January 7th 1790. In Christian Spring died the single brother Michael Ruch.

January 9th 1790. It was reported to us, that Br. Gottf. Belling has been engaged with Sister Mary Edmonds.

January 17th 1790. Sunday. In the afternoon had the congregation with their children a joyful lovefeast for the welcome of our Brother Etwein, who had come from the synode. He came this forenoon with his daughter and Bro. and Sister Kliest and the single brethren, whom he had brought along from Europe. 3 brethren were appointed for Nazareth, they are: Br. Nicolaus Hoeber from Zeist as choir-helper and shoemaker's master in the Brethren's house here, Br. Joh. Ludw. Strohie from Garby, for the service in the paedagogium here, and Br. Jacob Luch from Amsterdam for Christian Spring. Br. Etwein told at the lovefeast the congregation various things about the synode, and about his travelling, and delivered many greetings from the congregations in Europe as well as also from the E.C. of the Unity. Then Br. Etwein admonished the brethren and sisters to entire obedience. The choir of brethren and sisters sang then some pieces, and also the children sang some hymns. Br. Nicolaus Hoeber was then elected in the E.C. At 4 o'clock Br. Etwein and his company went to Bethlehem.

January 18th 1790. In the evening at 8 o'clock was the wedding of Bro. Joh. Gottfried Belling with the single sister Mary Edmonds.

February 3d 1790. The brethren Etwein and von Schweinitz were yesterday and to-day in Christian Spring and Gnadensthal in Administration business.

February 5th 1790. At noon went the brethren Etwein and Schweinitz, who have visited in these days all our places, to Schoeneck and Friedenthal. They had also talked and agreed upon/in the business of the Unity's administration. Yesterday they attended also the E.C., in which Br. Joh. Kremser was approbated for taking care of the inn here in Nazareth, and Bro. Nath. Michler was approbated by the Lord for Christian Spring as house-servant. On account of the icy roads was no meeting in the evening.
February 10th 1790. On account of the cold weather there was no meeting.

February 13th 1790. Br. Jeremias Denke from Lititz on the incitement of
the Lord, will move to Nazareth, and because he has been a member of the
helper-conference for the whole, he will be also a member of the E.C. in
Nazareth. He will especially take care of the widowers/their helper.

Br. Ludwig Huebner has been appointed as assistant helper of the single
brethren here, and especially as helper of the boys and children in the
Paedagogium, where he will live. Br. Nicolaus Hoeber as choir-helper has
moved into the brethren’s house here and on the 27th of January he has
been introduced to the choir and has been blessed for his office. ---

Br. Johann Kremser in Christian Spring will accept the service in the
inn here in the place of Br. O. Rice; and in Br. Kremser’s place will
Br. Nathanael Michler become house-servant in Christian Spring. Both bre-
thren accepted those offices by the instruction of the Lord.

March 7th 1790. Sunday. In the afternoon was the engagement of the
single brother Johann Kremser with the single sister Anna Mar. Peischer.

March 9th 1790. To-day we had the coldest day; the thermometer showed
cero in the morning.

March 12th 1790. From Hope came the single sister Maria Rauschenberger
to Nazareth, to stay here. /in the Nazareth-Inn

March 14th 1790. This night was the well-known Jemimah Wilkinson, a
famous preacher among the Quakers, who calls herself the Universal Friend.
She is the head of an own soul, who highly esteemed her. Also some of
her friends were along in the inn. They travelled from here to Chemessic
in the state of New York, not far from the lake Ontario, where they want
to start a new settlement of those, who have the same opinion. There are
already 100 families, who have moved there, and where they build a town
by the name Catharinetown. By her doctrin and by her preaching has she
caused much sensation. And many have witnessed against her.
March 14th 1790. Br. Reichel married the single brother Johannes Kremser with the single Sister Anna Maria Feischer.

March 17th 1790. Bro. and Sr. Kremser moved to-day to the inn, and accepted the management of it. They received it from Bro. and Sr. O. Rice, who 6 years long have with faithfulness and to the satisfaction in general managed the inn. Bro. and Sr. Rice moved then soon to their newly built house. Br. O. Rice will now work on his trade, tailoring.

March 20th 1790. From Bethlehem came the single brother Jacob Schnall to Nazareth to stay here and to take possession of the farm of Br. Brunner in Old Nazareth.

March 27th 1790. From the married choir had Br. William Henry and Johann Ljungberg the most votes for the Gemeinrat. Of the single brethren had been approbated by the Lord, Br. W. Golkovsky in Christian Spring and Br. Gottfried Hennig of Nazareth.

March 29th 1790. The E. C. had in the forenoon a detailed talk about Schoenbeck with Bro. and Sr. Coortsen.

April 7th 1790. The single sister Anna Johanna Grube went to-day accompanied by Sister Elizabeth Leinbach to Bethlehem, where she will be engaged with Bro. Martin Beck. --- Br. Jeremias Denke came this evening from Bethlehem in order to stay here.

April 11th 1790. Sunday. In the afternoon went Br. Reichel to Bethlehem and attended there together with several other brethren and sisters from Nazareth the ordination-act of Br. Johann Andreas Huebner for a Bishop of the United Brethren's Church by Br. Johann Ettwein, with a written accession of Br. Joseph.

April 12th 1790. In the evening held Br. Reichel the meeting and told about the ordination-act of Br. Huebner and read also the writing of Br. Joseph, in which he gave his accession to this episcopalian consecration. The congregation heard this with delight and sympathy. It was also an-
nounced, that Br. Huebner in the evening ordained Br. Martin Beck, who had been married on the 9th with the single sister Anna Johanna Grube from Nazareth, for a Diaconus of the Brethren's Church in Emmaus, and his wife had been received for Acoluthie.

April 13th 1790. It was announced, that Bro. Johannes Schropp shall be Gemein-servant in Bethlehem, and Br. Jeremias Denke shall be Gemein-servant in Nazareth.

April 18th 1790. We had such a storm and rain, that in the forenoon we could not have any service.

May 1st 1790. The boys Carl Friedrich and Benjamin Samuel Bagge, who had been in the paedagogium almost 3 years, travelled to their parents in Salem, North Carolina and were accompanied by Br. Biebighausen. The boy Brunner moved to Bethlehem to learn there the shoemaker's trade in the brethren's house.

May 6th 1790. From Philadelphia came Mr. William Nichols and brought his two sons John and William Nichols, 8 and 10 years old, to the Paedagogium for education.

May 7th 1790. From Hope came Br. Adolph Hartmann and brought the single Brother Jacob Eiemen to Nazareth, in order to learn with Br. Owen Rice the tailer-profession.

May 9th 1790. From Salem visited here Br. Andreas Holder.

May 14th 1790. To-day was the engagement of Br. Jeremias Denke with Sister Elizabeth Leinbach, choir-helper of the single sisters here. Bro. and Sister Hoehring from Staten-Island visited us to-day.

May 15th 1790. Most of the children in the paedagogium went with their brethren for a walk to the Blue Mountains.

May 23d 1790. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock was the wedding of Br. Jeremias Denke with Sister Elizabeth Leinbach.

May 26th 1790. The single brother Jacob Hanke went from Christian Spring where he did not like it anymore, to Yorktown, in order to stick to the
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brethren there. He went away with that intention and he had requested a recommendation.

June 5th 1790. It was announced, that Sister Elizabeth Hobson had been appointed as Choir-helper and choir-servant in the single sister's house in Nazareth.

June 8th 1790. Mrs. Catharine Green, widow of the late General Green, was here with her daughters and some ladies for a visit.

June 14th 1790. Sister Elizabeth Hobson was through Br. David Zeisberger introduced to the single sister's choir as Choir-helper and Choir-servant. She was also blessed for her office.

June 16th 1790. Br. Reichel married the single brother Jacob Schnall from Old Nazareth with the single sister Barbara Ranke, who had been brought here from Lititz by her father Br. Philip Ranke. Afterwards they had a lovefeast.

June 19th 1790. Br. Johann Ljungberg was approbated by the Lord as assistant of Br. Jeremias Denke in the office of a Gemeindiener.

June 20th 1790. Mrs. Moncrief from New York was here with a company of people for a visit. She took her two grandchildren John and Archibald Turner, who had been in the institute for one year, with her home. We were sorry, to lose these two hopeful children, who liked to be here and in whose hearts the Lord had put some good seed, so very soon. The real cause for taking them away, is not known to us now.

June 26th 1790. Bro. Reichel announced, that Br. L. Huebner the day before yesterday had been engaged with the single sister Christina Eschenbach in Bethlehem, and yesterday he was ordained as diaconus (deacon).

June 30th 1790. In the evening about 6 o'clock in the forest, when he drove a wheel-barrow with wood, Br. David Brucker had an apoplectic fit. His wife, who had been in Schoeneck for a funeral and who had agreed, that they would meet each other, found her husband in that position and only a little sign of life was in him. He was carried away as a dead man.
July 2nd 1790. In the evening at 6 o'clock was the funeral of the bro. David Brucker.

July 5th 1790. Br. Reichel read the diary of Bro. and Sister Bardill on their way to Antigua.

July 9th 1790. According to the last Synode, the children's festival was changed for this day. There were 23 boys from Nazareth and Schoeneck present, and 7 were received into the choir. William Waldron Tentbrook and Wilhelm Haase from the paedagogium, Christ. Fr. Giersch, Jacob Dealing and George Thomas Ernst from the village, and Abraham Steiner and Demuth from Schoeneck.

July 11th 1790. Sunday. From New York were here Mr. Tucker and Mr. Polemus with their wives for a visit.

July 15th 1790. From Bethlehem came here to stay the single brother Samuel Friedrich Bader, who had received a call for the service in the paedagogium in the place of Br. Abraham Levering.

July 16th 1790. The single brother Chr. Rudolph Strehle came here from Bethlehem in order to stay in the kitchen of the single brethren's house.

July 17th 1790. Br. Abraham Levering, who had served in the paedagogium for more than a year, moved to - day to Bethlehem, to accept the management of the Inn there. --- The widowed brother Johann Mack, who had been for many years Missionary on the danish West-Indian Islands, came here from Bethlehem, in order to live here.

July 24th 1790. The thermometer showed to-day and yesterday 90 degrees.

July 31st 1790. From Philadelphia were here Mr. Staatsburg with some other men and ladies. They brought a little Alexander Shaw from Jamaica, 6 years old, to the Paedagogium.

August 11th 1790. Br. Reichel baptized the son of Bro. and Br. William Henry, who was born yesterday. It received the name Matthew Schropp.

August 15th 1790. To-day was the dedication of a newly built stone church.
on dry land in Nazareth Township, 4 miles from here on the road to Bethlehem. This church belongs to both, the Lutheran and Reformed congregations. Many brethren from here and from Bethlehem were there for that festivity. Our musicians from both places had been invited too. Many people had come to that festivity. At 10 o'clock the church was opened while the trumpet choir played a hymn. After the dedication-prayer before the altar, which the reformed Minister Herman from Easton held, the reformed preacher Winkhouse from Sauona preached the sermon. The second sermon at 1 o'clock was preached by the lutheran Minister Friedereici from Easton. The third sermon was then preached by Br. Reichel at 3 o'clock. Br. Reichel had been requested by the church-wardens and by the preachers to preach. After every sermon was presented some music by the many choirs, which were present. When the people entered the church and when they left the church always were two trumpet choirs playing suitable melodies. The ministers as well as the church-wardens and also many of the people, who were present, could not show enough of their thankfulness for the love and kindness, which the brethren have shown at this occasion. --- In the evening at 8 o'clock died Br. George Loesch. He was buried the next day. He had reached an age of 91 years and left behind 11 children, and 50 grandchildren and some great-grand-children. Probably he was the oldest brother in the American brethren's congregations.

August 19th 1790. Mr. James Jarvis from New York brought to-day his son James, 11 years old, to the paedagogium for education.

August 22nd 1790. Br. Medes came with Br. Guhs from Philadelphia. The first one held the Gemeinstunde, in the evening.

August 25th 1790. Br. Hopson and Sister Henry from Lancaster, who had been here for a visit for some days, went home again.

August 29th 1790. The youth David Dumpler was received into the single brethren's choir.
September 4th 1790. In the E.C. was recommended uniformity of the inscriptions of the tombstones, and also it was recommended, that our God’s acre should be kept in good order, and it be taken care, that all graves should receive tombstones.

September 5th 1790. Sunday. Our trombone choir was to-day in Easton and played at the sermons of remembrance, which were held for the late reformed Minister Weiberg, who had died in Philadelphia. Our brethren had been asked by the Minister Mr. Herman, to play suitable music for that occasion, which they did to the great delight of the many people.

September 9th 1790. Mr. Nichols from Philadelphia, who has 2 sons in the school here, was here in the company of three men from Virginia. A member of Congress, a judge of the United States, and a merchant from Richmond came for a visit and they looked around with delight in the Paedagogium and in the sisters house.

September 18th 1790. The brethren Reichel and Bonn went to Gnadenhuetten for the celebration of the Gemein-festival.

September 26th 1790. Sunday. In the afternoon was the Wedding of the single brother Christ. Heinrich Beck with the single sister Anna Christine Eyerle.

October 8th 1790. Bro. and Sr. Schloesser, who had been for his health’s sake for some weeks in Gnadenhuetten, returned from there and brought from there the boy Thomas Weiss, who shall stay here and learn the hat-maker’s trade with Br. Jacob Christ. -- On the 3d of this month came also the Rixecker’s boy from Bethlehem for probation to Br. O. Rice, to learn the tailor’s trade there.

October 12th 1790. A number of brethren went to Easton for the election of the governor and other officials according to the new constitution of this state. Br. Jacob Eyerle, junior, was elected for a representative of the Northampton County in the assembly of this state.
October 17th 1790. In the morning died the married Sister Elizabeth Levering. From Philadelphia came the single Societaets - Sister Hester Weiss to Nazareth with the desire to stay here and to live in the choir-house.

October 19th 1790. In the afternoon was the funeral of Sister Elizabeth Levering. Several brethren and sisters from Bethlehem were present.

October 20th 1790. Br. Heckewelder from Bethlehem was here and took the boy Jacob healing with him, to put him into his store on probation.

October 29th 1790. The Societaets Sister Esther Weiss, who stayed here for some time and had not received permission to stay in the congregation, went to Bethlehem, where she received permission there to stay in the congregation. The boy Christ. Friedrich Giersch went to Bethlehem, to stay there and to learn by Br. Eliest the lock-smith profession.

November 7th 1790. Sunday. Br. Ströble held the sermon, and Br. Reichel in the evening the Gemeinstunde, in which the two big girls Elizabeth Wigman from here and Mary Edmonds from the congregation in Quadrabuettel were received into the congregation.

November 8th 1790. In the evening read Br. Reichel letters from Greenland. Mr. George Logan and his wife came to-day from Philadelphia County to Nazareth and brought their son Albanus Logan, 7 years old, to the Paedagogium for education. In the evening they attended the meeting and the English children's hour the next day, and in the afternoon they returned home.

November 9th 1790. Martin Hirt, who lived formerly in the brethren's house but had built a house in the neighborhood, moved there to-day and by doing so, he separated himself from the congregation here.

November 15th 1790. Br. Nathanael Michler, who was till now house-servant in Christian Spring moved to-day to Bethlehem to stay there in the store.

November 25th 1790. Mr. Jaac van Vleck from New York and Mr. William
Crane from Elizabethtown visited here. The latter one took his son Joseph with him home for a visit.

November 28th 1790. Br. Heckewelder from Bethlehem brought 2 children from Philadelphia, Joseph Stansbury and Thomas Bellington to our school. — In the night died in Gnadenhalt the widowed Sister Phil. Weinland.

December 1st 1790. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Sister Philippina Weinland. Several relatives and acquaintances were present at the funeral.

December 7th 1790. Br. Gottlieb Brown came to-day from Bethlehem to Nazareth to stay here, and he accepted the management of the linen-weaving in the brethren's house.

December 18th 1790. On account of the cold weather the children's hour was omitted. The thermometer showed this morning zero.

December 21st 1790. Br. Eggert held the English children's hour. In the evening was no meeting on account of the snow-weather.

December 28th 1790. Br. Frähauf held the English children's hour and Br. Denke held the evening-service. The brethren Bartow and Hagen from Philadelphia, Br. Schropp and many others from Bethlehem visited here.

December 31st 1790. The meetings were held as usually by Br. Reichel.

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January 2nd 1791. The boy Heinrich Rixekar was received into the congregation.

January 4th 1791. Bro. and Sr. Beck from Emmaus and Bro. and Sister Grube from Bethlehem came here for a visit and in Gnadenenthal.

January 14th 1791. Br. Fruesuf rode with Bro. Oehme from Gnadenenthal over the Blue Mountains, 12 miles from here, to Chestnuthill township, and preached there after a funeral of a child of the friendship of our bro. and Sister Oehme. There were 200 listeners.

January 23rd 1791. Sister Kern gave birth to twins, 2 sons. One of the children was born dead.

January 23rd 1791. Sunday. The one child of Bro. and Sr. Kern was baptized and received the name Friedrich David, and the other child, which had died, was buried on our cemetery.

January 24th 1791. From Lititz came the youth John Hecksedorn on probation to Christian Spring in the mill.

January 30th 1791. In the evening was the big girl Rosina Giersch received into the congregation.

February 7th 1791. In the evening was no meeting on account of heavy rain.

February 8th 1791. In the morning died the child Friedrich David Kern. It was buried after it had lived only 18 days, on the 10th.

February 12th 1791. It was announced to the congregation, that Bro. and Sister Steimann in Gnadenenthal, who had been for several years warden, have according to their desire, been relieved from their business and have been approved by the Lord. Br. Johannes Schnall in Christian Spring has been appointed as Warden in Gnadenenthal and also as house-litur- gus there and has been approved by the Lord.

February 13th 1791. Br. Reichel read the newly received letters from New Salem from November 10th of last year. He read also the speech of Br. Ett- wein to the Seneca Chiefs January 6th of this year and also the answer to it.
February 14th 1791. In the evening Bro. Reichel read letters from New Salem and Br. Ettwein's speech to the Seneken Chiefs Complanter, Half-town and Big Tree of January 6th and the answer of Complanter.

February 17th 1791. On account of the cold weather there was no meeting. The thermometer showed this morning zero.

February 20th 1791. Sunday. It was announced that Br. Paul Miksch had been appointed as choir-helper of the single brethren in Christian Spring in Br. Joh. Schnall's place, and at the same time, he had been approved by the Lord as assistant Warden. In the evening some hymns of blessing were sung by the congregation for this Brother.

March 13th 1791. The single brother Paul Miksch, who had been appointed as choir-helper of the single brethren and as assistant warden in Christian Spring, and the brethren Matthaeus Eggert and Johann Ludwig Strohle, who have been appointed for the service by the youth in our institute, had been received to Acolothie, and Br. Johannes Schnall, Warden and house liturgus for Gnadenthal, was ordained by Br. Ettwein for a Diaconus of the brethren's church.

March 16th 1791. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock in the presence of the married members of the E.C. were engaged the single brother Johannes Schnall with the single sister Margaretha Hasting. Br. Zeisberger introduced in Christian Spring in a choir-meeting the single brother Paul Miksch as choir-helper and blessed him for his office.

March 23rd 1791. Bro. and Sister Klingsohr and van Vlecks were to-day in Gnadenthal and Christian Spring for a visit. The single brother John Everett came from Emmaus to Christian Spring on probation.

March 24th 1791. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. George Christoph Hepner, who had died on the 22nd in Christian Spring.

March 26th 1791. Br. Reichel read a letter from Peter Kunkler, who had left the congregation some years ago, and who is now living with his family in our neighborhood. He is sorry of all his misdeeds and he desires...
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again a closer fellowship, and he recommends himself with his wife to the prayer of the congregation.

March 27th 1791. In the afternoon at 2,30 was the wedding of the single brother Johannes Schnail with the single sister Margaretha Hasting, which was conducted by Br. Reichel.

April 10th 1791. Sunday. In Christian Spring died in the afternoon the single brother Friedrich Boehner.

April 12th 1791. Bro. and Sr. Reichel and the sisters Elizabeth Hopson, Anna Strubel and Theodora Mack went to-day to Bethlehem to the dedication of the newly built house for the girl's institute. – In Nazareth was in the afternoon the funeral of Br. Friedrich Boehner.

April 15th 1791. Bro. and Sister Johann Jacob and Anna Johanna Schmick with their 3 children Anna, Jacob and Elizabeth moved to-day from Bethlehem to Nazareth to stay here.

April 25th 1791. In the afternoon was the big girl Johanna Fuch received into the congregation.

April 29th 1791. In the morning at 5 o'clock died the child Renatus Theodore Reichel. – Br. Reinecke from Lititz visited us to-day.

May 1st 1791. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock was the funeral of the child Renatus Theodore Reichel, which was held by Br. Zeisberger.

May 2nd 1791. In the paedagogium were made the arrangements for the future half-year.

May 5th 1791. 3 girls were received into the choir: Jacobina Christ, Elizabeth Giersch, and Elizabeth Fuch from Nazareth, and Sarah Klein from Schoeneck. Br. Ettwein with his daughter came here together with some single sisters. Br. Ettwein held the lovefeast.


May 10th 1791. Br. Johann Friedrich Reichel, junior, from St Kitts, came
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with Bro. Reich from Bethlehem for a visit, and he held the English children’s hour.

May 15th 1791. William Waldron Tentbrock, who has been in the School for four years, went to his parents in New York accompanied by our good wishes. His brother Jesse went with him home for a visit.

May 15th 1791. In the afternoon had the B. C. here with the House-congregation in Gnadenhal a lovefeast for the farewell of Bro. and Sister Busse, who had lived in Gnadenhal for many years and are moving to Old Nazareth. Bro. and Sister Schnall, who had accepted the business of Bro. and Sr. Steinman as warden, were recommended to their love for the service of the house-congregation. At the same time thanks was returned to Bro. and Sr. Busse and Bro. and Sr. Steinman for their service on this place.

May 16th 1791. Bro. and Sister Busse moved to-day with their two children Christian David and Anna Rosina from Gnadenhal to Old Nazareth.

From Philadelphia came accompanied by Br. Ettwein the secretary of the treasury of the United States Mr. Hamilton with his wife for a visit.

They saw with delight our school, the sisters' house, Gnadenhal and Christian Spring. In the evening started Br. Reichel on his journey to Wyoming for a visit of our friends there. He went to-day to Christian Spring and held there a meeting for the house-congregation.

May 17th 1791. This morning Br. Reichel went from Christian Spring accompanied by Br. Bonn to Gnadenhuetten, and from there he took Br. Paul Gries as his travelling-companion to Wyoming. --- The boy Heinrich Wilhelm Hass, who has been 5 years in the paedagogium, went to-day to Bethlehem to stay in the Apothecary, drug-store. --- From Philadelphia came Arthur Stansbury, 9 years old, to our school. Br. Heckewaelder from Bethlehem accompanied him to Nazareth.

May 20th 1791. Johann Everet went from Christian Spring back to Emmaus.
May 21st 1791. Mr. Weiss from Gnadenhuetten fetched his wife, who had been here for 8 days, and his son Francis, who had come yesterday from Philadelphia to Nazareth, and took also his two sons, who are here, along to Gnadenhuetten for some days.

May 22nd 1791. Sunday. Br. Klingsohr held the sermon. In the afternoon the single sisters held their Choir-meeting. At 1 o'clock was in Old Nazareth a meeting with the married brethren and sisters and we had a delightful talk. It was a joy to hear, that the brethren and sisters had the desire, that they now have Bro. and Sister Busse living among them. They have the desire, that their meetings may start again. The number of the brethren and sisters who are living in Old Nazareth with the children, is at present 40 persons.

May 25th 1791. The young Heckedorn in Christian Spring went to Yorktown in affairs of inheritance.

May 26th 1791. At noon came from Philadelphia over Bethlehem Mrs. Stansbury in order to visit her 2 sons in the paedagogium.

May 29th 1791. In the afternoon was the engagement of the widowed Brother Joseph Levering with the single Sister Anna Catharina Clewell.

May 30th 1791. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock returned Br. Reichel from his journey to Wyoming.

June 4th 1791. The big girls celebrated their choir-festival. Two little girls Johanna Christ and Catharina Kuendig were received into the big girl's choir. Joanna Christ is from Nazareth and Catharina Kuendig from Christian Spring. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock they had their festival lovefeast.

June 5th 1791. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock was the wedding of the widowed Brother Joseph Levering with the single sister Anna Catharina Clewell by Br. Reichel. After the wedding they had a lovefeast together with the E. C. at which were also many people from Bethlehem. — Yester-
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day and to-day was here from Philadelphia Mrs. Billington for a visit of her son in the paedagogium.

June 7th 1791. The widowed brother Johann Merk from the village and the single Brother Joseph Till from the brethren's house here and the single brother Johann Flex from Christian Spring moved to-day to Bethlehem to stay there.

June 10th 1791. Bro. and Sister Schlegel from St. Croix and Bro. and Sister van Vleck from Bethlehem visited us here.

June 17th 1791. Among many visiting strangers was here Mr. Stansbury, from Philadelphia, who has in the paedagogium 2 sons.

June 18th 1791. From Providence in Rhode Island came to-day Mrs. Nightingale with 3 children for the paedagogium, namely her son Nightingale, John Clark and William Bowen. The latter one is 12 years old, and the other two are 7 years old. In her company was also Mr. Thomas Clark, a brother of John Clark. From New York came Sister Tentbrook and brought her son Jesse back, who had been for a visit with his parents. Also from Philadelphia were several visitors here.


June 23rd 1791. Br. Strohle held the children’s hour, where also 2 lawyers from Easton attended.

June 25th 1791. Mrs. Nightingale from Providence in Rhode Island, who stayed here over one week, in order to learn to know the arrangement of our school here, in which she has a son and had brought 2 other children for education, and after she had thoroughly inquired about our rules and regulations, went with Thomas Clark, a student in Providence College, who was in her company, over Bethlehem and Philadelphia to her home. Thomas Clark, a hopeful, pleasant young man, should have liked to have become a scholar in our paedagogium, but because he is already 16 years, he could not be accepted according to the rule of the institute.
June 30th 1791. In the evening came brother Ettwein from Bethlehem and with him came 5 children from St. Croix: Martin, Isaac, John and William Heyliger and Henning Linberg for education in the institute here. The 3 younger ones John and William Heyliger and Henning Linberg were accompanied by the negro Christian, a helper-brother, who had come from St. Croix lately. The two older sons of the chamberlain Heyliger in St. Croix had been for some years in Philadelphia already.

July 2nd 1791. To-day we had first lovefeast and then Holy Communion, which was conducted by Br. Reichel. The helper-brother Christian from St. Croix enjoyed with us.

July 3rd 1791. Sunday. From Bethlehem came the single brother Thomas Schnall for the service in our institute.

July 9th 1791. The boys celebrated their choir-festival. The following children were received into the boy's choir: Thomas Otto, Jacob Rauschenberger, Johann Benjamin Roth from Nazareth and Johannes Ary from Schoeneck.

July 10th 1791. Sunday. Christian S. Krause from St. Croix, who has been for 3 years in the paedagogium, went to-day home after finished school-time, which he had used well.

July 16th 1791. Bro. and Sister Reichel, Sister Elizabeth Hopson went to-day for a visit to Hope.

July 22nd 1791. From New York came a child John Dumont to our institute.

July 23rd 1791. We had this week, and some time before, almost daily visits by strangers, of which some stayed here for some days and visited our meetings.

July 26th 1791. The brethren Zeisberger, Denke and Reichel went to-day to Bethlehem to attend the helper-conference for the whole, and they brought the pleasant news along, that our dear Indian Congregation on Lake Erie together with the white brethren and sisters, who are with the
the Indians, are according to Letters of March and April all well, but
for their safety's sake they have moved to the North side of the Lake
under the english government and have settled not far from Detroit. This
news was communicated to the congregation in the evening-service.

**July 27th 1791.** Br. Reichel held the children's hour, at which attended
a young presbyterian minister.

**July 28th 1791.** From Bethlehem came Bro. and Sister Thumhard and brought
the child Jacob Wolle from St. Thomas. Because the child was too young
for the institute, Bro. and Sr. Moehring were asked to take care of it
for some time. The brethren William Henry and Fr. Fruehauff returned
from their visit in Lititz, Yorktown, Graceham. The child John Dumont
returned again to New York.

**July 31st 1791.** Sunday. Sam. Bader, who had been appointed for the service
in the paedagogium, caused us the grief, to leave suddenly his service
and went to Philadelphia.

**August 5th 1791.** Br. Reichel went to-day to Bethlehem, where they had the
helper-conference for the whole, and where Br. Joseph Schweishaupt from
Christian Spring had been approbated for the service in the paedagogium.

**August 5th 1791.** In Gnadenthal died this morning the married Sister Su-
sanna Catharina Hartmann. She was married on the 7th in the afternoon.

Br. Peter Brown from Bethlehem told the congregation of Schoeneck some-
thing about Antigua and the work among the Negroes there. The Schoeneck
people were glad, to see Br. Brown, who had worked among them formerly.
The child Adam Chr. Weyle, who has been in the institute over one year,
went on request of the parents to his home, to St. Jan (Juan).

