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Accountant) III:B (Box 50)

III: Correspondence -- B. Correspondence, Township Lots

Summary of events and/or correspondence for 1822:

Sept. 4, 1822 --Minutes of Council record appointment of Nafziger et al,
with Lt. Gov. (fund by O. Gingerch) (not in UofT collection)

Aug. 30, 1822 -- Petition [13, No. 17] of Moyer, Wismer and Erb to set apart
about 100,000 acres adjoining the Township of Waterloo and
Woolwich

Sept. 30, 1822 -- Gov't office requests Surveyor General to report on
above petition for the information of Council (attached
to or written on above Petition)

Oct. 16, 1822 -- Answer of Surveyor General to request for info.: says the
Townships of Waterloo and Woolwich are surrounded by Lands
granted [as] Crown and Clergy Reserves. Suggests that lands
north of Woolwich Twp. might be available.
On same date Council recommended that the Townships of
Proton and Melancthon be kept open for 18 months from this
date. (attached to or written on above Petition)'

Oct. 29, 1822 -- Copy of above sent to Surveyor General (attached to or written on
above Petition)

THE PETITION (transcription): E13, No. 19

To His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland Knight commander of the most Honorable Military order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, etc.

---- In Council ---

The Petition of Jacob Moyer Isaac Wismore of the Township of Clinton, and Jacob Erb, of the Township of Waterloo, all of the Province of Upper Canada -

Humbly Sheweth --

that your Petitioners are desirous of obtaining a Grant of Land, for the Sects calld Menonist Tankers and Quakers, and their Grown up Children, your Petitioners therefore beg that Your Excellency will be pleased to Set apart about one hundred thousand Acres adjoining the Townships of Waterloo and Woolwich, for which they are willing to pay the fees, as they obtain Grants individually, as your Petitioners would much sooner have Lands in that part of the County [Country?] than Else where as it is immediately near their brethren of the same Persuasion, and Your Petitioners, as in duty bound will ever pray

Clinton 30th August
1822

[signed] Jacob Erb
Jacob Moyer
Isaac Wismer

a) Front of Petition: E13
No.19
Petition
of
Jacob Moyer
Isaac Wismore
&
Jacob Erb

Government Office 30
Sept. 1822

The Surveyor General is requested to Report
hereon for the information of Council
By Command

Ent. in Land
Book I [?]
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[Hillier?]

[Reply of The Townships of Waterloo & Woolwich are
of Surv. Gen.] surrounded by Lands granted [as?] Crown & Clergy Reserves

b) & c) The Northern Boundary of Woolwich is only Four Miles Distant
from the Township of Garraf xa [?], in which are upwards of 30,000
acres of Vacant and grantable Lands - and adjoining to the last
mentioned is the Township of Amaranth whose report of Survey I daily
expect to receive.

Survey Gen. Office
1.6 Octo. 1822

-- Ridout
Survey General

[continued]

In Council 16th October 1822
Reconune.nded that the Townships of Proton and Melancthon
be Kept open for eighteen months from this date.

JB

Sent a Copy to Surveyor General 29th October 1822.

[pencilled at bottom] See another petition of Jacob Erb and others Read in Council
6th February 1823

Sheet 1a (attached to Sheet 1 with wax) p. 1

Government House October 14th 1822

Sir

With reference to a petition from three. persons of the names of Erb,
Moyer and Wismore, on behalf of a. body of Menonists, which will come under
the consideration of the Ex. Council at it's next sitting, I am commanded
to acquaint you that His Excellency the L. Governorr feels disposed to
concur in any recommendations in their favor which the Committee may feel
disposed to make.

I

The Honble
The Chief Instru [?] Presiding Councillor

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I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient
Humble Servant

? Hillier

Events and/or correspondence for 1823:

Jan. 14, 1823 -- Petition [E13, No. 27] of Jacob Erb and others -
(joined now by Quaker Peter Lofsing/Lossing)

They have received the communication of Clot. 28th informing them that the Townships of Proton and Melancthon are. set aside for their Society, for which they are grateful; yet they note that settlement of those townships will be slow in its progress for many years -- great expense and labor to open passable roads from Waterloo, crossing large swamps, etc. They renew their request for a township closer to Waterloo, and are especially interested in lands west of Waterloo. An additional factor leading them to ask for lands west of Waterloo is that these, next to their present settlements, [lie in](#) a wild state and harbor wolves and other beasts of prey which frequently make depredations on their cattle, sheep and hogs-especially on the sheep, an animal of primary importance to their economy.

Feb. 6, 1823 -- In Council, on the above petition -- the Connnittee do not recommend for the present a further reserve than the Townships of Proton and Melancthon but ask for one year's time; if the petitioners cause a road to be laid out in lots through the Crown and Clergy Reserves under direction of the Surveyor General, the lots may be leased for the first 21 years without rent, etc.

Note: Hilliard & Beikie, Dec. 16_____, "It appears not to have been intended to sanction the Minute of 1823."

PETITION (transcription): [E13 No. 27]

To His Excellency [etc.]

In Council

Your Petitioners respectfully represent

that having received the condescending communication of October 28th informing us that the Townships of Proton and Melancthon are set aside for the accomodation of our Society, who decline from principle any Warlike Measures -- and that the _____ of the Council has been kindly confirmed by the Lieut Governour -- which we consider an indulgence requiring our grateful remembrance.

Yet we beg leave renewedly to represent that we apprehend the actual settlement of those Townships by our Young People will be slow in its progress for several years -- for many of them foreseeing the great expence and labor requisite to open passable Roads from Waterloo crossing large swamps and the head branches of Grand River the necessity of expensive Bridges and lengthy causeways will for the present operate as a discouragement, especially to such as are able to purchase wild land at the present low price in situations more convenient to the shores of Ontario or Erie -- and the poor will feel themselves unable without large assistance from their friends to commence a settlement -- as the first step indispensibly necessary will be to open a passable Road to carry Provisions and other necessaries from the older settlements.

An additional inducement to us in our former Petition leading us to mention lands West of Waterloo -- a subject interesting to the inhabitants of that Township was -- the large tracts West Northwest and East of Waterloo and Woolwich -- being reserved as Crown or Clergy lands lying in a Wild State and as long as they continue so -- must continue an annoyance to the inhabitants of those Townships being a great harbor for Wolves and other beasts of prey, frequently making depredations on our young [?] Cattle Sheep and Hogs, especially Sheep -- an animal of primary importance to us, as our habits naturally lead us to depend on our own economy in manufacturing Woolles for general use.

Waterloo

1st M - 14 - 1823

	Jacob Erb	in behalf of
		societies of
[signed]	Peter Lofsing	Menonists,
	(Lossing?)	Quakers
	Joseph Bauman	& Tankers

[on same sheet the following answer]

In Council 6th February 1823 [Read in Council on that date]

On the Petition of Messrs. Erb and others: the Committee. do not recommend for the present a further Reserve than the Townships of Proton & Melancthon but humly submit an enlargement of Time for one year and -- that if Petitioners cause. a Road to be laid out in Lots through the Crown and Clergy Reserves under Direction and Instruction of the Surveyor General at the charge of Petitioners the Lots may be Leased for the first 21 years without Rent and the second Period to be considered as the first as to Rent to be reserved.

