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#### Preface

HE material in this volume was not gathered and prepared primarily for publication. Some of the maps were started more than twenty-five years ago and have been in the process of completion ever since. They have been compiled as an avocation in a leisurely manner as material was secured and time became available. Had the idea of its publication been originally entertained some minor details would probably have been changed.

Its significance as a much needed reference work for the historian, the genealogist, and the legal profession is the sole excuse for its appearing in print.

The text in this slight volume is supplemented by nine maps. These are fully indexed and contain over five hundred and eighty names of the first and early settlers in the Forks of the Delaware, and should prove a source of information to those interested in their family history.

In most cases the patent or deed reference to the various tracts is given. The outline of the properties and the names of adjoining owners are shown. To those searching title this should be of considerable value.

All of the territory covered was within the original limits of Northampton County. Since portions of this county were taken to form other counties, it so happens that that part of Lehigh County north of the Lehigh River is within the scope of this work.

The two papers included, "The Penn Patents in the Forks of the Delaware," and "Thomas and John Penn Visit the Site of Easton," were read before the Society.

The information herein contained has been secured from various sources. Much data was secured from the offices of the Recorder of Deeds in Philadelphia, Doylestown, and Easton, and the Land Office of the Department of Internal Affairs at Harrisburg. The Moravian Historical Society and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania very kindly gave me access to their records. Many original maps and unrecorded deeds were found and proved of much value.

The kindness of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in lending us the plates from which the engravings of Thomas and John Penn were made is greatly appreciated.

Thanks are due Mr. Henry F. Marx, Librarian of the Society, and the Publications Committee, Mr. Charles P. Maxwell, Mr. David B. Skillman, and Mr. John F. Oldt, for going over the material and making many helpful suggestions, and to Mr. Edward F. Reimer, recent Editor of Literature, General Council, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and Editor, Religion and Welfare Recovery, for generously editing the book and seeing it through the press.

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N March 4th, 1681, "Charles the Second, by the grace of God, King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland," granted to William Penn the charter of the Province of Pennsylvania. Just why this charter was granted is not of particular interest to us in connection with the subject matter of this paper.

The charter did give and grant unto William Penn "an ample colonie unto a certaine Countrey hereinafter described in the partes of America not yet cultivated and planted." The description of the "ample colonie," which included all the islands therein contained, is given in the following words:-"bounded on the East by the Delaware River, from twelve miles distance. Northwarde of New Castle Town unto the three and fortieth degree of Northern Latitude if the said River doth extend soe farre Northwards: but if the said River shall not extend soe farre Northward, then by the said River soe farr as it doth extend, and from the head of the said River the Easterne bounds are to bee determined by a meridian line, to be drawn from the head of the said River unto the said three and fortieth degree, the said lands to extend Westwards, five degrees in longitude, to bee computed from the said Easterne Bounds and the said lands to bee bounded on the North, by the beginning of the three and fortieth degree of Northern latitude and on the south by a circle drawn at twelve miles distance from New Castle Northwards and Westwards unto the beginning of the fortieth degree of Northern Latitude, and then by a straight line Westwards, to the limitt of Longitude above mencenod."

The eastern boundary line of the above described tract coincides with the eastern boundary of the present State of Pennsylvania, but the other boundaries are entirely different. The present northern boundary line of Pennsylvania is the forty-second degree of northern latitude. The forty-third degree passes north of Buffalo and Albany in the State of New York. The southern boundary line is about twenty miles south of the fortieth degree of latitude as given in the charter. The State extends a little farther west than the limits given in the grant.

Consult a map of the State of Delaware and you will see that its northern boundary line is an arc of a circle with Newcastle as a center. This line was determined by the description in the charter. It is interesting to note that this circular line is too far south to intersect the fortieth degree of latitude. So in this respect the description given in the charter was incorrect.

The final location of the boundary lines of the Province, and later of the State, engendered considerable ill feeling and litigation and they were not established until after long drawn out controversies, which will not be touched upon here. It is sufficient to state that the Connecticut claim to a part of the Penn grant extended south to the forty-first degree of latitude; that the Maryland claim extended north to the fortieth degree: and that the present county of Northampton lying between these lines of latitude was not affected by either claim.

In 1681 there were, as is generally agreed, about two thousand inhabitants within the limits of the grant. These were English, Dutch, and Swedes. Some Quakers had crossed the Delaware from West Jersey and had established three meeting houses. All of this population, except a very small portion, hereinafter mentioned, was confined to the southeast corner of the province. No one knows when the first white man entered the empty but beautiful wilderness now called

Northampton County. The spirit of adventure was ever present in the rugged and hardy pioneers, and it is likely that explorations of the upper Delaware by the Swedish and Dutch settlers on the lower part of the river were made before the granting of the charter to William Penn.

The flat lands of the Delaware above the Water Gap. called the Minisink, were settled by the Dutch who migrated westwardly from the Hudson River. The exact date of this settlement is uncertain, but the opinion of those who have studied this question is that this region was settled some time before William Penn first landed in America. Just when the proprietor of the province of Pennsylvania first had knowledge of this development is unknown. Shortly after Penn received his grant the inhabitants on the west side of the river in the upper Delaware Valley must have known that the proprietor of the new province considered them squatters who had no title to the land. In 1685 Thomas Budd published "A true account of Pennsylvania and New Jersey." In this he states that the Indians traveled up and down the Delaware River between the falls (meaning those near Trenton) and their town called Minisink. John Reading, Jr., wrote a diary in 1715 covering his journeys in northern New Jersey. He mentions passing through a cleft in the mountains (Delaware Water Gap) where the Minisink path goes through.

The present County of Northampton, as well as the original County in 1752, and Bucks County from which Northampton was erected, lies entirely within the limits described in the Charter of 1681. Thus the title to all the land within our County was vested in perpetuity to William Penn and his heirs.

The date on which the first white settler located within our present bounds is unknown. As early as 1701, John Steihlman, a German peddler from Maryland, was in the Forks of the Delaware selling his goods to the Indians. The Proprietaries sent Edward Farmer and John Sotcher to the West

Branch of the Delaware to investigate. Steihlman was discovered, his goods seized, and he himself sent back to Maryland.

William Penn had on his hands a real estate development which staggers the imagination. His grant comprised some 54,000 square miles, or 35,000,000 acres. To attract settlers he issued a prospectus pointing out the advantages of acquiring land in the new country. Unlike present day promoters, he called attention to the disadvantages, warning "folkes inclined to go to these parts that some hardships would precede the advent of plenty." On the other hand Penn pictured alluringly the excellent rivers and harbors, the rich soil, the vast and heavily timbered forests, and the abundant fisheries in this new world. As an extra inducement to the oppressed he offered free government and the right to worship in accordance with one's own belief.

Penn also prepared a Frame of Government which embodied his ideas and was intended to serve as a constitution for the newly formed province. In this were enumerated the conditions or concessions which were to be agreed upon by himself and those who were to be the "adventurers and purchasers." The Frame of Government further provided that all deeds, grants and conveyances of land, were to be enrolled or registered in the public enrollment office of the province. It is due to this provision, and to the faithful and accurate manner in which it was carried out, that practically all the grants are of record today.

The Enrollment or Rolls Office was located in Philadelphia up to the year 1799. It was then transferred to Lancaster, and in 1812, to Harrisburg. All these records are now on file in the Land Office Bureau of the Department of Internal Affairs at Harrisburg.

In taking up land the procedure was to request the authorities for a certain acreage in a more or less definite situation.

If the request met with approval, a warrant was issued and sent to the Surveyor General instructing him to "survey or have surveyed" the land in question and make a return to the representatives of the Proprietaries. This warrant stated the amount to be paid in terms of one hundred acres, and also the quit rent. If the amount was paid within the time specified, a patent was issued. This was also the procedure after the Revolutionary War, when the State acquired, with certain exceptions, all the Penn lands.

Therefore all patents, that is original grants, from the Proprietaries, or later the Commonwealth, are now on file in Harrisburg. This is important to remember, for all the old deeds refer to these patents as being filed at Philadelphia, and of course are so copied into the records. All subsequent grants or deeds are on file in the County in which the land is located. Consequently, deeds for land in Northampton County made prior to 1752 are on file in Doylestown, Bucks County. A few of these deeds were later filed in Easton in order to complete the local records of certain titles. After 1752 all deeds for Northampton County were filed at Easton. As the County was originally much larger than at present, and was from time to time reduced in size by the erection of other counties, the deeds for land in these other counties are also on file in Easton, if the land at the time the deeds were made was within the then limits of Northampton. Since all the present County was part of the original County, all of the deeds for land within the present County written since 1752, if filed, are on file in Easton. A few deeds have never been recorded.

Northampton County, as erected, included all of the present counties of Northampton, Lehigh, Carbon, Monroe. Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Pike, Sullivan, Wyoming, Susquehanna, and parts of Schuylkill, Columbia, Lycoming, and Bradford.

After William Penn's death the title to land in the Prov-

ince became vested by will, inheritance, or agreement, in his descendants. William Penn died on July 30th, 1718, and from that date until September 10th, 1869, the title was held by one or more of his descendants by the name of Penn. On September 10th, 1869, the title became vested in William Stuart, a great-grandson of William Penn, the Founder.

William Penn was married twice. His first wife was Gulielma Maria Springett, by whom he had seven children. His second wife was Hannah Callowhill, and this union was blessed with the same number of children.

When William Penn died, he was survived by his wife, two daughters, and five sons. Letitia and William were children of his first wife, while Margaret, John, Thomas, Richard, and Dennis were children of his second wife. Letitia Penn had married William Aubrey. William Penn, the son, had married Mary Jones. He figured in the gay life of the court of Queen Anne and, after a career of dissipation, died of consumption two years after the death of his father.

In a will, written in 1701, William Penn, after some bequests to his daughter, Letitia Aubrey, son John, and an expected child, bestowed the Proprietorship and Governorship on his son William, However, the conduct of William, Ir., so embittered his father that he wrote a new will on May 27th, 1712, and the only reference to his son William is in these words—"My eldest son being well provided for by a settlements of his Mothers and my Fathers estate, I give and devise the rest of my Estate in manner following . . ." No further reference is made to William Penn, Jr. He provided, however, that his grandson William should be given ten thousand acres in the Province of Pennsylvania. He also left ten thousand acres to his daughter, Letitia Aubrey. After these bequests he devised his remaining land to his wife Hannah, and others, in trust, to appoint and convey all his residuary real estate in America to and among his children by his wife Hannah, in such proportions and such estates as she should think fit. As before stated, William Penn died on July 30th, 1718.

