

listed as having lived in Schönsee 25 with the family of Franz Thiessen (son of Johann), age 43, and his wife Helena, age 20, in 1816. (The Abraham Regier and Kornelius Kroeker families are also listed at this address, presumably as Anwohner.)

The oldest surviving Bergen son, Abraham [b. ca. 1789], was later accepted into the family of Kornelius Kroeker (son of Peter), which arrived in the Russian Empire in 1805 but is not listed by Unruh in 1808, and moved to Gnadenheim 2 in 1829; he was unmarried in 1835 at age 45.

The youngest one, Gerhard (b. ca. 1801-02), moved to Friedensdorf 14 in 1825. He lived there with his second wife and young son in 1835.

This information may prove to be helpful to others in their research.

Endnote 210: The Petershagen church records show an Abraham von Riesen of Kalteherberge marrying Anna Rahn, daughter of the deceased Isbrand Rahn of Altendorf, on 15 Nov. 1804. I believed that this was the same person as # 210, until I read Plett's mention (*KG Historical Series*, v. 1, p. 235), of Goertz's reference to Bahr's book and Schapansky's brief biographical sketch of a second, non-emigrant Abraham von Riesen [1757-1829] in Kalteherberge.

Endnote 219: In an effort to narrow the search for Johann Poetker's second wife, Helena, I looked through the entire 1808 revision list for Molotschna and found 4 Helenas, any one of which could be the one in question, assuming that she was born between 27 October (the date of the 1808 revision) and the early months of the year when the 1835 revisions were compiled, viz.:

- (1) daughter of Jacob Löwen, Muntau # 3 (Unruh, p. 307)
- (2) daughter of Johann Neufeldt, Blumstein 20 (Unruh, p. 315)
- (3) daughter of Isebrandt Rempel, Tiegenhagen 18 (Unruh, p. 323)
- (4) daughter of Johann Tiessen, Fürstenau 9 (Unruh, p. 329)

This, of course, does not exhaust the possibilities, because I did not check the list of emigrants who do not appear in the 1808 revision (or under the name of a stepfather if they do). Moreover, Helena could have come from a family which arrived in Molotschna after late 1808, either from West Prussia or from Chortitza.

Nevertheless, this offers some clues for further research, since there is probably more than a 50% chance that one of the above is the ancestor in question.

Endnote 223: I have finally resolved the parentage of Helena Dück.

Unruh lists the following Dücks in Muntau in the 1808 revision:

- (1) Gerhard Dück, age 42, from Einlage, Amt Elbing, farmer, wife Helena, age 21, children Gerhard (16), Johann (14), Peter (12), Anna (11), all obviously from a previous wife, at Muntau # 1