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THE NAME The name appears variously in historical records and private papers as Gamberling, Gamperlin, Gamberlin, Chamberlin, Champerlin, Champerling, Chamberling, Kemberling, Kimberling, Gemberlin, Gamberlin, Kamberlin, Gemperlin, Gemberlien, Gemperlen, etc. The most common use of the name today is Gemberling and Gemperling.

THE EUROPEAN HOME OF THE FAMILY The Gemberling family came from Assweiler, in the Palatine Province of Saarland, Germany along the Rhine River. Several Gemberlings came to America during the 1700's.

THE PIONEER IMMIGRANTS OF THE NAME

The book called "Pennsylvania German Pioneers" shows the first of the Gemberlings to enter the port of Philadelphia was (Hans)Peter Gemperling, probably better know as "Peter" (15 Mar 1730/31). Peter was the son of Johann Peter Gemperling. Johann Peter Gemperling (abt 1676-2 Jun 1739). Peter was the

first of the Gemperlings later Gemberlings to arrive in America. He arrived on the British ship "Robert and Alice", Captain Goodman, Master, from Rotterdam Holland, the usual port of embarkation for the German emigrants. The German emigrants traveled up the Rhine River to London and then on to Holland where they board the ships and sail for America or Nova Scotia. Peter took the English Oath of Allegiance at Philadelphia on 3 Sep 1749, the main arrival port for the German and Irish immigrants. The ship list designated the passengers as "Palatinates".

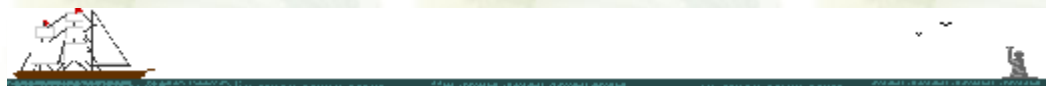
The next of the Gemperlings to come to America were Johann Charles and Johann Paul, brothers, commonly called "Carl" and "Paul". They sailed from Rotterdam, touched at Cowes, Isle of Wight, and arrived at Philadelphia in the British ship "Neptune", Captain Waire, Master. They took the Oath of Allegiance to the English government at the Philadelphia Court House on 30 Sep 1754. The ship list gave the original homes of the passengers as Palatinates, Darmstadters, and Zweybrechers. Carl and Paul left behind their parents and younger brother Johann Jacob Gemberling. Paul had moved out of PA. by the 1790 census. Paul kept the German spelling of his name Gemberling and moved south to Virginia where there are many descendants scattered throughout the Shenandoah Valley, other states and the western states.

The last of the Gemberling's known to enter the port of Philadelphia between the years 1727 and 1808, was Jacob Gemberling, he travelled with older Jacob Gemberling. Some speculate they were father and son, others say the younger Jacob was the son of Samuel and that this may have been, a cousin or previously unknown uncle. Johann Jacob the brother of Carl and Paul who came over in 1754. The two Jacob's sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, in the British ship "Polly", Captain Robert Porter, Master, and arrived at Philadelphia, where they took the English Oath of Allegiance on 26 Sep 1765.

There was a sister of the three brothers whom also came to America, her name is not known at this time and it is not known if she traveled with one of her brothers, a husband, or as an indentured servant.

Jacob (1736-1824) married Catharine (abt 1749-1810) of Lebanon County, PA daughter of Frederick Wolfensberger of Alsace, France/Germany. Jacob and Catherine settled in what

today is called Snyder County, PA where they raised their 8 children. Of these children George B. Gemberling (1776-1860) is of my branch.



SAMUEL GEMBERLING

Samuel Gemberling was born in Germany, in Assweiler in the Palatine Province of Saarland, along the Rhine River, about the year 1704. Samuel was married to Eva Maria Magdalena Hann on 9 May 1726 in Assweiler. Samuel was the father of (Johann) John Charles, John Paul, and John Jacob, commonly called Carl, Paul, and Jacob, and 4 children whom died at an early age. There was also a daughter that emigrated to America as well as 2 sons and 1 daughter that stayed in Assweiler.

