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PREFACE.

IN the year 1892 a "Genealogy of the Light Family and Connections" was written out for my own satisfaction, as also for future reference. By the help of the Lord, the original has been re-written and enlarged. Care was taken to gather reliable information; any doubtful information was not accepted. Notwithstanding, errors will be found, because of incorrect information. Whenever a — occurs, the necessary information could not be ascertained. The figures appearing before the names, indicate the order of births in the family, as 1st, 2nd, &c. (b.) means birth, (d.) for death, (c.) for children, (y) for year, (mo.) for month, (da.) for days, (m.) for married, (Gen.) for generation. Hoping all honor will be given to the Lord, the "Genealogy" is now respectfully submitted to the public, hoping the perusal of this book may afford as much pleasure to the reader as has resulted in its composition to the author, who is in the eightieth year of his age.

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THE LIGHT GENEALOGY.

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FIRST
GENER-
ATION.

THIS little book is a History of the Light Families from the Old Country. The first John Light and two of his brothers, natives of Palatinate, Germany, left the Old Country for America about the year 1719, one stopping in England and one in Baltimore, Md. John Light, above mentioned, settled in (then called) Lebanon township, Lancaster county, Pa., now Lebanon county, Pa., and secured a tract of land now a part of the city of Lebanon, patent dated April 2, 1742. The same year he erected a large two-story limestone dwelling house, where for many years the old Mennonites met for worship, having monthly meetings during the French and Indian war. It was the place of safety for the women and children of the surrounding country, and went by the name of "Old Fort." This Old Fort can be seen yet, though one hundred and fifty-two years old. It is built of limestone, French roof style, small windows. It is now

1 GEN. called the Old Disillery, or the "Union Canal," between Tenth and Eleventh streets, in the city of Lebanon, Pa. A part is still occupied as a tenant house. This was built in the year 1742, having a stockade built around it. It is said that sixty families at one time took refuge in it, while the men went along the mountains guarding the pass or protecting them when gathering the crops. We have no knowledge when this John Light died, or the name of his wife. They had the following children, namely, four sons:

2 GEN. Jacob Light, their first son, was born 1723, died 1788, aged 65 years; was married to Elizabeth Landis; their issue 5 children:

- 3 GEN. 1. Anna Light, m. to Jacob Kreider.
 2. Barbara Light, m. to Henry Kreider.
 3. Maria Light, m. to Henry Light.
 4. Elizabeth Light, m. not known.
 5. John Light, m. to Barbara Neischwanger.

This second John Light is supposed to have lived at the farm where now the Lancaster county poor-house is situated. He was born Oct., 1758; died Nov. 30th, 1809, aged 51 years. His wife, Barbara, was born May 25th, 1760. Their issue:

- 4 GEN. 1. Henry Light, b. Dec. 1, 1780, m. to S. L. Cutter.
 2. Annie Light, b. July 7, 1782, m. Sam. Eby.

- 4 GEN. 3. Barbara Light, b. Apr. 13, 1764, m. John Hernley.
4. John Light, b. Dec. 7, 1785, m. Miss Bassler.
5. Elizabeth Light, b. Aug. 15, 1787, m. Jacob Hess.
6. Susannah Light, b. Aug. 15, 1787, m. John Stehman.
- 7 and 8. Abraham and Jacob Light, 2d twins, b. and d. Oct. 15, 1789.
9. Jacob Light, b. Apr. 20, 1791, m. Molly Hershey.
10. Benjamin Light, b. and d. young.
11. Magdalena Light, b. Dec. 24, 1793, m. Abe Hostetter.

The above Henry Light, m. to S. L. Cutter.
Their issue, 4 sons:

- 5 GEN. 1. Benjamin Light, m. Sue Donley.
- 2, David, 3, Jacob, 4, Henry Light; marriages not known.
- 2 GEN. 2d Son of John Light, from Germany.
Martin Light, b. 1725, in Lebanon township, Pa.; d. 1805, aged 80 years; m. Miss Peifer; Issue 8 children.
- 3 GEN. Jacob Light, b. unknown, m. unknown, d. unknown. Jacob was very rich, and settled near Lancaster City, Pa.
- 3 GEN. John Light, a brother of Jacob, was not so rich in worldly goods, but he was blessed with a large family. He moved over the moun-

3 GEN. tains (some place west). His brother Jacob saddled a horse one day to visit his brother John; he found him with a large family. Jacob asked John for two of his boys. John agreed to give Samuel and Martin to go with their uncle, and he made them his adopted sons. Jacob took one behind and the other in front of himself on horseback, and started east over the mountains for home, and made the two sons very rich; he made a will, and described all that each should have. The author read the will in the Register's office in Lancaster City, where it was recorded one hundred and forty years ago.

4 GEN. The adopted son of Jacob was Samuel Light. He afterwards moved to Lebanon Co., Pa., below Lebanon City, and built a grist mill at the Quittapahilla. He was married twice; his first wife was Mary Light, his second wife was Annie Light.

5 GEN. Sons of Samuel Light. Jacob Light, m. Mary Longanecker. Their issue was as follows:

- 5 GEN. 1. Eliza Light, m. to —. Cormany.
 2. Maria Light, m. to Oliver Bowman.
 3. Fannie Light, m. to Peter Horst.
 4. Henry Light, m. to Louise Early.
 5. Sarah Light, m. to Abraham Mark.
 6. Cyrus Light, m. to Martha Grafiert.

- 5 GEN. 7. John Light, m. to Eliza Mark.
 8. Annie Light, m. to George Ellis.
 Henry Light, m. to Louise Early. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Samuel E. Light, m. to Laura Bresslin.
 2. Louis Light, single.
 3. Mary Light, m. to Wm. Resden.
 4. Lizzie Light, m. to John Roberts.
 5. William Light, m. to Miss Daisey.
 6. Abraham Light, single.
 7. Leander Light, single.
 8. Sallie Light, single.
- 5 GEN. Cyrus Light, m. to Martha Graffert. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. 1. Edward Light, n., unknown.
 2. Jacob Light, single.
 3. George Light, single.
 4. Corrie Light, single.
- 5 GEN. John Light, m. to Eliza Mark. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. 1. Adam Light, single.
 2. Ira Light, m. to Mr. Fisher.
 3. Gran Light, single.
 4. Albert Light, single.
 5. Henry Light, single.
 6. Martha Light, single.
- 5 GEN. John Light. Sam. son, m. to Sarah Light. Their issue.
- 6 GEN. 1. Ephraim Light, m. to Mary Wideman.
 2. Mary Light, m. to William Meck.

