hoogel  
 O Jacob <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Johannes O Schook  
 Hans <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Georg <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Abraham O Dubo.  
 Hans Georg O Rohrbach.  
 Jofann <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Adam O Wilt  
 Anton <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Hans Philip O Kleas.  
 Conrad <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Wilsch <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>  
 Jofann <sup>his</sup> <sub>mk</sub> ~~Rein~~ <sup>Rein</sup>

Pink John and William, October 17, 1732,  
List 28 C.

Matthe  
 Jofan  
 Jofan  
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 Jofan

Frederich Wyssel's  
 signature is  
 recognizable.  
 The signature above  
 his might be a Weisel.

Palatines imported in the <sup>3<sup>d</sup></sup> York John & William Constable  
Symperston Master ————— Qualified Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1732

Bernhard <sup>his</sup> Wynne	Benedic <sup>his</sup> Breckbill
(Child god)	Hans <sup>his</sup> Breckbill
Moritz <sup>his</sup> Laurent	Hans Georg <sup>his</sup> Sprecher
Georg <sup>his</sup> Ebbrecht	Johannes <sup>his</sup> Nagel
Laurenz <sup>his</sup> Kieffer	Peter <sup>his</sup> Smidt
Jacob <sup>his</sup> Breckbill	Johannes <sup>his</sup> Housam
Stephen <sup>his</sup> Matthes	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Bartol <sup>his</sup> manl	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Johannes <sup>his</sup> Emich	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Feltes <sup>his</sup> Scheidecker	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Johannes <sup>his</sup> Seyren	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam
Peter <sup>his</sup> Housam	Georg <sup>his</sup> Housam



Laurenz Kieffer.  
We think Michael's wife was Susanna Kieffer. It may be that one of her relatives, father or brother, traveled with her to Philadelphia.



1757 Will of [George] Michael Weissel

I, Michael Weisel being at this time sick and weak but yet of sound understanding do hereby make my testament or last will in the words following: First it is my will that after my decease my heirs bury me in a Christian like manner and my soul I commend to the Lord God. Secondly, it is my will that all the movable goods wherewith God has blessed me shall be of my wife Susanna and she shall keep the same in her hands during her life and do therewith as she pleases and she shall have her living in the house where we now dwell agreeable to the contract made between myself and my son Jacob Wysel. Thirdly it is my will that all my children so as they are herein mentioned shall have their hereditary shares in manner following: first my son Jacob Weisel shall have my plantation and for the same he shall give to his brothers and sisters their hereditary shares, first to my eldest son 50 pounds in May Fair to wit, the 27th of May 1758 he shall give him 25 pounds and the 27th of May 1759 again 25 pounds which shall be his full hereditary share. Then to my second son Michael he shall give the 27th of May 1760 25 pounds and the 27th of May 1761 again 25 pounds which shall be his full hereditary share. Thirdly, to my eldest daughter Abolonia I do bequeath her hereditary portion as followeth to wit my son Jacob Weisel shall 1768 May 27th pay unto George Heintz the son of Andorry Heintz 25 pounds which shall be divided in equal parts among the children of Andorry Heintz and it is my will that my daughter Abolonia shall have in money one shilling sterling to be paid her by Jacob Weisel on the 27th of May 1769 which shall be her hereditary portion. Fourthly my son Jacob Weisel shall give to his brother George Weisel 50 pounds in two equal payments, the first payment to be made the 27th of May 1764 to wit 25 pounds and on the 27th of May 1765 again 25 pounds which shall be his hereditary share. Fifthly my daughter Barbara shall have 50 pounds in two equal payments 1766 the 27th of May she shall have 25 pounds and 1767 the 27th of May again 25 pounds which shall be her hereditary portion. Sixthly the child of my deceased daughter left behind her now living with her father George Wildanger, her name is Magdalena, shall instead of my youngest daughter deceased, have her hereditary portion of 50 pounds which money has been fully paid to George Wildanger and he, George Wildanger shall pay that 50 pounds to that child in two payments, on the 27th day of November 1770 he shall pay 25 pounds to that child and 1771 again 25 pounds which shall be the child's hereditary portion and it is my will that my son Michael Weisel shall be the guardian of the above named child and have in his keeping until she cometh to age the bonds belonging to that child and given for the use of the said child by her father George Wildanger which is my will wrote by me Michael Weisel and sealed and signed the 3rd of October in the year 1757.

Present witnesses --

Johanne Wurman John Keiffer

Michael [seal]

Jacob x Wysel

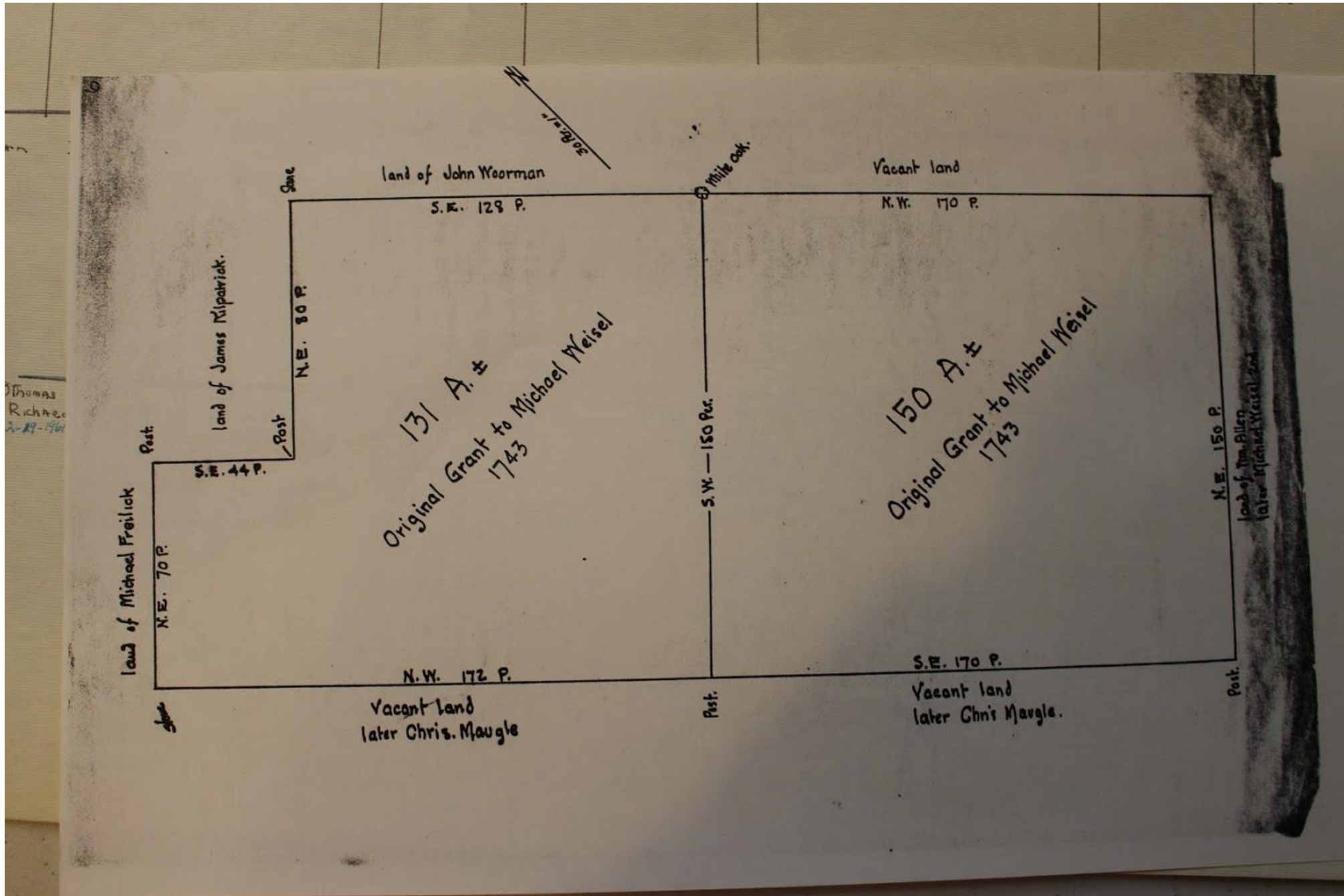
## 1757 Will of [George] Michael Weissel.