CHILDREN OF SAMUEL GEMBERLING

1. Johann (John) Carl (Charles) Gemberling (born about 1730)
2. Johann (John) Paul Gemberling (born about 1732)
3. Johann (John) Jacob Gemberling (1736- May 1824) m. Catherine Wolfensberger d/of Frederick Wolfensberger, probably in Heidelberg Township, Lebanon formerly Lancaster County, PA.
4. 1 daughter unnamed emigrated to America.
5. 4 other children died at an early age.
6. 2 sons and 1 daughter stayed in Assweiler were living in 1782.

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JACOB GEMBERLING (1736-1824)

Jacob Gemberling (son of Samuel) was born in Assweiler in the Palatine Province of Saarland, along the Rhine River, Germany on 17 Oct 1738. During the spring or summer of 1765, Jacob embarked for America at Rotterdam, Holland, after a tiresome trip down the Rhine River. He came in the English ship "Polly", under the command of Captain Robert Porter, Master, touching at Cowes, Isle of Wight, before putting out for the port of

Philadelphia, PA, where the ship arrived on 26 Sep 1765 and took he the Oath of Allegiance.

Jacob was listed as a resident of Heidelberg Township, Lancaster (now Lebanon) County, Pa., in 1771. In 1779, and again in 1782, he was listed as a farmer and tavernkeeper at Schaefferstown in Heidelberg Township. In the latter year he was listed as the non-resident owner of 300 acres of land in Penn Township of Northumberland (now Snyder) County, Pa. This land lay about a mile and a half west of what is today the town of Selinsgrove, and a descendant, A. Ira Gemberling has been the owner of part of the original holdings of Jacob Gemberling, for many years. It is believed that Jacob bought the holdings of his brother, Paul, or maybe land formerly owned by his brother, Carl. Paul, at least, owned land and lived in Penn Township as early as the year 1776. The Juanita and Susquehanna Valley History states that Jacob Gemberling and family came to what is now Penn Township in 1782, but the records seem to indicate that it was a year or two later. Jacob was assessed as a resident of Penn Township for the first time in the year of 1785, probably the same year that he came up from Schaefferstown. In 1789, Jacob was a Fence Viewer in Penn Township, in 1800, he was one of the viewers to locate a road across the Isle of Que from Selinsgrove to the River. In 1801, he was one of the contributors to the fund for the erection of the First Lutheran and Reformed Church of Selinsgrove. He was one of the leading members of the Reformed congregation of this church, and was one of the three men of that faith who served with three men of the Lutheran faith as a building committee. Jacob's son, Philip, was also a contributor to the fund for the erection of the church. One record claims that Jacob was born 1738, but one that is considered accurate, states that he died on May 1824, aged 88 years. This indicates that the year of his birth was 1736. His wife Catherine (Wolfersberger/Wolfensberger) died at the age of 70 years, probably about the year 1810 making her DOB about 1740. Both are buried in the Old Lutheran Cemetery formerly Sharon Lutheran in Selinsgrove, Jacob's has a DAR plaque hers is unmarked. Their son Philip and his two wives are also buried there. Philip bought most of his father's large land holdings. One record states that Jacob and wife had fourteen children, and another states that they had six when they moved

to Penn Township. This writer has been able to locate the names of eight children who grew to maturity. It is possible that the others died in infancy.

At some period during the Revolutionary War, Jacob was a Private in the 5th Company, 3rd Battalion of the Lancaster County Militia. His company was commanded by Captain Nicholas Lutz. On 8 Jul 1782, Jacob Gemberling was a Private in Captain John Moore's Company, 3rd Battalion of the Lancaster County Militia. Jacob Gemberling, Frederick, Peter, and Philip Wolfensberger cousins of Catherine's, were members of the same company at the same time. All of the eastern part of Heidelberg Township, took the Oath of Allegiance to the Colonies at Lancaster, PA., on 22 Jun 1778.

