Public Records of JACOB KERSHNER who married HANNAH MILLER

Will, 1800 dated 1789 — Hannah Kershner, sons Jonathan and Jacob, brother Jacob Miller, daughter Susannah Valgomet and her daughter, Hanna, under 18

G:786,1792 — Hannah Kershner, daughter of Conrad Miller, Power of Attorney to Jonathan Kershner

Census, 1790 — **Jonathan Kershner**

M	born before	1774
F	"	" 1790
F	"	" 1790
F	"	" "
F	"	" "
M	"	1774-1790
M	"	" "
M	"	" "
M	"	" "

E: 894, 1787 — Jonathan, heir, and Hannah, relict, sell land of Jacob Kershner Sen^{r} deceased to Jacob Kershner Jr., tract Black Oak Levil, 100 ac

Assessment, 1784 — Jonathan Kershner — Sundry tracts: 175 ac woods, 8 ac meadow, 70 ac arable, total 253 acres, also 3 horses, 12 black cattle, for a total valuation of £ 487.

Hannah Kershner — 1 horse, 5 black cattle, value £ 10

Oath of Allegiance 1778 — Jonathan Kershner on Andrew Rentch's list

Salem Ch. 1773 — Jacob Kerschner and wife Hanna are sponsors to the baptism of Jacob, son of Jacob Miller and Susanna.

T-325, 1773 — Exrs. of Martin Kershner Sen^{r} decd to Jacob Kershner, two small tracts. Platted, these show 46 acres adjacent to Black Oak Level on the west, and 15 acres adjacent to it on the east.

Later records that may be related:

Assessment Salsb.1803 — John Hebling Black Oak Level &c 225 ac value £360
No Jonathan Kershner

Census, 1800 — No Jonathan Kershner, no Hannah Kershner

" 1810 — Jonathan Kershner 2 M and 1 F 26-45, 4 M and 1 F under 10 (b 1765-1784) p 407

Admr 1816 B-269 — **Jonathan Kershner**

Please be discreet here.

R.B.K.

Public Records of JACOB KERSHNER of Salsbury

Will, 1815 Jacob Kershner, to Mary Ann, daughter of Gustaphus Brewer, one third of property: her children are Sally, Betsy, Jacob, Polly, Gustaphus, Hanna alias Carolina. Real estate in Penn. and Virginia. Mary Ann refused to act as executor, for her Sons to [redacted]. (Abstract from D.D. Woodard of Salt Lake City)
divide property in Maryland.

Md. Acts of Legis. 1812 Jacob Kershner acknowledges his children by Mary Rouck, viz. Sarah, Elizabeth, Gustavus, and Hannah Caroline. Children are declared legitimate and shall take the name of Kershner

Census, 1810

Elizabeth Hundred

p 406 Jacob Kershner
- M b 1765-1784
- F b 1784-1794
- M b " "
- M b 1800-1810

Salsbury Hundred

p 120 Jacob Kershner
- M b before 1765
- M " " "
- F " " "
- F " 1784-1794
- F " "
- M " "
- F 1794-1800
- F 1800-1810
- M " "

p 125 Jacob Kershner
- M b 1765-1784
- F " " "
- M " 1784-1794
- F 1794-1800
- F 1800-1810
- M " "
- M " "

Assessment, Salsb.1803 Jacob Kershner — Germany 176 ac; Pt. Conquest 167 ac; Good Neighbor &c 234 ac Total 505.9.

Census, 1800

Jacob Kershner
- M b 1755-1774
- F " " "
- F " 1784-1790
- M " 1784-1790
- M " 1790-1800
- M " 1790-1800
- M " " "
- F " " "
- F " " "

(adjoining) Peter Roup
- 2 M, 1 F b 1755-1774
- 1 M, 2 F b 1774-1784
- 1 F b 1784-1790
- 2 F b 1790-1800

Census, 1790 Jacob Kershner
- M b before 1774
- F b " 1790
- F " "
- F " "

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- M b before 1774
- M b 1774-1790
- M " " "

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Assessment Salsb.1784

Jacob Kershner — Pt Conqt or Hazerd and Pt Maidens Choice 293 ac woods, 23 ac meadow, 96 ac arable, total 402 ac. Also 7 horses and 15 black cattle, total value £ 655

Peter Rough — Maidens Choice, 50 ac woods, 10 meadow, 40 arable total 90 ac. Also 5 horses, 41 cattle, value £231

George Rough — 3 horses, 32 cattle, value £ 35

Salem Ch. 1781 Jacob Kershner and Margaretha Ankeny, unmarried, parents to Jacob, sponsors Adam Gerloch and Christina

Oaths of Alleg.1778 Jacob Kershner on John Cellars List

Family Records of JACOB KERSHNER of Conquest Farm

Ref: Early Kerschnerians by Bertram Motter Kershner and Edward Kerschner Sr. (Sons of Jacob Brewer Kerschner) pp 10, 11

"The following record is taken partially from pages 1156 and 1747 of Part II,"History of Washington Co. Maryland" by Williams, which was published early in the 1900's.

