

January 17, 1923

Mr. Cyrus T. Fox,  
Historical Society of Berks County, Pa.  
Reading, Pa.

My dear Mr. Fox:

Thank you for your letter of January

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You say that John Hanks left Berks County about 1750. What is the evidence of this? Tax rolls? What? I will be grateful if you will tell me how to go to work to get a copy of whatever the record may be.

I am in correspondence with a Mr. Scarborough of Philadelphia who tells me that there are many records of Hanks in the Gwynedd Meetings, and I have written him to know how I can get copies of these.

I am strongly of the opinion that the Hanks family to which Nancy Hanks belonged is the one to which you refer, but it has not been proved, and it is important that it should be, so that anything you can do in Berks County will really be a contribution to Lincoln history.

Thanking you for your prompt attention to my request,

I am

Sincerely yours,

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