CHILDREN OF JACOB GEMBERLING and CATHERINE WOLFENSBERGER

1. Elizabeth (13 Jul 1768 11 Aug 1811) m. Philip Morr (-1826)
2. Jacob Jr. (1770?-) m. Mary Tracter
3. Philip (27 Jul 1773 13 Oct 1859) m. 1) Eva Glass (15 Jul 1773 13 Jan 1815 in 1793 m. 2) Judith Fetter (10 Dec 1794 28 Aug 1862) in 1816
4. George B. (6 Mar 1776 3 Jun 1869) m. 1) Anna Weiss(Mattie Reiss) (8 Jul 1776 29 Apr 1826) m. 2) Barbara Kempel (2 Oct 1788 24 Oct 1874)
5. Samuel
6. Sarah m. Jacob Moyer
7. Mary (Polly) (4 Jul 1784 1826) m. Joseph Walter
8. Maria Elizabeth m. Joseph Walter

[Photos of Jacob Gemberling's homestead in Schaferstown, PA](#) which now is a Museum part of the historical societies property. Photos are courtesy of S. Stauch.

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GEORGE B. GEMBERLING (1776-1860) George B. Gemberling (Jacob, Jacob) was born in Heidelberg Township, Lancaster, now Lebanon County, Pa., 6 Mar 1776, and died in Penn

Township, Snyder County, Pa., 6 Jun 1860. His mother was Catherine Wolfensberger. George came to what is now Penn Township with his parents about the year 1785. In 1798, he married Anna Weiss (Rice, Reese, Reiss), who was born 8 Jul 1776 (tombstone shows DOB as 1796), and died 26 Apr 1836. His second wife was Barbara Kempel, born 2 Oct 1788, and died in Penn Township, Snyder County, 24 Oct 1874. All three are buried in the Salem Cemetery in Penn Township. George was a carpenter and farmer, and lived in Penn Township for 75 years. He was superintendent of construction of the second building at Row's (Salem) Church. The cornerstone was laid 7 Aug 1814, and the building dedicated on 12 May 1816. George was a member and officer of the Reformed congregation, and one of it's leading contributors. CHILDREN with ANNA WEISS

1. George (13 Mar 1799 23 Sep 1884) m. 1) Anna Ritter (8 Jul 1796 20 Apr 1837) m. 2) Sarah Pontius (13 Dec 1804 31 Jan 1873)
2. Henry (31 Mar 1801 28 Aug 1887) m. ____ Zeiber
3. Polly (29 Jul 1803 20 Feb 1890) m. 1) ____ Kershner m. 2) Jacob Bickhart
4. Catherine (15 Jun 1807 2 Dec 1883) m. Henry Bickhart (27 Apr 1802 10 Oct 1877)
5. Daniel (15 May 1810 14 Aug 1859) m. Sophia Zeiber
6. Lucy (4 Dec 1813 1890) m. Frederick Kinney (1804 1878) on 25 Nov 1831 (Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Bristol, In)
7. Joseph (10 Nov 1815 25 Dec 1831)
8. Jonathan (25 May 1819 21 Sep 1884) m. Sarah Bickhart (5 Mar 1819 12 Sep 1893) on 19 Mar 1840
9. Sephares (29 Jan 1833 16 Sep 1918) m. Rosa Ann Picard (31 Dec 1832 3 Feb 1902) on 26 Dec 1854

Note: There is a discrepancy of dates for Anna's, IF she were born 1796 as her tombstone states (there is a photo my cousin has in her possession she took while in PA) then Anna can't possibly be the mother of most of these children. This would mean that George was married before Anna. Also there are many web sites with information on the Gemberlings out there that state Barbara Kempel as Sephares' mother. If this were true then he would have been born 3 yrs before Anna died and been illegitimate. There is no proof of this, all indications are that Anna was his mother. Research is continuing to being

done.