[signed]

[pencilled note below this]

See another petition of Jacob Erb and others Read in Council 4th February 1824 -- E 13, Nr. 42.

Sheet 4 (small. note paper)

[To Beikie] [undated for year]

It appears not to have been intended to sanction the minute: of 1823 Dec. 16
[from John Hilliard]

Note: John Beikie was -- Clerk of Executive Council --- 17 Dec. 1832-1839
-- Acting Clerk -- 1831-32
-- First (confidential) Clerk -- 1 Apr. 1803
21 July 1831
-- Second (record) clerk -- 1 July 1800-1 Apr. 1803

Events and/or correspondence for 1824-1827:

1824 -- 1st township survey in Wilmot

--- Armstrong, p. 148

-- date of 1st legal settler

(European settlers from Pennsylvania and Europe began coming in 1823 and 1824, causing the push to survey the lands)

1825 -- More Amish arrive from Europe and [continue. in](#) a steady stream

1826 -- Provincial system of land sales reorganized; Office of Commissioner of Crown Lands created

1827 -- quarter of a million acres granted to the university when King's College was founded (among them central part of Wilmot Twp.)

(Note: Should references to County of Haldimand be understood to mean Halton?)

Feb. 4, 1824 [i.e. one year after preceding communications]

PETITION E13, No. 42, of Jacob Erb and others of Waterloo.

[To Maitland] Reminding him that in 1822 he had promised to recommend to His Majesty's govt that grants of 50 acres should be made on roads to be laid out at the expense of the petitioners through the block of Crown Reserves; there are now a great number of persons ready to settle on said roads, . . . They ask that the lands be laid out in lots of 200 acres, and that each settler be granted a location of 50 acres of a lot on the road, and a lease of the remaining 150 acres in the rear.

The terms proposed by the petitioners were acceded to
[after some hesitation and debate in Council?]

[no mention of actual price here]

Sheet (or Document) 7

PETITION E13 No. 42

[on side] Petition E13 No. 42

Jacob Erb & others

respecting Roads proposed to be laid out through
through the Crown Reserve County of Haldimand.

? Gov. Office

4th Feb 1824

The Surveyor General.

is requested to report

for the inform

-tion of the Honorable

Ex Council

By Command

John _____?

Turn over

Referred for the consideration of the Hon.
Ex. C. with the Extract of a dispatch from
E. Bathurst authorizing the opening a Road
thro' the Tract in question,

for _____
February 4, 1824

By Command

Hillier

See within

[the Petition itself]

To His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland . . .

In Council

The Petition of Jacob Erb and others of Waterloo

Humbly Sheweth

That Your Excellency in the Year 1822 was pleased to promise Your
Petitioners to recommend to His Majesty's Government that Grants of 50 Acres
should be made on Roads proposed to be laid out at the expense of your
Petitioners through the Block of Crown Reserves in the County of Haldimand.

(continued]

Your Petitioners now beg leave to state to Your Excellency that there are a great number of Persons ready to settle on said Roads, and they humbly pray that the Lands on said Roads may be laid out in Lots of 200 acres agreedly to the accompanying Plan, and that each Settler may be granted a Location of 50 Acres of a Lot on the Road, and a Lease of the remaining 150 acres in the rear.

And Your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever [pray?]

[signed] Jacob Erb

York 4 February

1824

In Council 4th February 1824

Jacob Erb and others having been encouraged to expect Grants of fifty Acres on roads to be made by themselves through the Crown Reserves for Indian Lands [Indian Lands stroked out and "the County of Lincoln" inserted in another hand] sufficient numbers have agreed to establish more than one Road through the Tract and propose, if the proposal is acceded to, to Lease at the rate of full Lots the 150 Acres remaining of each 200 Acre Lot -- Which proposition appears so favorable, that if the Lease of Crown Reserves was not entirely withheld for the present, the Committee. would gladly recommend its adoption.

[signed]

The terms propose by the petitioners are acceded to

[signed]

Entered in Land Book II page 559.

Sent a copy of the whole to the Surveyor General 5th Feb. 1824

[Note on side:]

The consideration if the Petition of Jacob Erb and others to be resumed in connection with the accompanying Extract of a Dispatch from the Right Honourable Earl Bathurst dated Downing Street 12th October 1822 on the subject of a Road thro' Crown Reserves in the County of Haldimand, etc.

[The letter:]

Government House

April 1, 1823

Sir

The Governor has commanded me to request that the Hon. the Executive Council will be good enough to resume the consideration of the annexed Petition of Jacob Erb and others, in connection with accompanying Extract of a Dispatch from Earl Bathurst Downing St October 12 1822

I have the Honourable [etc]

Hillier

[continued]

[to] The Hon
[etc]
Executive Council

Extract of a Dispatch from Earl Bathurst_____? to His Excellency
Maitland dated
Downing Street 12th Oct. 1822

Entirely concur in your opinion that much advantage would result by
opening a Road through those parts of the Crown Reserves in the County of
Haldimand which from their local situation intervene between settled tracts of
the Country and you will therefore consider yourself authorized to ? fifty
acre Lot-, on the accustomed conditions of making and maintaining the Road"

[on side]

Certified

G. Hillier Entered in Land Book
II,

page 559.

Events and/or correspondence, for 1828-1.82.

Aug. 25, 1828 -- German petition -- Peter Nafziger and others
-- translation and note by John Goessman [surveyor]

Sept. 1, 1828 -- letter from Lt. Gov. office to the settlers
-- undated petition, probably made after this letter,
but addressed to Maitland -- more detailed description
of settlers' understandings of their agreement

Nov. 4, 1828 -- Maitland leaves Lieutenant Governorship;
Colborne appointed.

Oct. 27, 1829 -- letter from Colborne's office to College Council

Sept. 1, 1828 -- Chancellor to J. Erb. Having considered the petition in the German language, the Lt. Gov. asks that the Settlers be informed that -- owing to the absence of a majority of the Council of Kings College -- this is not a final answer. But, as Chancellor of the College, he will recommend to the Council that, in consideration of circumstances set forth, relaxation be made in the terms granted on petition of Jacob Erb of Feb. 1824, namely that the rent payable on the leases of the respective lots shall not commence until after seven years from the date of each party's taking possession of his lot.

With regard to future appropriation in Wilmot no final answer can be given. No returns of the locations already made having yet been received. . .

Oct. 27, 1829 -- Letter from Colborne's office to College Council -- in which he recognizes the original agreement, admits that the claims of the petitioners were "totally forgotten" at the time. the land in Wilmot was made over to the College Council. Will the Council consider the case etc.

Sheet 5 Petition of settlers in Wilmot Township, Aug. 25, 1828 [transcription of German script]

Da ich Christian Naftziger aus Euroba im Monat Sebtember 1822 bei der Konigliche Englische Regierung um das Danschip=Wilmut angesucht habe welches uns auch ist von der R. geheit ist zu gestanten worden.