- 6 GEN. 3. Samuel Light, m. to Maria Henry.
Ephraim Light, m. to Mary Wideman. Issue :
- 6 GEN. 1. Welling on Light, m. to Mary Benson
- 7 GEN. 2. Emma Light, m. to Reuben Spengler.
- 6 GEN. Samuel Light, m. to Maria Henry. Their
issue :
- 7 GEN. 1. Henry Light, m. to Emma Light.
2. John Light, single.
3. J. Warren Light, m. to Catharine Light.
4. James Raymond Light, single.
5. Horace Light, single.
- 6 GEN. Samuel Light, m. to Maria Henry. His
sisters.
- 6 GEN. 2. Mary Light, m. to Levi Uhler.
3. Elizabeth Light, m. to Robb.
4. Henry Light, d. single.
5. Betsey Light, m. to Jesse Reinhold.
6. Sallie Light, m. to Jesse Reinhold.
7. — Light, m. to Samuel Rea.
- 4 GEN. Martin Light, the adopted son of Jacob
Light.
Martin Light, m. to Annie Herr.
- 5 GEN. 1. John Light, m. to Annie Landis.
2. Jacob Light, m. to Annie Gall.
3. Fannie Light, m. to Benjamin Hess.
4. Annie Light, m. to — Cornet.
5. Mary Light, m. to — Herr.
6. Hanna Light, m. to — Miller.
- 4 GEN. Martin and Annie's children.

- 5 GEN. 1. John Light lives in Lancaster City. No children.
2. Jacob Light, m. to Annie Gail, lives South Queen St., Lancaster City, Pa. Jacob b. Jan. 7, 1812; his wife Annie b. Oct. 1, 1814. They had 6 children.
- 6 GEN. 1. Elizabeth Light, m. to Joseph Bowman.
2. Anna Mary Light, m. to William Cottwell.
3. Faunie Light, single.
4. John Light, m. to Alice Buch.
5. Samuel Light, m. to Mary Gardner.
6. Martin Light, m. to Annie Herner. Their issue:
- 7 GEN. 1. Charles H. Light, single.
2. John J. Light, single.
3. Alice G. Light, single.
4. John Light, m. to Alice Buch. Issue:
- 7 GEN. 1. Frank Bond Light, single.
2. Minnie Light, single.
3. Balls Light, single.
- 2 GEN. Martin Light's daughters b. 1725, d. Oct., 1805, aged 80 years.
- 3 GEN. 3. Elizabeth Light, m. to Abraham Meyer.
4. Barbara Light, m. to George Huber.
5. Annie Light, m. to Henry Yordey.
6. Veronica Light, m. to Henry Mayer.
7. Susanna Light, m. to Casper Shirk.
8. Mary Light, m. to George Uniond.
- 2 GEN. Henry Light, son of John Light, from Ger-

2 GEN. many. This Henry was b. 1728, d. Jan. 1806, aged 78 years; he was m. to Barbara Landis. Their issue 6 children.

3 GEN. Henry Light, son of Henry Light, m. to Barbara Landis. This Henry Light, m. to Magdalena Funk. Their issue:

4 GEN. Henry Light (Fuller), m. to Barbara Wenger, a daughter of Rev. Christian Wenger, of the River Brethren church.

5 GEN. 1. Nancy Light, m. to Joseph Gingrich.

2. Barbara Light, m. to John Weller.

3. Mollie Light, m. to Levi Light.

4. Henry Light Fuller, Jr., m. to Catharine Weller.

The daughters of Henry Light, married to Magdalena Funk:

5 GEN. 1. Elizabeth Light, m. to Martin Wenger.

2. Barbara Light, m. to Abraham Wenger.

3. Christian Light, m. to Jacob Light.

4. Magdalena Light, m. to Henry Holdeman.

Second marriage, Martin Wenger, as above named.

5. Mary Light, m. to Daniel Bixler.

6. Nancy Light, m. (1st time) to Henry Meyer, (2d time) to Mr. Henry. (3d time) to Frederic Dondore.

7. Catharine Light, m. to John L. Moyer.

8. Sarah Light, m. to Gottlieb Kreider.

Second son, Martin Light, of Henry Light

- 5 GEN. m. to Magdalena Funk. This Martin Light
(Fuller) m. to Barbara Oberholzer. Issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. John O. Light, m. to Katie Uhler.
2. Martin O. Light, m. to Betsey Rauch.
3. Henry O. Light, m. to Catharine Garberich.
4. Barbara Light, m. to Jacob Heisey.
5. Catharine Light, m. to Samuel Brandt.
6. Christina Light, m. to John Ensminger.
3. Jacob Light (Fuller), of Henry and Mag-
dalena Light (nee Funk).
- 4 GEN. 3. Jacob Light (Fuller), m. to Lydia Light.
4. Samuel Light (Fuller), m. to Catharine
Spickler.
5. John Light (Fuller), m. to Catharine Shirk.
6. Joseph Light (Fuller), m. to Nancy Wenger.
Second son of Henry Light, m. to Magda-
dalena Funk, Peter Light, m. to Barbara Boehm.
Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Jacob Light, m. to Betsy Ulrich.
2. Elizabeth Light, m. to J. H. Witmeyer.
3. Hitam Light, m. to Mary Kreider.
4. Barbara Light, m. to Samuel Yeagly.
5. Magdalena Light, m. to Daniel W. Zeller.
6. Susanna Light, m. to Reuben Light.
7. Jacob Light, m. to Sarah Light.
8. Peter Light, m. not known.
9. Betsey Light, m. to Rev. Christian Peffley.
- 4 GEN. David Light, 2d son of Peter Light, m. to
Barbara Boehm. This David Light m. to
Mellie Hunsicker. Their issue :