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PHILIP GEMBERLING, SR. (1773-1859) Philip Gemberling (Jacob, Jacob) was born in Heidelberg Township, Lancaster (now Lebanon) County, PA., 27 Jul 1773, and died in Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa, 13 Oct 1859. His mother was Catherine Wolfensberger. Philip came to what is now Penn Township with his parents when he was about 12 years old. As a young man, he bought 250 acres of his father's large land holdings, where Philip lived his entire life. In 1793, he married Eva, a daughter of George Glass, a Revolutionary War soldier. She was born on 15 Jul 1773, probably in what is now Snyder County, and died 13 Jul 1815. She is interred in the old cemetery of the First Lutheran Church in Selinsgrove, PA. Eva was the mother of 5 sons and 4 daughters. Philip's second wife was Judith Fetter, daughter of Jacob Fetter (Fedder or Feather). She was born 10 Dec 1794, and died 28 Aug 1862. Judith had 6 sons and 5 daughters. Philip, like his father was an active member of the Reformed Church, having joined the congregation of that faith at Kratzerville, PA., in 1794. At this time no Reformed congregation existed at either Salem or Selinsgrove. In 1801, when the First Lutheran and Reformed church was erected on the premises, some rivalry having existed as to who would be the first to supply material. He was a man of keen business foresight, and held various positions of public trust. In 1815, he was one of the viewers to locate the Pine Street Bridge in Selinsgrove. In 1824, and again in 1829, he was one of the road supervisors for Penn Township. In 1844, he was one of the township auditors. In 1855, when the Reformed congregation in Selinsgrove decided to build it's own edifice, he was one of the heaviest contributors to the fund for the erection of the German Reformed Church. Philip, his two wives, and his parents are buried in the old cemetery of the First Lutheran Church in Selinsgrove. At the time of his death, "The Reformed Church Messenger" carried a long article on the life of this man of faith and works. Judith Fetter and Philip were married 16 Mar 1816. CHILDREN with EVA GLASS

1. Philip Jr. (1793 1820) m. Susan Elizabeth (1805) in 1850

2. John (1797) m. Catherine Moyer (2-Jun-1798/14-Apr 1877)
3. Jacob (1800?-1848) m. Eva Mathias (-1888)
4. Mary (Polly) m. David Hertz
5. Catherine (4 Jan 1804 28 Jun 1885)m. 1) John Royer (24 Nov 1796/20 Apr 1837) m. 2) Abraham Eisenhauer
6. Samuel G. (15 Sep 1806 30 May 1890) m. Matilda Kline (- 28 May 1888) early in 1837
7. Sarah m. Michael Neitz
8. Rebecca (13 Aug 1813 22 Dec 1847) m. George Fisher (11 Mar 1801 6 Feb 1881) on 28 Nov 1832
9. Frederick - died in his teens by being thrown from a horse.

CHILDREN with JUDITH FETTER

10. Esther (3 Oct 1816 19 Apr 1886) m. 1) Levi Zearns m. 2) Frederick Hare
11. Paul 4 May 1818 25 Apr 1883) m. Margaret Laudenslager 1 Jan 1817 7 Jan 1872)
12. Amelia m. George Ott Jr.
13. Benjamin - drowned in a spring on the Col. James K. Davis farm, in infancy
14. Lydia m. John Parks (23 Feb 1816 9 Jan 1894) on 9 May 1843
15. Caroline (1833) m. Henry Neyer
16. Joseph V. (18 Mar 1831 22 Apr 1890) m. Martha Feehrer in 1850
17. A daughter, who died in infancy
18. Reuben (9 Mar 1834 31 Dec 1902) m. Sarah Ritter (12 Jun 1836 9 Jan 1903) on 15 Oct 1854
19. Alfred - drowned in the canal near the waste weir in Selinsgrove, PA.
20. Lieut. Wm. H. (22 Sep 1837 4 Dec 1899) m. Amanda Forry 29 Sep 1837 28 Apr 1915) on 14 Oct 1855

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SAMUEL GEMBERLING Samuel Gemberling (Jacob, Jacob) was born in what was then Heidelberg Township, Lancaster, now Lebanon County, PA. His mother was Catherine Wolfensberger. About 1785, Samuel came to what is now Penn Township,

Snyder County, with his parents. He married ____ and it is supposed that he and wife are buried at White Deer, Union County, PA. He or a younger relative of his of the same name served in Captain John Snyder's Company in the War of 1812.