**August 8th 1791.** Our musicians, who had gone to the dedication of the
church in Kutztown yesterday, came back to-day.

**August 13th 1791.** The single brother Foerster from Bethlehem came here
to stay, in order to take possession of the linen-weaving in the single
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Brethren's house on his own account. The single brother Gottlieb Brown, who had been manager in the linen-weaving in the brethren's house here went to Bethlehem, to stay there. -- From Gnadenhuetten came the single sister Rebecca Edmonds to stay here and the boy William Carney in the inn here.

August 14th 1791. Sunday. The single brother Johann Heckedorn in Christian Spring had been received into the congregation. -- Then a letter of apology from Jacob Schulz was read. He had experienced some years ago here and since that time much misery, trouble and sickness, after he had left our congregation. The congregation heard this letter with much sympathy and many tears.

August 16th 1791. Br. Klingsohr from Bethlehem was here and had accompanied two sons of the lutheran Minister Hellmuth and Schmidt there, for a visit. The two sons had been recommended to Br. Klingsohr by Br. Hellmuth. He had also written a letter of recommendation to Br. Reichel, who made a pleasant acquaintance with them. Br. Reichel went then with Br. Klingsohr and the two sons to Schoeneck, Gnadenthal and Christian Spring. In their company was also Mr. Polani, who stays at present in Bethlehem.

August 19th 1791. Br. Reichel held the english children's hour, which was attended by Mr. Beverhoud from Jersey, a hollandish Domine Pieter van Vlierden from San Croix, and another man from San Croix Johannes Rogiers. The visitors looked around in the village, in Old Nazareth, Gnadenthal and Christian Spring with delight. Mr. Johannes Rogiers, a true friend of the brethren and their Mission among the negroes in the West-Indies, brought a son of 10 years with him, which he would have liked to have him educated in the paedagogium. Our brethren in the West-Indies as well as in New York and Bethlehem had recommended him and the fulfillment of his request. The child, despite of the great number of scholars, which are in school already and those, which named 1
August 20th 1791. At 1 o'clock in the afternoon was the funeral of Bro. Johannes Scheffler, who had died on the 18th in Christian Spring.

August 21st 1791. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock baptized Br. Reichel the little son of Bro. and Br. Heinrich Beck, which was born this morning. It received the names Ferdinand Jacob. The day of remembrance of the first beginning of the Mission in St. Thomas, to-day 59 years ago, was mentioned to the congregation.

August 22nd 1791. At 1 o'clock in the afternoon was the funeral of the widowed brother Christian Stoelz, who had died on the 20th in Christian Spring.

August 23rd 1791. The single brethren's choir celebrated to-day its choir-festival. Three youths were received into the brethren's choir: Heinrich Albrecht and Johann Christ from Nazareth and Johann Heckedorn from Christian Spring. The hall was nicely decorated with flowers. The trombone choir did their share to make a success of the day.

August 24th 1791. Mrs. Sarah Connolly, the wife of an English lieutenant-colonel in Montreal in Canada, brought to-day her two sons James and Thomas of 10 and 8 years old, with whom she lately had come from Canada to Philadelphia, to the Paedagogium for education. The mother, who had with her still two other sons, went over Bethlehem to Philadelphia.

September 3d 1791. Mr. Thomas Billington from Philadelphia, who has a son in the Paedagogium, came to-day for a visit. In his company was also a Presbyterian Minister from Charleston in South Carolina with his wife, who modestly and thoroughly inquired about our doctrin and divine services.

September 11th 1791. Sunday. From New York visited us bro. and Sister Birkby with some other brethren and sisters from there. He held in the evening in English the Gemein-hour.

September 29th 1791. By the management of the new official charges according
to the new constitution of Pennsylvania our brethren William Henry and Joseph Levering/appointed, the first one to a Judge of the Court of common Pleas and the latter one to a Justice of Peace by the governor of this state.

October 1st 1791. From Philadelphia came Br. Eyerly, after the assembly had been broken up, and with him came Mr. Joseph Stansbury for a visit.

October 2nd 1791. Sunday. In the afternoon the helper-conference took place. In the evening announced Br. Reichel the call of Bro. and Sister Herbst to Lititz and the call of Bro. and Sister Reineke to Lancaster. -- The boy White Matlack went back home to New York.

October 8th 1791. Mr. William Nichols from Philadelphia came here for a visit, and took his two sons John and William Nichols, who had been in the school one year and a half, with him home.

October 10th 1791. The boy Benjamin Roth, who had been 6 years in the paedagogium, went to Br. Schmick, where he shall learn the saddler-trade.

To-day was here a judge of the United States, Mr. Cushing from Massachusetts for a visit. He looked around in the paedagogium and saw the arrangements there and in the sister's house with attention.

October 12th 1791. From New York was here Dr. Kemp, Professor of Physics in the College in New York for a visit. He made a pleasant acquaintance with Br. Reichel, who showed to the Professor all what was worth to be seen. He was recommended to us by Br. Tentbrook in New York. By the election yesterday in Easton, Br. Jacob Eyerly was elected as a member of the assembly for next year.

October 13th 1791. The single brother Schulze from Kleinwelka came here to stay in Christian Spring.

October 22nd 1791. Br. Reichel announced the calls of Br. Friedrich Frue-suff and Br. Matthaeus Eger to Lititz; also was announced the safe arrival of the brethren and sisters from England and Germany, among which is
especially to be reminded Br. Benjamin Mortimer for the paedagogium here.

October 24th 1791. Br. M. Eggert held the children's hour and went afterwards to Bethlehem following his call to Lititz. Our best wishes accompany him. He had been in the paedagogium for over 5 years and had served faithfully. To-day visited us Bro. and Sister Gottfried Peter and the sister Oliver and Sister Wade, who had come lately from England, in the company of Br. Jacob van Vleck. With them came also Br. Benjamin Mortimer from Bedford, and he was lead to the first room of the paedagogium.

October 29th 1791. Mr. William Clemm from Baltimore brought his son William Clemm and another child John Lyon from Falmouth in Virginia, both 11 years old, for education to the paedagogium.

November 3d 1791. Br. Abraham Reincke from Lititz brought his son Abraham, 4 years old, to the paedagogium. With him came also Br. Wilhelm Lemcke from Lititz following a call to the service in the paedagogium. Br. Fr. Frueauff, who had served in the paedagogium for 3 years, left this afternoon, following the call as choir-helper of the single brethren in Lititz.

November 15th 1791. Sunday. Br. Reichel read for the festival of this day 2 hymns, which were made for this jubilee-festival, one by Br. Joseph and the other one by Br. Attwein.

November 20th 1791. Br. Reichel married to-day the single brother Christoph Feissert from Christian Spring with the single sister Rosina Frevel of Nazareth.

November 27th 1791. To-day the new liturgical books were introduced in the congregation. We did regret, that we had only 30 copies of the liturgical book and we had not received any choir-litanies. We divided them as good as we could in the various places. We made the beginning to-day with the new church-litany.

December 1st 1791. On account of storm and rain there was no meeting in the evening.
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December 4th 1791. Sister Busch came from Yorktown, in order to stay for some time with her children, Bro. and Sister Busch.

December 6th 1791. With the approval of the E. C. and on the request of various parents, 10 children in the Hall, 7 children of the congregation and 3 strange children of the boarding school, were inoculated with smallpox by Br. Freytag from Bethlehem. Br. Reichel had talked first to the children, and recommended them to the care and protection of their Creator and Saviour, the Lord of our life, and he asked for a blessing and for success. Also in the village 3 children were inoculated with smallpox.

December 9th 1791. The single sister Rebecca Edmonds from Gnadenhüetten, who had served in the village for some months, went today to Bethlehem to stay there and by the permission, which she had received, she moved to the choir-house there.

December 31st 1791. The end of the year was celebrated as in the former years. The children, who had been inoculated, had been restored to health and they were able to partake in the celebration of this day. The Lord had helped them through, and therefore we all were thankful.

End of the diary of Nazareth of the year 1791.
January 15th 1792, Sunday. In the afternoon was a meeting for the Nazareth and Schoeneck congregations, in which Br. Ellert Coortsen, who had been the laborer for Schoeneck-Congregation, and who had received a call for the service in the congregation in Heidelberg, was ordained by Br. Ettwein for a deacon of the brethren's church, Also Bro. and Sister Tilfozen, ... who were present, were introduced to the congregation in Schoeneck as their future laborer, and were recommended to their love.

January 17th 1792, Bro. and Sister Tilfozen went to-day to Schoeneck and passed through Nazareth. Bro. and Sister Ellert Coortsen from Schoeneck started their journey to Heidelberg, accompanied by our best wishes. The single Wilhelm Mueller, who had lived for some time in the brethren's house, but who had not had any for the congregation and its rules, was advised, to move away from us and to go to another place, which he also did. He was dismissed in love and was recommended to the mercy of the Lord. The congregation was also asked to remember him in prayer before the Lord.

January 24th 1792, To-day came Mr. Jaesch with some other men from Jersey for a visit.

January 26th 1792, From New York came Br. Campl to Nazareth for a visit.

January 27th 1792, Br. Benjamin Mortimer held for the first time the English children's hour.

January 28th 1792, The single brethren Christian Foerster from here and Jacob Luch in Christian Spring, who had the majority of votes, had been approved by the Lord for the Gemein-council.

February 2nd 1792, In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of the little Sybilla Elizabeth Belling, who had been born March 26th 1791, and had reached an age of 10 months and 4 days. She died with small pox.

February 3rd 1792, Br. David Peter, who had been serving in the paedagogium about 2 years, moved to Bethlehem according to his appointment. From Bethlehem came here to the paedagogium Br. Nathanael Braun.
February 5th 1792. Sunday. After the sermon was the funeral of the little Anna Theodora Schaefer, who had died on the 3d with small pox. She was 1 year, 2 months and 11 days old.

February 9th 1792. It was found necessary through the Overseer-Committee to notify Br. Gottfried Belling, that he should discharge his apprentice Renatus Coelln, because he seduces the other boys to do evil and to oppose the superiors.

February 12th 1792. Br. J. L. Strohle held for the first time the English Sermon. In the afternoon was in Schoeneck the funeral of the youth Johannes Flattenberger, who died on the 9th.

February 13th 1792. Br. Nathanael Braun held for the first time the children's hour.

February 14th 1792. Our neighbour Fayok, who had worked in the village, in Gnadenthal and Christian Spring as day-laborer for many years, was found this forenoon, not far from Gnadenthal on the meadow dead in the snow. At once a jury of brethren from the village and from Gnadenthal besides our doctor were called together, and it was found by the investigation of the body, that probably apoplexy had killed him. A day before he had been in Christian Spring and Gnadenthal, and he had lamented, that he did not feel well. Towards 4 o'clock he went home, and he found near to Gnadenthal his end. The brethren Schnall and Steinmann buried him on his property, and Br. Schnall sang, when the body was lowered into the grave, a few hymns. He leaves behind a widow with 3 children, who are baptized by the brethren.

February 24th 1792. In the helper-conference was Br. George Golkovsky in Warden, who had been before Br. Bonn's place appointed as an accountant in Christian Spring. Br. Golkovsky who had accepted the position as Warden of Christian Spring, was recommended to the love and confidence of the brethren and sisters there.

February 26th 1792. The single brother Johannes Hofmann from Christian Spring was received into the congregation.
February 28th 1792. In the afternoon was at 3 o'clock in Christian Spring a lovefeast, where all the members of the E.C. and the Bro. and Sister Tillofsen from Schoeneck were present, for the farewell of Br. Bonn, who had served in that place for 33 years as warden. Br. George Golkovsky, who in Bro. Bonn's place had been appointed as warden of Christian Spring, was consecrated to his office by Br. David Zeisberger.

March 7th 1792. Towards evening caught the chimney of the house in Old Nazareth, in which Bro. and Sister Krause and Bro. and Sister Kaske were living. But by quick help the fire was soon extinguished. The singing-hour had to be omitted on this account. From Wyoming came a messenger with a letter to Br. W. Henry from Mr. Kerkland, a Missionary among the Indians of the 6 nations, in which he notified him, that to-morrow he intends to arrive in Nazareth with a number of Chiefs and warriors of the 6 nations. There will be about 51 and some white people, who in National affairs are going to Philadelphia to the President and Congress.

March 8th 1792. In the evening was a strong snow-drift and therefore no meeting could be held. Towards 6 o'clock in the evening arrived the Indians with their companions, and stayed over night here.

March 9th 1792. At noon the Indians continued their journey over Bethlehem to Philadelphia.

March 11th 1792. Sunday. In the english Litany we prayed for the President and congress of the United States, also for all the officials, and especially we prayed for the Indians of the 6 Nations, who went to Philadelphia, that God may protect them and may give them a lasting peace between the white people of this land and the 6 Indian-Nations; and also to all the Indians near our borderlines.

March 16th 1792. Br. Mortimer held the english children's hour.

March 22nd 1792. It was announced, that in Br. George Golkovsky's place
a single Brother should be elected for the overseer committee, and the brethren were requested, to send in their votes until next Thursday.
March 30th 1792. The single Brother Heinrich Albrecht went to-day to Lititz to stay there.
March 31st 1792. Br. Reichel announced, that the single brother Ludwig Biebel in Christian Spring had been approved by the Lord for the member in the overseer-committee in Br. Golkovsky's place.
April 1st 1792. Sunday. Br. Reichel, who had held the meetings in Schoeneck, buried there the widowed sister Elizabeth Barbara Kostenbader.
April 8th 1792. Easter-Sunday. After the sermon a collection for the support of the music was taken in at the Hall-doors.
April 13th 1792. Brother Bittich, from Christian Spring, moved to his plantation, which he had bought some time ago from Br. Gottlieb Demuth, not far from Schoeneck.
April 14th 1792. Br. Bittich was engaged with the single sister Maria Rauschenberg from the Nazareth Choir-house. They will stick to the Congregation in Schoeneck.
April 21st 1792. The permission from the Hollandish-East-India Company, to send 2 or 3 brethren among the Hottentotts at the Cape, was received with great joy, and the brethren and sisters were requested, to take this important matter into their prayers.
April 22nd 1792. In the afternoon was in Schoeneck the wedding of Bro. Johann George Bittich from Christian Spring, with the single sister Maria Rauschenberg from the Nazareth Choir-house. They will belong to the Schoeneck church. -- Br. Stroble preached in the Plainfield church at the funeral of a child. He had preached there also last week.
April 24th 1792. From Bethlehem came the single sister Judith Edmonds to Nazareth to stay with Bro. and Sister Schloesser. A big girl, Mary Edmonds from Odenhuetten, who had lived with Bro. and Sister Schloesser, went back to her parents in Odenhuetten last week.
April 28th 1792. In Nazareth was engaged the Negro-brother Peter from Bethlehem with the Negro-sister Maria from Christian Spring.

April 28th 1792. In the paedagogium was the conclusion of the spring-examination in the presence of E.C. and the parents, who are present here. The brethren Joh. Etzwein and Hans Chr. von Schweinitz from Bethlehem were also present. Two of our oldest scholars Gratian Hart from Antigua and Joseph Stansbury from Philadelphia, who will soon go home, had in a written composition expressed their thankfulness for the education, which they had received here, and also for all experienced love, patience, forbearance by the various mistakes and differences, in an upright way. Br. Mortimer read the compositions. Br. Reichel read then a written answer, which he in his name and in the names of the teachers and educators, which he had drawn up. The same contained also our best wishes for their future prosperity, and a serious request, that they should not forget Jesus, our crucified Saviour, to whom they had been directed, when they were in our institute. They were admonished, to stick close to the Lord at all times. This had made a great impression upon all the students, and many tears were shed. with the kind wishes for all the scholars: "In thy Love and knowledge dearest Saviour, let them more and more abound" the examination was concluded.

April 29th 1792. Sunday. Gratian Hart, our oldest scholar in the paedagogium, who had been with us about 4 years, went to Bethlehem, and from there he will go to Philadelphia and then to Antigua. Mr. Connolly, a colonel in the English Service in Canada, was here yesterday and to-day for a visit. He has 2 sons in the school here and a third one he had with him, whom they also would have liked to let him be educated here, but who could not be taken in on account of lack of room. Br. Reichel had with this man and his wife, who know the brethren for many years already, a detailed conversation about the doctrin and constitution of the Brethren's Unity.
May 3d 1792. In the afternoon a part of the Indians of the 6 Nations, who had passed through here 8 weeks ago, were on their way from Philadelphia to their home. The others had with the Missionary Mr. Kerklanck taken the road home over New York. Some of them attended the Bible-lesson in the evening and they were happy and content. One of them, who could speak very well English, told us, how they with the president George Washington had smoked the pipe of peace. They came back from Philadelphia abundantly presented and they looked all well and healthy. At 4 o’clock they continued their journey.

May 4th 1792. The big girls Elizabeth Brunner from here and Rebecca Weiss from Qnadenhuetten had been received into the Choir of the single sisters. -- In the afternoon at 4 o’clock was the funeral of Brother August Schloesser, who had died yesterday morning.

May 5th 1792. From Philadelphia came two sons of the Dr. and Professor Adam Kuhns, Hartmann and Carl, 8 and 7 years old, to our paedagogium for education. -- Mr. Ephraim Bowen from Providence in Rhode Island, who has a son in the institute, came here for a visit.

May 6th 1792. Br. Tillofsen held the English sermon. In the afternoon had the single brethren’s choir in Christian Spring a lovefeast and Holy Communion. Br. Samuel Stoz, Gemein-Diener in Salem, who came this forenoon, enjoyed the same too.

May 7th 1792. The negro-brother Peter from Bethlehem was married in the afternoon at 1 o’clock with the single negro-sister Maria from Christian Spring by Br. Reichel. They are appointed for Qnadenthal.

May 8th 1792. Br. Thomas Horsefield had received a call to the paedagogium by the instruction of the Lord.

May 9th 1792. Br. Wilhelm Lembke, who had been half a year in the paedagogium, asked for relief, and went to-day from here to Graceham, where he intends to accept a store.
May 12th 1792. The single brother Johann George Proske in Christian Spring was engaged with the single sister Maria Elizabeth Frey from the Choir-house here. Bro. and Sister Steinmann moved from Gnadenthal to Schoeneck, where they had purchased a house. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock we had a lovefeast with those, who had had the small pox since December here and in Schoeneck, in the presence of the parents. In the Nazareth Congregation have had the small pox 59 persons: 39 boys and 20 little girls. 15 of them had been inoculated, the others had the natural small pox. Of the latter ones 2 little girls, who were cutting teeth, died. --- In the Schoeneck congregation had 42 in all the small pox, all natural. Of those 2 had died: 1 youth and 1 little boy. Of 101 small pox patients 4 have died. In Nazareth the 30th and in Schoeneck the 20th. The inoculated ones were mostly light cases and the others were hard cases, but in general recovered fortunately, so that one cannot see anything on them. Only one child kept a mark in the face, we have reason to be thankful.

May 17th 1792. Br. Strohle preached in the afternoon in Forks-Township, 3 miles away from here at the funeral of a child, that had died with the small pox, of Br. Weygand's family. There was in the barn near the house as well as on the cemetery an attentive auditory.

May 20th 1792. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock held Br. Reichel the wedding of the single brother Johann George Proske with the single sister Maria Elizabeth Frey. In the evening two boys, Andreas Weitzel and Jacob Rauschenberger were received into the congregation.

May 26th 1792. From Philadelphia were here Mr. Stansbury with a company for a visit.

May 28th 1792. A Congress member from South Carolina, Mr. Jzard, with his son and grandson, accompanied by Bro. Ettwein this morning from Bethlehem, attended the English sermon preached by Br. Reichel. After the sermon was the funeral of Br. Wenzel Bernhard, who had died on the 26th.
June 6th 1792. Br. Reichel held the funeral of a man by the name Joh. Balthasar Friedrich, who was buried in his place. He preached to a great gathering in the barn. Bro. and Sister Busse and Br. and Sister Denke went today to Bethlehem and Emmaus for a visit. Sister Sophia Reincke from Lancaster came for a visit to Nazareth.

June 9th 1792. From St. Thomas came a child John Wood from Beverhoud, 7 years old, to our institute. The Commandant Malleville is a close relative to this child.

June 10th 1792. The people behind the Blue Mountains, where formerly an Indian Congregation had been, in Wachquans, had expressed the wish several years ago, that now and then a brother should come to them and preach the gospel to them. And because last fall and this spring those people had asked repeatedly again, Br. Reichel accompanied by Br. Oehme, went there yesterday and preached in a barn on a place of John Petty; many people had gathered to hear the word of God. They were hungry for the word. They are to be pitied, because they cannot afford to pay for a preacher and the lutheran and reformed preachers are in this section scarce and they also come seldom and at some times not at all in this country; that is also the reason, that the children cannot be baptized. Several parents have little children with them, which are not baptized and the parents asked for baptism. After the sermon, when the names of the children and parents had been put down, and when the godparents had been secured, a special meeting was held in the barn. After singing a hymn, Br. Reichel spoke about baptism, read the litany, and prayed for the children, the parents and the godparents and then baptized the children, which were held by the parents, who were standing in a semi-circle around the table. There were 7 children several months old. The people were very quiet, and a great solemnity was to be noticed during the action. The people were very grateful and they asked, that every 4, 6 or 8 weeks a brother might come and preach to them. On the
way home Br. Reichel baptized still another child.


June 24th 1792. Sunday. The boys had their choir-festival. After the meeting went the boys by pairs with music and singing through the streets of the village to their own and to the brethren and sisters joy and pleasure. Among many visitors from Philadelphia was also a Mr. Lawler with his wife here, who brought their son James Lawler, 9 years old, to our institute.

June 29th 1792. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Michael Miksch on Gadenenthal, who had died yesterday morning, by Br. Reichel.

July 8th 1792. Br. Strohe preached to-day in the church over the Blue Mountains, 12 miles away from here, in the Chestnuthill township.

July 2nd 1792. To-day 8 children were received into the boy's choir, namely: Ludwig David von Schweinitz, Jacob Weiss, Christian Fr. Beutel, Joh. Jac. Christ, Friedrich Kunkler, Daniel Ernst, Johann Friedrich Danke, from Nazareth; and from Schoeneck Joseph Plattenberger. The boys and youths from here and Schoeneck besides 7 strange boarders number at present 40. Bro. and Sister von Schweinitz, Br. Peter Braun and sister Klingsohr from Bethlehem and bro. and sister Coortsen from Heidelberg were here and partook in the festivity with great pleasure.

July 15th 1792. In the evening after a speech by Br. Reichel was received into the congregation the single brother Jacob Woodring.

July 25th 1792. Bro. and Sister Reizenbach from Bethlehem came for some days on a visit.

August 17th 1792. This forenoon came Br. Ettein with the attorney General of the United States, Mr. Randolph, a friend of the brethren, to Nazareth. He looked around in the village, in the paedagogium and in the sister's house, with pleasure and sympathy he observed our arrangements.
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August 19th 1792. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock all grown up brethren and sisters assembled and a plan, which was made by the overseer committee regarding rules to be observed in case of fire for Nazareth and some other points were discussed. Rules to be observed in case of fire were approved and the further performance was transferred to the overseer committee.

August 26th 1792. Br. Reichel was to-day over the Blue Mountains in Chestnut Hill Township and preached in the church there. After the sermon he baptized 5 children. Many people were present. Also from Wechquetank some people were there.

August 28th 1792. From Emmaus came the boy Ludwig Giering to Nazareth, in order to learn by Br. Jacob Christ the hatmaker's trade.

August 29th 1792. The singlebrethren celebrated their choir-festival. 4 youths were received into the choir, namely: Ludwig Roth, Christian Ernst and Johannes van Srt from Nazareth and Joseph Gemuth from Schoeneck. - In the afternoon died the married Br. George Gold.

August 30th 1792. The boy Thomas Otto went to-day too Bethlehem in order to stay there in the store. - The single brother David Dumple had gone to hope to stay there.

August 31st 1792. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was buried Br. George Gold, who had died on the 29th.

September 5th 1792. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of the married sister Anna Maria Kremser, who had died on the 3d of September.

September 7th 1792. Mr. Beverhoudt from Jersey was here in the forenoon and attended the first two meetings with delight.

September 10th 1792. Bro. and Sister Meder from Philadelphia paid us a visit. In the evening was meeting.

September 12th 1792. We had the joy to meet Br. Strohle, who 5 weeks ago between Lancaster and Lititz had had a bad fall from the horse, by which several blood-vessels had been injured, so that one thought, he would die,
or at least would his mind become deranged. But now he has completely recovered and well, and he could come and visit us. We were with him grateful to the Lord for his care, which he had used for this brother. We also were thankful, that the Lord had blessed the efforts of Br. Thumhardt, the Doctor.

September 22nd 1792. Bro. and Sister Huebner and Br. Tanneberger and his daughter came from Lititz, also the Brother Rixeker, and visited us. In the evening they partook in Holy Communion, and Br. Huebner held it.

September 23rd 1792. It was announced to the congregation, that Jesse Walton, who 5 years ago had been baptized in the congregation as an adult, and had been confirmed for Holy Communion, and also his wife Hanna Walton, who also had been confirmed, had sinned against the Lord and the congregation by faithlessness, and now they are about it in great perplexity and distress of the heart, which they have shown in a letter to the E.C. They ask for forgiveness and for intercession before the Lord.

September 24th 1792. Bro. and Sister Owen and Elizabeth Rice moved with their three children Joseph, Owen and Johannes, to Bethlehem to stay there. Bro. Owen Rice will work in the store there. — From Bethlehem moved the single brother Nathanael Richter to Christian Spring, where he will stay. Last week 2 single men from a ship, which had redeemed German Passengers, who for their fare and passage will have to work as servants in Christian Spring for 3 years.

October 6th 1792. From Philadelphia brought Bro. and Sister Ljungberg, who had visited there, a child John Smith to the institute for education.


October 26th 1792. Bro. Strohle held the children's hour. In the afternoon came Bro. Fr. Frueauf from Lititz over Bethlehem for a visit and he
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brought the heart-breaking news of a great conflagration, which had destroyed on the 4th of August the entire nice Gemein-Ort Gnadenfrei in Silesia. This sad news was announced in the evening-meeting. The entire congregation was very sorry about this news.

October 29th 1792. Bro. and Sister Kaske came from Salem, in order to live in the future in Gnadenthal.

October 30th 1792. Br. Tillofson held the english children's hour.

November 4th 1792. Sunday. Br. Ludwig Huebner from Yorktown, who visited us with his wife, held the sermon.

November 5th 1792. In the evening read Bro. Reichel reports from the Calmucks and from French Switzerland from the year 1790.

November 6th 1792. In the evening-meeting read Br. Reichel letters from Br. Schumann in Tranquebar, India.

November 11th 1792. Sunday. In the evening we were delighted with a pleasant news from Br. Heckewelder, who in a letter of October 14th from Louisville in Kentucky reported, that with 7 Indian Nations had been made peace.

November 14th 1792. In the night a chimney of the sisters' house caught fire, and it caused much worry, because the fire continues more than half an hour, and much glowing soot fall on the roof and on the neighbouring houses. And we feared a great fire also, because on our fire-engine was something defective and could not be used at all. But after one hour all danger had passed and we all were thankful. It was fortunate, that no strong wind was blowing. Our minds were also filled with the great fire in Gnadenfrey., and therefore we were more worried.

November 15th 1792. At 7,30 we had a conference with all the house-fathers and Masters regarding various civil-and police-affairs.

November 16th 1792. Sunday. Br. Reichel preached this forenoon in the Plainfield church after the burial of a child. On his way home he visited
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a sick man by name Caspar Doll, who had been for many year church-warden, and he is esteemed by his great family, children and grandchildren as well as by the other people. Br. Reichel had a good talk with this man, who was thankful for the visit, also his children, especially his son in law, Stecher a Justice of peace was grateful for the visit, for he had asked Br. Reichel for the visit, to see the sick father. On his way home, not far from Friedensthal Br. Reichel was protected by the Lord, when the horse on a stony road fell with the brother and threw him off. But he was not injured in any way. The horse ran away homewards, but was caught in Friedensthal, for which Br. Reichel was grateful, because if the horse would have run home without him, his people and the brethren and sisters in Nazareth would have been frightened.

November 25th 1792. George Mueller from Bethlehem held in Christian Spring a Gemein-hour.

December 1st 1792. Br. William Henry went to-day to Harrisburg for the election of a president and vice-president for the United States, for the next 4 years.

December 2nd 1792. Sunday. The boys Ludwig David von Schweinitz and Johann Friedrich Hanke have been received into the congregation. Br. Jacob Eylerly, junior, went this afternoon to Philadelphia to stay there over Winter, because by the last election he had been elected again as a representative for Northampton County in the General Assembly of this state.