- GEN. 1. Ezra Light, single.
 2. Adam Light, m. to Sarah Good.
 3. Christian Light, m. to Isabella Light.
 4. David Light, m. to Annie Good.
 5. Annie Light, single.
 6. Peter Light, single.
- 4 GEN. John Light, 3d son of Peter Light, m. to Barbara Behm. This John Light m. to Fannie Landis. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Jacob Light, m. to Veronica Ellenberger.
 He was b. Dec. 12, 1758, d. Feb. 2, 1837,
 aged (on stone) 78 y. 4 mo. 10 da.
 His wife was b. Sept. 30, 1764, d. 1834,
 aged 69 y. 8 mo. 7 da. Their issue was
 3 sons and 3 daughters.
- 5 GEN. 1. Samuel Light, m. to Betsey Stauffer.
 2. Jacob Light, m. to Lydia Zinn.
 3. Joseph Light, m. to Katie Bomberger.
 1. Betsey Light, m. to Daniel Zeller.
 2. Fanny Light, single.
 3. Annie Light, m. to Jonas Light.
- 4 GEN. Jacob Light, m. to Lydia Zinn, was b. Apr.
 10, 1797, d. Jan. 30, 1869, aged 71 yr. 9 mo.
 20 da.; his wife b. 1798, d. 1874, aged 75 yr.
 10 mo. 5 d. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Sarah Light, m. to George Smith.
 2. Catharine Light, m. to Peter Swope.
 3. Lydia Light, m. to Moses Ulrich.
 4. Elizabeth Light, m. to Michael Becker.

- 5 GEN. 5. Lucetta Light, m. to Jeremiah Stennert.
 6. Susanna Light, m. to John K. Light.
 7. Rosanna Light, m. to Levi Light.
 8. Samuel Light, b. 1840, d. 1868, aged 28 years.
 9. George Light, m. to Lucinda Capp. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. 1. Ira Light, 2, George Light, 3, Israel Light.
 5 GEN. 10. Jefferson Light, m. to Sarah Light. Their issue 7 :
- 6 GEN. 1, Jacob Light, 2, Harvey Light; 3, Wilson Light, 4, Sallie Light, 5, Thomas Light, 6, Lydia Light, 7, Ira Light.
- 5 GEN. Moses Light, brother of Jefferson Light, has 6 children :
- 6 GEN. 1, George Light, 2, Jacob Light, 3, Moses Light, 4, Samuel Light, 5, Louise Light, 6, Vinnie Light.
- 5 GEN. David Light, 2d son of John Light, m. to Miss Peifer. Issue :
- 6 GEN. 1, Jesse Light, 2, John Light, 3, Mary Light, 4, Lucy Light, 5, Lucetta Light.
- 4 GEN. 3. John Light, son of Peter Light, m. to Barbara Landis. This John is called (Hannesly) Light, m. to Fanny Landis. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. John Light, m. to Mollie Welbaer.
 2. Jacob Light, m. to Barbara Light.
 3. Joseph Light, m. to Catharine Light.

- 3 GEN. 1. Barbara Light, m. to Jacob Light Fuller.
 2. Elizabeth Light, single.
- 4 GEN. 4. (Big) Joseph Light, 1, m. to Sarah Moyer,
 2, m. to Mary Moyer, 3, m. to Catherine
 Light, widow of Samuel Light Fuller
 (nee Spigler). Their issue:
- 5 GEN. 1. Henry Light, m. to Mollie Bowman.
 2. Daniel Light, m. to Barbara Sholley.
 3. Sarah Light, m. to David Light, 2d wife,
 Issue:
- 5 GEN. 1. Mary Light, m. to Benowell Kline.
 2. Lydia Light, m. to Jacob Light (Fuller).
 Children of the wife of Joseph Light:
- 5 GEN. 1. Leah Light, m. to Adam R. Light.
 2. Amelia Light, m. to Peter Sholley.
 3. Solomon Light, single.
 Martin Light 5th son of Henry Light, m.
 Barbara Landis.
- 5 GEN. This Martin Light, m. to Barbara Orth.
 Their issue:
- 6 GEN. 1. Orth Light, m. to Betsey Louser.
 2. Sarah Light, m. to Samuel Rice.
 Children of Orth Light:
- 7 GEN. 1. Cyrus Light, m. to Mac. Penn.
 2. Rose Light, m. to John Wolt.
 3. John Orth Light, m. to Barbara Killcaten.
- 4 GEN. Jacob Light, son of Peter Light, m. to Bar-
 bara Bachra. This Jacob Light was called

4 GEN. Jacob Light Brewery, m. to Magdalena Boehm.
Their issue :

- 5 GEN. 1. Jonas Light, m. to Annie Light.
2. William Light, m. to Barbara Reinsel.
3. Christiana Light, m. to John Fordney.
4. Lydia Light, m. to Jacob Lutz.
5. Samuel Light, m. to Catharine Ball.

Grand children of big Joseph Light's sons :
Henry Light's children :

- 6 GEN. 1. Maria Light, m. to Mr. Shalk.
2. Lorance Light.
3. Phoebe Light.
4. ——— Light.
5. Cyrus Light.
6. Isabella Light.
7. Daniel Light.
8. Israel Light.

Daniel Light's children :

1. Joseph E. Light, m. to Miss Paine.
2. Emma Light, m. to M. H. H. Light.
3. Daniel Light, m. to Kate Strickler.

2 GEN. The 4th son of John Light, from Germany.
This John was b. 1730, m. to Miss Landis, of
Spring Creek, Derry township, Lancaster
county, Pa., now Dauphin county, Pa. Their
issue, 6 sons, as follows :

- 3 GEN. 1. John Light was b. Apr. 4, 1750, d. Dec. 1,
1829, aged 79 yr. 7 mo. 27 da. He was
m. to Mary Dohner. She was b. Feb. 1,
1755, d. Feb. 11, 1810, aged 55 yr. 10 da.