In pursuance and execution of the power given her under her husband's will, Hannah Callowhill Penn, by deed dated January 7th, 1725, conveyed the residuary estate as follows:—to her son John, two quarters; to her son Thomas, one quarter; and to her son Richard, one quarter. Thus John, Thomas and Richard Penn became the Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania. Her son Dennis had died in 1722 at sixteen years of age.

William Penn, Jr., was at first inclined to accept gracefully the terms of his father's will. Later he decided otherwise and made an attempt to assume the Proprietorship and Governorship of the Province. In this he was unsuccessful.

In this work will be found the Penn title from 1681 to 1921. This indicates how the interests of John, Thomas, and Richard Penn were disposed of, and in whom the title became vested. There is also included a chart which will show at a glance, at any date, the owners of the Penn lands and the Proportions of their interests. It must be understood that the foregoing applies to lands which had not been patented, and had not been surveyed or laid off for any of the individual Proprietaries. As soon as this took place, the title passed from the Proprietaries. Warrants were issued from time to time for certain tracts for the use of the Proprietaries. These tracts were apparently set aside for speculative purposes and were not at once opened to settlers.

During the Revolutionary War, on May 6, 1778, an Act was passed for the attainder of various traitors. Under this Act the land of those who had given aid and comfort to the armies of the King was seized and became the property of the Commonwealth. In order to clear the title of the lands held by the Penns at the time of the Revolution, another Act was passed. This was on November 27th, 1779. This Act de-

clared that the claims of the late Proprietaries to all of the soil within bounds of the Royal Charter, and the quit rents and purchase money, upon all land grants within the said limits cannot longer be held consistent with the safety, liberty, and happiness of the people of this Commonwealth, and therefore vested the Proprietary estates in the Commonwealth. The Act, however, excepted the late Proprietaries' private estates, their tenths or manors, and the quit rents reserved out of the same.

In order to prevent the disappointment of sundry marriage settlements and testamentary dispositions and to show their liberality, the State made a donation of one hundred and thirty thousand pounds, payable in installments to the devisees and legatees of the late Proprietaries, and to the widow of Thomas Penn. However this generous donation on the part of the State was not altogether satisfactory to the Penns. John Penn valued the estate appropriated by the State at 1,536,545£, 4s, 3d, or approximately twelve times the amount allowed them by the State. He computed that 21,592,128 acres were taken from the heirs of his grandfather, William Penn, the Founder.

Under the Act of 1779, considerable land in Williams Township became vested in the Commonwealth. In the southern portion of that part of the county lying north of the Lehigh River, the lands owned by the Penns came within the Exceptions of the Act. In this part of the county the title to the land was never vested in the Commonwealth. There were a few exceptions to this, consisting of several tracts which were seized by the State, under the Act of 1778, as the property of traitors. No land within the limits of the original one thousand acre Easton Tract was ever owned by the Commonwealth.

Dr. B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., of Riegelsville, Bucks County, in a paper on "The Durham Iron Works," states that "there is some evidence to show that Durham contained white settlers as early as 1682." Since the Durham Iron Company was organized in 1726, and the first tract of land in Durham was

patented on September 8th, 1717, some settlers must have been in this section before this date.

In the Assembly of the Province previous to 1730, the statement was made that there were settlements above Durham in 1723. As Durham forms the southern boundary of Williams Township, which was next in line as the frontier was extended northward, it would appear reasonable to assume that the first white settlers were located in Williams Township between 1700 and 1717, possibly earlier.

After the death of William Penn, his widow and then his sons became the Proprietaries. William's great concern for the Quakers, his interest in the well-being of the inhabitants of the Province, and his kindly treatment of the Indians were not continued by his sons. To them the entire project was a commercial one, and this was their only point of view. Under these conditions, the Quakers generally found themselves in opposition to the Proprietaries.

By 1745, when the division of the County of Bucks was first discussed, the upper part of the County was to a very great extent peopled by Germans. These people affiliated themselves politically with the Quakers and thus enabled the Friends to have a controlling voice in the affairs of the County. The Proprietaries reasoned that if the support given the Quakers from the upper part of the County could be withdrawn the control of the County would be in their own hands. The erection of a new County out of the northern or wilderness portion would accomplish this object. This movement appealed to the residents of this upper section and they were inclined to favor the division. They felt that they would have entire control of the new County. Also they were anxious to have a county seat nearer to their homes. The trips to Newtown, the county seat of Bucks, travelling over open country and by few and exceedingly bad roads, had exhausted their patience. So, on March 11, 1752, by an Act of Assembly the erection of the County of Northampton was brought about.

The Proprietaries had surveyed for the use of Thomas Penn one thousand acres at the junction of the North and West Branches of the Delaware River. This survey was made in 1736 and comprised what subsequently became the limits of the Borough of Easton as defined in the Act of the State Assembly under date of September 23, 1789. This tract is variously referred to as "one of Thomas Penn's Lottery Lots," "Easton Township," "The Easton Tract," and "The Easton One Thousand Acre Tract."

Thomas Penn was sharp enough to have embodied in the Act creating Northampton County a provision that the town of Easton should be the county seat. In anticipation of the success of his plan for the selection of a county seat, Thomas Penn had the town of Easton laid out on his "One Thousand Acre Lottery Lot." On May 9th, 1750, almost two years prior to the passage of the Act which made Easton the county seat, William Parsons, Agent for Thomas and Richard Penn, met Nicholas Scull, the Surveyor General of the Province, at the site of the new town and they, together with their axemen and chainmen, surveyed the site of Easton which was definitely laid out in 1752.

Northampton County was more thickly settled through Saucon, Bethlehem, the Irish Settlement, Nazareth, and Mount Bethel, than in the territory immediately adjacent to Easton. Hence in the selection of Easton as the county seat, disappointment, dissatisfaction, and resentment were engendered. About 1765 a petition from the inhabitants of the County was presented to the court requesting the selection of Bethlehem instead of Easton as the county seat. The petition said:—"There could not have been a place devised more improper and inconvenient than Easton appears . . . that in particular, the road to Easton is extremely inconvenient, passing through a large tract of land called the Drylands, so thinly settled that in the distance of twelve miles from Bethlehem to Easton, there are but one or

two huts, and not a drop of water, neither in the summer or fall season, to refresh either man or horse, so that in winter, travelers are in danger of perishing with cold or of being parched in summer with heat; that the remote situation of Easton is grievious . . . so they hope that in this free government, a greater evil, though established by law, shall not continue and prevail, only to obtain a lesser good."

This petition was refused, and the people who thought that the erection of a new County would release them from the domination of the Proprietary interests, found that the influence of the Penns was still strong enough to force upon them a county seat laid out and opened for settlement, with very few inhabitants, and, at that time, very difficult to access. That the Penns were activated by selfish motives I do not doubt. However this may be, their selection eventually proved to be a wise one.

There was some fear on the part of Thomas Penn that his development project at Easton would be seriously affected by the laying out of a town in West Jersey.

In 1752, the Jersey side of the river, in what is now Phillipsburg, had more settlers than Easton. In a letter written by Thomas Penn to Richard Peters on May 9th, 1752 he says:—
"I think we should secure all the land we can on the Jersey side of the River." He evidently intended to stop the Jersey development at any cost.

William Parsons writing to Richard Peters from Easton, on December 3rd, 1752 says:— "But how Mr. John Cox's project of laying out a town upon his land adjoining Mr. Martin's land, on that side of the river opposite to Easton may effect this town is hard to say, and time only can obviate." John Cox then owned about four hundred acres of land on the east side of the Delaware River opposite the Forks. But the start which Easton had, the fact that it was the county seat, and that Mr. Cox's land was not in the Province of Pennsylvania, evidently

deterred him from carrying out his plans, which were soon abandoned.

In 1735, one hundred thousand acres of land in the wilderness portion of Bucks County, that part which later became Northampton, were thrown open for settlement. The Proprietaries had planned a lottery for the disposition of this land. Of course the Manors and the lands already sold were not included. The illegally established squatter could, by drawing a prize, have his claim recognized and secure a patent for it. A great many tickets were sold, but for some unknown reason the drawing never took place. However the holders of tickets were permitted to locate on the land and secure a patent on very favorable terms. Under this arrangement many settlers entered the territory, particularly that part south of the Lehigh.

About this time, the land in the Forks of the Delaware was sold in tracts of five hundred acres and upward to prominent men in the Proprietary party. The Forks of the Delaware included all that territory between the Lehigh and Delaware Rivers almost as far north as the Blue Mountains. The Lehigh River at that time was called the West Branch of the Delaware. It was later named the Lehi, spelled Lehi. This was soon changed to the present spelling. The Indian name was Lechau. The Delaware River above the point where the Lehigh flows into it was called the North Branch of the Delaware, the Indian name of which was Kit-hanne.

Very little if any of the land in the southern half of the Forks was patented to settlers. A large portion of the county comprising about 90,000 acres, was originally sold to favored individuals, many of whom never saw the land which they purchased. Three of these tracts were surveyed in 1736, and in 1737 two of them were patented to James Hamilton, who sold them to Thomas Penn in the same year. These lots of Thomas Penn became known as his "Lottery Lots." The third tract, for which no patent is on record, was the "One Thousand

Acre Easton Tract," previously mentioned. Of the two tracts patented to James Hamilton, one was of five hundred acres adjoining the Easton Tract on the west and bounded on the south by the Lehigh River. The other contained five hundred acres and was five and one-half miles west of the Easton Tract. The Monocacy Creek flowed through this land which was partly in what are now Bethlehem and Lower Nazareth Townships.