CHILDREN

- 1. Samuel**
- 2. Peter (- 1873) m. Catherine ____ (-3 Jul 1884)**
- 3. Rebecca m. George Walter**

SARAH GEMBERLING, wife of JACOB MOYER

Sarah Gemberling (Jacob, Jacob) was born in what was then Heidelberg Township, Lancaster County, now Lebanon County, PA. Her parents came to Penn Township, now Snyder County in 1785. Sarah's mother was Catherine Wolfensberger. Sarah married Jacob Moyer, and it is believed that they lived somewhere in Union County, PA.

CHILDREN

- 1. John Moyer m. Violet Meixell**
- 2. Rebecca Moyer m. 1) ____ Patterson m. 2) Jeremiah Meixell**
- 3. Catherine Moyer m. Daniel Noll**
- 4. Eliza Moyer m. David Leiby**
- 5. Caroline Moyer m. Moses Kling**
- 6. Harriet Moyer m. ____ Meixell**
- 7. Daniel Moyer m. Catherine Harbeson**
- 8. William Moyer m. Mary Wagner**

MARY (POLLY) GEMBERLING, wife of FREDERICK ESTERLINE

Mary Gemberling (Jacob, Jacob) was born about 1786, in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., and died near Woodward, Center County, PA., about 1826. her mother was Catherine Wolfensberger. Mary married Frederick Esterline, a carpenter, who was born about 1778, and died about 1826. Frederick was assessed in Penn Township for the first time in 1799. He was Constable of Penn Township for the years 1813, 1814, and 1815. In 1816, he bought the old (first) Row's (Salem) Church at a public sale for \$24. Some suppose that he was a son of Jacob "Esterly" who served in Captain John Clarks Company of the Northumberland County Associators in 1776, or of Christopher Esterline, who lived in Dauphin County in 1790, according to the U.S. Census of that year. Mary was mentioned in her father's will, made in 1821, for a special award. It is

supposed that she and her husband moved to the Penn's Valley, Center County, PA., about the year 1820, where both are said to have died within a short time of each other in the years of 1825 or 1826. It is supposed that they are buried in one of the older cemeteries of that section.

CHILDREN

- 1. Jacob Esterline**
- 2. Mary Ann Esterline (3 Jul 1814 29 Aug 1888) m. Michael Roush (13 May 1812 5 Apr 1864)**
- 3. Samuel Esterline (14 Sep 1817 20 Sep 1899) m. Catherine Stover (24 Jul 1818/1 Dec 1897)**
- 4. Frederick Esterline Jr.**
- 5. ___ Esterline (Tradition says there was another daughter, raised by Mrs. John Royer)**



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SEPHARES GEMBERLING (1833-1918)

Sephares Gemberling (George B., Jacob, Jacob) was born in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, PA., 29 Jan 1833, and died in Selinsgrove, Snyder County, 16 Sep 1918. His mother was Barbara S. Kempel. On 26 Dec 1854, he married Rosa Ann Picard, who was born 31 Dec 1832 and died 3 Feb 1902. Both are buried in the Union Cemetery at Selinsgrove, Pa. Sephares was an outstanding member of the Reformed Church and the Republican party, and a leader in every respect. For many years Sephares operated the old Gemberling farm, along the Selinsgrove-Lewistown Highway, about two miles west of Selinsgrove. In 1936, this farm was owned and operated by his son A. Ira Gemberling. This farm has been in possession of the Gemberling family for more than 150 years.