Note that a Keiffer was a witness.

Family members named:

Sons Jacob, Michael, George,  
daughter Barbara. Eldest daughter  
Abolonia must have angered her  
father; she only received one shilling.

Thanks to H. Alan Weisel for this transcription.



Whereas John Penn, Thomas Penn, and Richard Penn Esquires late proprietaries of the said province by their Patent or Grant dated the Seventeenth Day of February 1743 did for the consideration therein mentioned give, grant, release & confirm unto Michael Wisel...Two certain tracts of land. One of them situate in Bedminster Township Bucks County.

son by deed  
suit of Joseph Dilworth; NR

ac. of Robert Grant, including 1  
John Ashton, in Lower Makefield  
ckman by deed dated Dec. 9,  
rickland; rec. DB 12, p. 37

c. of Caleb Gilbert and James  
sold to John Gregg by deed  
suit of William Ware, John  
; NR

of Thomas Howell in Warwick  
Lewis by deed dated Sep.  
mes; rec. DB 13, p. 165

6 p. + 6% of James McFar-  
old to Joseph Cauffman by  
; suit of Joseph Cauffman;

c. of Christian Gmelin in  
Wentz by deed dated  
Logan; rec. DB 14, p.

ark Overholts in Plum-  
rholts and Abraham  
Mar. 10, 1767; suit of  
Hundsberger; NR

... sold to Thomas Mason by deed  
dated Dec. 15, 1767; suit of Joseph Jackson; NR

108. 75 ac. of Robert Blair in Bristol  
Twp. sold to William Sisom by deed dated Dec. 15,  
1767; suit of John Strickland; NR

March Term 1768

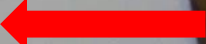
109. 356 ac. 108 p. (except 103 ac. 58  
p. granted by Richard Stevens to Abraham Fratz  
Nov. 20, 1764) of Richard Stevens and Susanna,  
his wife in Tinicum Twp. sold to Thomas Riche by  
deed dated Mar. 17, 1768; suit of Charles Brockden;  
rec. DB 12, p. 212

110. 10 ac. of Lettice Doughrty in  
Northampton Twp. sold to George Parsons by deed  
dated Mar. 17, 1768; suit of Michael Dowd; NR

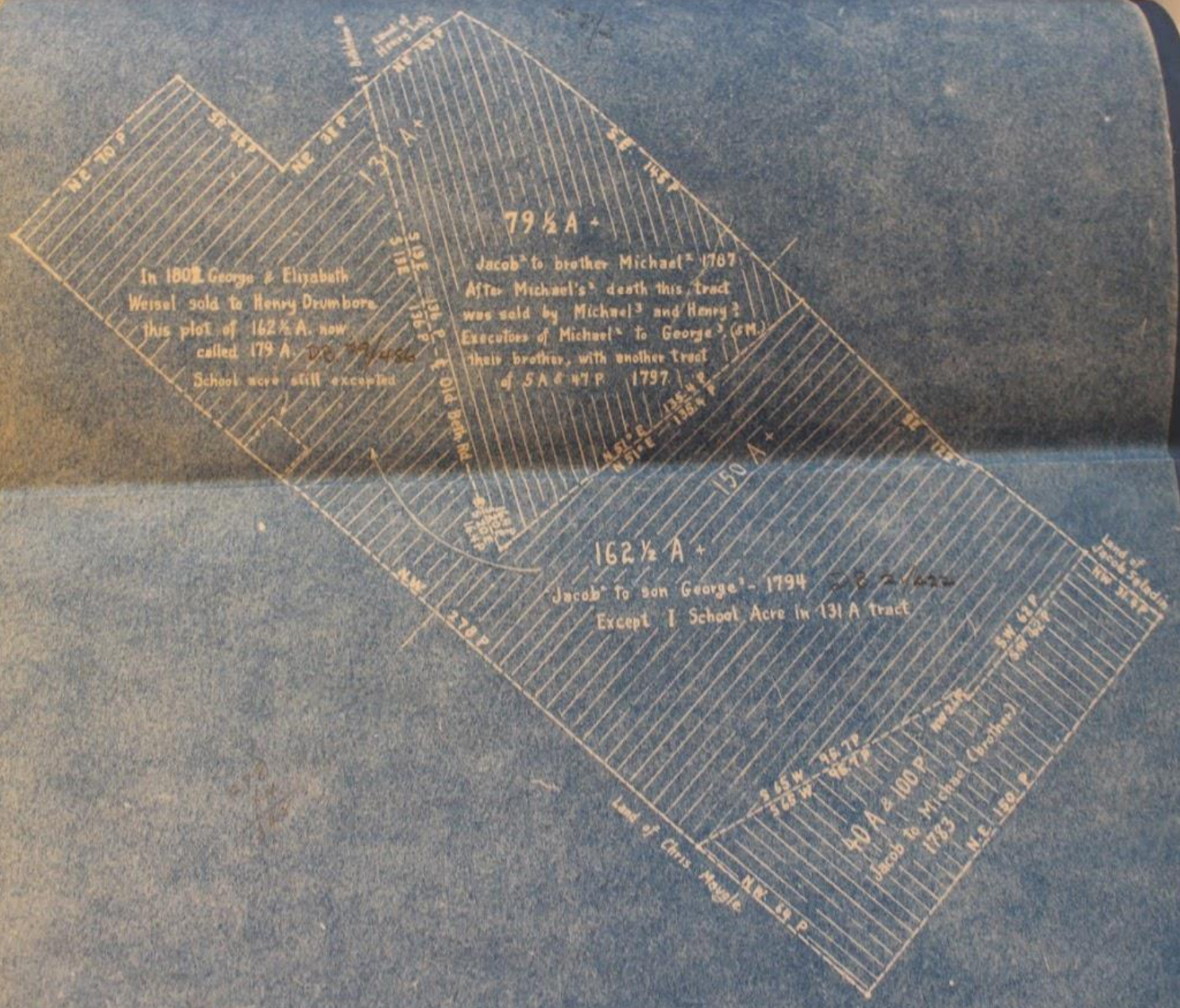
111. right of Alexander Mcllroy in 50 ac.  
in Nockamixon Twp. sold to George Mcllroy by deed  
dated Mar. 15, 1768; suit of John Coxe; NR

