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Cromer Trumbo Home Opened for Display

The Harrisonburg Rockingham Historical Society opened the Cromer Trumbo House featuring a major portion of the Mary Spitzer Etter collection and other pieces from the HRHS holdings on Sunday October 12, 2003. More than one hundred and twenty five members, guests and neighbors attended and helped to celebrate the presentation of this charming house and its wonderful furnishings. The Shannon Trumbo room is again open to the public with displays of pictures and personal items.

The five rooms of the CT House speak clearly of a time between the late 1800's and the 1930's. You see furniture that the Spitzer Etter family treasured and lovingly cared for, and fine china and glassware adorn the table. Upstairs the bedrooms give us a chance to admire beautiful quilts, dresser items, and in the children's bedroom an array of toys from earlier years. You can step into the kitchen where a cake is being made and get a glimpse of a pantry just like the one grandmother had.



Soon the house will shine forth with Christmas Spirit as the family Christmas tree and additional toys are displayed for your pleasure. Spring will find flowerbeds in place; an herb garden planted and the grape arbor built by the back door.

If you have not been through the CT House this fall, then as a member you must come and bring a friend for it is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy part of the HRHS holdings in a very unique display. The House is open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

The CT House committee is looking for several additional items for the house exhibit. Needed are the following - a light fixture for the living room, a small rug, flower bulbs, peonies, and other perennial flower plants.



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Calendar of Events

Current Exhibit. *Vignettes of the Past.* Early 20th century postcards and broadsides.

November 8: A Children's Program, *What is Folk Art?* Ten AM until 12 noon at the HRHS museum.

November 20: Lecture. *Oral History as a Community Builder: Past, Present, and Future in Rockingham County.* (See note on page 7 of this newsletter)

November 22: A Children's Program. Ten AM until 12 noon. *Lewis and Clark the Shenandoah Valley Connection.*

December 23 to January 5: HRHS will be closed for the holidays.

New Members Cont.

Phil Moubray Akron, OH.	Kathryn Smith Cross Roads, PA.
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Acquisitions

The Harrisonburg-Rockingham Historical Society appreciates the following acquisitions received since the summer newsletter was issued:

LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS

- Elizabeth H. Harmon donated to the library genealogies of *Miller Briton Dickson and Clara Armelia McKenzie Dickson*.
- J. Denis Glover donated to the library *Glover-Glovier Notes*.
- Christos Christou donated to the library a notebook entitled *William Henry Baugh* (includes the Blade family).
- *The Kagey Family 1715-2003* was donated to the library by Kenneth M. Runyon.. This genealogy was compiled by Kenneth Runyon and revised in May of 2003.
- Teddy & Kathy (Hensley) Caswell donated the book *Voices of Hensley Hollow— The Descendants of James and Benjamin Hensley* by Kathy Hensley Caswell and Teddy Roosevelt Hensley, Jr.
- George F. Jacobs donated part of a family history he wrote entitled *The Lanahan and Snowden Families: The Forebears of Adelaide Daniels Lanahan Brennan*..
- Lois K. Stover donated a notebook of obituaries for our obituary files.
- Peter Houck donated to the library the *Houck Genealogy— The Pilgrimage to the Valley* by Peter Houck.
- Clay E. Kelley donated to the library a copy of his recently published book, *The Hogsheads of the Shenandoah Valley*.
- Sandra Pope donated two of her recently completed books to the library. The first book is entitled *Peter & Catherine Haefner Pope of Pendleton County Virginia/West Virginia*. The other book is entitled *George & Hannah Hawes Cowger of Pendleton County Virginia/West Virginia.: Five Generations 1774-1974*.
- Davis Coiner Rosen donated to the library the book *Henry Roosen-Rosen: To Pennsylvania 1765 German Ancestors— American Descendants* by Peggy Shomo Joyner.
- Wayne Diehl donated to the library *Blood Image* by Paul Anderson and *Campbell Brown's Civil War* by Terry I. Jones.
- Steve Pence donated to the library two booklets, *A brief History of Mount Zion Lutheran Church*, by Rev. William Finck and *Mt. Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church New Market, Va. 150th Anniversary: 1853-2003*.
- Gregory L. Owens donated to the library a copy of *Wehrmacht Autumns; German Prisoners of War in the Plains District of Rockingham County, Virginia During World War 11*.
- Steve Pence donated to the library *A Brief History of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Nov. 24, 1872 and Mt. Evangelical Lutheran Church, 150th Anniversary: 1853—2003* by Dwight D. Kipps and Shirley L. Lee.