Da wir unter dem Monat august 1828 dieses Jahr in der Stadt York bei dem Goffermert wahren um zu sehen ob wir das zu gestandenen Landt was uber die 50 Englisch ackers oder Morgens autis macht auf inder Lotte zu kaufen um ein biliger Preis konten erhalten and so auch einen Diet daruber erhalten das solches zu gestandene Landt von unser eigendum worten se-in so erhalten wir die Nachricht so wir die 150 acker nicht auf eine Lies Thaten Nehmen odor das Landt Kaufen den acker um 4 Thaler so erhilten wier auch keinen Thiet uber die 50 acker welche doch die 50 acker von der Hachste Stelln[?] zu einem geschanck versprochen worten [?] sindt -

Da wier ein solches erfahren so wurten wier daruber besturtz e.in solches busch landt de.n acker um 4 Thaler zu Kaufen da wier so viele Tausendt meile weeg zu wasser and zu Landt gemacht hetten[?] and unser wermogen auf der weite Reisse mit weib and Kinder vergehet haben ein solchEs Preis den acker zuz 4 Thaler wir nicht zahlen konten and unsere familgen wir dann nicht ernahren konten, da wir solche Betruchte aussuhte nun sehen so wollen wier S. P-- Maitlein als Goffener der Profins ober Kannatha um Bitten wier einen solchen hohen Preis zu mitlen die well tin mann der ohne wermogen so inden Buch gehen wil wenigstens 3 Jahr zeit haben muss bies er nur so vigil erziegen Kann das er sein Brot hat auf solchen hohen Preis so S. als Gofener der Profins ober Kanatha sindt so es nicht konte genutert[?] werten so sindt viele gezwunen theses Landt wieterum zu verlassen die weil wier fur augen Sehen das wier solche harte bedununge.n nicht erfullen Konten die well wier auch selbst den Landmasserschen hezahlen Mussten.

So thunn wier als Theutschlander. Menonitten unserer gemeindte im Thanschipp Wulmit befolmachtigen und beauftragen als Christian Naftziger Christian Erb unseren gesuch and unterthanigt Bitte an die Herrn S. Govener erlanen[?] zu Lassen, and Erwarten eine gnadige antwort zu erhalten so geschehe es[?] 25 August 1828. Ihm Danschip Wulmit.

Peter Naftziger als altister Prediger in der
se.lben gemein [probably written by Peter
Naftziger]

[German signatures] Christian Bosiger
Christian Erb
Christian Naftzieger

[Notes: I have transcribed the above exactly as I interpreted the German script without trying to indicate the errors in spelling. Where I was not sure of the spelling I have indicated with a question mark. I have reproduced the two cases where something seemed to be struck out.
Lorraine Roth]

Sheet 6 Petition of settlers in Wilmot Township, Aug. 25, 1828
 [transcription of contemporary translation from the
 German]

For as much as I Christian Naffziger from Europe, in the Month of September 1822 have supplicated The Royal British Government for the Township of Wilmot, and which by His Royal Highness also has been Granted unto us.

And as we under date, the Month of August 1828 -- This Year were at the Town of York, at the Government for to learn if we might obtain at a reasonable purchase price, those Intended Purchase Tracts contained above fifty acres or morgen [amount of land a farmer can work in a morning] in each lot: so as to receive also a Patent thereof, as to become our property. They mean in fee simple) -- Then were we informed that if we did not purchase the said 150 acres at four Dollars per acre, or did take a Lease for the same, then were we also not to receive a patent for those fifty acres of the first place given and granted.

And as those things have been made known among us we have become very much alarmed about it: as to the purchase of (such) Bushland at 4 Dolls. p. acre; After having travelled by water and land many thousand miles, with wife and children, and spend our means on such long Journey, we are not able to pay such price at 4 Dolls. p. acre and to support our families.

And viewing those distressive prospects, we have ventured to supplicate His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland, Governor of the Province of Upper Canada to moderate such an extreem price: forasmuch as it will at least require three years time for a men to go (settle) in the Bush without means, 'till he may raise as much as will suffice him for his bread. Should His Excellency not deem to facilitate those things, many of us will be constrained to abandon the land again: Seeing before our eyes that we cannott fulfill such serious conditions: having also to pay the Surveyor (Survey).

We, as Germens, Menonitten (Menonists) of our Congregation do authorises. and Charge Christian Naffziger (and) Christian Erb, (This our supplication and obedient prayer to disclose (the same) before His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland, Governor, and in expectation of receiving (His Excellency's) Gracious Commendations .

Done in the Township of Wilmot the 25th August 1828

[signed] Peter Naffziger, as Elder Minister for the said congregation

[signed] Christian Boesiger
 Christian Erb
 Christian Naffziger

[on side of translation, the following note from the translator]

Memorial

I beg leave to mention that as far as it will admit, I have translated the within verbally.

And also as I have been in the settlement in Wilmot where the within translation refers to, I have ventured to say, that as it was just then rumored among them that after their demise those fifty acres of Land, whereto the within translation aludes to were to be taken from their widows & children, The greater part of them were disposed to abandon their Improvements, and some of them were about to make actual preparations for the same; -- I persuaded them not to leave their habitations -- and never to mistrust the British Government -- which I assured them would never see them to be .. etc.

John Goessman

[surveyor]
Interpreter of
the within
Document

Copy His Ex the Chancellor to J. Erb

[to the settlers from Lt. Gov. office]

Having considered the Petition, which was drawn up in the German language by the meeting of the German Menonists settled in the Township of Wilmot as rendered into English by Christian Erb, the Lieut. Governor desires those Settlers may be informed that owing to the absence on public duties of a Majority of the members of the Council of Kings College (to which body that Township now belongs) their prayer cannot receive a final answer.-- But the Lieut. Governor as Chancellor of the College will recommend to the Council at its first meeting that in consideration of the circumstances set forth by the Petitioners, a relaxation may be made in the terms granted on the Petition of Jacob Erb of Feb. 1824, namely that the Rent payable on the leases of the respective Lots, shall not be considered to commence until after the expiration of 7 years, from the date of each party's taking possession of his Lot.

With regard to the future appropriation of the vacant Lands in the Township of Wilmot no final answer can at present be given. No returns of the Locations already made having yet been received from Mr. J. Erb the applicant to the Government on behalf of the German Menonists.

Government House York
1st Sept. 1828

1st packet

[undated -- likely 1828]

To His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland ?
C.B. Lieutenant Governor of the Province
of Upper Canada and Major General . . . etc.

We the undersigned Settlers in the Township of Wilmot Natives of Germany have been appointed agents for our fellow Settlers to seek from Your Excellency that Justice the want of which we have only to make known to Your Excellency to receive it at Your Excellency's hands.

On the ninth day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty two Christian Narfscor applied to Your Excellency in behalf of himself and Countrymen, to learn upon what favorable terms they would be allowed to settle in this Province: to which application Your Excellency was pleased to answer that they might be located on Land on their arrival. in the Province on Lots of fifty acres gratuitously; on the larger grants according to the scale of fees established in the Colony : and that after a residence of seven years; the Settlement duties being completed, and the terms of the Act of Parliament respecting naturalization being complied with, they might receive. Patents confirming them in their possession which would thenceforth become their own Property.

With this answer from Your Excellency, Christian Narfscorr immediately proceeded to London and on the fourteenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and twenty two he received from the under Secretary of State for the Colonies every encouragement for himself and countrymen to settle in this Province on the terms pointed out by Your Excellency.

