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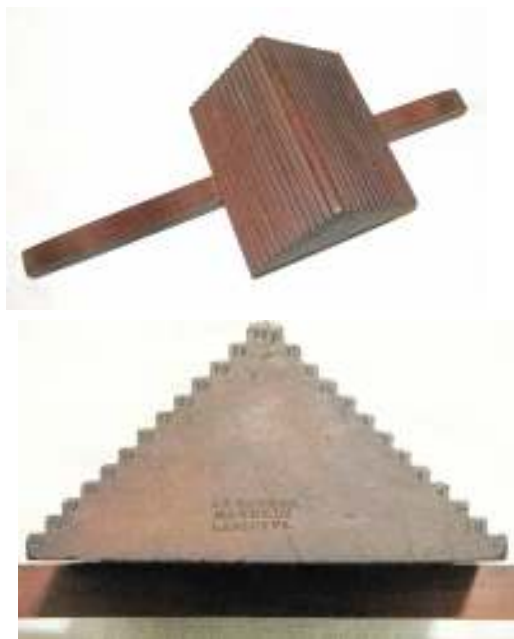
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## JACOB F. BAUDER'S STEPPED FLOOR BOARD GAUGE, ca 1840's



In early American homes, floor boards varied in widths and the floor board gauge was developed to make it possible for the carpenter to obtain the widest boards from stock, standardize the cuts and have boards of the same width fit end-to-end.

Some tool collectors have referred to the stepped gauge as a clapboard (wooden siding on a house) marking gauge, but research has identified the tool's use as a marking gauge for floor boards.

This type of gauge was also made by a few of the other crafters of wooden tools in Lancaster County (E. W. Carpenter, John Stamm, etc.) and all are very scarce.

The information concerning the function of the gauge was obtained from an article written by Bob Roger for *The Gristmill* the quarterly publication of the Mid-West Tool Collectors Association. Mr. Roger was kind enough to permit HMPF to furnish the information to our readers. We suggest these websites to our readers who have an interest in early American tools and crafts: [www.eaiainfo.org](http://www.eaiainfo.org) and [www.mwtca.org](http://www.mwtca.org)

Mr. Roger urged HMPF to provide *The Gristmill* with the pictures of the Jacob F. Bauder marking gauge and any information concerning Mr. Bauder.

The following is the article sent to the Mid-West Tool Collectors Association from HMPF:

Jacob F. Bauder's home and shop were located at 71 South Charlotte Street in the small town of Manheim, Pennsylvania. He was the next door neighbor to craftsman and wood turner Daniel Danner (see *Chronicle*, March, 1994). The Daniel Danner home is still standing at 73 South Charlotte Street but the Jacob F. Bauder home which occupied the lot next to the Danner property on the north side no longer exists. It is believed that Jacob F. Bauder, before opening a shop in Manheim, may have worked in the shop of E. W. Carpenter. This belief is based on the fact that there are so many similarities in their style and workmanship. Also, there are tax records indicating that in 1841 Jacob Bauder was listed as a planemaker in Lancaster City and from 1843 through 1852 as a planemaker in Manheim. He did not

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have a home in Lancaster, which also leads one to believe that he worked as a planemaker out of E. W. Carpenter's shop in the city of Lancaster.

The following notice was placed in the January 20, 1846, Vol. 1, No. 3 issue of the Manheim *WEEKLY PLANET and Rapho Banner*:

Plane Manufactory, South Charlotte Street, in the Borough of Manheim, Lancaster Co., Pa. Jacob F. Bauder takes this method of returning his sincere thanks to the citizens of Lancaster County and the public generally, for the liberal patronage heretofore bestowed upon him, and reminds them that he still continues to manufacture PLANES of every description, wholesale & retail, warranted equal to any other in the country.

N.B. A liberal discount will be given to wholesale purchasers.

January 20, 1846, WANTED: A boy of good moral character and industrious habits, who may be desirous of learning the plane-making business, can obtain a good situation by applying to J. F. Bauder. (This notice also appeared in the March 24, 1846 and April 14, 1846 issues of the *WEEKLY PLANET*.)

