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Section Four. Christina Schellenberg.

3 **Christina Schellenberg** married Michael Loewen who is identified in the Tiegenhagen Gemeindebuch.⁷⁷ According to the records of Richard D.Thiessen they were married in 1792 in Petershagen, and had three children, Gerhard (1793), Aron (1798) and Michael (1800) all born in Tiegenhof, West Prussia.⁷⁸

Another source **The Family of Heinrich Ewert 1601-1982** by Henry S.Ewert, states that Justina Schellenberg, the daughter of Gerhard Schellenberg (1725-1801), married Michael Loewen born 1743 and then lists nine children, with the oldest, Bernard Loewen born in 1770, and the youngest Margaretha Loewen born in 1790 who married Peter Martens.⁷⁹

It appears that Justina Schellenberg (born 1761) was the second wife of Michael Loewen and that the children listed are all from the first wife. This is confirmed by the research of Dr.Glenn Penner who advises that the Tiegenhagen Mennonite Church Records refer to the marriage as follows: "Jungfrau (Just Schellenberg) married on March 11, 1792, to Michael Loewen, a widower."⁸⁰

In any case the emigration records show that the Peter Martens family emigrated to Russia in 1819 with two children, Jakob age 8 and Paul age 7.⁸¹ According to Henry S.Ewert 1601-1982, the Peter Martens family settled in Grossweide, where they prospered financially. In 1835 their daughter Helena Martens (born 1814) married Heinrich Ewert (born 1813) and the family took up a Wirtschaft in Sparrau. Their son Heinrich Ewert was born in 1839 and in 1860 he married Susanna Dick. In 1875 Heinrich Ewert (1839-1923) emigrated to America settling near Mountain Lake.⁸² This information is included here in order that the readers may form their own opinion as to whether the Peter Martens line actually belongs to that of Gerhard Schellenberg (1725-1801). Hopefully further information will allow a conclusive determination to be made in this regard.

Gen	Name	Birth	Marriage	Death
3	Christina Schellenberg	Nov 8,1761	Mar 11,1792	
m	Michael Loewen			
4	Gerhard Loewen	Apr 21,1793		
4	Aron Loewen	Oct 5,1798		
4	Michael Loewen	Sep 13,1800		

Section Five. Paul Schellenberg (born 1764).

3 **Paul Schellenberg** married Sarah Hoewner in 1785.⁸³ The family lived in Tiegenhof where their oldest son Paul was born in 1787. The next year they moved to the neighbouring village of Petershagen, as their next child Christina was born there in 1789. There is no record that this family emigrated to Russia and therefore it is assumed that they remained in Prussia. No further information available at this time.⁸⁴

Gen	Name	Birth	Marriage	Death
3	Paul Schellenberg	Jan 18,1764		
m	Sarah Hoewner		Mar 6,1785	
4	Paul Schellenberg	Oct 15,1787		Aug 26,1788
4	Chris Schellenberg	Jan 31,1789		
4	Chris Schellenberg	Mar 31,1790		1789/1790
4	Paul Schellenberg	1791		Jul 31,1815

Section Six Jakob Schellenberg.

3 **Jakob Schellenberg** was born in 1772 in Tiegenhof. In 1796 he married Catharina Braun, born in Grubenkaedigungskamp, Prussia.⁸⁵ She was the daughter of Abraham Braun.⁸⁶ The couple resided in Tiegenhagen where Jakob pursued his work as a linen weaver. The couple belonged to the Tiegenhagen Flemish Gemeinde where their marriage, as well as the birth of their first four children, is recorded.⁸⁷

In 1804 Jakob Schellenberg moved to Russia staying at the Chortitza Colony for the first winter. At this time Jakob Schellenberg, together with Klaas Reimer (1770-1837), Petershagen, and Johan Warkentin (1760-1825), Blumenort, Molotschna, negotiated for the 1,000,000 ruble Volenko Estate with the plan of settling there instead of in the Molotschna. In his "Memoirs" Klaas Reimer has told the story of how these negotiations were aborted by the Government with the result that these men and their followers settled in the Molotschna.⁸⁸

The Jakob Schellenberg family settled in the Molotschna Colony, arriving in the village of Tiegenhagen on June 5, 1805, where they settled on Wirtschaft No. 6.⁸⁹ Ted Schellenberg has noted that the twenty-settlers in this village included five carpenters, three linen weavers, two tailors, a shop keeper, cabinet maker, clockmaker, a miller, as well as seven farmers.⁹⁰ He writes that "while most of the farmers who migrated to the Molotschna were rich, Jakob had not been able to accumulate a sizable estate as a linen weaver. A certificate of migration shows that he paid 235 thaler or \$168.00, which represented the ten percent of his assets that was exacted by the government, to obtain permission to leave Prussia. His assets, on arriving in his new home, were thus about \$1500.00. His brothers were more affluent than he, for one of them had been a farmer (Aron) and another a beer brewer in Prussia."⁹¹ When compared to the cash assets of other Molotschna pioneers it appears that Jakob Schellenberg (born 1772) was a relatively wealthy man. Katie Peters has also recorded that he owned a textile dye works.⁹²

The 1808 **Revisions Liste** records the family as follows: "Jakob Schellenberg 36, from Tiegenhoff, linen weaver, wife Catharina 39, children Catharina 11, Jakob 9, Gerhard 7, Justina 4, Maria 2, Abraham 1. Property 1 wagon,