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**“A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ANDREW PUTMAN (Buttman, Putnam)
CHRISTIAN WYANDT (Weyandt, Weygandt, Voint, Wyand)
AND ADAM SNYDER (Schneider) FAMILIES
of WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND”**
by E. Clayton Wyand, A. M.

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Inscribed “To the generations to come, this volume is affectionately dedicated.”

“The Sentiment of the Tribe”

He wove his own nest and his shanty was spread
With skins he had stretched out over head.
Fresh hemlock made fragrant the floor,
For his bed as he sung when the daylight was o'er.
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The world is wide enough, there is room for all,
Room enough in the green woods if not in the hall.
Room, boys, room by the light of the moon
For why should not each man enjoy his own room?

NOTE: Printed in the *Antietam Valley Record*, April 1899 – from a copy found by E. C. Wyand in an old German Bible in the attic of the Christian Wyandt home.

Preface

This volume owes whatever its worth may be to the desire I have had since childhood days to know who I am. At the start this work was to make that discovery and to appease my idle fancy. The way, at the beginning, was apparently broad and well illuminated, but sixteen years have elapsed since the initial line was written, and the task has become one of no little proportions. It has taken the writer to all the important libraries in Maryland, Washington, D.C., and Boston, as well as to all the County Court Houses in which records of interest may have been deposited, -- Hagerstown, Frederick, Upper Marlboro and Annapolis. Every graveyard in which, perchance a stone of interesting date might rest, has been visited and records made for comparison. Scores of old Bibles have been pressed into service, newspaper files gleaned, and last but not least, trips were made everywhere to consult Old Folks. We regret that the most valuable records were burnt with the Court House in Frederick City, Maryland, which was the county seat of what is now Washington County from 1745 to 1797, in 1846. Here, there, and everywhere, particulars of information were gathered for comparison as well as for new light. A trip was made through the West in 1904, visiting Iowa, Illinois and Indiana, and in 1906 a special trip was made through Ohio, all the centers being visited. So obscure were some dates that we have resorted to logic and mathematics, yet with it all we see clearly how incomplete and inaccurate our details are, and solicit your indulgence.

From this acorn we trust an oak will grow, and then the planting has paid for itself.

One of the most striking points in the history of these two families is that of their inter-marriage.

Repeatedly first cousins have married, here in Maryland, in Pennsylvania, and in Ohio. As a result of this inter-marrying the writer is doubly qualified for his duty, being a direct descendant of Christian Wyandt on both sides – Christian Wyandt being both his great grandfather and great-great grandfather. Another incident qualifying the writer, and which is father to this effort, is that many years of his childhood were spent with his grandfather, Ezra J. Snyder, in the Putman and Wyandt house. It was in those boyhood days, there in that atmosphere, in which these ancestors lived and died, that awakened the desire which has resulted in this work.

My thanks are tendered first of all to David O. Snyder, who has patiently withstood thirty years of continued questioning; to Mrs. Truman Palmer, Wilmot, for notes clippings and letters; to Dr. Adolphus Gans, Massilon, Ohio; E. K. Trauger, Attorney at Law, Plymouth, Ohio; Rev. J.D. Wyandt, Justice, Ohio; Judge D. D. Heller, Decatur, Ind.; Miss Bessie Host, Bowerston, Ohio; Caleb Wyand; D.H. Wyand, Keedysville, Md.; Miss Emily Parker and Wm.. H. Welfley, Somerset, Pa., and others.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Clayton Wyand.

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**SECTION 1 [beginning page 11]**  
**ANDREW PUTMAN AND POSTERITY**

**Andrew Putman, or Buttman, came to America from Germany,** but there is nothing to prove the year of his arrival nor the port of landing. Whether he had settled in Pennsylvania and pushed into Maryland during “The Border Trouble,” or whether he found his way here during the influx of Germans, who had been gathered up by Joss Hite and Jacob Von Meeter to settle in Virginia, at the request of the Governor of Virginia, we do not know. But we do know that he had settled upon a tract of ninety acres of vacant land, and in 1770 (by the records of the Frederick City Court House) purchased of Joseph Chaplin fifty acres tract called “Partnership,” a part of a tract called “Resurvey on Root's Hill,” now together, and known as the “Old Snyder Homestead,” which is situated one mile south-east of Eakle's Mills, Md.