CHILDREN

- 1. George R. (24 Sep 1855) m. Emma Reinard**
- 2. Barbara J. (22 Oct 1856 14 Feb 1938) m. Emmett White (28 Dec 1854) on 25 Dec 1879)**

3. Henry A. (29 Dec 1857 1937) m. 1) Anna Weaver (1859 1889) on 21 Sep 1881
m. 2) Ida B. Rentfrow m. 3) Sophia Mae Blecker
4. Margaret E. (19 Nov 1859) m. Wm. A. Fisher (9 Feb 1853 21 Sep 1931) on 24 Dec 1878
5. Ellen O. (22 Jan 1862 16 Apr 1930) m. Lincoln B. Hughes on 29 Nov 1883
6. Rose Anna (6 Dec 1865) m. Irvin W. Hummel (3 Feb 18?? 1937) on 15 Jan 1884
7. Susan A. (11 Feb 1867 25 Jun 1938) m. I. Milton Romig (31 May 1864 14 Jul 1947) on 20 Sep 1899
8. Sarah A. (29 Jan 1869 15 Sep 1918) Twin Never Married
9. Sephares P. (29 Jan 1869 5 Mar 1869) Twin
10. A. Ira (26 Oct 1870) m. Clara Kreisher (11 Jul 1871 27 Sep 1930) on 7 Feb 1900
11. Eva K. (13 Jul 1872) m. Alfred Marburger (12 Apr 1856 5 Feb 1914) on 8 Dec 1909
12. Lewis F. (6 Feb 1875) m. A. Jane Shively (11 Jul 1877) on 10 Sep 1902
13. Minnie Nettie (29 Dec 1877) Spinster

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SAMUEL GEMBERLING Samuel Gemberling (Samuel, Jacob, Jacob) was born in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., on 12 Dec 1810, and died Jun 1904. He married Eliza Dirnick of Pottsville on 16 Feb 1838. She was born 22 Mar 1813.

CHILDREN

1. Sarah (5 May 1854 26 May 1936) m. Clerin O. Gardner (11 Apr 1855 21 Jan 1900)
2. Lydia (1849 1917) m. Henry F. Sterner (1847 1925)
3. Louise (23 May 1845 1920) m. ____ Bright
4. Kate (29 Aug 1839) m. Rev. John Swartz
5. S. Wells (8 Jan 1852) m. Rhetta Keller
6. Margaret (29 Aug 1843) m. Newton Feehrer
7. Charles P. (22 Jun 1841 1900) m. Sarah Kantner, d/o a Hoover
8. James B. (1847 1849)

PETER GEMBERLING (-1873)

Peter Gemberling (Samuel, Jacob, Jacob) was born in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa, and died in what is now Union Township, Snyder County, Pa, in 1873. His wife, Catherine _____, died in Union Township, 3 Jul 1884.

CHILDREN

- 1. Martha J. (1853 1920) m. 1) Casper Bitner m. 2) Christian Bitner (1846 1921)**
- 2. Josephine m. David L. Neitz**
- 3. Alfred m. Mollie (?) Musselman**
- 4. Lucetta (3 Aug 1841 15 Mar 1926 m. Gabriel Wise (20 Mar 1838 6 Oct 1912)**

REBECCA GEMBERLING, wife of GEORGE WALTER

Rebecca Gemberling (Samuel, Jacob, Jacob) was probably born in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa. She married George Walter of Union County, Pa., and it is presumed that they lived there.

JOHN MOYER

John Moyer (Sarah Gemberling, Jacob, Jacob) was born on _____ probably in Union County, Pa. His father was Jacob Moyer.