- 2 GEN. The 4th son of John Light, from Germany. This John Light took up about one section of land situated at the Little Swatara creek, on the road leading from Lebanon to Fredericks-
- 3 GEN. burg. The 3d John Light, above mentioned (my grandfather), got about one-half of this tract of land from his father as a legacy. He then built a house and barn on this tract, and later he built a large two-story brick grist mill, which was called Light's Mill for a long time, but now Stoever's Mill, located on the Little Swatara creek, where the stream makes a large bend, almost forming a peninsula. This John lived on this farm fifty odd years, and is buried on the same land, called Light's Graveyard. Most of his family are also buried there. This John Light and his wife, Mary Light, their issue was 11 children.
- 4 GEN. 1. John Light, unknown when b. or d. He was m. to Nancy Haws, of Philadelphia, Pa.
- 5 GEN. They had 6 children: 1, Mary Light, 2, Michael Light, 3, David Light, 4, Betsey Light, 5, Sarah Light, 6, John Light. The father and this family moved to Richland county, Ohio, many years ago.
- 3 GEN. 2d son of John Light, m. to Mary Dohner.
- 4 GEN. My father was Henry Light, b. Sept. 17, 1775, d. Dec. 17, 1858, aged 83 yr. 3 mo. He was m. to his first wife, Elizabeth Longenecker.

- 4 GEN. She was b. Apr. 10, 1782, d. Apr. 11, 1809, aged 27 yr. 1 da. Their issue was 3 children.
- 5 GEN. 1. Daniel Light, b. Aug. 18, 1803, d. July 13, 1884, aged 80 yr. 10 mo. 25 da. He was m. to Lizzie Weaver. Lizzie Weaver was b. Oct. 17, 1810, d. Nov. 16, 1837, aged 27 yr. 28 da. Their issue was 2 daughters.
- 6 GEN. 1, Isabella Light, 2, Amanda Light. Amanda was b. Mar. 24, 1840, d. Feb. 19, 1860; aged 19 yr. 10 mo. 25 days.
- 5 GEN. Elizabeth Light, daughter of Henry Light, was b. Nov. 14, 1805, d. Oct. 15, 1886, aged 80 yr. 11 mo. 1 day; m. to Rev. Christian Wenger (of the Zion's Brethren church); he was b. Oct. 28, 1805, d. Dec. 4, 1876, aged 71 yr. 1 mo. 6 days.
- 6 GEN. 1. Daniel Wenger, d. single.
 2. Lydia Wenger, m. to David Wenger.
 3. Catharine Wenger, m. to Benjamin Engle.
 4. Fanny Wenger, m. to Elias Long.
- 5 GEN. Rev. George Light, son of Henry Light, b. July 2, 1807, d. Mar. 18, 1890, aged 82 yr. 8 mo. 16 days; he was m. to first wife, Elizabeth Wenger. She was b. July 3, 1813, d. Sept. 14, 1840, aged 27 yr. 2 mo. 11 days. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. Israel Light, m. to Mollie Oberholtzer. Their issue : 2 daughters, 1, Lizzie Light, 2, Sarah Light.

6 GEN. Barbara Light, daughter of Rev. George Light, of the Mennonite church. She was m. to Daniel Gibbel. Their issue was 1 daughter, Elizabeth Gibbel.

5 GEN. Rev. George Light was m. (the 2d time) to Susan Groh.

6 GEN. 1. Edward Light, m. to Lizzie Klinefelter.
Their issue :

7 GEN. Many children.

4 GEN. Henry Light, m. the 2d time to Catharine Wolf. She was b. Apr. 21, 1785, d. Sept. 9, 1823, aged 38 yr. 4 mo. 18 days. Issue :

5 GEN. 1. Mary Light, b. Nov. 26, 1811, d. May 13, 1859, aged 47 yr. 5 mo. 17 days. She was m. to Jacob Wenger.

5 GEN. Jacob Wenger was b. Oct. 28, 1805, d. Apr. 10, 1881, aged 75 yr. 5 mo. 12 days. Their issue :

6 GEN. 1, Susanna, 2, Catharine, 3, John L. and 2 twins, d. young.

5 GEN. Catharine Light, daughter of the 2d wife of Henry Light, b. Mar. 26, 1813, d. Oct. 21, 1867, aged 54 yr. 6 mo. 25 days. She was m. to Henry Wolf; he was b. Mar. 20, 1810, d. Nov. 21, 1876, aged 66 yr. 8 mo. 1 day. Their issue, many children :

6 GEN. 1, William, 2, Daniel, 3, Susan, 4, John, 5, Elias, 6, Ephraim, 7, Adam, 8, Annie, 9, Elizabeth, 10, Catharine, 11, Henry, 12, Cassy.

- 5 GEN. Nancy Light, daughter of Henry Light, was b. July 4, 1815, d. Dec. 16, 1877, aged 58 yr. 5 mo. 12 days. She was m. to William Basehore; he was b. Nov. 28, 1815, d. Apr. 23, 1891, aged 75 yr. 4 mo. 25 days. Their issue was 8 children.
- 6 GEN. 1, Catharine, 2, Elizabeth, 3, Mary, 4, Franklin, 5, Lydia, 6, Sarah, 7, Susanna, 8, Josiah.
- 5 GEN. Moses Light, son of Henry Light, was b. June 7, 1817, m. to (first wife) Elizabeth Wenger. She was b. Feb. 1, 1820, d. Sept. 3, 1844, aged 24 yr. 7 mo. 2 days. She had 4 children.
- 6 GEN. Lydia Light, b. Nov. 28, 1838, m. to Henry Trumbower.
- 7 GEN. 1, Mary, 2, Jacob, 3, Lizzie, 4, Harrison, 5, Hannah, 6, Henry, 7, Elva. Great-grandchildren of Moses Light, as follows:
- 8 GEN. Mary Trumbower, m. to Howard Sterner; children: 1, Sallie, 2, Titus, 3, Hold.
- 6 GEN. Mary W. Light, b. Mar. 29, 1840, single.
- 6 GEN. Elizabeth W. Light, b. Feb. 23, 1843, m. to Wesley R. Frick. Issue:
- 7 GEN. 1, Moses, 2, Jacob, 3, Ida, 4, Emma, 5, Twins, Martin Garfield and Arthur. Great-grandchildren of Moses Light, as follows:
- 8 GEN. Moses Frick, m., has 2 children, lives in San Diego, Cal.
- 6 GEN. Cornelius Light, b. Aug. 14, 1844, d. Oct. 16, 1846, aged 2 yr. 2 mo. 2 da.