December 5th 1792. In the evening in a special meeting of the congregation with the trombone playing the usual home-going tunes, it was announced that on the 18th of September our dear brother Joseph had died in Bernhardsdorf. At the beginning the choir sang: "Our conversation is in heaven, from whence we expect the Saviour Jesus Christ." Then a hymn was sung and Br. Reichel read the greatest part of a letter from the U.A.C. to the E.C. of the congregation, in which was told the entering of this
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faithful Servant of the Lord into everlasting joy and of the 60 years old servant of the Brethren's Unity. The congregation sang then again a hymn and the choir sang: "You have come to the mount of Zion etc." With a hymn the meeting was closed.

December 6th 1792. On account of the snow-weather the meeting in the evening was omitted.

December 9th 1792. Sunday. Br. Strohle held the sermon. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock a special meeting was held, in which a letter of the congregation in Guadenfrei containing a request for support by their misfortune, which had met them. Also a hymn, which Dr. Gregor had composed for this event, was enclosed. The brethren and sister were asked, that what they intend to give, should be handed in to the choir-laborers. Br. Reichel, who held the service this forenoon in Schoeneck, had read that letter there too.

December 19th 1792. Br. Strohle preached to-day in the church on the dry land between here and Bethlehem at the funeral of a child.

December 23d 1792. Sunday. In the afternoon was a conference with the hall men-servants and female-servants. Their number was increased by 2 brethren of the single brethren, namely Br. Christ. Foerster and Br. Friedrich Schaefer. In the afternoon was the helper-conference, which in this year had been held 11 times, and was held to-day the last times this year. A company from Philadelphia attended the evening-service. In this company was a ship's captain from St. Thomas, Mr. Vanneman, who knows our brethren and sisters there very well and who had brought some children from St. Thomas to our institute. Also a Mr. Warner from Philadelphia, who brought a son of 10 years old to our institute for education.

December 26th 1792. Br. Benjamin Mortimer held for the first time the English Sermon and spoke about Jesus' birth. Dr. George Logan from Philadelphia County celebrated with us this festival season with great delight.
December 27th 1792. Bro. Schropp, Sister Klingschr, Van Vleck, Elizabeth Henry and some others visited us from Bethlehem.

December 31st 1792. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock had the children a lovefeast, at which Br. Reichel told all, what had happened during this year, and he recommended the children to the Lord in a prayer. - In the evening at 9,30 had the adults a lovefeast, which Br. Zeisberger held. Then Br. Reichel read the Memorabilia of Nazareth and Schoeneck, and in the third meeting we closed the old year with thanks and praise to the Lord for all blessings received in the old year and we recommended ourselves to the Lord for the new Year. This meeting was held by Br. Reichel.

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January 4th 1793. In the evening there was no meeting on account of the slippery roads.

January 6th 1793. The single brother Johann Jacob Hanke was confirmed.

January 7th 1793. In the evening read Br. Reichel the fine report of Br. Liebisch in Surinam.

January 16th 1793. Towards evening came 6 Indians of the Seneca Nation of their journey to Philadelphia here.

January 17th 1793. The Indians went this morning with their companions, 2 white men, to Bethlehem. 3 of the Indians had been here last year and they remembered still with delight, the kind reception, which they had received. Many brethren and sisters, boys and girls visited them on the 16th in the inn and presented them with apples. Br. Reichel and several brethren had with them through their interpreter a pleasant conversation. They told among other things, that the GREAT SPIRIT had guided and protected them last year on their journey out and home, and they hoped, that He will do that again this time. We assured them, that we had been praying for them, and we would do the same thing this time again. We told them, that we loved them as brethren, and we are glad to see them in our village, and we wished them, that they here may rest well, before they start out on their journey. They told many things about their country and they were altogether revived. It was a pleasure to see, how excellent the supper did taste to them, and how orderly and decent they did eat after the manner of the white people.

January 26th 1793. The brethren in the institute in the first house-conference in this year had been called up and encouraged, to do their service with faithfulness and punctuality as to the Lord; and with all of our children, also with the boarders, they should think it the main point, to educate them for God and Jesus, and they should always intend this for their work. We have the pleasure, many of the scholars to observe a whole...
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some consideration about themselves and attention on that, what they hear about the Saviour and his great love towards men, and the obedience, which they owe him. To-day had the children their first Gemeintag in this year, for which Br. Reichel had spoken to every boy. Br. Braun read to the children 3 careers of life of children, which had impressed the children very much. Several of the english speaking children, who do not understand German very well, asked whether these careers of life could not be read to them in the English language, which was done. At 2 o'clock in the delightful afternoon they had a lovefeast. Br. Zeisberger asked the children to sing their favorite hymns in German and English, which the boys did first, then the girls followed them. The little girls Anna Rosina Busse and Elizabeth Eyerly were there for the first time.

January 30th 1793. On account of the snow-weather there was no singing hour.

February 9th 1793. The brethren and sister in Christian Spring had on account of the bad roads their lovefeast and Holy Communion in their place. In Christian Spring Br. Zeisberger held it and in Gnadenthal Br. Schnall.

February 11th 1793. We received a letter from Br. Gottlob Sensemann of October 13th 1792, which reported good health of our white brethren and sisters on River Retrenche in Upper-Canada, and of a quiet and blessed condition of the Indian congregation.

February 12th 1793. On account of a severe storm and snow-weather no meeting could be held.

February 14th 1793. Mr. Robert Faulkner from Shawney or Plymouth in Wyoming, who in business-matters is passing through here, visited Br. Reichel, who two years ago, when Br. Reichel visited in Wyoming, lodged in his house. He told, that the conditions there are still the same, as they had been, when Br. Tillofsen visited there last year. He told further, etc.
that those, who had some years ago desired and asked for a Brother as preacher might live among them, have decreased, and only a few, probably 2 or 3 families, have still the same wish. Some of those, who had signed a petition, are either dead or they have moved to other places, and many of them have become cold and indifferent. They have nothing against the brethren or against their teachings, and when a brother would come to them, they would like to hear the word, but they do not find any reason, why a brother as preacher shall live among them. And above all they know and believe, that the brethren would not settle among them and would not propose the building of a meeting-house, until their land-dispute would be settled and要做好 right. This has not happened as yet, and they also do not know, how soon it will be done. Br. Reichel assured them Mr. Faulkner, that Wyoming and our friends there will not be forgotten and are kept in good remembrance. And it is our wish and prayer, that those hungry souls for salvation, with whom we have by our repeated visits become acquainted, may not go backward but may grow in grace more and more. Bro. Reichel said further, that the people in Wyoming have seen our willingness to serve them, and we believe, that when it is the Lord's will, that a brethren's congregation should be gathered in Wyoming, it would be done despite of all difficulties at the right time. Whereupon Mr. Faulkner said, perhaps the time may be nearer than we think. At the present are in Plymouth and the other places in Wyoming mostly Baptist#, Methodist#, and Presbyterian Ministers preaching, so that almost every Sunday a minister is preaching there. Also a son of the Baptist preacher, Mr. Drake in Plymouth is keeping school. Then Br. Reichel ordered Mr. Faulkner to take hearty greetings along for our friends in Wyoming, and he wished for them the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

February 15th 1793. In the afternoon was the funeral of the child Johann Friedrich Feissert, 4 months and 19 days old, and which had died in Gnadenau on the 10th.
February 24th 1793. Sunday. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock was the wedding of the widowed brother Johannes Kreuser with the single sister Anna Sybilla Beck from Bethlehem, held by Bro. Reichel.

March 4th 1793. The single brother Freyhube from Christian Spring went to-day to Bethlehem to stay there.

March 5th 1793. Br. Benjamim Anders, who lately had come from Europe, came to-day from Bethlehem to Nazareth, in order to help in the Institute with household work and some other work. He was placed there on probation. Br. Reichel held the English children's hour.


March 11th 1793. Br. Schnell from Lititz came to Nazareth in order to stay.

March 27th 1793. Today a presbyterian Minister from New England, by name of James Becker, who came from Georgia, was here. He told, that he had preached to the Creek Indians. He also told, that since 3 years, the Presbyterian church in New England had begun a mission among the same Indians, and that since that time every year a preacher is sent there by their means, in order to preach the gospel to those heathen. Several of the heathen have been awakened and 27 had been baptized. Mr. James Becker believed, that still more would have been accomplished among those Creek-Indians, if on account of the war it would not be so uncertain among the Indians.


April 1st 1793. Second Easter-Day. Br. Zeisberger was in the afternoon in Christian Spring and announced, that Br. Ludwig Biefel would accept the business of Br. Joh. Jungmann, to be an assistant of the warden. In the evening Br. Reichel held the meeting, in which the boy Ludwig Giering was received into the congregation.

April 2nd 1793. From Hope came to-day 2 boys, Johann and Michael Hauschenberg to Christian Spring to stay there.
April 5th 1793. From Hope came the single sister Rebecca Särenz to the Choirhouse here, to stay.

April 7th 1793. Since two years 9 people have been received into the congregation. To Holy Communion have been admitted 4. The boy Jos. Stanbury went to-day after he had finished his schoolterm to his home in Philadelphia. We had the pleasure, to know, that he had not only used his time for learning, but an influence on his heart was to be seen. He left the school with much love and gratefulness.

April 13th 1793. In the Paedagogium we had the conclusion of the spring-examination in the ordinary manner. Among the discourses, which the scholars recited in the German, English and French languages, was also one about the history of Jesus' suffering, which the hearers liked very much.

April 14th 1793. Sunday. Mr. W. Clemm from Baltimore was here and took his son William, who had been in the institute one year and a half to his own benefit and to our joy, with him to his home. The boy left us with thanks and with tears in his eyes.

April 16th 1793. Br. Reichel held the children's hour and in the evening he read a report of his visit of the negroes on the plantation in Suriname.

April 20th 1793. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Friedrich Danke, who had died on the 18th. In a letter from the U.A.C. to the E. C. was announced, that Bro. Joh. Chr. Geisler had been elected as a member of the Diener-Department in the U. A. C. in the place of the late Brother Joseph. We wished that brother from our hearts grace and the support of the Lord. And we sang: "He may bless you anew etc."

April 21st 1793. Sunday. In the afternoon went Br. Reichel, the sisters Anna Strubel, Theodora Macz, Marg. Schnall and Myrtetus together with some children from the institute for a visit to Philadelphia.

April 23d 1793. A company of people from Providence, who have relatives in the school, came to-day for a visit.
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April 25th 1793. In the afternoon a strong bush-fire by strong wind on the Gnadenthal land, was soon extinguished by an early help. 15 cords of wood had been destroyed by the fire.

April 26th 1793. From Lancaster came Matth. Hehl for a visit.

April 27th 1793. Br. Ljungberg, who had gone to Philadelphia for some business returned well home again. He had on his way to Philadelphia a special protection of the Lord, when the waggon in a hollow stony road was upset and destroyed, the horses run away with the lower part of the waggon and dragged it along, without that one of the passangers, who were 9 in all, was considerably harmed or injured, for which we were thankful to the Lord. -- Mrs. Warner from Philadelphia came for a visit of her son in the institute.

April 30th 1793. The widows had in Sister Dealing's house Holy Communion by Br. Reichel, where they had had the festival-homilie and the morning-prayer already.

May 4th 1793. The single sisters had their choir-festival. 3 big girls Christina Christ from Nazareth, Anna Maria Ary and Rachel Klein from Schoeneck, were at 10 o'clock received into the sisters' choir.

May 7th 1793. Bro. and Sister Franz Boehler from Old man's creek came with their daughters and visited here.

May 11th 1793. Mr. John Fromberger from Philadelphia brought his son George, 11 years old, to our institute for education.

May 12th 1793. Sunday. Bro. and Sister Abraham Reinecke from Lancaster visited us. -- In the helper-conference a letter from Br. Peter Wolle from St. Thomas, dated April 16th, was communicated, in which he reported, that the work of the Lord among the negroes is being continued, and that they outwardly had no trouble and that they had fine weather. He also reported, that on the first Easterdayfire broke out in their plantation, and had destroyed 3 negro-houses, but nobody was harmed, and the Lord had kept them from greater trouble.
May 20th 1793. From Philadelphia came today Mr. Cist, a true friend of the brethren, for a visit and brought two of his sons along.

May 23rd 1793. Our musicians, who had gone to Hope to the Gemein-festival the day before yesterday, returned again today.


June 4th 1793. In the forenoon at 10 o'clock after a talk by Br. Zeisberger 5 children were received into the big girl's choir: Maria Christ of Nazareth, Anna Johanna Ary, Elizabeth Clewell, Susanna Catharina Demuth and Catharina Seyfried. The choir consists of 14 persons, 7 from Nazareth and 7 from Schoeneck.

June 7th 1793. Bro. Nils Tillofsen had been approbated as Gemein-Diener of Nazareth in Brother Denke's place. After almost 14 days of rain, we had a fine day, for which we were thankful.


June 11th 1793. Br. Strohle preached today on the dry land in the church there after he had buried a child.

June 14th 1793. Mr. Lucas de Wint, a grandson of Mr. Beverhoudt, was here with a company from St. Croix. Chr. S. Rogiers, who had been in our institute, was on the request of his father taken to his grandfather Mr. van Beverhoudt, near to Morristown in Jersey. He shall receive better care there for his weak health. The boy would rather have stayed here, and because we had the best hope for him, we were sorry to lose him so soon.

June 15th 1793. Bro. and Sister Peter from Hebron visited us today and in Schoeneck.

June 17th 1793. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock was laid in Schoeneck the foundation-stone for the new meeting-hall, where many of Nazareth, the entire institute and all the schoolchildren were present.

June 18th 1793. All the grown-up brethren were assembled, and one agreed,
what had to be done with the floor in the Hall, with the digging and taking away of the rubbish.

June 20th 1793. Bro. and Sister Tillofsen were introduced as members of the E.C., as Brother Tillofsen yesterday had been installed and introduced as president of the Over-seer Committee. For the welcome and farewell of our bro. and sister Denke the E.C. partook of the cup of covenant.

June 24th 1793. The boys celebrated a blessed festival. The congregation blessed our boy's band, who in Nazareth and Schoeneck, the strange boarders included amount to over 80. The boys went then through the streets of the village with singing and music, and many enjoyed it.

June 29th 1793. We thought to-day of Br. Ettwein, who celebrated his 72nd birthday. Br. Nils Tillofsen, who had moved with his wife from Schoeneck on the 24th to Nazareth, and who had entered his office as Gemein-Diener, and also Br. and Sister Reizenbach, who had come from Bethlehem on the 27th and had gone to Schoeneck, in order to take Br. and Sister Tillofsen's place, had been recommended to the brethren and sisters in a lovefeast.

July 1st 1793. In the morning the beginning was made with breaking up the floor in the Hall, and below the floor the ground was digged 2 feet deep and air-holes were made on both sides, so that the floor would lie hollow and enough air would go through it, and by doing so, rottenness would be prevented. 60 persons, brethren, boys and children, helped, and the work of the digging went on so well and quick, that in the evening at 8 o'clock all was finished, otherwise one could have counted 2 to 3 days for that work. Everything went on smoothly without any mishap and we were thankful for it. This entire week no meeting will be held.

July 8th 1793. Mr. Warner from Philadelphia came for a visit.

July 9th 1793. On account of the floor-repair we could not have the boy's festival and it was postponed for another time.
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July 13th 1793. In the forenoon the joiners finished with the floor of our Hall, and in the afternoon almost all our sisters were busy with washing the windows, benches and the floor.

July 14th 1793. We had the pleasure, after the meetings had been suspended for 14 days, to start again our services, after which the brethren and sisters were very hungry and desirous.

July 15th 1793. At 10 o'clock after a talk by Br. Reichel, 5 children were received into the boy's choir: Johann Jacob Christ, Johann Andreas Dealing from Nazareth, Johannes and Michael Rauschenberger from Christian Spring, and Abraham Knaus from Schoeneck.

July 27th 1793. In Schoeneck the roof of the new church-hall was put up.

August 3rd 1793. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon was the funeral of the little son of the brother and sister Proske in Christian Spring, which had not seen the light of the world.

August 11th 1793. After a talk of Br. Zeisberger the widow Anna Christina Frey from Gnadenhal and the big girl Christina Brunner had been received into the congregation. In the evening Br. Reichel read to the congregation the original news of the first Holy Communion on this day in the year 1727.

August 17th 1793. Our little girls, which number 67 from here and Schoeneck, celebrated to-day a joyful festival. -- In the afternoon at 2 o'clock was a lovefeast of the E. C. with the hall-Diener and guide of the strangers, and all those who serve the congregation with music, for the encouragement in their service, so that they do their service willingly to the Lord and the congregation. Br. Reichel read then from the report of the synode the nice treatise about the song and the music and the description of an organist of the congregation. After that had the hall-servants a conference. -- Dr. Logan was here for a visit. Captain Hawkins, who was sailing between Philadelphia and St. Croix, and who is well known to our
brethren and sisters there, brought the 5th son of the chamberlain Mr. Heyliger in St. Croix, 8 years old, to our institute for education. His 4 older brothers are in the institute since 2 years already. They are all hopeful children and they give us much joy.

August 21st 1793. 5 brethren of the Nazareth congregation, Christian Foerster, Thomas Schnall of Nazareth, Christian Mueksch and Jacob Luch of Christian Spring, and Conrad Ernst of Old Nazareth, who had a desire, to become members of the S.F.G., were received, and the number of the members of this society in Nazareth and the other places amounts to 30.

August 23rd 1793. We had the pleasure to meet the brethren, who had come from Europe in the company of the Brother George Mueller from Bethlehem. They stayed here for two days and they visited all our places, also Schoenbeck. Also Br. Ettwein with the brother Ludwig Weiss from Philadelphia was here for a visit.

August 26th 1793. In the evening read the report of the renewal of the Mission among the hottenottots in Africa.

August 28th 1793. In Christian Spring died the single brother David Miksch. On the 29th in the afternoon he was buried.

September 3d 1793. The brethren Zeisberger and Reichel went to Bethlehem to the helper-conference for the whole, in which the distribution and appointment of those, who had come lately from Europe, was dealt with. Br. Gottlob Heyne from Ebersdorf was appointed for the service in the church in the brethren's house here, Br. Christian Heinze from Christiansfeld as house-servant in Christian Spring, in the place of Br. Christian Till. Br. Gottfried Seb. Oppelt was appointed for the service in the Pae dagogium in the place of Br. Joh. Ludw. Strohle, who had received a call as choir-helper of the single brethren in Lititz and who had accepted it.

September 5th 1793. From Philadelphia came to-day Isaac Hawkins to the Paedagogium for education. With great participation we heard, that Joseph...
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September 25th 1793. Br. Ettwein came from Bethlehem with the brethren Johannes Kaske and Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt. The first one was appointed for Christian Spring and the latter one for the service in the Paedagogium in Br. Strohle's place. In a love feast Br. Strohle took leave from the paedagogium and Bro. Oppelt was welcomed. Br. Strohle started in the afternoon on his journey to Lititz. - Br. Tillofsen held in the evening the singing-hour.

September 27th 1793. Mrs. O'Neill, who had stayed here for some time, delivered her sons Arthur and Jully, 11 and 9 yrs. old, to the Paedagogium for their education.

October 5th 1793. In the paedagogium was the conclusion of the examination, which was held this week in the usual manner. The following brethren were present: Van Vleck, Denke, Grube and several others from Bethlehem. We heard, that of the 5 scholars, who since the last examination had left us and had gone home, and which places have been filled by others, John Clark, a dear and hopeful child, who had been an excellent boy and had given much joy to us, had soon after his arrival in Providence, died with dysenterie.

October 6th 1793. The 3 boys, Michael and Johann Rauschenberger and Christian Friedrich Beutel and the big girl Maria Magdalena Wigmann have been received into the congregation.

October 13th 1793. Sunday. The boy Ludwig David von Schweinitz received the blessing of the confirmation. His parents were present.

October 16th 1793. Bro. and Sister Klingsohr and the Reich's visited us from Bethlehem; in their company was Kanzlei-Rat (advisor of chancery) and Lord chief-justice Stout from St. Croix with his wife, a true lover of the Lord and a true friend of the brethren, who intend to remain in Bethlehem until spring, in order to improve his health as well as to gain something for his heart. He was conversing with the scholars from St.
Yesterday, October 20th, the new meeting-hall in Schoeneck was dedicated by Br. Heichel. Several brethren and sisters from Nazareth, from Bethlehem were present. Some musicians from Bethlehem together with the musicians from Nazareth entertained the congregation with nice music.

October 21st 1793. William Bowen and W. Nightingale went to-day to their home in Providence. --- Yesterday, October 20th, the new meeting-hall in Schoeneck was dedicated by Br. Reichel. Several brethren and sisters from Nazareth, from Bethlehem were present. Some musicians from Bethlehem together with the musicians from Nazareth entertained the congregation with nice music.

October 28th 1793. Br. and Sister Moehring from Staaten Island came for a visit to us.

October 29th 1793. Br. Moehring held the english children's hour.

October 30th 1793. Br. Moehring held the singing-hour in English and in German.

November 3d 1793. Since one week we had the good news that in Philadelphia the contaminating disease is decreasing.

November 6th 1793. In the afternoon between 4 and 5 o'clock the chimney of the single sister's house caught fire, when a strong wind was blowing. But because it was raining terribly, soon the fire was extinguished, without that anybody in the house had taken notice of it.

November 9th 1793. In the evening died in Christian Spring the single Brother Christian Ludwig Grunewald. He was born in September 29th 1721 in the Priegnitz. In the year 1760 July 1st he received permission to the congregation in Zeist, where he was received into the congregation in the year 1761. In October 25th the same year he arrived in America, in Bethlehem. Soon after that he came to Christian Spring, where he remained until his end. He served in the economy in all faithfulness and with much punctuality, until some years ago his strength decreased, so that he could not do as he wished, but he was not lazy, but helped wherever he could. Some time ago he was attacked by a weakness, so that he could not walk anymore, and he had to be carried to the infirmary, and he said, that he would not get better again. He then longed to go home. On the 9th of November in the evening at 8 o'clock, while the brethren were singing, he fell gently asleep. His age was 72 years, 1 month and 10 days.

November 13th 1793. The married sister Magdalena Bollinger, who was sent with her husband Heinrich Bollinger half a year ago to Gnadenenthal to serve there, had asked to come in closer fellowship with the congregation. Her parents were Baptists, and because she was not baptized, when she was a child, she had asked for baptism for several times. She also was longing to be a follower of Jesus, and therefore it was a joy for us, to baptize her and to receive her into the congregation. In the afternoon at 1,30 she was then baptized, and received the names Maria Magdalena. Godparents were: Sister Maria Wigmann and Margaretha Schnall.

November 14th 1793. The brethren Tanneberger and Bachman came here from Lititz, in order to put up a new organ, which had been manufactured for our Hall.

December 1st 1793. The boy Jacob Christ from Christian Spring and the big girl Maria Licht have been received into the congregation. --- In the
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afternoon at 2 o'clock was the marriage of the single brother Johann Christian Till with the single sister Elizabeth Frey, conducted by Bro. Reichel.

December 4th 1793. On account of the snow-weather there was no meeting.

December 7th 1793. Bro. and Sister Joh. Christian Till went accompanied by our best wishes to Hope, where Br. Till will take care of the school of the little boys, and will at the same time serve as organist for the congregation.

December 8th 1793. Before and after the sermon from the choir (gallery) musical pieces were rendered, because our new organ is now so far, that it can be played.

December 12th 1793. To-day we celebrated the thanksgiving and Fast-Day, which was proclaimed by the Governor of this State.

December 13th 1793. To-day the brethren Tanneberger and Bachman finished with our organ. The married Sister Maria Magdalena Bollinger came as candidate to Holy Communion, which was held by Bro. Reichel.

December 15th 1793. In the meeting we had organ and Instrumental music and we were thankful, that our new organ, which is a fine organ, has been finished and it is a success and we were glad and thankful for it. The instrument was consecrated to the Lord, Before and after the sermon fine and suitable musical pieces were sung, and Br. Fruesaff played the organ. Also in the evening, when Br. Jacob van Vleck held the meeting, Sr. Fruesauff from Bethlehem played again the organ.

December 16th 1793. About 10 o'clock came from Bethlehem all the musicians and together with the musicians of Nazareth they rendered a nice full-toned church-concert, at which the new organ made an incomparable exception. The organ was played alternately by the brethren Fruesauff, van Vleck from Bethlehem, and by Sr. Mueller from Emmaus. Several guests had come from Bethlehem, the brethren Ettwein, Denke, and also our friend the
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the judge Mr. Stout and several other brethren from Bethlehem. Some came also from Easton and from the neighbourhood. The musical texts, which were sung, had been printed in Easton, and they were distributed to the people, who were present. All the people, who were present, enjoyed the concert very much. We closed the celebration with a hymn. The collection, which was taken in behalf of the organ, amounted to 10 pounds and 13 shillings.

December 22nd 1793. Sunday. Joseph Crane from Elizabeth-Point, who some years ago had been in our institute, had asked the brethren Ettwein and Ljungberg by passing through there, that he should like to come again to our institute, and because also his parents had urgently asked for it, was permitted to come, and today he arrived here.

December 26th 1793. The married Br. Heinrich Bollinger and the big girl Elizabeth Warner were received into the congregation.

December 31st 1793. The services on this day were held as in former years.

END OF THE DIARY OF NAZARETH OF THE YEAR 1793.
January 7th 1794. The diary from Br. George Schmidt among the hottentots was read.

January 13th 1794. Sister Wigmann took her daughter Maria Magdalena, who did need a removing to another congregation, to Lititz.

January 17th 1794. To-day came the chamberlain Mr. Heytiger from St. Croix with his wife and children, 3 daughters and 2 sons, for a visit to Nazareth, with the intention to stay here for sometime. They have 5 sons in the paedagogium.

January 20th 1794. In the evening in the meeting letters from the brethren Sensemann ad Zeisberger in Upper-Canada were read. They dated from September and October.

January 23rd 1794. Br. Reichel had to-day a pleasant visit by the reformed preacher Herman, who lived formerly in Easton and at present is living in Germantown as minister there.

January 28th 1794. The boy Wilhelm Heinrich Hasse went to Bethlehem, the boy had to stay there.

January 29th 1794. On account of snow-weather and storm the singing-hour in the evening was omitted.

February 17th 1794. Mr. Heyliger went to-day, after a 4 week's stay in Nazareth, with his family to New York.

February 23rd 1794. On account of snow-drifting in the afternoon and night no meeting could be held.

February 27th 1794. The Lutheran Minister Jaeger visited Br. Reichel, and in the evening he attended the Bible-lesson.

March 2nd 1794. Br. Reichel received the big girl Elizabeth Clewell into the congregation.

March 5th 1794. To-day two men from the Luzerne County, 20 miles above Wyoming, were here. Their names are: William Alworth and James Connor, whose parents belonged to the Brethren's church in Sichem, and they have
still love for the brethren. They have in Bethlehem and here expressed the desire, that when again a brother is visiting in Wyoming, he should also come to them and preach there the gospel. William Alworth knew our Sister Tillofesen very well, with whom he had gone to school in Sichem by Br. Franz Boehler.

March 6th 1794. On account of strong snow-weather no meeting could be held.

March 8th 1794. Mr. Lawler from Philadelphia took his son James home.

March 21st 1794. Br. Daniel Hauser from Hope brought his son Christian, for whom a change was necessary, into the brethren's house. With him came also Br. Dreysspring on a visit.

March 31st 1794. Br. Ettwein held for the house-congregation in Gnadenthal a meeting.

April 6th 1794. William Winchester went to-day from the paedagogium after having finished his schoolterm, to Baltimore. - Captain James King from Philadelphia brought his son James, 8 years old, to Nazareth for education.

April 12th 1794. The brethren Zeisberger and Mortimer went to-day to Lower Smithfield's Township, 20 miles from here behind the Blue Mountains, because several of the people there had wished, that the brethren would preach there.

April 14th 1794. The same two brethren returned again from Lower Smithfield. Br. Mortimer held there in Br. Putten's house on Sunday Afternoon a sermon and preached to a great gathering, about 200 people, in English. After the sermon held Br. Zeisberger to the same gathering a German meeting. Most of the inhabitants there are English, but many of them understand also German, and many of the German's understand also English. Before already had the brethren preached up there and many of the people remembered it. Several of the people had been baptized, when they were still children, by the brethren. In the afternoon Br. Zeisberger and Br. Mortimer visited several Germans in the neighborhood on their plantations.
In the evening Br. Zeisberger read the history of Jesus' suffering on the request of Mrs. Fulton, to which also some of the neighbours were coming. Mr. Fulton and his wife had lived before in the Saucona, and there they had visited the meetings of the brethren and heard the sermons. Last year they moved from there to Lower Smithfield, and since that time, they have asked repeatedly in Bethlehem, that Brethren might visit there and preach the gospel there. Also the neighbours had the same desire, and therefore it was requested, that every 4 weeks brethren should go there and preach.

April 15th 1794. Mr. James Jarvis took his son, who had been 3 and a half years in the institute, to New York. Mr. Samuel Wall, who has a nephew in the school, came from New York with some other men for a visit.

April 23rd 1794. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock was the engagement of the single brother William Horsefield with the single sister Rebecca Weiss from Gnadenhuetten, who had come yesterday with her mother to Nazareth.