In Rupp's thirty thousand names of Germans who arrived in Philadelphia from Palatinate, via Rotterdam, between 1719 and 1780, we find but one mention of the name Buttman – one Philip Jacob Buttman, who sailed Oct. 7, 1743. On the same ship came one Henrich Brunner and one Johan Philip Schneider. The date and familiar associated names may count for something. The Andrew Buttman in question may have resided in Pennsylvania, or one of the Northern colonies – perhaps Massachusetts, where the name is among the oldest-- and came to Maryland when the invitations were extended to German families by the Governors of Maryland and Virginia. (There were two—John and Philip Putman in Frederick County in 1790 with families.) **All we know is that Andrew Putman, or Buttman, was in Washington County before 1770,** and that the neighborhood there was a wilderness whose desolate frontiers, on dark nights, were made hideous by the whoop of painted warriors and howl of wild beasts.

The log house which Putman erected as his residence, and which was perhaps the first house in this section is standing to-day and occupied by descendants, -- D. O. Snyder and sister.

**DEED FROM JOSIAH CHAPLINE TO ANDREW PUTMAN**  
*(Examined and delivered to Andrew Putman)*

At the request of Andrew Putman the following Deed was Recorded, January 11, 1770. To wit:  
THIS Indenture made this Eighteenth Day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand

seven hundred and sixty-nine, Between Josiah Chapline of the County of Frederick and Province of Maryland on the one part, and Andrew Puttman of the same county and Province aforesaid of the other part, witnesseth, that the said Josiah Chapline for and in consideration of the sum of eighty-five pounds current money to him in hand, paid by the said Andrew Puttman before the Ensoling and Delivering of these presents the Receipt whereof the said Josiah Chapline doth hereby acknowledge and of every part Parcell thereof doth aquitt and Discharge the said Andrew Puttman, his heirs, and assignes for ever, he the said Josiah Chapline hath granted, Bargained and sold alianted and confirmed, and by these presents doth hereby grant, Bargain, sell, allain and confirm unto the said Andrew Putnam, his heirs and assignes for ever all that Tract of Land called "**Partnership,**" lying and being int eh County aforesaid being of the tract of Land called the **Resurvey on Roots Hill** and Being the said part called Partnership at the end of the thirteenth line of the Resurvey on Roots' Hill and Running thence south five Degrees east one hundred and five perches, then south thirty-four Degrees, west thirty-two Degrees, then South eighty Degrees west fourteen perches, then north seventy one Degrees west twenty-two perches to the end of the twenty-second line of the said land called Resurvey on Root's Hill and running with the twenty-third line of said land north twenty-five degrees west twenty-six perches. Then by a straight line to the Beginning **containing Fifty acres of Land** in the same more or less with the appurtenance unto the said Land belonging or anywise appurtaining and all the estate, Right, Title, Interest, Claims, and Demand whatsoever of him the said Josiah Chapline, of, in and unto Fifty acres of Land called Partnership and Premises thereto Belonging and every Part thereof TO HAVE AND TO HOLD—the said Land all and singular the Premises and appurtenances thereto Belonging unto him the said Andrew Puttman, his heirs, and assignes, to be the only property and behoof of the said Andrew Putman, his heirs and assignes forever, and to not other use, intention or purposes whatsoever, and the said Josiah Chapline for himself and his Heirs the said Fifty acres of Land and all the Bargained Premises thereto belonging to Josiah Chapline and his heirs and against all and every other Person or Persons whatever claiming by, from or under him they or any of them shall and will awarrent and forever Defend by these presents *In witness* whereof the said Josiah Chapline signed, sealed and Delivered in the presence of SAM'L BEALL, JR.,

THOMAS PRATHER. .

JOSIAH CHAPLINE. [SEAL]

On the back of the Deed were the following Indorsements, to wit:

December 10<sup>th</sup>, 1769, Received the day and year within written of Andrew Puttman the Sum of 85 pounds current money, being the consideration money within mentioned--(I say rec'd pe me)

Witness present,

SAM'L BEALL, JR.,  
THOS. PRATHER.

Frederick Courts, ss., Dec., the 10 day, 1769. Came Josiah Chapline partie mentioned in the within Deed before us the subscribed being two of his Lordship's Justices of the Peace and for the county aforesaid, and acknowledge the within Instrument of writing to be his act and Deed and the \**Fifteen* acres of Land therein mentioned and every part thereof to be the Right and estate of the within named Andrew Putnam, his heirs and assignes forever.