With these assurances Christian Narfscor proceeded to Germany to carry these glad tidings to many of his poor Countrymen; some of whom were ready to Emigrate, and others are yearly making their best exertions to follow.

Since the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty two, fifty three families have Settled in Wilmot upon the gratuitous grants of fifty acres and of the fifty-three families, forty eight are German Menonists. (continued]

The Settlers were much distressed upon being informed by the Honorable J. Wells that he as Bursar of Kings College is authorised by the president thereof, to declare to those Settlers in Wilmot who have been promised by the Government a grant of fifty acres each under certain conditions, and who in consequence are required to lease the remaining one hundred and fifty of each Lot. That for each of such Lots which will be leased for twenty one years, the rents will be six Dollars per year for the first seven years, twelve. dollars for the second seven years and eighteen dollars for the last seven years. Each lease to be dated from the day the lot is actually taken possession of. And owing to the peculiar circumstances under which the Settlement has been formed, any of the above mentioned Settlers will have the privilege- of purchasing their respective Lots at the rate of four Dollars per acre at any period, within seven years from this date-

From this information the Settlers most painfully find themselves embarrassed with new conditions injurious to their interests and at variance with the assurances in which they had confided. For instead of receiving the fifty acres of Land gratuitously, they are required to take a lease of the remaining one hundred and fifty acres for twenty one years a rent which they can ill afford to pay or purchase the same within the first seven years at a price far above what Land commands in the market.

Some of our countrymen, of better circumstances, might be induced to purchase, were the Land offered at the price current in the Country; but upon the terms attempted to be imposed, no one, however able, would be willing to purchase, while the less affluent and far more numerous settlers may be obliged to leave their adopted homes from an utter inability to comply with such conditions.

We can only remind Your Excellency that poor German families have left their Country and their friends, confiding as all nations do, in the honor of the British Government. And we humbly solicit Your Excellency to interpose in behalf of these Settlers, and to [secure to](#) them the faithful fulfilment of the terms upon which they have emigrated and settled in the Township. We further pray Your Excellency to inform us in their behalf whether the Township of Wilmot will be reserved for those Germans who are anxious to emigrate and desire to Settle among their Countrymen and friends, a reservation which was promised three years ago.

And your petitioners as in Duty bound will ever pray etc.

Sheet 9 [on side:]

[signed] Christian Erb
Christian Nafzinger

From the Lieut. Governor
respecting German Settlers
27th October, 1829

27th Oct 1829

Government

House [to] The College Council Sir

I am directed by the Lt. Governor to acquaint you that on referring the inclosed Memorials from the German Settlers in Wilmot to the=.
Commissioner of Crownlands, His Excellency finds that they entered into an arrangement with Government by which they were promised 50 acres on their first settling, and 150 acres adjoining their Lots, at a future period, on reasonable terms, or at the current price of Land in the Township.
[continued]

16.

As His Majesty's Government was pledged to this agreement before the lands in question were ceded to the University, His Excellency requests, that the College Council will consider this case, and acquaint him upon what terms the Memonialists [Menonists] can purchase the 150 acres claimed by them and if it should appear to the Members of the Council that the land cannot be disposed of in the Township of Wilmot for less than 20/ [20 shilling?] per acre, what arrangement they recommend to be adopted to enable the Government to attend to the claims of the Petitioners which His Excellency thinks were totally forgotten at the time the land in Wilmot was made over to the College Council for the support of the University.

[signed by an officer of the Lt. Governor's office]

(Colborne)

Notes: Council minutes recorded here are also in minute books (letter book) [cf. "Entered in ..."]

Could be followed up at records of the Surveyor
General; start with date and then name of
township.

[Bob McC.]

Events and/or Correspondence -- 1830

Feb. 11, 1830 -- Samuel Street Wilmot's Report on ettlement in Wilmot Township,
indicating which settlers were eligible for Patents

June 16, 1830 -- Above report attested to by Jacob Erb

July 5, 1830 -- Council considered Wilmot's Report and recommended that Patents
be issued to settlers and they be allowed to buy remaining 150
acres at twelve shillings and six pence per acre.

July 15, 1830 --- A second list of settlers who did not appear on Wilmot's Report
but who had made improvements since the Report and requested a
further extension of time were also presented for consideration.

Sept 2, 1830 -- Council considered second set of petitioners and recommended that
they could also purchase at twelve shillings, six pence.

[large sheet in second packet -- S. S. Wilmot's Report -- 11 Feb. 1830]

[on cover of document:] Documents respecting
certain German Settlers
in The Township of
Wilmot who were entitled
to a Grant of 50 Acres.

Schedule of German and Pennsylvania Settlers residing in the Township of
Wilmot in the Gore District, who are recommended to the favorable consideration
of the Government.

No of Lots	Names of the Occupants South of Bleams St.	No. of Lots	Names of I Occupants North of Bleams St.
3	Isaac Latdhar	1	Henry Richart
4	Moses Eby	2	John Christian (Christner?)
6	Christian Batehen (Betschen)	3	John Huit
7	Abraham Huntzberger	4	Jacob Latdhar
8	Jacob Genrick (Gingerich)	6	Christian Naffzegar
9	Benjamin Wildfonge	7	Christian Miller
11	John Gable	12	Christian Bender
12	John Haymaker	13	Elias Wildfonge
13	John Brennamann	14	George Clinmeight
14	Joseph Rupp	15	Jacob Genrick (Gingerich)
15	Ulrick Geigar	16	Christian Hanrich (Honderich)
17	David Geigar	19	Pete Miller
18	Ulrick Stoner (Steiner)	21	Jacob Bargar (Buerge)
19	Daniel Hunziger		
20	Soloman Baringar		

South of Snyders St.		North of Snyders St.	
6	John Moyer	2	Peter Donner
9	Michael Schwartz[ntruber]	7	Andrew Rupp
10	John Lucabee (Luginbill)	9	George Scholtze (Schultz)
11	Christian Farners (Farni)	11	John Erb
12	Christian Greasier (Giesler)	12	Christian Erb
13	Isaac Meisser (Mosser)	14	Joseph Goldsmith
14	Christian Steickler (Stucky?)	15	John Asher (Oesch)
15	Abraham Hanspaker (Hunsberger)	16	Michael Roath
16	Jacob Miller	17	Joseph Leighty
		18	Christian Steinmann
		19	Peter Simmers (Som mer)

South of Erb St.		North of Erb St.	
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2	Francis Heptzwele	9	
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9	Rudolff Roth	14	Isaac Schonze
10	Christian Leighty		
12	Barbara Curtze (Kurtz)		
15	Jacob Gressmann		

York 11 February 1830
Sd. Saml. S. Wilmot
Dy Surveyer
[continued]

J y.

I have examined the above list, and find it to be. correct, and the Persons therein mentioned are those who are entitled to claim Patents for the Parcels of Land set opposite to each of their names

York 16th June 1830 sd. Jacob Erb

I do certify that the foregoing Persons have opened the Road opposite to their respective Lots according to the Agreement.

York 28 October 1831 sd. Jacob Erb

Sheet 11 [along with this, copies of the previous minutes, etc. relating to the transactions, Wilmot's inspection, etc.]