112. right of Jacob Hundsberger in 60  
ac. in Rockhil Twp. sold to Samuel Funk by deed  
dated Mar. 17, 1768; suit of Abraham and Jacob  
Hundsberger; NR

113. right if Jacob Hundsberger in 29  
ac. in Rockhill Twp. sold to Michael Weisel by deed  
dated Mar. 17, 1768; suit of Abraham and Jacob  
Hundsberger; NR



**March 17, 1768**  
Could someone shed  
some light on this?  
Could it be the  
Pioneer Michael  
Weisel's son Michael  
who was born in 1720  
in the Palatinate and  
traveled to  
Philadelphia with his  
parents? Son Michael  
would've been 48 in  
1768.



In 1802 George & Elizabeth Weisel sold to Henry Drumbore this plot of 162 1/2 A. now called 179 A. School acre still excepted

Jacob to brother Michael 1787  
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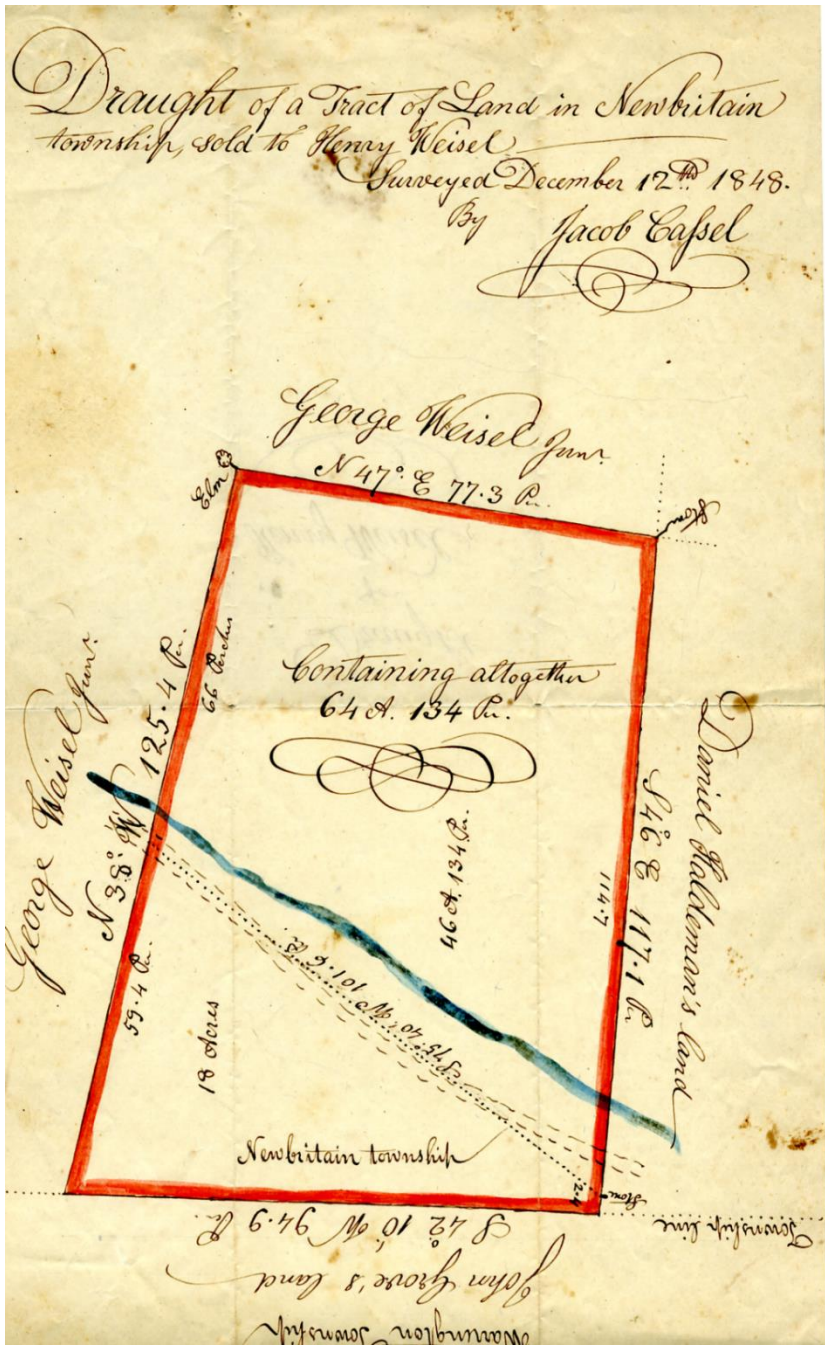
162 1/2 A +  
 Jacob to son George - 1794  
 Except 1 School Acre in 131 A tract

40 A & 100 P  
 Jacob to Michael (brother) 1783

Top left: In 1802 George & Elizabeth Weisel sold to Henry Drumbore this plot of 162 1/2 A. Now called 179A. School acre still excepted.  
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162 1/2 A Jacob to son George - 1794 Except 1 school acre in 131 A tract

40A & 100P Jacob to Michael (brother)



Draught of a Tract of Land in New Britain township sold to Henry Weisel. Surveyed December 12, 1848. Note George Weisel Junior owns land adjoining.