SALL'L BEAL, JR.  
THOS. PRATHER.

[\* *Error on record. There were also other errors in the copy work and given here.* -- E. C. W.]

**The date of Putman's birth and that of his marriage are unknown.** Neither is it known

where Putman or his wife are buried, but is generally supposed by the oldest descendants that they lie **buried in Mrs. F. B. Keyfauver's apple orchard**. Here forty-two yards from the fence on the line south of the orchard, and forty-two yards east from the rocks above the branch of water, and about 150 yards direct south from the house, is the side of the **family burial plot**, and here lies, to my knowledge, the remains of Rose Wyand, my father's sister. My father's brother, **Caleb Wyand**, pointing out the plot to me on Jan. 1, 1909, remarked that it used to be enclosed with a paling fence, around which he plowed when a boy, and later **when the fence had decayed, and fallen, he plowed across the plot**. George Fisher, an old colored man, an ex-slave and war veteran, tells me that he and Pembroke Griffith there years ago plowed out grave stones. Mrs. Amelia Rohrer, a descendant who is now in her eightieth year, tells me that she attended funerals which were held in the barn. I believe **Christian Wyandt** is buried here also.

To arrive at the age of Andrew Putman we resort to figures. Amelia Putman, fifth child, died in 1853, nearly one hundred years of age. She was born in about 1754. There were four children before her. Allow two years between each and we have for the date of birth of the first, 1744. There was no settlement here prior to 1745, and Putman came between 1750 and 1770, therefore, Putman had a family when he arrived.

Now allow twenty-three years for his age before the birth of first child, in 1744 or 1746, he was born, accordingly, about 1721-23. He may have been twenty-five or thirty at time of his marriage. If he was born in 1721 he was only fifty-eight when he died in 1777. We are sure of the date of his death, it being clearly stated by the Register of Wills.

Just who Catherine Putman, his wife, was we may never know. She may have been either a Wyandt or a Schneider. Andrew and Catherine Putman had eight children—three sons and five daughters: (1) John; (2) Peter; (3) Elizabeth, who married John Dull; (4) Magdalena (“Mary”) who married Henry Brunner; (5) Amelia, (“Mary Ann”), who married Christian Wyandt; (6) Catherine, who married Adam Schneider; (7) Susan, who married Henry Baker; and (8) Andrew.

Peter and Andrew Putman, John Dull and Henry Brunner removed to Milford Township, Bedford County, Pa., in 1785, and later, into Somerset County, Pa., to which place Adam Schneider also removed. Adam Schneider, who married Catherine Putman, and posterity is a subject in the second section of this volume.

Henry Baker removed to Baltimore, and, I believe, was engaged in the manufacture of glass.

Christian Wyandt (Wyand), who married Amelia Putman, is the subject of the second section of this work.

John Dull and his wife, Elizabeth (Putman), died in Ohio when the scourge of cholera passed that state. Their son Joseph Dull, died in Licking County, Ohio, Oct. 17, 1891, aged 87 years, 8 months, 8 days, leaving ten children, four grandchildren and twenty-four great-grand-children. Joseph Dull was a recruiting officer during the Civil War.

Andrew Putman (11) married Elizabeth Lenhart and to them were born eleven children: John; Gabriel; Joseph; Peter; Polly, who married John Shaffer\*; Kate, wife of Wm. Logan; Eva, wife of Geo. Paron; Sallie, wife of Geo. Piles; Rose, wife of John Coves; Hannah, wife of Henry Brunner (Jr. ?); and Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Putman, her cousin.

John (III), born in Somerset County, Pa., on Feb. 2, 1789, removed to Ohio in 1817, settled government land, section 33, married Charlotte King. To them were born seven children: Mary, Mrs. Jeremiah Agler, Van Wert County, Ohio; Elizabeth, now Mrs. Andrew Spidle, Wilmot; Andrew, at Justice; Phoebe, now Mrs. Wm. Slater, Mercer County; Timothy, Beach City; Annie, and a baby, both dying young.

The wife of John Putman (III) died in 1851, and he married Sarah Hall, who lived with him until his death, May, 3, 1872. He as then 83 years, 3 months 1 day. He left five children, 22 grand children, 80 great-grand children, and 14 great-great grand children.