April 27th 1794. To-day was the wedding of the single Brother William Horsefield with the single sister Rebecca Weiss. Their parents and relatives from Bethlehem and Gnadenhuetten were present, and after the wedding they had a lovefeast with the E. C. and some other brethren and sisters.

April 30th 1794. The single Heinrich Mueller, who had left us some time ago, and who had asked repentantly for being received again, was received again in Christian Spring on probation.

May 3rd 1794. To-day was the conclusion of the examination, which was held this week in the paedagogium. All the parents were present, the brethren and sisters of the E. C. here, the brethren of the overseer committee, Bro. and Sister Schweinitz, from Bethlehem, Mrs. Weiss from Gnadenhuetten and some others from Bethlehem. At the Lovefeast one did remember the laying of the foundation stone of the Nazareth Hall 39 years...
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ago, to-day. Martin Heylinger, our oldest scholar, who during his three years of being with us, has been a joy to many and a good example for his school-fellows. He had, because he soon will go away from us, by writing shown to us his gratefulness for the education, which he had received. We wished him, that the impression, which he had gained from the Lord, may not be extinguished, but that he may be rooted deeply in Jesus, and that he may be not ashamed, to confess him as his Lord before the world.

May 4th 1794. Sunday. The big girl Rosina Giersch was received into the single sister's choir.

May 13th 1794. To-day brought Mr. Schindler the little David Peter Schneller, our brother and sister Schneller's son in St. Kitts, who had been for some years in the care of Bro. and Sister Schindler in Bethlehem, to our Christian Institute for education. - Also Sister Hornig brought her son, 12 years old to the Institute here.

May 16th 1794. Mr. Peter Care and his wife brought their son Peter, 12 years old, to the pedagogium.

May 29th 1794. On the ascension day we had such a storm and rain, that in the forenoon no meeting could be held.

June 12th 1794. Sunday. James and Thomas Connolly, who had been for 3 years in the institute, went to-day accompanied with our best wishes for their prosperity, to their father to Montreal in Canada. Both were thankful for the education, which they had received.

June 2nd 1794. Sister Otto took her daughter Anna Maria to Bethlehem in the boarding school there.

June 3rd 1794. The following children were received into the choir; Rosina Schenk, Sarah Deily, Catharina Brunner from here, and Rosina Demuth from Schoeneck.

June 5th 1794. From Bethlehem brought to-day Sister Lehnert her daughter Elizabeth Danz to the sisters house here, and Bro. and Sister Baggen
from Salem visited us with their son Carl. We had so much thunderstorm and rain, that the meeting in the night was omitted.

June 6th 1794. Chamberlain Mr. Heyliger came with his family from New York, where one of his sons, the 7th son, Ferdinand, had died on the 19th of May.

June 11th 1794. Bro. and Sister Tillofzen, the brethren Reichel, Mortimer and Loether went on a visit to Lititz.

June 19th 1794. In the evening struck by a thunderstorm, the lightning in the cow-stable in Christian Spring and it began to burn, but by a quick help and by God's mercy, the fire was soon put out.

June 21st 1794. Mrs. Billis from St. Thomas brought to-day her son James Billis for education to the institute.

June 22nd 1794. Sunday. The married sister Maria Magdalena Bollinger received to-day the blessing to the confirmation.

June 23rd 1794. Br. von Schweinitz visited us to-day and brought us the news of the danger, in which Br. Eyerly is.

June 24th 1794. In the afternoon died our sister Anna Maria Schenk in the married choir. The funeral took place on the 27th.

June 29th 1794. Sunday. Br. Reichel held the Gemein-hour in Nazareth about the daily text. A congress-member, Mr. William Smith, from South Carolina attended the same.

July 6th 1794. Sunday. Br. Reichel and his wife together with Sister Hopson and Sister Berndt travelled yesterday to Lower Smithfield, and to-day he preached in Mr. Pulten's house English and German. After the sermon that company visited various friends in the neighbourhood, also a sick man, by name Busch, and on the 7th they returned safely home again.

July 9th 1794. The youths and boys celebrated to-day their choir-festival, 10 little boys were received into their choir. Christian David Senseman, Christian Hornig, Joh. Jac. Schmidt, Joh. Jac. Kummer, Carl Heinrich von
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von Schweinitz, from the paedagogium; Johannes Beutel from the village. /from Samuel Krause and Johann Friedrich Miksch from Old Nazareth;/Christian-Spring Stephan Bruce, and Philip Seyfried from Schoeneck. Also 12 of our dear foreign boarders in the paedagogium partook in this festival; from Schoeneck were here also 12 boys, so that we had a number of 48 youths and boys, and 6 among them are communicants.

July 13th 1794. The married Sister Rebecca Horsefield and the boy Johann Jacob Christ had been received into the congregation.

July 27th 1794. It was announced, that Bro. Johann Ljungberg had received a call as assistant Gemein-Diener and merchant in Lititz, in the place of Br. Joh. Reich, who had been called to Bethlehem for the same service. Br. William Horsefield will accept the business of Br. Ljungberg in the store here.

July 31st 1794. Br. Tanneberger from Lititz came here for a visit and to improve something in our organ, because by damp weather often it would not play.

August 4th 1794. Br. Mortimer, who had gone with Br. Zeisberger to Lower Smithfield, preached yesterday on Mr. Strout's place. - We had the pain, that one of our single brethren, Johann Ludwig Roth, according to his own choice had left the congregation and had severed the fellowship with us.

August 9th 1794. Br. Ettwein came here with his daughter to stay with us for some time. - In the congregation it was announced, that Ludwig Roth by his own choice had separated from the congregation.

August 15th 1794. Br. Ettwein, who had stayed with us for 8 days, with his daughter, returned again to Bethlehem.

August 17th 1794. Sunday. Our little girls, whose number is here in Nazareth 38, in Schoeneck 32, together 71, celebrated to-day their festival. - Br. Reichel baptized two children of William Henry and Anna Maria Schnell. First's son of Bro. and Sister William Henry, in Nazareth, born
on the 15th and the other one was a daughter of Bro. and Sister Jacob Schnall in Old Nazareth, born on the 16th. In the afternoon was the festival lovefeast of the little girls.

**August 16th 1794.** Br. Bieninger from New York brought to-day the child Peter Roebuck, 4 years old, which was given into the care of Bro. and Sister Moehring until it reaches the right age. - Christian Hauser, who had come from Hope on probation, but who would not conform himself to the rules and regulations of the choir, was dismissed to-day.

**August 21st 1794.** The following brethren of the Nazareth-congregation were elected as new members in the S.P.G.: the married Melchior Christ, and William Horsefield, and the single brethren Christian Heinze, Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt and Thomas Horsefield.

**August 22nd 1794.** Bro. and Sister Ljungberg, who had served in the congregation of Nazareth for many years as manager of the store of the congregation, as also as assistant of the Gemein-Diener, as member of the Overseer committee and as guide for the strangers, had served faithfully, and who will leave us to-morrow, to go to Lititz to follow his call as assistant Gemein-Diener and merchant there, was with his wife brought to the remembrance of the congregation, and for his future office several hymns of blessing were sung for them.

**August 23d 1794.** Bro. and Sister Ljungberg travelled to-day with their servant-girl Sarah Deily to Lititz. - Br. Friedrich Moehring from Old man's creek came to Nazareth, to stay here for some time.

**August 27th 1794.** Bro. and Sister Frizzen, who had come lately from Barbadoes, brought the two sons of the Bro. and Sister Haman to us. They are 7 and 5 years old. They were brought here for education in the institute.

**August 29th 1794.** The youth Christian Friedrich Denke was received into the single brethren's choir. From now on will the two youths Heinrich Rixeker from here and Johannes Steinmann from Christian Spring be counted to the single brethren.
August 29th 1794. Nathanael Green went to-day after he had finished his school term to New York.

August 31st 1794. Sunday. The brethren Hoeber and Braun were to-day in Lower Smithfield, to preach there.

September 5th 1794. Mr. Cist from Philadelphia brought his two sons Jacob and Lewis to the Paedagogium for education.

September 7th 1794. Sunday. The married Sister Rebecca Horsefield witnessed to-day as confirmant Holy Communion.

September 12th 1794. Bro. and Sister Heckewelder brought their son Thomas, 8 years old, to the institute for education.

September 17th 1794. Bro. and Sister Reichel and the sisters Elizabeth Hopson, Theodora Mack, Juliana Horsefield and Rebecca Horsefield went on a visit to Gnadenhuetten for the celebration of the Gemein-Festes.

September 18th 1794. In the afternoon was the engagement of the single Brother Christoph Benedict Benade from Bethlehem with the single sister Elizabeth Alleman from Schoeneck.

September 21st 1794. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock was the marriage of the single brother Christoph Benedict Benade with the single sister Elizabeth Alleman, held by Br. Reichel. —— Br. Joseph Otto, who had the most votes of the Gemein-Rat, was elected for the Overseer-Committee in the place of Br. Ljungberg, and was approbated by the Lord.

September 23rd 1794. Sister Rebecca Horsefield attended for the first time at Holy Communion.

September 26th 1794. All grown up brethren assembled, because on account of the restlessness and uproar in the country around Pittsburg, a part of the militia had been called to service, and this had also hit some of our brethren. It was announced, that regarding the matter of the militia in Pennsylvania, the helper-conference for the whole with the E.C. together had agreed to this, that whoever wants to be looked at as an inhabitant
of a Ortsgemeine, should not go to be drilled or go to real service, but on the contrary should pay the fine or pay a substitute. It should be also considered, that through a voluntary aid for the poorer brethren a relief should be procured. One did agree that one would support our village faithfully, and one another in brotherly love help each other, when there is need. This resolution of the helper-conference was also read this evening in Christian Spring.

September 28th 1794. Sunday. The brethren Mortimer and Hoeber preached today in Lower Smithfield by Colonel Strout. (On a separate sheet there is told more particularly about this journey. Here it is:) We, Br. Mortimer and Hoeber, went over the blue Mountains to the Lower Smithfield Township to the Colonel Mr. Strout, there to preach. In spite of the heavy rainy weather, a great number had gathered together, who listened attentively to the English as well as to the German sermon. One finds among those people nice folks, who like to converse with the ministers. We found in Mr. Strout's home a warm welcome. Mrs. Strout, who is an awakened person, arranged, before we left, a singing hour, to which the large family with her husband attended and we were happy by it. Esquire Starburt and Dr. Hallandret, both sons in law to Mr. Strout, we learned to know as warm friends. We visited also a neighbour, Joh. Braan, who for over 3 weeks had suffered with a fever, was getting better and he was happy and thankful for our visit. Towards evening we bade farewell and we lodged over night at Mr. Fulten. The next morning returned Br. Mortimer to Nazareth. Br. Hoeber upon urgent request remained until the 30th, in order to hold a funeral on the other side of Mr. Strout. It was the departed Eva Beyschleig. Br. Hoeber held a sermon in a barn on the plantation near the burial ground, 3 miles away from the place, where the woman had died. The nice weather was a cause, that many people had gathered together and listened attentively to the sermon. In this region a bad fever is raging,
and that is the cause, why so many people are dying in this section. The people were, when I bade farewell, very thankful for my coming to them, and I continued my journey homeward to Nazareth, where I arrived at 10 o'clock, glad for the help and protection of the Lord.

October 6th 1794. Br. Heinrich Christian Miller moved from Bethlehem into the institute in Nazareth, where he will serve. -- The boy John Ray Smith, who had been here in school for 2 years, went back to his parents in Philadelphia. -- The boy Christian F. Beutel went to Bethlehem, where he will stay and learn the trade of a locksmith.

October 9th 1794. Br. Thomas Horsefield, who had been for 2 years in the paedagogium and had served in faithfulness, went to-day, accompanied by our kind wishes to Philadelphia, where he will study medicine and will profit more.

October 14th 1794. A number of brethren were to-day in Easton for the election of a representative in the Congress and in the assembly of this state and of other officials.

October 23rd 1794. The brethren Reichel, Mortimer and Eyerly, junior, were to-day in Easton together with some Brethren and Sisters from Bethlehem, and attended there the funeral of Mrs. Sitgraeve. The lutheran Minister Mr. Friederici held the funeral with the english liturgy. Br. Reichel held on the request of Mr. Sitgraeve and on the invitation of the Minister Mr. Friederici and the warden of the church, the funeral-sermon in the church about the words: "I am the resurrection and the life". And after this, Br. Mortimer preached in english about the words: "I know, that my redeemer liveth". There was a great silence and attention. Mr. Sitgraeve was very thankful. He is a friend of the brethren and has a daughter in the boarding school in Bethlehem. By the last election has he been elected as a representative in the Congress.

October 26th 1794. Sunday. From St. Croix came yesterday the child John
Farrington Smith to the Institute for education. - In the evening was no meeting on account of much rain and storm.

October 28th 1794. Br. Reichel reported the remarkable and touching news of the hurricane on the danish Islands in the West-Indies on August 13th. A gentleman from Holland, Mr. Theophilus Cassanova, the agent of a hollan-dish Company, who had a letter of recommendation for Br. Ettwein from the Governor Mifflin, looked around here and in Christian Spring and saw every-thing with special attention and participation, and in the evening he at-tended a meeting. He purchased several of our literature and went on the 29th to Bethlehem.

November 2nd 1794. Three boys, Benjamin Roth, Christian David Sensemann, Friedrich Nitsch, and one girl Catharina Brunner were received into the congregation.

November 24th 1794. In the afternoon was the funeral of the single sister Justina Eleonora Sader, who had died on the 22nd. The brethren Hoeber and Mortimer were yesterday in Lower Smithfield and had preached in Mr. Strout's home. Br. Mortimer had on his way home the accident to fall from the horse and to break the arm. We were thankful, that by this fall he had been kept from a greater misfortune. (On a seperate sheet is reported the following:)

On the 22nd we started our journey and arrived at 4 o'clock at Mr. Fult-en's house, where we were received very kindly, and stayed over night there too. We had a very pleasant stay in that home, and a blessed con-versation. Mr. Fulten was not at home, for he had gone to Philadelphia and because he had stayed away so long, his wife was troubled in her mind about it. She had waited for him already 10 days. The next morning we went to Mr. Strout, where we arrived in the 10th hour, and also here we were received very kindly. Because the temperature was cold, we could not have the sermon in the barn and therefore we were invited into Mr. Strout's
home and preached there too. After 11 o'clock Br. Mortimer held the
service and preached about the words: "I am the light of the world."
After he had finished Br. Hoeber preached in German about the Words:
"My thoughts are not your thoughts." Isa. 55. 8. 9. There were about
100 people there. Some of the people have been baptized by the brethren,
when they were small. One Miss Otto is a real awakened person. In the
afternoon Mr. Strout went with us to a place, which was half a mile
away from his house, and where our first brethren were living formerly.
We saw still the ruins of stones, where the first house had been
standing. Also some lokos trees were standing there, and a peach-tree,
which is drying up. The brethren had planted them. The cemetery was situated
a little afar in the bush, and we did not see it. Because we heard,
that Mr. Joh. Bosh's son was lying down with the colic so badly, that
one did expect his end every minute, we resolved to go and see him. We
bade farewell to Mr. Strout and went to Mr. Bosh, and found, that his
son had been improving pretty much. We talked to him, how good it is,
that one knows, that we have a saviour. The old widow Keil, who is living
here, was glad over the visit. She thanked me many times for my coming.
We went still to another neighbour, Mr. Justen, but he was not at home.
We went back to Mr. Fuldin(?) and stayed there over night. The next morning we went 4 miles to a Mr. Ruessel, an old man of 91 years, a dear
old man, who is waiting for going home like Simeon. This man is almost
blind. He cannot work and therefore he is talking with his Lord. He lives
with his son-in-law Mr. Otto, and has the old man's daughter in the house.
We read from the bible, were singing and when I went away, they did not
know, how they should express their gratitude. They asked us, to come
soon again. -- On our way home we had pleasant weather, and we came safely as far as 7 miles from here, not far from Mr. Heller's house, when
Br. Mortimer had the misfortune, when he was to ride over a small bridge and the horse with the one foot stepped on the edge of a board, which tilted over, by which the one foot got caught and got shy and threw Br. Mortimer down and had the misfortune to break his arm. As bad as this condition was, yet we found reason enough to be thankful to the Lord, that he had kept the brother from a greater danger. The place, where the brother had fallen, was very stony. Because no Doctor was near, I did bind the arm as well as I could, and we rode till we were 3 miles from Nazareth, and it began to get dark, from where Br. Mortimer went on foot to Nazareth, where we arrived in the 7th hour not without any difficulties, yet thankful towards our Lord. We had the grief, that a former communicant, the single Rosina Ernst in Old Nazareth, had separated from our congregation, because according to her own choice she had been married with the single George Gold, who had left the congregation many years ago.

November 30th 1794. Br. Beutel had taken his son Johannes to Bethlehem, that he should learn the trade of a stocking-weaver.

December 6th 1794. The single brother John Warner, who had been discharged from Bethlehem, was taken to Christian Spring on probation.

December 18th 1794. This evening came Colonel Pickering, who with the 6 Nations, not far from Onandago in the New York State, about 250 miles from here, had held a peace-treaty and had carried it through, on his way to Philadelphia to Nazareth. He had along with him a Seneca-Indian, the well-known chief Cornplanter's son, who with Colonel Pickering was going to Philadelphia to see the President Washington. Colonel Pickering told among other things our Br. W. Henry, that the 6 Nations next spring had been invited to a great treaty on the Sandusky, where the Chiefs of all the western Indian Nations would gather, in order to deliberate a general peace of all those nations with the United States.
December 20th 1794. In a letter from Europe, Br. Gregor sent hearty greetings to the congregation in Nazareth. We were thankful, that the uproar in Pittsburg had been depressed.

December 31st 1794. The services at the end of the year were held as in previous years. The Lord had helped us kindly through this year and we are all thankful and praise his name.

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January 11th 1795. The single Eva Schneider left to-day our congregation.

January 15th 1795. The Bible-lesson was omitted on account of the snow-weather.

January 17th 1795. It was announced, that the single Eva Schneider had to leave the congregation because her circumstances were such, that she could not any longer stay with us. And that such occurrences with members of the congregation, who so often have been with us at the table of the Lord Jesus, are always very grievous, and that we can do nothing else, but recommend such a soul to the mercy of the true shepherd, who is seeking that, which is lost.

January 18th 1795. Sunday. At the end of the services, a letter from the Unity's Servant Department from 1794 and the bills from the year 1793 was read. It was especially recommended for participation the Unity's contribution.


January 26th 1795. On account of much wind and snow-weather no meetings could be held.

February 15th 1795. Sunday. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock was the funeral of the widowed sister Margaretha Schloesser, who had died on the 13th.

February 19th 1795. To-day was according to the proclamation of the President G. Washington of January 1st of this year, Thanksgiving-and Fast Day.

February 26th and 27th 1795. We had these two days for the present time of the year such a severe cold weather with terrific and piercing North-East wind, that no meetings could be held. On the 26th was the thermometer (Fahrenheit) 4 below cero and on the 27th it was cero.

February 28th 1795. This entire month it was clear and much cold weather with a strong North-West-Wind and constant path. In the neighborhood, the people had fever on the chest, and others had some other catarrhs.

March 18th 1795. No Singing-hour could be held on account of storm and rain.
March 19th 1795. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was assembled the Gemein-
rat (council of the congregation), at which Br. W. Horsefield attended
the first time for the sake of his office, as manager of the Store of the
congregation here.
March 22nd 1795. Two big girls; Johanna Maria Christ and Rosina Schenk
have been received into the congregation.
March 27th and 28th 1795. On these two days we had a severe North-East
Storm with snow, rain and sleetly weather and a great cold spell. The ther-
mometer was 16 degrees Fahrenheit. In the evening of the 28th it was thun-
dering and lightning. On both days we could not have any meetings.
March 30th 1795. Br. Steinmann, who came from Christian Spring to our vil-
lage, will accept the black-smith trade from Br. Eyerly, and he will this
year build his house.
April 5th 1795. Easter-Sunday. In the morning after 5 o'clock we had by
fine and pleasant weather the service on the God's acre. -- John Lyon,
our oldest scholar in the paedagogium, who had been here 3 and a half
years, returned to-day to his home. He was thankful for the education,
which he had received here, and we accompanied him with our best wishes,
that he may live for Jesus and his gospel, to which he had been encour-
ged and which had made a good impression on his heart. --- Br. Von
Schweinitz from Bethlehem brought his 3d son, Christian Renatus to our
institute. The next day he was introduced into the school, and with a love-
feast with his future room-company he was welcomed by them.
April 6th 1795. Br. Nathanael Braun held for the first time the english
sermon.
April 8th 1795. In our girl's school here was the examination in the pre-
sence of the parents, the married Brethren and sisters of the M. C. and
several single sisters. The children recited what they had learned in
of the life of Jesus, from his birth to his ascension
biblical history and geography, also some pieces and verses/very well
and distinct. Then their work of sewing and in knitting was exhibited.

We closed with a lovefeast, at which the girls were singing a hymn. Br. Reichel admonished them to diligence and obedience and to a close connection with the Lord. Again a hymn was sung: "Take thou my heart and all, what I am." Then with the New Testament benediction it was closed.

April 11th 1795. In the prayer-meeting one did remember our Indians in Canada and their old faithful servant, our Br. David Zeisberger, who celebrates to-day his 75th anniversary. — The widowed sister Anna Catharina Hanke went to-day to Bethlehem, to stay there.

April 12th 1795. The single Rebecca Berndt has according to her own choice and will seperated from the congregation and has moved to her mother in Saucon. — At 2 o'clock had 12, who had been received in one year, and 8 who had been admitted at Holy Communion, with the E. S. a pleasant love-feast.

April 18th 1795. To-day moved Bro. and Sister Kaske from Gnadenenthal to Nazareth, to live here. — On the 15th moved Bro. and Sister Joh. Erdf.mann and Elizabeth Gehme with their two children Catharina Elizabeth and Anna Rebecca from Nazareth to Hope, where they will take care of the inn there. — The school-examination, which was held this week in the paedagogium, was to-day celebrated in the usual manner in 4 sessions in the Meeting-house, and was concluded to the amusement of the parents and other brethren and sisters, who were present from Nazareth and Bethlehem. A dialogue about the mission of the Brethren among the Indians in North America according to the instruction of Loskiel's Mission-History, was especially very pleasant. This book, which is written in the English and German language, is read by our scholars, especially by those from outside, with great attention and with much impression. And we hope, when those scholars are going home and take it along, it will be of great blessing for themselves as well as for the relatives and friends. The num-
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The number of all the scholars was 54; of which 38 live in the Hall, namely 18 children of the congregation and heathen messengers, from St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. Juan, St. Kitts, Barbadoes, Muskingum, Bethlehem and other Pennsylvanian Congregations, of the age from 5 to 15 years. 20 outside scholars, mostly from the West-Indies. To that are still added 16 children from the village. The entire number is divided into 4 classes, of which the first class consists of 12 scholars, from 13 to 15 years old. This class was taught in the English, German, Latin and French languages. Further they had Arithmetic, bookkeeping, Natural History, Physics, and music. The second class consists of 12 scholars, from 10 to 13 years. They were taught in the German, English and Latin Languages. They had also arithmetic, Geometry, Geography, History, about the Holy Scripture. The third class consists of 14 scholars, from 8 to 12 years; they are taught in German, and English reading, Arithmetic, and biblical history. The fourth class consists of 17 scholars, from 5 to 10 years. They are taught German and English spelling and reading, also Arithmetic, in which they had been examined. By most of them was the progress in half a year visible. The specimen in writing, drawing geometric and mathematic figures and architectonic sketches and drawings showed much diligence and application, and all was looked at, by those present, with much delight. Several of the scholars were playing on the piano to the delight of the people. The lovefeast was entertained by a full-toned choir and by nice music. Br. Reichel spoke then about the daily text and finally recommended the scholars for intercession before the Lord. From Bethlehem were present: the brethren Braun, Moehring, Franz Boehler, Frueauff and others.

April 21st 1795. Martin Heyliger from New York, one of our former scholars, was here on a visit for several days, about which we were delighted. Today he went back to New York.

May 4th 1795. The single sisters celebrated their choir-festival. Two
big girls Johanna Maria Ruch from here and Elizabeth Buck from Schoeneck had been received into the single sister's choir.

May 11th 1795. To-day was Br. van Vleck with Mr. Wall from Georgia here. He took his son William, who was in the institute here, along with him to his home.

May 13th 1795. There was a meeting with all house-fathers and masters, in which about many things was talked. For instance about purchasing land, taking foreign servants and journeymen, or such persons, who had to be discharged from the congregation, about attending the meetings, and about various deviations from our rules. All the house-fathers were encouraged, for the sake of the love to the lord and to the congregation, and for the sake of the children's salvation, together with the laborers, they should keep our rules of the congregation, and should be faithful and punctual in observing them, and by doing so, they would give the youtha good example for their lives.

May 23d 1795. The child Frederic Davone came from New York to our school.

May 25th 1795. 15 miles from here, was to-day, in Mount Bethel township, the dedication of a newly built nice stone church for the Lutherans and the Reformed, where on the request of the Church-wardens, Br. Reichel went and preached. Also our trombone choir went there, and they accompanied the singing of the various hymns. It was a delight to hear them. There were in all 5 sermons preached. 3 in German, and 2 in English. Also 2 baptismal ceremonies took place. By the reformed preacher were baptized 5 children, and in the afternoon before the first english sermon 8 children and 3 adults were baptized by a preacher of the anglikan church.

May 27th 1795. Sister Smith from Newport came for a visit to Nazareth.


June 2nd 1795. Br. George Mueller from Emmaus, who visited us, held the english children's hour.
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June 4th 1795. The choir of the big girls celebrated their Choir-festival. Four children were received into the choir: Elizabeth Henry, Anna Juliana Christ, Christina Ernst, and Susanna Wigmann.


June 11th 1795. In the forenoon preached Br. Reichel in the church on the Dry Land at the funeral of a 9 years old child.

June 18th 1795. Two scholars, Arthur and Tully O'Neill went back to their parents in Philadelphia.

June 20th 1795. To-day brought Mr. Law a boy Aaron Bun Reeve from Litchfield in Connecticut to the Paedagogium for education.

June 26th 1795. To-day came 2 children from St. Croix, Johann and Ernst Miller, to our school. A negress of their father, by name Juliana, had accompanied the children here. She is a Communicant, and on recommendation of Br. Mieke, she partook in Holy Communion to-day. --- The boy Christian Hornig, who had been in our paedagogium over one year, returned yester-day to Bethlehem.

July 1st 1795. The little Jacob Wolle moved to-day from Bro. and Sister Mohring to the institute.

July 5th 1795. Bro. and Sister Wolle from St. Thomas visited us to-day.

July 8th 1795. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. George Kaske.

July 12th 1795. In the evening after a talk by Br. Zeisberger the big girl Elizabeth Danz was received into the congregation.

July 14th 1795. The negress Juliana, who had come with Mr. Miller's children to Nazareth, returned to-day again to St. Croix, very thankful for all the good, which she had received here.

July 20th 1795. In the evening at 5 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Johann Christoph Neinert, who had died yesterday.
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July 24th 1795.  On account of very heavy thunderstorm and rain no meeting could be held.

July 25th 1795. The communicants had in the evening at 6 o'clock a love-feast. At that time a hearty greeting from the U.A.C. was sent from the Correspondent Br. Gregor. It was also announced, that in this year we would not have to expect a visitor from the U.A.C. It was also told, that regarding the change of Christian Spring no resolution from the U.A.C. had been received. We were also thankful, that the rye- and wheat-harvest had turned out very successfully, and that in spite of the great heat, we had been well. The thermometer showed in the last 14 days constantly between 80 and 90 degrees Fahrenheit.

August 3d 1795. We had the entire day so much rainy weather, that we could not have any meeting in the evening. — The boy Christian David Sensemann, who had been over 9 years in the institute and paedagogium, moved to-day to the store here, in order to learn there the trade.

August 6th 1795. To-day a new larger bell, 150 pounds heavy, was put up in the steeple of our meeting-hall.

August 9th 1795. Sunday. The child George Rudolph Bardill, a son of our Brother and Sister Bardill in Antigua, came to-day to our institute. — In these days we had a visit by bro. and sister Ellert Coortsean from Littitz. — Two boys, Michael Rauschenberger and Johann Jacob Kummer were confirmed by Br. Reichel.

August 12th 1795. In Christian Spring died the single brother Nicolaus Funk with a nervous fever (typhoid).

August 19th 1795. In the evening at 5 o'clock was the funeral of the child David Miksch. To-day came from Bethlehem the big girl Sophia Reichel, who had been 6 years in the institute there. She will stay here.

August 22nd 1795. Bro. and Sister Wolle came here for a visit and brought their son Peter, who will go first to Bro. and Sister Moehring, until he is old enough for school. From Hope visited us the Brethren Kampmann,
Leinmack, Hauser, and Hartmann. The prayer-meeting was omitted on account of rainy weather.

August 23d 1795. Sunday. In the evening in the meeting Br. Reichel reminded the brethren and sisters, that on the 21st of this month it was 63 years, that the heathen-mission was begun.