In Council 5th July 1830

The Council took into consideration the application made by Sundry Locatees of Lots of Land in the Township of Wilmot and reported as follows.

May it please Your Excellency,

Upon the occasion of applications made by the Locatees of Several Lots of Land in the Township of Wilmot, the Council have adverted to the origin of the proposition made by certain Germans for Settling a portion of that Township; and they beg leave to submit to Your Excellency that the Government having reason to apprehend that after the lapse of many years there had been almost a total neglect on the part of the applicants to carry into effect their proposal in its true spirit, Deputy Surveyor Wilmot was employed in the month of February last to make an actual Inspection of the Roads intended to be Settled through Wilmot, and to report upon the state of the Settlement for the information of the Government.

It appears by Mr. Wilmot's report, of which the accuracy is confirmed by Mr. Erb, a principal agent of the Applicants, that fifty five persons, and not more, were found by him to be actually resident on the Land. Some of these persons had completed the Road according to their promise, but the greater part had only partially complied with that Condition but as they have built Houses and improved the Land and are actually occupying it, the Council recommends that they be allowed to obtain their fifty acre grants respectively upon their skewing that they have completed the Road and upon their paying the lowest Patent fee of L1.9.4 Sterling--As their delay has been unreasonable, the Council considers that granting such an indulgence to those who are actually resident is going as far as it is proper to go. With respect to all those Lots which Mr. Wilmot found to be unoccupied in February 1830, the Council considers that there is no longer any claim upon the Government in respect to them, and that the Lands are free from the pledge of which the parties have neglected to avail themselves.

The Council cannot avoid adding that from the manner in which the very liberal arrangement of the Government in respect to this proposed Settlement has been acted upon it has not had the effect of making any considerable addition to the population of the Province.

All which is respectfully submitted.

[signed] Jno. B. Robinson

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[entitled] "Cony of a Minute. . ."
[continued]

[also part of sheet -- actually three sheets]

Read also the following reference from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

The Lt. G. with reference to the delay which has taken place in deciding on the Claims of the German Settlers in Waterloo, suggests the expediency of Ordering Deeds to be issued to those who have established their claims, and also of fixing the price of the College Lands adjoining their Grants of 50 Acres, at two dollars and a half per Acre.

The Council took the same into Consideration and were; pleased to make the following Minute,

Recommended that a Letter be written by the Clerk of the Council to Christian Naffsinger, who has been engaged as Agent for the German Settlers in Wilmot informing him that upon the, Report o.L the Deputy Surveyor Mr. Wilmot, the Government will issue Patents to the persons recommended by him as per the accompanying Schedule No. 5 at any time, after two months have elapsed, and that the reason of the delay is only to afford an opportunity for Mr. Naffzinger to correct errors, or to make known any adverse claim if any there b(!.

And that Mr. Naffsinger be also informed that the College Council will on application dispose of the one hundred and fifty acres attached to each actual Settlers Lot for twelve Shillings and six pence an acre, as recommended by the Government.

[signed] Jno. B. Robinson

Sheet 12

Copy of Statement of the Improvements made by the. Settlers in the Township of Wilmot, July 15th 1830

[This appears to refer to those holders still in Waterloo, i.e. not living on their land, thus proving their having made some improvements. Mostly not Amish names]

Sheet 13

In Council 2nd September 1830

Upon the Petition of Jacob Erb and 35 others, Locatees of the: Township of Wilmot, laid before the board this day as per margins.

It is ordered that the Petitioners be allowed. to purchase at Twelve Shillings and Six Pence per Acre.

[signed] John Small

C. E. C.

[list in margin:] Here
names of

petitioners

Jacob Erb	Joseph Eby
Michael Kurtz	Jacob Eby
Peter	Christian C. Shantz
Peter Litwiler	John C. Shantz
Christian Boreger (Boesiger?)	John Erntz
Philip Linkert	Philip Erntz
Anthony Chopin	Cly? Klinkhart
John Smith	Abram Beam
George Smith	Geo Michael Fatt
John Schultz	Jacob Snider
Hippen Schwartly	Christian Shanz J.
Peter	Joseph Thayer(zehr)
Christian Swartzendruber	Benjn Krupp

David Eby
Christian Erb
Matthew Mosser
Peter Gingerich
Nicholas Leity (Lichti)
Tobias? Mily
Michael Moyer
Michael Kurtz
Jacob Mayer
&
another cannot
be made out

Sheet 14

[document in a difficult hand -- apparently a comment (or summary) on the above petition; some phrases:]

at the rate of 4 dollars an acre which they think a high price..." "that these terms have discouraged the Settlers -- that they are not able to keep their families and pay four dollars an acre."

"That the meeting? pray that if it be in H. E. power He ask? relax their terms in favor of these poor people --that it takes three years before a man can support a family on a new Lot -- and that unless this can be done many would be obliged to leave their Lots -- "

"That the meeting begs that the Bearers may obtain? an answer in writing as to the terms on which they may _____ the lots -- and also whether the Township was not intended at the first entirely? for the reception of German Menonists."

Peter Narfaher Xn Besinger
(Nafziger)

Sheet 15

The Petition [itself] of Jacob Erb and others through their agent Christian Shantz:

"That a part of your Petitioners are now living upon their fifty acres ... and are not on Mr. Wilmot's Return, but have made large improvements since his Return. The Rest ... live in Waterloo and are still improving their Land ...

We therefore humbly request that Your Excellency will be pleased to grant them a longer time to perform those duties, as We are very desirous to have said Land to live upon, Many of us came into this Province very poor and were: not able to go on with such improvements until we: had earned the means to do so from the Farmers in Waterloo.

And Your Petitioners as in duty bound will
ever pray Wilmot July 15th 1830

[signed] John Ernst	Jacob Maglin
Phillip Bleam	Jacob Erb
Christian Gottlieb Klenkhardt	Michael Bauer
Abraham Bleam	Peter Genshu?
Georg Michael Futt	Peter Littwiller
Joine? Schneider	Christian Guguw?
Christian Schantz jung	Oshcugy Linuhand?
Joseph Zehre	Antoine Chopin
uumul owdow (Emil Arthaud?)*	Johanas Schmidt
Benjamin Shupp (Krupp?)	Georg? Schmit
Dattin (David?) Eby	Johannes Schulz
Erb Christione	S_____ Geib _____?
Mathias Mosser	_____?
Peter Gungerich	Christian Schwartzentruber?
Niglaus Lichti	Joseph Eby
Diebold_____ hler?	_____ Eby
Michael Moyer	Christian C Shonts
Michael Kutz (Kurtz?)	John C. Shontz

*called Emanuel Arto in another list, located on Lot 24 S side of Middle Street

In Council 2nd Sept. 1830

Read the. Petition of Jacob Erb and thirty--Give others, setting forth; that a part of them are, now living upon their fifty acre=s of Land. which they took up in the Township of Wilmot, but who are, not on Mr. Wilmot's Return and have made large improvements since said Return, the rest of them live: in Waterloo, and are still improving on their Lands in Wilmot, but have, not quite finished their Settlement Duties and were not aware of any time fixed for performing the same: and praying that an extension of time may be granted to them to perform those: Duties as they are very desirous to have said Lands to live: upon.