Born	Died	
		(Johan) Phillip Kershner (my Gr Gr Grandfather)
1751	Feb 22 1815	Jacob Kershner Sr, son of Phillip (my Gt Grandf)
1801	Jan 25 1872	Gustavus Kershner, son of Jacob Sr. (my Grandf)
Jan 25 1838	Nov 13 1909	Jacob Brewer Kerschner, son of Gustavus (my father)
★ Mar 12 1887		Edward Kerschner, son of Jacob
Sept 5 1917		Edward Kerschner Jr, son of Edward
July 13, 1955		Edward Kerschner III, son of Edward Jr.

"The 'Oath of Fidelity State of Maryland' record shows that Phillip Kershner is listed in Part I "Revolutionary Record of Maryland' by Henry Schnebley.

"John Phillip Kershner was of German birth and came to Clearspring, Maryland District, of what is now Washington County Maryland, from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, between the years 1730 to 1740. He settled at Conquest Farm on the Conococheague Creek south of where what is now U. S. Route 40. He died and was buried there on the farm.

"Jacob Kershner Sr, Phillip's son kept a tavern, near what is now known as Wilson Store on the National Turnpike, now U. S. Route 40. He married Mariah Brewer who was born 1761 and who died 1835.

"Jacob Kershner, Sr., has a son Jacob Kershner Jr., born October 15, 1790 and died September 25, 1846.

"He had another son Gustavus Kershner who was my grandfather. He also had three other boys who died young, Johnathan died in his ninth year, David, and George Kershner, who died in his fourth year. All of these children are buried in St. Pauls Church Cemetary located on U.S. Route 40 near Clearspring, Maryland.

"Gustavus Kershner, son of Jacob Kershner Sr., married Annie Brewer, my grandmother, born Sept 10, 1804, daughter of Peter Brewer Sr., a member of an old Washington County, Maryland, family. She was born in 1804 and died in 1890....."

Ibid, p 15 "Rupps 30,000 namee of Imigrants 1727 to 1777
page 169 Johan Phillip Kerchner, Oct. 22, 1744,
Ship Phoenix from Rotterdam to Philadelphia, Pa.
"(Evidently my Great Great Grandfather)"

"Postecript- My father changed the spelling of his name from Kershner to Kerschner after his having studied in Germany."

Ibid, p 8 "Data taken from tombstones in St. Paul's Church, Clearspring Md.

Jacob Kershner 1751-1815 ---------- (ADDED BY MARY KERSHNER MAXWELL:) "MARRIED MARIAH BREWER 1761-1835"
Gustavus Kershner 1801-1873
Jacob Brewer Kershner 1838-1909

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★ the writer

Family Records of Jacob Kershner of Conquest Farm contd p 2

Ref: Letter from Edward Kerschner Sr. of Norristown Pa. (b. 1887, Hagerstown) to Edwin H. Kershner, 50 North Fifth, Reading, Pa, 19603, 29 Apr. 1971

.... "I am looking for a Phillip Kershner who left the Tulpehocken area near Reading and migrated to the then Frederick County (now Washington Co.) Maryland about 1740 and married Anna Barbara Brewer.

"The records of the Historical Society in Reading merely state, 'Phillip went to Maryland". I am now trying to find a record of where he came from and his antecedents.

"I have written to Germany and have made numerous efforts to try to learn more about him.

"He might have been one of the Kershners who migrated or was born in the Livingstone Manor area. There were immigrants reported to be at Livingstone Manor, N.Y. in the winter of 1709-1710. Some of them are reported to have migrated to the Tulpehocken area from New York and later moved to Maryland..."

Ref: Letter from Edwin H. Kershner on letterhead of Balmer, Mogel, Speidel & Roland, 50 N Fifth, Reading Penn. 19603, 6 May 1971 to Edward Kerschner Sr, president, Electrical Distributors Company, PSFS Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

"....Unfortunately I do not have any information about the Phillip Kershner who is the subject of your inquiry.

