CHAPTER 1

¹Johann Jacob Abel was the first of the Abel family to come to the United States from Germany in approximately 1732 on the Loyal Judith of London. In the book Names of Immigrants from Pennsylvania, by I. Daniel Rupp, 1727 - 1776 on page 79 and 80 it states the following: Palentines imported on the ship "Loyal Judith" of London, Robert Turpin, Master, from Rotterdam, last from Cowes. Among the passengers were Johann Adam Abel (age 44) and Johann Jacob Abel (age 16). It would seem that Johann Adam Abel was Johann Jacob Abel's father.

By 1745 Johann Jacob Abel had married Elizabeth Humbert. The name Humbert is found in the Huguenot Society of America Register of the French Church. They had a number of descendants by the name of Jacob and Elizabeth. Johann Jacob Abel was still alive in New York State Near Albany in 1758 and probably after.

It has been determined that our abel's are German, both from the passenger list and the fact that David Abel, brother of our ancestor Jeremiah Abel, gave all his German books to one of his

daughters in his will.

In the town records of Unionvale, which was formed from parts of Beekman and Lagrange in 1827, there is listed on the Beekman Patent tax list of taxpayers, the name of Able, Jacob, Feb. 1744/1745-June 1757. There is a J.J. Abel in Dutchess County New York listed on the E.E. Brownell tax list of Beekman Patent in June 1748 and 1753. Johann Jacob Abel appears up to 1759 for the Beekman Patent.

²There is a Johann Abel writ in the ancient documents of Dutchess County, New York of 1752 which reads: to Livingston Manor, Jan. 26,1752, to Mr. Henry Livingston, Jurn, and Peter Van Burgh Livingston, surviving executors of the last will and testament of Abraham (?heo) Tettas, dec'd. Signed by Agt Johann Jacob Abel.

Sir please to issue a writ in the above cause in action upon the case. Returnable at your next county court, and sign my name to the writ as Atry. for Plt. and you'll oblige. Signed by Sr.Obte.

Ser't Lambert moore.

³A Jacob Abel was naturalized under the colonial laws of New York on May 3, 1755; among the earliest settlers in the town of Unionvale, Dutchess County, New York is the name Abel.

Johann had the following children: Jeremiah (Jurgen, Jurry), David, Andrew (Andries), John George, William, John Hendrick, Elizabeth, Sarah and Lena.

Jeremiah Abel (Jurgen/Jury) Abel, born ca. 1744. Died at Stillwater, Saratoga County, New York on December 29, 1816. See chapter two for further information on Jeremiah Abel.

⁴David Abel married Anna Eve Hess on 16 October 1768. David was born ca 1744/1745 in Oswego, Unionvale Town ship, Dutchess County, New York. He died in Saratoga, New York on September 9th,1825 at 80 years of age. His wife was born in Duytschlant. Cathrina Abel (Baptized 6-4-1771), Christina Abel (Baptized 6-21-1773), Johannes Abel (Baptized 3-19-1777), Jacob Abel (Baptized 10-24-1778), Diederick Abel (Baptized 5-20-1781) are all children of David and Anna.

⁵Andries(Andrew), perhaps born ca 1752. He married Johanna (Annatjie) Marshal on August 24, 1771, Both Andrew and Johanna were from Albany County. Andrew and Johanna had the Following Children: Hendrick (born 5-25-1772), Annitje (born 6-19-1774),

¹ SEE APPENDIX 1 AND 1-1

² SEE APPENDIX 2

³ SEE APPENDIX 3

⁴ INFORMATION FROM GALLATIN REFORMED CHURCH-GALLATINVILLE NY

⁵ RECORDS FROM STATE STREET BURIAL GROUNDS AND REFROMED DUTCH CHURCH OF ALBANY. ALSO SEE APPENDIX 3,4 AND 5

Johannes (born 1-1-1777), Andries (born 3-12-1779), Elisabeth (born 4-6-1784), Gertrude (born 10-7-1788) and Peter (Born 4-25-1793)

⁶The following are the only death dates that I could find so far:

Abel, Andrew March 22, 1779 - April 22, 1815

Abel, Johanna May 30, 1828 76 years, 3 months, 21 days wife of Andrew

Abel, Ann April 16, 1810 35 years 9 months, 27 days dau of Andrew and Johanna Abel, Peter Feb. 15, 1794 9 months 25 days son of Andrew and Anatie

Andrew died in Watervliet, Probably what is now called Colonie, New York.

John George Abel born ca 1752. He was a private in the First Regiment of the New York Line in the American Revolution. In the first federal census of 1790, he was listed in Claverack, New York with two males over the age of 16 and five females. No other records.

William Abel, born ca January 1752. He died in the Clove Section of the town of Unionvale, which at the time was included in the Town of Beekman, Dutchess County. He died

April 22. 1828 at age 76 years and 4 months.

Johann Henderick Abel, baptized in the Albany Reformed Church on January 13, 1754. He enlisted January 10,1777 in the 7th Company 1st Regiment, New York Line, He was supposed to have deserted July 19, 1777. This Company was raised in the Claverack area of what

was then Albany County, New York.

Elizabeth Abel, born 1756. By 1775, Elizabeth had married Jacob Snyder of the Livingston Manor, Columbia County, New York. They were both alive at Claverack in 1794 and probably after. Jacob was also in the 7th Company First Regiment, New York Line. Elizabeth and Jacob had the following Children: Anna(baptized 6-19-1775), Antony(baptized 10-24-1778), Anna Maria(baptized 5-20-1780) and Margaret(baptized 6-22-1782).

Sarah Abel, born ca 1758. Sarah married Gerardus Clute/Knuet ca 1775. According to the records of the Dutch reformed Church of Albany, on September 22,1776 Jurgen and Alida Abel were sponsors of Jacobus, born August 5,1776, the son of Gerrit Knoet/Clute and Sarah Abel. Sarah later died of cancer at or near the Boght on the Mohawk River in Albany County opposite Cresent, Saratoga County, New York in 1806.

Lena Abel married John Emigh. They were found in New Hackensack, East Fishkill Township, Dutchess County, west of the Beekman patent. They had a son John born November

1784. Records from the New Hackensack Dutch Reformed Church.

⁶ INFO FROM STATE STREET BURYING GROUNDS. ALSO SEE APPENDIX 3

⁷ INFORMATION FRON THE GALLATIN REFORMED CHURCH, GALLATINVILLE NY