In the territory comprising the southern half of the Forks these large tracts were always located upon the streams. The land abutting on the west bank of the Delaware, except the very steep barren portion, the land on the north bank of the Lehigh, as well as the land on both sides of the Monocacy and Bushkill Creeks, was sold to land speculators in 500 acre tracts. Some few were smaller and some few larger. After the Proprietaries had given patents for this land, there remained in their possession the center part of this territory, which was not watered by streams or springs, and was mostly covered with scrub oak. This land, about twenty-eight thousand acres, was eventually surveyed for the use of the Proprietaries and was referred to as the Barrens and later, the Drylands.

It is of interest to record the names of some of the men in the Proprietary party who became the patentees for these tracts. William Allen was one of the patentees, who held, next to the Proprietaries, the largest acreage. He was a distinguished barrister of London, who settled in Philadelphia, and became Chief Justice of the Province from 1751 to 1774. His son, James Allen, laid out Allentown. In 1708, William Penn and his son William placed a mortgage of six thousand pounds on their Pennsylvania lands, and until the mortgage was paid off, no patents could be issued without a release from the mortgagees. By 1724 three fourths of the amount of the mortgage was paid off. William Allen is believed to have furnished the money which finally satisfied the mortgage. Apparently he was reinbursed with land in the province, for the patent books show

many grants of large tracts to him between the years 1733 and 1740.

Two brothers, Thomas and Patrick Graeme, of Philadelphia, were the purchasers of several large tracts. Thomas Graeme was a physician and also, at one time, a Justice of the Supreme Court. In a letter which Nicholas Scull wrote, without date or address, but presumably in 1750, he says:— "In pursuance of the Honorable the Proprietaries direction, I have been at the Forks of the Delaware with Dr. Thomas Graeme and in connection with him have carefully viewed the ground. proposed for a town." This refers to Easton and it is interesting to note that Dr. Graeme was here at that time, likely in the interests of Thomas Penn.

Jeremiah Langhorne, another patentee, was from Bucks County, where he owned a large tract of land in the vicinity of of Langhorne. He also was a Chief Justice of the Province.

Nathaniel Irish was a Justice of the Peace and an agent for William Penn. He is said to have built a mill at the mouth of Saucon Creek as early as 1738.

James Bingham, of Philadelphia, purchased several large parcels of land. One of these was a tract of six hundred acres situated on the north side of the Lehigh River opposite Redington. James Bingham purchased this tract to use as a hunting ground and for the erection of a sportsman's lodge. It finally came into the possession of one of the Binghams who married the daughter of a local settler and made it his permanent home.

Samuel Powell, a rich carpenter of the City of Philadelphia, and a son-in-law of Anthony Morris, was also a patentee for land in the Forks.

Caspar Wistar, a German, who arrived in Philadelphia on September 16th, 1717, and became a successful merchant and amassed a fortune, purchased a rather large number of tracts. Most of these tracts he owned at the time of his death in 1752 and were bequeathed by him in his will to his daughter Sarah.

All of this land in the Forks was finally sold to settlers by the patentees or their successors in title. As Thomas Penn had several tracts laid out for his individual use, he resold this land in smaller tracts, not as a Proprietary but as an individual. This also applies to John Penn whose interest in several tracts was due to the fact that his second wife was Ann Allen, the daughter of William Allen. Ann, by her father's will, became his successor in title, and her husband, John Penn, joined in the deeds which she executed.

After the Revolutionary War, the title to the lands which were retained by the Penns in accordance with the Act of 1779, became vested in the various successors in title and they from time to time gave deeds for land in Northampton County; only the Commonwealth gave patents.

It was the intention of the Proprietaries to settle the Indians living in the Forks of the Delaware on one tract of land. For this purpose they had laid out, in 1735, six thousand five hundred acres of land which was called Indian Tract Manor. This was located in Lehigh Township on the bend in the Lehigh River. However the Proprietaries evidently reckoned without their guests, for the plan was not a success. Thomas Penn soon realized that to confine Indians to a tract of six thousand five hundred acres was hardly practical.

One of the first Indians in Pennsylvania to be converted by the missionary David Brainerd, was "Moses" Tatamy, a Delaware Chief. He never proved treacherous and always remained the friend of the white man. He frequently acted as interpreter for David Brainerd and the Governor and the Proprietaries' agents. In 1736 the Proprietaries, in consideration of their "love and affection" for Tatamy, gave him title to three hundred fifteen acres in Forks Township, which became known as Tatamy's Place. He died in 1761.

The present town of Tatamy was named after the Delaware Chief, but the town is not situated upon the land called "Tatamy's Place." This tract was a little to the northeast of Tatamy.

Bushkill Creek was called Tatamy's Creek up to about 1750. The Indian name was Lehicton. The East Branch of the Bushkill was called Lefevre Creek after John Lefevre who owned a tract of three hundred sixty-eight acres, which was patented to him on June 15, 1745, and through which this stream flowed. The Borough of Stockertown is situated on this tract.

The two largest tracts which had been laid out for the Proprietaries in the Forks of the Delaware were of approximately twelve thousand and eight thousand acres. The larger one laid between the Bushkill and the Monocacy Creeks and extended northwardly to the Nazareth Tract. The smaller tract was west of the Monocacy Creek and part of this tract is in what is now Lehigh County.

The Proprietaries endeavored to keep the settlers from occupying these tracts. They were entirely unsuccessful in this. The pioneers became squatters and the improvements which they had made were bought and sold without securing a a patent to the land. The number of squatters on these two tracts grew rapidly after 1752 and as Easton increased in population the larger of the tracts became entirely occupied. This movement was hastened by the Indian troubles.

The following letter, written on March 1st, 1759, and addressed to Richard Peters is of interest in this connection:—

Sir:

We are poor people who have been obliged by the Indians to desert our plantations near the Blue Mountains, and are now settled on the dry lands about six miles from Easton, one of us hath bought an improvement for the sum of thirty pounds.

We pray that you will be pleased to permit us to live on the Lands we now possess, we are desirous and willing to pay any price for the Land you shall think fit and reasonable, and if the Lands are not to be sold we are willing to pay rent for them. And if they are not to be disposed, pray let us remain until the proprietaries pleasure shall be known concerning the premises.

We are Sir.
Your humble servants,
Walter Miller
John Case

Neither of the signers could write, so they made their mark. To this petition Richard Peters replied:—

"I absolutely forbid all persons to purchase Improvements on the dry Lands, or any person to settle on said lands in the Forks of the Delaware,"

The settlers were anxious to secure title to their lands and were willing to purchase or rent, but they were also determined to hold their improvements. Peters' peremptory denial to their request was a severe disappointment to them. Those who had made improvements (that is, cleared the land, built a cabin and tilled the soil) continued their work and did not move out. Others were constantly moving in.

This controversy continued for a long time. An action to eject the settlers was started. This reached a point where a jury was selected and sworn. This was on June 5th, 1795. On that date an agreement was reached whereby the Penns agreed to give the settlers a deed for their lands within the period of twelve months, on condition that they paid the Penns the sum of  $65\pounds$ , 10s for each one hundred acres of land. Under these conditions all actions of the Penns to recover this land were withdrawn, although most of the conveyances covering these settlers' claims were not executed until 1802.

In Williams township the same disposition of land took place as in that part of the county north of the Lehigh. The original grants were made along the rivers and creeks. The remaining part of the township, never having been patented or surveyed for the use of the Proprietaries, became the property of the Commonwealth after the passage of the Act in 1779.

In the earlier patents which the State gave for land in

Williams township, each tract was given a name. These names were suggested by the warrantee or patentee and give some indication as to the character of the place and its purchaser. A few of these names are:—

Lofty Oaks, Germany, Lancaster, Orphans Portion, Norway, The Hermitage, Dartmouth.

A tract patented to Philip Woodring was called Woodberry. It would not be hard to guess the nationality of Andrew Roup who had two tracts patented to him, calling the first one Scotland and the second one Edinburgh. Vanity may have prompted Abraham Horn to name his tract Hornhead and Thomas Richards to call his tract Thomastown. Daniel Saylor was pleased to let the world know his tract was Daniel's Fancy. A sense of humor is shown by Peter Seilor, who called a long narrow tract of land which had a few hundred feet frontage on the Delaware River, Neptune's Delight. The Widow Morgan, after whom Mammy Morgan's Hill is named, occupied a part of a tract called Hope.

The northwest corner of the "Easton One Thousand Acre Tract." containing a little over one hundred twelve acres, was sold to Jacob Bittenbender on May 6th, 1785. It appears that Bittenbender had his own surveyor make the survey, which the agent of the Penns used for the description given in their deed. On March 7th, 1788, Jacob Bittenbender sold this tract to Henry Barnet and at that time it was found that the Bittenbender survey did not extend northwardly to the Easton line as had been the original intention. Over thirty-eight acres of worthless land had not been included. The Penns accused Bittenbender of deliberately trying to deceive them. Bittenbender, in order to avoid a law suit, paid the Penns 77£, 16s, 3d, after which, on February 15th, 1791, they gave a deed to Henry Barnet for the extra thirty-eight acres. A careful study of this question proves that Jacob Bittenbender and his surveyor acted in good faith and had no intention to deceive. A change in the northern boundary line of Easton's tract accounted for the error.

Several attempts were made to lay out the Easton Tract beyond the limits of the town lots. There is one map made prior to 1776, but not adopted. Drawn from deed descriptions, a plan is attached which shows the out-lots as they were sold. Most of the deeds for these out-lots, for the most part five acres in size, were executed in 1789 and later.

The roads laid out through the out-lots were the Nazareth or Seip's Road, now Northampton Street; Arndt's Road, now Wood Street; the Bethlehem Road, now Walnut and Butler Streets; a road leading from the Bethlehem Road into Lehigh Street, now Wolf Street; and a road called the Easton Road, which is now Sullivan Lane and Hamilton Street.

The circle in Easton was originally a square eighty feet by eighty feet. This plot of ground was, on September 28th, 1763, conveyed to John Jones, Thomas Armstrong, James Martin, John Rinker and Henry Allshouse, in trust to and for the erection of a court house for the public use and service solely. The yearly payment was to be one red rose or value thereof in coin. This payment was to be made on March 1st of each year. In Northampton County, in 1763, this was a most unseasonable time for red roses. The Court House was erected between the years 1763 and 1766 and was torn down in 1862. In 1888. William Stuart, as heir and successor of Thomas and Richard Penn, former Proprietaries, started proceedings to recover this tract of land on account of the breach of conditions under which the lot had been sold. This matter was finally decided, in 1897, in favor of the City of Easton which had acquired title from the County.