In the August 4, 1846, Vol. 1 No. 31 issue of the *WEEKLY PLANET*, Jacob F. Bauder placed this notice:

PRIVATE SALE: The undersigned offers at private sale his valuable Lot of Ground situated on Charlotte Street, in the Borough of Manheim, Lancaster County, designated in the town plan as No. 158, containing 57 ft. front and 257 ft. deep, adjoining properties of Susan Brown on the north and Daniel Danner on the south. The buildings thereon erected are a one story Weatherboarded Log Dwelling House 36ft. front and 19 ft. deep, with a frame kitchen attached, a frame shop, 14 ft by 16 ft., a stable, shedings, & c., all in good repair; a well of excellent water. Also a thriving Nursery is commenced on the said Lot. Terms reasonable. Possession and an indisputable title will be given on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April, next. For further particulars apply to the subscriber, residing on the premises.

Jacob F. Bauder

The notice also appeared in the August 18, 1846; Sept. 1 & 8, 1846 issues of the *WEEKLY PLANET*.

In the September 29, 1846, Vol. 1, No. 39 issue of the *WEEKLY PLANET*, Jacob F. Bauder placed this notice:

PUBLIC SALE: On Saturday, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1846 will be sold by public sale, at the public house of A. H. Reist, in the Borough of Manheim, the following Property, viz:

LOT OF GROUND, No. 158, situated on Charlotte Street, in said Borough, containing 57 ft. front and 257 ft. deep adjoining properties of S. Brown on the north and Daniel Danner on the south. The Buildings thereon erected are a one story Weatherboarded Log Dwelling House 36 ft. front and 19 ft. deep. With a frame kitchen attached, a frame shop, 14 by 16 ft., a stable, shedings, & c., all in good repair; a well of excellent water. Also, a thriving NURSERY is commenced on the said Lot. Terms reasonable. Possession and an indisputable title will be given on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April next. For further particulars apply to the subscriber, residing on the premises. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, p.m., when attendance will be given and terms of sale made known by.

Jacob F. Bauder

In the February 23, 1847, Vol. 2, No. 8 issue of the *WEEKLY PLANET and Rapho Banner*, Jacob F. Bauder placed this notice:

FOR RENT: The under signed offers for rent, his Dwelling House a lot of Ground, situated in S. Charlotte St. in the Borough of Manheim, from the first of April next. J. F. Bauder  
Also in Vol. 2, No. 8 is this ad:

FRUIT TREES: The subscriber has on hand a variety of Choice Fruit Trees, such as: Apples, Pears, Peaches, & c which he intends to dispose of, at moderate prices. J. F. Bauder

Note: In the March 9, 1847, Vol. 2, No.10 issue of the *WEEKLY PLANET* only the fruit trees ad appears.

Mr. Bauder made the general variety of wooden planes and it can be said that the planes and other wood working tools that he produced for carpenters and cabinetmakers are of the highest quality.

At this time, it is not known to where Jacob F. Bauder permanently relocated when he sold the Manheim property but it is known that he also produced wooden planes stamped: J. F. Bauder, No. 213 St. John's St., Phila. Was this his new or old location?

Many questions remain unanswered concerning Jacob F. Bauder. Since Jacob was a next door neighbor to Daniel Danner, did he use Mr. Danner's shop when he first started in business? If the tax records indicate that he moved to Manheim in 1843, why did his first notice appear in the Jan. 20, 1846 issue of the *WEEKLY PLANET*? Why did he advertise his business and the need of a boy to learn the trade and in the same year offer his property for sale? How could he move to Manheim in 1843 and have a property with a house, shop, etc. to sell in 1846? Did he build his house and shop or purchase it from someone? When did he actually sell his house and to whom? Since he is listed in the tax records as being in business in Manheim as late as 1852, where did he conduct his business in Manheim if he sold or rented his property around 1847? Where is he laid to rest? Does he have any descendants?

