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THE 1560 FROSCHAUER BIBLE

by Edward Kline

In 2010 the Ohio Amish Library had the opportunity to purchase a 1560 edition Froschauer Bible from an auction house in Germany. This Bible was printed and bound in two folio-sized volumes, with 334 pages in the first volume which contains the Pentateuch, the history books, and the Apocrypha, and 221 pages in the second volume which contains the poetical books, the Prophets, and the New Testament. In some cases this edition was bound in one massive volume.

The 1560 edition was the seventh printing of folio-sized (full-sized) Froschauer Bibles, the earlier printings being in 1531, 1536, 1539/40, 1545, 1551, and 1556. During this time period, a few smaller sized editions were also printed.

This Froschauer Bible is special for its hand-colored woodcut illustrations. Over one hundred of these woodcuts were painted in multiple colors by an artist hired to do this work. The work is of excellent quality and must have added considerably to the cost of the Bibles. Although most of the illustrations are only about three inches square, the title pages for both volumes are colored full page. Many of the books of the Bible are introduced by a woodcut at the first chapter. These illustrations often point out the main theme of the book. For example, the woodcut at Psalms 1 shows King David with a harp, and the beginning of the book of Job has an illustration of Job covered with boils and houses burning in the background.

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Earlier editions of Froschauer folio Bibles- those listed above, also had hand-colored woodcuts. In 2007 only thirteen other copies of various editions containing colored woodcuts were known to exist.¹ Not all the Bibles in a printing were colored. So these hand-colored Bibles were quite rare. Although our Anabaptist forefathers preferred the early Froschauer translations for their accuracy and their Swiss-German language, they probably were not fond of the colored prints in this unique volume. One source² says the Anabaptists painted over the illustrations in their Bibles with black paint or covered them with paper. They did not like the depictions of God, angels, and demons, considering them to be "*Götzenbilder*", in violation of the Ten Commandments.

When the Piscator Bible was introduced in the mid 1600s the Anabaptists rejected it in favor of the older Froschauer or "Zurich" Bibles, and felt it contained some errors. By 1684 the Piscator Bible was made the official Bible of the Canton Bern, and the Froschauer translations became to be considered "Anabaptist Bibles."

In 1539/40 some changes had been made in the Froschauer texts, which the Anabaptists considered to be inaccurate. So in 1579 they began to have their own version of the N.T. printed, known as "*Täufertestamente*." In addition to restoring the text to the version used before 1539, they also made some changes which they felt were in order. Because the government did not approve of these printings and the changes, these "*Täufertestamente*" were considered illegal and were confiscated and destroyed if found. It is not known how many editions of these Testaments were printed, but it is known that there at least ten different editions, including one printed at Ephrata, Pa. in 1787.

If the Swiss Amish or Mennonites brought Bibles along when they came to America, it was usually a Froschauer translation, which was in a kind of Swiss-German which they could easily understand. The most common seems to have been the 1536 edition, which had been reprinted in 1744 in Strasburg. They also brought other editions, as well as "*Täufertestamente*" editions from 1579 to 1825.

1. David Luthy, *The Significance of the Oldest German Bibles at Heritage Historical Library*, (unpublished folder), 2007, p. 5

2. Urs Leu, "The Froschauer Bibles and their Significance for the Anabaptist Movement" p. 14; in *Pennsylvania Mennonite Heritage*, Vol. 25, No. 2, April 2002

In addition to the 1560 Froschauer two-volume edition, the Ohio Amish Library has two other Froschauer Bibles, a 1531 and a 1536 edition, as well as a number of "*Täufertestamente*."



The Colored Woodcut of King David at the Beginning of Psalms 1, in the 1560 Bible.



The Colored Woodcut at the Beginning of Job, in the 1560 Bible.

THE FIRST AMISH IN THE ASHERY AND MT. EATON, OHIO AREA

by Roy Weaver

It is over 200 years since Amish pioneer settlers first came to the Holmes Co. region. Bishop Jacob Miller Sr. (ML 23)¹ and his two sons Henry (ML 233), and Jacob, Jr. (ML 234), settled near Sugarcreek in Tuscarawas Co. in 1809. Jonas Stutzman (*der Weiss*) came with the Jacob Miller family in 1809 and built a long cabin near Walnut Creek, in Holmes Co., in early 1809.

On the evening of May 10, 1810 four young Amish families arrived near Walnut Creek. They had to cut some small trees and bushes on their way from Sugarcreek to Walnut Creek to make a path for their wagon. They were Christian (YR2612) and Anna (HB46) Yoder, Joseph (MS362) and Sarah (ML 247) Mast, Jonas (ML244) and Catherine (HB48) Miller, and John (TR23) and Magdalena (ML242) Troyer. Christian Yoder had been ordained deacon before he came, and his wife was a sister to Jonas Miller's wife. The wives of Joseph Mast and John Troyer were also sisters to Jonas Miller.

The first church district in the Holmes Co. community was probably organized in 1810, or soon thereafter. Their first church service was in one of the Miller homes near Sugarcreek, in Tuscarawas Co. By 1840 there were four districts: Sugarcreek, Walnut Creek, "Scrub Oak" (in the Charm and Farmerstown area), and Martins Creek (in the Benton area). Frederick Hage (HG) was the first bishop in the Martins Creek district. He emigrated to Pennsylvania from Bavaria, Germany in 1826, and came to Holmes Co. in 1831. According to Mrs. Mart Hochstetler (DBH 5284 in Descendants of Barbara Hochstetler), nee Elizabeth Keim (born 1892), there were eight church districts in the Amish community when she was with the young folks in the early 1900s. Mart and Elizabeth were married on December 4, 1913.

Soon after 1900 our people were moving north into the Ashery (crossroad of SR 241 and TR 652) and Mt. Eaton areas. The first Amish living west of Mt. Eaton in Paint Twp., Wayne Co., were "Little" Crist D. and Sarah (Yoder) Yoder, who moved from Sugarcreek in 1904. Their home was along SR 250, where Zuercher Rd. crosses SR 250. My friend John E. Weaver, the son of Emery P. Weaver (Rex) is "Little" Crist's grandson.

In 1905 Dan T. Millers moved from north of Berlin,

where Minister Albert A. Millers now live, to the farm along Harrison Rd. where Jacob E. Yoders live today. Cemetery D-1² is located on this farm. The third family was the Abe J. Millers (Jakob Abe). They lived north of Dan T. Millers. In the next 30 years many Amish families moved north into Salt Creek and Paint Townships of both Holmes and Wayne County.

The above mentioned Dan T. Millers sold their farm to Dan C. Yoder (DJR439 in Descendants of Jacob Raber) in 1910. They then moved west approximately 1½ miles on Harrison Rd. to the first farm east of Kansas Rd., where Joni and Lizzie Miller later lived. Dan T. Miller and his son Albert were killed on that farm on August 27, 1918, when their steam engine exploded. They are buried in Cemetery D-1, on the farm where they had first lived. Dan T's first wife Lizzie and their 20 months-old daughter were buried there. The daughter was the first burial in the cemetery, in April, 1904, and the mother in 1906. By 1975 this cemetery had nearly 100 burials. The funeral services for Dan and his son Albert were held at the home of Dan P. Weaver, a neighbor. Bishops Noah Bontrager of Howard Co. Indiana, and Sam Yoder, the local bishop, preached in the barn and Ministers Daniel D. Yoder and Daniel M. Wengerd preached in the house. Around 1500 people filed past the coffins at the funeral.

Dan C. Yoders lived on the farm Dan T. Miller had sold them, until 1925. They then sold it to John J. Hersbergers. Dans' intentions were to move to Mexico, but they changed their mind. He then wanted to buy the farm back, but John refused. Dan Yoders then moved to where Harry Y. Yoders now live, along Western Road. John Hersbergers owned the farm until 1953, when their son Jonas acquired it. Jonas' son-in-law Jacob E. Yoder and his wife Mary bought the farm in 1969 and live there now.

