Johann Wiebe, Chortitza, to Uncle Gerhard Wiebe, Ellerwald. 15 July 1793. From the Diary of Gerhard Wiebe, page <u>256</u>.

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The second writing was from my brother's son, J.[ohann] Wiebe, and reads as follows: Chortitz in Russia, July 15, 1793

Hon. Gerhard Wiebe! Beloved uncle, whom I love whole-heartedly! Very pleasant it was to receive your letter dated March 7, 1793, because from it I gathered the you all enjoy well-being. But concerning our new brother-in-law, I have done some research. If you and our dear mother still have some love for us, of which we are convinced, then you won't create another plague and you will not give him the money. I cannot report much about our family, just that Isbrand Wiebe's wife delivered a son six weeks ago and our sister Anna delivered a son this past night. I have nothing further to report, just that we are well, also Anna is happy and well. The grain fields look promising, pasture is as always, rye is almost ripe. In closing I commit you to the care of the Most High and I remain your weak co-servant

Joh. Wiebe

P.S. Our brother-in-law, P.[eter] **Penner**, was burned out in April, had some (illegible) but he has built off. (?)