ARCHIVAL ACQUISITIONS

- Eunice McAvery donated John Wayland papers along with materials.
- Jean Moore donated a program for the Rockingham Horse & Colt Show Association for the year 1904.
- Nick Whitmer donated a place name survey of Rockingham County that includes maps, miscellaneous papers, books and a card file of the place names.
- Troy Peale donated two boxes of miscellaneous papers.

MUSEUM ACQUISITIONS

- A chick feeder made by Richard A. Welch of Timberville, Va. around 1939. This item was donated to the museum by Hilda L. Welch.
- Glenn Huffman donated to the museum a 1936 ticket admitting one person to the Sacred Music Festival. The ticket was given to Glenn by an antique dealers.
- Ervin & Eleanor Hamme donated three copies of the Shenandoah College newspaper the *Arrowhead*, one Shenandoah College pennant and four Shenandoah College Conservatory pictures and a newspaper article accompanying one of the photos.

Lecture Schedule Changed

Due to Hurricane Isabelle the September 18th lecture *Oral History as a Community Builder: Past, Present, and Future* was postponed. That lecture has been moved forward and will be held on November 20, 2003. The lecture by Dr. Hallman entitled *The Established Church in the Upper Valley*, which was to be held on that date, will now be scheduled at a later date.

Dr. Michael Galgano, who is the speaker for the November 20th lecture, is head of the history department at James Madison University. The lecture will be held at the HRHS Weaver Auditorium starting at 7 PM.

CROSS KEYS: EARLY HISTORY RECOVERED

by Marjorie Lamb McLean

The focal point of the small community that is known as “Cross Keys” was the little church that struggled for more than two and a half centuries to survive on a ridge a few miles south of the Head of the Peaked Mountain. It was the first recognized Protestant church in Rockingham County. The land was patented to Andrew McConnald on 13 August 1743. This information came through the courtesy of Daniel Stickley, Jr., who is a former member of the Board of Trustees for the Cross Keys Cemetery. The Indian Road or “Great Road” intersected the property. According to a book about early post offices, the community of Cross Keys was among the earliest in Rockingham County to receive a post office thereby acquiring its name.

The church was begun by a small group of Scotch-Irish squatters who met for the purpose of prayer, bible reading, and hymn singing. They were among a few similar groups meeting as Christian Societies in Colonial Virginia where the Anglican Church was the only legal church. The Societies were informal worship groups designed by the Pennsylvania Presbyterians to help believers sustain their faith at a time when both ministers and money to support them and build churches were in short supply. The best they could hope for was an occasional visit by a minister on tour. When a petition to the Governor was circulated in late October 1738 requesting permission to bring their ministers to the frontier without fear of apprehension, someone from the “Massenottin” group was among the signatories. The request was approved by Governor Gooch in a letter dated 4 November 1738 to the Presbyterian Synod in Philadelphia. The little group then became one of five sanctioned Meeting Houses in the Valley. (The word “Church” could not be used.) One of the groups was at Opequon in the area set aside to become Frederick County. The history of the Tinkling Springs church is one of the best sources for information. There is no room to doubt that the little church at the Head of the Peaked Mountain was the first sanctioned Protestant church in Rockingham County after it was severed from Augusta.

The property surrounding the Meeting House changed hands several times through the years, but in 1778 it was purchased by Jacob Kiblinger and his wife Veronica. According to Kiblinger tradition, the Kiblingers built a new house some time within the next several years with the intention of operating a tavern or an ordinary. Unfortunately, both of the Kiblingers died between 1785 and 1787. The land was inherited by their only son, John Kiblinger.

