

### Timeline of Sources for Peter David Hansell

Upper Darby tax records from Delaware County PA History website and Chester County Archives

Year Upper Darby	Name			Tax	Comments	My Comments
Prior to 1754 no entry for PDH						1753 William Garrett on tax list in Upper Darby, age 27
1754	Peter David			6	Peter is listed as a Freeman for this one year	Freeman listing designated young single men in the community (PDH would be 30 yrs old)
1755 NA						
The Great Earthquake of 1755 occurred on the east coast November 18 <sup>th</sup> . It was felt from Nova Scotia to South Carolina. I wonder if PDH would remember where he was when the earthquake struck, just like the rest of us remember these sorts of things. This has nothing to do with anything but it is interesting.						
1756	Peter David			4,6		
1757 NA						
1758	Peter David			1,2		
1759	Peter David			3,3		
1760	Peter David			3,6		
1761, 1762 NA						
1763	Peter David			1,8,6		
1764	Peter David	no acreage or house listed	4 horses/4cattle/ 8 sheep			William Garrett, house, 62 A, fulling mill, blacksmith
1765	Peter David	140 A	4 horses/7cattle/ 6 sheep			Garrett, 60 A
1766	Peter David	140 A	4 horses/7 cattle/ 6 sheep			Garrett, 60 A
1767	Peter David	140 A	4 horses/10 cattle/ 4 sheep			Garrett, 60 A, mill for working leather, blade mill
1768	Peter David	140 A	3 horses/9 cattle			Garrett, 60 A
1769 Peter David Hansell reported to be a constable in Darby in the Genealogical Application – I have not found the source						
1769	Peter David	140 A	3 horses/10 cattle/ 8 sheep			Garrett, 60 A, blacksmith, saw & blade mills
1770	Peter David	148 A land & buildings	4 horses/12 cattle/ 6 sheep			Garrett, 62 A & bldg, blade mill, smithy
1770 missing horse advertisement places Peter David Hansell in Upper Darby at William Garrett's plantation						
1771	Peter David	140 A	4 horses/10 cattle/ 9 sheep		<b>Hansley</b>	<b>Chester Co. Archives: a/k/a Peter David Hansley</b>
1772	Peter David Hamset	140 A land & bldg	3 horses/10 cattle/ 6 sheep			<b>Chester Co. Archives: Peter David Hansel</b>
July 20, 1772 Weyen indenture places Peter David Hansell in Blockley						
1773 forward - there are no more entries for Peter David (whatever) in the Upper Darby Tax Lists.						

**Blockley Township** Taxes source PA Archives, Series 3 at Fold3.com

Year <b>Blockley</b>	Name			Tax		My Comments
1774	Peter David	--A	5 horses/16 cattle/ 1 servant	11,8,4		Vol XIV, p. 313. Is the servant Elizabeth Weyen?
1774 Lost cow advertisement places Peter David Hansell in Blockley, 1.5 miles from Gray's Ferry						
1774-1778 no tax records						
1779	Peter David Hansell, d			2		Vol XIV, p. 571 d stands for double, but I don't know what that means
1779	Peter David Hansell, d.					Vol XV, page 9
1779 Peter David Hansell purchases first parcel in Kingsessing						

**Kingsessing** Taxes Source: PA Archives, Series 3 at Fold3.com and PA Tax and Exoneration Records 1768-1801 at Ancestry.com

Year <b>Kingsessing</b>	Name			Tax		My Comments
May 6, 1779 missing horse advertisement places PDH in Kingsessing						
1779	David Hentzel, d			8		Vol XIV, p 618. Telfair is not on tax list, Jacob Rudolph and Peter Yocum are on tax list
1780	Peter D. Hansell			Valuation: 1,995 Tax: 39.12.0		Vol XV, p. 425. PDH's son David Hansell taxed as a single man
1782	Peter D. Hansell - farmer			Valuation: 312 Tax: 2.3.2		Vol XVI, p. 109
1783	Peter D. Hansell	70 A	3 horses/5 cattle			Vol XVI, p. 580 Son David Hansell taxed on 1 horse This tax is cited by Mrs. Scollay
1785	Peter D. Hansell			Valuation: 450 Tax: 2.3.2		
1786	Peter D. Hansell – farmer	70 A land - 350 3 horses - 30 3 cows - 25 Occupation – 70		Valuation: £475		
1787	Widow Hansell	70 A upland - 350 3 horses - 30 5 cows - 22		Valuation: 402		
1789	Dorothy Hansell			Valuation: 415		John Hansell is listed just below Dorothy

**C**AME to the Plantation of William Garrett, in Upper Darby Township, the Beginning of October last, a black HORSE, between 14 and 15 Hands high, with a Blaze pretty near down to his Nostrils, and one white hind Foot, appears to have had the Filfla, his Age unknown. Whoever has lost said Horse, on proving their Property, and paying Charges, may have him again, by applying to PETER DAVID HANSELL, living on said Plantation.

