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living as a shoemaker. He died in Gnadenhoh at the home of his children Franz Heinrich. Mrs. Gertrude Regal was confined to sick bed for eight years of her life, apparently she had ruined her back by pushing a pork barrel during the emigration from Russia. 34 Son Peter Regal (1800-1878) settled in the village of Gnadenhoh in 1860 and was elected as a minister of the Margrethe Gemeinde in 1867.25 This family apparently used the spelling Regal instead of Regier.

No.	Name	Birth	Marriage	Death
4	Peter Regal	Sep 5, 1796		Jan 24, 1879
5	Gertrude Wiels	1800		Jan 3, 1871
5	Gertrude Regal			
5	Johan Regal			
5	Hein Regal	Nov 14, 1842		May 11, 1899 ✓
5	Marg Regal			

4 Daughter Agnetha Regier (1793-1863) married Johan Klassen (1755-1841) son of Johan Klassen (1758-1812) who settled in Wierichhoh N. C. in Tiesse, Melotshna, in 1805.26 In his "Klassen lineage" Ted Schellenberg has recorded that Johan Klassen (1785-1841) travelled to the Old Colony to find his bride, a daughter of shoemaker Peter Regier 27. It is possible that family tradition has been passed on here and that the reference to Peter Regier is to Agnetha's older brother Peter who was known to be a shoemaker in craft which would be compatible with the art of shoemaking. In any case genealogist Allan Peters, Fresno, California, has concluded that this is an error and that Agnetha Regier (1793-1863) was the daughter of Peter Regier and Catharina Wiels.28

The Johan Klassen family, originating in the Melotshna Gemeinde in 1800, moved from Tiesse to Tiesse, where he lived in the village of Tiesse from 1827-1839. According to Ted Schellenberg, daughter Helena Klassen (1812-1892) was married to David Friesen of Melotshna. It is possible that he was David A. Friesen (1807-1892) the famous Oberlehrer of the Melotshna Colony from 1849-1865.40 According to Heinrich Schroeder, the maiden name of his wife was Klassen and the age of Helena would be appropriate.41

Son Johan Klassen (1812-1887) married Anna Friesen who appears to be the daughter of Johan Friesen (1782-1861) who settled in Tiesse in 1805.42 Agnetha Klassen (1844-1899), daughter of Johan Klassen (1812-1887) was married to Johan Neufeld (1822-1911) who settled in Tiesse, Tiesse, during the 1870s.43

Son Alexander Klassen (1820-1900) worked for some years in Denmark, and then settled in Tiesse, Tiesse, where he lived for some years. He is thought to be the same as the Alexander Klassen of which there is a record in Tiesse, Tiesse, during the 1870s.44 Wierichhoh. At the time of his death he owned the Melotshna Gemeinde and in 1869 he was succeeded by his son Johan Klassen.45