- 5 GEN. Moses Light (the author) was m. to the second wife, Fanny Etter. She was b. Feb. 5, 1820, d. Feb. 8, 1863, aged 43 yr. 3 da.; had 7 children.
- 6 GEN. 1. Isaac Light, b. Nov. 28, 1846, d. Aug. 28, 1853, aged 6 yr. 9 mo.
- 6 GEN. Henry E. Light (minister of the German Baptist Brethren church) was b. Mar. 3, 1848; m. to Lizzie C. Newcomer, b. July 13, 1843. Their issue, 2 children:
- 7 GEN. 1. Anna M. Light, m. to M. C. Sheaffer, Esq.
2. John N. Light, d. single, aged 4 yr. 1 mo. 18 da.
- 6 GEN. Catharine E. Light, daughter of Moses Light, b. Apr. 15, 1850, d. Apr. 22, 1857, aged 7 yr. 7 da.
Fanny E. Light, b. Oct. 28, 1851, single.
Annie E. Light, b. Aug. 8, 1854, single.
Aaron E. Light, b. June 21, 1857, d. Jan. 5, 1862, aged 4 yr. 6 mo. 14 da.
Daniel E. Light, b. June 22, 1859; m. to Mahala Erb, b. June 22, 1855. Their issue, 4 children:
- 7 GEN. 1, Irene Light, 2, Walter Light, 3, Ella Light, 4, Daniel Erb Light.
- 5 GEN. Moses Light, the author, was the 3d time m. —Martha Imhoff. She was b. Aug. 24, 1830, d. July 13, 1889, aged 58 yr. 10 mo. 19 da.
- 5 GEN. Polly Light, daughter of the 2d wife of

- 5 GEN. Henry Light, b. Apr. 4, 1819, d. May 1, 1845, aged 26 yr. 27 da.; m. to Jacob Wolf. William Light, a son of 2d wife of Henry Light, d. young.
- 4 GEN. The 3d Jacob Light, a brother of my father, Henry Light, Jacob Light, b. Aug. 6, 1777, d. July 24, 1851, aged 73 yr. 11 mo. 18 da.; m. to Anna Mary Fisher. She was b. Nov. 11, 1780, d. Jan. 11, 1848, aged 67 yr. 2 mo. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. David Light, m. to Mary Light.
 2. Sarah Light, m. to Samuel Hunsicker.
 3. Felix Light, m. to Sarah Light. Next two are twins.
 4. Elizabeth Light, m. to John Looser.
 5. Catharine Light, m. to Christian Dohner.
 6. Mary Light, d. single.
 7. Philip Light, m. to Susan Deck. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. 1, Jonathan Light, 2, Isabella Light.
- 5 GEN. 8. Nancy Light, m. to George Hunsicker.
 9. John F. Light, m. to Polly Hunsicker. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. 1, Katie H. Light, 2, Leah H. Light, 3, David H. Light, 4, Felix H. Light, 5, Annie H. Light, 6, John H. Light, 7, Emma H. Light, 8, Jacob H. Light.
- 4 GEN. The 4th son of John Light, a brother of Henry Light, Martin Light, b. July 17, 1783, d. May 13, 1839, aged 55 yr. 9 mo. 26 da.;

4 GEN. m. to Betsy Gingrich. She was b. Sept. 26, 1790, d. Dec. 13, 1861, aged 71 yr. 2 mo. 17. da. Issue, 8 children:

- 5 GEN. 1. Thomas Light, m. to Betsy Uhrich.
 2. Nancy Light, m. to John Lentz.
 3. Levi Light, m. to Mollie Light, 2d time to Mollie Shenk.
 4. Isaiah Light, m. to Catharine Smith.
 5. Mary Light, m. to Daniel Brown.
 6. Leah Light, m. to — Boltz.
 7. John Light, m. to Catharine Strohman.
 8. Elizabeth Light, m. to David Hunsicker.

4 GEN. The 5th son of John Light, brother of my father Henry Light, Felix Light, moved to Snyder county, Pa., b. and d. of both unknown, m. to Catharine Lutz. Their issue was:

- 5 GEN. 1. David Light, m. to Mary Grade.
 2. Amos Light, m. to not known.
 3. Felix Light, m. to not known.
 4. John Light, m. to Mary Lehman.
 5. Elizabeth Light, m. to John Freeman.

The following are the daughters of my grandfather, John Light:

- 4 GEN. 1. Nancy Light, b. Aug. 9, 1779, d. Mar. 4, 1848, aged 68 yr. 6 mo. 25 da. She was m. to Henry Longenecker. He was b. Mar. 2, 1777, d. Mar. 9, 1843, aged 66 yr. 7 da. Issue:
- 5 GEN. 1, Joseph, 2, Betsy, 3, Mary, 4, Fanny, 5, John.