"I am enclosing, however, a chart of the descendants of Martin Kerschner who settled in Berks Co in 1732....prepared by a client of mine, Hubert A. Miller, who resides at 611 James St., Sinking Spring, Penn..."

Ref: From Verna J. Shingleton, 1972,
"p. 1158. History of Washington County, Md., by T.J.C. Williams. Pub. 1906.

"EDWARD KERSHNER, M. D., retired U.S. Medical Inspector, with the rank of Commander, was born at the Kershner homestead, in Clearspring District, Washington County, March 4 1839, son of Gustavus and Anna (Brewer) Kershner, of Clearspring, Md.

"Philip Kershner, great-grandfather of Dr. Kershner, was of German birth; coming to America he first settled in Lancaster County, Pa., and afterwards took up land on the Conococheague Creek, in what is now Clearspring District, Washington Co., Md., about 1730 or 1740; the homestead thus acquired has been in the possession of the Kershner family for four generations. JACOB KERSHNER, son of Philip Kershner, conducted a tavern on what is now the old national turnpike, on the Conococheague Creek, near the present site of Wilson's Store. Jacob Kershner had two sons and four daughters. One of his sons, Gustavus, who was born at the homestead in the year 1800, married Annie, daughter of Peter Brewer, Sr., a member of an old Washington County family. Of their seven children, four reached mature age: the Rev. Jacob Brewer, of Alleghany, Pa., formerly a professor in Mercersburg College, Mercersburg, Pa.; Dr. Edward; Joseph H., also a professor at Mercersburg College, now deceased; and Mary, who resides with her brother , in Hagerstown. For three generations the Kershner family were members of St. Paul's Union Church, Reformed and Lutheran, near Clearspring, Md....."

Mr. Edward Kerschner wrote many years ago that his father, Jacob Brewer Kerschner, married Anna Barbara Motter. This is the only reference I can find to a wife of Philip: since Mr. Edward was 84 in 1971, I wonder if this is just a slip of the memory.

I have written him but I understand his eyesight is failing now.

Roueck / Rough / Roup / Ruf / Roof

Discrepancies, JACOB KERSHNER of Washington and its predecessor counties, Md.

Phillip Kershner md Anna Barbara Brewer, migrated to then Frederick Co Md 1740

Gustavus Kershner, grandson of Philip, son of Jacob Kershner Sr., married Annie, daughter of Peter Brewer Sr. Gustavus b 1800, Annie b 1804

Jacob Kershner, 1812, says Mary Rouck is mother to his four children Sarah, Elizabeth, Gustavus, and Hannah Caroline.

Will of Jacob Kershner, 1815, leaves one third of his property to Mary Ann, daughter of Gustaphus Brewer: her children are Sally, Betsy, Jacob, Polly, Gustaphus, and Hannah alias Carolina

Does this say Mary Ann Brewer was the widow Mary Rouck?

Do both of these say that three generations of Kershners married Brewers?

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Hannah Miller Kershner's eldest son Jonathan appears in 1792, 1789, 1790 (when he has at least six children and a seventh who may be Hannah his mother) , 1787. There is only one Jonathan Kershner and one Hannah Kershner in the 1784 Assessment, suggesting that Hannah's husband Jacob Kershner Sr. is dead and Jonathan has inherited.

Jonathan Kershner appears on Andrew Rench's list, 1778.

This suggests that Jonathan was at least 21 in 1778.

The 1790 census suggests that Jonathan, with at least six children, has been married at least 13 years, or since 1777.

Using the average age for males at birth of first children, 25, this would make him born ca 1752 or not later than 1757.

Using the same average age for his father, Jacob Kershner who married Hannah Miller, we get a possible birth date of 1732, or 1736 if he married at 20.

This does not fit with our theory that Jacob Kershner who married Hannah Miller was son of Martin Kershner Sr., whose oldest son Martin Jr. was born 1743. Jacob Kershner was definitely alive in 1773 when he and Hanna sponsored the baptism of Jacob, son of Jacob Miller.

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And where was Hanna's son, Jacob Jr. all this time? There is only one Jacob Kershner on the 1778 Oaths and the 1784 Assessment, and the 1784 Jacob is the owner of Conquest, who according to family and tombstone records, was born 1751, died 1815, sons Jacob and Gustavus b 1800. Jacob Kershner, owner of Conquest, was born and died in the Clearspring District. Moreover, there was only one Jacob Kershner in the 1790 and 1800 censuses, and not until 1810 do younger ones appear.