Gabriel Putman, of Andrew Jr., born in Somerset County, Pa, Jan. 24, 1795, migrated to Ohio in

1817. Two years later returned to Pennsylvania and married Susan Weimer, and took her to his log cabin in the Ohio wilderness. He made a valuable farm of the unbroken forest. To them five children were born: Joseph, Hiram, Christiana Kaylor, Harriet Shunk of Iowa, and Sallie Ash of Wood County. Two years after the death of his wife he married Rebecca White, who died three years later. In 1871 he married Sarah Hite, who survived him. He was township constable and trustee for some years. With D. B. and C. Wyandt he founded the Agricultural Works which was for year the most prosperous manufacturing establishment in Stark County. He died on Nov. 27, 1882, at the ripe age of 88 years.

Peter Putman of Andrew Jr., migrated to Stark County about 1830, then to Van Wert County about 1838, where he settled down in the woods and made himself a pleasant home. He was the father of *eighteen* children, seventy-five grand children and fifteen great-grand children.

Peter Putman (II) had eleven children: George, Henry, Michael and Peter, who lived and died in Somerset County, Pa., Jacob and Andrew, who migrated to Van West [Van Wert] County, Ohio in 1835, where they died, and Joseph, who emigrated to Stark County, Ohio.

Joseph Putman (III), last of the family of Peter Putman (II), born in Somerset County, Pa., 1808. Bereft of father at five years. Taken by his brother Peter and brother-in-law, Wm. Shunt. He began life as a farm hand at low wages. In October, 1829, married Elizabeth Putman, youngest daughter and child of his uncle, Andrew Putman (II). By frugality and industry he was soon able to buy a small farm. With the death of Andrew Putman he met reverses and in 1833 went from Somerset County to Stark County, Ohio where he purchased 365 acres in Sugar Creek Township. The old pioneer died in 1890 at the ripe age of 82 years, 8 months and 13 days. He was a member of the Evangelical church. The following children survived him: William Putman, Mrs. Henry Kreiling, Mrs. Frederick Naumann, and Mrs. Mary Gonawer.

Andrew Putnam (III) son of John Putnam (II), was born in Somerset County, in 1816. Two years afterward his father removed to Stark County, Ohio. At the age of 22 Andrew married Judith Slater, last of a family of fourteen children. He farmed and sawed timber. He soon removed to a farm near Justus. He had four children, two of which preceded him in that far journey. Two survive: Haman and Mrs. Daniel Hoffman. At 30 he joined the United Brethren Church and as there was no building for a time in that section, his house was the place of worship and home of the minister. He was liberal toward all churches, and was a strong prohibitionist. He died at the age of seventy-five from pneumonia.

### **WILL OF ANDREW PUTMAN**

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In the name of God, Amen, I, Andrew Putman, of Washington County, and Province of Maryland, being Sick and weak in Body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, viz.: first and punctually I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me, and my Body to be buried in decent order at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named, and as to the worldly Estate it has pleased God to bestow on me, I give and bequeath as follow:

Imprimis: I will that all my Just Debts and funeral charges be first paid, then, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Catherine the use of all my Estate, Real and Personal, for and during her Natural Life in case she remains a widow, but if she marrys I do allow that my Estate may be Immediately sold to the best advantage (excepting her thirds) and distributing amongst my children in the same manner as is hereinafter mentioned, allowing her, my said wife, fifty pounds good and lawful money of Pennsylvania over and above her thirds if she doth marry. Item: I give and bequeath unto my sons John Twenty-five pounds of the above currency, and to my sons Peter and Andrew Twenty pounds each over and above any of the rest of my children. Item: I also give and bequeath unto my children John, Peter, Elizabeth, Mary, Maryann, Catherine, Susannah and Andrew all the remainder of my estate. Real and Personal, to be sold at the death or marriage of my wife Catherine,

which should happen first, and the Money to be equally divided amongst them. Lastly, I do contribute and appoint my trusty Friends, Samu'l Baker and Conrad Schnebly Executors of this my last Will and Testament, making void all other Wills by me heretofore made. In Testimony whereof I, the said Andrew Putman, have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this fourth day of February, in the year of Our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy-seven.

Signed, Sealed and delivered to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator, in presence of us who have signed at the Testator's request and in his presence.

N.B. -- The name Catherine was interlined between the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth line before the signing and sealing thereof.

HENRY GEETING,  
JOHN TOLTS,  
PETER SHALLY.

ANDREW PUTMAN. [SEAL]

[Indorsement on Back of Will.]