In the article that we sent to the Mid-West Tool Collectors Association, we mentioned that HMPF will appreciate any information concerning Jacob F. Bauder that can be provided to the organization at [www.manheim1762.org](http://www.manheim1762.org). Hopefully, some questions can be answered in the near future. We know that a picture of Jacob F. Bauder and some family records were in the hands of a descendant but we do not know the name and location of the person.

If any of our members would like to help search for some of the answers to the questions concerning Jacob F. Bauder, please don't hesitate to contact the Foundation. *JH*



## Early Lottery Tickets in America

Pictured above are a few early American lottery tickets with a connection to Lebanon County and Lancaster County. The one that holds the greatest interest for those of us from Manheim is the York, Heidelberg & Lebanon Lottery ticket signed by Henry William Stiegel and dated 1769. The York, Heidelberg and Lebanon lottery was issued, as advertised in the Pennsylvania Gazette of May 4, 1769, as: "for raising the Sum of One thousand Six Hundred and Eighty seven pounds, Ten Shillings, to be applied to the payment of the Arrears of debt due for the erecting and finishing the German Reformed Church and the German Lutheran Church in Yorktown, and for the payment of arrears of debt due for erecting and finishing the German Lutheran Churches at Heidelberg and Lebanon."

Also pictured is a receipt written and signed by Henry William Stiegel as an entry in Jacob Barge's receipt book for Mr. Barge's purchase of 30 tickets for the amount 30 British Pounds.

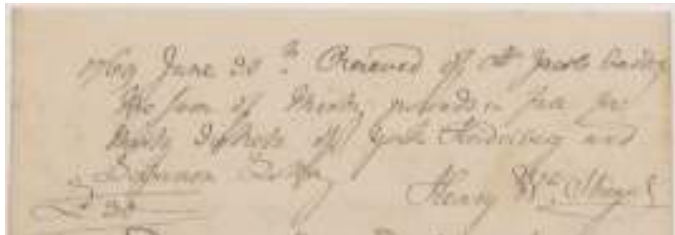
The Stiegel lottery ticket pictured was part of a small consignment sold at auction fifteen years ago for a North Carolina university. Until the North Carolina specimen surfaced for sale, Philip Nordell, the person who owned the largest collection of American lottery tickets ever assembled (5,000 tickets), knew of only three other York, Heidelberg & Lebanon Lottery tickets signed by Henry William Stiegel. Mr. Nordell, before his death about twenty

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### ***Early Lottery Tickets in America Continued:***

years ago, and before his collection was sold privately, owned Massachusetts Faneuil Hall tickets signed by John Hancock, Virginia Mountain Road Lottery tickets signed by George Washington, Delaware Lottery tickets signed by Lord Sterling, and many other very rare and important tickets. He also owned a panel of five Delaware Lottery tickets on which George Washington made a notation that "these five tickets are mine, GW". Mr. Nordell once traveled to Brown University in the state of Maine to negotiate for the only known specimen of a ticket in the first lottery issued in America. He told the person writing this article that he was successful, but that he willingly parted with many important items to entice a successful trade.

The Lancaster County tickets pictured are: a 1773 *Petty's-Island Mill and Cash Lottery*, "For disposing of a Mill and Land, on Pequea, in Lancaster County" and a 1761 *Conestogoe Bridge Lottery*, signed by Joseph Simon, a prominent Jewish leader and merchant in what was the Borough of Lancaster in 1761. The other ticket in the group is a Sheafferstown Engine Lottery (Schaefferstown, Pa.).



**Henry William Stiegel Receipt**

Footnote: George Heiges had expressed to the writer of this article that he was amazed how well Henry William Stiegel mastered the English language. Henry William Stiegel was born on May 13, 1729 and only arrived in America on August 30, 1750. At the time that he wrote the above receipt and signed lottery tickets, he was 40 years old. Also, when he became one of the owners of the 729 acres that comprised the town of Manheim, along with Alexander and Charles Stedman and their wives, he was 33 years old.