When the Penns had land surveyed or granted to any individual member or members of their family, they generally gave the tract, if of any size, a name. Indian Tract Manor is an illustration of this custom. In searching among the Penn deeds for land in Forks, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Allen, Hanover, and what is now Palmer Township, the name, Manor of Fermor, is frequently found.

The land north and west of Easton, originally considered worthless, could not, for this reason, be sold in large tracts. After all the land along the streams was disposed of, there remained in the possession of the Penns, two large tracts west of Easton. These tracts have been referred to before as the twelve thousand and eight thousand acre tracts. There was also about four thousand five hundred acres north of Easton which had not been disposed of. The tracts west of the city were surveyed in 1741 and that north of the city in 1754 and 1755. The name, Manor of Fermor, was given to these three tracts in honor of Thomas Penn's wife.

Thomas Penn married Juliana Fermor, daughter of the Earl of Pomfret, on August 22nd, 1751, just at the time that Easton was being developed. Thomas Penn was at that time owner of a three-quarters interest in the province, and the names which he selected for the new county and the new town, as well as for some of the streets in the town, were names relating to his wife, her family, or her place of residence.

The pond in Bethlehem Township, about one mile north of Farmersville, originally known as Drylands Pond, but more recently as Green Pond, had never been conveyed by the Penns until 1931. This pond which becomes bone dry in severe summer droughts must have been considered worthless. There were five tracts of land which the Penns sold, which abutted on this small body of water, but the deed description of each parcel carefully excluded the pond. So for over two hundred years the title to this pond, where many of the citizens of the county have skated, never passed from the Proprietaries or their heirs. The pond covers about three and one-half acres.

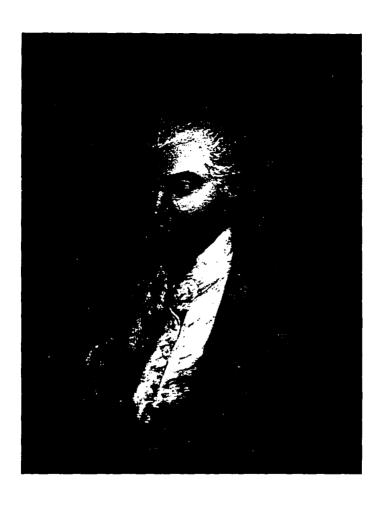
Mr. H. S. Snyder who had acquired title to nearly all the land surrounding the pond desired to secure title to this body

of water. The Commonwealth could not give the title, for this property was part of the Penn lands which were not acquired by the State under the Act of 1779. Mr. Snyder therefore secured a deed from Elizabeth Frances Sybil Stuart, of Cottage Farleigh Castle, Bath, England, who held title to all the remaining Penn lands in the State of Pennsylvania. I am inclined to believe that this was the last tract of land in Northampton County remaining in the Penn family. Miss Stuart was a three times great-granddaughter of William Penn, the Founder.

The deed which Mr. Snyder secured is dated October 27th, 1931, and is recorded in Easton. Mr. Snyder had filed at the same time various other deeds, agreements, and wills, in connection with his chain of title. All of these records are of great historical interest and are now available to any one who may care to consult them. Mr. Snyder has materially added to our local records.

Thus runs the story of the breaking up of that part of the wilderness known as the Forks of the Delaware, the tale of the wooded habitat of the Indian changed into an agricultural community.

Other sections of our country have other tales of the division and subdivision of their land, but no matter what the details may be, the elements of adventure, ambition, speculation, and religious and political freedom were contributing factors.



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## John and Thomas Penn

Visit

The Site of Easton

#### John and Thomas Penn Visit the Site of Easton

HERE is in the possession of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania a letter which Thomas Penn wrote to Richard Peters who was then Secretary of the Province of Pennsylvania. There are, in fact, many of these letters, all written in a fine hand with pale ink, most of them quite voluminous. The letter in which we are interested was written in London and is dated July 17th, 1752.

In this communication Thomas Penn requested Richard Peters to let William Parsons know the satisfaction which his appointment, as Prothonotary and Clerk of the Court of the new County of Northampton, gave the Proprietaries, and also to tell him that they depended upon his prudence in the settlement and good government of Easton. It is apparent upon reading this letter that Mr. Peters did not have faith in the future of the town then building at the Forks of the Delaware.

Thomas Penn said:—"We shall hope for a better account of Easton from you on your return from thence, some of your arguments against its ever being considerable I think are not well founded. . . . The situation with regard to the River is certainly very advantageous and I have quite forgot the place if the land is very bad, when my brother and I were there we thought the place very proper to build a Town upon."

The important part of this quotation is "when my brother and I were there." Here we have Thomas Penn's own statement that he had been at the site of Easton. Fortunately he adds that his brother was with him. This information is not only interesting but it determines, within a narrow limit, the time when two of the Proprietaries personally inspected what, at that time, must have been a garden spot, but is now the City of Easton.

John was the brother who accompanied Thomas Penn on this trip into the hinterland, for Richard never placed foot on the soil of the Province. John Penn was born in Philadelphia on Jan. 29th, 1699, and on this account was called "The American." At an early age he was taken to England where he remained until 1734. In September of that year he returned to the Province of Pennsylvania. With him came his sister Margaret and her husband, Thomas Fraeme. John Penn remained in America just a year, returning to England in September of 1735. Thomas Penn had preceded his brother by two years, arriving at Chester in 1732. He remained nine years in the Province and returned to England in 1741.

With these facts and dates before us, the conclusion is obvious that Thomas and John Penn stood at the Forks of the Delaware and admired the beauty of the scene sometime between September of 1734 and September of 1735, most likely in the summer of the latter year. There were undoubtedly white men who had watched the waters of the Lecha flow into the waters of the Delaware long before these two Proprietaries stood at the confluence of these rivers and, in the vast solitude of the unbroken wilderness, visualized a town on the plateau between the two streams.

It would be interesting to know the personnel of the company which accompanied the owners of the Province on this trip. There must have been a guide, attendants to look after the horses and prepare camp, personal servants of the Penns, and no doubt some of the leading men of the Province. Undoubtedly there were Indians accompanying the party. Moses Tunda Tatamy quite likely acted as interpreter.

While it is to be regretted that so little is known of this excursion into the wilderness part of Bucks County, the principal fact stands out that the first white men of record to visit the site of Easton were the Proprietaries, John and Thomas Penn. At this time there were some Scotch-Irish settlers in the valley of the Monocacy Creek, but the Walking Purchase

had not been perpetrated. The Moravians had not arrived. David Brainerd had not entered this territory and the forced exodus of the Delaware Indians from the Forks did not take place until seven years later.

It does not require a stretch of the imagination to conclude that this visit of the Penn brothers to the Forks was a momentous one that had a definite bearing on the subsequent history of the Province. The beauty of the hills and the streams must have made an indelible impression upon Thomas Penn, who immediately after the visit gave orders to have surveyed for his use one thousand acres at the Forks. The survey was made on Oct. 8th, 1736, and the survey book is marked "for the use of Thomas Penn." No patent was ever issued for the tract and when it was laid out the lots were sold by Thomas and Richard Penn as owners. John Penn had died in 1746. The favorable impression which Thomas Penn received at the time of his visit prompted him to give to our County and county seat names which had a sentimental value to him. Lancaster, Carlisle and Reading were not thus favored.

Is it not possible that this visit to the Forks made the Proprietaries extremely desirous of securing title to this land? It does not seem unreasonable to assume that this desire, thus murtured, had its effect in the grasping manner in which the Walking Purchase was conducted. The same fostered desire may have hastened the expulsion of the Delaware Indians in 1742.

The impressions which Thomas Penn received in 1735 were lasting, for on March 18, 1752, seventeen years later, he wrote to Lieutenant Governor Hamilton that the County just erected was to be named Northampton and the town in the Forks, Easton, in honor of his bride whose home was at Easton-Neston, Northamptonshire, England.

### **Descendants**

of

William Penn

#### Descendants of William Penn

NOTE. Names appearing in capital letters in this genealogy are of those who became Proprietaries of the Province and their successors in title.

Old style dates are used.

\*Indicates that succeeding generations are given.

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#### WILLIAM PENN\*

WILLIAM PENN, the son of Admiral Sir William Penn (1621-1670) and Margaret Jasper of Rotterdam, was born in the Parish of St. Catherine, near the Tower of London, on October 14th, 1644. He married twice. His first wife was Gulielma Maria Springett, whom he married Apr. 4th, 1672. She was the daughter of Sir William Springett (1620-1643) and his wife Mary Proude (1624-1682). Gulielma Maria died Feb. 23rd, 1694. William Penn married the second time, in 1696, Hannah, the daughter of Thomas Callowhill. Hannah was born Feb. 11th, 1670, died Dec. 20th, 1726. William Penn had one sister, Margaret (1662-1718), who married Anthony Lowther. He also had a brother named Richard, who died April 4th, 1673. Richard never married. William Penn died July 30th, 1718.

#### ISSUE:-

#### By first wife

2-1	Gulielma Maria	b. Jan. 23, 1672
		d. Mar. 17, 1672
2-2	William (Twin)	b. Feb. 28, 1673
		d. May 15, 1674
2-3	Mary (Twin)	b. Feb. 28, 1673
		d. Feb. 24, 1674

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2-4	Springett	b. Jan. 25, 1675
		d. Apr. 10, 1696, unmarried
2-5	Letitia	b. Mar. 6, 1678, d.s.p. Apr. 6, 1746
		m. Aug. 20, 1702, William Aubrey
*2-6	William	b. Mar. 14, 1680
		d. June 23, 1720
		m. Jan. 12, 1698, Mary Jones
2-7	Gulielma Maria	b. Nov. 17, 1687
		d. Nov. 20, 1689
Ву я	cond wife	
2-8	JOHN	b. Jan. 29, 1699
		d.s.p. Oct. 25, 1746, unmarried
*2-9	THOMAS	b. Mar. 9, 1701
		d. Mar. 21, 1775
		m. Aug. 22, 1751,
		Lady Juliana Fermor
2-10	Hannah Margarita	b. July 30, 1703
		d. Feb. 5, 1707
*2-11	Margaret	b. Nov. 7, 1704
		d. Feb.—, 1750
		m. July 6, 1727, Thomas Freame

\*2-12 RICHARD

b. Jan. 17, 1705d. Feb. 4, 1771

m. 1728, Hannah Lardner

2-13 Dennis

b. Feb. 26, 1706 d.s.p. Jan. 6, 1722

2-14 Hannah

b. Sept. 5, 1708d. Jan. 24, 1708.

