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THE BETZ FAMILY

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In 1757, Ludwig BETZ came to Philadelphia from Alsace, France.

New York World clipping 1889: Peter BETZ, drummer for 5 years in Rev. War. Married at age 67, second wife 25 years old (b. 1803). Peter born 1761. The widow of Peter appears on the Pension Roll from Dauphin Co. Pa.

William BETZ lived at Kingston, Ross Co, Oh. and a Solomon BETZ lived at Circleville, Oh. Solomon was at one time Sheriff of an eastern Penna. County.

In the summer of 1833, the house of George BETZ was destroyed by fire and with it the old Family Bible. From a paper obtained from George MOORE --- Abraham BETZ, b. Philadelphia, Aug. 14, 1743. --- Eve Bowers, b. Reading, Pa., Oct. 1, 1761. Each were married the second time. She was the second wife.

Abraham BETZ bought a tract of land of 400 acres from Peter SEIDEL on 22 Feb. 1794 which had been entered 1 Mch 1793 by Joseph VANGUDY and 400 acres from George SELLERS. Witnesses: John BETZ, then over 21, and John METZGAR, husband of Margaret HARVEY.

Abraham BETZ provided by will for three children by his first marriage and ten by the second. In the fall of 1790 Abraham BETZ bought a farm 4 miles above Steubenville. He was a blacksmith. He died 3 Jan. 1821. His will gave Mary Croninger 175 pounds Penna. currency; John, the farm upon which he was then living; Elizabeth HEIFER 600 acres of land; to each son by his second wife, a Quarter Section of land in Twp. 10 Range 3 in the Steubenville Land District; to each daughter 80 acres of land in the same township. The widow died 16 June 1831.

ABRAHAM BETZ b 14 Aug 1743. M 1st _____ had 3 children Mary m Jacob CRONINGER -4 ch Elizabeth m Lewis HEIFER had 1 son; John b 28 Feb 1773 d 14 May 1852. M. Catherine TROXELL b 2 May 1778 d 5 June 1862, had 11 children:

Sarah b 28 Jan 1785 m George SCHNAWBLE had dau, died young

Abraham b 17 Jan 1840 m Sarah BYERS, lived Barberton, Oh. had 3 children:

Alvin D. BETZ b 19 July 1816 m 20 May 1846 Sallie DESHLER b 15 Feb 1826 had 12 children:

Sarah Jane, m John C. SURFASS, lived in Akron Oh

Jerusha Catherine m Charles SEIBERLING, lived Michaelsville Iowa

Susan, deceased

Mary, m Williard G. MARSHALL, lived Barberton Oh

Salome, unknown

John C. Fremont m Anna CASSELL

Clara Elizabeth, unknown

Ira David, m Lillie FRITZ lived Millersburg, Oh

Archie Oliver, m Rose TAYLOR

Haswell Abraham, farmed with Archie

Alvin Ellsworth, worked Boiler Factory, Barberton Oh

Laura Ellen, at home.

George b 26 Oct 1803 m. 1st Catherine SCHARTELL, 1 son Alvin David m 2nd Elizabeth SCHARTELL (twin of Catherine) had 2 children: Sarah Jane and Isaac Corwin b 13 Sept. 1840 m 28 Feb 1864 Margaret J. Holland, b 13 Mch 1846 had 10 children (4 living) Lives Medina Co. Oh

Daniel b 26 Feb 1806 m Mary MORRISON lived Jersey Shore, Pa. had 7 children. John b 15 Mch 1808 d 1 Feb 1863 m Rebecca BUZZERS b 27 Jan 18__ d 18 Dec 1887 had 7 children:

Samuel b 29 Mch 1831 Blue Mound, Iowa

Susan b 17 Aug 1833 M Eli F. WUCHTER lived near Barberton

Aaron b 2 June 1835 m Kate BAUGHMAN had 11 children

George b 9 July 1837 m Hannah VAN HYNING b 22 Mch 1838, had 3 children

Mary E b 18 July 1839 m Norman BLOCKER, had 4 children

John B. b 28 Oct 1844 m Catharia WEAVER, had 2 children, lived Bates Corners