Recomme=nded that the Petitioners be allowed to purchase:- at twelve Shillings and Six Pence per acre.

[signed] J.B.

Events and/or Correspondence -- 1831-1839

Oct. 28, 1831 Jacob Erb again attested that settlers on WilMot's Report of Feb. 11, 1830 had cleared the, roads. [on above docun.K.nt]

Nov. 10, 1831 Christian Nafziger filed a petition for land, special consideration for his efforts to bring irl settlers.

Feb. 13, 1832 Christian Nafziger restated his petition.

Oct. 3, 1832 Request for Grist Mill Privilege (Cushman) on Lots. 23 & 24 North Sid(. Bleeams Road

Mar. 18, 1833 Request for Saw Mill Privilege (Latshaw vs. Basinger) on Lot 3 South Side Bleeams Road

Aug. 10, 1933 Li..tter in Minute Book B to John MacDonald concerning Wilmot settlers in general and Saw Mill controversy in particular

June 19, 1835 List of persons having received Patents indicating which ones wish to purchase the 150 acres inine:diatley

July 18, 1835 Warrants for 50 acres approved for 14 settlers in Wilmot

July 20, 1835 List of settlers approved for 50 acres

July 29, 1835 List of settlers entitled to purchase 150 acres (no Amish) David Shantz, guardian of minor children of Michael Ruby receives grant of 50 acres Lot 2 S. side of Snyder Street

Mar. 19, 1839 Letter to Bursar Wells of King's College from Christian Gieszler, postscript by H. W. Peterson

Sheet 5 (in 3rd packet)
To His Excellency the Governor of Upper Canada

Sir!

The. Petitioner humbly shewed:
that in the year 1822, he came to this Country for to select Land for to
form a Settlerrrrent for his friends and Brethern.

Landed at New Orleans he travelled over a very great part of the
United States, arrived in this Province, and made choir: for him and
his friends in Wilmot, and received a provisory Prome:sse for that land
from His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland then Governor of this
Province:, and L tte;r_s [or His Excellency the Secretary of the
CoLonial De partivInt in London with the Pron sse: of a Gratification
in case of success, as an Inclemnety [indemnity?] for his travelling
Expenses; which Promesse was also made to him by the Colonial
Department in London and that Your Excellency expressed the Intentions
of doing some good to him and his family;

That he Petioner [sic] has childern already married and others to be
on the Eve of being so, and that he, after his long Travel by Land and
crossing three Times the Ocean for the above Said Purpose, has been
rendered him pecuniary [not clear] unable for to give them the necessary
Establishment; he therefore prayes Your Excellency to grant him some
asistance in Land for his children in virtue of the Promesses above
mentioned and Your Excellency's Petitioner will ever pray as in Duty
bound.

[signed] Christian Nafziger (in German script)

_____?:ChristianNaffzieger
(transcribed?)

Sheet 6 (3rd packet)

To His Excellency

Sir John Colborn, _? C.B. Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper
Canada, Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein
etc. etc. etc.

The most humble Petition of
Christian Naffzieger, of the
Township of Waterloo, Farmer,

humbly sheweth

That Your Excellency's humblest Petitioner as agent for German
emigrants of the Township of Wilmot after he himself first emigrated
hither from Germany, pursuant, upon directions of this Governmen, as
well as also the English Government, travelled back from here to
London, and then to Germany, on purpose, from thence to bring emigrants
hither, and which now are: settling in Wilmot.

And that Your Excellency's Petitioner in consequence of those
troubles has sacrificzen, his otherwise affuent Means, and besides has
found it necessary to contract debts.

That now in consequence of said debt he is in trouble and believes
that he cannot leave York without satisfying the same; He therefore
prays that Your Excellency may take into consideration his present
circumstances; that the required assistance may be rendered to him, and
he may be: put in the way to satisfy those debts of sixty Pounds ?: and

since he being a Widower, and having to support a large Family, he prays that the lot of land in Wiilmot of 300 acres, whereon he at present resides, may be granted to him -- as he also having been acquainted by John Goesman, then agent -- that Your Excellencys favour thereonto shew.
[continued]

Petitioner also has in the month of November last already Petitionen to the same reference.

Your Excellencys Pe titionen, as is duly bound
shall ever pray

York 13th Feb.
1832

[signed] Christian Naf zieger [in German script]

[Long document in separate folder -- oversize]

To His Excellency Sir John Colborne, K.C.B.
Lieutent. Governor of the
Province of Upper Canada
Major General
etc. etc.

We the Inhabitants of the Township of Wilmot County of Halton District of Gore U. C. Having experienced all and singular the difficulties and privations common to the settling of a new Township We are now labouring under a peculiar inconvenience for the want of a Grist Mill...

And now one more offer is made us by one of the petitioners viz Josiah Cushman who has taken Lots No 23 and 24 North Side of Bleams Road and has given us Sufficient Surety that in case he could obtain the privelledge of using the water of Smiths Creek round the Bend of Said Creek by taking it out where the west line of said Lot No. 23 strikes the Creek and then take it a cross easterly by the other Bend or Say [?] by making a Dam about eight feet high **rear** Lot No. 22 North of Said Road ...

[The whole in the handwriting of Josiah Cushman.

Wilmot October 3rd 1832

[signed]

Daniel Brenneman
Jacob Gordner
George Helmuth
Solomon ? Bearinger
John Brenneman
Michael Gordner
Christian Gordner
Jacob Birge [Buerge]
Michael Miller
Peter Miller
Christian Gingrich
Joseph Roth
Christian Roth

Mathias Moyser [Moser]
?
Ulrich Geiger
George KornKnecht?
Christian Honderich
Andrew Wroupp [Ropp]
Jacob Gingrich
Michael Myers
Christian Erb
Jeremiah Cole
Philip Bleam of Waterloo
Jacob Erb
Josiah Cushman

Sheet 17 (1st packet)

A sheet apparently attached to a petition of Christian Naffzinge:r in 1832, about his own lot -- but the petition itself missing (in 3rd packet -- see above)

Sheet 18 (copy)

Wilmot Township, Halton County, Upper Canada
18th March 1833

To His Excellency, Sir John Colborne K.C.B. etc.
Governor of the Province of Upper Canada.

Your Excellency's Memorialists beg leave most respectfully to show -- that they are without a Saw Mill which in their Infant settlement is indispensibly necessary, for its growth and prosperity -- That there is a suitable site for a Saw Mill on Lot No. 3 in said Township of Wilmot being in rear of the said Lot, on the South Side on Alter [Alder] Creek -- Said Lot adjoining lands belonging to the "Canada Company" -- That a Saw Mill would soon be erected upon the aforesaid site (being on said Lot No.3) by Isaac Latshaw, who owns that Lot; but that in erecting the same from two to four acres of Land on Lot No. 2 claimed by John Basinger, would be over-flowed -- That said Isaac Latshaw has in consequence proposed to purchase these 2 or 4 acres of Land (of Lot No 2 which would be thus overflown) from the said John Basinger who however utterly refuses to dispose of the samee although he, as is believed, has no legal Right or title, to the said Lot No. 2 -- That it is proposed to erect the intended Saw Mill on the German Block in the aforesaid Township of Wilmot -- That there is no Saw Mill site on said Block within six miles.