The above information about the early Amish in the Mt. Eaton and Wayne County area was given to Jacob E. Yoder in 1987, at the funeral of Mrs. Joni Miller (Yune Lizzie). She was 100 years old when she passed away. Jacob was walking to the cemetery when Dan T. Miller's son Andy came to him and started a conversation. They did not previously know each other. Andy told Jacob that his parents once lived on the farm where the cemetery is

1. This and the following codes are from Gingerich and Kreider, *Amish and Amish Mennonite Genealogies*, 1986 and 2007

2. Listed in Leroy Beachy, *Cemetery Directory of the Amish Community in Eastern Holmes Co.*, 1975, p.p. 12-15

HISTORICAL PROFILE OF MOSES P. BEACHY

By Henry L. Erb

Moses P. Bitshy¹, today spelled Beachy (BC17 in Gingerich and Kreider, *Amish and Amish Mennonite Genealogies* and #69 in *Memorial History of Peter Bitschy*) was born on October 3, 1790 to Peter Bitschy II and Sally (Blauman). Peter and Sally lived on the old Beachy farm in Somerset County, Pennsylvania. This farm lies along the Maryland state line and is located about two miles north of Grantsville, Maryland. The town Springs, Pennsylvania lies just off the northwest corner of this farm.

Moses was child number seven of twelve children born to Peter and Sally. When Moses was in his teens, his mother died. Peter remarried, to a Barbara (last name unknown). Together they had one more child. Moses grew to adulthood in Somerset County.

By 1809-1810 a fever to move to Ohio was sweeping through Somerset County. By 1810 four young couples left Somerset County for Ohio, probably all known to Moses Beachy. It is not known when Moses first arrived in Holmes County, Ohio. It is presumed he was among the large group that came back to Holmes County in early 1814 after the 1813 Indian scare, when many early settlers had briefly left their homes in the Walnut Creek Valley. At this time in Somerset County, ten children of the family of John (Hannas) Miller were left orphans when their parents passed on in the early 1800s. Their uncle Jacob Stutzman was appointed guardian over the younger children, including a daughter named Elizabeth (b. 3-16-1789). She is believed to also have arrived in Holmes

County in 1814. With her inheritance money she purchased a quarter section of land (QS 21 SW, T9, R5), today owned by Nelson W. Beachy, located off SR 39 south of Walnut Creek, Ohio. A photocopy of this deed can be seen in *Historical Album of Charm, Ohio*, Vernon Miller, 1995, p. 46.

It is not known whether Moses and Elizabeth had been seeing each other in Somerset Co. Nevertheless, in December of 1814 they were married by Bishop Jacob Stutzman, who had been Elizabeth's guardian in her youth. By the end of 1814, all of Elizabeth's brothers and sisters either lived in the new settlement or owned land there. Her younger brother Solomon was killed in a tree cutting accident in 1814 on her brother Isaac's homestead.

In 1815 the Amish church was in need of a minister and young Moses Beachy was ordained through the lot in the Walnut Creek District. A few years later he was ordained bishop. Not much is known of his life as a bishop in the church, except records show that he attended a *Diener-Versammlung* (Ministers Meeting) in Wayne County in 1831. The meeting was held concerning the issue of rebaptism and the Somerset Co. ministers' position of supporting it.²

Moses Beachy may have been sick or recognized that he may not have many days left in this life when he wrote

1. Various spelled Bitshy, Bitschy, Beechy, and Beachy in the documents this information is taken from.

2. Leroy Beachy, *Unser Leit*, 2011, Vol. 1, pp. 334-335

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located. Jake answered, "That is where we live!" Then Andy related the above information (and more) to him. Andy remembered moving to their new home, riding in a box wagon, when he was three years old.

In early 1910, there were seven Amish Church districts in Holmes and surrounding counties. The eighth came later, in 1910, when the Mt. Hope district divided. Sam

Yoder was bishop there. The dividing line was TR 606. Sam Yoder lived along TR 606 at that time, but on the south side, the first farm west of the "Dublin" crossroad (the intersection of TR 606 and TR 652). Sam had oversight of both districts, but considered the North District his home district. Later he moved north several miles. The district south of TR 606 remained the Mt. Hope district. Abe S. Yoder was ordained bishop in this district in 1913. The Mt. Hope district divided again on October 15, 1918, forming the "Valley Church" district, extending east of Mt. Hope to the vicinity of Winesburg.

his will on August 20, 1840. Moses died on September 3, 1840 at the age of 49. His wife Elizabeth may have become sick soon afterwards since by November 17, 1840 a doctor by the name of Thomas Hesson saw her. He had an account due against the estate on the expense list, which shows he called at the Beachy home 14 times between November 17, 1840 and Jan 6, 1841. While the bill is hard to read, it lists house calls and mostly herbs and tinctures as treatment. On January 7, 1841 Elizabeth Beachy died at the age of 51 years. The three oldest children were married by this time. The youngest, Susanna, was 12 years old. Magdalena had just turned 14. Their brother Benjamin became guardian over them, according to the estate papers. Between the death of Moses and Elizabeth, their son-in-law Jonathan Troyer also passed away, causing many sorrows for the Beachy family during this time.

Moses appears to have been a prosperous farmer, buying and selling numerous sections of land. In 1815 he owned the NW part of QS 7, T8, R5, located on the eastern edge of Charm, Ohio.³ In 1820 Moses bought the quarter section lying south of the land he lived on. Also, on March 22, 1834 Moses bought two quarter sections of land along the Berlin-Millersburg road. About six weeks later he sold a section of this land, the SE QS 14, T9, R6, to Isaac Miller for \$625. Later, in his will he says that his son Moses shall have the right to buy the southwest quarter section of this land.

Twelve children, five sons and seven daughters, were born to Moses and Elizabeth Beachy. All grew to adulthood and married. The oldest children were twins. Following is a profile of each child.

1.) Abraham, a twin, was born November 26, 1815 and married Elizabeth Troyer on June 6, 1837. She was born December 9, 1818 to David Troyer and Barbara Schrock. They had no children. Abraham died on February 2, 1902 at age 86. Elizabeth, or Lizzie as she was known, died a year later on February 20, 1903. They lived near Baltic, Ohio and are buried in the family cemetery on the farm they lived on. His obituary states that Abraham was an honest, upright, and well-liked citizen.⁴ His funeral was one of the largest in the area at that time.

2.) Sarah was also born on November 26, 1815, being a twin to Abraham. She was married to Jonathan C. Yoder, who was the son of Deacon Christian Yoder and Anna Hershberger. Jonathan died on September 2, 1870

and is buried on the cemetery on the Christian Yoder farm. Sarah died February 10, 1892, according to the record of Cemetery L-26 in the Cemetery Directory,⁵ and is buried in a neighboring cemetery. Cemetery L-27, where Jonathan is buried, is at a wet spot on a hillside and therefore is no longer used.

3.) Veronica (or Fannie) was born on December 28, 1816. She married Jonathan Troyer, who was born June 25, 1811 to David Troyer and Barbara Schrock. He died on November 27, 1840, shortly after Moses Beachy, and is buried in Cemetery O-23 on their home farm, located north of Baltic, Ohio. Three sons were born to them, with the last one being born after Jonathan's death. On December 25, 1843 she was married again by Bishop Levi Miller to Andrew Raber. He was born in Switzerland on November 15, 1821, the son of the 1837 immigrant Jacob Raber and Catherine Egly. Andrew died on March 12, 1907. Veronica died on December 22, 1891 and is also buried in Cemetery O-23. Nine children were born to this second marriage, with six growing to adulthood. Of the three children from the first marriage, the oldest son was Moses K. Troyer, who was well-known in the Walnut Creek area as an excellent carpenter and furniture maker. He was the lead carpenter when they built the Walnut Creek Mennonite Church, where he was a member.

4.) Catherine was born on February 14, 1818. On October 26, 1846 she was married to Moses Kauffman, who was born October 18, 1826, the son of Jacob Kauffman and Rebecca Plank. They moved to Johnson Co., Iowa in 1859. For some reason they sold out and moved to the Arthur, Illinois area in 1868. Moses died there on July 16, 1898 and Catherine on January 31, 1898. They died six months apart. Seven children were born to them.

5.) Moses was born on May 17, 1819. On February 27, 1841 he married Barbara Keim, born February 26, 1822 in Somerset Co. to Nicholas Keim and Catherine Eash. Moses was ordained a minister in the Walnut Creek Amish church district on May 16, 1863, and Bishop on October 16, 1867. Barbara died on Oct. 20, 1880. Moses then married Susanna, the daughter of Daniel Mast and Elizabeth Hostetler. Susanna was previously married twice, to Emanuel Miller and to Michael Miller.

Moses and Barbara lived a mile or so southwest of the old Beachy farm. Moses P. Beachy's will stated that Moses was to get the quarter section of land along the

3. Vernon Miller, *Historical Album of Charm*, 1995, p. 50

4. Henry Yoder, *Amish Obituaries of Holmes County*, 2011, p. 49

5. Leroy Beachy, *Cemetery Directory of the Amish Community in Eastern Holmes Co.*, 1975, pp. 99,100. All following references to cemeteries are from this source.