There were several contemporary John Kiblingers, but Jacob’s son John married Elizabeth Carpenter on 8 August 1788. Elizabeth Kiblinger died probably in 1795 following the birth of her fourth child. (It was her grave to the left inside the graveyard gate that a misguided descendant restored but mis-marked.) On 5 November 1797 John Kiblinger married Catherine “Caty” Wheelbarger, daughter of Matthias. In 1799 he sold twenty-five acres, including the house, to John Harry. The deed was burned during the Civil War, but it is referred to in another deed which survived. This was the deed to John Pence on 11 March 1819 by John Harry, Aux: “Eli, Sally, John, and Mary conveyed to their father John Harry by John Kiplinger by deed 21 April 1799.”

This property stayed within the Harry, Swisher, and Kisling families for the next twenty five years. Among them was Ann Kisling, who had married John Pence. Pence bought the family interests, according to the 1819 deed cited above, but he died in 1823 before completing the scheduled payments. It was also in 1823 that Rodham Kemper moved to the community and opened a mercantile business. Two years later, he married the young widow. He also finished buying out the interests of his wife’s family. They improved and enlarged the house which became known as the “Kemper House.” It may have been remodeled several times in its lifetime, but the old log partitions marking the center hall and bar area remained in evidence in recent times. During the Civil War it housed wounded soldiers who left their bloodstains on the floors. Still,

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the house stood like a protective, proud matron, holding secrets of the past that included her own true history which long ago had been overshadowed and lost. Gradually, she began to crumble from neglect, age, and decay, seemingly held up by her magnificent flush-type stone chimney. In the fall of 2002, a bulldozer cleared the remains of this about two hundred and twenty-year-old house.

Through much of its history, the church was the focal point of the community. Remaining records are incomplete, but a Reformed minister named Johan Braun (John Brown) arrived in 1804. The post office, according to Charles E. Kemper in his "Neighborhood Notes," was already there. Kemper also stated that both John Brown and the postmaster, "J. Hancock," carved their names on a plank and hung it over the doorway of the building wherein the post office was located. It was named "Cross Keys" supposedly from the name of a London book store which held a pair of crossed keys over the entrance. (There was also an inn by that name near the port in Philadelphia.) Kemper's story might have been based at least partially on local tradition, but it tends to confirm the 1801 date given in the above-named book. Kemper also stated that the house had served as a tavern prior to 1800 which supports the Kiblinger tradition.

By 1800 there was pressure for increased mail service. A post office was undoubtedly needed to serve the area between Harrisonburg and Port Republic. The small settlement near the Peaked Mountain Church appears to have been the most convenient location. It could be that the church, cemetery, a tailoring shop, a farm store, perhaps another shop or two, and an imposing log home that served the needs of travelers along the Wagon Road were worthy of the recognition.

Today, Cross Keys is only a crossroads. A school bus repair and maintenance shop along Route 276 - the old Indian Road - marks the former community. The house has been razed and the last church structure is now owned by the Ruritan Club. Only the Cross Keys Cemetery remains.

HRHS NOTE:

Please note that there are 3 Peaked Mountain Churches, the one at Cross Keys (so named at its origin and named Peaked Mountain until the Revolutionary War), best known by the name of the Union Church. The Church at McGaheysville is the church best known by the name (Upper) Peaked Mountain, and it is at this church, not the church at Cross Keys, that Pastor Johannes Braun (John Brown) ministered. The third church is the (Lower) Peaked Mountain or St. Peter's Church in Shenandoah. The Kemper House mentioned is the Rodham Kemper House, one of 5 Kemper houses in the valley--two are in Port Republic.

Unionists and the Civil War — new book available

A new 750 page book, *Unionists and the Civil War Experience in the Shenandoah Valley*, is the first in a multi-volume series dealing with Rockingham County unionists. The first volume describes the experiences of unionists on Cooks Creek near Bridgewater, Mt. Crawford, Friedens Church, Cross Keys and Goods Mill areas. Around two thirds of these were Mennonites and Brethren families, but the remainder were associated with the Methodist Episcopal, German Reformed churches or of unknown affiliation. The claims have been researched and compiled by David Rodes, Norman Wenger, and prepared for publication with an extensive introduction and summaries by Emmert F. Bittinger, Professor Emeritus of Bridgewater College.