Now the prayer of Your Excellency's Memorialists is briefly this: Since the speedy erection of a Saw Mill on Lot No. 3 aforesaid is so essentially necessary for the growth and prosperity of this part of Wilmott Township and, as from 2 to 4 acres of the land adjoining this Lot No.3 will be unavoidably overflown, by the erection of a suitable Dam for said intended Saw Mill; and as the said John Basinger will not sell the land which would be thus unavoidably overflown Your Excellency's Memorialists therefore, humbly pray, that so much of the Land of Lot No. 2 aforesaid, as will be necessarily overflown by the erection of the Dam aforesaid, may be granted by Your Excellency, to the said Isaac Latshaw, for the purpose aforesaid.

Your Excellency's Memorialists would, in conclusion, beg leave, very respectfully, to solicit a reply to their prayer as speedily as may be convenient. And they as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

At the request of the Petitioners I beg leave to give it as my opinion that Basingers Lot No 2, self, by loosing the few acres needed and prayed for, would by the erection of a good Saw Mill there be highly raised in Value -- at least 10 per cent on the Whole amount of the 200 acres:/:

[signed] Anthony JWG van Egmond

N.B. The subscribers are all living in the vicinity of said Lot except Mr.
van Egmond.

[signed]
Christian Nafziger

Latschaw
Christian Miller Peter Gordener George Jutzi
Joscoy?

Gottlieb Hen____? Jacob S. Gungrich John McCormick

[signed]
Jean Ba Urbarcus? Michael Brand Johannes Lonft?
Joseph Hal.lman Abann Bricker Heinrich Bucher

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Letter Minute Book B [This is the only thing about Wilmot in Vol.
220) B412 (vol. 220)

To John MacDonald Esq. 10 Aug. 1833

The Honble P. Robinson, as Commissioner of the Crown, has signified that it is the desire of His Excellency the Lt. Governor that you should be indemnified for your intended voluntary surrender to the Clergy Corporation (for a Glebe) of a certain Quantity of Land which you possess in the vicinity of the Town of Guelph, by a choice of some disposable Land in the Township of Wilmott which was about to form a part of the Royal Endowment of Upper Canada College, and reference has in consequence been made to me as the Bursar of K.C. (to which Institution the Lands for the U.C. College are to be, deeded over in trust for the latter) to ascertain which of the Lands in Wilmott are unincumbered by the Claims of Certain German Settlers in whose favor two orders in Council were formerly passed -- Upon referring to the last Memorial of above 30 of these Settlers with its accompanying Document, and the Order in Council passed in their favor I find only a partial Designation of the Lots prayed for, and I am therefore instructed to request that you will at your convenience visit that Township, and there ascertain by personal Inspection what Lots are still wholly unimproved upon, and further, as far as you can procure Information to be depended upon whether all the signers of the before mentioned Memorial (which is herewith entrusted to your care but which is to be returned after you have completed the Inspection) have or have not actually set about and pursued the Improvements as stated and promised to be performed in the said Memorial -- I beg to refer you to Christian Shauntz who resides in that Township and who acted as agent for these Petitioners for assistance in deciphering their (to me) unintelligible signatures, and also to Jacob Erb (who signed a Certificate on behalf of the first actual Settlers (55 in number) in whose favor a prior order in Council was passed) as a very likely person as well as the said Shauntz to assist you in procuring the full Information now required -- You will be pleased to make an Official Report upon every Lot in the said township specifying which are in a wild state and which in a state of Improvement with the names of the several Occupiers and as far as you can procure Information which of them have, taken possession under any authority, and which of them are mere squatters -- You are further requested to enquire into the merits of the accompanying Memorial signed by several German settlers on behalf of Isaac Latshaw and to ascertain whether John Basinger (who is therein complained of as throwing a hindrance in the erection of the wished for Saw Mill) is, (as represented in the Memorial) an unauthorized Settler upon the Lot No. 2 therein adverted to, and whether it be really expedient to grant the prayer of the said Memorialists provided the said John Basinger has no legal Right or Title to the said Lot. Christian Shauntz can I believe throw some light upon the merits of the Dispute between the Parties concerned.

Answer[?] in Vol 5 = 97

Sheet (2nd packet)

The underrrrx ntioned persons have received their fifty Acre Grants in Wilmot under Order in Council on payment of the Patent fee.

Vizt.

# Solomon Baringar	20 South Sid- Bleam ¹¹
# Jacob Berger (Buerge)	21 North "
# Ulrich Geigar	15 South # Ulrick Stoner (Steiner) 18 "
# David Geigar	17
Part of _____?	
5.10	
# Abraham Bean	16 ¹¹
Matthias Mosser	17 North

The above 5 marked # wish to purchase immediately

Executive Council Office
Toronto 19th June 1835

Honble Colonel Well

Sheet_____ (2nd packet)

Executive Council Office Toronto
1.8 July 1835

The following appear correct and Warrents will issue to each as Settlers in Wilmot
[a total of 14 names -- only Amish are listed below]

11 Street

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No. of Years

to pay rent for 5 6

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[signed]

Wm H Lee

for 50 Acres of Land

Christian Erb 19 South Side Snyder Street

Christian Ernst 23 North " **11 11**

John Brenneman 18 **11** ^{if} Bleams Street
Junior

Daniel Brenneman 23 South ¹¹
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Jacob Erb/Wcaver/ 22 **It it** Snyder Street

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Sheet .~ (2nd packet)
Executive Council
Office Toronto
20th July 1835

Warrants will issue to the following persons for fifty acres of Land each as German Settlers in Wilmot, they having been regularly .returned.

Vizt.

Christian Bossert	9 North Side of Erb Street	
George Smith	12	11 "
John Rocker	22	11 "
Jacob Grobb (Kropf)	13 North Side of Snyder Street	
	16	11 it "
Christian Steinman	18	it If "
John Smith	21	it It "
Michael Swartzentruber	9 South Side of	"
Christian Steickley	14	If It "
Abraham Huntzberger	15	"
Peter Steinman	21	"
Peter Gordner	12 North Side of Bleam Street	
Jacob Gingrich	15	11 11 11 if "
Jacob Gordner	24 South Side "	"
Jacob Bender	26	"
	11	" "

The Honble

Colonel Wells

[signed] Wm H Lee

Notes on letter to King's College, Bursar Joseph Wells, March 19, 1839 from Christian Gieszler -- has not been able to take out Patent, but wants

to soon -- lack of money

-- wants rear 150 acres but cannot pay

-- will pay rent, wants to know terms

postscript by H. W. Peterson --speaks well of settlers and asks for permission to print their letter (K.C.'s) in English and German in "The Canada Museum."

"In order to contribute as much as I can, to the future tranquility and prosperity of the original German Settlers in Wilmot, I am desirous to afford them all the correct official information in relation to the Leasing and Selling (or purchasing) of the said Rear 150 acres of their resp.ative, as is in my power, . . 11

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Events and/or Correspondence -- 1848/49

The 3rd packet is composed of a voluminous correspondence between the Bursar of King's College and Absalom Shade who has bought Josiah Cushman's property and rights at Sheriff's sale.