- 4 GEN. 2. Barbara Light, m. to John Hence. No issue.
3. Mary Light, b. May 17, 1790, d. Jan. 25, 1870, aged 79 yr. 8 mo. 8 da.; m. to Abraham Henry. He was b. July 5, 1786, d. Oct. 11, 1864, aged 78 yr. 3 mo. 6 da. Their issue was 7 children:
- 5 GEN. 1. John, b. Sept. 7, 1812.
2. David, b. Aug. 27, 1814.
3. Samuel, b. Mar. 24, 1817.
4. Eliza, b. Dec. 9, 1819.
5. Mary, b. July 7, 1823.
6. Abraham, b. Oct. 5, 1826.
7. Catharine, b. Oct. 27, 1831.
- 4 GEN. Catharine Light, m. to Jacob Rauch. Issue, 3 children:
- 5 GEN. 1, Sarah, 2, Elizabeth, 3, Mary.
- 4 GEN. 5. Betsy Light, m. to Christian Gingrich.
6. Sarah Light, m. to Henry Cross.
- 3 GEN. Henry Light, 2d son of John Light, m. to Miss Landis. This Henry Light lived near the Swatara creek, on a part of the tract of land which his father, John Light, took up. His oldest brother, John, has the other part of the section. This Henry Light built a large two-story brick dwelling-house, which stands to-day and is occupied as a farm house, where he resided the remainder of his days. Henry was b. Oct. 17, 1759, d. Oct. 20, 1822, aged 63 yr. 3 da. His wife's name is worn away from the

- 3 GEN. tombstone so it can't be seen. She was b. Jan. 6, 1761, d. Oct. 15, 1834, aged 73 yr. 9 mo. 9 da. Issue, 8 children.
- 4 GEN. John Light, m. to Barbara Burkholder.
Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Henry Light, m. to — Kreider ; 2d wife,
Becky Kreider.
2. Jacob Light, m. to Nancy Hock.
3. Polly Light, m. to Samuel Wenger.
4. Lydia Light, m. to Isaac Fehler.
5. John Light, m. to Leah Lutz.
- 4 GEN. Jacob Light, 2d son of Henry Light. Jacob
m. to Christiana Light (Fuller). Their issue,
6 children :
- 5 GEN. 1. Joseph Light, m. to Nelly Bross.
2. Mary Light, m. to William Torbon.
3. Henry Light, m. to Mary Rauch.
4. Catharine Light, m. to John Kohl.
5. Samuel Light, m. to Caroline Deck.
6. Christina Light, m. to Jacob Long.
- 4 GEN. Henry Light, 3d son of Henry Light, was
called the rich Henry, m. to Mary Light.
Their issue, 5 children :
- 5 GEN. 1, David Light, 2, Gottlieb Light, 3, Mary
Light, 4, Jonas Light, 5, Betsy Light.
- 4 GEN. Henry Light's 4th son, Abraham Light, m.
to Katie Hoverder.
- 4 GEN. Henry Light's 5th son. Joseph Light, m. to
Fanny Peters.

- 4 GEN. 6. Mary Light, m. to Joseph Kreider. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1, Joseph, 2, Henry, 3, Mary.
- 4 GEN. 7. Barbara Light, m. to Henry Bean. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1, Solomon, 2, Henry, 3, Joseph, 4, Mary, 5, Simon.
- 4 GEN. 8. Lizzie Light, d. single.
- 3 GEN. 3d son of John Light was Jacob Light, an uncle of my father, Henry Light. This Jacob Light lived at the Long Meadow Creek, near Gingrich's Meeting House of the old Mennonite Church.
- 3 GEN. This Jacob Light, Sr., b. Sept. 11, 1763, d. Sept. 5, 1840, aged 76 yr. 11 mo. 24 days; m. to Barbara Brandt. She was b. Dec. 22, 1763, d. Aug. 20, 1851, aged 87 yr. 7 mo. 28 days. Issue :
- 4 GEN. 1. Christian Light, m. to Miss ——— Cormenny. Their issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Oliver Light.
2. Aaron Light, m. to Fanny Ober.
- 4 GEN. 3. William Light, Sr., m. to Catharine Burkholder. Issue :
- 5 GEN. 1. Jacob Light, m. to Miss ——— Harnish.
2. William Light, Jr., m. to 1st wife, ——— Miller, 2d wife, Miss ——— Eby.
3. Amos Light, m. to not known.
- 1 daughter name unknown; 2d daughter name unknown.

- 5 GEN. 3. Maria Light, 12. to Jacob Miller.
4. daughter name unknown; 5. not known, single; 6. not known, single; 7. Amanda Light, single.
- 4 GEN. Jacob Light, Jr., at the Long Meadow, b. Aug. 22, 1806, d. Jan. 26, 1872, aged 65 yr. 5 mo. 4 days; m. to Martha Burkholder. She was b. Sept. 27, 1808, d. May 21, 1881, aged 72 yr. 7 mo. 24 days. Their issue was 7 children:
- 5 GEN. 1. Felix Light, m. to Polly Witmeyer.
2. Lydia Light, m. to William Smith.
3. Barbara Light, m. to Jacob Hershey.
4. Adam Light, m. to Melia Shalk.
5. John Light, m. to Lydia Weidman.
6. Mary Light, m. to Jacob Swartz.
7. Betsey Light, m. to Christ Long.
- 3 GEN. 4th son Martin Light, Sr., lived at the Long Meadow Creek, b. Mar. 20, 1765, d. Apr. 24, 1847, aged 82 yr. 1 mo. 4 days; m. to Catharine Brandt, b. Sept. 5, 1770, d. Oct. 2, 1851, aged 81 yr. 27 days. Their issue:
- 4 GEN. 1. John Light, m. to Catharine Funk, b. 1787, in Cornwall Township, Lebanon Co., Pa., d. 1854, aged 67 yr. His wife b. 1793, d. 1862, aged 69 yr. Their issue, 8 sons
- 5 GEN. 1, Daniel Light, 2, Isaac Light, 3, John Light, 4, Cyrus Light, 5, Martin Light, 6, Moses Light, 7, Andrew Light, 8, Elias Light.