It is possible to theorize that Jacob Jr. was too young for the 1778 and 1784 records, but he was old enough to purchase Black Oak Levels in 1787 and he ought to be on the 1790 and 1800 census.

This suggests that Jacob Kershner Jr., son of Jacob Kershner and Hannah, (daughter of Conrad Miller), can be identified as Jacob Kershner of Conquest.

Maryland Hall of Records, June 1973, RBK-SGK 1764
Washington Co. Md. Patents BC & Gs # 30 folio 241
Transcribed from photostat in our possession

Daniel Dulany Esq^{r} his Cert 100 Acres) Prince Georges
The Black Oak level, Patt. to Jacob Kersner, the 29th of) Co &tc -----
Sept 1766 rent P Ann 4/Sterg Chad to the Rent Roll) By virtue of

a Warrant Granted out of his Lordships Land Office of this Province unto Daniel Dulany of the City of Annapolis Esq^{r} for Eighteen hundred Acres of Land bearing Date the 25th Day of August Anno Domini 1744---

I Therefore Certify as Deputy Surveyor of Prince Georges County under his Excellency Thomas Bladen Esq^{r} Governor of Maryland I have carefully laid out for and in the name of him the said Daniel Dulany Esq^{r} all that Tract of Land lying in the said County called the BLACK OAK LEVEL Beginning at a bounded white Oak tree Standing on the East Side of an Hill near the Great Road that leads from Pennsylvania to the Mouth of Conegocheige and running thence North nineteen degrees West forty six perches then North Sixty Six degrees East thirty perches then North thirteen degrees East one hundred and ten perches then South Sixty seven degrees East ninety perches then South thirteen degrees West one hundred and seventy six perches then by a straight line to the Beginning tree Containing and now laid out for One Hundred Acres of Land to be held of Conegocheig Manor Surveyed this 27th Day of August Anno Dom 1744.

Per John Murdock

March 20th 1745 Examined & Passed
B. Young Ex^{r}

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On the back of the foregoing Certificate were the following receipts & Assignment viz-----

I have received the Sum of Three pounds for fifteen years Rent of the within Land to Michas 1759 Patent may therefore issue with his Excellencys Approbation----
3^{d} Dec 1759 Ed^{W} Lloyd

I do hereby Assign all my Right & Title to the within Certificate to Jacob Kersner for Value rec^{d} & declare that Patent may issue to him Accordingly Witness my hand this 21st September 1764
Walter Dulany

I have received One pound Eight Shillings for Seven Years rent of the within Land to Michas 1766
Ed^{W} Lloyd

Approved
H. Sharpe

Kershner —

Jacob was named in The 1786 will of his grandfather, Philip Ollinger, Augusta Co. Va. Ollinger moved to Augusta Co Va 1773, according to deeds, and David Kershner + wife Elisabetha Ollinger sometime before 1790. David was second son of Martin Kershner Sr., named in Fred Co will, 1769. Some of their children were baptized at Salem. David died in Christian Co Ky 1816, left will.

Augusta Co Va Marriage Bonds 1801
P:124,125

I Do hearby Certify that I am Willing that
my Son Jacob Kerkner shall get married to Miss
Peggy Gabert and Desire to Grant him the
Licens and in so Doing you will oblige your
friend this 16 Day of April 1801

David Kerkner

To Mr Kinny
Clarke of augusta
I dear Gabert

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Sir please to let the Bearer Jacob Leonhart have
liens for marriage to my Daughter Peggy Gabert
and in so Doing you will oblige your friend
April the 13 1801 Jacob Gabert

Test

John Gabert

George hanger

1801- 32a

Know all men by these presents that we Jacob Kershner
and John Gabet are held and firmly bound unto
his excellency James Monroe esquire Governor of Virginia
and his successors for the use of the common wealth in the
sum of [illegible] to the payment whereof well and
truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs executors &
administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents
Sealed with our seals and dated this 14th day of April 1801

The condition of the above obligation is such, that if
a marriage is shortly entended to be solemnized between the
above bound Jacob Kershner bachelor, and Peggy Gabet spinster
daughter of Jacob Gabet of Augusta County
if therefore there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the
said marriage then the above obligation to be
void otherwise to remain in full force and virtue

Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Vincent Tapp

Jacob Kershner (Seal)

John Gabet (Seal)

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