By means of a careful examination of primary documents from the National Archives relating to the records of the Southern Claims Commission for Rockingham County, new light is thrown on the situation at the polls at the time of the referendum on secession and on the high level of excitement and disturbance that existed that day, May 23, 1861. In addition, new insights arise from the hundreds of hours of sworn testimony regarding the alleged loyalty and losses suffered by unionists under the occupation of thousands of Federal soldiers camped on local farms. These occupying military forces, both northern and southern, found it necessary to confiscate supplies at will from the unfortunate residents both unionists and secessionists, many of whom were already destitute. Extensive testimony given before the Commission reveals much about the conditions of life among the people during the worst part of the war in Rockingham County. Significant new data regarding the structure and operation of the unionist underground railroad are also revealed.

Rockingham Post Offices And Postmasters From 1792-1932

(This is the sixth installment of the list of Rockingham postoffices and postmasters from 1792 to 1932, as compiled by the author from microfilm of the National Archives and Records Service in Washington.)

by John W. Wayland

Article VI

LACEY SPRING: William H. Bailey, March 14, 1850; Richard H. Yancey, July 16, 1857; Milton J. Carrier, October 6, 1859; Jesse Carrier, July 19, 1865; Mrs. Leannah Carrier, August 25, 1874; Albert D. Pennybacker, January 7, 1875; Abraham C. Long, January 11, 1875; Charles J. Brock, May 22, 1885; J. Lilburn Long, June 20, 1897; Luke E. Rinehart, February 1, 1900; David R. Showalter, July 13, 1901(?); Paul E. Rhinehart, January 28, 1905; Lewis C. Neff, April 3, 1912; David A. Taylor, October 4, 1913; Mamie M. Taylor, May 14, 1930; Ervin L. Chapman, December 27, 1930

LATONA: Joseph H. Carper, January or June 30, 1890; Henry H. Armentrout, March 30, 1895. Post to Linville, October 31, 1902.

LEANDER: Daniel F. Heatwole, February 18, 1889. To Sparkling Springs, January 9, 1983 [sic].

LEROY: Samuel D. McCamman, March 12, 1872; discontinued July 2, 1883; mail to Liola. Re-established; Jacob M. Pirkey, August 24, 1883; Samuel D. McCamman, April 30, 1886; Albert R. G. Bass, November 23, 1889; John R. L. Murray, February 7, 1891. Discontinued; mail to Port Republic, June 18, 1891.

LIFETON: Jacob F. Life, December 19, 1888. Discontinued; mail to McGaheysville, February 18, 1889.

LILLY: William H. Sipe, February 10, 1885; Fannie Newman, Feb. 14, 1898. Post to Ottobine, October 21, 1902.

LINVILLE: Isaac Wenger, June 15, 1869; Erasmus Fletcher, September 23, 1872; Isaac N. Rhinehart, June 12, 1889; Erasmus Fletcher, April 1, 1893; Isaac N. Rhinehart, August 27, 1897. To Linville Depot, September 28, 1897.

Re-established: Twine (?) A. Rhinehart, October 14, 1897; Rosco R. Hosaflook, December 22, 1908; Jacob S. Geil, May 21, 1914. Discontinued August 31, 1918; Mail to Linville Depot. Re-established; W. E. Rhodes, October 18, 1921.

LINVILLE CREEK: established April 8, 1826; Jacob Lincoln, April 8, 1826; John Chrisman, March 9, 1829; still serving in 1832; Thomas A. Hopewell, July 2, 1845. Later Edom.

LINVILLE DEPOT: Late Linville—Isaac N. Rhinehart. September 28, 1897; Levi S. Rhodes, March 28, 1916. Name changed to Linville, October 18, 1921.

LIOLA: Moffett P. Heard, April 7, 1882; John D. Wisner, February 5, 1886. To the Grottoes, August 15, 1888.