2-6

#### William Penn

William Penn (s. of William, 1) was born Mar. 14, 1680, and died June 23, 1720; he married on Jan. 12. 1698, Mary Jones. She was born Jan. 11, 1676, and died Dec. 5, 1733.

#### ISSUE:-

3-1 Gulielma Maria b. Nov. 10, 1699

m. (1) Aubrey Thomas, issue 1 child

m. (2) Charles Fell, issue 4 children

3-2 Springett b. Feb. 10, 1701, did not marry

d. Feb. 8, 1731

3-3 William b. Mar. 21, 1703

d. Feb. 6, 1747

m. (1) Dec. 7, 1732, Christiana Forbes, she died Nov. 7, 1733

m. (2) Feb. 11, 1737, Ann Vaux
By first wife had daughter named
Christiana Gulielma Penn, b. Oct.
22, 1733; she married (1761) Peter
Gaskell and had issue four sons and
one daughter. By second wife he
had a son named Springett Penn.

2-9

#### THOMAS PENN

THOMAS PENN (s. of William, 1) was born March 9, 1701, and died March 21, 1775. On Aug. 22, 1751, he married Lady Juliana Fermor: she was born in 1729 and died Nov. 20, 1801. He came to America on Aug. 11, 1732, and returned to England on Oct. 17, 1741.

#### ISSUE:-

3-4 William b. June 21, 1752

d. Feb. 14, 1753

3-5 Juliana Rawlins b. May 19, 1753

d. Apr. 23, 1772

m. William Baker, May 23, 1771.

3-6 Thomas b. July 17, 1754

d. Sept. 5, 1757

William (Twin)	b. July 22, 1756
	d. Apr. 24, 1760
Louise Hannah (Twin)	b. July 22, 1756
	d. June 10, 1766
JOHN	b. Feb. 23, 1760
	d. June 21, 1834
	no issue, unmarried
GRANVILLE	b. Dec. 9, 1761
	d. Sept. 28, 1844
	m. Isabella Gordon Forbes on
	June 24, 1791
Sophia Margaretta	b. Dec. 25, 1764
	d. Apr. 29, 1847
	m. May 3, 1796 William
	Stuart
	Louise Hannah (Twin) JOHN GRANVILLE

#### 2-11

#### Margaret Penn

Margaret Penn (d. of William, 1) was born Nov. 7, 1704, and died in February, 1750; on July 6, 1727, she married Thomas Freame, citizen and grocer of London in Great Britain. ISSUE:—

3-12 Philadelphia Hannah Freame d. 1826

m. Viscount Cremorne, issue 2 children, each died a minor

A son who was buried Aug. 2, 1746

#### 2-12

#### RICHARD PENN

RICHARD PENN (s. of William, 1) was born Jan. 17, 1705, and died Feb. 4, 1771; he married in 1728, Hannah, the daughter of Dr. John Lardner of London. She died April 20, 1785.

#### ISSUE:-

3-13 JOHN b. July 14, 1729

d.s.p. Feb. 9, 1795

m. (1) 1747, ——— Cox

m. (2) May 31, 1766, Ann Allen, daughter of Chief Justice William

Allen, no issue.

3-14 Hannah b. before 1732

d.s.p. 1791, bur. Oct. 2, 1791

m. James Clayton, no issue, d. 1790

\*3-15 RICHARD b. 1735

d. May 27, 1811

m. May 21, 1772, Mary Masters

3-16 William b. June, 1747

d. Feb. 4, 1760, unmarried

3-10

#### **GRANVILLE PENN**

GRANVILLE PENN (s. of Thomas, 2-9) was born Dec. 9, 1761, and died Sept. 28, 1844. He married on June 24, 1791, Isabella Gordon Forbes. She was born in 1771 and died in 1847.

#### ISSUE:-

4-2 John William Died in infancy. Bur. Dec. 18, 1802

4-3 GRANVILLE JOHN b. Nov., 1803

d.s.p. Mar. 29, 1867, unmarried

4-4 THOMAS GORDON b. ---

d. Sept. 10, 1869, unmarried

4-5 William b. 1811

d.s.p. Jan. 7, 1848

4-6 Juliana Margaret d. in infancy, buried Mar. 21, 1804

4-7 Sophia d.s.p. 1827

m. Sir William Maynard Gomm

48 Louisa Emily d.s.p. May 27, 1841, unmarried 49 Isabella Mary d.s.p. Jan. 28, 1856, unmarried 410 Henrietta Anne d.s.p. June 13, 1855, unmarried

3-11

#### Sophia Margaret Penn

Sophia Margaret Penn (d. of Thomas, 2-9) was born Dec. 25, 1764, and died April 29, 1847. She married on May 3, 1796, William Stuart, Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of Ireland.

#### ISSUE:-

4-11 Mary Juliana Stuart

b. May 3, 1797

d. July 26, 1853

m. Feb. 28, 1815, Thomas Knox, Earl of Ranfurly, issue three sons, five daughters.

#### \*4-12 WILLIAM STUART b. Oct. 31, 1798

d. July 7, 1874

m. Aug. 8, 1821, Henrietta Pole

4-13 Henry Stuart b. 1804; d. Oct. 26, 1854

4-14 Louisa Stuart d.s.p. Sept. 29, 1823, unmarried

3-15

#### RICHARD PENN

RICHARD PENN (s. of Richard, 2-12) was born in 1735 and died May 27, 1811. On May 21, 1772, he married Mary, daughter of William Masters of Philadelphia, Province of Pennsylvania. She died Aug. 16, 1829.

#### ISSUE:--

4-15 WILLIAM b. June 23, 1776

d.s.p. Sept. 17, 1845

m. Aug. 7, 1809, Catherine Julia Balabrega

4-16 Hannah

b. —

d. July 16, 1856, unmarried

+17 R!CHARD b. 1784

d.s.p. Apr. 21, 1863, unmarried

4-18 Mary

b. Apr. 11, 1785, d.s.p. March 26, 1863
m. 1821, Samuel Paynter, he died 1844;
she was his second wife.

4-12

#### WILLIAM STUART

WILLIAM STUART (s. of Sophia Margaret Penn, 3-11) was born Oct. 31, 1798, and died July 7, 1874. He married (1) Aug. 8, 1821, Henrietta Maria Sarah, daughter of Admiral Sir Charles Pole. She died July 26, 1852. Married (2) in 1854 Georgiana Adelaide Forester.

ISSUE:-

\*5-1 WILLIAM STUART b. Mar. 7, 1825

d. Dec. 21, 1893

m. Sept. 13, 1859, Katharine Nicholson

5-1

#### WILLIAM STUART

WILLIAM STUART (s. of William Stuart, 4-12) (and grandson of Sophia Margaret Penn, 3-11) was born Mar. 7, 1825, and died Dec. 21, 1893. He was a colonel. On Sept. 13, 1859, he married Katharine, daughter of John Armitage Nicholson. She died Oct. 6, 1881.

#### ISSUE:-

6-1 WILLIAM DUGAL STUART b. Oct. 18, 1860

m. Millicent Helen Olivia Burkeley-Hughes

- 6-2 Mary Charlotte Florence Stuart b. May 2, 1863
- 6-3 Henry Esme Stuart b. July 15, 1865
- 6-4 ELIZABETH FRANCES SYBIL STUART

b. May 20, 1867

# The Penn Title

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NOTE. The numbers in brackets following a name correspond with the numbers used in the section on "The Descendants of William Penn" and are used to identify the individual.

Charles the Second, King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, granted the Province of Pennsylvania to William Penn (1), Esquire, by Royal Charter dated March 4, 1681.

1681 Mar. 4

James, Duke of York, conveyed the territory embraced in the Royal Charter of March 4, 1681, to William Penn (1), Esquire, by deed dated August 31, 1682.

1682 Aug. 31

Shortly after receiving the grant, William Penn (1), the Proprietary, divided the Province of Pennsylvania into three counties, Bucks, Chester and Philadelphia. There does not appear to be any record of the date upon which the division was made.

1712 May 27

William Penn (1) by his will dated May 27, 1712, devised the Province of Pennsylvania to Hannah Penn, Thomas Callowhill, Margaret Lowther, Gilbert Heathcote, Samuel Wildenfield, John F. Field, Henry Couldney, all living in England, and Samuel Carpenter, Richard Hill, Isaac Norris, Samuel Preston and James Logan, all living in or near Pennsylvania, in Trust, to convey to such of his children by his wife, Hannah Penn, as the said Hannah Penn might appoint.

Recorded in Philadelphia, Will Book No. 1, page 238, etc. William Penn (1), the Proprietary, died July 30, 1718, leaving to survive him his wife, Hannah Callowhill Penn, two children by a former wife, namely William and Letitia, intermarried with William Aubrey, and five children by his wife Hannah, namely John, Thomas, Richard, Dennis and Margaret.

1718 Hannah Callowhill Penn, the widow of William Nov. 18
Penn (1), by her Deed of Appointment dated November 18, 1718, appointed the Province of Pennsylvania to her four sons by William Penn (1), three-sixths or one-half thereof to John Penn (2-8), one-sixth thereof to Thomas Penn (2-9), one-sixth thereof to Richard Penn (2-12), and one-sixth thereof to Dennis Penn (2-13). The Deed of Appointment contained a proviso that Hannah Penn could revoke, cancel and annul it at any time before the conveyance of the legal title to her appointees by the Trustees under William Penn's (1) will.

Hannah Penn, upon the death of her son, Dennis Penn (2-13), revoked, cancelled and annulled the Deed of Appointment dated Nov. 18, 1718. By her Deed of Appointment dated Jan. 7, 1725, she appointed the Province of Pennsylvania to her three sons, two-fourths or one-half thereof to John Penn (2-8), one-fourth thereof to Thomas Penn (2-9), and one-fourth thereof to Richard Penn (2-12). This deed of Appointment contained the same proviso as to revoking, cancelling and annulling as the former Deed of Appointment.

