

WERNER DYGERT (TYGERT)

ORN 1719

MARRIED Magdalena (Lany) Herkimer

DIED Oct 4 1780 shot and scalped from ambush by indians in Brant's raid on Fort Plain

REV WAR was a member of the Tryon Co Committee of Safety and therefore was a target to be killed by the Tories and indians

HOME at the foot of Fall Hill near the Gen Herkimer house

CHILDREN 8

Hanyost m Marilla ?
Jepherenus (Severinus) 1770-? when 10 yrs old taken prisoner to Canada when father killed
Mary
Catherine 1749-1837 m Sgt Henry J Failing 1748-1825
Anna m Conrad Folts
Elizabeth
Lana m Henry Ehle
Mary Catherine

QUOTE From the book "History of Montgomery & Fulton Co" 1878 Beers:

"The first full meeting of the Tryon Co committee was held June 2 (1775) at the house of Warner Tygert in the Canajoharie district; the Mohawk having thus far been prevented from attending by the Johnsons. Warner Tygert, or Dygert as the family now spell their name, lived in the extreme western end of the Canajoharie district, at the foot of fall hill, and but a short distance from the Gen Herkimer dwelling. In the latter part of the war, Tygert was killed by indians on the hill above his residence, where he had gone to build a corn crib. While thus engaged, he laid down his gun, struck fire and lit his pipe, and was about to resume his work when a party of indians concealed in the bushes nearby shot him down, tomahawked and scalped him. A little son, 10 years old, who accompanied him, was taken a prisoner to Canada, where he remained. Dygert was one of the first grand jurors at Johnstown."

QUOTE From the book "Frontiersmen of New York" 1882 Jephtha Simms pg 379:

"FATE OF WARNER DYGERT- This substantial citizen, whose sister Gen Herkimer had married, kept a tavern at the foot of fall hill, not far from the residence of Gen Herkimer, before the war; and going to his place, as believed, on the destructive day of 1780, with his son Suffrenas, a lad some 10 years of age, to make a corncrib - his movements were watched by four indians. Everybody then carried a gun where their duty called them. From their concealment they saw him set down his gun, and, with a tinderbox and flint, light his pipe, at which moment he was shot down; and, running up, they dispatched and scalped him. The little son was made a prisoner and taken to Canada. He returned to his surviving friends at the end of his captivity, in company with Mr Dunckel and Mrs Pletts, and other captives from the Canajoharie district. The widow of Warner Dygert married a Snell, and at his death she married John Roorbach, who outlived her. Suffrenas Dygert went to live in Canada after the war, and some years after came back and made an unsuccessful attempt to get a pension from our government, went back to Canada and remained there.(.....by Wm H Seeber & wife.)"

BROTHERS His brother John (b1725) was a Capt in the 2nd Bn from Stone Arabia and was killed in the battle of Oriskany. His brother Peter b1721 was a Pvt in the same Bn under Col Klock.

HEINRICH FALLINGER
(HENRY FAILING)

BORN 1684

MARRIED 1708 Anna Maria Kunagunda??

IMMIGRATED from New Ansberg Germany to America in 1709 via Holland and England

CHURCH Member of Reformed Church in Germany

DIED in St Johnsville 1768

CHILDREN lived in New Ansburg with 3 children and had 7 known children including John

QUOTE From the book "History of Montgomery Co" by Frothingham 1892 pg 52f:

"Failing family in America. This family is of german descent and the pioneer was one of the 50 families sent to this country by Queen Anne. He settled at Livingston Manor on the Hudson and removed to Schoharie Co. Sometime previous to the revolutionary war he came to Canajoharie. He had a family of 6 sons of whom the youngest was Henry." (NOTE: This Henry had the following children: Jacob H; Richard; Henry; John; Philip; Elizabeth; Nancy; Catherine and Alice).

QUOTE From the book "History of Montgomery and Fulton Co" 1878 F W Beers Pg 96:

"At some period before the revolution, 3 brothers, Henry, Nicholas and John Failing germans, located on the rich intervale lands just westward of Canajoharie village. Henry pitched his tent where Joshua Williams now resides. Nicholas resided nearly a mile farther west where he built, just before the war, one of the better class of stone houses in a commanding position upon a knoll. It is remembered as a large two story dwelling having a spacious hall and stairway in the center. In the autumn of 1833 or 1834, this ediface, then occupied as a tenament house by sever families, took fire one night from a keg of ashes under the stairs and burned down etc etc"

OCCUPATION He was a husbandman and vinedresser in Germany. He sailed from England June 21 1709 and arrived in New York ?