Geo. Weisel

Warrington  
Bucks County Pa

Oct 18, 1877

Board at the  
home of Kathy  
Newcomb  
698 Stump Road  
Chalfont, PA  
18914



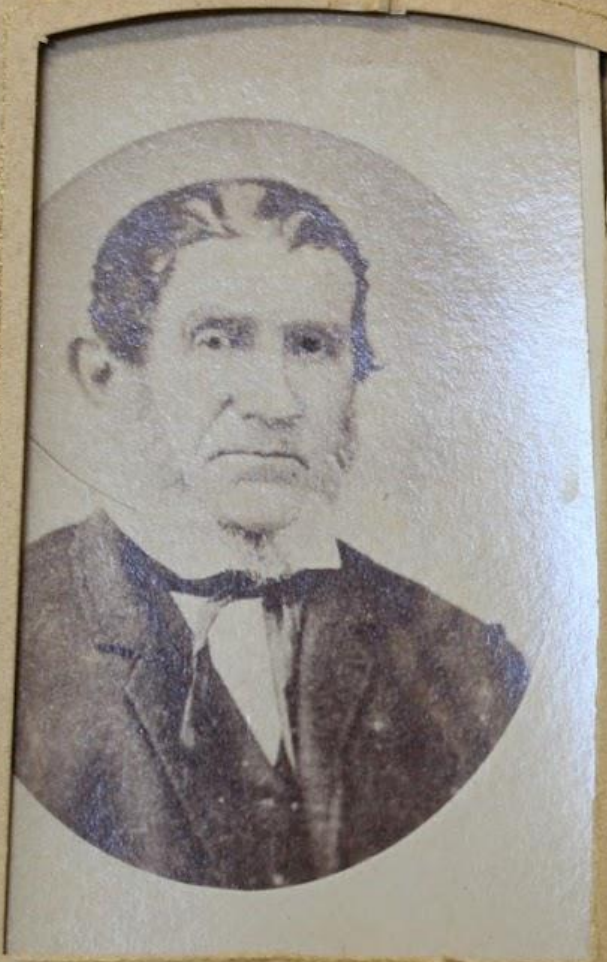
John George Weisel 1799-1881  
and  
Catherine Sheip 1802-1888  
were  
Samuel Weisel's 1828-1916 parents.

Sarah Kober was Catharine Kober  
Weisel's sister.

Who is May Larzelere?

Note on Geo. Weisel's Photo:  
1880 1<sup>st</sup> Cousins

John George Weisel 1799-1881



Geo. Weisel 1880  
1<sup>st</sup> Cousins

Catherine Sheip 1802-1888

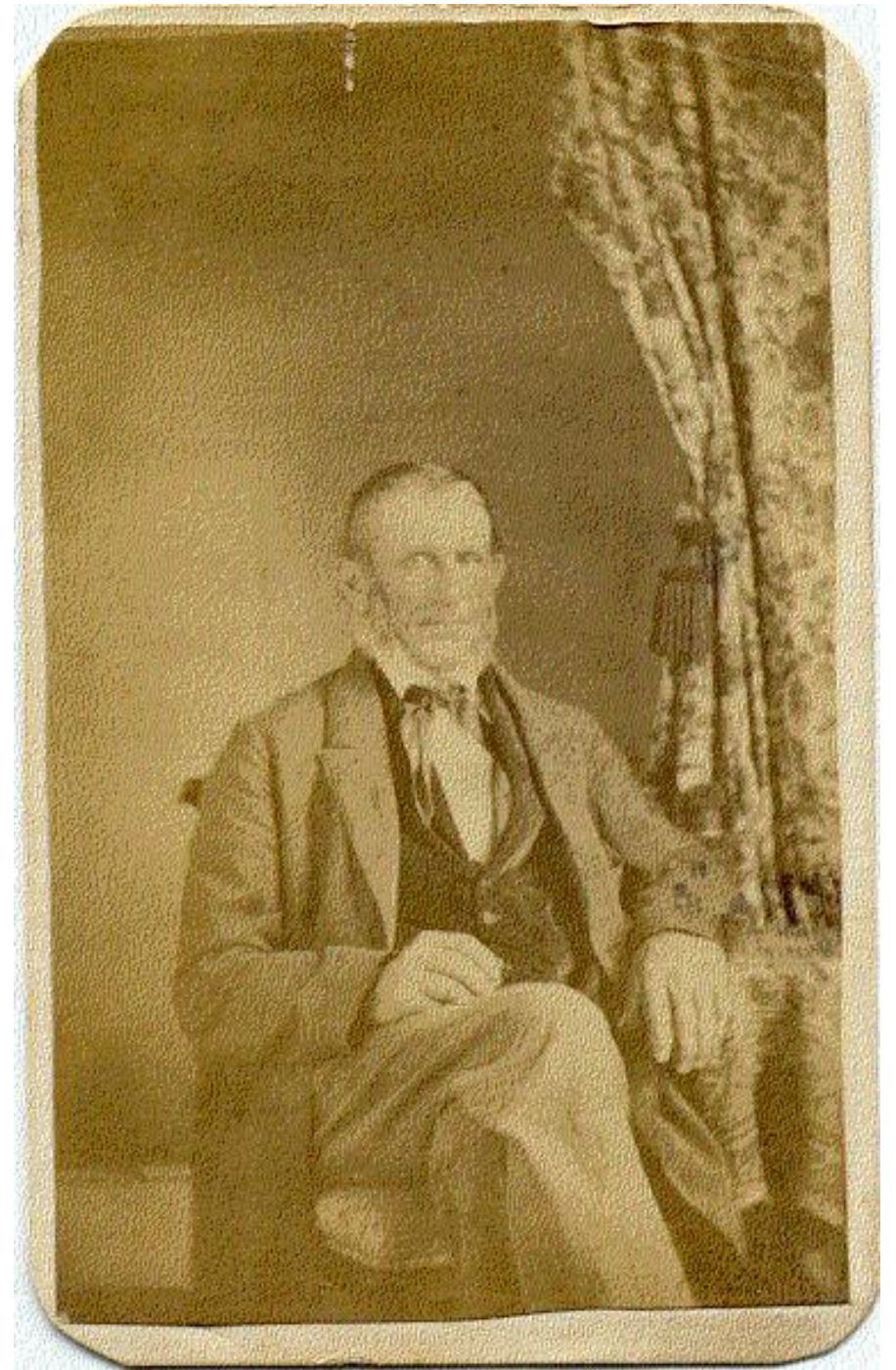


Catherine (Sheip) Weisel 1880.