Berlin- Millersburg road. He received the deed to this land on April 17, 1844 and on December 29, 1846 he sold it to Cowan Washington for \$675.

Moses and Barbara had eleven children, four sons and seven daughters. Three died young and the rest grew to adulthood and married. There is an *Ausbund* songbook at the Ohio Amish Library with Barbara Keim's signature on the fly leaf along with some fraktur writing.

6.) Benjamin was born on May 27, 1820. He was married on April 26, 1843 to Veronica V. Hershberger. She was born January 8, 1826 to Henry Hershberger and Catherine Hochstetler. Two daughters were born to them and Veronica died on October 30, 1850. Benjamin married again, to Veronica Raber, born in Switzerland on September 7, 1829 to 1837 immigrant Jacob Raber and Catherine Egly. They lived on the old Beachy home farm. Ten more children were born to them. Two sons, Andrew and Eli, were killed in February, 1882 when a sawmill boiler engine exploded in the Walnut Creek bottom. They are buried in the Beachy cemetery, L-21. A family history on this family was published in 1950 by William D. Beachy.

7.) Anna was born on February 14, 1882, and was married June 2, 1841 to Abraham Mast. He was born December 31, 1820 to Jacob Mast and Elizabeth Yoder. They lived on Abraham's home farm, which was just up the valley from Anna's home, towards Walnut Creek. In later years Abraham was the community doctor. He was also ordained a minister in the Amish church in 1847. When the Amish church experienced a division in the 1860s, Abraham cast his lot with the Amish-Mennonites, which became the Walnut Creek Mennonite Church. Abraham died on June 8, 1898 and Anna on June 5, 1903. They both are buried in the Walnut Creek Mennonite Cemetery. They had eighteen children. A family history of this family was published by Eileen Yoder in 2005.

8.) David, born on May 5, 1823, was a twin to Peter. He was married on April 18, 1844 to Judith Yoder, who was born July 12, 1824 to John Yoder and Elizabeth Gindelsburger. They lived between Berlin and Walnut Creek. David was ordained deacon on November 9, 1857, minister on May 1, 1860, and bishop on October 1, 1870. He is one of few men who served in all three offices. He was probably ordained deacon in the Amish church since the date is before the 1860s division. After David cast his lot with the Amish-Mennonites, he later served as Bishop at Walnut Creek Mennonite. His identical twin Peter was a minister in the Amish church. They looked so nearly alike that many people could not tell them apart, even in

later years. One man heard both of them preach, the one at Walnut Creek Mennonite and the other in the Amish church and could not understand that the same minister would preach at both places. David died on July 5, 1905, and Judith died on November 10, 1905. They had fourteen children.

9.) Peter was born on May 5, 1823, a twin to David. He married April 16, 1844 to Susanna Miller, who was born March 18, 1828 to Jonas and Catherine Hershberger. They lived on a farm north of Baltic, Ohio. Three of Moses Beachy's children: Abraham, Veronica, and Peter all lived neighbors to each other. Peter was ordained minister on October 18, 1859 in the Amish church. He died on December 29, 1911 and Susanna died on July 11, 1902. They are buried in Cemetery O-34. They had nine children, of whom two died young. One son, Noah P., served in the ministry for 64 years. A family history of this family was published in 1971 by Henry J. Schrock.

10.) Elizabeth, born on August 25, 1825, was married on November 20, 1845 to David A. Troyer. He was born on May 12, 1827 to Andrew Troyer and Magdalena Hochstetler. They lived on a farm south of Charm, Ohio. In April 1848 he was ordained minister and in November, 1849 as bishop in the Amish church. David wrote some admonitions which were published thirteen years after his death in a booklet called *Hinterlassene Schriften*. An English edition called *The Writings of David A. Troyer* is still in print today.

David died on January 7, 1906 and Elizabeth on March 5, 1918. Both are buried on the farm on which they lived, in Cemetery O-5. They had four children. Her obituary as found in *Amish Obituaries of Holmes County*, says that Elizabeth had fallen several weeks before her death resulting in a broken hip. A week later she suffered a stroke, from which she did not recover. For her funeral she was dressed in the white cape and apron which she had worn at her wedding day 72 years earlier.

11.) Magdalena, born January 4, 1827, was married on February 23, 1845 to Isaac Bontrager, born March 10, 1822. He was the son of Christian Bontrager and Elizabeth (?). They lived near Berlin, Ohio and had a family of thirteen children, of which two died young. Isaac died on March 8, 1911 and Magdalena on January 6, 1904. They are buried in Cemetery L-4.

12.) Susanna was born September 23, 1828 and married Moses J. Miller. They lived between Farmerstown and Sugarcreek. They had eleven children. Moses died on November 14, 1892 and Susanna on December 23, 1898.

THE DEED OF MOSES BEACHY

In the name of God, Amen: I, Moses Bitshy of Walnut Creek, Holmes County, and State of Ohio, being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind, memory, and understanding (Praised be God for it.), and considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, to the end that I may be the better prepared to leave this world, whenever it shall please God to call me home, do therefore make and declare this my last will and testament in the manner following, that is to say:

First and principally, I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, my Creator, hoping for free pardon and remission of all my sins, and to enjoy everlasting happiness in the Heavenly Kingdom through Jesus Christ, my Saviour. My body I commit to the earth from whence it came, to be buried in a Christian-like manner.

Second, I order that my just debts, with the funeral expenses be duly paid.

Third, It is my will that my surviving wife, Elizabeth, shall keep house with my children, and farm the place and raise my children until my youngest sons, David and Peter, arrive at their lawful age of twenty-one years. And when she gives up housekeeping, my executors, hereafter named, shall sell all the moveable property, to the best advantage, except such property as will hereafter be reserved for my widow for her own use. Namely being the house clock, two hundred dollars in money, cooking and kitchen furniture, as much as she needs for her own use and two cows as long as she can or will milk them.

Fourth, I bequeath and make over to my son Moses, one quarter section of land, being the quarter lying between Berlin and Millersburg in Holmes County, for which said quarter he is to allow (give) six hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Fifth, It is my will that my son Benjamin and either my sons David or Peter shall have the place on which we reside at present, being part of two quarter (sections), and likewise the forty acres I own out of the quarter (section) I sold to my son Abraham. Which three tracts of land, after my widow gives up housekeeping, shall be appraised by five disinterested neighbors on a reasonable sum as the time will allow. And eight hundred dollars of said sum shall stand unpaid during the natural life of my widow and the balance to be paid in reasonable yearly payments.

Sixth, It is my will that my surviving wife shall have possession of the small lower room in the new house, which is to be finished off in a complete manner, fit for an old person to live, which she is to have for her residence during her lifetime, or as long as she remains my widow. She is to be supported by those who take the

place, in health and sickness, that is to say, in bread, meat, firewood, clothing or in any other needs whatsoever in a Christian-like manner. If my widow should die before the place is appraised, in such case it shall be appraised together and reasonable yearly payments be made. In all cases the eight hundred dollars aforesaid shall be paid out in reasonable yearly payments.

Further, I appoint my two trusty friends, Jacob Stutzman, and Solomon Keim to be my Executors, of all my estate and empower and authorize them to sign and seal any deed or deeds to my heirs, which shall be as lawful as if I had done it with my own hand.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the twentieth day of August in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty.

his
Moses X Bitshy
mark

Signed, sealed, and acknowledged by the Testator in the presence of the subscribers, as his last will and testimony.

Witnesses: Elias Beachy
David Miller
Yost Miller

A.B. Further, It is my will that if any of my children should marry while my widow is housekeeping, then she shall assist them in money or property, if she can, and the Executors shall keep an account of this, so that all my children draw alike.

Attested: his
Elias Beachy Moses X Bitshy
David Miller mark
Yost Miller

APPRAISAL OF REAL ESTATE

The State of Ohio, Holmes Co.