*JH*

## **Reading & Columbia Rail Road Currency**

Pictured below is a specimen of the currency issued in 1862 by the Reading & Columbia Rail Road Company. The item was sold at auction in 2009 and was part of a 40,000 + collection of American obsolete paper money specimens formed by Herbert and Martha Schingoethe. Mr. & Mrs. Schingoethe became avid collectors of obsolete paper money and pretty much purchased whatever they desired to own. The dispersal of the collection required 18 separate auctions from 2004 thru 2009. Before appearing in the Schingoethe collection, the Reading & Columbia Rail Road note was not known to exist.

The contract to build the main line for Reading & Columbia Rail Company was awarded February 25, 1861 and construction started at Columbia, but ground breaking took place near Sinking Springs on March 28, 1861. The first rails were laid May 19, 1862 near Mill Street in Columbia. The first regular train service over the Reading & Columbia commenced on Monday, January 5, 1863 with two trains in each direction between Columbia and Manheim

*JH*



## **Sad News**

**This is the first opportunity that we have had to mention this sad news in HMPF's newsletter. On August 10, 2010, we old timers in Manheim, lost a dear friend. On that day, Thelma Bates, who was at the time residing in Texas, went to be with the Lord. Some of our readers will have fond memories of Mrs. Bates and the times when she had charge of Schmick's Ice Cream Parlor on South Main Street and the Record Bar in Longenecker's Hardware Store on Market Square.**

## **Rapho Township Organized By Settlers of Scotch Irish Decent**

### **Named For Parish in County Donegal, Ireland**

Contrary to general belief, the early settlers of Rapho were of Scotch Irish descent. The township was organized in 1741 and received its name from a parish in County Donegal, Ireland. The township is twenty-two miles long and eight miles wide and is located north of Manheim borough. German settlers were in the upper and central sections and gradually the Pennsylvania Dutch took possession of the lands.

One of the first settlers was William Patterson (Scotch Irish) who owned three hundred acres. Samuel Smith also was one of the large tract owners with land on both sides of the "Chikis Creek". He built the "Chikis Hotel" which was later kept by Hugh Pedan during the revolutionary war and by John Guy who ran a line of stage coaches from Lancaster to Harrisburg. George Washington was a guest at this hotel on several occasions. It was torn down about 1880.

The assessed value of the buildings in the township about fifty years ago was \$3,500,000. Family names on the historical records are such as Norris, Sterretts, Acker, Mummau, Stauffer, Cassel, Metz, Snyder and Nissley.

New and Old Dunkers, including the "Brinsrites", River "Breddren" and the "Old Breddren" originated in this section. Other churches are the Evangelical, known as Hossler's Meeting House, United Brethren at Strickler's Meeting House, Erisman's (Mennonite), and the Old Brethren Meeting House at Stern's near Mastersonville.

### **Sporting Hill**

Sporting Hill is one of the oldest villages in Rapho. More than a century ago it was known as Cassel Town. It got the name Sporting Hill from three or four "old sports" who often met at the hotel. The hotel in this village is more than one hundred and fifty years old. Prominent among the oldest buildings is the store located at the crossroads. About seventy-five years ago it was owned by John Metzler. Merchants operating the business have been Zook, Stauffer, Joseph R. Zug and David Dissinger. Jacob Shenk is its present owner.

At the foot of the hill was the old time Kauffman's Distillery, oldest in the county owned and operated by Henry Kauffman from 1803 until 1890. Three miles north of Sporting Hill on the Lancaster Colebrook road is Old Line.