Recorded at Philadelphia in Deed Book G. W. R. No. 31, page 40 etc. Recorded at Easton in Misc. Book 86, page 252. Hannah Callowhill Penn died in 1726 and by her will dated Sept. 11, 1718, appointed the Province of Pennsylvania to her four sons in the same proportions as in her Deed of Appointment dated Nov. 18. 1718. Hannah Penn's will, therefore, revoked, cancelled and annulled her Deed of Appointment of January 7, 1725.

1726

John Penn (2-8), Thomas Penn (2-9), Richard Penn (2-12), Margaret Penn (2-1/1), Thomas Freame, Joseph Weyth and Sylvanus Brown entered into an agreement under date of July 5, 1727, by which it was agreed that the Deed of Appointment of Hannah Penn dated Jan. 7, 1725, should stand instead of the appointment made by her last Will and Testament, so that John Penn (2-8), should be entitled to one-half thereof, Thomas Penn (2-9) one-fourth thereof, and Richard Penn (2-12) one-fourth thereof.

1727 July 5

John Penn (2-8), Thomas Penn (2-9) and Richard Penn (2-12) entered into an agreement under date of May 8, 1732, by which they agreed that, upon their respective deaths, they would devise their several interests in the Province of Pennsylvania in male tail.

1732 May 8

Enrolled in Chancery March 21, 1750.

Samuel Preston and James Logan, the surviving Trustees under the will of William Penn (1) deceased, released the estates in the Province of Pennsylvania to John Penn (2-8), Thomas Penn (2-9) and Richard Penn (2-12).

1735 June 24

Recorded at Philadelphia, Deed Book F-7-338. Recorded at Easton, Misc. Book 86, page 255. John Penn (2-8) by his will dated Oct. 26, 1746, devised his one-half interest in the Province of Pennsylvania to Thomas Penn (2-9) in male tail with the right for the tenant in male tail to convey the whole or any part thereof in fee simple.

Will probated Nov. 12, 1746. Recorded at Philadelphia, Will Book H, page 295.

- John Penn (2-8) in whom was vested one-half interest in the Province of Pennsylvania died unmarried and without issue Oct. 29, 1746.
- Thomas Penn (2-9) and Richard Penn (2-12) by an agreement under date of January 31, 1750, agreed that they would thereafter severally hold their several undivided one-fourth interests, which had been appointed and released to them in male tail with the right for the tenant in possession in male tail to dispose of the whole or any part thereof in fee simple.
- Thomas Penn (2-9) and Richard Penn (2-12)
  Mar. 20
  by an agreement under date of March 20, 1750, modified their agreement of January 31, 1750, but affirmed the part thereof by which they had agreed to thereafter hold their several undivided one-fourth interest in the Province of Pennsylvania in male tail.
- Richard Penn (2-12) by his will dated March 21, Mar. 21 1750, devised his undivided one-fourth interest in the Province to his son John Penn (3-13), called "John Penn the Elder," in estate male tail.

Probated Mar. 4, 1771. Recorded in Prerogative Office at Burlington, England, in Book XV of Will Folio 357. Thomas Penn (2-9) by a marriage settlement between himself and Lady Juliana Fermor, dated August 15, 1751, conveyed his one-fourth interest in the Province of Pennsylvania to his own use for life, remainder to his first and other sons in male tail successively.

1751 Aug. 15

Recorded at Philadelphia July 22nd. 1829, in Deed Book G.W.R. No. 31, page 53. Recorded at Easton. Misc. Book 86, page 261.

Thomas Penn (2-9) married Lady Juliana Fermor on August 27, 1751.

1751 Aug. 27

Richard Penn (2-12) died Feb. 4, 1771, leaving to survive him his wife, Hannah Lardner Penn, and two sons, John (3-13) and Richard (3-15) and one daughter, Hannah (3-14).

1771 Feb. 4

The will of Thomas Penn is dated Nov. 18, 1771.

1771 Nov. 18

Proved at Philadelphia, Apr. 6, 1829. Recorded at Philadelphia in Will Book No. 2, page 154.

Thomas Penn (2-9) died March 21, 1775, leaving to survive him his wife, Juliana Fermor Penn, and four children, Juliana, John, Granville and Sophia Margaret.

1775 Mar. 21

The three-fourths interest of Thomas Penn (2-9) in the Province of Pennsylvania passed to his son John Penn (3-9), called "John Penn the Younger," under the provision of the will of John Penn (2-8), and the agreements between Thomas Penn (2-9) and Richard Penn (2-12) dated respectively January 31, 1750, and March 20, 1750.

- 1779 By an Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania passed November 27, 1779, the title of the late Proprietaries to the public lands of the Province of Pennsylvania was vested in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the use of the citizens thereof, but the title to the lands which had been surveyed and set apart by the Proprietaries prior to July 4, 1776, was reserved to them.
- 1791 Hannah Penn (3-14) the daughter of Richard Penn (2-12), who had intermarried with James Clayton, died in the year 1791 without issue.
- John Penn (3-13), the son of Richard Penn (2-12), who had married Ann Allen, daughter of Chief Justice William Allen, died without issue February 9, 1795. Whereupon his brother, Richard Penn (3-15), became vested in his one-fourth interest in the Penn Estate in Pennsylvania.
- 1796 Sophia Margaret Penn (3-11), the daughter of May 3

  Thomas Penn (2-9), on May 3, 1796, married William Stuart, Archbishop of Anmagh, Prelate of Ireland.
- Richard Penn (3-15) intermarried with Mary Masters and died May 27, 1811, leaving to survive him his wife and four children, Hannah, William, Richard and Mary. Whereupon his son, William Penn (4-15), became seized of one-fourth undivided interest in the estate.
- John Penn (3-9) of Stoke Pogis, son of Thomas June 21 Penn (2-9), died unmarried on June 21, 1834. Whereupon his three-fourths interest in the estate became vested in his brother. Granville Penn (3-10)

Will of John Penn recorded at Philadelphia in Will Book No. 11, page 667. Granville Penn (3-10), who had married Isabella Gordon Forbes on June 24, 1791, died Sept, 28, 1844, leaving to survive him three sons, Granville John, Thomas Gordon and William. The three-fourths interest of Granville Penn thus became vested in his son, Granville John Penn (4-3).

1844 Sept. 28

Will of Granville Penn (3-10) recorded at Philadelphia in Will Book No. 29, page 384.

William Penn (415), the son of Richard Penn (3-15) married Catharine Julia Balabrega and died without issue on September 17, 1845. Whereupon his brother, Richard Penn (4-17), became seized of his one-fourth interest in the estate.

1845 Sept. 17

Sophia Margaret Penn (3-11), who had intermarried with William Stuart, died April 28, 1847, leaving to survive her four children, William Stuart, Henry Stuart, Mary Juliana Stuart and Louisa Stuart.

1847 Apr. 28

William Penn (4-5), the son of Granville Penn (3-10), died unmarried and without issue Jan. 4, 1848.

1848 Jan. 4

William Stuart (4-12) by his will dated September 4, 1854, devised as follows:—"I give, devise and bequeath all my real estate over which I have any power of disposition and all my personal effects whatsoever to my eldest son William Stuart (5-1), his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns absolutely."

1854 Sept. 4

Recorded at Philadelphia. Will Book No. 88, page 367. Recorded at Easton, Will Book No. 35, page 647.

Richard Penn (4-15), son of Richard Penn (3-15), died April 21, 1863, and his one-fourth interest in the estate became vested in the descendants of

1863 Apr. 21 Thomas Penn (2.9). Granville John Penn (4.3) thus became vested in the entire estate.

1867 Granville John Penn (4-3) died unmarried and without issue March 29, 1867. Upon his death the title to all the Penn lands became vested in his brother, Thomas Gordon Penn (4-4).

Will of Granville John Penn recorded at Philadelphia in Will Book No. 63, page 234.

Thomas Gordon Penn (4-4) was declared a lunatic by an inquisition dated May 11, 1867.

Thomas Gordon Penn (4-4) died unmarried and without issue on September 10, 1869. With his death terminated the estate male tail created under the agreements and wills of John Penn (2-8), Thomas Penn (2-9) and Richard Penn (2-12), sons of the Founder, William Penn (1). The title to the estate thus became vested in the descendant of Thomas Penn (2-9), namely, William Stuart (4-12), eldest son of Sophia Margaret Penn (3-11) and her husband, William Stuart.

1870 William Stuart (4-12) by deed dated August 5, 1870, conveyed to William Levi Bull in fee, all of his lands, tenements and hereditaments in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in trust to recover the same in absolute fee simple.

> Recorded at Philadelphia, Deed Book JAH No. 98, page 309. Recorded at Easton, Deed Book G, Vol. 63, page 564.

By deed dated September 2, 1870, William Levi Sept. 2 Bull conveys to William Stuart (4-12) in fee simple, all the lands above mentioned. These two transactions were for the purpose of barring the entail in Pennsylvania.

Recorded at Philadelphia, Deed Book JAH No. 98, page 311. Recorded at Easton, Deed Book G. Vol. 63, page 566.

William Stuart (4-12), who had intermarried with Henrietta Pole, died July 7, 1874, leaving several children. The title thus became vested in William Stuart (5-1), the oldest son, by the terms of the will of his father, hereinbefore mentioned.

1874 July 7

William Stuart (5-1) by his indenture dated October 25, 1892, conveyed all of his lands in Pennsylvania to his oldest son, William Dugal Stuart (6-1), a Captain in his Majesty's 60th Rifles.

1892 Oct. 25

Recorded at Easton, Deed Book G. Vol. 63, page 568.

William Dugal Stuart (6·1) died April 2, 1922, and by his will dated January 8, 1917, bequeathed all of his property in Pennsylvania to his sister, Elizabeth Frances Sybil Stuart (6·4), of Cottage Farleigh Castle, Bath, England.

1922 Apr. 2

Recorded at Easton, Will Book No. 35, page 582.