LYNWOOD: Hanna (?) L. Wagner, June 8, 1871; William M. Keran, June 20, 1872; Samuel H. Lewis, December 21, 1874(?); Miss Serena Helen Lewis, January 9, 1884; Serena H. Lewis, June 15, 1886; Norval L. Coiner, September 21, 1900; John F. Lewis, July 5, 1901; Joel T. Adams, October 24, 1901; Mary L. Gibbs, May 9, 1902; Annie V. Lewis, October 3, 1905; John F. Lewis, January 20, 1913; Luther V. Walker, January 8, 1915.

MCGAHEYSVILLE: established as McGaheystown December 31, 1812; name changed to McGaheysville sometime between 1819 and 1824. Tobias R. McGahey, December 31, 1812; Jacob Pirkey, May 20, 1824; still serving in 1832; Joseph Mauzy; Henry Mauzy (?); Madison I. Brown, September 13 (?), 1835; David Irick, May 1, 1844;

Warren T. McGahey, September 27, 1852 (?); Joseph J. Littell, May 10, 1856; Jacob S. Runkle, August 24, 1865; James W. Payne, December 6, 1877; James S. Runcle, December 28, 1877; Richard E. Hopkins, August 14, 1885; Jacob S. Runcle, November 6, 1897; Milton J. Runcle, April 11, 1898; William R. Bader, April 20, 1906 (?); John E. Gooden, October 28, 1913; Cletus F. Farmon, June 19, 1918; re-appointed December 12, 1928; John O. Hawkins, June 18, 1931.

MARK: La Fayette H. Cave, April 11, 1896; Edward Gibson, February 11, 1897. To Shenandoah Page County June 14, 1897.

MASSANETTA SPRINGS: late Taylors Springs; Noah W. Bowman, April 8, 1887. Taylor Springs, December 19, 1887. Massanetta Springs, late Taylors Springs; Noah W. Bowman, April 28, 1890. To Harrisonburg, May 24, 1899. Re-established: William T. -----, February 17, 1900. To Harrisonburg, October 21, 1902.

MAUZY: Jacob B. D. _____, June 28, 1880; Joseph H. Mauzy, April 16, 1885. To Broadway, October 21, 1902. Re-established; Joseph H. Mauzy, January 14, 1803 [sic]. To Broadway, May 31, 1907.

MAYLAND: Noah J. May, December 9, 1885; James D. Hillyard, January 13, 1891; Solomon B. Spitzer, May 21, 1895; Jesse Spitzer, May 22, 1902.

MELROSE: Jacob B. Houck (?), December 21, 1848; John Andes, July 29, 1850; Reuben N. Harrison, September 15, 1852. Discontinued August 5, 1855; re-established February 3, 1859; Eleanor Chrisman, February 3, 1859; Fannie E. Chrisman, September 28, 1861; Ruby Armentrout; November 4, 1865.

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Researching in the Marriage Records at Rockingham County Court House

There are three types of marriage records at the Rockingham County Court House, the marriage bonds, minister returns and marriage licenses. The bonds and the minister returns are the earliest records and are available from 1778 to mid-1854. The marriage licenses, which give much more information on the bride & groom and their parents, begin at that time and continue to the present. The original copies of the licenses are no longer accessible at the Court House, but copies are available in the genealogy library at the Historical Society. A register of the licenses is in the genealogy room at the Court House.

The index of marriages at the Court House has two columns of page numbers next to the indexed names. The page numbers in the right column reference the page of the marriage bond or license. The page numbers in the left column reference the minister returns. The minister returns will be found in the back of marriage bond book six.

The marriage bonds will normally give you the name of the bride and groom, a bondsman who could be a relative, and usually the bride's father's name or in some cases the mother's name if the father is deceased. The minister returns are copies of the original lists submitted by the minister who performed the marriage and will usually give just the name of the bride and groom and the date of the marriage. These lists normally cover at least a year at a time. Unfortunately, not all ministers submitted information as required.

The marriages listed in the minister returns will, in most cases, also appear in the bonds. Both sources should be checked. If you have used the book compiled by Vogt & Kethley, *Rockingham County Marriages 1778-1850*, you will also want to check the original records. The entries in their book that provide only the name of the minister were taken from the minister returns. You may find additional information, including the father of the bride, by checking the marriage bonds.