- 4 GEN. Martin Light's 2d son, Christ Light, m. to Mary Kreider.
- 4 GEN. 3. David Light, m. to Mary Knoll.
4. Martin Light, Jr., m. to Henrietta Battow.
5. Abraham Light, m. to Mary Brandt.
6. Moses Light, m. 1st wife, Mary Shirk, 2d wife, Betsy Light, 3d wife, Betsy Brandt.
- 4 GEN. Daughters of Christ Light, Jr.
- 5 GEN. 1. Nancy Light, m. to Henry Snavely.
2. Catharine Light, m. to Henry Fox.
3. Betsey Light, m. to Joseph Kreider.
4. Sarah Light, m. to Abraham Peffy.
5. Mary Light, m. John Light; 2d, m. William Bensing.
- 5 GEN. 6. Amanda Light, m. to Henry Snavely.
7. Henry Light, m. to Betsy Seitz.
8. Christian Light, m. to Nancy Light.
9. Samuel Light, m. unknown.
10. Lovina Light, m. to Lewis Kopenhagen.
11. Lydia Light, m. to John Beeley.
12. John Light, m. to Lizzie Shirk.
13. Emma Light, m. to Daniel Ensminger.
- 3 GEN. Jacob Light's 5th son, Rev. W. B. Felix Light, b. Nov. 11, 1767, d. Jan. 23, 1841, aged 73 yr. 2 mo. 12 days; m. to Barbara Shirk. She was b. May 23, 1771, d. Mar. 20, 1830, aged 58 yr. 9 mo. 28 days.
- 4 GEN. Rev. Felix Light's son, Rev. John Light, m. to Nancy Hoffer. Their issue:

- 5 GEN. 1. Rudy Light, m. to Miss ——— Hopkins.
- 4 GEN. 2. Susie Light, m. to Levi Light.
- 4 GEN. 3. Ezekiel Light, m. to Miss ——— Lowman.
4. Stephen Light, m. to Miss ——— Bowman.
5. Rev. Job Light, m. to unknown.
- 4 GEN. 6. Rev. Casper Light, m. to Mary Light.
Their issue.
- 5 GEN. 1. Barbara Light, single.
2. J. B. Light, single.
3. Felix Light, m. to Sarah Henry.
4. Fanny Light, single.
5. Rev. Joel Light, m. to Lizzie Kreider.
6. Sarah Light, m. to William Lehnich.
- 4 GEN. Rev. Felix Light's 3d son, Joseph Light, m.
to Lizzie Hoover. Issue:
- 5 GEN. 1. Israel Light, m. to Miss ——— Muck.
2. Asaph Light, m. to Miss ——— Weise.
3. Mary Light, m. to Mr. ——— Mence.
4. Annie Light, m. to Joseph Light.
5. Esther Light, m. to Mr. ——— Miley.
6. Dirkes Light, m. to Mr. ——— Maitword.
7. Deborah Light, m. to John Seltzer.
8. Lizzie Light, m. to Urias Seltzer.
9. Benjamin Light; 10. John Light, both d.
young.
- 3 GEN. Abraham Light, Sr., the 6th son of Jacob
Light, whose father, John Light, was from
Germany. This Abraham Light lived at the
corner of Seventh & Cumberland Sts., in the

- 3 GEN. city of Lebanon, Pa. He was b. April 16, 1770, d. Sept. 28, 1850, aged 80 yr. 5 mo. 12 days; m. to Barbara Landis. She was b. Feb. 2, 1771, d. Jan. 27, 1847, aged 75 yr. 11 mo. 25 days. Their issue:
- 4 GEN. 1. Abraham Light, Jr., m. to Salome Rigel. Abraham Light d. Feb. 2, 1861, aged 66 yr. 1 mo. 17 days. His wife d. Apr. 10, 1861, aged 61 yr. 1 mo. 7 days. Their issue:
- 4 GEN. 1. Abraham Light (the 3d), m. to first wife, Margaret Uhrich, second wife, Miss — Hammelton, third wife, Catharine Grumm.
- 5 GEN. 2. S. R. Light, m. to Catharine Gockley. Issue, 9 children:
- 6 GEN. 1. Zachariah S. R. Light, m. to Miss — Imboden.
2. Clara Light, m. to Cornelius Burner.
 3. Alice Light, m. to Lorence Behm.
 4. Ophelia Light, m. to Nathan Barr.
 5. Lydia Light, m. to W. S. G. Behm.
 6. Lucinda Light, single.
 7. Catharine Light, single.
 8. Sadie Light, single.
 9. Ida Light, single.
- 4 GEN. Abraham Light, Jr. Their issue, 2 children:
- 5 GEN. 1. Mary Light, m. to George Levengood.
2. A. R. Light, m. to Cassy Light. Their issue:

- 6 GEN. 1. Zacharie Light, m. to Mary Walmer.
 2. Celia Light, m. to Cyrus Light.
 3. Emma Light, m. to Curtis Steckbeck.
 4. Laura Light, m. to Edw. Umberger.
 5. Elva Light, single.
 6. Alice Light, m. to Henry Gerner.
- 5 GEN. Elias Light, 3d son of Abraham Light, Jr.,
 m. to Eliza Swartz. Their issue :
- 6 GEN. 1. Grant Light, m. to Annie Long.
 2. Betsy Light, single.
- 7 GEN. Grant Light's children :
1. Victor Light, single.
 2. Irene Light, single.
 3. Earl Light, single.
- 5 GEN. Cornelius Light, 4th son of Abraham Light,
 Jr. Cornelius Light, m. to Betsy Schee. Their
 issue :
- 6 GEN. 1. Leah Light, n. to Peter Lebengood.
 2. Henrietta M. Light, m. to Henry Lentz.
 3. Sarah Light, m. to Jonas Karmanny.
 4. Polly Light, m. to Aaron Swartz.
 5. Lizzie Light, m. to William Smith.
 6. Cole Light, m. to John Witmyer.
- 4 GEN. Landis Light, son of Abraham Light, Sr.
 1. Landis Light, m. to Miss —— Meeshey.
 2. Nancy Light, m. to Michael Wolf.
 3. Barbara Light, m. to Henry Bowman.
 4. Mary Light, m. to Jacob Bowman.
 5. Miss —— Light, m. to Mr. —— Dubbs.

- 4 GEN. 6. Miss —— Light, m. to Mr. —— Saylor.
 7. Hannah Light, m. to Valentine Ulrich.