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#### Maps

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#### Map 1

An action of ejectment was instituted by John Penn, "The Elder," and John Penn, "The Younger," against a number of the settlers on the Drylands. A settlement was effected on January 26th, 1795, a copy of which is filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds at Easton, Penna., in Deed Book B, Volume 2, Page 450. On page 451 of the same book there is attached a map representing sundry tracts of land belonging to the Penns and situate in the Forks of Delaware. This map is a copy of a map made February 21st, 1763, and was attested by Daniel Brodhead, S. G., on September 25th, 1794. The map shows tracts A and B, the two sections involved in the ejection proceedings. Map 1 of this work is based on the copy of the 1763 map. However it gives a little more data and corrects some errors.

#### Map 2

This map of Easton, compiled from deeds and old maps, shows the lots as laid out and numbered, the streets, the streams, and some of the adjoining outlots.

#### Map 3

Late in the eighteenth century that part of "The Easton Thousand Acre Tract" beyond the limits of the town lots was developed into outlots. Map 3 shows this development. It also gives some data for property south of the Lehigh River and in New Jersey.

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The subdivision of land in the Bushkill Valley and north of Easton, now Forks Township, is shown on Map 4.

#### Map 5

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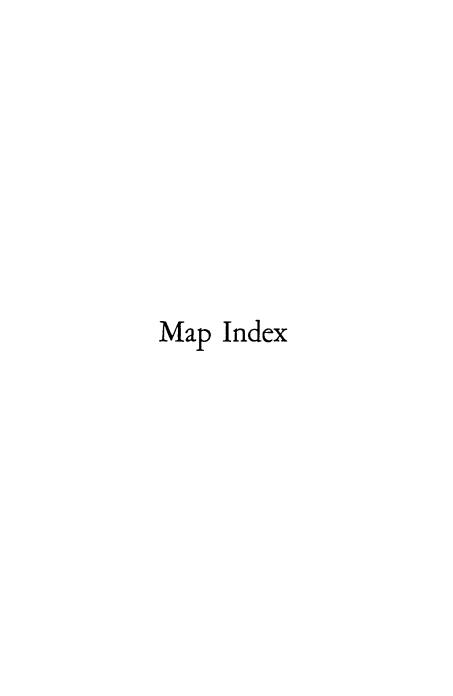
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#### Map 9

This drawing shows how the land in parts of Allen, East Allen, Hanover, and Lower Nazareth Townships was divided. The part of the Irish Settlement along the Monocacy Creek is included.



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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

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s. e. - southeast s. w. - southwest

n. - north

e. - east s. - south w. - west

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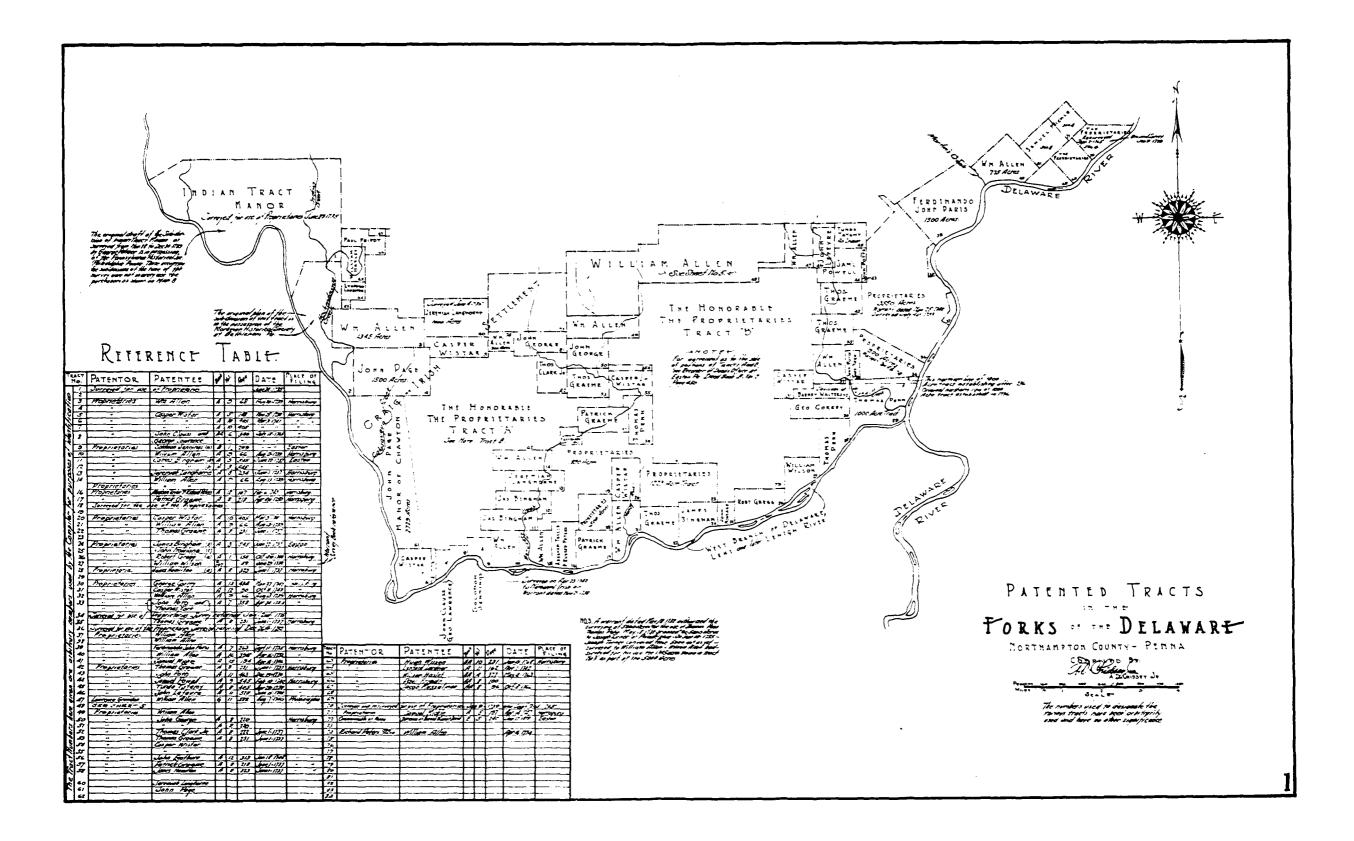
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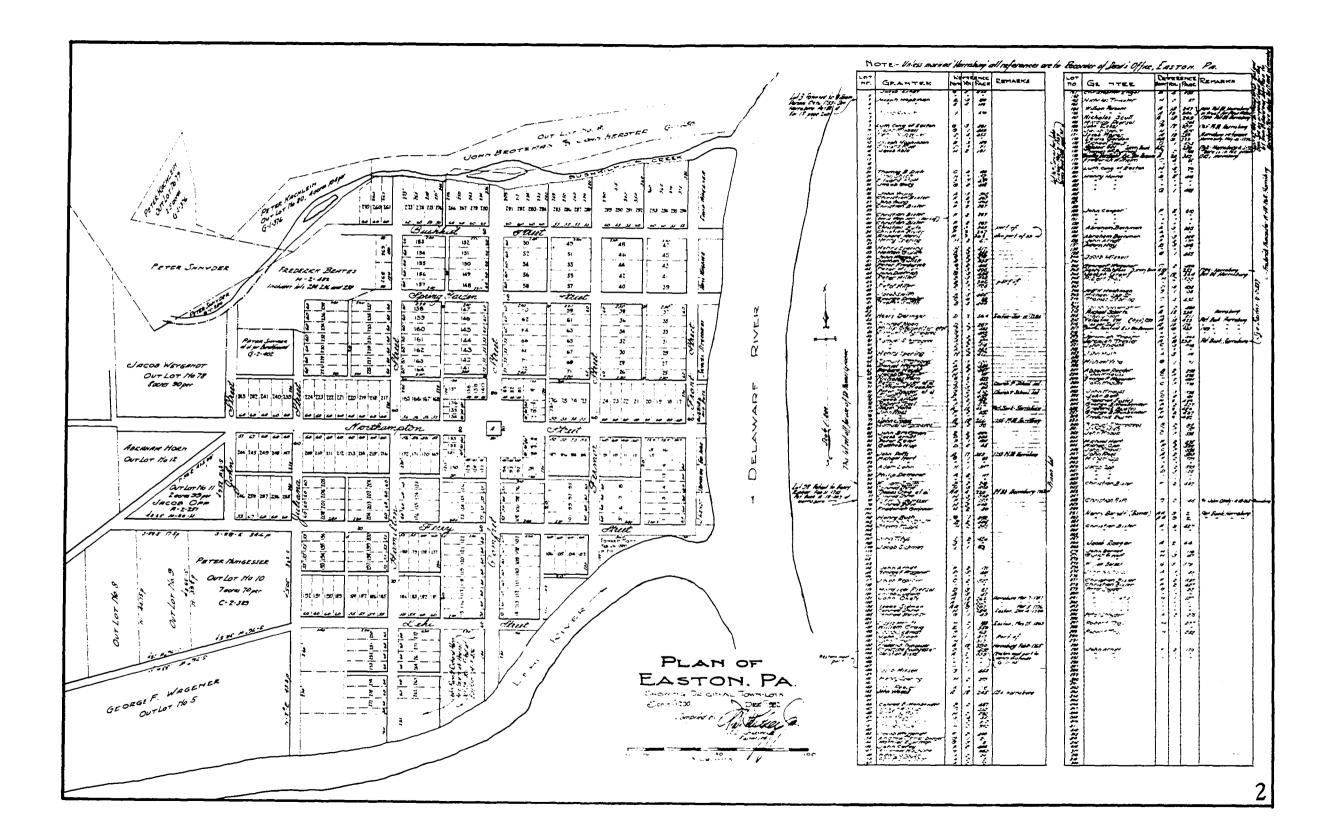
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Map 2, Plan of Easton Pa.

Lot No 164, This lot was Deeded to John Young Sr.: On this lot John Young Erected a house. His place of buisness and Gun-shop was on Lot No.166, a property owned by Captain Casper Doll, John Young 'sfatherilaw. (John Young was a Revolutionary War armorer.)

The following is the essental part of a deed.