Contributed to the HRHS Newsletter by Harriet Lee Welch

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Discontinued June 16, 1873; re-established June 24, 1873; Reilly Armentrout, June 24, 1873; Mrs. Hannah Harrison, July 2, 1873; John W. Jackson September 16, 1878; Thomas H. West, October 26, 1882; George L. Bryant, June 20, 1883; John W. C. Armentrout, October 3, 1887; George (?) L. Humbert, May 1, 1893; Charles E. Beery, March 10, 1894;

Charles W. Fletcher, December 7, 1895; John S. Huffman, August 16, 1902, To Harrisonburg, October 22, 1902. Re-established; John W. C. Armentrout, January 14, 1903. Mail to Harrisonburg, May 31, 1907.

MEYERHOEFFER'S STORE: Michael J. Meyerhoeffer, March 24, 1856. Changed to Fair Hill, July 20, 1866. Meyerhoeffer's Store again; John W. Meyerhoeffer, November 20, 1870. Discontinued May 12, 1875; re-established January 17, 1876; Jenny L. Meyerhoeffer, January 17, 1876; Michael J. Meyerhoeffer, April 26, 1886; Frank W. Meyerhoeffer, July 18, 1901; John S. Huffman, March 10, 1902; John Miller, June 2, 1902; John S. Huffman, August 16, 1902. To Port Republic, October 21, 1902.

MILL BANK: William H. Marshall, May 16, 1878. Discontinued; post office Mount Hermon, January 7, 1890.

MODEL: William E. Rodgers, June 10, 1895; Martin V. Rodgers, October 14, 1895. To Antelope, October 19, 1896. Re-established; Thomas J. Breeden, June 20, 1899; Joseph N. Mauzy, July 31, 1901 (?). To Elkton, October 31, 1902.

MONTEVIDEO: C. M. Killian, June 24, 1873; J. A. S. Miller, December 20, 1877; J. W. S. Miller, December 31, 1877; George W. Johnson, August 13, 1880 (?); Milton S. Hiteshaw, June 27, 1884; Benjamin F. Young, April 25, 1891; Benjamin F. Jackson, July 8, 1892; Bernard R. Huffman, December 16, 1893; John H. Miller, January 6, 1896; Jacob S. Huffman, October 4, 1899; Wilbur E. Shiflet, April 19, 1907. Mail to Penn Laird, January 22, 1908.

MONTEZUMA: Christian M. Garber, May 20, 1898. To Bridgewater, May 21, 1899. Re-established; Christian M. Garber, July 31, 1899. To Dayton, October 31, 1902.

MOUNT CLINTON: Ptolemy Brightwell, November 27, 1840; John K. Bear, April 1, 1851; William D. Hopkins, April 16, 1855; Peter H. Bear, March 16, 1857 (?); Joseph Burkholder, December 31, 1859; Samuel B. Good, March 9, 1866; Mrs. Sophia Burkholder, April 2, 1866;

James S. Curry, December 30, 1867; Samuel A. Firebaugh, October 15, 1874; James W. Rhodes, March 19, 1883; Henry I. Parker, April 24, 1884; Lewis Driver, February 12, 1886; David H. Landes, September 9, 1889; William E. Long, November 28, 1893; W. Frank Myers, December 10, 1897. Papers to Harrisonburg, October 31, 1902

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Contributed to the HRHS Newsletter by Pat Ritchie

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT HRHS

Christmas is not far away and it is time to start thinking of purchasing that special Christmas present for your spouse, children or special friend. The HRHS Bookstore and Gift Shop has many items of special interest that will make wonderful Christmas presents. The bookstore has many new books in stock such as *Images of America: Harrisonburg*; the new book *Where the River Flows: Finding Faith in Rockingham County - 1726-1876*; and *Port Republic: The History of a Shenandoah Valley River Town*. We have also just received the newly published book *Unionist & the Civil War Experience in the Shenandoah Valley* that would make a wonderful Christmas gift. In addition to the mentioned books, the bookstore has many cookbooks, family histories and maps and atlases.

The gift shop offers a wonderful selection of pottery by Rudy Tucker and Mark Hartzler along with a selection of baskets handcrafted by Cathy Cupp. The gift shop and bookstore is open Monday thru Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM .

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