SAVILLA GEMBERLING, wife of SOLOMON APP

Savilla Gemberling (Jonathan, George B., Jacob, Jacob) was born on _____ 1847, in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., and died in Selinsgrove, Snyder County, Pa, in 1929. Her mother was Sarah Bickhart. On 7 Oct 1869, Savilla married Solomon App, a native of Monroe Township, Snyder County, Pa. Solomon was born on _____ 1851, and died in Monroe Township, on _____ 1924. Solomon was a farmer. He and wife were active members of the Lutheran Church. Both are buried in the Union Cemetery at Selinsgrove, Pa.

CHILD

- 1. Lulu App m. Dolan Fasold**

ELIZABETH GEMBERLING wife of FRANCIS ARTLEY, and HENRY GAY

Elizabeth Gemberling (Jonathan, George B., Jacob, Jacob) was born in what is now Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., in 1846, and died in 1902. Her mother was Sarah Bickhart. About 1860, she married Francis Artley (Erdly), who was born on 19 Aug 1840, and died 3 Jul 1874. Later she married Henry Gay.

GEORGE RAPHAEL GEMBERLING (1855)

George R. Gemberling (Sephares, George B., Jacob, Jacob) was born in Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., on 23 Sep 1855. His mother was Rosa Ann Picard. On 25 Dec 1879, George married Emma Reinard of the same township in which he was born.

BARBARA JANE GEMBERLING, wife of EMMETT WHITE

Barbara J. Gemberling (Sephares, George B., Jacob, Jacob) was born in Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., on 22 Oct 1856. Her mother was Rosa Ann Picard. On 24 Jun 1888, Barbara married Emmett White, who was born 28 Dec 1854. She died at Milton, Pa. on 14 Feb 1938, and is buried at Selinsgrove, PA.

CHILD 1. Rosa M. White (7 Jun 1893) m. Erich S. Specht (5 Jun 1891) on 6 Sep 1917

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HENRY ADAM GEMBERLING (1857 - 1937) Henry A. Gemberling (Sephares, George B., Jacob, Jacob) was born in Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa., on 29 Dec 1857. His mother was Rosa Ann Picard. Henry's first wife was Anna Weaver(1859-1889?). The second, Ida B. Rentfrow. The third, Sophia, daughter of Philip Blecker of Selinsgrove, Pa. Henry had no children with his third wife. Henry lived in some of the western states in his younger days, but about 1900 returned to live in Selinsgrove, where he lived until his death in 1937. He was a laborer, and contractor in cement and concrete work, in his latter years. He was a member of the Reformed Church and the Odd Fellows Lodge. He lived on South Market Street, Selinsgrove. Henry married Anna Weaver 21 Sep 1881 in Elkhart, In. Anna was 3 months pregnant when she died from bleeding to death, probably a miscarriage. After Anna's death (1889?) Grace and Sephares spent much of their childhood living with their grandparents Sephares and Rosa Anna.

CHILDREN

- 1. Grace Agnes (30 Mar 1882 30 Nov 1957) m. Arthur N. Bailey (10 Jul 1881 26 Dec 1961) on 25 Dec 1902**
- 2. Sephares Weaver Gemberling (1 Feb 1884)**

**MARGARET E. GEMBERLING, wife of WILLIAM ABROSE FISHER
Margaret E. Gemberling (Sephares, George B., Jacob, Jacob)**

was born in Penn Township, Snyder County, Pa, 19 Nov 1859. Her mother was Rosa Ann Picard. On 24 Dec 1878, Margaret married, William a., son of George Fisher. William was her second cousin. They were members of the Lutheran Church and the Republican party. About 1900, William and his family moved to New Columbia, Pa., and later to the town of Milton, Pa. William was a successful farmer, both in Penn Township, and later at New Columbia. He was born in Penn Township, 9 Feb 1853, and died at Milton, Pa., 21 Sep 1931. Mrs. Fisher lived in Milton, Pa.

Many thanks to Maggie who provided information by an old family historian Laura Gemberling and Duane Gemberling. Maggie it turns out is my 1st cousin once removed. We had never met until one day while searching message boards we came across each others quest for information. I am deeply grateful to her for all her information on the Gemberling's.



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