On the back of the original will of the said Andrew Putnam are the following indorsements, (to wit):

Washington County, June 14, 1777. Then came Samuel Baker and Conrad Schnebly and made oath, etc., that the within Instrument of writing is the true and whole will and testament of Andrew Putman, of said county dece'd, that came to their hands of possession and that he did not know of any other.

And on the same day came Henry Geeting, Jr., Wm. Tolts and Peter Shally the three subscribing witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of Andrew Putnam and severally made oath on the Holy Evangelical, etc., that they did see the Testator therein named sign and Seal this Will and that they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and that they respectively subscribed their names to the Will in the presence and at the request of Testator and each other.

Certified by, THOMAS SPRIGG, Register.  
Recorded, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 1777.

*[from the book "A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ANDREW PUTMAN (Buttman, Putnam)  
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(III) Catherine, b. 1784, third child of Christian and Amelia (Putman) Wyandt, married **Jacob Schneider 9Snyder**), b. 1777, son of Adam Schneider, who married Catherine Putman. They were, therefore, first cousins. Adan Schneider was born in Germany in 1746, and was in all probabilities, acquainted with the Putman and Wyandt families there, if not related to them. They, like as not, joined hands in venturing to the New World, and clugn together, as did their children later in going West. The progenitor of the Schneider family was Michael Schneider, Gerhardtsbrum Zueibruchen Landgraranate of Lickenger, Dukedom of Miedlinger Germany. The Schneider ancestors are buried in Babacher Churchyard beyond Gerhardtsbrum. Michael Schneider married Barbara -- ---. They had three sons. Of these **Michael married Anna Barbara Troutman**. Michael and Anna Schneider had children: (1) Valentine; (2) Adam, born Dec. 31, 1747, arrived in Philadelphia Sept. 17,

1773, married Catherine Putman, Nov. 1, 1775; (4) Henry, born 1763, single, died April 18, 1816; (5) Jacob, born 1769, married Susanna Heiple, died 1844; (6) Barbara, married Adam Hoch; (7) Anna Ottilia, married --- --- Hoch.

**Valentine Schneider** married a daughter of Adam Heintz, Heintz Mills, Germany. **Anna Ottilia married Adam Hoch, lived in homestead in Gerhardtsbrum. Their descendants own the Old Homestead today and they have been visited by their American Schneider cousins, taking greatest pride in entertaining them.** They stand in the highest rank, one of the boys now being Burgomaster of that place. [Adam] Schneider arrived in America in 1774, according to his Bible. He was a tailor and was employed in Baltimore for a few years. In 1780 he returned to the Putman home, where in 1775 he had married Catherine. Tradition says he was a tailor, but history has no such fact. This notion may have been conceived from the name *Der Schneider*, the name which in English is "The Tailor."

We have every reason to think that while Adam Schneider lived in Baltimore, he returned to Gerhadtsbrum, Germany his old home and brought back to this country with him his two brothers Henry and Jacob. Henry the age of twenty-one years and Jacob a lad of fifteen. They landed in this country in 1784.

Just when Adam Schneider and his two brothers went west as far as Somerset is not recorded, but in 1787 Woolerick Bruner entered into an agreement with Adam Schneider to sell Adam Schneider of Washington County in the State of Maryland two hundred acres of land and upwards, part of which is the said Bruner's dwelling place which Bruner had bought of Harman Husband, and is at the present time the home of Rupert Kuniwell. Adam Schneider paid to Woolrich Bruner the sum of one hundred pounds and one house and lot in Baltimore Town on Howard Street joining the widow Rankles, and occupied by Jacob Reader. This agreement is now in the possession of F. G. Parker, Johnstown, Pa. The deed is on the records of Bedford County. This ground was laid out by Adam Schneider September 12, 1795 for a town in connection with Peter Ankeny who owned the ground south of what is now Main Street. The original plot of this town (being Somerset) is owned by F. G. Parker, Somerset, Pa. The town was first called Mulfordtown, but in the same year the name was changed to Somerset. About fifteen or twenty houses were erected in Somerset at this time, 1795.