August 25th 1795. In the evening at 5 o'clock was the funeral of the child Christian Ludwig Miksch, which died yesterday.

August 26th 1795. To-day visited us in the company of Bro. and Sister Braun from Bethlehem, Mrs. Skennel from Antigua, who is a true friend of our mission there. She brought also her daughter along, who had received permission, to stay in Bethlehem.

September 13th 1795. Sunday. Br. Braun held in Plainfield the funeral of a child, and he preached there in the church.

September 18th 1795. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was the funeral of the child Heinrich Daniel Schmick, who had died yesterday. Br. Ettwein and his daughter, who had came yesterday from Bethlehem, went to-day with Bro. and Sister Zeisberger to Gnadenhuetten for the celebration of the Gemein-festival.

September 27th 1795. Sunday. The congregation in New York was in the prayer-meeting recommended to the prayer of the brethren and sisters also with the inhabitants in that town during the deadly disease, which is raging there. In the evening was the wedding of the widowed brother Martin Schenk with the single sister Anna Margaretha Miller by Br. Reichel. Sister Miller had come from Bethlehem for that purpose.

September 29th 1795. We thanked the Lord for helping us through when we had the small pox in our village. 10 to 12 children had been inoculated in the month of May. At present a disease is raging, and many children as well as adults are sick with dysenterie.

October 3d 1795. In a festival manner was concluded the examination, which
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had been held this week in the paedagogium, and at which were present, the E.C. of Nazareth and the overseer-committee as well as the parents, Bro. and Sister von Schweinitz, Wolle, Towl and several brethren and sisters from Bethlehem. Mr. Cist from Philadelphia and some other men and women from New York and the West-Indies were here. Among the dialogues, which the scholars held, was among others the geography of Africa and especially about the hottentots, and the renewed brethren's mission.

October 7th 1795. Mr. Tapping Reeve from Litchfield in Connecticut, who has a son in the school here, was here with his wife.

October 13th 1795. Br. Thomas Schnall, who had been in the institute 4 years as servant, and who is going now to Heidelberg in order to keep there school, was recommended to the congregation, and a verse of blessing was sung for him.

October 17th 1795. Our Brother von Schweinitz, who celebrated to-day his 55th anniversary, was here from Bethlehem.

October 18th 1795. Br. Reichel read in the evening a letter from Johannes Weisser, which was dated Cincinnati, Ohio, July 1795, and was written to the E. C. in Bethlehem and was read here. This Weisser had lived for some time in Christian Spring, and after some faithlessness had left the congregation secretly. He laid down in his letter the unrest and fear of his heart over his sins, and he asked urgently the congregation for forgiveness. Br. Ettwein had answered this letter, and had told him, that when he had sought in true repentance and with sorrow for faithlessness by the Lord, that also the brethren would be willing to forgive him. But Br. Ettwein advised him, that he should stay where he is. Then the congregation sang a hymn for him: "Lord, do thou forgive his debt we will also forgive him."

October 21st 1795. The widowed Sister Kaske moved to-day to Bethlehem to the choir-house there.
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October 24th 1795. Many brethren went to-day to Easton, where a mulatto, who had purposely and in a malicious manner killed a negro, was hanged. We wished, that the Lord may have been merciful to him.

October 26th 1795. To-day had the youngest daughter of Bro. and Sister Schneider in Old Nazareth, 12 months old, the misfortune, that by a carpenter's axe, which her brother took carelessly in his hands, the two little fingers on her left hand had been cut off, and which could not be healed on again. We all sympathized with this sad occurrence, and we thanked God, that not a greater accident had happened. It was for all of us a warning, that one with axes, hatchets and other sharp instruments with children one could not be careful enough. More than one year ago, a similar case had happened in the institute, when one of our foreign scholars a finger was cut, but because it was not cut through and was hanging still on the skin and by quick help the finger was healed on again.

October 29th 1795. Br. Friedrich Balthasar Vogniz came to-day from Bethlehem for the service in our institute in Br. Thomas Schnall's place.

November 1st 1795. The big girl Catharina Brunner was received into the congregation by Br. Reichel.

November 2nd 1795. To-day the brethren Ettwein, Klingsohr, von Schweinitz, and van Vleck to a helper conference for the whole. We had lately received from the U.A.C. the news, that the Lord did not approbate, to move for the sale of Christian Spring. Therefore the brethren of the helper-conference for the whole with the brethren Golgovsky, Mikesch and Schnall a full conference concerning the future arrangement and manning of this place.

November 8th 1795. A surgeon, by name William Wallace, and a preacher's widow, Jane Elizabeth Magee from Irland, living at present in Philadelphia, both Methodists, were here yesterday and to-day and attended the English sermon. The widow asked urgently, to accept her son of 7 years
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for the institute. But on account of lack of space, her wish could not be granted. Also the E.C. after a thorough consideration of the matter, could not think of a possibility, to put the child according to the mother's wish, into a family until a place in the institute would be vacant of the child.

Br. Reichel put then the name on the list of the candidates.

November 9th 1795. Br. Reichel read the weekly report of the U.A.C., in which was laid down the instruction of the Lord concerning the abolition of the brethren's establishment in East-India, which we found remarkable.

November 16th 1795. On account of rainy weather there was no meeting in the evening.

November 29th 1795. We were thankful for the help of our Lord of our brethren and sisters in New York, where during the bad disease only 2 out of their midst had died. On account of the strong rainy weather there could be no meeting in the evening.

November 30th 1795. Br. Reichel baptized the little daughter of Bro. and Sister William Horserfield, which was born yesterday, and which received the name Elizabeth.

December 2nd 1795. It was announced to the choir of the single brethren, that Br. Nicolaus Hoeber by the increase of the age and weakness of Br. Lister, shall accept the affairs of the choir-servant. -- To-day came the single brother Joh. Gottfried Pletsch from Herrnut to Nazareth, in order to manage the kitchen and the economy in the single brethren's house. Br. Reichel held in Gnadenathal, because it is to-day 50 years, that a house-congregation was started. At present are there 4 married couples, 1 widow, 2 children, or a total of 11 persons. In the meeting were also the foreign man-servants and maids. Br. Reichel told them about the many kindnesses, which they had received from the Lord for the inner and outer man. But the greatest blessing is that the Lord Jesus has become their savior. A hymn was also read, which Br. Ettwein had composed for that day. When
the house-congregation was arranged 50 years ago, Br. Melchior Zeisberger was the house-father, Br. Christian Demuth the house-liturgy, and they were introduced by Br. Adolph Meyer.

December 5th 1795. In the evening was the engagement of the single brother Heinrich Christian Mueller with the single sister Jacobina Christ, which news was brought to the knowledge of the Congregation.

December 6th 1795. Sunday. Br. Reichel baptized in Schoeneck in the afternoon at 2 o'clock of two adults. The married Bro. and Sister Daniel Preissen were the candidates. --- In the evening two boys, Heinrich Gottfried Belling and Johannes Clewell were received into the congregation by Br. Reichel. ---- The brethren Joh. Gottlob Heyne and Philip Ranke moved from the single brethren's house in Nazareth to Lititz, where they will stay.

December 13th 1795. Sunday. To-day held the single sisters in remembrance of the entering into their choirhouse, to-day 11 years ago, a lovefeast.

In the evening at 7 o'clock Br. Reichel married the single brother Heinrich Christian Miller with the single sister Jacobina Christ.


December 27th 1795. Sunday. The big girl Susanna Wigmann was received into the congregation by Br. Reichel.

December 31st 1795. The services on this last day in the old year were held as in previous years.

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January 11th 1796. Br. Benade held on the Dry Land the funeral of a child and preached afterwards in the church to a great gathering.

January 16th 1796. We had the grief to experience in this week, that the single Christian Ernst, who for some time had not had any mind for the congregation, had meddled with a strange maid so much, that he had to marry her, and by doing so, he separated himself from the congregation.

January 20th 1796. On account of much snow the singing-hour was omitted.

January 23rd 1796. In the prayer-meeting a letter from the Mission-department of the U.A.C. from July 5th 1795 was read by Br. Reichel and the congregation was reminded of the mission-work. On the 19th of January it was 63 years, that the mission in Groenland was begun. One was thinking of the 3 Indian-missions. Also we remembered Br. Ettwein's business now in the Congress in Philadelphia in behalf of the Indians.

January 31st 1796. Sunday. This morning the thermometer showed 6 degrees below Cero. Br. Reichel held the services in Schoeneck.

February 16th 1796. The brethren of the Helper-Conference for the whole came together for a conference concerning Christian Spring.

February 28th 1796. Sunday. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was the engagement of the single brother Paul Miksch with the single sister Catharina Busch.

March 6th 1796. Sunday. The single brother Paul Miksch, who had been choir-helper of the single brethren in Christian Spring, was married with the single sister Catharina Busch from the Choirhouse in Nazareth. Br. Paul Miksch will take care of the office of the warden, to gether with his wife in Christian Spring with its new arrangement. The former household of the single brethren has been abolished. Br. Miksch will also serve the house-congregation in Christian Spring with holding the meetings. We all wish them God's blessing for this work.

March 13th 1796. Br. Jacob Luch, who had been married on the 6th with the single sister Agnes Pella in Lititz, arrived this evening with his wife in Christian Spring. He will accept a part of the plantation for rent.

March 16th 1796. We had last night after a very hot day, the first thunderstorm with strong rain. After that followed today a very severe storm with alternating snow-storm from the North-East. We could not have any service this evening. That storm continued during the whole night.

March 17th 1796. The storm of yesterday continued also today, and has done here and there some damage on the fences, roofs, and other things. In the forests, especially in the big swamp on the street to Wyoming many trees were broken, so that the Mail-rider could not pass the road on horseback, but had to go on foot through Nazareth to Bethlehem.

March 24th 1796. Maundy-Thursday. At 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Martin Boehmer.

March 27th 1796. Easter. After 5 o'clock in the morning we had with the congregation our Easter-litany in the church and then on the God's acre, while the sun was rising wonderfully and gloriously.

March 28th 1796. In the evening 3 boys, William Carney, Samuel Krause, and Johannes Rankes were received into the congregation.

April 1st 1796. Today the brethren of the helper-conference for the whole came here and in the afternoon at 2 o'clock was in Christian Spring for the close of the single brethren's house-hold, which we had had until now, and for the beginning of the new arrangement, a lovefeast with the married brethren and sisters. All the inhabitants of Christian Spring, the brethren of the helper-conference for the whole, the E. C. and the overseer-committees of Nazareth and some other guests were present. Br. Sttwein held this lovefeast. He had also in a hymn expressed the thoughts of his heart regarding the change of the arrangement and some wishes for the new arrangement. The hymn was then read. Then a news about the first be-
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Gathering of the single brethren's household in Christian Spring was read. It was on the 17th December 1749 with 22 single brethren; which names were read also of all the choir-helpers and wardens in those 47 years. Of the choir-helpers were still 5 present at this lovefeast, namely Br. David Zeisberger, Jacob van Vleck, Andr. Busse, Johannes Schnall and Paul Miksch, and of the wardens the brethren Johannes Bonn, who had served for 30 years as warden in this household, and also George Golkovsky. Then several things were told of the various times and about the blessed movement in this village. With thankfulness we also acknowledged the many blessings of our heavenly father outwardly as well, as the kind protection from all misfortune during these many years. Among other things it was observed, that the village had first received the name GNADENHOEHE, but later it received the name Christian Spring after the late Christian Renatus von Zinzendorf, and the nice Spring or fountain there. At the close Br. Paul Miksch was introduced as future Warden and house-liturges, and to those single brethren, who will stay in Christian Spring, it was announced, that they in the future will be served by the choir-laborers in Nazareth.

April 2nd 1796. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Jacob Eyerly, who had died March 31st. Many people attended this funeral, also many from outside, the neighbours, had come for it.

April 3d 1796. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock was the wedding of the single brother Matthaeus Schulz with the single sister Rachel Frevel. Br. Reichel held the wedding.

April 4th 1796. The single brother Johannes Hofman went to-day to Bethlehem to stay.

April 7th 1796. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was the marriage of the single brother Johannes Kaske with the widowed Sister Anna Maria Schulz by Br. Reichel.
April 8th 1796. In the paedagogium was concluded the examination of this week. Some of the outside scholars, who will soon go away from us, expressed their thankfulness for the education, which they had received in our institute. Two of our children of our heathen-messengers, Johann Jacob Schmidt and Johann Jacob Kummer, who had been in our institute and Paedagogium for 10 years, expressed their thankfulness partly by word of mouth and partly by writing. We wish, that they may prosper and may be able one day to serve the Lord and the Brethren's church among the heathen.

April 10th 1796. Sunday. The boy Isaac Hawkins left to-day the paedagogium and returned to Philadelphia to his parents.

April 11th 1796. The boys Joh. Jacob Schmidt and Joh. Jacob Kummer moved to-day from the paedagogium to the Brethren's house. The first one will learn the trade of a shoemaker and the latter one will learn the trade of a tailor.

April 12th 1796. The single brother Johann Jacob Hermann and the two boys Johann and Michael Rauschenberger moved from Christian Spring to Bethlehem, to stay there.

April 14th 1796. Br. Wittwein visited us to-day with his daughter from Bethlehem and he brought his grandchild Johann Wittwein to the Paedagogium for some years for education.

April 17th 1796. Sunday. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock went all the brethren and sisters of the E. C. in Nazareth to Schoeneck, where Br. Reischel at a lovefeast of the congregation and Societaet with their children, announced, that by the direction of the Lord, the congregation of Schoeneck had been connected with the congregation of Nazareth for about 11 years, and that from now on, Schoeneck will be considered as a Landgemeine, Country-congregation, on the basis of other country-congregations, but under the direction and council of the E. C. in Nazareth; and as such
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April 18th 1796. Bro. and Sister Peter Muecke moved to-day from Christian Spring to Gnadenthal.

April 22nd 1796. From Philadelphia came to-day 2 children, William and George Harding Hutmann to our paedagogium.

April 25th 1796. The single brother Martin Rogleder moved from Christian Spring to Bethlehem to stay there.

April 30th 1796. This morning died the married Brother Michael Moehring. He was buried the 2nd of May in the afternoon.

May 2nd 1796. To-day moved the widowed sister Hannah, a negress, with her daughter, the single sister Maria from Christian Spring to Old Nazareth.

May 4th 1796. The single sister celebrated their choir-festival. 4 big girls Elizabeth Warner, Elizabeth Wigmann and Johanna Maria Christ from Nazareth and Anna Maria Kuendig from Schoeneck were received into the Choir of the single sisters.

May 7th 1796. This week we learned to know, that at last from the house of the Representatives in the Congress after many difficulties and contradictions the necessary resolutions and preparations for the performance of the TREATY, friendship and trade's tract, between the United States and England have been met. We were glad, to hear these news and to know, that in the future there will be peace and rest in our country.

May 9th 1796. To-day came bro. and sister Jonas Christoph and Anna Herbst from Jamaica with her son Heinrich Rudolph. Since several years they had solicited the call away from their post in Mesopotamia, where they had been fruitless, and they had asked the U.A.C., to be allowed to settle...
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in one of the American Congregations for their future dwelling-place. They will first live in Old Nazareth, where he thinks to work in his trade as shoemaker. Their child had in some days the small pox, with which the child was infected in New York. Because the small pox seemed to be of a very good kind, and because the season now is favourable, the small pox was then inoculated into several small children in the village, and also the little George Bardill in the institute.

May 10th 1796. The brethren Tanneberger and Bachmann came from Lititz to Nazareth and repaired the following days our organ in the meeting-hall; also the small organ, which had been standing in the little hall of the Gemeinhouse and shall now be put up in the choir-hall in the brethren’s house.

May 15th 1796. Pentecost. Sunday. Sister Davone with a company from New York, who had come yesterday, attended the morning-service and went after that back to Bethlehem.

May 18th 1796. Mr. Tapping Reeve from Litchfield in Connecticut came today with his wife, in order to take their son Aaron Burr Reeve home with them. The parents were thankful for the education of her son, and the boy, who would have liked to stay longer with us, left us with much love and with a good impression.

May 29th 1796. Br. Reichel married in the afternoon at 3 o’clock the single brother Friedrich Balthasar Vogniz from Christian Spring with the single sister Sarah Catharina Klein from Schoeneck.

June 5th 1796. Sunday. In the afternoon at 4 o’clock was helper-conference, in which Bro. and Sister Towl, who with their child travel to their post in Jamaica, were recommended to the brethren and sisters for prayer.

June 6th 1796. The boy Johann Dealing moved to-day from Nazareth to Schoeneck, in order to learn there by Br. N. Clewell the cartwright-trade.

June 9th 1796. In the evening we had a strong thunderstorm with plenty
of rain. In Christian Spring broke at 9 o'clock the mill-dam. The flood
which was caused by it, did not only do great damage on the meadows, but
also in the milk- and other cellars. The water carried away some sheds,
bridges and many fences. Also in Gradenthal and Nazareth did the water
here and there some damage, but not considerable. In Friedenthal was
entirely, ruined the bridge over the bushkill, which had been built last year, and
which had suffered already by a flood.

June 12th 1796. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock after a talk by Br.
Reichel, the big girl Maria Christ was received into the congregation.
A company of Quakers from Philadelphia attended this meeting.

June 24th 1796. Soon after the festival morning-prayer of the little boys
took the friend of the children one from our midst, the little Nathanael
Ludwig Reichel to him. It was at the occasion of the small pox. --- This
month the steeple on the Hall had been repaired and painted. The ball and
the vane had been gilded. For the safety and convenience sake by the ex-
tinguishing of a fire, in case a chimney is catching fire, was built be-
tween the steeple and the two chimneys on the roof of the house a balcony
or platform in the way, as it is built on the brethren's house in Beth-
lehem. And it is now so far finished, that on this nice and quiet and
clear evening after the meeting the entire choir of the little boys ga-
thered on this balcony, and sang to the honour of the friend of the chil-
dren, a nice hymn of praise, and musical pieces, which was accompanied
by musical instruments. It looked well and all the brethren and sisters
enjoyed it. Also the brethren and sisters in Schoeneck could hear the
singing and also they participated in this celebration with great joy.

June 25th 1796. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was the funeral of the litt-
le Nathanael Ludwig Reichel, held by Br. Zeisberger.

June 30th 1796. In the evening at 6 o'clock was the funeral of the single
Brother Christian Matthiesen, after which the single brethren had a love-
feast.
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July 1st 1796. Mr. Abiah Park, a friend and benefactor of our Indian Mission in Fairfield, who brought us some letters from our brethren there, visited us.

July 6th 1796. From Philadelphia came to day Mr. Care with his wife and took their son Peter Care, who had finished his school term, with them home. Miss Wood from St. Thomas brought a little Peter Claesen Beverhoudt to the institute for education.

July 9th 1796. Our youths and boys celebrated to-day their choir-festival with 31 of their number. Two children in the institute were received into the boy's choir, namely Johann Etwein and Ludwig Cist.

July 10th 1796. Sunday. The boy Jacob Christ went to-day from Christian Spring to Bethlehem, where he will stay.

July 17th 1796. Sunday. Br. Benade held to-day on the Wechquetank in Chestnuthill township, 20 miles from here, the funeral of a 86 years old widow, the mother of our brother Adam Hut in Christian Spring, and Br. Benade spoke to a great gathering. After the funeral he visited some people on their plantations. The people uttered the wish, that they should like to have a minister among them oftener.

July 24th 1796. Sunday. The single brother Johann Jacob Hanke from Christian Spring was engaged with the single sister Rachel Klein from Schoeneck.

July 27th 1796. Bro. and Sister Reich from Bethlehem brought to-day the child John Benezet Bartow to the paedagogium for education. The boy Joseph Warner, who had been for some years in the paedagogium, went to Bethlehem, where he shall go for a trial to the Apothecary, chemist's shop.

July 30th 1796. We were glad and thankful of the arrival of our Bro. and Sister Gebhard Cunow and their company in Bethlehem.

July 31st 1796. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock was the wedding of the single brother Johann Jacob Hanke with the single sister Rachel Klein.
from Schoeneck. At 4 o'clock was helper-conference, in which the newest letters from Br. Gregor were read.

**August 2nd 1796.** To-day came the single brother Johann Christian Ebbike from Niesky, who had come from Europe with Bro. and Sister Cunow. He will stay here and accept the management of the tailor's shop in the single brethren's house. He will relieve Br. Lister.

**August 4th 1796.** From St. Croix came two boys, Johann Gottlieb Krause and Johann Meyer to the institute.

**August 6th 1796.** Bro. and Sister Reichel went to-day with Bro. and Sister Towls, who had come yesterday from Bethlehem, to Gnadenhuetten, where they will relieve Bro. and Sister Schmidt, and will serve in the little congregation there for the time being.

**August 8th 1796.** Bro. and Sister Reichel returned from Gnadenhuetten and brought Bro. and Sister Schmidt, who had served in that congregation for 10 years, along.

**August 14th 1796.** Sunday. Br. Reichel held the funeral of two children, who had died yesterday. The little Elizabeth Horsefield, a daughter of Bro. and Sister William and Rebecca Horsefield, of the age of 8 months and 15 days, and the little Susanna Miksch, a twin-child, a daughter of Bro. and Sister Christian and Anna Philipina Miksch, in the age of only 11 days.

**August 17th 1796.** The choir of the little girls celebrated their choir-festival. They are 40 girls.

**August 24th 1796.** The S. F. G. had to-day in Bethlehem their annual meeting. As new members from here were elected: the brethren Andreas Senade, David M. Michael, and Nathansel Miksch.

**August 29th 1796.** The youth Andreas Weizel had been added to the single brethren's choir.

**September 2nd 1796.** The single brother Johann Joachim Koepke moved from
Christian Spring to Nazareth into the choir-house. - Our children had today their congregational festival.

September 10th 1796. The single brother Christian Friedrich Denke, who had been in the store here, was appointed for the service in the institute in the place of the single Brother Joseph Schweishaupt, who moved into the brethren's house.

September 25th 1796. Sunday. At 4 o'clock was the helper-conference and in the evening the liturgy, where at the close Bro. and Sister Schaaf before their journey to Graceham for the service in the congregation there, were recommended to the congregation here and to their prayers.

September 26th 1796. In the afternoon was the funeral of the single Sister Judith Edmonds, who had died on the 24th. It is the first sister, who has died since the building and inhabitation of the sisters' house in the year 1784.

October 1st 1796. Isaac Heyliger from St. Croix had shown his love and appreciation for the education, which he had had in 5 years in our institute, in a letter.

October 2nd 1796. Br. Gebhardt Cunow held the sermon about the Gospel. - Br. Reichel went in the morning with the bro. and Sister Molcher to Schoenbeck, and at the lovefeast attended the E. C. from here.

October 5th 1796. In the evening was a conversation with the house-fathers and masters regarding the winter-school of the boys and some civil and police-matters. Also providing a clock for the steeple was talked over.

October 9th 1796. Bro. and Sister Haman, who had come lately from Barbadoes, visited us to-day. From Bethlehem came the brethren Ettwein and Cunow, who intend to stay a few days in Christian Spring and Gladenthal on account of some business there. - From the paedagogium went one of our oldest scholars, Jaac Heyliger from St. Croix, who had been in our in-
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stitute for over 5 years. Our Love and best wishes accompany him in the future. He intends to continue his studies in Yale's College in New Haven.

Br. Ettwein held in Christian Spring the Gemein-hour.

October 18th 1796. The child James King, that had been some years in the paedagogium, went to Philadelphia to his parents.

October 29th 1796. Bro. and Sister Molther, who on account of the repair of the schoolhouse in Schoeneck, had lived in Nazareth with bro. and Sister W. Henry, moved to-day, because the house was finished, to Schoeneck.

October 30th 1796. Sunday. The boy Johann Ettwein from the paedagogium was received into the congregation by Br. Reichel.

November 2nd 1796. In the presence of the E. C. and the parents and some other guests was the examination in the girl's school to the delight of all, who were present. Some of the bigger children had a dialogue about the life of Dr. Martin Luther in memory of October 31st. It was very interesting. The entire number of the schoolgirls is 22 of the age from 4 to 12 years.

November 3rd 1796. Br. Jacob Christ, who had been in Philadelphia in business matters, returned to-day and brought from there a nephew of Br. Gottfried Haga, the boy Gottfried Haga, for some time to our paedagogium for education.

November 4th 1796. The single brother Philip Jacob Hoeger died to-day and was saved from all of his trouble. He was buried on the 6th of November.

November 7th 1796. Thomas Toyce, a son of Bro. and Sister Benjamin Toyce in New York, 8 years old, came to the institute for education.

November 13th 1796. Sunday. We remembered to-day, that it is 40 years, that since the day of dedication, we have had many blessings received from God, our great benefactor.

November 19th 1796. The single brethren Johann Heinrich Walther and Johannes Fuehrer went to-day from Christian Spring to Lititz, where they will remain.
November 25th 1796. From Bethlehem came the brethren Klingsohr, Jacob van Vleck, and Schropp and took along with them Bro. and Sister Haman, who had stayed for a few days here. There is an opportunity on a ship to St. Croix, and Bro. and Sister Haman will use that ship, in order to go back to their post in Barbadoes. From Lancaster came the widowed sister Margaretha Bickham, to stay with Bro. and Sister William Henry for some time.

November 28th 1796. The widowed sister Jane Elizabeth Klein of the Schönbeck-congregation moved to-day from her place in Plainfield to Christian Spring, in order to live there for the time being.

December 3rd 1796. From letters from the brethren Kummer and Jessen in St. Thomas and St. Croix we learned to know, that the brethren and sisters and another one of the three islands after a time of sickness, when especially Br. Kummer near to was very sick and death, have recovered again and are now well. We further learned that the former Commandant Malleville in St. Thomas, a true friend of the brethren and a patron of our Mission-work has become General Governor of the 3 Islands Croix, Thomas and Juan, to the great delight of the whites and negroes on all three islands. He will live in St. Croix.

In the prayer-meeting in the evening we remembered our bro. and sister Hamans, who left in November 30th Philadelphia on their return-trip to Barbadoes via St. Croix.

December 4th 1796. Br. Molther preached to-day on the Wechquetank in Chestnut-hill Township behind the Blue Mountains; and Br. Reichel preached in Schoeneck.

December 5th 1796. In the evening we had a meeting of all the grown-up brethren and sisters, which was ordered by express. It was read by Br. Reichel the letter of the overseer department of the U. A. C. from February 18th 1788, regarding the matters of the testament and inheritance. It was recommended for observance.
December 8th 1796. We had the grief to experience, that the single David Roth in Christian Spring had meddled with a strange maid in Gnadenthal so far, that he had to marry her and had therefore separated from the congregation.

December 23rd 1796. In the morning was it 10 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit.

December 25th 1796. Sunday. After the sermon a collection for the support of the trombone choir was taken at the doors of the hall.

December 29th 1796. We had these days nice sledge-road, and many visitors from Bethlehem had been here.

December 31st 1796. We celebrated the last day in the year as in the years before.

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January 10th 1797. This morning showed the thermometer 10 degrees below zero. The children's hour was omitted.

January 11th 1797. The singing-hour on account of rain and glazed frost was omitted.

January 18th 1797. The brethren Hoeber, Braun and Golgovsky and some others went to Bethlehem to the funeral of Br. Joö. Bonn, who had died on the 15th.

January 19th 1797. Br. Reichel reminded the brethren and sisters of the beginning of the mission in Greenland to-day 64 years ago.

January 24th 1797. Br. Reichel held in the afternoon at 1 o'clock the funeral of the child Jane Henry, the youngest daughter of our brother and Sister W. Henry, who had died on the 22nd, and which was 6 months and 17 days old.

January 29th 1797. The brethren Benade and Mortimer went behind the Blue Mountains to Chestnuthill township, where Br. Benade preached to a great gathering in the German language and Br. Mortimer in English.

February 1st 1797. On account of rain and glazed frost there could not be held any service in the evening.

February 10th 1797. On account of a great storm and rain the meeting was omitted in the evening.

February 18th 1797. It was announced in the congregation, that yesterday the widowed Brother Heinrich Bollinger from Gnadenenthal was engaged to the single sister Elizabeth Lischer.

February 19th 1797. Br. David Moritz Michael from the paedagogium had been elected as member of the Oberseer-Committee in the place of Br. Ludwig Biefel in Christian Spring, who had asked to be dismissed on account of being sick. Some vacant places in the Gemeinrat had been re-filled by the Br. George Hartman from Gnadenthal and from the widow's choir Sister Anna Maria Danke in Old Nazareth, and from the single brethren's choir...
Br. Hans Petersen from Christian Spring, and the brethren Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt and Andreas Benade from the paedagogium. The latter one came in the place of Br. D. M. Michael, after he had been elected in the overseer-Committee. -- In the evening was the single sister Eva Kiefer received into the congregation.

February 20th 1797. Br. Johann Schmidt from Bethlehem brought his son Johann Renatus, a boy of 13 years old, to Br. Jacob Christ on a trial, to learn the trade of a hatmaker.

February 22nd 1797. Br. Christian Heinze, who for several years had served in the house, went to-day to Bethlehem, where he will stay.