### **Mastersonville**

Mastersonville, near the Mount Joy township line, was founded by Thomas Masterson who emigrated from Ireland about 1823. He erected a fine mansion near the village. Later he became postmaster. His son Joseph Masterson established a mercantile business and built some fine dwelling houses. The Exchange Hotel was built by Samuel R. Zug. John S Masterson succeeded Joseph in carrying on a mercantile business in a large brick store building. He was postmaster and Justice of the Peace. Thomas Jr., Masterson was manager at Hopewell for the Coleman's. He was a collector of Indian relics. At one time a Dr. Joseph Thome was physician with a large practice and lived in the village. The population is about 150. There are two Dunker Meeting Houses, River Brethren and Old Brethren. Union Square was the home of the former M. J. Brecht, County Superintendent of the schools. The town is located between Mastersonville and Old Line.

A furnace in the northeast corner of the township, near the Lebanon county line was for many years owned and carried on by A. Bates Grubb. Charcoal was used exclusively for smelting ore and the best and highest priced iron was manufactured there.

In 1837 fifteen schools were located in Rapho Township with a total of 904 pupils. Tax levied was \$1,029.33. State appropriation was \$1,646.93. Expenditures were \$4,443.38 of which more than one-half was paid for new buildings. In 1882 the school houses numbered 21 and pupils, 817. The total receipts were \$7,380.36; expenditures, \$6,861.01. There was much opposition to schools in the early days of Rapho's history due to the religious faith of the settlers.

Today the number of school teachers is 19 and the average monthly salary is \$105.00. There are seventeen school houses in the township.

**This article appeared in the Sept. 28, 1939 issue of the Manheim Sentinel newspaper.**

## Cigar Making Was Industry In Manheim

Through years of Manheim's history, a variety of industries, including early craft shops, had promising beginnings, thrived awhile and then folded up. Most have long since been forgotten except by curious individuals like the writer who enjoys prying into the past for bits of forgotten facts and lore.



In the post Civil War years the cigar industry found a foothold in Manheim and becoming firmly established, continued to be almost the sole manufacturing activity until 1900. There were small shops which employed half a dozen hands and there

were the large shops like Clarence Young's, Clayton Gible's, Kinport's and Obetz's which gave work to as many as 50 people, and later the Eisenlohr Company, which took over the Opera House, then moved to a building built for them on West High and Grant Streets where were employed 100 men and women.

It has been said that there were few Manheim households about 1900 where one could not find a cigar maker or related trades. The industry had become a vital part of the town's economy and little did the cigar makers in town think that they would need to seek other employment in years to come. However, the making of cigars declined and with it the manufacture of cigar boxes, although several one-man shops continued until very recent years.

**The box is from a local cigar manufacturer. The article is from the Manheim Sentinel.**

## Acquisitions

The book: *Heritage of Freedom: The History & Significance of Basic Documents of American Liberty*. Also, a 2010 auction catalog of Lancaster County bottles with a list of the prices realized at the sale.

## Programs

**Sunday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 2:00 pm**

### **The Conestoga Massacres of 1763**

This program is based on the new book soon to be published by Jack Brubaker, who many know as the "Scribbler" of the Lancaster Newspapers. Mr. Brubaker has devoted a great deal of research to fact and fiction concerning the massacres and his program at HMPF will include information related to the two Conestogas who were hidden for life on a farm just outside Manheim. The program will prove to be another very enlightening and entertaining program and will be a great follow-up to the September program by Stephen Runkle.

### **THE HAMMER CREEK**

**Grandmother called it, "De Hume Grick,"**

**And spoke of the early date**

**When the Balmers came in a sailing ship**

**To settle in Penn's Fair State.**

**They built a home in the wilderness**

**But there was a meadow too,**

**With native flowers and lush green grass**

**And the Hammer Creek flowing through.**

**There were years of hardship and tiring toil,**

**And labor for food without end:**

**They shared with the hungry who found their door,**

**And the Indians called them friend.**

**They knew God's care would never fail**

**As long as the green grass grows,**

**That his help was constant, His help was sure,**

**While the Hammer Creek water flows.**

The above poem was written by Anna Balmer Myers. Occasionally, we will share some of Anna's other wonderful poems with our readers. Ms. Myers was a talented and remarkable Manheim person and she was a personal friend of Elizabeth and Miles Keiffer.