Adam Schneider was a man of means and great enterprise, and at once realized the need of four things necessary for a prosperous town: a Church, a School, a place of Justice, and a burial ground. Consequently on the original plot of the town (1795) ground was set apart and donated for the above named purposes, and they have all come down to us intact (1909). Except the old Lutheran Church which was sold by the Lutheran denomination (with the permission of the Adam Schneider heirs) to buy another place for the new Church. The old Church is now the property of Mr. Isaiah Pile, and used as a dwelling. One has but to look at this quaint old place to realize that our forefathers believed in plenty of room, solidity of structure and simplicity.

Whether there was a School-house placed upon the lots donated we are not able to say, but we have a record of two additional lots joining those donated sold by Adam Schneider to the Trustees of the Somerset Academy in the year 1816 for the sum of one hundred and twenty-nine dollars. Jacob Schneider was Secretary of the Board of Trustees at this time and in the same year advertised for bids for the building of the Academy. In 1897 [1817?] the handsome Union School Building was built on these lots. The Court House speaks for itself and shows up it's magnificence and grandeur which if the donator of the ground if he were living could say with all of the descendants – well and beautifully done.

By the U.S. Pension roll for Revolutionary Service, Adam Schneider received pension 1820 – 1825. He served as a private in the Penna. Line, as did one Henry and John Snyder and John Putman. One John Wygant was in Capt. Klotz's Flying Camp. One John Weyant was an adj.-gen. A German Regiment was raised by Capt. Jacob Brunner.

Adam and Catherine (Putman) Schneider had fourteen children: (1) Jacob, b. 1777; (2) Susan,

b. 1778; (3) Adam, b. 1781; (4) Rosana, b. 1783; (5) Henry, b. 1784; (6) Elizabeth, b. 1787; (7) John, b. 1789, d. 1789; (8) Magdalena, b. 1790; (9) John 2d b. 1792; (10) Peter, b. 1794; (11) Catherine, b. 1795; (12) Ailla [Otilia], b. 1797; (13) Maria, b. 1799; (14) Joseph, b. 1802. We can only trace the one child of Adam Schneider which interests this sketch.

Jacob Schneider was born at the old Snyder Homestead at Eakle's Mills, Md., in 1777; died May 31, 1869, at the same place, aged 92 years, 3 months, 14 days. He married Catherine Wyandt, his cousin in 1801. She was born Aug. 20, 1784, and died Sept. 30, 1871, aged 87 years, 1 month, 10 days. She as all her life a member of the United Brethren Church. Jacob Snyder joined the Lutheran Church when converted at 19. During the last 20 years of his life he was totally blind. When the War of 1812 broke out he enlisted and went to serve his country. He resided all of his life in this county excepting ten years spent in Somerset county, where he owned 900 acres of land. He and his wife frequently rode on horseback to Somerset, and also made a trip by the same way to Ohio. The children of Jacob and Catherine (Wyandt) Schneider were:

(1) Christian, b. 1802, married Virginia Wright. He was a weaver and conducted a factory on the farm now owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Snyder, part of the old homestead. He removed to Indiana, thence to Illinois. His descendants are numerous, among them three sons: (1) Christian, living in Veedersburg, In., now more than threescore and ten; (2) Alfred C., Estherville, Ia., farmer, was a member of the Illinois Volunteers and was in several battles; (3) Milton, living in Loda, Ill. Christian Snyder of Veedersburg has several children living in that vicinity, among them being Czar Snyder, who visited Maryland in 1902 with his father, and attended the family reunion held by the Wyands and Snyders, in Keedysville. Milton Snyder has a son Oscar, and two daughters, all three living in Iowa. He has married a second time. A daughter of Christian Snyder, Sr., married Dr. McBride of Illinois. She has been dead for some years. Her daughter, Mrs. Tilly Clark, lives in Gibson City, and has a family among which is Miss Clarendia, a school teacher of Danville, Ill., and Mrs. D. McIntyre of Chicago. Another daughter married John Webb, Paxton, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Webb are the parents of fourteen children, nine of which are girls. We called on this family at their home July 11, 1904, and we'll never forget the scene in that home that Sunday evening as those girls surrounded an organ and, with other instruments, converted that home into – not a church – but man's paradise on earth. Mr. and Mrs. Webb sat in their easy chairs oblivious to all earthly sorrows. A photo of the older four girls appears in this work. Christian Snyder, Sr., died at age of 81 years, on his farm in Ford County, Ill.

(2) Rosanna, b. Nov. 1, 1804, married John Geeting, a farmer who went to Indiana where they died. Among their children were Henry, Isaiah, and Catherine.

