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Section Two. Anna Barkman

2. According to a letter of Gustav Schulz in the Mennonitische Rundschau of December 14, 1910, daughter Anna Barkmen was born on December 22, 1792.<sup>7</sup> She was married to Martin Fast who emigrated from Furstenwerder, Prussia, to the Molotschna Colony, South Russia, in 1860 together with four children. Gustav Schulz has listed only four children.

<u>Gen</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth</u>	<u>Marriage</u>	<u>Death</u>
2	Anna Barkman	Dec 22, 1792		
m	Martin Fast	Aug 23, 1800		
3	Martin Fast	Jan 23, 1829		
3	Anna Fast	Jan 28, 1833		
3	Peter Fast	May 17, 1836		
3	Katharina Fast	Sep 15, 1839		

Section Three. Jakob J. Barkman

2 Son Jakob J. Barkman was born June 15, 1794. On August 15, 1818, he emigrated to Russia together with his brother Martin.<sup>8</sup> At the time of emigration they are listed as being from Neustaedterwald in West Prussia.<sup>9</sup> According to tradition their mother treated them with a glass of buttermilk before they started out on their long journey, and wished them a happy journey.<sup>10</sup> Since they were of military age they sought to escape conscription in Prussia. "By day they hid under grain stooks. By night they made progress as best they could."<sup>11</sup>

When they arrived at the Molotschna Colony they settled in the village of Rueckenau, which had been founded in the year 1811. The Gemeinde Berichten 1848 contain a particularly detailed report of the pioneer years in the village of Rueckenau. X Apparently the first eight families to settle in the village were poor and received government assistance at the Russian border. The last nine families to settle there had sufficient means and did not receive a subsidy.<sup>12</sup> Since the Barkman brothers emigrated in 1818 they were probably included among the latter group.

In 1819 Jakob was married to Gertrude Klassen, the daughter of Peter Klassen. She died in Rueckenau in 1847. In 1852 Jakob Barkman married for a second time to a widow Ems from Rueckenau who died not quite seven years later.<sup>13</sup> Jakob Barkman came to Manitoba as an elderly widower in 1874 and died at the home of his children daughter Aganetha, Mrs. Peter W. Toews, in Blumenort, in 1875.<sup>14</sup>