February 26th 1797. Sunday. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock married Br. Reichel the widowed Brother Heinrich Bollinger with the single sister Anna Elizabeth Lischer.

March 7th 1797. In the afternoon there was a conference with the wardens of Bethlehem, Nazareth, Christian Spring and Gnadenthal concerning the plantations and some other matters.

March 15th 1797. This forenoon died Br. Philip Christian Bader in Old Nazareth. -- In the afternoon was the funeral of the single brother Ludwig Biefel, who had died on the 13th.

March 17th 1797. In the afternoon held Br. Reichel the funeral of Br. Philip Christian Bader, who had died on the 15th.

March 18th 1797. From letters from St. Thomas we received the news of the death of Sister Haman in St. Croix on her return-trip to Barbadoes, by which we and her children were touched very much.

April 17th 1797. The big girl Rosina Gold was received into the congregation. -- After the meeting our brethren John Heckewelder and William Henry, who this week will start on their journey to Muskingum as deputies of the Directors of the S. P. G. in Nazareth, were recommended to the Congregation for prayer. They will measure the 12 000 acres of land there.
Also the brethren John Rotrock and Christian Clewell from Schoeneck will accompany the brethren and will assist them in their work there. The Lord may go with them and keep them from all harm, and may help them, that they do their work for the best of the brethren's unity and to the honour and glory of the Lord.

April 18th 1797. Br. Reichel was in Bethlehem by the despatching of the brethren John Heckewaelder and William Henry for Muskingum.

April 19th 1797. To-day came the widowed sister Maria Catharina Lischer from Bethlehem to Nazareth, in order to live for the time being by her children Bro. and Sister Bollinger in Old Nazareth. The two single brethren Gottfried Henning and Johannes Brandmueller from Christian Spring went to Bethlehem to the choirhouse there, where they will stay.

May 4th 1797. The choir of the single sisters celebrated to-day their festival. The two big girls Anna Weineke and Christina Brunner were received into the choir of the single sisters.

May 6th 1797. To-day was the end of the examination in the paedagogium, which was held this week. The following guests had been present: Bro. and Sister von Schweinitz, Bro. and Sister Reich, Br. Frueauf and several other brethren and sisters from Bethlehem. Also Bro. and Sister Moehring from Old Man's Creek had come. The parents from here and guests were all present. The material, which was dealt with to-day in 4 sessions, in the forenoon from 8,30 to 12 o'clock and in the afternoon from 1 o'clock to 4 o'clock, was: Mathematic Geography, the use of the bell in the first class; the rudiments of Geometry in the second class; greek reading and translations with some of the scholars of the first class; the festival days of the christian church. Also a treatise for the use of Bible teaching was done in the first class. Geography of the United States in the third class. The minerals in the first class and also some experiments with the electric machine. In the afternoon recited first all scholars...
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of the 4 classes pieces and verses, which they had learned. - Then the specimen of writing, drawing were handed around, during which the scholars were playing on the piano and on the violin. A special pleasure was it, to hear the wonderful singing of the boys and children at the end and in the lovefeast. - We remembered at that time Br. Nathanael Braun, who was absent in Lititz. For several years he had been in service in the pedagogium and as assistant helper of the single brethren, boys and children, which work he had done for 5 years in faithfulness and interest, for which the Lord will bless him. -- Br. Paulus Weiss from Bethlehem, where he had served in the school with faithfulness, who had come to us in the place of Br. Braun, was welcomed in the lovefeast and we wished him God's blessing for his new post.

May 11th 1797. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Michael Buch, who had died on the 9th of this month.

May 12th 1797. Br. Thomas Weiss, who had learned the trade of a hatmaker with Bro. Christ, went back to his parents in Gnadenhütten.

May 13th 1797. Bro. and Sister Jonas Christoph and Anna Herbst, who since their return from Jamaica, have lived about one year in Nazareth, with their child Heinrich Rudolph, went to Salem in the Wachau, where they will live for the time being.

May 22nd 1797. The brethren Tentbrook and Campbell visited us from New York. - In the evening we read from the diary of the brethren among the hottenhottas.

May 29th 1797. John Heyliger, the third son of the chamberlain Heyliger in St. Croix, who had been almost 6 years in the institute, went to-day with his brother Isaac, who yesterday came from Newhaven in Connecticut, to Philadelphia, from where they will sail for St. Croix, from where their father intends to take them this year to Europe and to put them in Copenhagen in a school. Also John Heyliger left our school like his brother.
brother Isaac did last year, with a heart full of thanks. We recommended these two youths, who have received much love here, to the care of the Lord, who may guide them with his eyes.

May 30th 1797. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was the engagement of the single brother Joseph Schweishaupt with the single sister Rosina Busch.

June 2nd 1797. Br. Keichel received the 4 big girls Anna Henry, Susanna Mueller from Nazareth, and Anna Maria Seyfried and Margaretha Edmonds from Schoeneck, into the choir of the single sisters.

June 5th 1797. In the evening we married the single brother Joseph Schweishaupt with the single sister Rosina Busch. -- In the afternoon at 3 o'clock died in Nazareth the married Brother Christian Giersch. He was buried on the 7th in the afternoon at 1 o'clock.

June 6th 1797. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Joseph Levering, who had died on the 5th of this month. Many of the relatives in Bethlehem, Schoeneck and Emmaus and also several of the neighbours had come for the funeral. In the lovefeast, after the funeral, was mentioned the service of this blessed brother with the music of the congregation, especially his talent of his nice voice, which he used for singing, was mentioned. -- In the afternoon at 4 o'clock had the paedagogium a lovefeast for the farewell of Brother and Sister Iathanael Braun, who had for 5 years served in all faithfulness in the paedagogium. - In the forenoon had the E. C. with the cup of covenant a farewell-gathering with Bro. and Sister Braun.

June 10th 1797. Mr. Carl Gist from Philadelphia, who had been here for a few days on a visit, went with his sons back to Philadelphia. -- Also 2 congress members from Carolina and a gentleman from Jamaica were here for a visit. The singing of our boys with some musical pieces in the Hall had given the visitors great pleasure.

June 16th 1797. An Indian boy from the Stockbridge Nation, by name of
of John Kinkapot, a nephew of the Indian Metaxen, who had lived for a time in Bethlehem, came here. He had been recommended to Br. Ettwein in Bethlehem by the government of that state, in order to be educated for some time in Bethlehem or Nazareth. He was put under the care of Bro. and Sister Schweishaupt in the village. There he shall board and sleep with that family. Bro. Schweishaupt shall give him private lessons. The boy shall attend daily the schools in Nazareth Hall. He is about 14 years old and has had some schools and education already. About 4 months ago he had been baptized in Philadelphia. In the letter of Mr. Clement Biddle in Philadelphia to Br. Ettwein was written regarding the boy, the following: "The legislative power of this state has in its last session constituted an act for the livelihood and education of John Kinkapot, and has fixed a certain sum, 150 dollars, for this purpose. The governor has charged me as a public official, to carry out the intention of the legislative power. The great desire, which your society of the brethren has manifested, to civilize the Indians and to teach them Christianity, your carefulness in regard to their manners, with the intention of educating them and teaching them those arts, which will be useful for their people, and the kind willingness with which you have accepted the education of his uncle, has induced me, to send Kinkapot to you, so that he can be put under the inspection of the brethren in Bethlehem of Nazareth. I therefore ask you, to meet such precautions, which will find expedient, to carry out the intention of the legislature." Etc. Etc. The boy, who behaved very politely and pleasantly, and showed himself complaisantly, did win at once general love. It shall be our heart's concern, that the good intention of the government with the boy shall be obtained. We also believe and hope and urgently wish, that the stay of the boy in our midst will help him, to grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus, and that through the obedience of the Gospel he may be richly blessed.
June 21st 1797. Sister Elizabeth Hopson, who had been with several other
Sisters from here for a visit in Lititz, brought the single sister Maria
Rosina Kreiter from Lititz along, who will go to the choirhouse here.

July 2nd 1797. Sunday. The big girl Rosina Gold went to-day to Bethlehem,
where she will stay.

July 9th 1797. Sunday. The boys celebrated their festival. 11 children
were received into the choir of the boys. They are the following: Joseph
Reichel, Joh. Friedrich Wolle, Frederic Davone, Henning Gottfried Lin-
berg and Joh. Michael Fey; and from Schoeneck 3: Nathanael Ary, Adam Rot-
rock and Johann Kindig. 11 of them.

July 11th 1797. George Schmidt and his wife, who had been staying here
for 3 days, went back to Bethlehem.

July 21st 1797. The brethren William Henry and Jacob Schmick came back
well from Muskingum. They arrived in the night at 3 o'clock quite unexpect-
ed. They had left Gnadenhuetten on the Muskingum together with Br. Chris-
tian Clewell on the 4th of July. We were thankful for the kind protection
of the Lord.

July 23rd 1797. In the afternoon baptized Br. Reichel in Chris-
tian Spring on the request of the parents, a son of Daniel and Anna Sla-
bach, who was born yesterday and received the name Paul. These two people
had come lately from Germany, and had been made free from the ship, in
order that they could serve on the plantation in Christian Spring for their
grains. They belong to the reformed church.

July 26th 1797. Br. Ettwein came to-day with his two daughters from Beth-
lehem to Nazareth and brought his grandchild Johann Gottfried Ettwein
for some time to the paedagogium for his education.

July 21st 1797. The single brother Friedrich Schmidt moved from Christan
Springs to Nazareth and accepted the place of Br. Johann Gottfried Piesch,
taking care of the kitchen of the single brethren in the brethren's house.
August 4th 1727. Sister Barbara Christ took her daughter, the big girl Maria Christ to Bethlehem into the choir-house there. -- From Bethlehem came the widowed sister Anna Catharina Mau to Nazareth, to live with the widowed Sister Beck and to help her in her weakness.

August 17th 1727. In Old Nazareth died the married sister Catharina Margaretha Schmied. She was buried on the 19th of this month.

August 20th 1727. Sunday. Br. Reichel buried in the afternoon the single sister Anna Maria Gold, who had died on the 19th in the morning.

August 21st 1727. The members of the S. F. G. went to Bethlehem to the annual meeting of this society. The measurement of the land in Muskingum, which had been fortunately finished, the kind guidance and protection, which the two deputies of the society, the brethren Johann Heckewelder and William Henry, had experienced by this work, was in this meeting a special matter of thanks. The three members, which had died since the last meeting in August 24th 1796, were replaced to-day by three new members, namely the brethren Joseph Demuth from Old Nazareth, Matthaeus Schulz from Christian Spring and the single brother Johann Christian Ebbecke from Nazareth.

August 22nd 1727. Bro. and Sister Peters, Br. Tentbrook and Sister Joyce with several of their children came for a visit to us and brought 2 children Henry Tentbrook and Abraham Breninger, both 11 years old, to the Paedagogium for education.

August 29th 1727. The single brethren celebrated to-day their choir-festival. 2 youths, Jacob Rauschenberger and Joh. Friedrich Banke were received into the choir of the single brethren.

September 2nd 1727. The single brother Johann Friedrich Danke moved from Christian Spring to the choirhouse in Nazareth.

September 4th 1727. In the evening-meeting a letter from Bro. Nathanael Braun from Rochelle in Hispaniola of July 26th of the same year to Br. Meder, was read. In this letter was reported, that their ship had been
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Captured by a French privateer and had been taken to this place. Their things had not been taken away, and they had been treated well by the officials there, but they were prisoners, and they recommended themselves to all the congregations for prayer. This news caused much compassion and participation, and it was the great desire and prayer of the brethren and sisters, that the Lord may take them soon to their place.

September 9th 1797. Bro. and Sister Tillofsen travelled to-day with Brother Massa Warner on a visit of their friends and relatives in the New York state and Connecticut.

September 11th 1797. In Christian Spring died in the afternoon the single brother Nathanael Weber. In the afternoon of the 13th he was buried.

September 25th 1797. The single sister Anna Weincke went to-day to Bethlehem, where she will stay.

October 7th 1797. To-day was the conclusion of the examination in the paedagogium in this week. The children of the congregation and village were 42, and the outside scholars 20. The entire number of the scholars, from 6 to 18 years, were 62, together with their teachers and educators. We are thankful for all, what the Lord had done for us since the renewal of the Paedagogium in October 3d 1785. From Bethlehem were here, Bro. and Sister de Schweinitz, the brethren Jacob van Vleck and Reich, and several parents, who have children in the school; and from Philadelphia Sister Haga and Bartow, as also the bookseller Mr. Thomas Dobson, who with a company of people had stayed here for some time on account of the yellow fever.

October 25th 1797. Bro. and Sister Bollinger moved to-day from Old Nazareth to Christian Spring, where they accept the care for that part of the plantation, which had been cared for by Bro. and Sister Luck.

October 26th 1797. Bro. and Sister Schnall from Gnadenthal, Br. Andreas Benade and Sister Anna Strubel from Nazareth journeyed to-day on a visit to Lititz.
November 2nd 1797. An express messenger from New York, Br. Banyard, with letters from Br. Birkby and Tentbrook to Br. Etteuin, in which was told the news of Br. Peter's increasing sickness, and that Br. Peter and Br. Birkby were urgently asking, to send Bro. Mortimer from the paedagogium for some time to New York, to help there. Because the request was supported by Br. Etteuin and the other brethren of the helper-conference in Bethlehem, we could not help sending Brother Mortimer for a few weeks to New York, to help Br. Peter, although he is indispensable on account of his serve here. On the 3d in the morning he went with Br. Banvard to New York.

November 6th 1797. We had the unexpected joy, our 4 brethren from Europe, for whom we had been waiting so long. They arrived well and safe over New York with the waggon, which brought Bro. Mortimer back. They also brought the sad news along, that Bro. Peter had died in New York.

November 10th 1797. The widowed brother Melchior Schmidt moved to-day from Old Nazareth in the village to his children, bro. and Sister Beutel.

November 17th 1797. From Bethlehem we received the news, that Bro. and Sister Nathanael Braun had arrived in Jamaica in September, which news caused here much joy and thankfulness.

November 26th 1797. In a letter from the U. A. C. of August 8th of this year, addressed to all the E. C. we read, that Bro. Hans Christian de Schweinitz had received the most votes as a member of the Servant-Department in the U. A. C. in the place of the late Heinrich 28th count Reuss. He had been approbated by the Lord. We are sorry, to loose our Br. de Schweinitz, but on the other hand we are thankful, to see our brother accept this great commission of our entire Brethren's Unity. God may bless him in this work.

December 8th 1797. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Bro. Johann Martin Schenk, who died in the morning of the 6th of this month.
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Last night came Mr. Abiah Park from Canada and brought letters and diaries from our brethren in Fairfield on the Thames River.

December 11th 1797. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Br. Johann David Kunz, who had died on the 9th in Enadenthal.

December 22nd 1797. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of Sister Anna Maria Otto, who had died on the 19th.

December 31st 1797. We celebrated the closing of the old year in the usual manner.

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January 9th 1798. Sister Sabina Henry brought her daughter Anna Henry to Bethlehem for education in the institute there. She took her oldest daughter Elizabeth, who had been in the school there for several years, from Bethlehem home.

January 13th 1798. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock all the conferences of the congregation assembled in the Gemein-Rat (council of the congregation). Br. David Zeisberger announced, that through the death of the brethren Jos. Levering and Martin Schenk, the vacant places had been filled again by the Br. and Sister Christian Mikesch and Joseph Schweishaupt, which had had the most votes, and which had also been approved by the Lord as members of the Gemeinrat. These new members began their office to-day. All the members of the conference had been admonished, to do their work for the Lord and for the welfare of the congregation. They had been also encouraged, to attend every conference willingly and punctually. Then the entire company united at the cup for love, faithfulness and childlike faith in the Lord's help and assistance. - In the evening-service Br. Reichel announced, that Br. Benjamin Mortimer had received a call from the Lord through the helper-conference for the whole in Nazareth, to the service in the Mission among the Indians in North-America; and Br. Mortimer had accepted the call with a willing heart. The congregation was then asked, to remember that brother in their prayers, and that the Lord may fill him with grace, courage and power for this work. At the end a verse was sung for the brother Mortimer.

January 21st 1798. After a talk by Br. Reichel, the widowed Sister Maria Catharina Hoeck was received into the congregation. She was then recommended to the Lord in a prayer. -- Last year she had come from Germany in a ship. She had come from Palatinate to Philadelphia, with her daughter Anna Catharina, and had been freed from the ship by Br. Schnall. She had to
serve for some years on the plantation in Gnadenhal in order to pay her fare on the ship. She had experienced on her voyage much trouble, for her husband and 3 children died partly in Amsterdam, and partly on the ship. She had prayed to God, to take her to a good place and to god-fearing people. One could observe on her, that she was hearing the word of God with an attentive heart and that she loved the word of God, and was anxious about her soul's salvation. In faithfulness and punctuality she was doing her work. Since half a year she had asked for closer connection with the congregation and also had asked to be received into the congregation. She was then received into the congregation together with her daughter, and it was a great joy and blessing for them.

**January 28th 1798. Sunday.** On account of the deep snow and the cold weather no meeting could be held in the evening.

**February 8th 1798.** The children's hour was omitted on account of the cold weather; the thermometer showed this morning 4 degrees below zero.

**March 1st 1798.** The single Elizabeth Wigman separated herself from the congregation by getting married with the single John Loesch. In the evening was no meeting on account of the bad weather.

**March 10th 1798.** The single brother Abraham Luckenbach from Bethlehem, who had worked for some time in the joiner's shop here, moved, after he had received an order for the service in the paedagogium, to the Hall to the smallest children's room. In the institute died after a short sickness with fever the child Johann Gottfried Meyer, as the first of the scholars, who have been given to us for education.

**March 11th 1798. Sunday.** In the afternoon at 3,30 was a helper-conference, in which was read a letter from Br. Nathanael Braun of January 2nd of this year. He wrote about his journey from Carmel to Mesopotamia. It was also announced, that the deed for the land on the Muskingum had been drawn up by the president of the United States, and is now in the hands of the Directors of the S.P.G.
March 15th 1798. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of the boy Johann Gottfried Meyer, who had died in the institute. - This unexpected and quick death of this scholar had made a great impression upon the other scholars. Many tears were shed by the school-mates.

March 30th 1798. To-day moved the widowed sister Salome Clewell, the widow of the late brother Franz Clewell, with her two daughters, the single Sister Juliana and Dorothea Clewell, from Plainfield to Old Nazareth, where they will live for the time being.

March 31st 1798. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of the widowed brother Peter Goetje, who died on the 29th in Christian Spring. - Bro. and Sister de Schweinitz visited us in the company of their children, Bro. and Sister Frueauf. They went to all the places and also to Schoeneck and bade farewell to all brethren and sisters before they leave for Europe. The paedagogium bade farewell to them and to their 3 sons, Ludwig, David Carl and Heinrich/Christian Renatus, of which the first one has been 11 years, the second over 8 years and the third 3 years in Nazareth Hall. Those boys promise to become useful men for the Lord in the future. Ludwig had been used in the last years for teaching the smaller scholars. In a letter he had expressed his gratitude towards the Lord for all the good and for the grace, which he had received, and he had also had shown his love towards his teachers. We all wish them success and God's blessings as the 3 first ones from the institute here, who will be removed into the institutes of the Unity in Europe. We recommended our Bro. de Schweinitz and through him our Paedagogium to the entire U.A.C. for love and memory.

April 5th 1798. The single sister Eva Kiefer, who had been confirmed in the reformed church and had been a communicant, was admitted to Holy Communion with us for the first time. This was announced to the congregation and a hymn of blessing was sung for her.

April 7th 1798. This morning went the three sons of Bro. and Sister de
April 8th 1798. Sunday. In the evening after the meeting a collection was taken up at the hall-doors in behalf of the music.

April 9th 1798. To-day the two boys Friedrich Wolle and Joseph Giersch were received into the congregation.

April 10th 1798. From Hope

April 14th 1798. Bro. and Sister Heinrich, who had favoured us with their visit, returned there again to-day. Because the Delaware river had risen extraordinarily, they had to stay a day longer than they had intended.

Yesterday they went to Christian Spring, Gnadenthal and Schoeneck.

April 15th 1798. Sunday. Br. Benjamin received a call to the Indians, which he accepted willingly. Br. Ettwein ordained him then as a diacono of the brethren's church, in a blessed meeting. After the meeting went Br. Ettwein with his daughter and Br. and Sister Cunow and Br. Mortimer back to Bethlehem.

April 21st 1798. Bro. and Sister Huebner from Lititz visited us and brought the boy Johann Daniel Koehler from Salem to the Paedagogium. Br. William Elridge, who had accompanied the boy from Salem, will stay here for some time.

April 24th 1798. Bro. and Sister Johann Jacob and Rachel Hanke moved today with their child Johann Friedrich Hanke from Christian Spring to Plainfield, near Schoeneck, and will in the future keep to the Schoeneck congregation.

April 26th 1798. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was the funeral of the
married sister Anna Maria Worbass, who died on the 24th of this month.

April 28th 1798. Br. Reichel announced in the prayer-meeting, that the vacant places in the overseer-committee, which were left by the brethren Joseph Otto and Benjamin Mortimer, had been filled by the election of the Gemeinrat and approbation of the Lord in the E. C. with the brethren Jacob Schmick and Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt, who had the most votes by the election. Br. Reichel recommended these two brethren to the prayer of the brethren and sisters.

April 30th 1798. Monday. In the evening-meeting were recommended the brethren John Heckewelder and Benjamin Mortimer to the congregation and to their prayers. Br. Heckewelder and Br. Mortimer will start on their journey to Fairfield in Canada to-morrow, and will travel via Niagara. Br. Heckewelder will go as the agent of the S.P.G. to the Muskingum and Br. Mortimer goes there as a missionary among the Indians. The two brethren were also asked, when they arrive in Fairfield, to greet our dear Indian congregation from our congregation.

May 1st 1798. In the morning at 6 o'clock the two brethren started out on their journey to Fairfield, accompanied by the many good wishes of the congregation. Br. Mortimer took along the heart and the love of all the brethren and sisters. The entire paedagogium and several brethren accompanied them 4 miles far, to Michler's restaurant on the Bushkill, where the farewell was a very touching one and where many tears were shed. Br. Reichel and some other brethren from Bethlehem and Nazareth accompanied them still further to Heller's in the Blue Mountains, where they bade farewell in an affectionate manner and with peace and Jesus' nearness in their heart. The brethren Hoeber and Schmick rode with them as far as to Wilksbarre, 60 miles from here, to the second night-quarters. On the 4th at noon, they brought us the pleasant news, that they had arrived there well and safe, and that they were confident in view of the
Further journey. Also their companion Jacob Schaefer from Saucona near Bethlehem, who thought in the beginning, that he would go with them only as far as to Niagara, aroused in the brethren hope, that he might go along with them as far as to Fairfield. Br. Mortimer had written a few lines to Br. Reichel, in which he had expressed his shame and thankfulness for the love and sympathy of the brethren and sisters in Bethlehem and Nazareth by their leaving them, and for the accompanyment of several brethren on their journey. He also told, that now his mind was occupied with the Indian-Congregation, and that he was confident in view of his journey.

May 4th 1798. The single sisters celebrated their choir-festival. 3 big girls: Maria Licht and Maria Elizabeth Roth from the Nazareth congregation, and Catharina Kindig from the Schoeneck congregation, were received into the choir of the single sisters.

May 9th 1798. The Fast-day, which was appointed by the President of the United States, was celebrated to-day.

May 13th 1798. Sunday. In the evening was the Gemein-hour, in which the widowed Brother Peter von Steuben, who had some time ago received permission, to live in the congregation of Nazareth, was received into the congregation, and he was recommended in prayer to the head of the Congregation. He had served the congregation in Nazareth and the institute, last winter and this spring, when we had unusually many sick people, and when our doctor of our congregation, Br. Otto, himself was weak and sick, with his medical knowledge and practice in all faithfulness together with the blessing of God. Therefore the brethren and sisters participate very much with the reception into our congregation.

May 17th 1798. Mr. Henry Pratt from Philadelphia brought his son James, 9 years old, to our school for education. --- In the evening was made known in a solemn manner by Br. Reichel the death of our dear Brother David Zeisberger. Br. Reichel thanked the Lord for the service of this
this brother and for the preparation here for the heavenly home. We also prayed for Sister Zeisberger, that the Lord might comfort her and may support her.

May 20th 1798. Sunday. In the afternoon at 1,30 after a speech of Br. Reichel and after reading of the story of his life, the late brother David Zeisberger was buried by a nice and pleasant weather, in the presence of the entire Nazareth congregation and of many brethren and sisters from Bethlehem and Schoeneck.

May 26th 1798. Br. Gottfried Haga from Philadelphia took his nephew Gottfried Haga, who had been in the paedagogium since November 3d 1796 for his education, after he had finished his school-term, to his home. And we hope, that the stay with us here, will be to the boy a great blessing for his future life. He left us with a thankful heart.

May 28th 1798. In the evening-service the single brother Christian Samuel Michael and the boy Johann Daniel Koehler were received into the congregation. Br. Christian Samuel Michael had with his Brother David Moritz who is now Michael serving in the paedagogium, to Nazareth in December 1795, and had lived here as a stranger and had worked in the joiner's shop. One had observed, that in his heart the spirit of God was working, and he had at that time repeatedly asked for permission to the congregation and for reception into it. In our E. C. on the 25th both requests had been approved, and on the same evening it was told him in the overseer-committee, that he had the permission to the congregation, for which he was very happy and glad.

May 31st 1798. In this and the former month several of our children, who had the small pox inoculated, had fortunately endured them. We had also many sick children in the institute with the mumps, and also among the children and adults in the village they had the mumps. The oldest son of Bro. and Sister Henry, Joseph Henry, was wounded badly on his body by a loaded gun, which he held in his hand, and discharged unawares. We
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were thankful, that no greater harm was done to the child.

June 2nd 1798. In the evening in a meeting of the communicants Br. Reichel announced, that the duties and the business, which our late brother David Zeisberger was doing, when he was in his office as Gemeinhelper, the brethren Gotthold Reichel and Andreas Busse should do, having been authorized by the helper-conference for the whole. They shall do that until the place shall be occupied again. --- To-day came the youth Johann David Penner from Bethlehem to Nazareth to stay here.

June 4th 1798. The choir of the big girls celebrated to-day their choir-festival. At 10 o'clock in the afternoon 7 little girls were received into choir of the big girls: Anna Sophia Christ, Anna Schmick, Rosina Beutel, Anna Johanna Clewell from Nazareth, and Maria Magdalena Knauss, Sarah Clewell and Anna Maria Demuth from Schoeneck.

June 5th 1798. Br. Bened held a funeral of a child on the Dry Land, and then he preached in the church there.

June 7th 1798. Br. Reichel announced the death of Sister Elizabeth Moith in Schoeneck. She was buried on the 8th in the afternoon at 4 o'clock.


June 30th 1798. This evening the FIRE-ENGINE was tried out, therefore the prayer-meeting was omitted.

July 1st 1798. In the afternoon at 3,30 we had children's conference, in which we expressed our thanks to the Lord, because of our children in the last months had had small pox, mostly by inoculation, and light cases, and all had endured them fortunately. Also the mumps-disease, which since the month of March most of our children, and also many boys and girls, had had, and adults, and some of them had it very hard, has now ceased again.

July 3rd 1798. Bro. and Sister Reichel had been in Bethlehem and they brought along the child Johann Gottlob Kummer from St. Thomas, which had been for 3 years in Bethlehem in the care of the bro. and Sister Schind-
July 4th 1798. Our music-band was to-day in Easton on request. At the celebration of this day, they rendered suitable music there in the church, which caused much enjoyment and much commendation. The preacher Mr. Pomp read mostly the Bible-texts in the German and English Language from before the Altar. The same minister held a German Sermon and another minister held an English one. -- Towards evening came a troop of light horses following an out-rider, a trumpeter. They behaved orderly and made some military exercises.

July 7th 1798. Saturday. This week is still to be remarked, that a man by name of Moses Frevel, who has three daughters in the congregation in Nazareth, had 14 days ago an accident, when he fell from the horse in the village here, and was badly wounded by the kicking of the horse, and it was so bad, that one did doubt his recovering. He had been nursed by Bro. and Sister Peissert in Old Nazareth, and also his own children tended him carefully. The brethren Reichel and Basse visited him diligently and directed him to the Lord, the friend of sinners. He accepted this in a childlike manner with thanks. -- Also in the B. C. and Overseer-committee they had no hesitation, in case that Moses Frevel should die, to grant him a place on our God's acre. After his recovery he returned in the beginning of this week to his home, happy and thankful for all, what he had received here, and he promised, that he would not forget all, what had been told to him, when he was sick, and he would turn his heart and mind to Eternity.

July 8th 1798. We received through Jacob Schaefer, who had accompanied our brethren John Heckewelder and Benjamin Mortimer to Fairfield in Canada, the news, that the brethren reached the place of their destination March 22nd safe and well, after a successful and happy journey, to the joy of all. The same guide told, that the brethren and sisters in Canada
are all well, and that the brethren Heckewaelder and W. Edwards had left Fairfield on the 30th of June and had gone to Muskingum with three Indians.