(3) John, b. Aug. 30, 1806, married Eliza Ann Brenner, farmed the homestead awhile then removed to Ohio, dying at West Alexander, leaving children: Aaron, Elias, a physician, Jacob S., and Maretta, who married Elias Mumma.

(4) Elizabeth, b. June 18, 1809, married Thomas Wright, a weaver who carried on the business on the Snyder Homestead, and at Porterstown (three miles west of his home). He removed to Fountain County, Ind., where he bought and cleared forest land upon which he lived until his death. He left one son, Ezra, who retained this farm and who married Susan, daughter of Simon and Rebecca (Geeting) Wyand. Ezra Wright is living still at Marshall Field, Ind., at the age of 76. I visited him in 1904 on my way from Loda, Bismarck, to Veedersburg in company of Milton Snyder, we driving the distance.

(5) Susanna, b. April 1, 1881;

(6) Ezra J., b. March 1, 1813, married Sarah A. Staubs. Ezra Snyder was a store keeper in Buena Vista, now Eakle's Mills, from 1851 to 1857. I have letters written in Baltimore which were sent by post to him. They have no envelopes. They were folded neatly and sealed with wax, or tied with a string. The name and address were written on the back as we write on an envelope. There is no stamp but a post date. One of them is--

“Ezra J. Snyder, Merchant,  
Buena Vista,



Near Mt. Look Out,  
Washington County, Md.”

The house occupied by him as a store was the first erected in this section. It is only one story and a half but the half is ceiled in old New England fashion. There is a large basement with two rooms. This house is the same in which F. and D.H. Wyand, and a score of others, got their start. It was the business place before M.C. Eakle erected the present store and warehouse with the coming of the steam car. I was in the house this morning (April 7, 1909). Men are digging a well in the rear and, I am grieved to say, though in a most excellent state of preservation the house is doomed, and ere another moon it will be in history only, and a modern dwelling adorning its foundation. Ezra Snyder returned to the old Homestead of his father (the Putman-Wyandt place) and devoted the remainder of his days to farming, and died there in 1888, having fallen in the barn of my father's home nearly a year before, sustaining a compound fracture of hip. He was 75 at the time and though he made a heroic effort to recover, age was against him. His wife was a daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Blessing) Staubs, a relative of George P. Blessing, the famous hero of “Highlandotwn” during the Civil War. To Ezra and Sarah Snyder were born ten children: (1) Catherine, died young; (2) Jacob M., now living and enjoying his threescore and ten in Estherville, Iowa. He was for years a real estate dealer and sold much of the wild land in that section. He enlisted in Co. D, Ninety-Second Illinois Volunteers and was with the army of Cumberland. He was wounded in the battle of Chickamauga, Ga., Sept. 19, 1863. He was transferred in 1864, and mustered out at Rock's Island, July 16, 1865 as Second Corporal. He married Mary A. Rinehart, of Virginia and they have three children: Fidella, (Mrs. Bert. Miller), Estherville; Laura (Mrs. J. Utz), on her father's farm near Estherville; Annie (Mrs. Davis), on another of her father's farms near Estherville. Each have several children. They were visited by the writer in 1904, and together we fished in the Des Moines on the farms. (3) David O., who with two maiden sisters now reside in the old Putman house. He has resided on the farm most of his life. He is single, and for twenty-five years taught school. He has been engaged extensively in the raising of sheep. “Uncle D.O.” is a great church man and Sunday School worker. Is is a bad day, indeed, that keeps him from church twice on Sunday. As a rule he is there three times often driving to the country churches 15 or 20 miles between services. He is known in many parts of Maryland in this work, and there has seldom been a Sunday School Institute that did not request him to help them. He has traveled through the West, being in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the past year to attend the Reunion held in Canton, Ohio. You are indebted, my reader, to him for much of this volume. Not only his untiring efforts and continued urging me on during recent years, but when I was a tot of 3 and 4 and up, those years were spent by me on the old Putman and Wyandt farm with my grandfather, Ezra J. Snyder, and under my never-ending questions from unsatisfied curiosity. “Uncle D.O.” never wearied. It gave him pleasure to explain and now that acorn of thirty years ago has grown into this volume. (4) Elizabeth, married Martin Snyder (not a relative). They had three children: (1) Katherine, (2) Edgar, conductor on the Rock Island R.R. (Iowa); (3) Harvey M., commercial traveler, resides with his widowed mother. Martin Snyder died in 1880 (5) Rosanna, married Nicodemus Zimmerman (second cousin), now deceased. They had five children: (1) Benjamin, a B. & O. fireman, who was killed in 1896, leaving a widow and five children; (2) Oliver L., foreman in Pittsburg Steel shops; (3) Kate, (4) Sadie, both living in Keedysville with their mother; (5) Henry Kidd, married, lives in Keedysville and is chief clerk in his cousin's hardware store, H.G. Snyder & Co.; (6) Susan P. lives with her brother D.O. in the Putman house; (7) Mary Etta, married Daniel W. Wyand, and is the mother of the author of this work; (8) Aaron D., who has been a school teacher all his life and at this time resides in Keedysville. He has been engaged in the fruit business during the summer. He has traveled in the West and owns farms in Kansas. He married Annie Eakle of Leitersburg, Washington county, Md. They have two children: the eldest, Miss Verde, now at Annville Lebanon Valley College; (9) Jeremiah, deceased. He farmed for many years for his father Ezra J. and later entered the railway postal service and ran on the local branch of B. & O. for some years. Transferred to Baltimore-Winchester, Va., route. A few years before his death, which occurred