Parents of  
Samuel  
Weisel  
1828-1916



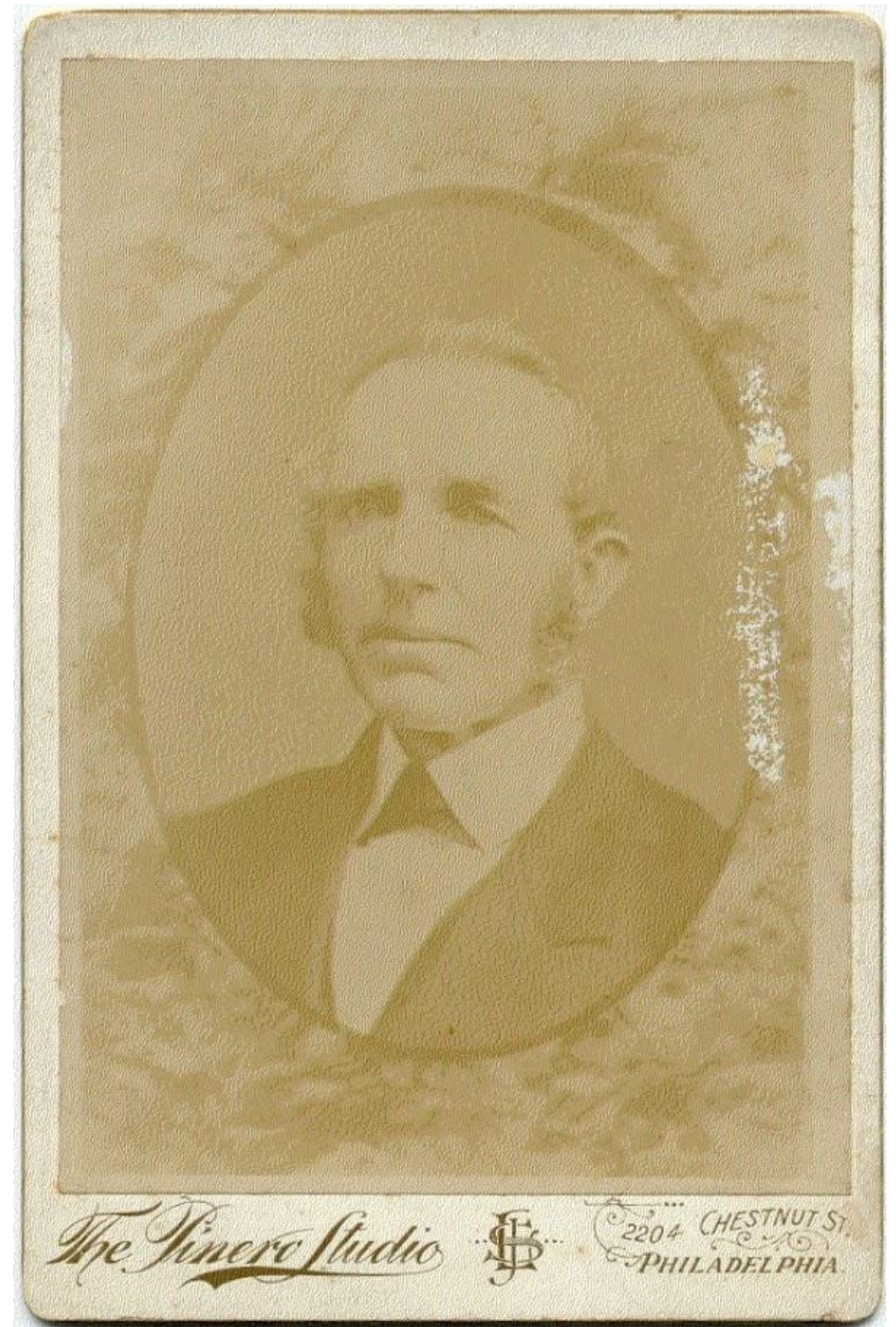
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1799-1881  
was the father  
of Samuel Weisel  
1828-1916





Catherine Sheip or Scheib  
1802-1888  
was the mother of  
Samuel Weisel 1828-1916

John George Weisel 1799-1881  
was the father of  
Samuel Weisel 1828-1916





540 and  
560 Mill  
Creek Road,  
Chalfont, PA

560 & 540

(all the way to the left)