To Emanuel Miller, Isaac Miller, Michael Troyer, John Schrock, and Yost Miller, of the Township of Walnut Creek in said county. You are hereby appointed to appraise, on affirmation, the estate and effects of Moses Beachy, late of Walnut Creek Township, deceased. When you have performed that service you will deliver this order and your work in pursuance thereof to Solomon Keim and Jacob Stutzman, Executors of said Deceased, that they may copy and return the same to the Court of Common Pleas of Holmes County. Given under my hand this 7th day of March 1844. - Wm. Ervin, Justice of Peace

RESPONSE OF THE APPRAISERS

We, the undersigned, Emanuel Miller, Isaac Miller, Michael Troyer, John Schrock, and Yost Miller, do hereby certify that in pursuance of the above order, have viewed and appraised Moses Beachy's real estate at the following rates, to wit:

1.) The old part of the farm containing 138 acres at twenty dollars per acre, which will amount to twenty seven hundred and sixty dollars. Three hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents is to be deducted to the one who takes that part, for his share out of the two tracts of the old place. And two hundred and seventy-two dollars and twenty-five cents in cash allowance, which will in all make six hundred dollars. Which will leave a balance of twenty-one hundred sixty dollars, which is to be paid in the following manner, that is to say, one hundred dollars on the first day of April, 1845, from then for three years annually one hundred dollars. And then one hundred and sixty until paid.

2.) Part of the old place containing 138 acres at eight dollars and fifty cents per acre, amounting to eleven hundred and seventy-three dollars and fifty cents. Three hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents is to be deducted for the one who takes that part, for his share of the two tracts, which will leave a balance of eight hundred and forty-five and twenty-five cents. Which is to be paid as follows, that is to say, fifty dollars on the first day of April, 1846, from then yearly, fifty dollars until two hundred dollars are paid and then yearly eighty dollars and ninety-one cents until paid.

3.) This is a tract of 40 acres adjoining the land of Abraham Beachy, valued at eleven dollars and fifty cents per acre, which will amount to four hundred and sixty dollars, of which forty-six dollars is to be paid on the first day of April 1845, and so yearly until paid.

Given under our hands this 8th day of March, AD 1844

Appraisers: Emanuel Miller
Isaac Miller
Michael Troyer
John Schrock
Yost Miller

ESTATE SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS

LIST OF SALES OF GRAIN AND HAY FOR THE YEARS 1841, 1842, AND 1843 OF THE ESTATE OF MOSES BEACHY, DECEASED

Jonas Lohr - one ton of hay	6.75
Thomas Inks- one ton of hay	6.00
Jackson Meony- half ton of hay	3.50
Lewis Heafer- one ton of hay	7.00
Thomas Inks- three bushels of oats	.75
Nicholas Noel- one stack of hay	30.00
Levi Caskey- sundries	1.80
David Holly- half bushel of clover seed	1.25
Solomon Keim- 50 bushels of oats @ 25 per bu.	12.50
Solomon Keim- 12 bushels of oats @ 20 per bu.	2.40
Benjamin Beachy-6 bushels corn@ 37½ c.per bu.	2.25
Benjamin Beachy-5 bushels oats @ 25 c. per bu.	1.25
William Summerlot- ton & three quarters of hay	7.00
Sold to Drovers- one dollar worth of hay	1.00
Sold to Drovers- 8 bushels of ear corn @ 12½ cts	1.00
Sold to Drovers-Seven dozen of oats in the sheaves	1.26
James Haynes- one ton of hay	7.00
Thomas Inks- one ton of hay	3.50
Thomas Inks- one half ton of hay	2.00
Sold wheat to the amount of 118.92½, being two	
years' crop	118.92½
Sold one hundred bushels of oats at 20 c. per bu.	20.00
Sold ten bushels of oats at 15 c. per bu.	1.50
Benj. Beachy- one side of harness leather	2.78
David Beachy- one side of upper leather	1.85
Stephen Troyer 18 bushels of rye, 37 cts. per bu.	6.66
David Keim- 25 bushels of oats @ 25 cts. per bu.	6.25
John Aishe- 25 bushels of oats @ 22½ c. per bu.	5.62½
John Aishe- 25 bushels of oats @ 24½ c. per bu.	6.12½
William Ervin- 25 bushels oats @ 24½ c. per bu.	6.12½
Abraham Mast- 36 bushels oats @ 24½ c. per bu.	8.82
M. Beachy- one lot of hay	5.44
L. L. Miller- one ton of hay	2.20
Benj. Beachy- one ton of hay	2.35
Abraham Mast- one stack of hay	9.31
Abraham Beachy-one stack of hay	5.87
Samuel Aishe-one stack of hay	3.02
Sold wheat to the amount of-	3.23
Peter Beachy-6 bushels of wheat @ 69 c. per bu	4.14
	375.43

NOTES AND BOOK ACCOUNTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF MOSES BITSHY, DECEASED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

Note against Abraham Bitshy, due on the first day of April, 1845	125.00
Note against Abraham Bitshy, due on the first day of April, 1846	125.00
Note against Abraham Bitshy, due on the first day of April, 1847	125.00

Note against Abraham Bitshy, due on the first day of April, 1848	125.00
Note against John & Henry Shrock, due on the seventeenth day of December, 1841	53.00
Note against Jacob Gingerich, due on the 20th day of October, 1839	40.00
Interest on Jacob Gingerich note	8.50
Note on demand against N. Noel	3.60
Book account against Jonathan Troyer	254.00
Book account against Frederick Helmuth	12.98
Book account against John Mast for 5 bu. wheat	5.00
Book account against Moses Hochstetler	3.50
Book account against Jonathan Kaser	1.12
By an article of Solomon Keim, due April 1, 1842	30.50
By an article of Solomon Keim, due April 1, 1843	30.50
By an article of Solomon Keim, due April 1, 1844	<u>30.50</u>
	941.20

Yost Millers
John Shrock Appraisers
Moses Miller

LIST OF RECEIPTS (of expenses) OF THE ESTATE OF MOSES BEACHY, DECEASED

A. G. Dimmock for executors notice	1.25
Moses Houghamel-counsel fees	1.00
Henry Hershberger- account	1.60
Benjamin Harmon- account	3.45
Joseph Shrock- clerking fees	5.00
Christian Yoder-account	2.00
Elias Hochstetler for crying sale, 2 days	6.96
R. R. Enos- clerk fees	5.00
John Dunn- Balance on note	6.63
Nathan Cordray- account (one wheel)	3.62
Jonathan Price for plastering house	15.00
Ephraim Middaugh for medicine	.50
L. Carns for tax for 1841	7.70
Thomas Hesson- doctor bill	41.12
L. Carns for tax for 1842	7.70
Henry Lohr- account	1.10
John Yoder for burning lime	.75
Abraham Faith for qualifying appraisers	.62
John Shrock for school house tax	6.11
L. Carns for tax for 1843	17.95
Michael Yoder for thrashing wheat	2.17
Christian Sipe- his account (2 bu. buckwheat)	1.12
Yost Miller for writing deeds and notes	4.00
Emanuel Miller for appraising property- 2days	2.00
Isaac Miller for appraising property- 2 days	2.00
Michael Troyer for appraising property- 2 days	2.00
John Shrock for appraising property- 2 days	2.00

Moses Beachy for work over age- 8 months	67.00
Katharine Kaufman (late Katharine Beachy) for labor done over age	<u>45.00</u>
	255.92
Refund expense receipts from the heirs	<u>500.00</u>
	755.92

Among the documents found in the Holmes Co. Court House relating to the estate settlement of Moses Beachy are receipts showing that each of the twelve heirs received \$200 on Jan. 11, 1845. The total disbursement was \$2400. Benjamin Beachy received \$600 for the three youngest children, Elizabeth, Magdalena, and Susanna, who were still minors at the time. Benjamin was guardian over them at this time.

LIST OF PROPERTY RECEIVED BY THE HEIRS OF MOSES BEACHY (DECEASED) IN HIS LIFETIME

Abraham Beachy	
for books	3.37
one horse and colt	45.00
one cow and six sheep	18.00
one plough	12.50
one saddle and one bed	21.00
hog and quarter beef	5.50
twelve bushel oats	3.75
one chest	<u>3.00</u>
	112.12
Sally Beachy	
for books	3.37
1 bed and saddle and bridle	28.00
3 cows and 5 sheep	40.00
1 mare	38.00
3 hogs	2.00
In money	149.90
1 chest	<u>7.00</u>
	267.77
Fanny Beachy	
2 cows and 5 sheep	30.00
1bed, saddle and bridle	20.00
1 chest and cow	17.00
12 bushels oats	3.75
1 hog and quarter of beef	8.00
1 hog and pigs	2.50
Sundries and cubbard	18.00
In money and in work	<u>150.00</u>
	262.62

Katharina Beachy	
1 bed and 1 sheet	20.00
1 saddle	13.00
2 cows and heifer	30.00
for books	<u>4.62</u>
	67.62
Moses Beachy	
for books	2.62
1 horse	40.00
1 bed and chest	15.50
1 saddle	10.00
1 cow	<u>11.00</u>
	77.12
Benjamin Beachy	
for books	1.75
1 bed and chest	<u>15.00</u>
	16.75
Anna Beachy	
for books	4.75
1 bed and chest	21.00
2 cows and 1 heifer	<u>30.00</u>
	55.75
David Beachy	
2 books	3.56
Peter Beachy	
2 books	1.00
Elizabeth Beachy	
2 books	1.00
Magdalena Beachy	
2 books	7.00
Susanna Beachy	
2 books	<u>1.00</u>
	13.56

Following are several documents found in the Holmes Co. Court House relating to the appraisal and sale of the chattel and inventory of Moses Beachy. They seem to have been written by the clerk of courts, who wrote that the documents were sworn to by the signers. However the documents themselves say that they "solemnly affirm," which is more in keeping with the practice and beliefs of the Anabaptists and Amish, who avoided using the oath to confirm statements.