We all were thankful to the Lord, who had led everything in such a wonderful way.

July 9th 1798. About 60 youths and boys from Nazareth and Schoeneck celebrated their choir-festival. The following 10 boys were received into the youth's and boy's choir: Friedrich Wilhelm Beutel, Johann Heinrich Sensemann, Thomas Heckewaelder, Nathanael Mikesch, John Joseph Henry, Johann Andreas Belling, Samuel Schneider from the Nazareth Congregation; Renatus Demuth, Philip Flattenberger and Joseph Rauschenberger from the Schoeneck congregation.

July 11th 1798. Bro. and Sister O. Rice from Bethlehem brought their oldest son Joseph for some time to the paedagogium for education. For the same purpose brought Bro. and Sister William Henry their oldest son John Joseph to the Paedagogium. These two boys and the little Johann Gottlob Kummer, who had come here on the 3d from Bethlehem, were welcomed in a lovefeast for entering the Nazareth Hall. Many good wishes for prosperity were expressed to them.

July 12th 1798. Br. Reichel held the children's hour at which 2 men from Switzerland were present.

July 16th 1798. In the evening-service Br. Reichel reminded the congregation of Sister Zeisberger, who with her late husband had served the congregation of Nazareth for 18 years with all faithfulness, and it was told the congregation, that to-morrow sister Zeisberger is about to leave us and is going to Bethlehem to the widow's house. We wish and pray that the Lord, the friend of the widows, may be her daily and may give her comfort and strength. A hymn of blessing was then sung for her.

July 17th 1798. Sister Zeisberger, accompanied by our love, went to Bethlehem, where Bro. and Sister Reichel accompanied her.
July 23rd 1798. The single Brother Jacob Realing went on a visit to Lititz and Lancaster, in order to work there on his trade.

July 30th 1798. Br. Reichel, who had gone on a visit to Gnadenhütten, had baptized there on the 29th the married Brother Josua Samuel Davis, and returned from there well and safely.

August 19th 1798. The big girl Maria Christ came from Bethlehem to stay in Nazareth. In the evening we began to read the diary of Fairfield.

August 21st 1798. The Nazareth congregation proposed the three brethren, Joseph Schweishaupt, Heinrich Chr. Mueller and Christian Friedrich Denke as new members of the S. P. G. and were accepted.

August 25th 1798. We remembered in love and compassion the inhabitants of Philadelphia, and our brethren and sisters there by the malignant and contagious fever, which had broken out again.

August 27th 1798. Br. Reichel read the report of Br. Schlegel about the dedication of the new lutheran Church in Lebanon.

August 29th 1798. The single brethren celebrated to-day their choir-festival. The youth William Carney was added to the choir of the single brethren. Br. Reichel held the meetings.

September 2nd 1798. In the evening-service two girls Anna Sophia Christ and Rosina Beutel were received into the congregation. — Br. Reichel announced to the congregation, that Brother Johann Ljungberg in Lititz had received a call in the place of Br. Niels Tillofson, as Gemein-Servant to the congregation in Nazareth, and he was recommended to the love and confidence of the brethren and sisters, and to the prayer before the Lord. We remembered also the brethren David Zeisberger and Br. Wortimer, who probably will be now on their journey to Schoenbrunn on the Muskingum.

September 9th 1798. In the evening-meeting it was announced, that Br. and Sister de Schweinitz with their family had arrived safely and well in Europe.
September 11th 1798. The single sister Maria Elizabeth Roth had been baptized on the 26th of December, promised, that she would serve the Lord faithfully.

September 30th 1798. In the evening-service was Br. Schmick recommended to the congregation. He will leave to-morrow Bethlehem and will travel with some other brethren to Muskingum, where he will assist Br. Heckewelder in his business as agent of the S. P. G. Also the Bro. and Sister David Zeisberger and Br. B. Mortimer as well as the part of the congregation of the Indians, who at present are probably on their journey to Muskingum or have arrived there already, were brought to the attention of the congregation.

October 2nd 1798. In the prayer-meeting the congregations in Philadelphia and New York and the inhabitants of these and other towns, where the deadly fever had raged, were remembered with compassion and sympathy.

October 6th 1798. To-day we had the festive conclusion of the school-examination, which was held this week in the paedagogium. Several visiting friends from Bethlehem, Lititz and Philadelphia were present. At the love-feast many hearty greetings from Br. Gregor in Bethelsdorf and from Br. Attwein in Bethlehem had been received. Also the true assurance of remembering us, were sent to us from the U. A. C. Bro. and Sister Beutel from Bethlehem took their son Friedrich Wilhelm, who had been some years in the Paedagogium, with them to Bethlehem.

October 13th 1798. At the lovefeast prior to Holy Communion, Bro. and Sister Tillofsen for their farewell and Bro. and Sister Youngberg for their welcome were recommended to the congregation in love. We thanked Bro. and Sister Tillofsen for their 5 years of service as Gemein-Diener (Servant of the congregation). And we wished Bro. J. Youngberg God's blessing and support by the Lord for his office.

October 15th 1798. The little Peter Roebuck moved to-day from his care
by Sister Moehring in Old Nazareth to the Hall. - It was announced, that after a decision of the Gemeinrat a steeple-clock, which strikes the hour and quarter-hours, should be ordered by Br. Ebermann in Lancaster, which he had promised to furnish for 150 pounds. 10 pounds are here already, which have come in by legacies, and the rest of the money should be obtained by subscriptions and by receiving a capital, that should be loaned on account of the civil treasury (Kasse) and should be paid interest on it.

October 22nd 1798. Br. Reichel announced in Schoeneck that Br. Johannes Wolther had received a call as laborer of the congregation in Yorktown, and that Bro. and Sister Freuauff from Bethlehem had received a call as the future laborer of the Schoeneck congregation. Br. Hoeber, who had been Choir-helper of the single brethren here, received a call as laborer of the congregation in Heidelberg, which call he accepted.

October 27th 1798. The single brother Johannes Erdt went to-day to Bethlehem, where he will stay.

October 28th 1798. Sunday. It was announced, that in the place of Br. Niels Tillofsen, Bro. Youngberg and his wife on request and by order of the direction of the congregation should accept the office of a guide for the strangers; and Bro. and Sister W. Horsefield and John Kremser should be assistants in this office. The wish was expressed, that the visiting strangers should receive an impression of our chief-calling of a worthy conduct according to the gospel. Of brethren are at present serving as guides for strangers 3 brethren, as servants of the Hall in all our places are 10 brethren, by the music in the meetings of the congregation and the choirs are 30 brethren and boys active. Of the sisters are 4 as guides for strangers, as servants of the Hall are 7 sisters, and by the music are 10 sisters and girls appointed. We wish them all God's blessing and prosperity. In the evening was the big girl Christina Ernst received into the congregation.
November 9th 1798. Bro. and Sister Reichel and Bro. and Sister Youngberg and some other brethren and sisters went to Bethlehem to the funeral of Klingsorr, who died on the 5th of this month.

November 10th 1798. Bro. Reichel came this forenoon with Bro. and Sister Joh. Fr. Fruessauff, the future laborer of Schoeneck, and with the single sister Elizabeth Rhode, whom they brought along for their service, and who will be considered as a member of this congregation as long as she is with Bro. and Sister Fruessauff in Schoeneck. In the afternoon Bro. and Sister Reichel accompanied Bro. and Sister Fruessauff to Schoeneck.

November 11th 1798. Sunday. In the evening-service Bro. Reichel read from letters of the brethren Heckewelder and Mortimer the pleasant news, that Bro. and Sister Zeisberger and Bro. B. Mortimer with 33 Indians, brethren and sisters, big and small, after a difficult but safe journey of 51 days, had travelled from Fairfield in Canada to Schoenbrunn on the Muskingum. This news caused much joy and thankfulness in the congregation. --- Also the sad news of the death of Br. Sternberg, member of the servant-department in the U. A. C., on the 6th of July in Berthelsdorf. This news was received from private correspondence.

November 13th 1798. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon was the celebration of Holy Communion, at which the single brother Christian Samuel Michael in Nazareth, who had been a communicant in the lutheran church, and the widowed sister Maria Catharina Hoeck, who had attended Holy Communion in the reformed church, were admitted. --- The two boys Nathanael Miksch and Johann Heinrich Sensemann were received into the congregation.

November 17th 1798. In the afternoon at 3.30 there was Helper-Conference, in which we remembered the brethren and sisters in Philadelphia and New York, and in their great sufferings and troubles by the deadly fever, we wished for them much comfort, grace and blessing from our Lord. In
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In Philadelphia were 12 and in New York were 3 persons, who did belong to the congregation or Societatem, who had died. In the same conference we were thinking of these people, who had separated from the congregation or who had been discharged. In the Nazareth congregation have since 12 years, since 1786, separated and discharged about 23 persons. These are on a list, which has been presented to the E. C. and to the members of the helper-conference, and the names of those people have been brought before the Lord in prayer. Some of those people are no more alive, others have written to the congregation in Nazareth and have shown their repentance in writing. A great part of those people have settled in our neighbourhood in Plainfield, and they attend the meetings in Schoeneck and here now and then. Of some of them we have no information whatever. The true Shepherd may go after them and bring them back to the fold.

November 23rd, 1798. Br. Reichel went with Br. Ettwein, who had been here for several days, back to Bethlehem, where they met the brethren J. Hekewaelder and B. Mortimer, who had returned safely and well from Muskingum. Br. Mortimer came in the evening with Bro. Reichel on a short visit to Nazareth. Everybody was happy to see him again, after he had been away for 7 months, in which time he had travelled over 1500 miles and had met with many difficulties. But he had endured all very well and was so healthy and jolly, and his heart was full of love and warmth for the Indian-Mission, and was glad, to see the Indian congregation soon again.

November 24th, 1798. From Hope came the big girl Maria Catharina Bruce to the choir-house here.

November 25th, 1798. The big girl Anna Schmick was received into the congregation.

November 30th, 1798. Dr. Peter M. von Steuben, who had lived since March in Nazareth, moved at the end of this month to Easton.

December 1st, 1798. We had the pleasure, to welcome Br. Jacob Schmick
from Muskingum, where he had been from October 14th to November 18th, and had been helping together with the two young Colver, to build a house for Bro. and Sister Zeisberger, at which also the Indian brethren were helping. Now he came back from there well and safe. -- In the evening-meeting it was announced, that Bro. Conrad Kremser in Hope had received a call as choir-helper and choir-servant of the single brethren here, and he accepted the call.

December 9th 1798. Sunday. In the evening there was no meeting on account of the snow-weather. In Schoeneck was married the single brother Christian Glewell with the single sister Maria Rosina Kreider.

December 14th 1798. A widow Mary Jones and her daughter Anna, who had for several years the desire, to live in the congregation Bethlehem, but had not received the permission, came to-day with a girl Fatimer Bell Hamilton from Philadelphia to Nazareth, in order to get from the direction of the congregation the permission, to live this winter as guests in the new store in Nazareth.

December 15th 1798. Br. Reichel had to-day a friendly visit by Joseph Worbass, a son of our old brother Peter Worbass, and a former member of the brethren's church. He is living at present not far from Hope near the Sussex Court House in Jersey. Beforehand already he had written to the Brethren Keineke and Br. Reichel, when he was notified of the death of his mother and was greeted by his father, how sorry he was, that he had grieved his parents and the congregation through his going away, and now by word of mouth he showed love and respect for the brethren's church, as a people of the Lord.

December 17th 1798. In the evening Br. Reichel read an extract from a letter of the brother G. Jessen in St. Croix of November 9th of this year. In that extract he told of the death and funeral of our beloved friend and brother, the Governor-General on the Danish West-Indien Islands, Mr. von Malleville, on October 22nd of this year.
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December 26th 1798. In the evening-service after a talk by Br. Reichel about the daily texts, 2 big girls, Anna Johanna Clewell and Margarethe Opitz were received into the congregation. The latter one, who had been serving with the bro. and sister Nathanael Miksch not far from Old Nazareth, received the permission to the congregation in Nazareth. - The congregation had this evening in the little hall in the Hall by a nice illumination a christmas-celebration, with music and choir-singing. - This days we had some visitors from Bethlehem, for instance Bro. and Sister Schaaf, Bro. and Sister Fischer, and Br. Stadiger.

December 31st 1798. At the close of the year the children had a love-feast. Br. Reichel told about the many proofs of his love and his kindness, which they had received during the last year. And how we should be grateful for all his blessings. - At 12 o'clock the trombone choir announced the New Year and the congregation joined in the singing.

End of the Diary of Nazareth of the year 1798.

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The following Diary is the diary of the single brethren in Nazareth of the year 1798.
January 6th 1799. Br. Reichel had been appointed in the place of the late Br. David Zeisberger as Gemeinhelper, helper in the congregation, and Br. Andreas Busse had been appointed as assistant of the helper of the congregation in Nazareth. Br. Andreas Busse was also appointed as a member of the helper-conference for the whole.

January 8th 1799. Brother Reichel and Bro. Busse went to Bethlehem, where the latter one was introduced as a member in the Helper-conference for the whole. The brethren of the conference wished then both brethren for their new offices God's richest blessings.

January 11th 1799. The single brother B. Mortimer and the single sister Bethia Warner had been engaged yesterday in Bethlehem.


January 13th 1799. Two vacant places in the Gemein-Rat had to be filled. In the single brethren's choir two brethren had the most votes, Paulus Weiss and Johann Christian Ebbike, which brethren were approbated as new members of the Gemein-Rat, and they began their work to-day.

January 14th 1799. From Bethlehem came the single brother Anton Huebner to stay in the Brethren's house. - The single brother Jacob Kauschenberger went to Bethlehem, where he will stay in the brethren's house. - The widowed sister Anna Catharina Man moved from here to Bethlehem, to stay, and to get some help in her increasing sickness, by her daughter, Sister Bischoff. She had lived for a few years with our old widowed Sister Beck, in order to help her in her age and weakness.

January 15th 1799. We received some news of the death of the brethren Sternberg and Lorez in the U. A. C. in Europe, and that their places will have to be filled again by new members.

January 20th 1799. Br. Reichel reminded the congregation, that yesterday 66 years ago, the three brethren Matthaeus Stach, Christian Stach and Christian David from Herrnhut set out for Greenland. After five years of
hard labour, tears and prayers, no fruit was to be seen. Then the Lord opened the heart of the Greenlanders by reading the story of Jesus' suffering to them. Now we have 3 congregations, New-Herrnhut, Lichtenfelde, and Lichtenau with over 1000 adults and children, who are believing in the Lord.

January 20th 1799. Sunday. Br. Hoeber held for the first time the meeting in Nazareth.

January 24th 1799. On account of the snow-weather, there was no meeting in the evening. Br. Conrad Krenser came here according to his call and to stay here.

January 27th 1799. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was a choir-meeting of the single brethren, youths and boys on the little hall in Nazareth Hall. Br. Reichel introduced Br. Conrad Krensen as choir-helper and choir-servant and was blessed for his work. The parents had a conference with Br. Reichel, in which was discussed the education of the children.

February 1st 1799. The single brother Jacob Christ, who had been discharged from Bethlehem on account of some offences, came to-day to Nazareth, and on the request of Jacob Christ and the E. G. in Bethlehem he was accepted on probation.

February 8th 1799. Br. Reichel and Br. Hoeber visited to-day in the afternoon a man, who is sick for some time, by name of Abraham Siegfried, 5 miles away from here, and who believed, that his end was near. The brethren spoke with him about the Lord Jesus. Then he was praying with him. The man had been baptized as an adult and had not had any connection with any church, and had not been in Holy Communion. Several of that family come to Nazareth to the meetings, but they are not baptized. For instance the oldest brother of Abraham Siegfried is not baptized, and when he was a child, he went to school, when the late bro. Philip Wurster was teacher. And since that time this man has a special love and affection for the bre-
brethren. He told Bro. Reichel and Bro. Hoeber, when he took them home in the sledge, several things about that time, and how he remembered the nice verses, which Br. Philip had taught him, and he recited some verses to the brethren in the sledge. He sang also one of the hymns, of which the tune is very hard. Br. Hoeber accepted this as an encouragement in his vocation in Heidelberg.

February 10th 1799. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock had the choir of the single brethren, youths and boys in the presence of the brethren of the E. C. in Nazareth on the little hall in Nazareth Hall a lovefeast for the farewell of the brethren Nicolaus Hoeber, William Lister and George Golgovsky, and for the welcome of Br. Conrad Kreüer. Our outside scholars in the Hall, who are over 12 years, were also present. At this occasion it was brought to the remembrance of all, that Br. Hoeber had served the choir of the single brethren in Nazareth since January 20th 1796, and over 9 years as Choir-helper. Br. W. Lister, who is now 84 years old, had served 7 years in the Missionfield in Antigua, and had lived in the brethren's house in Nazareth 25 years. He is the only brother, who is still alive of those, who entered the Choirhouse in May 18th 1774. He has served since September 1779, 20 years, assvant of the choir. - Br. G. Golgovsky, who is now 74 years old, was serving from 1761 to 1797, about 36 years, in the single brethren's economy in many ways. Especially he was helping the book-keeper, and the last 5 years, before the economy of the single brethren's choir in Christian Spring was abolished, he was the Warden, and since that time he was working as book-keeper and as assistant of the choir-servant of the single brethren in Nazareth. Br. Hoeber will soon follow his call and travel to Heidelberg. The brethren Lister and Golgovsky will go after Easter to Bethlehem, where they will rest. Br. Reichel then thanked the brethren in the name of the Choir for their faithful services, and wished them God's blessing for their future. Br. Rei-
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Reichel wished Br. Conrad Kreuser God’s strength and grace for his work as Choir-helper and Choir-servant. At this occasion it was taken notice of the fact, that Br. Lister had been several years in the Mission-work in Antigua, and Br. Golgovsky had been in his younger years in Labrador, and that in these days we had heard from England through a letter from Br. Thom. Moore In London to Br. Mortimer, that in the English congregations among the young single brethren the desire to witness is active, and at the close of the meeting the wish was expressed, that also in America among the single brethren such a desire to witness for the Lord may be aroused.

February 14th 1799. Br. Hoeber bade farewell to the children in their meeting. The E. C. bade farewell to the brethren Hoeber, Golgovsky and Lister at the close of their service in the congregation in Nazareth and especially in the single brethren’s choir. They partook then the cup of covenant. Bro. Hoeber went after this to Bethlehem, accompanied by the brethren Kreuser and Benade, where he was married in the evening with Sister Lehman.

February 17th 1799. Two foreign scholars from St. Croix, William and George Heitman left to-day the paedagogium, where they had received for three years education. The younger one, George, had this winter when skating on the Lecha near Bethlehem, a special protection of his life. He broke through the ice in place, where it was very deep, but through God’s care, and by the presence of his mind as well as by the quick help of his comrades, he was saved.

February 20th 1799. The singing-hour was omitted on account of the snowy weather.

February 21st 1799. Br. Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt received a call for the service in the Mission in Fairfield through the helper-conference for
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for the whole. He was willing to accept the call. He was then recommended to the prayer of the congregation.

February 25th 1799. The cold weather was in these days greater than it was in the entire winter. On the 23d we had 4 degrees below zero, and the cold weather continued with a sharp north-west-wind, and we had to omit the children's hour and the evening-service.

March 10th 1799. Sunday. After the sermon had the brethren of the E. C. a talk with Dr. William Henry regarding the restlessness and insubordination against the government, and what under these circumstances and by the threatening of the hostile-minded people against the brethren's places of the congregation. What measures of precaution will be taken by the direction of the congregation for the best and safety of our places and of our village. --- The brethren William Henry and Jacob Eyerly went to-day in the affairs of the government on account of the above mentioned trouble, to Philadelphia.

March 11th 1799. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock was a meeting of all the house-fathers and masters, in which we caused to speak about the occurrence in Bethlehem last Thursday, and also in our neighborhood, those people, who are hostile-minded, and who have uttered threatenings. We encouraged ourselves to trust in the Lord, for he will be our protector and shield. And we as children of God will be people, who love peace, and who will be subject to the government. It is necessary, that we are careful in our talking, so that we do not irritate those embittered people the more against the government, but that we win them through quietness and meekness, and not through all kinds of tales and talkativeness, put fear into the hearts of sisters and children. It was also resolved, that during the time, when those troubles last, a night-watchman should be put on duty.

March 13th 1799. The brethren of the E. C. had a meeting with the brethren
of the over-seer Committee, in which they had a discussion concerning the present trouble. The inn-keeper, the store-keeper and also Br. Frueauff from Schoeneck, were present.

March 25th 1799. 3 boys were received into the congregation: John Joseph Henry, Thomas Heckewelder, and Samuel Schneider.

March 26th 1799. Br. Jacob Rauschenberger came to-day from Bethlehem for the service among the children in Nazareth Hall.

March 26th 1799. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock held Br. Reichel the funeral of the married brother Christoph Gideon Myrtetus, who had died on the 25th of March.

March 29th 1799. To-day came the youth Wilhelm Cassler from Lititz to Nazareth to stay here.

April 2nd 1799. On account of much rain there was no meeting.

April 4th 1799. In the evening came the father of the Indian boy John Konkaput, who is now almost 2 years in the school here on the expenses of the government of Pennsylvania. John Konkaput, senior, is a chief of the Stockbridge-Nation, who in the American Revolutionary war was as Captain over 40 men of his nation with the army of the United States. He came with his brother Benjamin Konkaput to Nazareth. They attended the evening-meeting, where a speech of Br. Duvernoy of May 14th 1797 was read. They enjoyed the singing and were glad, that the young Konkaput could understand, what they did not understand. After the meeting they paid a kindly visit to Bro. Reichel and talked with him, for the old John Konkaput speaks the English language pretty well. He told to Br. Reichel and to the other brethren, who were present, about the arrangements of the christian Indians and in Stockbridge. He talked also about his son. Further he told about the Oneida Nation, who are with each other in kindly connection and who among one another live mingled with the others. They are served with the Word of God and the Sacrament by the Missionary Kirk-
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Kirkland. Several of the Indians had visited us in March 1793 accompanied by Mr. Kirkland.

April 5th 1799. In the morning at 8,30 the Indians attended the English Children's hour, which Br. Benade held. The choir sang in the beginning a musical piece, which gave them much pleasure. Afterwards they were taken around in all the rooms in the paedagogium. John Konhaput, senior, rejoiced very much, when he saw his son play very well a few pieces on the piano. The father was glad about everything, what his son had learned in languages and science, and especially he was glad, when he saw a collection of well worked out architectonic drawings made by his son's own hands. The father was so thankful about what the son had all learned in the Paedagogium. When they went to the little Hall in the Gemeinhouse and the father saw the pictures of Jesus' birth and sufferings, and when every picture was explained to them, the father uttered the desire, that his son should become a preacher of the gospel among his own people. And there he could take the place of another Indian, who by the Christian Indians in Stockbridge was the assistant of the Missionary Kirkland, who has to serve three Christian Indian Congregations, and since some time had died. Therefore the father should like to have his son several years more in the school, and he will request it by the government. Br. Reichel answered the father, that if the son's vocation would according to God's will be a servant of God, then he would be very glad, and he would wish his son a deep impression of the crucified Jesus, whose picture they had before them, and that he would go with a warm heart to his country-people and preach them the gospel, which the boy heard in a friendly and cheerful manner. Br. Reichel told then the father, that they had used all efforts, to educate his son and to fulfill the good intentions of the Government and to further the happiness and welfare of his nation; but also for the benefit of the inner man of the Indian boy had we done our
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best to lead him to self-knowledge and to the knowledge of the Lord. After they had seen all in the paedagogium, and Benjamin Konkaput, who could speak very little English, had seen the museum of natural history of our school, and the great number of stuffed birds and the quadruped animals, and looked at them with astonishment and pleasure and he showed his various mien and gestures, when he was looking at some of the animals; they went then to the sisters' house and were lead around there. They saw all the rooms and little hall, also the kitchen, from where the scholars in the paedagogium are fed. They saw all with great delight. Then they ate with Bro. and Sister Reichel dinner. After the dinner, Bro. Reichel delivered to John Konkaput a copy of Loskiel's History of the Brethren's Mission among the Indians in English language. This book John Konkaput had not seen before and had not read it either, therefore he was well pleased, when he received it. The son had read it with great attention while he was in the paedagogium as scholar. Now the boy wanted to go with his father, to see his sick mother, and he would stay at home for about three months. He undertook it, to read the Book of Loskiel to his people and to his country-folks at home. He also took along an English brethren's hymnbook and some other books for the same purpose. After they had finished eating, they bade farewell and went from here in the afternoon on foot according to the Indian-fashion in one row one after the other, to Bethlehem, from where they will go by stage to Philadelphia and New York, and from there on water to travel up the Hudson-River. They thought, that they might come back in the middle or at the end of June via Tioga and Wilksbarre to Nazareth.

April 19th 1799 The single brother Christian Giersch, who could not remain any longer in Bethlehem, came here on his and the E. C. in Bethlehem's request on probation.
April 20th 1799. We had the pleasure, to have the entire company, who
is going soon to Muskingum and Fairfield, in our midst, as, Bro. and Sis-
ter Benjamin Mortimer, Bro. and Sister Oppelt, Bro. and Sister Jungman,
and the brother David Peter. We had to-day the conclusion of the spring-
examination, which was held this week. Several Brethren and sisters from
Bethlehem, Lititz and Hope had come. The oldest scholars in the name of
the whole school expressed the feeling of thankfulness towards their for-
mer teachers, the brethren Mortimer and Oppelt, and extended their best
wishes for their calling, to spread God's kingdom among the Indians, in
a musical song, which was read and then was handed to the brethren Mor-
timer and Oppelt. All who could sing, joined the singing. — The second
Session was then closed with a lovefeast. Two other Missionaries were
present, namely, Bro. Johann Friedrich Reichel from Antigua and Br. Fie-
scher from Suriname. Br. Reichel remarked how nice it is, that the In-
stitute and the Mission-work are closely connected, and that this school
had been favoured 3 years one after the other, to have called one brother
and teacher to the Mission-service. Two years ago, Br. Nathanael Braun,
from whom we had to-day letters from Mesopotamia in Jamaica of February
17th, was called to the Mission-service. Last year Br. Mortimer, and this
year Br. Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt was called to the Mission-Service. They
were then recommended to God's care and protection on their way to the
Missionfield. — Br. Jacob Rauschenberger, who had come from Bethlehem
and had taken Br. Oppelt's place in the Institute in March 26th, was wel-
comed at this lovefeast, and much grace and power from the Lord was wished
for them, for the service among the children. — The little Samuel Re-
neke, whose parents Bro. and Sister Reineke in Hope, had sent him, just
on the birthday of his mother, to the Institute, was heartily welcomed
in the midst of the other children. It is our wish, that the boy may be-
come a plant in the garden of the Lord, and may grow and bloom and bring
Forth fruit for Jesus. At the close of this celebration we assured the present missionaries, that the paedagogium will remember them in prayer before the Lord, and we asked them, that they should do the same for us.

April 26th 1799. Sunday. In the service Br. and Sister Mortimer, Bro. and Sister Oppelt and Bro. and Sister Jungmann, who will start to-morrow on their journey from Bethlehem to Muskingum, were recommended for prayer on their journey and for their future calling in Gosen, Fairfield and Gnadenmuetten. Some verses of blessing were sung for them.

April 29th 1799. Br. Reichel read a biographic of Br. George Ludwig Oldendorp, who had died in Miesky in October 9th 1796. The brethren Kreusser, Benade and Paul Weiss, who had been present at the despatching of the company, who is going to Muskingum, and at the ordination of Br. Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt for a deacon of the brethren's church, and at the acceptance of the Sisters Oppelt, Mortimer and Jungmann for Akoluthia, returned again in the evening from Bethlehem, and brought hearty greetings from the pilgrims.

May 4th 1799. The single sisters celebrated to-day their choir-festival. 6 big girls were received into their choir: Maria Christ, Elizabeth Clewell, Sophia Dorothea Reichel, and Rosina Schenk from Nazareth, and Catharina Seyfried and Anna Johanna Ari from Schoeneck.

May 6th 1799. Br. Jacob van Vleck brought his son Wilhelm Heinrich van Vleck, 8 years old, to Nazareth to the Paedagogium. Also Sister Deborah King from New York brought her son Charles Bird King, 13 years old, to the school here. Mrs. Davidson from St. Vincent, who lived for some years in Bethlehem, brought her son George Davidson, 9 years old, who had gone for some years to school in Bethlehem, to Nazareth to the Paedagogium, for further education. In the afternoon they were heartily welcomed in a lovefeast. At the same time bade farewell the boy Johann Gottfried Ettenwein, who had been in the paedagogium for one year and a half. He went,
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accompanied by our love and best wishes for his prosperity, to Bethlehem, where he will learn a trade.

May 8th 1799. The E. C. with the consent of the overseer-committee have thought it advisable, because the restlessness in the neighborhood has ceased, and our civil treasury at present is not able to keep up a constant night-watch.