CHILDREN His seven children are as follows:

Jacob	1713-	m Anna Maria ?	4 children
Nicholaus	1716- died young		
<u>John</u>	1718(?) - 1765	m <u>Maria Magdalena Wagner</u>	1720-1817 4 children
Henry	1718(?) 1790	m 1764 Elizabeth Zimmerman	5 children
Nicholas	1720-1787	m Elizabeth Snell	4 children
Dieterich		m Anna Eva ?	3 children
George		m 1770 Catherine Walwrath	

IN GERMANY

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Anna Elizabeth	bpt 1685	d 1691	
Matthias	bpt 1687	d 1689	
Christina	bpt 1689	alive in 1716 in West Camp	
Nicholas	bpt 1691	d 1692	
Anna Margaretha	bpt 1692	d 1693	
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Anna Elizabetha	bpt 1695	m Peter Deichert	
<u>WILLIAM</u>	bpt 1696-99	nat 1715	m <u>MARGARETHA KAST</u>
Anna Catherine	bpt 1700	possibly m Jost Borst 1758	
Andreas	bpt 1702		

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IN AMERICA3. CHRISTOPHER FOX

He was born (or bapt) Jan 6 1684 in Neiderbeiber Germany and was married in West Camp 1711 to Johanna Eliz Curring. She was born in Germany in 1689 the daughter of Ludolph and Otilia Freundt. Christopher died in NY state in 1767 and they had 3 children:

JOHANN PHILIP b 1712 d 1770 m 1734 to Anna Dorothea Petrie (he was b in West Camp)
Eva b 1714 in Weat Camp

Catherine

He was appointed list master by the english, one of 11 chosen for each of 11 ships going to the colonies. After 6 months in England, they went on board the ship Baltimore and arrived in NY harbor between June 14 and July 10 1710. The family stayed either on Nuttin island or in NYC between Oct and Dec and then went up the Hudson river to Livingston Manor. He was chosen listmaster for Haysbury tar camp (now called Germantown). A paper he signed indicates he could read and write. In 1711 he acted as Capt of some 300 volunteers to fight the french. After this aborted campaign, they were dismissed without pay, and returned to find their families had not been fed. He and 5 others went to the Schoharie valley to buy land from indians in the winter of 1712. Later in 1712, he and his brother William founded Fuchsdorf (Foxdorf) on Fox creek (near present day Schoharie) and soon erected a grist mill. He was considered founder of the red fox line because of his stubborn and headstrong nature. Due to land title problems, the family moved to lot 26 of the Burnetsfield patent on the south side of the Mohawk river (German Flatts - Herkimer).

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IN AMERICA3A. WILLIAM FOX (Johann Wilhelm Fuchs) SR

He was born Germany (near Neiderbeiber) in 1697 and died in 1780. He was naturalized at Albany Jan 31 1715/16. He left the Schoharie valley in 1723 and settled on lot 7 of the Francis Harrison patent on Garoga creek where he operated a grist mill and farmed. Accord ing to a deed dated 9 July 1779 he left the northern portion of the land to his son Philip on condition he pay ½ of net profits of the grist mill to them as long as they lived. The 200 acre balance went to his son George. The buildings were all burned down Oct 19 1780 by Tories and Indians, but the Palatine stone church across the road did n ot get burned because the Nellises who went to Canada had built it. After the revolution was over, the buildings were rebuilt. In 1725 he married ANNA MARGARET KAST who was bapt in 1705 in Germany and died Apr 19 1791. She was the daughter of George and Anna Eva Feck Kast. They had 10 children as follows:

Anna Eva	1725-1768
Christina	1728-
William Jr	1730-1795
George	1732-1796
Maria	1734-1785
<u>PHILIP WILLIAM</u>	1737- after 1813
Anna	1748-1814
Christopher Wm	1744-1820
Catherine	1740-1768
Dorothea	1742-

4A. PHILIP WILLIAM

He was born in Palatine in March 1737 and died after 1813. He ran a grist mill after 1722 and paid $\frac{1}{2}$ of the profits to his parents. His house was called Fort Fox during the revolution, and several meetings of the Palatine committee of safety were held there. He was a member of the 2nd Tryon Militia and fought at the battle of Oriskany. He was a grand juror at the Johnstown court Mar 9 1779 and June 12 1786. By 1800, the site of Foxes mills had become the prosperous village of Palatine Church. When the post office was opened in 1813, there were 35 dwellings. Foxes grist and saw mills, John C Lipe's store, General Peter C Fox's Inn and stage stop, The Palatine stone church, and an active Masonic Lodge. His first wife is not known for sure, but could have been Barbara Snell. They had 2 children, Wm Philip and Maria (b May 4 1760) He married his second wife ANNA DOROTHEA GRAMPS on Mar 26 1761 at Stone Arabia. She was born 1740 at Stone Arabia the daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Empie They had 7 children:

Elizabeth	1762-	m	Andreas Keller Jr		
<u>ANNA EVA</u>	1765-	m	<u>JOHN LUDWIG NELLIS</u>	1782	7 children
Catherine	1767-1841	m	George Dievendorf		
Margaret	1770-1848	m	? Dievendorf		
Anna Margaret	1770-1848				
John	1781-	m	Maria Myers	1811	
George	1784-1850	m	Betsey Bell		

5A. ANNA EVA

She was born Apr 30 1765 in Palatine. She married JOHN LUDWIG NELLIS on May 14 1782 at German Flatts. He was a Cpl in the Tryon Co Militia and fought at Oriskany, Lampmans Field etc. He was Palatine town assessor in 1804. They lived on the Nellis farm in Stone Arabia. they had 7 children:

John Wm					
Mary	b 1784	d 1833	m	John T Getman	
Ludwig	b 1789				
John J					
Barent	b 1795	d 1874	m	1816 Nancy Cook	
Anna Nancy	b 1797	d 1877	m	1821 John C Kilts	
<u>CATHERINE</u>	b Aug 25 1798	d 1875	m	1817 <u>DANIEL SALTSMAN</u>	1795-1871

6A. CATHERINE SEE E10

FREDERICK GETMAN PIONEER

1693 - ?

He was born in Germany in the German Pfalz principality on the Rhine river in 1693 the son of Casper Getman and Maria Barbara ?. The name Getman was spelled Kittman in 1720. He was naturalized in the Mayor's court in Albany NY Nov 22 1715. He married Mary Bierman before 1721 (death notice of first born dated 1721). They had 7 (?) children as follows:

Anna Maria b 26 Dec 1721 d 12 Oct 1811 at Herkimer m Johan H Meyers 1716-1810 11 kids
 723 George d 1789 fired first shot in the battle of Stone Arabia In 1812 erected store in
 728 John John was a tory and went to Canada m Udelia Shoemaker 1750 Ephratah
 Anne Eve ?? b 1731 m Frederick Orendorf 6 children plus possibly 2 more
 734 Christian was a Capt at Fort Paris m Anna Timmerman Markel 1760 First marriage recorded
 736 Frederick d 1792 m Marie Broadhack married twice Rev war soldier 13 children in Ephratah
 721 Elizabeth ?? b 1740 d 1840 m Gershon Skinner doubtful of she is a daughter
 date of notice of first born daughter

Mary (May) Bierman was the daughter of partner Johannes Bierman

He (they?) settled in Stone Arabia in 1720. The Getman geneology book (in TWP file) says " Frederick Getman and Johannes Bierman purchased 700 acres of land in the Stone Arabia patent in 1743 lots 92,94,96 and 98. Two old graveyards on these acres are no longer used".

"It is said" that Frederick and Mary are buried in unmarked graves in the church graveyard at Stone Arabia. " It is said" also that son George fired the first shot in the battle of Stone Arabia and in 1812 erected and kept a store in Ephratah with a Mr Cogswell. The first marriage recorded in Ephratah was son Christian to Anna Timmerman Markel in 1760. Their great grandson Christopher was born in 1793 and married Polly Miller and was first postmaster of Ephratah

In the book "History of Montgomery County" pg82 is the following sentence " In Aug 1776 Capt Getman's company of rangers was formed and officered as follows; Capt Christian Getman, Lt Jacob Sammonsetc

The Getman family geneology book also says: " King Louis IV of France expelled french hugenots from France who took refuge in the Palatinate of Germany where they were given clothes and shelter. This displeased King Louis so he invaded the Palatinate and burned everything and Casper Getman (Kittman) had to flee with others to England where Queen Anne and prince Edward gave them shelter as fellow protestants".

The following is taken from the book "History of Montgomery and Fulton Counties" 1878 by F W Beers & Co pg 221. "

" First settlers - the first land grand in this town was the Stone Arabia patent which included nearly all the land south of Garoga and sponable creeks. Settlements were begun in the southern part of the present town (Ephratah) about 1720 by Frederick Getman, Johannes Bearman, Frederick Empie, who came from Germany. Frederick Getman (at that time written Kittman) and Johannes Bearman together bought, in 1743, from Hendrick sic, lots 92,94,96 & 98 of the Stone Arabia patent. Mr Getman subsequently purchased Bearmans interest in the property. He had four sons born here; Frederick Jr, George, John and Christian, all of whom participated in the french war previous to 1757. Christian Getman was also Captain of a company of rangers in the revolutionary war. George Getman succeeded his father in possession of the homestead. He raised five sons all of whom served the patriot cause during the revolution. One of them, George Jr, held a Lt comission and was under Col Willett. He inheirited the old farm. His five sons were all soldiers in the war of 1812. One of them, Frederick, is now (1878) living on the homestead where he was born 86 years ago and is still active and vigorous in body and mind. There is yet growing on the old farm a noble maple tree from which Frederick Getman made sugar 160 years ago, and which since has yielded its sweets to the successive generations of the family. It is 18 ft in circumference and produced 67 gallons of sap in the spring of 1877."