Following are a few notes:

Sheet 7 --John Hamacher inquires about renting rear part of John Beom's property --is destroying the timber

Sheet 10 -- a meticulous map of New Hamburg -- dated: 1*.ston,

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Josiah Cushman had received original settler's privilege to erect a Grist Mill on lots 23 and 24 N side of Bleams Road

document dated: Wilmot 20th July 1848

signed by Phillip Bleam Perter
Maier?

Solomon Weaver	Jacob Gordner
John Zinkamn	Daniel Brenneman
	?

Puddicom attest to history of Cushman
and Shade

Council of King's College refused to recognize Shade's understandings of his rights as purchased at the Sheriff's sale.

Allusion to petition signed by Daniel Brnneman and many others on behalf of Cushman -- petition not in folder.

University of Toronto Archives (Wilmot Twp. papers) Section III [abbreviation example: S.B.R. -- South Blears Road]

Packet B 1851 (1) (correspondence with persons whose names begin with B for the year 1851)

-- note 22 Jan 1851, from Moses Bowman, enclosing three dollars; expects deed as soon as possible. Rr 3/4 4 N.B.R., Wilmot Ent. L.B.K. folio 15

Packet B (2)

-- note from Daniel Brenneman, "to apply on my lot No. 23

enclosing Six pounds currency South Bleams Rd. Wilmot'' Feb. 13, 1851
Ent. L.B.K. fol. 33

Packet B (3)

from Jacob Bergey -- application to purchase Lot 4, S.B.R., Wilmot Ent. L.B.K.
Fol 78 -- Recd. April 19, 1851

"Having made about 3[?] years ago, application for the purchase of Lot No 4, South Side of Bleams Road in Wilmot, accompanied by a Transfer of Moses Eby, the first occupant thereof, I most respectfully beg now that you, will be pleased to let me know at your earliest convenience, the ? price of such Lot and the terms for paying the same."

Packet B (4)

June 5th, 1851: Solomon J. Berenger
L25.5.7 1/2 20 S.B.R.

"Will settle the Balance due . . . on Rear 3/4 of Lot 20 South side of Bleams Road . . . Please grant we my deed . . .

June 10, 1851: Moses Bowman, 4 N.B.R.

- wants his deed, paid for three years ago [interesting letter]

July 5, 1851: Solomon J. Berenger R 3/4 20 S.B.R. -- re error in amount of money sent

July 12, 1851: Solomon J. Berenger

- sending resume of amount due plus 15/-- for deed

Packet B (5)

Jacob Burga [Buerge] 22 Oct 1851 -- 21 N.B.R. New Hamburg
Post Office

- wants to know amount of interest due -- will pay shortly "You will please not take any steps of leaguEl proceeding against me.

. "

Jacob Bergey 10 Nov 1851 4 S.B.R.

-- sent release by Martin Bachart
and 17/16/3 back rent plus first instalment

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Packet B (5) (continuted)

Jacob Bender 29 Dec 1851

- for deeds for 26 S.B.R. and 16 S.S.R. Wilmnot

"I Beg leve to call your attention to Standing of the Rear 3/4 Lot No. 26, South Side Bleams Road in this township the Balance on the land you will see is paid in full and I require the deed and am ready to take the necessary steps according to the Rules of your office_. in the Matter. I am the owner of the land but you will observe that my father's Nam= stands in your Books. He died very sudent without a will now you will Please give m: such instructions in the Matter as will E nab.l ice to forward the necessary document to recover my deed. Your irradiate attention to this will much oblige.

Your obt. ser.

N.B. I also ? to request the
Deed of Rear 3/4 Lot No. 16
South Side Sniders Road
Please inform me in the

John Bender
New Hamburg
Post Office

C.W. matter when answering this
above. Yours

J.B.

Packet C (1)

Feby 22, 1851

The Chancellor

expenses of Convocation

L2.13.9.

Packet C (2)

Mar 14, 1851

Nicholas Cressman

pt 15. S.E.R.

Wilmot per Julius Meyer

- sent L25, part of payment for Lot 15

Amos Cressman -- June 19, 1851 -- 14

S.E.R. -- sent L10, part payment for

Lot 14

Packet G (1)

Ulrick Geiger R 3/4 15 S.B.R.

- sent L2 -- hopes to send balance next
winter "so I think you wont trubel me
before that time, .

Ulrich Geiger
By Christian Ernst

Packet G (2)

Allan Cam ron, Bursar

Michael Gardner September 1851

--requests three notes for himself and brothers and more tine

as wheat is very low on 12
 N.B.R.
 21
 S.B.R.
 24
 S.B.R.

- sent 10/15/-- on 27
Oct 1851 -- others will
send some too [continued]

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Packet G (2) -- Michael Gardner (continued)

-- sent 25 pounds 24 Nov. 1851 to be applied as follows: 12/10/-- Rear 3/4 Lot
No. 12 N.B.R.
12/10/-- **if It** " 24 S.B.R.

Christian Gardner Oct 22, 1851
 25 S.B.R.

"I Beg leav to request of you a favour
respecting the Amount due on the Rear 3/4 Lot No. 25 South Side
Bleams Raod if you will be So Kind and grant me the favour I have
sold my Right to Mr. Abraham Cresman of Waterloo Who will this
Winter
Pay the Land and interest in full and if you will please and grant
me time untill then for the amount Which I am sued for in
the Divition Corte. Here I will take as a great favour as it is quite out of
my power to pay it at this presant time a Line to the Clerk to stay farther
proceeding will bFe Thankfully received (Please right me your intentions)
I Remain Your

 obedient Servant
 Christian Gartner
 New Hamburg
 P Office
 CW"

Jacob Gungerich

24 Oct. 1851 15 N.B.R. "To H. Boys Esq.
Sir I here with sent fifty pound
toards payment for Lot No 15 North Side Bleams Road in the
Township of Wilmot I think I can pay the Remainder next spring
Your truly,"
[signed in Germany script then in English]

Packet L (1)

Peter Litwiller June 20, 1851
-- sent 9 pounds -- wants to know how much is owing -- hopes to pay whole in
fall

Nicolas Lichty }

Peter Litwiller} sent probate of Will of George
Schultz Oct. 4, 1851 -- hope to soon be in
possession of deed
 for Rear 3/4 Lot 9 ^ Side of Snyders road

Packet M (1)

Metzger and others complain of sending money with
someone who spent it on something else (no Amish
names)

Isaac Mosser Sr. Feby 4, 1851 13 S.S.R.

- would like deed iii diately as he sold 50 acres to
someone and has promised him a deed by May 1
- would like remuneration for expense and trouble to
have land surveyed -- will bring draft along in
April.

Packet M (2)

Christian Miller Petersburg June 25, 1851 1 S.S.R. witnessed by John
Ernst P.M.

per Christian Ernst
-- is sending amount still owing and asks for deed

Packet S (1)

Michael Schwartzentruber 9 S.S.R. 25 Jan 1851 -- is sending
12/10/-

". . . it is impossible to me to send you more money at this present tine,
but I hope I can send you more next Winter."

Packet S (2)

Wm Scott asks for deed for Christoph Nahrgang 22 S.B.R. Mar 19, 1851