The State of Ohio, Holmes County

We, Jacob Stutzman and Solomon Keim do hereby solemnly affirm that the foregoing inventory is in all respects just and true, that it contains a true statement of all the estate and property of Moses Bitshy, deceased, which has come to the knowledge of us, and particularly, of all money, bank bills, or other circulating medium, belonging to the deceased, and of all just claims of the deceased, against us or either of us or other persons.

Sworn and subscribed before
me this 29th day of March,
A.D. 1841

Solomon Keim
Jacob Stutzman

R. K. Enos, clerk

The State of Ohio, Holmes County

We, Jacob Stutzman and Solomon Keim do solemnly affirm that this , the foregoing sale list, is in all respects correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Sworn and submitted before
me on this 29th day of May
A.D. 1841

Solomon Keim
Jacob Stutzman

R. K. Enos, Clerk

I do hereby certify that the foregoing us a true list of the property of Moses Beachy, deceased, sold by Solomon Keim and Jacob Stutzman, Executors.

Joseph Shrock, Clerk at Auction

Following is an inventory of the goods and chattels of Moses Bitshy, late of Walnut Creek Township, deceased, taken in view and appraised by Yost Miller, Moses Miller, and John Shrock, the 29th day of March, A.D. 1841.

AUCTION RECORD

List of property of Moses Bitshy, deceased, sold by Solomon Keim and Jacob Stutzman on the first and second days of April A.D. 1841.

On credit of nine months.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Appraisal</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Price</u>
1. 10 milk crocks	.30	Moses Beachy	.25
2. 22 sugarwater crocks	1.10	Abraham Bitshey	.87
3. 8 painting or oil crocks	.18	Benjamin Beachy	.14
4. 1 weaving box	.10	Jacob Gingerich	.01
5. 1 watering pot	.12	Benjamin Bitshy	.12
6. 2 meat chopers	.50	Abraham Bitshy	.42
7. 1 box with old sundries	.37	Jonathan Yoder	.31
8. 1 maddox	.75	Fred Otzenberger	1.15
9. 1 butter churn	1.00	Veronica Troyer	1.96
10. 1 old crosscut saw	1.00	Henry Hershberger	2.50
11. 1 old maddox	.25	John J. Miller	1.00
12. 1 coffee browner	.50	David Weaver	.70
13. 1 iron pot with oil	1.00	Benjamin Bitshy	1.40
14. 5 old sickles	.20	Moses Bitshy	1.35
15. 5 old sickles	.25	Goodfry Smith	.70
16. 2 old scythes	.12	Gabriel Christner	.18
17. 1 old scythe	.75	Fred Otzenberger	.65
18. d.o.	.75	Jacob Gingerich	1.00
19. d.d.	.25	Goodfry Smith	.80
20. 1 dung fork	.37	John Kipfer	.42
21. d.o.	.18	Sam Hochstetler	.25
22. d.o.	.12	Sam Hochstetler	.75
23. d.o.	.37	Christian Hershberger	.60
24. 2 hayforks	.25	Moses Bitshy	.50
25. 1 hayfork	.37	Benjamin Bitshy	.37
26. d.o.	.25	David J. Hochstetler	.45
27. 1 shovel	.25	Moses Bitshy	.30
28. 1 garden hoe	.20	Noah Miller	.29
29. 2 garden hoes	.25	David H. Hochstetler	.56
30. 1 shingle punch	.12	Samuel Kulp	.12
31. 1 old axe	.30	Benjamin Bitshy	1.06
32. 1 old box with old iron	.37	Benjamin Bitshy	.25
33. d.o.	.25	Christian Hochstetler	.20
34. 1 lot of rings	.50	Moses Bitshy	.35
35. 6 horseshoes	.62	Benjamin Bitshy	.90
36. 1 axe	.75	David D. Miller	.25
37. d.o.	.75	Fred Otzenberger	1.12
38. 6 pounds iron	.36	Moses Bitshy	.37
39. 1 pair Steelyards	.60	Jonas Hershberger	.90
40. d.o.	2.00	Peter Otzenberger	2.50
41. 1 apple pairing machine	.50	David Troyer	.37
42. 1 basket	.50	Benjamin Bitshy	.60
43. 1 log chain	1.85	Moses Bitshy	2.18
44. 1 box with sundries	.40	(no sale)	
45. 1 iron wage	.30	David Weaver	.40
46. 1 fifth chain	1.00	David Weaver	.56
47. 1 piece of bridle	.11	Peter Otzenberger	.39
48. 1 old drawknife	.40	(no sale)	
49. 1 old handsaw	.75	Benjamin Bitshy	.57
50. 1 Tennant saw	.36	Benjamin Bitshy	1.13
51. 1 Tennant saw	1.00	John Kipfer	1.00
52. 1 stake & piece of firetong	.25	Christian Buckley	.31
53. 1 split iron	.75	Jacob E. Miller	1.00
54. 2 hackles	1.25	Isaac Hochstetler	1.06
55. 3 planes	1.25	Yost D. Miller	1.60
56. 1 drawknife	.80	Samuel Weaver	.50
57. d.o.	.20	Moses Bitshy	1.06
58. 1 square, 2 chisels & rasp	1.00	Yost D. Miller	.71
59. 1 wimble bit on brace	.65	Stephen Yoder	.76
60. 1 square compass & spike gimblet	.75	Benjamin Bitshy	1.60
61. 1 auger	.50	Moses Bitshy	.70
62. d.o.	.65	Josiah Close	.69
63. 3 augers	.37	David H. Hochstetler	.62
64. 1 whetstone	.12	Nicholas Keim	.17
65. doughtrough	.50	Andrew Regenold	.37
66. doughtrough with shorts	.15	Moses Bitshy	.12
67. 1 hatchet	.50	Moses Bitshy	.75
68. 1 cow bell	.75	Jacob E. Miller	.96
69. 1 little box with nails	.12	Jacob Yoder	.13
70. 1 shoemakers bench with tools	1.75	Benjamin Bitshy	1.13
71. 1 keg with vinegar	.75	Moses Bitshy	.89
72. 1 old keg with sundries	.06	Benjamin Bitshy	.07
73. 1 pair of saddlebags	1.50	Isaac Hochstetler	2.50
74. 1 lot of shoemakers lasts	.75	Paul Hershberger	.68
75. 1 lot of shoemakers lasts	.75	Solomon Keim	.44
76. 1 chimney chain	.40	Benjamin Bitshy	.25
77. 1 old saddle	.50	Moses Bitshy	.30
78. 1 old spinning wheel	.12	Benjamin Bitshy	.08
79. d.o.	.30	Yost D. Miller	1.00
80. d.o.	.31	Caspar Shrock	1.56
81. d.o.	.75	Jonathan Yoder	2.20
82. d.o.	1.00	Gabriel Hershberger	2.06
83. 1 old pigshead	.30	Jacob Yoder	.20
84. d.o.	.60	Joseph D. Hochstetler	2.20
85. 2 sheep skins	.30	Jonathan Yoder	.87
86. 1 piece of harness leather	.50	Caspar Shrock	.76
87. 1 lot-pieces of leather	1.37	Jeremiah Miller	1.38
88. 1 work bench	.50	Solomon Keim	.52
89. 1 bag with clover seed	3.37	Benjamin Harmon	4.62
90. 1 bag with flax seed	.70	Goedfry Smith	1.41
91. 1 bag with rye seed	.75	Abraham Bitshy	.90
92. 1 bag with oil meal	.30	Moses Bitshy	.39
93. 1 cupboard	4.00	Benjamin Bitshy	4.50
94. 2 split bottom chairs	.20	Joseph D. Hochstetler	.25
95. d.o.	.30	Jonathan Yoder	.70
96. d.o.	.25	Jonathan Yoder	.28
97. 1 split bottom chair	.45	Abraham Bitshy	.40
98. d.o.	.30	Yost D. Miller	1.00
99. 5 bushels bottatoes @ 12½	.62½	Christian Burntrager	.65
100. d.o. (potatoes)	.62½	Christian Burntrager	.65
101. d.o.	.62½	David Lucas	.65
102. d.o.	.62½	Elias Hochstetler	.65
103. d.o.	.62½	Jonathan Yoder	.65
104. d.o.	.62½	David Weaver	.65
105. 2 bushel Apples @ 16	.32	Elias Hershberger	.59