John Young and Wife : January 25th 1808.
to : Rec.Deed Book D.Vol.3, P.15
John Young Jr. : Feb. 12th, 1808 Abram Horn, Re.

Northampton County Pa.

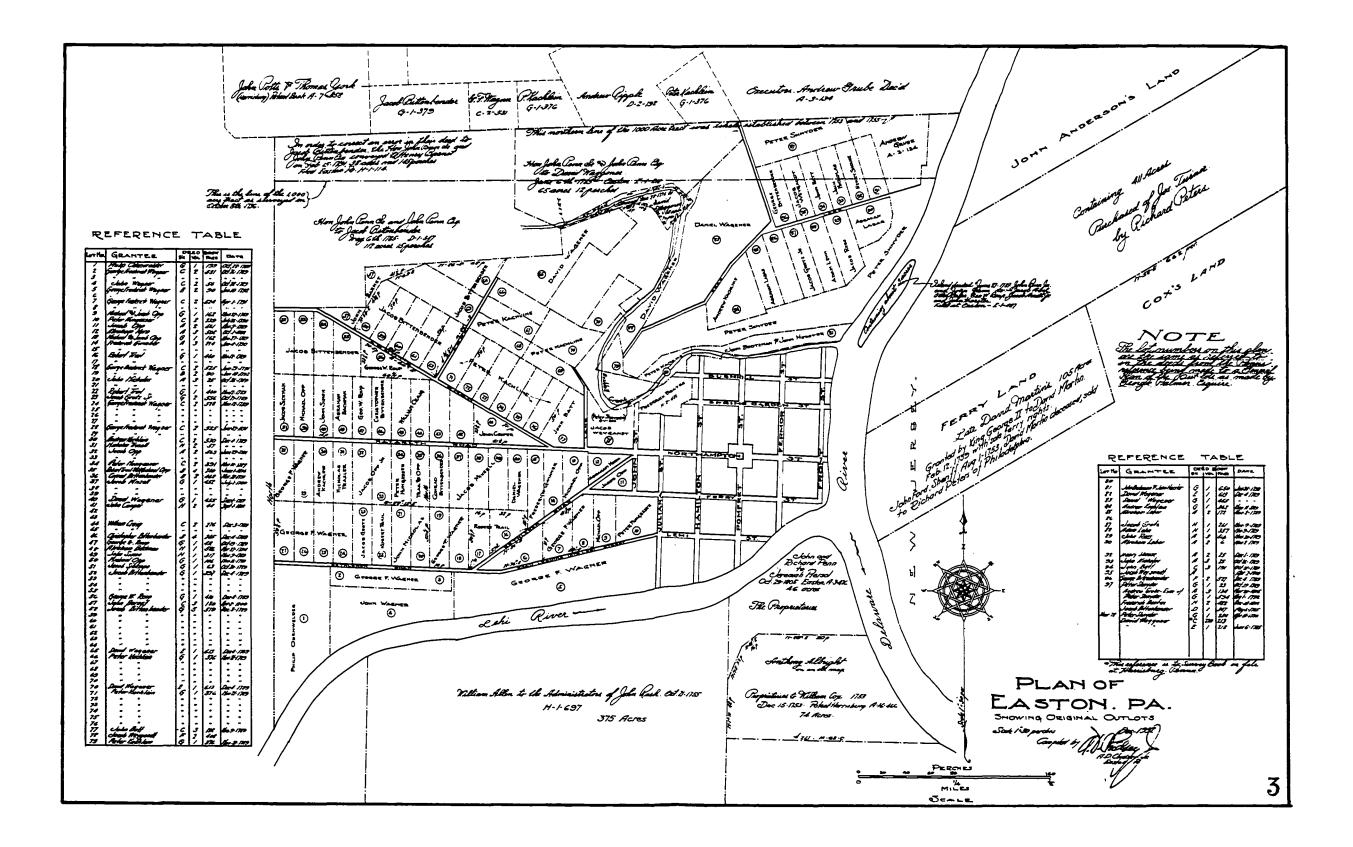
John Young of Forks Township, a Gunsmith, and Maria, his Wife to John Young Jr. Gunsmith of the Borough of Easton, a certain lot or piece of ground situated on the East side of Hamilton Street in the Borough of Easton, Pa. aforestid, being a part of the Lot marked in the general plans of said Borough, No. 164.

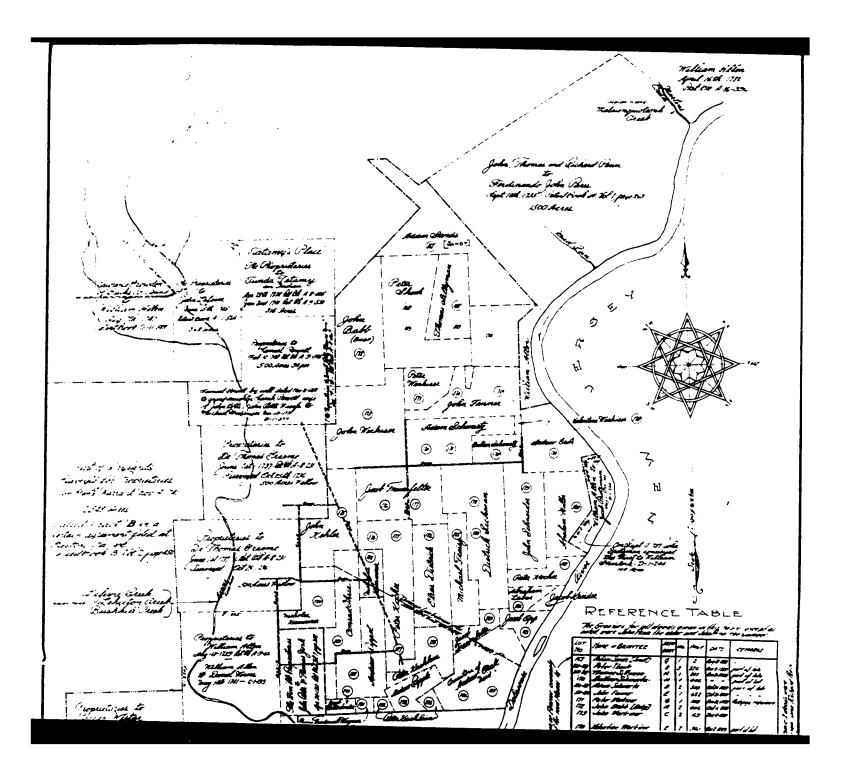
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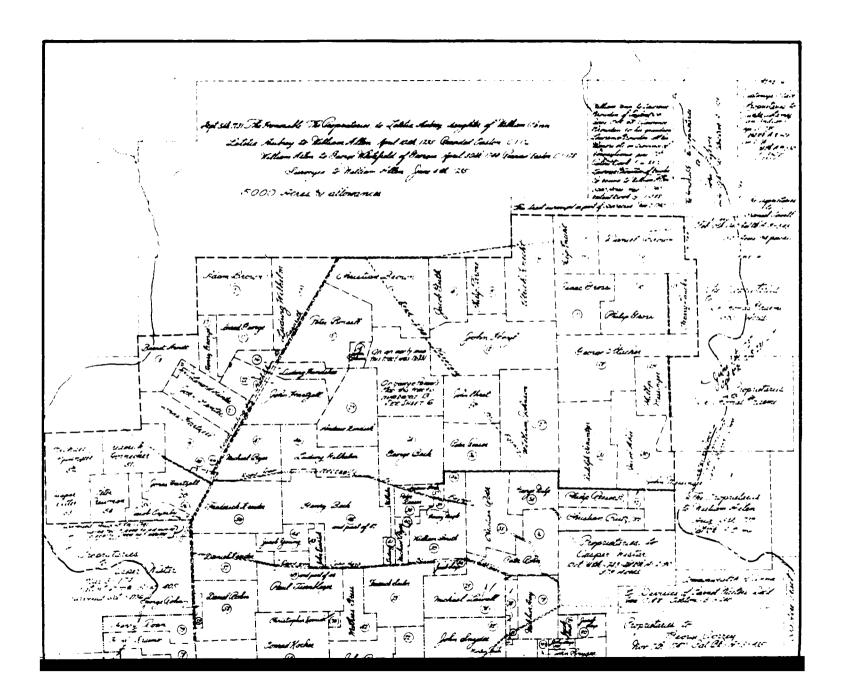
East I80 feet six inches, thence along the same South 30 feet to a 20 foot wide alley thence along said alley, East 39 feet, six inches thence along another 20 foot wide alley, North 60 feet and thence by Lot No. 163 West 220 feet to Hamilton St, aforesaid. It being the same premises which the Honorable John Penn and Kichard Penn, Esquires by their Attorney, John R. Coatly, did grant and confirm to the said John Young.

Recorded , Deed Book A. Vol. 3, Page 595.

Forest Edelman Sr. 126 Manor Road Hatboro Pa.a descendant of John Young.







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	Adom Brown	-	2		Aug 28-1802	16	Ludary Wilhelm	6	_		04-26-1801	91	Nicholes Koch	2	2		Dec 17.1796
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7	Philip Knecht	F	5		Mar 18-1828	<i>5</i> 2	Michael Sponder	*	2		Jap 20 1802	97	John Denett	D.	15	14	Der 17:1796
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For the location of all numbered parcels see sheet No. 5.

Christiam Hummal secured a warrant for Trac! It's 131. Warrant dated Fab. 27-1775. The Jelum of the Surrey was never recorded and apparently no parent issued Christian Hummal was in passesion when he wrote he will July 8-1734 [See WillBook/162 page 278, Easted Will probated Auglist 1734. Itses-Wife Paga Jans, Habam, Elias and Christopiag; Upayter Ware Marie Norm, Elias and England; The Fenns gave deeds, in 1879 to establish a char title and wipe out the gent-rants.

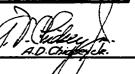
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"B" designated this tract or parcel as 16 13.

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8	Adom Baissel	F	5	132	Nov 2-1823
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D	Elids Hummel	F	٧	145	00/31/829
E	Adam Hummel	F	5	147	Nov.3-1829
F	Jacob Buss	7	4	148	Nov3-1823
G	Maria Wilhelm	1	۴	150	1003-1829
H	Jacob Honsby	F	4	155	Oct 31-1879
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