in 1901, and while yet on the road, he purchased the Baker hardware store in Keedysville, taking his son as partner. He married Nellie Easterday, of Frederick County, Md. They had three children: (1) Jennie (Mrs. Co.O. Eakle), Eakles Mill; (2) Herbert, who now owns the store which his father established; (3) Grace, at home in Keedysville, Md. Jeremiah Snyder founded the Eakle's Mills Sunday School in 1877 in the school house. Ten years later the church was built. (10) Barbara E. resides with her brother and sister in the Putman house. She is rightly the foster mother of the author, and tucked him away in bed many a night while the howling north wind whistled round those old stone buildings and made the windows re-echo in their ancient casements. Many a time has the author's nerve been quieted by her assurance that no spooks were nigh as he lay trembling with fear that the Indian and wartime horrors the old house had witnessed would be repeated under the cover of night.

The widow of Ezra Snyder died Sept. 24, 1889, just one year to the date of the death of Ezra, her husband. Both were buried in Keedysville, after services in the U. B. Church, of which they were life-long members.

(7) Adam Snyder, b. April 4, 1815, married Miss Neff. He was a farmer and settled in Preble County, Ohio, where he died leaving one son, John A., now a farmer in Missouri.

(8) Mary, b. July 18, 1817, married John Bomberger, and settled in Illinois. They had children: Josiah, Elias D. (died 1907), Catherine, Mary Ellen and Clarendia.

(9) Matilda C. b. July 7, 1819; she never married, was an extensive traveler through the West, Taken ill on her last tour and brought back to the homestead, at her request, that she could die there. She died in 1894 aged 76.

(10) Jacob, b. 1821, died in infancy.

(11) Clarissa, b. Aug. 11, 1823, married William Buxton, a miller; their children were: Catherine; Jacob, of F. Wyand & Co., Keedysville; John W.; Almeda (Mrs. W. O. B.Sparrow); Susan, who married Rev. J. W. Kiracofe; Dr. Otho C. Western City, Iowa; David H. of Globe Manufacturing Co., Des Moines, Iowa; Curtis Lafayette, in business with his brother David H.

The Globe Machine and Supply Company, of which D. H. Buxton is the sole proprietor, is the largest engine-making concern west of the Mississippi, and their trade covers a vast territory. The pictures of both D. H. and C.L. Buxton appear in this work.

(12) Josiah, b. Dec. 31, 1827, married in Illinois and is the only surviving member of the family. He has visited his boyhood home twice—1900 and 1902. The writer spent several days with him at his home in Bismarck, Ill., in 1904. Quite a lot of pictures were snapped of "Uncle Joe" both then and while in Maryland. He has a fine farm and was a "younger" man than the writer in 1904. He has three children: (1) Martin, at home; (2) Dora (Mrs. Wilson), Bismarck; (3) Prof. Otho C. of Danville schools.

1. Jacob (2), b. March 22, 1832, died in infancy.

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**IV, Henry, son of Christian and Amelia (Putman) Wyand**, was born 1787, removed to Somerset County, Pa., 1811, thence to Stark County, Ohio, 1881. He married Elizabeth Warner. They were the progenitors of the Stark County branch of the Wyandt family. They had eleven

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