106. 2 bushels Apple @ 16	.32	Valentine Easterday	.59	162. 1 tun of hay 1st quality	3.00	Jacob Gingerich	2.56
107. d.o.	.32	Abraham Fath	.46	163. d.o.	3.00	Jacob D. Hochstetler	2.57
108. d.o.	.32	Abraham Fath	.46	164. d.o.	3.00	Christian Hochstetler	2.40
109. d.o.	.32	Noah Miller	.42	165. d.o.	3.00	Samuel Lint	2.25
110. d.o.	.32	Samuel Hill	.36	166. tun of hay, more or less	3.00	Christian Stout	2.00
111. d.o.	.32	Samuel Hill	.38	167. 1 tun of hay 2nd quality	2.50	Abraham Fath	1.75
112. 22 milk crocks	.88	Benjamin Bitshy	1.56	168. d.o.	2.50	John Troyer	1.85
113. 1 whiskey barrel	.40	Jonathan Yoder	.63	169. d.o.	2.50	Jacob Kint	1.95
114. 1 old table	.75	Moses Bitshy	.87	170. d.o.	2.50	Jacob Stutzman	1.75
115. 1 crock with lard	.25	Benjamin Bitshy	.02	171. 1 very old windmill	1.00	Daniel Lebengood	1.62
116. d.o.	.25	Moses Bitshy	.19	172. 1 bag with 4 bu. rye	1.00	Benjamin Bitshy	.81
117. d.o.	.25	Christian Stout	.30	173. 1 bag with 3 bu. rye	.75	Benjamin Bitshy	1.06
118. d.o.	.25	Benjamin Bitshy	.22	174. 1 bag with 3 bu. rye	.75	Joseph D. Hochstetler	.90
119. d.o.	.25	Christian Stout	.12	175. 1 oats chest	.50	Benjamin Bitshy	.12
120. 1 tub with lard	2.00	John Kipfer	1.00	176. 1 half bushel measure	.25	Moses Bitshy	4.68
121. d.o.	1.60	Moses Bitshy	1.25	177. 1 set horse geers	7.00	Benjamin Bitshy	4.68
122. 1 iron with lard	.50	Christian Stout	.40	178. d.o. (harness)	6.00	Moses Bitshy	5.25
123. 1 keg and tallow	.80	Samuel Hill	.81	179. d.o.	2.00	Moses Bitshy	3.75
124. 1 little wagon	.30	George Kulp	27.75	180. d.o.	3.50	Abraham Bitshy	1.43
125. 1 old wagon	.23	John Lebengood	18.25	181. d.o.	1.50	Benjamin Bitshy	1.12
126. 1 good wagon	.80	Benjamin Bitshy	76.50	182. d.o.	3.50	Moses Bitshy	5.00
127. 1 pair of hay ladders	.30	Moses Bitshy	.25	183. 1 blind bridle	.62	David Weaver	.75
128. 1 plough	6.50	Benjamin Bitshy	7.00	184. d.o.	.75	David Weaver	.75
129. d.o.	6.50	Moses Bitshy	7.00	185. d.o.	.62	Moses Bitshy	1.05
130. d.o.	2.50	Moses Bitshy	1.56	186. d.o.	.75	Benjamin Bitshy	.92
131. 1 harrow	4.00	Jonathan Yoder	4.90	187. d.o.	1.75	Benjamin Bitshy	1.57
132. 1 harrow	4.00	Benjamin Bitshy	4.50	188. d.o.	.56	Moses Bitshy	.37
133. 4 sled runners	.50	Samuel Weaver	.75	189. 1 bagband	.30	Abraham Bitshy	.37
134. 1 Slay	1.50	Abraham Bitshy	1.00	190. 1 curry comb & card	.12	Moses Bitshy	.31
135. 1 tar bucket	.28	Moses Bitshy	.20	191. 1 gray mare	45.00	Christian Mast	55.00
136. 1 pair stretchers	.75	Abraham Bitshy	.90	192. 1 black mare	50.00	Benjamin Bitshy	60.00
137. stretchers with singletree	1.50	Moses Bitshy	2.00	193. 1 gray mare	60.00	Moses Bitshy	70.00
138. 1 old sifter	.12	Joseph D. Hochstetler	.11	194. 1 gray stud	45.00	John Jack	42.50
139. 5 rakes	.30	Moses Bitshy	.60	195. 1 gray mare	46.50	Benjamin Bitshy	49.62
140. 5 wooden forks and flails	.25	Caspar Shrock	.20	196. 1 bay mare	50.00	Moses Bitshy	50.00
141. 1 old flax brake	.15	Benjamin Bitshy	.06	197. 1 black yearling colt	23.00	Isaac Hochstetler	29.00
142. 20 bushels corn in ears	2.00	Moses Bitshy	3.60	198. 2 halter chains	.87	Jeremiah Miller	1.19
143. d.o.	2.00	David H. Hochstetler	3.20	199. 1 halter & cord	.50	Peter Otzenberger	.56
144. 16 bushels corn in ears	2.00	David H. Hochstetler	3.10	200. 1 wheel barrow	1.00	Jonathan Yoder	2.00
145. -----				201. 1 cow-white back	8.00	Benjamin Bitshy	7.75
146. 1 cutting box	2.00	Noah Miller	1.70	202. 1 cow-white face	9.00	Benjamin Bitshy	11.06
147. 1 cutting knife	.37	Christian Hochstetler	.25	203. 1 red-white face	9.00	Jacob Hershberger	8.50
148. 1 windmill	16.50	Benjamin Bitshy	17.50	204. 1 cow-one horned	8.50	Christian Buckley	12.00
149. 1 lot of rye straw	.50	Nicholas Keim	.13	205. 1 cow-red, white back	9.00	Lewis Mackinzie	8.12
150. 50 bu. of wheat @ 44¢	22.00	Moses Bitshy	24.00	206. 1 cow & calf	8.00	Moses Bitshy	9.75
151. d.o.	22.00	Solomon Keim	24.50	207. 1 brown cow & calf	6.00	Joseph Diehl	8.00
152. d.o.	22.00	Jacob Wirtz	23.50	208. 1 cow & calf	6.00	Godlieb Unselt	9.00
153. 30 bu. of wheat				209. 1 red cow	7.00	Christian Buckley	9.00
more or less	13.20	Solomon Keim	15.00	210. 1 black heifer	5.50	Joseph Diehl	7.50
154. 50 bu. of oats @ 13¢	6.50	Nicholas Keim	9.00	211. 1 young cow & calf	6.00	Joseph Diehl	6.00
155. d.o.	6.50	Adam Brezious	9.00	212. 1 black heifer-white head	5.00	Samuel Dietz	8.25
156. d.o.	6.50	Nicholas Keim	7.50	213. 1 bull	5.00	Jacob Dietz	5.00
157. d.o.	6.50	Christian Hochstetler	7.50	214. 1 black steer-white head	6.00	Joseph Diehl	6.37
158. d.o.	6.50	Frederick Hofman	9.50	215. 1 red steer	6.00	David D. Yoder	6.87
159. lot of oats, more or less	5.20	Jacob Kint	8.00	216. 1 red steer	6.50	Joseph Diehl	6.81
160. 1 tun of hay 1st quality	3.00	George Luke	3.00	217. 1 black spotted steer	6.00	Joseph Diehl	6.00
161. 1 tun of hay 1st quality	3.00	John Troyer	2.87	218. 1 steer	5.50	David D. Yoder	5.00