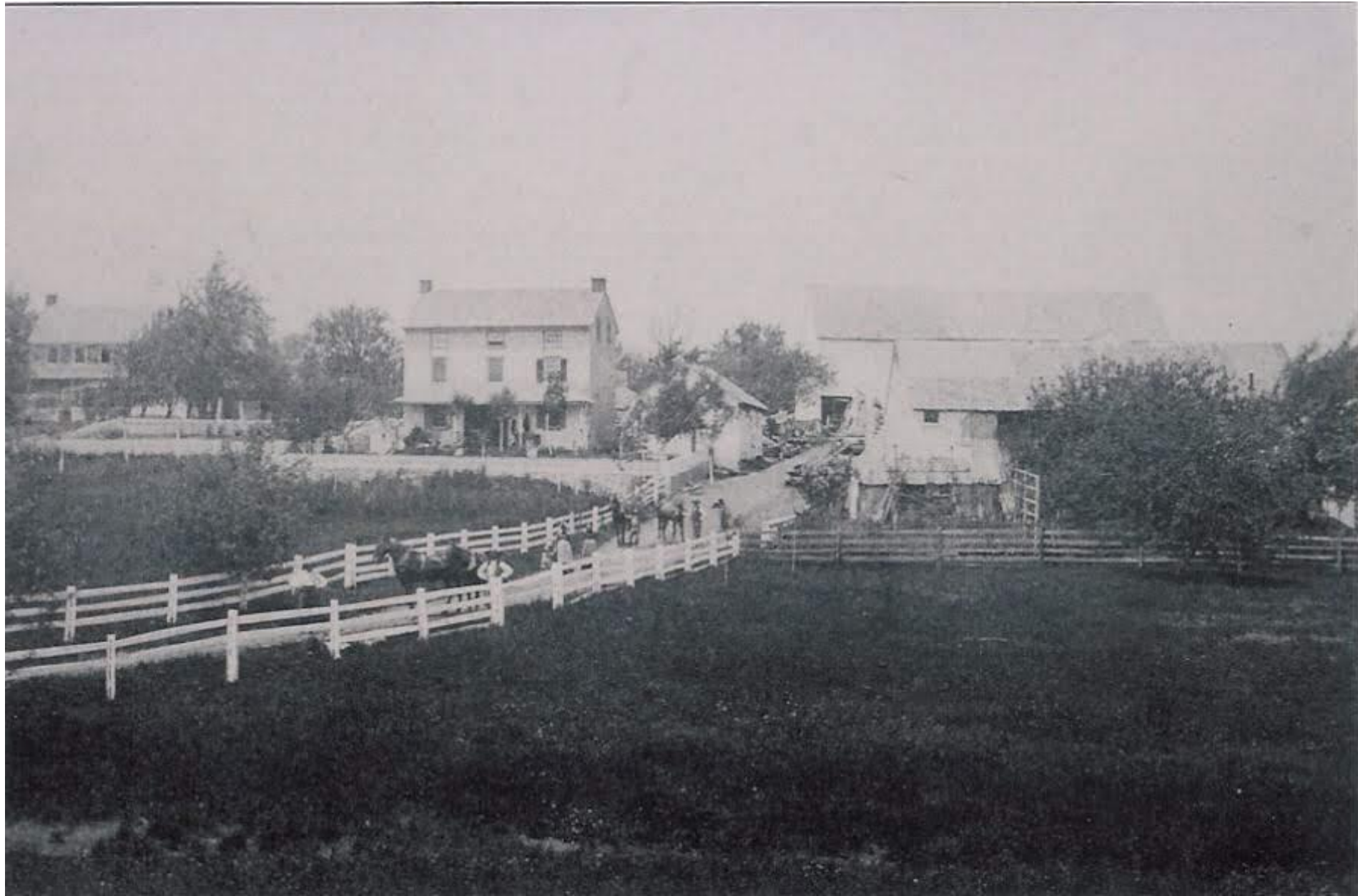
Mill Creek Road, Chalfont,  
PA 18914.

540 was the home of Frank  
& Kate Stout Weisel.

Elizabeth Swartley Stover

1917-2015, great

granddaughter of Samuel &  
Catharine, claimed that 560  
was for a time the home of  
Samuel & Catharine





Thanks to Bill  
Morris for this  
photo of  
540 Mill Creek  
Road.

Year taken?

Names of  
individuals?

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Matthew D  
12-20



Home of H. Phares  
Weisel 1861-1934.

Demolished about  
2002.

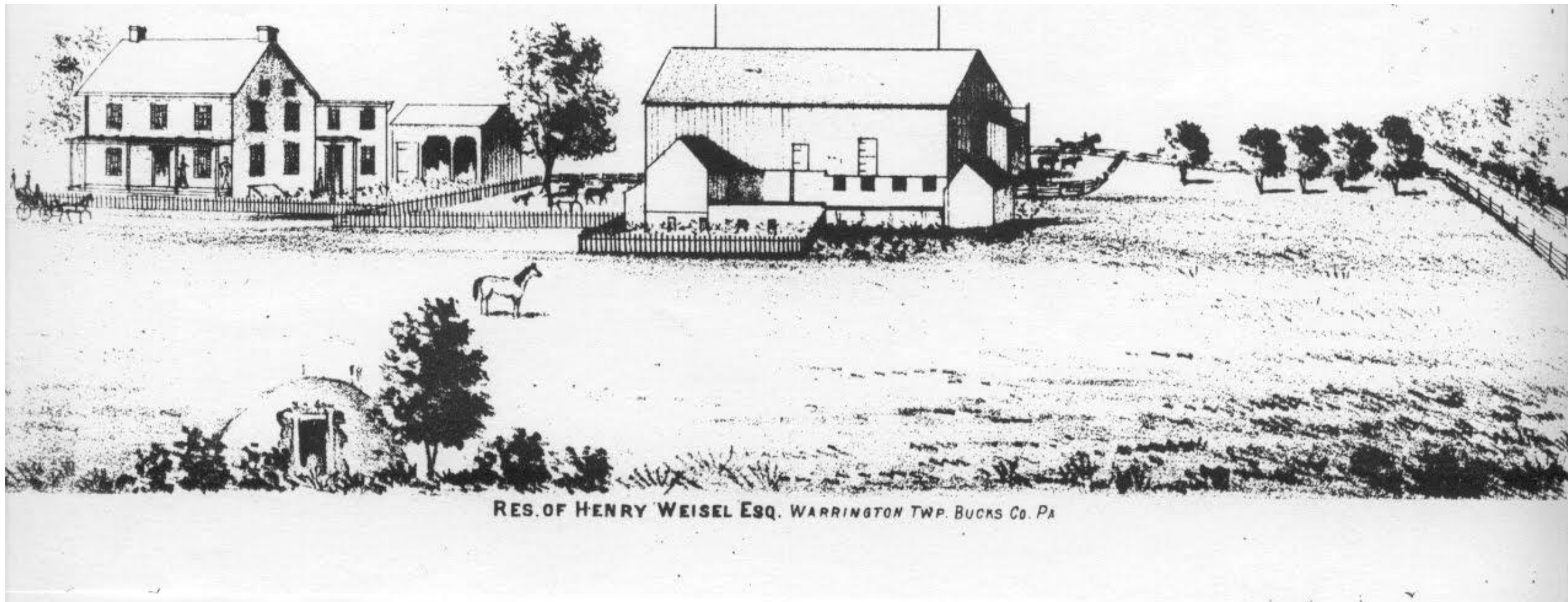


Home of H. Phares  
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Names of  
individuals in  
photo?





Home of Samuel Weisel's brother Henry  
Samuel 1828-1916; Henry 1823-1855



Maria Loux Weisel,  
wife of Samuel's  
brother Henry  
Weisel.

Maria 1816-1897  
Samuel 1828-1916  
Henry 1823-1885

Wm's grand mother

Maria Loren Michael

Applegate,  
No. 508 Arch St.,  
PHILADELPHIA.  
—  
Negative Preserved.