The reader of this little book will notice, on the first page, that three of the Lights from the Old Country started for America, but one (whom I cannot name) stopped in England. One named H. E. Light, of Utica, New York, corresponding for years, found one of these Lights in England; the above H. E. Light now lives at Saginaw, E. S., Michigan, and he, by corresponding, found that the Lights of New York State came from the State of Maine, and they originated from England. I received a letter from this H. E. Light, of which I will give a correct copy to the reader, as follows:

SAGINAW, E. S., MICH., *November 3, 1893.*

MOSES LIGHT, *Manheim, Pa.:*

Your esteemed favor of Sept. 7, was duly received, and, being quite busy, neglected answering at the time. In the year 1892 and early part of 1893 I followed matters up quite closely as to the antecedent condition of the Light families, and located large numbers in most of the states, in some much more numerous than in others, and quite a variety of condition derived; but in Maine, where the origin is developed, they are of German descent. A family in Maine that represented they were of English extraction, as I followed the correspondence I finally located a German Bible with family record within.

The family, which had made its circuit around through England and into the State of Maine, also on my father's side, I finally obtained the data as to his antecedents by transcript from a German Bible, leaving no doubt in my mind that they were originally of German descent; my great-grandfather marrying an English woman for his second wife, thus leaving my father of German-English extraction, and he in turn married a Holland woman, my mother. This season I have not had time to continue the correspondence as extensively as I wished, but shall continue it later on. Am pleased to hear, at your advanced age, you are permitted health that admits of your continued work and correspondence. I have not been able to obtain the name of my great-grandfather or his immediate location. As to the family, his children were scattered, and my father moving from the country while we were young and dying in middle life, those conditions have not permitted my tracing back to my grandfather. I have children located in this city with whom I am spending some time in business matters, and you may address me here as above. The particular data as to brothers and sisters, and antecedents is:

My grandfather, Wolsey Light, b. July 7, 1762, d. Apr. 11, 1828, aged 65 yr. 9 mo. 4 days. By trade a wheel and millwright. In his later life lived on a farm near Shenandoah, 17 miles from Poughkeepsie, N. Y. His first wife's name unknown. Children by her: 1. Elizabeth Light, b. Feb. 4, 1733; 2. William

Light, b. Aug. 29, 1785. Wolsley Light, m. Nov. 23, 1780, to Judith Harton, a daughter of General Harton, of Revolutionary fame. The children by Judith Harton were :

1. Fanny Light, b. Sept. 6, 1787.
2. Sarah Light, b. Nov. 20, 1788.
3. Joseph Light, b. April 4, 1791.
4. Mary Light, b. April 6, 1793.
5. Harry Light, b. April 24, 1795.
6. Jane Light, b. Feb. 18, 1798.
7. Judith Light, b. Dec. 14, 1801.
8. Wolsley Light, b. April 27, 1804.
9. James Light, my father, b. Dec. 18, 1806.

Being 5 daughters and 4 sons, children of Wolsley Light. I have not been able to locate most of these. H. E. Light ; my father, James Light, m. to Maria M. Devine. Their children living are : Harvey E. Light, Martin F. Light, George W. Light, Sarah L. Light, Edward B. Light, Helen B. Light, Dewitt C. Light, two others who died in infancy.

H. E. Light. My own children are George E. Light, Charles W. Light, Manning Light, Wm. Pitt Light, Authur S. Light, M. Grace Light. Two of them married, one dead, and three single. I have sometimes thought that my father might be a descendant of the brother of John Light, who landed in Baltimore, or may be of the Light that originally came to Maine.

Very respectfully yours,

H. E. LIGHT.

By the help of some of the Lichts, the author learns that there was one by the name of Lichty, that left Germany for America with his family; it is thought he died on the sea, but his family came on to Philadelphia, Pa.

Following I will give two letters from the Lichtys, supposed to be descendants from the above Lichty, who is supposed to have died on the sea.

LETTER FROM D. A. LICHTY.

MORRILL, KANSAS, *July 3, 1894.*

MOSES LIGHT—*Dear Sir:* By request of G. D. Lichty, of Myersdale, Somerset Co., Pa., I will give you a brief sketch of our ancestry. My great-grandfather's name is unknown. He came from Switzerland, located on the Tulpenhocken, between Myerstown and Millbach, and there raised a family of six children, three from the first wife, and three from the second wife, viz., Joseph, Christian, Barbara, with their step-brothers, John, Peter, and another one. Joseph was my grandfather. He was born on Oct. 15, 1753, and was raised on the Tulpenhocken, Lebanon Co., Pa.; moved with his brothers and sister (as we could ascertain from some old friends), to Baltimore Co., Md., from thence to Somerset Co., Pa., and died in 1847, aged 88 yr. 5 mo. 25 days. My father's name was Abraham Lichty, he was born Sept. 12, 1794, and died 12 years ago. There are quite a good many Lichtys still living in Switzerland.

I asked one and he answered, Abraham, Joseph, Christian, Jacob, John, etc., emphatically identical with our family names. So you find all those who came from Germany spelled their names Licht, and those from Switzerland, Lichty. They all come from the same family, I think. My grandfather was a Mennonite. Grandfather Joseph and his full brothers raised large families, and you will find most of their offspring in Carroll Co., Ill., Blackhawk Co., Iowa, Richardson and Shager Co., Nebraska, and Brown Co., Kansas. In 1840 they made 82 votes of Lichtys in Somerset Co., Pa., for Wm. H. Harrison. If you want any further, let me know. You will much oblige me if you throw any further light on my great-grandfather Lichty.

D. A. LICHTY.

Morrill, Kansas.

MYERSDALE, SOMERSET CO., PA.

MOSES LIGHT, *Monheim, Pa.:*

Of your favorable request of August the 18th I will now try as per enclosed statement. I supposed I could give some information of the old Lichty ancestry. I have had some correspondence with one of my old aunts, and a few others living in this county who are well up in years and associated much with our forefathers. From all the information I can get, it appears our name originally was first Light or Licht in the old country, afterwards changed to Lichty in

Switzerland. From D. A. Lichty's letter it will prove it, as above stated. The ancestry are from the Rhine of Palatinate, emigrated to Switzerland, and there they changed their name of Licht to Lichty. Some of the Lights write Lyte, some Leight, but they all originated from the old Licht (English Light) of Palatinate on the Rhine.

G. D. LICHTY.



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