219. 2 yearling calves	6.00	Moses Bitshy	8.35	272. 2 bags	.50	John Kipfer	.68
220. d.o.	6.00	Benjamin Bitshy	7.56	273. 2 bags	.50	Peter Hershberger	.64
221. d.o.	6.00	Christian Buckley	7.68	274. 2 bags	.50	Michael Wolf	1.25
222. d.o.	6.00	Moses Bitshy	8.12	275. 1 hot iron	.75	Catherina Bitshy	.65
223. d.o.	6.00	David D. Yoder	8.06	276. 1 hot iron	.50	Jonathan Yoder	.68
224. 3 milk calves	2.50	Benjamin Bitshy	5.56	277. 1 duch (dutch) oven	1.75	Moses Bitshy	1.00
225. 2 milk calves	2.25	Christian Buekley	3.43	278. 1 duch oven	1.00	Franny Bitshy	.67
226. 2 milk calves	2.00	Moses Bitshy	2.50	279. 1 skillet	.50	Moses Bitshy	1.00
227. 20 sheep & 13 lambs	26.00	Moses Bitshy	23.25	280. 1 skillet	.36	Catherina Bitshy	.50
228. 16 sheep @ 1.35	21.60	Joseph Hair	27.12	281. 1 coffee can boiler	.87	Catherina Bitshy	.64
229. 8 sheep & 4 lambs	10.00	Emanuel Keim	10.62	282. 1 tin bucket	.25	Benjamin Bitshy	.22
230. 1 sow	3.00	Moses Bitshy	4.00	283. 1 tin bucket	.25	Catherina Bitshy	.32
231. 1 boar	2.00	Benjamin Bitshy	2.06	284. 1 tin bucket	.15	John J. Miller	.29
232. 2 hogs 1st choice	3.00	Benjamin Bitshy	4.75	285. 1 frying pan	.31	John Gofs	.50
233. 2 hogs 2nd choice	3.00	Moses Bitshy	3.62	286. 1 coffee boiler	.45	Moses Bitshy	1.12
234. 2 hogs 3rd choice	2.75	George Luke	3.00	287. 1 quart candle mold	.18	Peter S. Weaver	.35
235. 2 hogs 4th choice	2.25	Daniel Keim	2.25	288. 2 old coffee cans	.20	John Miller	.27
236. 2 hogs 5th choice	3.00	Daniel Keim	3.00	289. 1 horn and 1 can	.20	Moses Bitshy	.54
237. 1 sow with pigs	1.25	Michael Miller	1.06	290. 1 set ladles	.1.50	Isaac Esh	.40
238. 1 sow with pigs	1.00	Moses Bitshy	1.00	291. 1 set ladles	.62	Catherina Miller	1.99
239. 1 sow with pigs	1.00	Jonathan Yoder	.50	292. 1 conk (conch) shell	.40	John Knepp	.75
240. 5 shoats	1.00	Benjamin Bitshy	1.25	293. 1 blowing horn	.25	Catherina Miller	.51
241. 12 acres wheat				294. 1 pewter dish	.75	Emanuel Keim	.85
in ground @ 3.75	45.00	Benjamin Bitshy	36.00	295. 1 pewter dish	.75	Catherina Bitshy	.1.17
242. 12 acres wheat				296. 1 large pewter plate	.62	Jonathan Yoder	.80
in ground @ 4.00	48.00	Moses Bitshy	36.60	297. 2 tin basins and funnel	.15	Benjamin Bitshy	.19
243. 3½ acres wheat				298. 3 tin dishes	.12	Godlieb Unselt	.10
in ground @ 3.00	10.50	Moses Bitshy	10.67	299. 8 tin cups	.25	Benjamin Bitshy	.41
244. 4½ acres rye				300. 8 tin cups	.25	Jonathan Yoder	.36
in ground @ 2.00	9.00	Abraham Bitshy	9.22	301. 4 patty irons	.12	Abraham Bitshy	.20
245. 1 stack of hay	5.00	Simon Keck	4.50	302. 6 plates	.25	Jonathan Yoder	.44
246. 1 old barrel of soap fat	.25	George Luke	.25	303. 6 plates	.37	Catherina Bitshy	.42
247. 1 old barrel with salt	1.38	Yost Yoder	2.01	304. 7 plates	.13	Jonathan Yoder	.13
248. 1 old barrel with flax seed	1.00	Moses Bitshy	1.60	305. 6 pewter plates	1.50	George Luke	1.75
249. 1 old barrel with pease	.75	Joseph Diehl	.89	306. 2 purslain (porcelain)			
250. 1 can with beans	.15	Christian Hochstetler	.12	dishes and 1 earthen	.36	Frany Troyer	.42
251. 1 grindstone	1.00	Moses Bitshy	1.87	307. 2 purslain plates	.36	Catherina Bitshy	.46
252. 1 washing tub	.50	Benjamin Bitshy	.85	308. 1 set cups and saucers	.30	George Luke	.41
253. 1 washing tub	2.75	Moses Bitshy	4.00	309. 1 set cups and saucers	.30	Frany Troyer	.42
254. 1 old little tub	.20	Moses Bitshy	.30	310. 1 tin dish and 1 earthen	.38	Jonathan Yoder	.40
255. 1 cabbage tub	.20	Moses Bitshy	.16	311. 1 coffee pot	.08	Moses Bitshy	.06
256. 1 meat tub	.75	Benjamin Bitshy	.50	312. 1 coffee mill	2.00	Moses Bitshy	2.00
257. 1 iron kettle	3.00	Gabriel Christner	4.06	313. 1 sheep shears	.25	Moses Bitshy	.69
258. 1 iron kettle	2.35	Moses Bitshy	3.62	314. 1 hames	.25	Christian Buckley	.31
259. 1 copper kettle	8.00	Benjamin Bitshy	10.50	315. 1 mouse trap	.20	Samuel Weaver	.26
260. 1 logsled	1.00	Moses Bitshy	1.00	316. 1 wash bench	.63	Moses Bitshy	.25
261. 1 old sled	.10	Peter Otzenberger	.12	317. 1 wash bench	.62	Moses Bitshy	.45
262. 1 old sled	1.50	Benjamin Bitshy	2.00	318. 57# bacon @ 4¢	2.28	James Kuntz	2.85
263. 1 old sled	.75	Moses Bitshy	.50	319. 57# bacon	2.28	James Kuntz	2.85
264. 1 stone sled	.20	Solomon Keim	.10	320. 62# bacon	2.48	James Kuntz	3.10
265. 10 pieces scandling	.75	Samuel Lint	.99	321. 54# bacon	2.16	Alexander Hindman	2.70
266. 1 pile of old boards	1.25	Benjamin Harmon	3.80	322. 56# bacon	2.24	Benedict Mullet	2.80
267. 2 old doors	.25	Henry Stentz	.25	323. 63# bacon	2.52	Christian Hochstetler	2.52
268. 3 bags	.75	Caspar Shrock	.47	324. 53# bacon	2.20	John J. Miller	2.47
269. 2 bags	.50	Caspar Shrock	1.01	325. 54# bacon	2.16	Benedict Mullet	2.42
270. 2 bags	.50	John Kipfer	1.13	326. 65# bacon	2.60	Jonas Stutzman	2.92
271. 2 bags	.50	Caspar Shrock	1.00	327. 68# bacon	2.72	Benjamin Bitshy	2.72