JWR

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**WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP.**

Brinker, J. A. ....	New Britain..	Farmer and Stock-grower.
Bruner, Wm. ....	Warringtonville	Proprietor Warringtonville Hotel.
Bender, G. D. ....	Pleasantville..	Farmer and Produce Dealer.
Cadwalader, C. M. ....	Warringtonville	Farmer.
Clymer, Eli K. ....	Chalfont.....	"
Cozens, John.....	Warringtonville	Farmer and Mason.
Duckworth, Samuel.	"	Farmer.
Detweiler, Enos G. ....	New Britain..	"
Grier, John.....	Warringtonville	"
Gaul, Wm. ....	"	"
Garner, George M. ....	New Britain..	"
Garner, L. R. ....	"	"
Hoover, T. A. ....	Pleasantville..	"
Hines, N. J. ....	Chalfont.....	"
Haldeman, Joel.....	Warringtonville	"
Hill, Wm. B. ....	"	"
Helnecke, Geo. F. ....	Pleasantville..	Farmer and Veterinary Surgeon.
Harp, John, Jr. ....	"	Farmer.
Hohlman, John.....	New Britain..	"
Larzalere, Benjamin.	Chalfont.....	Farmer and Stock-grower.
Long, S. F. ....	Hartsville ....	Surveyor.
McKinstry, Robert..	Warringtonville	Butcher.
McKinstry, James. ....	"	Farmer and Stock-grower.
McKinstry, Henry... ..	Pleasantville..	"
McNair, Robert S. ....	Warringtonville	"
McNair, Howell E. ....	"	"
McNair, Samuel W. ....	"	"
Patterson, J. R. ....	"	"
Phipps, John.....	"	"
Penrose, Wm. ....	Horsbark.....	"
Reedmiller, Chas. ....	Pleasantville..	"
Swartzlander, J. A. ....	"	"
Thompson, Chas. ....	Warringtonville	"
Thompson, James... ..	Pleasantville..	Farmer.
Welsh, Joseph.....	"	"
Weisel, Henry.....	Chalfont.....	J. P., Real Estate Agt. & Farmer.
Walter, John B. ....	Warringtonville	Farmer and Stock-grower.
Wothington, Benj. ....	"	"
Weisel, Aaron.....	Chalfont.....	"
Weisel, Samuel.....	"	"



Henry, Aaron, and Samuel were brothers.

Henry 1823-1885

Samuel 1828-1916

Aaron born 1831

W.L. WEISEL 197

GEO. MICHAEL WEISEL IMMIGRATED 1732 - DIED 1770  
(SUSANNA KIEFER)

1720-1776  
FREDERICK APOLLONIA MARIA BARBARA MICHAEL JACOB CHRISTINA GEORGE  
(MART TRACH) 1750

HENRY (SERVED IN REVOLUTION) GEORGE L 1773-1862 (BURIED IN HILDTOWN REFORMED CHURCH CEMETERY)  
(MARGARET SCHEIB) 1775-1858

MARY D 1798-1868 (DANEHOWER) JOHN GEORGE 1799-1881 (CATHERINE SCHEIB) MICHAEL 1802-1872

FRETZ FAMILY HISTORY PAGE 103 HENRY 1823-1885 (MARIA LOUX) MARY ANN 1825-1878 SAMUEL 1828-1916 (CATHERINE ANN KOBER) 1829-1914 ARRON 1831- JOHN GEORGE HARRY

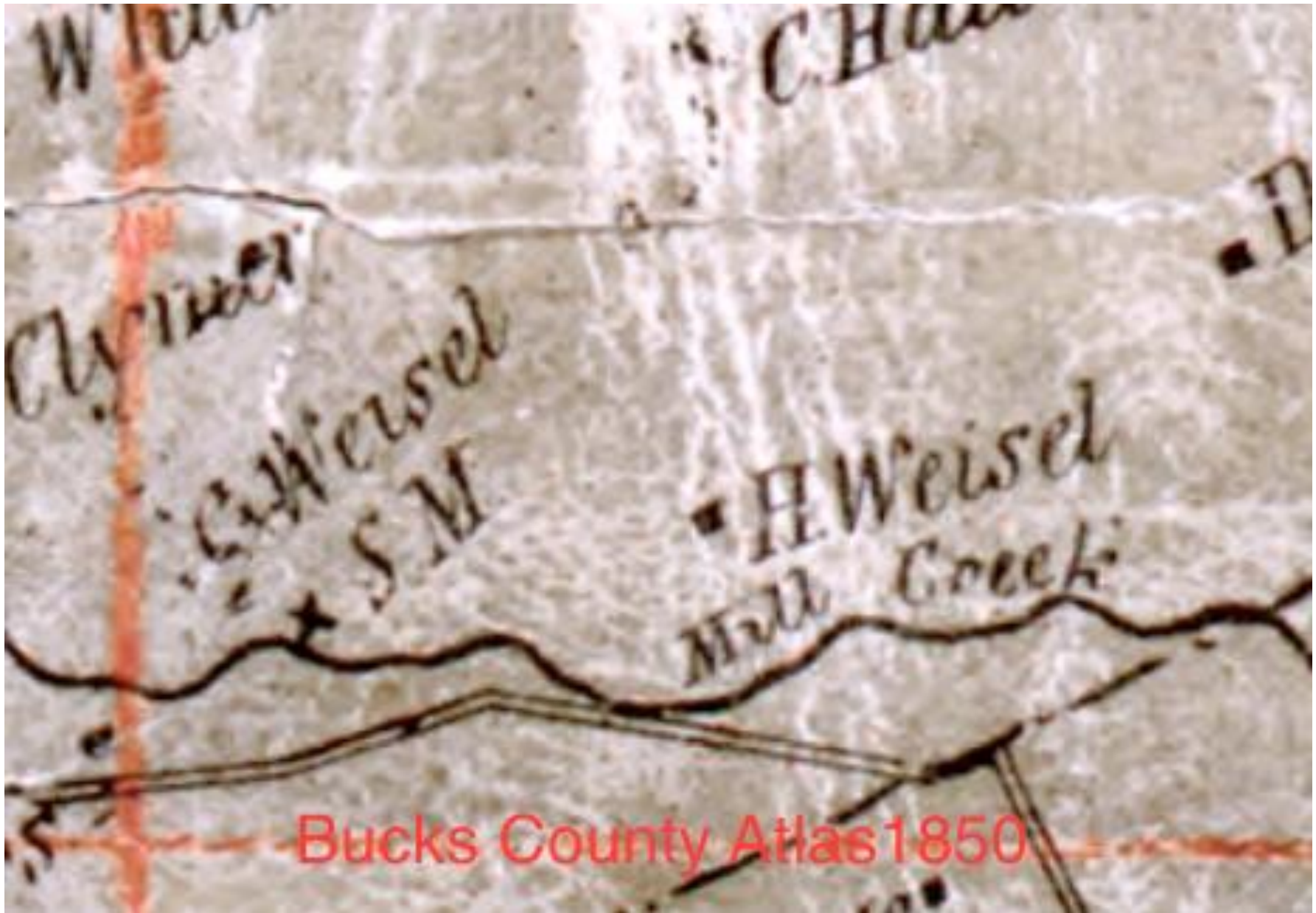
JOHN GEO. 1850- LYDIA 1852 OLIVER 1855- (SARAH CLYMER)  
FLORENCE 1880-1959 (COMLY MICHENER) WINFIELD 1881-1958 (ELIZABETH SHELL)  
IREA (JARED PARUNTON) DONALD (FLORENCE GENELL) JEAN (M. RUTHERFORD)  
SARAH ANN MARY PALMER MICHAEL