May 12th 1799. Two outside scholars, Johann Ludwig and Ernst Fr. Miller, left to-day the paedagogium, and returned again accompanied by our love and best wishes for future success to St. Croix to their parents.

May 14th 1799. The brethren Reichel and Busse went to Bethlehem for the helper-conference for the whole, whereas in the evening was married the widowed Brother Joh. Friedr. Reichel from Antigua with the single sister Maria Book.

May 17th 1799. The passion-liturgy was omitted on account of the rainy-weather. Br. Benede held the English children's hour.

May 18th 1799. Bro. and Sister Joh. Friedrich Reichel and Br. Reich from Bethlehem, came to Nazareth for a visit.

May 19th 1799. Br. Reichel held the liturgy and Br. Joh. Fr. Reichel from Antigua preached the sermon. — We experienced to-day the grief, that 2 former members of the congregation in Nazareth, the single Johann Christian Ebbike and the widow Catharina Levering, who wanted to marry, but by the E. C. according to the instruction of the Lord, was not approved, and yet they married in spite of the disapproval. And by doing so, they have separated from our congregation. By this action will be separated the children of the woman: Anna Rosina, Catharina Louise and Carl Joseph Levering, from the congregation. —— Because this occurrence has caused in the congregation several expressions about our method to deal with the lot, when there are proposals for marriage in the congregation, the E. C. of Nazareth was obliged, to make known the agreement of the last Synod and its unanimous conclusion: "that it shall persistence in, that
in our Orts-Gemeinen (village congregations) henceforth as before all marriages shall be constituted after the direction of our Lord through the announcement of the LOT. 

This agreement of the Synod was repeated in the single brethren's choir and in the single sister's choir. Also the married choir was notified of this agreement. In the married choir all true brethren and Sisters were requested, to support the E. C. in keeping this our praiseworthy arrangement, which the Brethren's church (Unity) esteems as an inestimable treasure, which we, without the entire ruin of our Gemein-orte, cannot do without it. We therefore should avoid, to listen to such talks and utterances, which are against our Rules, and against the agreement. The respect, which we have of the LOT, should not be diminished by unsettled minds.

May 26th 1799. Sunday. William, Abraham and Peter Augustus Heyliger, the three youngest sons of the chamberlain, Mr. Heyliger, of which the first one has been in the Nazareth School 8 years, and the second almost 6 years, and the third almost 2 years, went in the afternoon to Philadelphia, in order to go on request of their father, who is at present with his family in England, by first chance of a ship to London. The farewell was hard. We accompanied them with our hearty wishes for a prosperous future. They promised to keep up the connection with the Brethren's Unity, as their 3 older brothers have done in London.

May 29th 1799. Bro. and Sister Martin Beck, who some days ago came here, delivered their son Johann, 8 years old, to the institute for education. In a lovefeast he was welcomed by the other future room-company, and him and the other children had been wished, that they all might be filled with the love of Jesus. Br. Ettwein, who had stayed here for a few days, and who yesterday together with the brethren Cunow and van Vleck had attended the E. C. by a lovefeast in behalf of Br. Schnall, who celebrated his birthday, returned to-day to Bethlehem again.
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June 2nd 1799. Sunday. The boy Frederic Davoue, who since May 23d 1795, has been here in the paedagogium for 4 years, returned to his parents, Bro. and Sister Davoue in New York, accompanied by our love and wishes of blessings.

June 4th 1799. The big girls, 30 by number together with those from Schoeneck, celebrated to-day their choir-festival. 6 children, Elizabeth Eyerly and Anna Rosina Buss from Nazareth, and Anna Susanna Seyfried, Catharina Steiner, Susanna Rothrock and Elizabeth Rauschenberger from Schoeneck, had been received into the choir of the big girls.

June 9th 1799. Sunday. To-day we read in 3 lessons the Diary of the bro. and Sister David Zeisberger and of Br. Benjamin Mortimer, who had with 33 Indian brethren and sisters and children travelled from Fairfield in Canada to Schoenbrunn on the Muskingum.

June 14th 1799. Br. Benade held to-day a funeral of an 80 years old mother, Elizabeth Miller, in Moorstownship, and preached to a great gathering in the church there. Her husband, Walther Miller, was one of the 7 persons in Plainfield, who in the year 1754 had written to the Synod of the Brethren in Bethel, and had requested a preacher of the brethren's church, which was then the beginning in Schoeneck. He and his wife after this did not come in closer connection with the brethren. After the funeral had Bro. Benade and Bro. Kreuser a talk with the husband about spiritual things.

June 17th 1799. In the evening read Br. Reichel a remarkable report of the congregation in Philadelphia of the last half of the year 1798. We learned to know with participation, that Br. Meder during his two months' stay outside of the town on account of the yellow fever, had almost every Sunday opportunity, to preach the gospel to a number of the refugees, in churches or houses.

June 23d 1799. Sunday. We made to-day the sad experience, that the single
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Elizabeth Rhode, who had served by Bro. and Sister Frueauf in Schoeneck and who did belong to the single sisters' choir in Nazareth, has separated from the congregation.

June 29th 1799. The heat in the last days of this month was very great. We had today as well as last Wednesday, strong thunderstorms and plenty of rain, and on Wednesday we had even hail-stones. But not much harm was done.

July 1st 1799. The little boy Peter Rauschenberger came today from Hope to Nazareth and on his request he was accepted on probation in the brethren's house and in the kitchen.

July 3d 1799. The oldest son of Bro. and Sister Kampmann in Hope, Franz Christian Kampmann, 12 years old, who had visited the Bethlehem Institute for the last 20 months, was brought here by his mother for education. Also the oldest son of Sister Mary Gill in Lancaster, Jacob Dickert Gill, 11 years old, was brought to Nazareth by his mother. In a lovefeast with their room-company they were welcomed in the Nazareth Hall.

July 5th 1799. Br. Bardill from Antigua, who had been with his wife here on a visit, held today the English children's hour.

July 7th 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon we were glad and thankful for the baptism of the first fruits in the new Indian congregation in Gosen on the Muskingum. Bro. and Sister J. Fr. Reichel, who are going back to Antigua, and Bro. and Sister Bardill, who are in our midst; and also the 4 brethren, whom we on their way to Suriname have soon to expect, were all recommended to the brethren and sisters for prayer. Also Br. Jacob van Vleck for his new commissions, which he had received from the Lord through the U.A.C., was recommended for prayer.

July 9th 1799. The boys celebrated their choir-festival. Br. Kreusen held at 8 o'clock their festival morning-prayer. The following 8 children had been received into the boy's choir: Johann Jacob Brunner, Franz
Christian Kampmann, Johann Benezet Bartow, Jacob Miksach, Abraham Reineke, David Peter Schneller and Samuel Rudolf Reichel from the Nazareth Congregation; Carl Friedrich Clewell from the Schoeneck Congregation.

July 14th 1799. Sunday. In the evening-meeting Br. Reichel read a letter of Br. Gottfried Sebastian Oppelt, dated Muskingum, June 16th and 17th, and a letter from the Indian Brother Josua, June 17th. He told, how happy he was in his heart, and told also of the arrival of the brethren and sisters Mortimer, Oppelt and Jungmann on the Muskingum, and how happy and thankful they were about it.

July 21st 1799. A foreign scholar in the paedagogium, John Payne Connor from St. Croix, who had been in our institute for more than 6 years, went to-day from here to Frankfurt near Philadelphia, to learn there to become a merchant according to the determination of his father, Mr. John Connor, a planter in St. Croix, who loves the brethren and who is a friend of the Mission-work. The boy left us with love and gratefulness.

On the 18th of this month a younger scholar Simon Hoogland Behagen, 9 years old, from St. Croix, came on recommendation of our brethren there to our Institute for education. His father, Mr. Joost Johann Behagen, Royal Danish King's counsellor and Judge for the town in Friedrichstadt on St. Croix, wrote to Br. Reichel last year with the request to accept his son in the Nazareth school, the following: "It is nothing more in my heart, than the education of my children. This is the reason, that I believe, that it is my duty, to send my children to a place, where the purpose will be brought to an accomplishment." And in the letter, which was brought by son, who shall study in Nazareth School, he mentions among the subjects, in which his son shall be taught, "Religion and biblical History" first.

July 27th 1799. Saturday. The fire-engine was tried out, therefore no singing-hour was held.
July 28th 1799. This week were no meetings, because the hall was white-washed and scoured.

Note: It has to be made up for the months of May and June, that the Boy Johann Jacob Schneider from Hope, who had lived here in the brethren's house almost 2 years, and because he had no mind, to stay any longer, went on the 24th of May first to his father in Hope, and afterwards moved to his former master J. C. Ebbeke in the neighbourhood, and by doing so, he seperated from the congregation in Nazareth. --- The boy Wilhelm Cassler, who had come here on probation for some time, went back to his parents in Lititz, June 7th. --- The single brother Benjamin Chitty came to-day from Bethlehem on probation to this congregation. He will work by Br. W. Henry as stocker.

August 7th 1799. On account of some repairs on the windows in the meeting-hall, no meetings will beheld.

August 10th 1799. The single Bro. Anton Huebner, who had lived here for half a year, went to Bethlehem to stay there.

August 11th 1799. Sunday. We thanked the Lord for the safe arrival of our appointed 4 brethren in Bethlehem, who are destined for Suriname. We gave thanks to the Lord, who had protected the brethren on sea, and we recommended at the same time the other brethren, who are to be expected. --- We also asked the Lord for rain, for the ground was all dried out.

August 12th 1799. We received a nice refreshing rain, which lasted half an hour. We were thankful to the Lord for this gift.

August 15th 1799. The 4 brethren, who are appointed for Suriname, Metz, Schulz, Oertel and Breutel, visited us to our and their enjoyment.

August 18th 1799. Sunday. In the evening-meeting was announced the engagement of the widowed Br. George Rauschenberger from Bethlehem with the widowed Sister Anna Margaretha Schenk from Nazareth, and they were recommen-to the blessing of the Lord.
August 19th 1799. The single sister Sybilla Weinland came from Bethlehem on probation to the single sisters' house here.

August 21st 1799. Most of the members of the S. P. G. went to Bethlehem to the annual conference of the same society. Br. Conrad Kreuser was officially added to the S. P. G.

August 25th 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon baptized Br. Reichel in Christian Spring a son of Daniel and Anna Elizabeth Slabach, who there is serving as a bound servant, and gave on request of the parents, the names Johann George. The child was born in August 19th. — In the evening was the marriage of the widowed Br. Johann George Rauschenberger with the widowed Sister Anna Margaretha Schenk.

August 26th 1799. The single sister Elizabeth Brunner went to-day to Hope in the service of Bro. and Sister Hartmann.

August 29th 1799. The single brethren, youths and boys celebrated to-day their choir-festival. The following youths were received into the single brethren's choir: Johann Jacob Christ, Christian David Sensemann, Johann Jacob Kummer, Johann Jacob Schmidt, and Johann Friedrich Miksch, all communicants from the Nazareth Congregation; and Johann Jacob Kintig of the Schoeneck congregation.

August 31st 1799. Br. Reichel baptized to-day in the neighborhood a sick child on the request of the parents, Joh. Dan. and Mrs. Catharina Ziegler, and gave the name Magdalena.

September 2nd 1799. Br. Gottlieb Breutel, who is appointed for Suriname, came here for some time, to work in the single brethren's house in the tailor's shop.

September 3rd 1799. After a long aridity we had a nice rain, for which reason the evening-meeting was omitted.

September 10th 1799. Br. George Rauschenberger from Bethlehem, who had stayed here for some time, moved to-day with his wife Anna Margaretha,
a widowed Schenk, with whom he was married August 25th here in Nazareth, in the neighborhood of Bethlehem, about 1½ mile from there, where they will build a house for themselves.

September 11th 1799. The E. C. rejoiced to-day with our 4 brethren, who are appointed for Suriname, Metz, Schulz, Oertel and Breutel, of which the latter one is living at present in the Brethren's house, and who celebrates to-day his birthday, and the other 3 from Bethlehem, who visited us, a pleasant lovefeast. They were assured, that the entire congregation would in love remember them in their prayers for their important calling.

September 22nd 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3,30 we had Helper-Conference, in which we remembered in love and participation Bro. and Sister Meder and Bro. and Sister Bikby, also our congregations in Philadelphia and New York and the inhabitants in those towns at the present epidemic of the deadly fever. We also remembered Bro. and Sister D. Peter, and Br. Bollinger, who are on their journey to Muskingum. Then we remembered the brethren and sisters in Gnadenhuetten, who will soon start on their journey there with their families. We were also thinking of the 4 brethren, who are on their way from Europe here and are daily expected.

September 26th 1799. Bro. Frueauf in Schoeneck had been asked to visit the sick bro. Weygerd behind Christian Spring. Br. Reichel went in the evening to the house of Michael and Mrs. Hering in Plainfield, 4 miles from Nazareth, in order to baptize a 2 years old daughter, who had not been baptized as yet, and who was dangerously ill, and baptized the girl, who had fever on the chest, was very weak and who was near to her end, and gave her the name Maria. After this he gave a word of admonition and comfort to the parents and returned late home. -- The child died on the 27th and Br. Benade buried it and preached in the Plainfield church.
September 29th 1799. Br. Christian Heckewelder took to-day his son Thomas, 13 years old, who had been almost 5 years in Nazareth Hall, and had been received into the boy-choir and into the congregation, with him to Emmaus, in order to assist him in his businesses there. Our love and best wishes accompanied him there.

October 1st 1799. From Bethlehem came sister Schneckenburger and brought her son Johann Tobias Schneckenburger to the institute for education. --In the afternoon also a foreign scholar Jacob Macdowel Stroud, 11 years old, a son of the colonel Jacob Stroud in Stroudsburg, Lower Smithfield Township, was brought to us for education in the institute.

October 3d 1799. In the afternoon many brethren and sisters attended the funeral of the late Br. Cornelius Weygand in Schoeneck. -- We received the pleasant news of the safe arrival of the long expected 4 European brethren, Winkler, Hellwig, Dahmann and Eberhard in Bethlehem, which caused much joy and gratitude.

October 5th 1799. We had the pleasure to welcome the 4 brethren Christian Winkler, Gideon Helwig, Johann Ludwig Eberhard and Gustav Heinrich Dahmann accompanied by Br. Stadiger from Bethlehem. The three latter ones, after they had looked around in our village and in Schoeneck, returned in the evening to Bethlehem. --- Br. William Horsefied, who since August of the year 1794 had been manager as merchant of the Store to Bethlehem with his wife Rebecca and daughter, in Nazareth, went to-day, because since some time a change in the Nazareth store had been found necessary, and the same store had been transferred to our Gemein-Diener(servant of the congregation) Br. John Youngberg, under the firm:J. Youngberg & Co. Our love accompanied Br. William Horsefield, his wife Rebecca and his daughter Letitia, and we wished them God's blessings.

October 6th 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon at 5 o'clock was a meeting of the single brethren, youths and boys in the little hall in Nazareth Hall, in which Br. Christian Winkler was introduced by Br. Reichel as
Choirmaster and Choir-servant, and was then consecrated for his work.

Br. Reichel announced also, that Br. Christian Winkler from Ebersdorf had received from the Lord through the U. A. C. a call as Choir-helper and Choir-servant of the single brethren here, which office was filled ad interim by Br. Conrad Kreuser by the instruction of the Lord in the helper-conference for the whole in Nazareth. Br. Kreuser's future destination will be decided in the helper-conference for the whole. Br. Chr. Winkler, who had after a pleasant and quick voyage of 9 weeks, arrived with his company safely and well in Nazareth, was to-day in the afternoon introduced to the choir of the single brethren, youths and boys, and was consecrated to his office. He was recommended to the congregation for kind remembrance and prayer, and the congregation blessed him at the beginning of his service in the house of the Lord with a hymn.

October 7th 1799. Br. Owen Rice, who visited us from Bethlehem, delivered his oldest son Joseph, who had been in the Paedagogium for one year and 3 months, and who was dismissed with much love and blessings, to Br. Jacob Christ for learning the hatmaker's trade. And for that purpose the boy moved from the paedagogium to the brethren's house. -- In the evening at 8 o'clock on the little hall in the meeting-house a discussion of all the house-fathers, citizens and masters from the village and Old Nazareth, in which the following was announced and recommended by the E.

1. That all fathers, citizens and masters should try, throughout the winter in the brethren's house. The school will take place on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, in the evening from 8 to 9 o'clock. The Fathers, citizens, and masters should urge the boys, to come punctually and every time to school. Also to the Lehr-Unnterricht (catechetical class), which will be held every 4 weeks on Sundays, in the afternoon at 12,30 in the afternoon in the brethren's house, the boys should be sent regularly. ---2. Br. Jacob Christ on the request of the overseer-committee has
accepted, to see to it, that the chimneys in all the houses shall be cleaned at the right time, in an ordinary house at least every 4 weeks once; and when it is necessary, it should be done more often, and the chimneys should be swept thoroughly. All the housefathers were requested, to support Jacob Christ in this matter. It was also told, that nobody should smoke hams in their chimneys.

3. The brethren, who will go to-morrow to Easton for the election of a governor, County-Representative and other officials of Pennsylvania, were/requested by the Nazareth Direction of the congregation, at the present time, where the people are in a state of fermentation, to abstain from all political controversies, and to prove themselves as God's children and as peacable inhabitants of the country.

4. That those housefathers, citizens and masters, which our brotherly agreement or our rules and regulations have not signed as yet, shall be given the opportunity, after reading them through, to sign them. Otherwise was this and that still discussed, as concerned the inner and outer welfare of our congregation and it was recommended in a cordial love and unity of the spirit.

October 8th, 1799. Because a great number of our brethren went to Easton to the election, the evening-meeting was omitted.

October 9th, 1799. In the evening was in the brethren's house a choir-meeting of the single brethren, in which Br. Reichel told the brethren, that the single brethren's choir, and especially the younger brethren, had been an object of the remembrance and participation of the E. C. in Nazareth, with the pressing desire of their prosperity in the congregation, and that the single brethren's choir had been considered as a training-school or nursery of the Holy Ghost. In that school souls would be prepared for the future glory, and brethren would be trained for the service of the Lord in the congregation and in the choir, as well as for the service among the heathen, and in the institutes. And that from the
choir of the single brethren may go forth honest and faithful house-fathers and citizens, which possess the mind of Christ and the mind of the congregation. To the younger brethren it was recommended, that they should acquaint themselves with the brotherly agreement and with the Rules and Regulations of the congregation and that they should read in the Ratio Disciplinæ, because they are not specially printed, as they are in the European congregations. It was also announced, that those who had been received into the choir, shall according to the order of the Synod, have opportunity, when they have read it, to promise in the Over-ser Committee that they will observe and obey them. Then Br. Reichel read to the Choir according to the opinion of the E. C. two sentences from the Synodal Report of 1789, which is meant for the single brethren's choirs, paragraph 24, 1. 4. The first of these sentences contains the resolution of the Synod: "that our younger people after they have been received into the single brethren's choir, shall still remain for a time under inspection; and that two young brethren in the first two years after their reception among the brethren, according to opinion even longer, shall never go together for a walk. On the contrary they shall go at least three together, or in company of an old trustworthy brother they can go for a walk. -- The other of those sentences contains a kind warning of the Synod, namely, that during the winter-months the evenings should not be passed away with useless and often pernicious talk or with reading of questionable literature. It also contains a kind request and admonition, that "they should use the hours in a useful manner." It was also recommended, the reading of the histories of our brethren's Mission, the Idea fidei fratrum, the Ratio disciplinæ, and other useful literature. Further was announced, that Br. Benade is willing, to teach the younger brethren, who have the desire and inclination for it, once in the week in the night useful knowledge and science, especially history and Geography.
October 12th 1799. In the evening at 6 o'clock had the communicants a delightful lovefeast, at which as/as at the Holy Communion, the bro. and Sister Metz, Bro. and Sister Oertel, and Bro. and Sister Schulz and the single brother Breutel, who are appointed for the Mission-service in Suriname, were/present. Also the two brethren, who are appointed for Salem, Dahlmann and Eberhard, were also our guests. At the Lovefeast they were assured of the love-remembrance and intercession before our Lord by the congregation, who wishes, that the Lord may take the brethren and sisters to Suriname speedily and safely. The congregation also ordered those brethren and sisters to take along hearty greetings to the brethren and sisters, who are working in the Mission in Suriname. Also for the Negro-congregation in Paramaribo, Sommelsdyck and Bambey, as well as for the Indian-congregation in Hope, kind greetings were sent. - Br. Christian Winkler was then welcomed in the midst of the congregation, and the Lord's grace and blessings for his work as Choir-laborer of the single brethren in Nazareth, were wished for him. Also Br. Joh. Christian Reich in Bethlehem, who had received a call as Gemeindiener for Lititz, and Sister Gertrude Sydrich in Lititz, who had received a call as assistant helper of the widows in Bethlehem, were recommended to the Lord and our kind wishes were extended to them. - From a letter from Br. de Schweinitz of July 14th of the same year, many greetings from him and to the congregation in Nazareth from the U.A.C. were delivered.

October 20th 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon was a conference with the parents, in which they were encouraged, to bring up their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, and two things, which had been recommended by the E. C., were presented to them, namely, 1. that they should urge diligently their children, to attend assiduously the meetings; and 2. the parents should not in the presence of the children talk about unpleasant and evil things, which happen in the congregation, or about mistakes and
misunderstandings between grown up brethren and sisters. - In the evening
Br. Reichel announced that Br. Conrad Kreuser has received a call as
Assistant Gemeindiener in Nazareth, and together with Br. Youngberg he
should serve in the Store here. The congregation wished him God's grace
and blessing, and assured him of the love and the confidence of the con-
gregation.

October 27th 1799. Sunday. Bro. and Sister Reichel and other brethren
and sisters went to Schoeneck to a lovefeast, which Bro. and Sister
Phil. and Cath. Seyfried had given to the married choir there in grate-
ful remembrance of their Married Jubilee in October 8th. --- The boy
Henning Linberg had after repeated requests, to belong to the congregation,
which desire also the mother, Mrs. Anna Linberg, a true friend in the
Brethren's church, has had 9 years ago, when she did send her son as a
fatherless orphan of 6 years old to the school for education, with the
deep wish, that the boy may one day become a member of the Brethren's
Unity, and that he may live only for the Lord and for the congregation,
received the permission from the E. C. and from the Lord to the congre-
gation in Nazareth. This boy was the first one of the foreign scholars
and foster-sons in the paedagogium here.

October 29th 1799. Bro. and Sister Reizenbach came from Bethlehem to
Nazareth, to stay here.

October 30th 1799. The boy Charles Chabert, who had been a little above
4 years in the institute for education, returned again to St. Croix.
We recommended him to the care of the Lord, and that he might keep him
from all temptations of the world and sin.

November 4th 1799. Br. Winkler held the children's hour.

November 7th 1799. Br. Reichel announced that the single brother Conrad
Kreuser had been engaged with the single sister Dorothea Glewell, and
we wished them God's blessing.
November 10th 1799. Sunday. We gave thanks to the heavenly father for the harvest-blessing this year. We had almost in general a rich harvest despite the dry weather in the summer, and our expectations had been surpassed by far. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock we had a lovefeast with the musicians, the servants of the Hall, and the guides for the strangers for the encouragement in their service. It was also announced that Br. Conrad Kreuser on the request of the Direction of the congregation, has become willing, to be Br. Youngberg's assistant as a guide for the strangers, in Br. W. Horsefield's place. To-day was married the single Brother Conrad Kreuser with the single sister Dorothea Clewell, and the congregation participated with their kind wishes.

November 15th 1799. Mr. Nicholas Depni in Lower Smithfield Township, Northampton County, did send his son Nicholas Depni, 11 years old, to the Paedagogium for education.

November 17th 1799. Br. Reichel announced, that the brother Birkby in New York, after the death of his wife, had asked for relief, and in the helper-conference for the whole the Lord had ordered, that Bro. Johann Meder in Philadelphia should go as laborer to New York, and Br. Joh. Friedrich Fueauff in Schoeneck should go as laborer to Philadelphia. Br. Johann Ludwig Strohle in Lititz should go as laborer to Schoeneck. This change was announced to the congregation and recommended for prayer.

November 24th 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon were Br. Reichel with his wife and Bro. and Sister Busse and Br. Chr. Winkler in Schoeneck at the farewell-lovefeast of the bro. and sister Frueauff. At this occasion Br. Christian Winkler was introduced to the single brethren, youths and boys. It was told them, that Br. Winkler together with Br. Joh. L. Strohle will take care of them, and that they should give him their love and confidence. In the evening in Nazareth was received the big girl Anna Rosina Buss into the congregation.
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November 26th 1799. In the afternoon at 1 o'clock held Br. Reichel the funeral of Br. Melchior Schmidt, who had died on the 23d of this month. Br. George Proske, who had lived in Christian Spring and there had taken care of the flour- and saw-mill, moved to-day with his wife Maria Elizabeth and their 3 children, Johann George, Anna Juliana and Maria Elizabeth to Old Nazareth. --- Bro. and Sister Johannes and Anna Maria Kaske, from the new farm near Christian Spring, which they had rented, moved on the 19th of November with their/children Anna Maria Schulz and Johann Gottfried Kaske to Gnadenthal, to serve there in the economy.

November 27th 1799. Bro. and Sister Frueauf started on their journey from Schoeneck to Philadelphia and took along the single sister Maria Elizabeth Schmied from the choirhouse in Nazareth, who had served for them in Schoeneck already for some months.

November 30th 1799. Br. Johann Ebermann came from Lancaster and brought the clock for the steeple in Nazareth.

December 3d 1799. The single brother Benjamin Chitty went to-day from here to Gnadenhuetten on the Muskingum, in order to assist his brother-in-law, Br. Peter there.

December 6th 1799. On account of the work on the clock on the steeple, the children's hour yesterday and to-day had to be omitted. Br. Ebermann, who had brought the steeple-clock, which had been ordered last year in October, in November 30th, was working with some other laborers, to put the clock up; but it had been necessary, to change the position of the bell, which had to be put higher. Br. Ebermann finished with the work on the 7th at 12 o'clock, when we heard the clock strike for the first time, and all the brethren and sisters were glad, to hear the clock strike. The people in Old Nazareth and Schoeneck could hear the clock. By changing and hanging higher the bell, the ringing of the bell was more audible than before. - In the speaking of the communicants, several bad and unpleasant things came to light, for which reason several of the
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members had to be suspended from Holy Communion. At the close of Holy Communion were remembered before the Lord the brethren and sisters, who are soon leaving on the Brig "NANCY" from Philadelphia for Suriname, and a hymn was sung for them.

December 9th 1799. Br. Joh. Heckewelder, who had returned lately from Gandenhuettten on the Muskingum, visited us to-day. In the evening read Br. Benade the diary of the Indian-congregation in Gosen, from June 27th to September 30th 1799. - Br. Reichel held the evening-service in Christian Spring. The former meeting's hall, which through the decrease of the brethren and sisters, who are living there, has become too big, in the fall a part of this meeting-hall had been changed into a living-room. And the other part has been arranged for a meeting-hall, which is pleasant and spacious enough, to hold all the brethren and sisters, who are still living in Christian Spring, the children included, and also those strangers, who are serving and living there, it can hold. In the meeting-hall is a nice organ too. It was the first meeting after the change had taken place, and all the brethren and sisters, strangers had gathered in the hall there. Br. Reichel commissioned by the E. C. encouraged the people, who had assembled in the hall, to be assured of the Lord's promise, that where 2 or 3 are gathered in his name, that he will be among them. Br. Reichel announced also, that in the future the services in Christian Spring will be held in the following manner: The evening-services will be held on Sundays alternately a speech will be delivered, or one will be read, or a liturgy will be sung. On Mondays will be Bible-lesson, Tuesdays and Wednesdays as well as on Thursdays the reports from the congregations will be read, or also a speech, and sometimes a singing-hour will be held. On Fridays a passion-liturgy will be sung. On Saturdays there will be no meeting. In the same manner the evening-services have been conducted in Gnadenenthal.
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December 15th 1799. Sunday. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock had the single sisters a meeting, when they remembered the entrance into the choirhouse on the 13th of this month 15 years ago. Br. Reichel read to the single sisters the revised and on the 13th of December 1799 newly drawn-up house-rules, especially 2 sentences from the Report of the synod, paragraph 25, 3. and 4. The first of those sentences contains a recommendation of the synod: "with the young sisters and big girls, one shall with all carefulness watch, that they do not think so much on the external attires, and that they among each other do not allow themselves impudent and indecent conversation and judgements about marriages and other things, which is no concern of theirs. In the other sentence, the synod puts the time, when young single sisters cannot go for a walk without a superior, namely the 22nd or 23d year. Synod recommends, that single sisters should not go for a walk in small companies. --- A boy of 13 years, Charles Mosely from Hartford in Connecticut was brought by his mother to the paedagogium for education.

December 16th 1799. In the evening read Br. Reichel the biography of the single brother Thomas Otto, who had died in October 30th in Bethlehem.

December 31st 1799. The celebration of the last day in the year was celebrated as in the previous years.

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Note:- The next diary is the one of the single brethren in Nazareth of the year 1799.