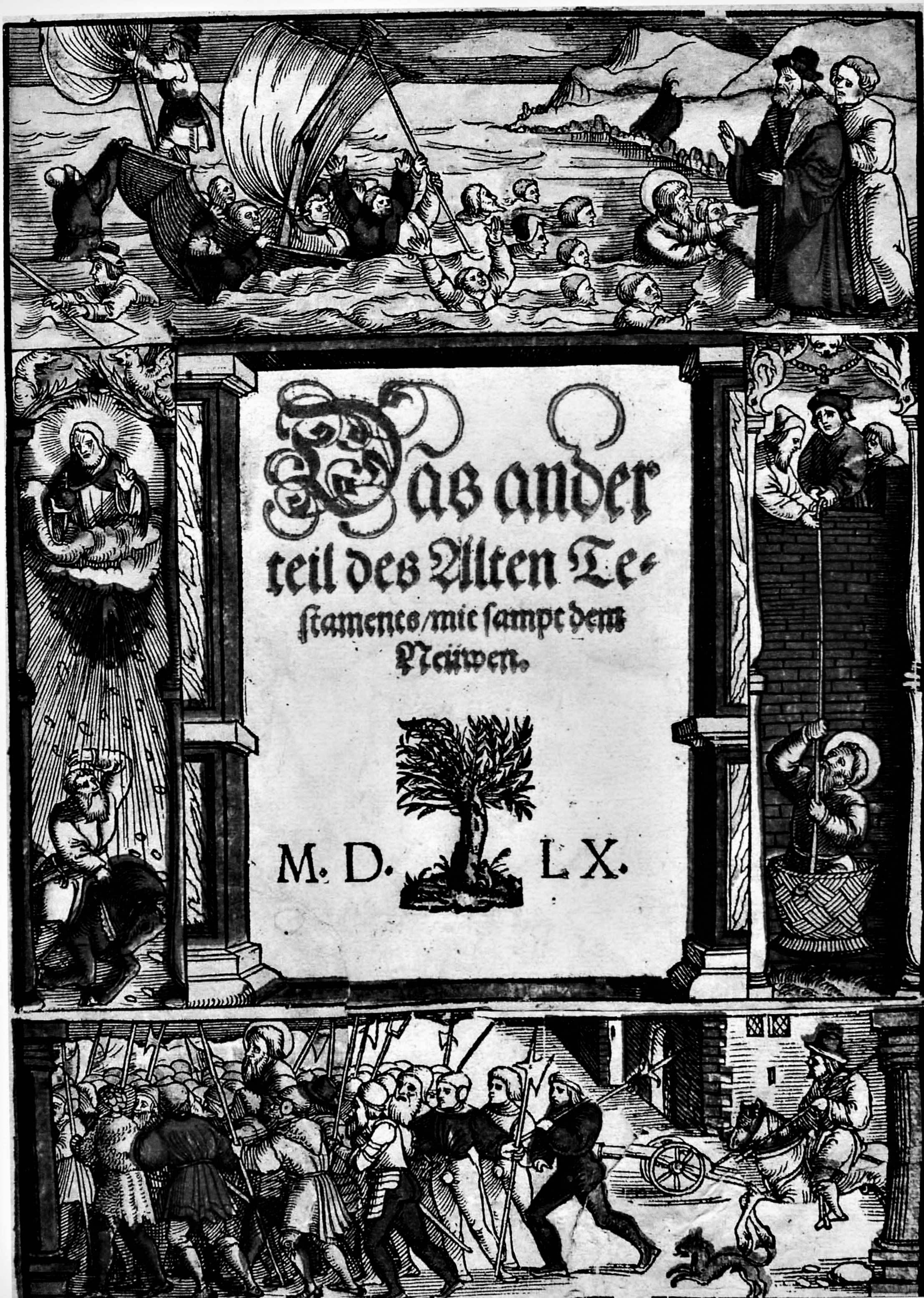
328. 1 oats cradle	3.00	Moses Bitshy	4.00	382. 1 crock with applebutter	.38	George Luke	.41
329. 1 oats cradle	.95	Michael Miller	1.11	383. d.o.	.37	Abraham Bitshy	.41
330. 1 wool wheel	2.25	Moses Bitshy	3.00	384. d.o.	.38	John J. Miller	.41
331. 1 bag with dried peaches	.75	Isaac Esh	1.00	385. d.o.	.37	Yost D. Miller	.38
332. 1 barrel dried peaches	.87	Benedict Mullet	.77	386. d.o.	.38	Elias Hershberger	.38
333. d.o.	1.00	John Joss	.78	387. d.o.	.37	Emanuel Keim	.31
334. d.o.	1.00	Benedict Mullet	1.75	388. d.o.	.38	Emanuel Keim	.40
335. d.o.	1.00	Benedict Mullet	1.80	389. d.o.	.37	John J. Miller	.37
336. 1 barrel dried apples	.60	Elias Hershberger	1.25	390. d.o.	.38	Abraham Bitshy	.40
337. 1 weavers loom with				391. d.o.	.37	John Shrock	.40
tacklings	6.00	Moses Bitshy	8.25	392. d.o.	.60	Yost D. Miller	.60
338. 1 weavers reed & gears	.62	Moses Bitshy	1.00	393. d.o.	.50	Yost D. Miller	.72
339. d.o.	1.50	Joseph Hochstetler	2.37	394. d.o.	.50	Jonathan Yoder	.53
340. d.o.	1.50	Benjamin Bitshy	2.00	395. d.o.	.50	Benjamin Bitshy	.75
341. d.o.	1.50	Christian Hershberger	3.18	396. 2 pear trees	.30	Peter S. Weaver	.62
342. 1 weavers reed	.60	John Walter	1.00	397. d.o.	.30	Gabriel Christner	.65
343. 1 tin plated pipe stove	16.00	John Miller	16.25	398. d.o.	.30	Jonas Stutzman	.62
344. 1 pair weaver brushes	.50	Moses Bitshy	.50	399. d.o.	.30	Peter Hershberger	.52
345. 1 cider barrel	.35	Moses Bitshy	.55	400. d.o.	.30	Emanuel Hershberger	.70
346. 1 cider barrel with cider	1.00	Elias Hershberger	1.18	401. d.o.	.30	Solomon Keim	.66
347. 1 little tub	.12	Jonathan Yoder	.14	402. d.o.	.30	Benjamin Harmon	.75
347. 1 oil keg with oil	3.00	Christian Stout	3.18	403. d.o.	.30	John Miller	.50
348. 1 tomahawk & meat				404. lot small apple trees	1.25	Solomon Keim	2.01
chopper	.25	Abraham Bitshy	.22	405. Kitchen cupboard	5.00	Catherina Bitshy	8.50
349. 1 stove with pipe	16.00	Benjamin Bitshy	17.06	406. 1 wooden bucket	.45	Benjamin Bitshy	.54
350. 1 smoothing iron	.25	Catherina Bitshy	.24	407. 1 basket	.40	Benjamin Gerber	.50
351. 1 eight-day clock	3.00	Moses Bitshy	6.25				
352. 1 table	3.00	Moses Bitshy	3.31			Total	\$1456.97
353. 1 large bottle	.15	Jonathan Yoder	.40				
354. 1 bottle with medicine	.25	Henry Hershberger	.40				
355. 2 bottles with medicine	.25	Elias Hershberger	.33				
356. 2 bottles with medicine	.75	Henry Hershberger	.97				
357. 1 bottle of wintergreen	.75	Samuel Weaver	1.00				
358. 1 bottle of medicine	.75	Jonathan Yoder	1.20				
359. 1 bottle of camphor	.25	Moses Bitshy	.12				
360. 3 knives and 3 forks	.25	Catherina Miller	.32				
361. 1 set knives and forks	1.25	Samuel Weaver	1.50				
362. 2 butcher knives	.30	Moses Bitshy	.43				
363. 6 iron spoons	.40	Jonathan Yoder	.29				
364. 6 pewter spoons	.40	Benjamin Bitshy	.62				
365. 8 pewter spoons	.40	Abraham Bitshy	.88				
366. 1 pair scissors	.35	Abraham Bitshy	.38				
367. 1 bed and bedstead	7.00	Isaac Esh	5.50				
368. 1 blanket	1.00	Alexander Hindman	.70				
369. 1 blanket	1.00	Jonathan Yoder	.68				
370. 1 bag with bed feathers	.50	Jonathan Yoder	.52				
371. 1 pair fire hounds	.50	Jonathan Yoder	.80				
372. 1 bed & bedstead	6.25	Jacob Gingerich	6.06				
373. d.o.	5.50	Gabriel Christner	8.00				
374. d.o.	5.00	Jacob Denzer	6.37				
375. d.o.	2.50	Yost Yoder	3.41				
376. 1 old chest	.50	Jonathan Yoder	.75				
377. 1 crock with apple butter	.37	Isaac Esh	.12				
378. d.o.	.38	Abraham Bitshy	.34				
379. d.o.	.37	Yost D. Miller	.40				
380. d.o.	.38	Gabriel Christner	.35				
381. d.o.	.37	Jonathan Yoder	.40				

LAST FILING

On September 4, 1847, the last filing was made in the Holmes County Common Pleas Court by Solomon Keim, one of the executors. The second executor, Jacob Stutzman, (probably a brother to "Weiss" Jonas Stutzman) is thought to have died before 1850 according to Gingerich and Kreider, *Amish and Amish Mennonite Genealogies*, p. 42. So Stutzman either was deceased by this time, or was not able to participate due to failing health.

Solomon Keim reported to the Court that he had received \$3825.40 worth of assets from the estate of Moses Beachy at the time of the filing. Of this amount, he had disbursed \$3345.19, which included payment of outstanding debts, and a disbursement of \$200 to each of the twelve children. A balance of \$480.21 was remaining, which would be distributed later, as payments for the farm were received from Benjamin Beachy.

The Court approved this filing, and asked \$10 for its services .



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