1895 FRANK (KATE STOOT) (MANNIE) AMANDA MABLE LAURA ADA GRACE SAMOEL  
1897 MARY A. (WM DETWEILER) 1948 ANN CATHERINE (GEO. KEPHAET) CATHERINE HOWARD  
1943 AMANDA (FRANK REIFF) H. P. APFES 1861-1931 (MARY CLIMER) 1886 PEARL 1886 RAYMOND 1886 SARAH 1891 ALMA 1895 WILLIS 1901 ALBERT 1901

Family tree by Willis Lloyd Weisel 1897-1991.

Year of this map? Limekiln Pike, Mill Creek Road, Stump Road, and Pickertown Road are all on this map (left side). There are no Weisels.





Bucks County Atlas  
1850.

Find Mill Creek,  
above it H. Weisel;  
to the left G  
Weisel;  
below that x S M



Bucks County Atlas 1850.

Find Mill Creek, above it H. Weisel; to the left of that G Weisel; below that x S M,





Parents Georg Weisel and Catharina  
maiden name Scheib.

Birth and Baptism of Samuel  
on April 12, 1828  
in Montgomery Township  
in the state of Pennsylvania.



David Weisel is the owner of this beautiful document.

It's from 1784 and in German.

Note from David: According to the information we have, the Georg Weissel of this piece is George Ludwig Weisel (1773-1862), who was Samuel's grandfather. He was the 2nd generation following the original immigrant George Michael Weisel. The fancy hand calligraphy is called fraktur, and was folk art practiced by the Pennsylvania Germans. Apparently there are many examples from southeastern Pa. Someone suggested there may have been a scrivener involved in this, which seems reasonable since George was only 11 at the time. Translation:

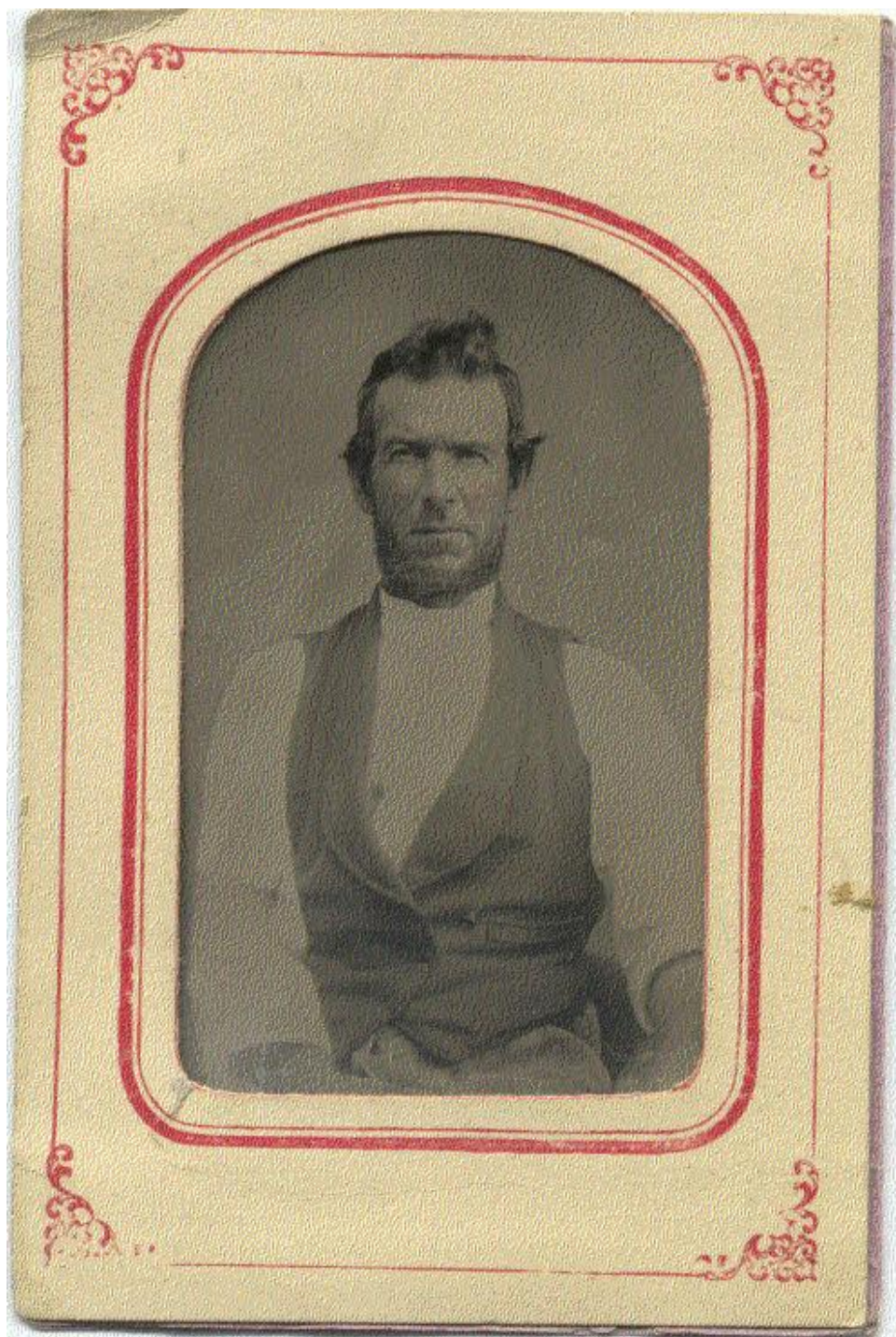
How human time is flying.

If you like and enjoy whatever you are doing work is easy. G : W :  
d 1784

This book of rules belongs to  
George Weisel

[GEORG WEISSEL - is the red script]

January the 8th in the year of 1784



Samuel W. (Scheib) Weisel 1828-1916  
about 1860