THE LIFE OF FREDRICK GETMAN

He was born in 1751, married Eve Frank and died Mar 9 1812. He was the ^{oldest} son of George Getman and Udelia Shoemaker Getman. She was born in 1752 and died Aug 31 1812.

Pg 1217 Vol II in the book "Mohawk Valley- Gateway to the West" says that he was an innkeeper on the mohawk turnpike around 1803-1804.

Pg 18 in the Getman family genmeology book says he served in the revolution as a Capt in the Tryon Co militia and in 1789 was a deacon in the Stone Arabia church. He was also a justice of the peace for several years and a state assemblyman from 1792 to 1796 and a state senator from 1797 to 1800. He owned considerable land in manheim in the beginning of the 1800's. He drove an 8 horse stagecoach when the great western turnpike was built.

They had 5 children as follows:

→ Elizabeth	b 26 Dec 1771	m John Saltsman
Frederick	b 1775	m Mary Strayer
Catherine	b 26 Aug 1783	
Delia (Ottilia)	b 17 Aug 1786	d 15 Jan 1849 m 5 May 1804 Andrew Ackler Fink
Daniel	b 18 Jan 1791	m Delia Timmerman

Pg 70 in the book " The Life of Brant including the indian wars of the American Rev" Vol II by Wm L Stone has the following paragraph:

"It was at about the same time (1780) that a party of Tories and Indians made a descent upon the small settlement of the Little Falls of the Mohawk, for the purpose of destroying the mills erected at that place by Alexander Ellis. this gentleman was a scotch merchant, who, under the favor of Sir Wm Johnson, had obtained a patent of the wild mountain gorge through which the Mohawk leaps from the upper into the lower section of the valley. He had himself returned to his own country but his mills were particularly important to the inhabitants, and also to the garrisons of Forts Dayton and Herkimer, -more especially since the burning of the mills at the German Flatts by Thayendanega (Brant) two years before. Hence the present expedition for their destruction, which was easily accomplished - the enemy having stolen upon the settlement unawares, and the flouring mill being garrisoned by not more than a dozen men. Only a dew shots were exchanged and but one man was killed - Daniel Petrie. As the indians entered the mill, the occupants endeavored to escape as fast as they could - some leaping from the windows, and others endeavoring to conceal themselves below. It was night and two of the number, Cox and Skinner, succeded in ensconcing themselves in the raceway, beneath the water wheel - Skinner having previously made fight hand to hand, and been wounded by a cut from a tomahawk. Two of their companions, Christian Edick and Fredrick Getman leaped into the raceway above the mill, and endeavored to conceal themselves by keeping as much under water as possible. But the application of the torch to the mills soon revealed the aquatic retreat and they were tzken. The enemy retired after accomplishing their object, carrying away 5 or 6 prisoners."

The following is copied from pg 417 of the book "THE BLOODIED MOHAWK" by Ken Johnson:

Jacob Abraham Lapius RWPA # 15284 states he enlisted in Capt Fredrick Getman's company of the Kingsland and german flatts district regiment of militia in 1775 and served several 4 to 5 week tours at Forts Plank; Plain; Herkimer and others.

CASPER GETMAN

1673 - ?

According to the Public Record Office in London, records show that he was born in Germany in 1673, his religion was lutheran, his occupation a husbandman and vinedresser. Also he married Maria Barbara ? and they had 4 sons and 3 daughters. In Vol II No D69 there is a list of poor palatines who arrived at St Catherines on June 11 1709 - a list was taken June 16 containing names of 1745 refugees. On this list was:

"Getman, Casper Hs & V age 36 sons 16, 14, 8 & 5 dau 6, 5, 2, & 1 Lutheran"

The NY state library in Albany has a photostat of a list of Palatine immigrants including Casper Getman, his wife, 4 sons and 3 daughters all registered as lutherans.

Pg 5-9 in the Getman geneology book gives the Palatine history from 1517 to 1757 in America. It also says " The fact that Maria Barbara was listed as head of a family on Gov Hunter's ration list taken in 1710 would indicate in all probably that Casper Getman never reached America. We know of only one member of the family who arrived and survived, her son Frederick born in 1693" Another paragraph says "10 ships carried 3000 Palatines from Portsmouth England to New York. They boarded these ships on Jan 1 1710 and sailed April 1. 80 died from Jan to April on these ships and 446 more died on the voyage over. It is believed Casper Getman was one of these deaths. Also another 250 died waiting at Governors island in New York being processed. They arrived at Nuttens island (Governors island now) in June and July 1710.