11-1-1770 *Pennsylvania Gazette* – lost horse advertisement places Peter David Hansell at William Garrett's plantation in Upper Darby

July 20 <sup>th</sup> ...	Davison, William .....	George Williamson and his assigns...	Philadelphia .....	Servant.....	4 yrs. ....	£ 15. 10. 0.
	Rable, Christian .....	Samuel Prince and his heirs .....	Philadelphia .....	Apprentice, taught the cordwainer's trade, have six months' evening schooling. <sup>2</sup>	4 yrs. ....	
	Berry, William .....	John Logan and his assigns.....	Mendham twp., Morris co., E. Jersey. Philadelphia .....	Servant <sup>2</sup> .....	3 yrs., 6 mo. ....	£ 14. 0. 0.
	Fitzgerald, Elinor .....	William Carlisle and his assigns....	Philadelphia .....	Apprentice, taught tailor's trade, have one year and six months' schooling. <sup>2</sup>	4 yrs. ....	£ 2. 0. 0.
	Murphy, Mary .....	Robert Bell and his assigns.....	Philadelphia .....	Servant <sup>2</sup> .....	4 yrs. ....	£ 12. 0. 0.
	Hudtman, John Matts.....	Lewis Truckenmiller and his assigns..	Philadelphia .....	Apprentice, taught tailor's trade, have one year and six months' schooling. <sup>2</sup>	11 yrs. ....	
	Weyen, Elizabeth .....	Peter David Hansel .....	Blockley twp., Phila. co.....	Servant, have freedom dues.....	4 yrs., 3 mo. ....	£ 15. 0. 0.
	Campbell, Eleanor .....	Daniel Meredith and his heirs.....	Philadelphia .....	Apprentice, taught housewifery and sew, have one quarter's schooling in the sixth and seventh year of her apprenticeship. <sup>2</sup>	11 yrs. ....	

*Record of Indentures of Individuals Bound Out as Apprentices, Servants, Etc. and of German and Other Redemptioners in the Office of the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, October 3, 1771, to October 5, 1773, page 110.*

**C**AME to the plantation of the subscriber, in Blockley Township, Philadelphia county, a mare and an half from Mr. George Gray's Ferry, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July inst., a red and white COW, with a black hind foot. The owner is desired to come, prove his property, pay charges, and take her away.  
PETER DAVID HANSELL.

7-13-1774 *Pennsylvania Gazette*

Lost cow advertisement places Peter David Hansell 1.5 miles from Gray's Ferry in Blockley

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1778 – PA Archives, Series 1, Vol VII, p 35  
Petition to pardon John Roberts from death.

After a politically motivated trial, John Roberts was found guilty of High Treason during the Revolutionary War. PDH is among more than 1,000 men who signed petitions to save his life.

John Roberts and Abraham Carlisle were hanged in Philadelphia in 1778.

Isaac Hayes,	John Supplee,	Isaac Ryall,
Phineas Roberts,	Jacob Riebeyr,	Amos George,
his	Frederick Hiller,	David George,
Peter D. ✕ Hansell,	John Davis,	Thomas George,
mark	Jacob Deule,	Thomas Simon,
David Hansell,	his	Conrad Hoover,
Reverdy Sheed,	Sebastian ✕ Sile,	James Jones Jr.,
Jonas Supplee,	mark	Mahlon Hall,

**C**AME to the plantation of the subscribers, in Kingsess, in Philadelphia county, A STRAY HORSE; he is a strawberry roan, with some white spots, trots and band gallops well, has been shod all round last winter. The owner is desired to come and prove his property, pay charges, and take him away.  
 May 2, 1779. † PETER DAVID HANSELL.

5-6-1779 - *Pennsylvania Journal*

Lost horse advertisement places Peter David Hansell in Kingsessing

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1779.

March 13, ANDREW DAMM, of Philada., Dealer.

JOHN VESTARD (his mark), of Philada., Brickmaker.

PETER DAVID HANSIL (his mark), of Kingsessing.

19, JOHN ROUKING, of Philada.

20, LAZARUS PINE Esq., of Philada., Capt. of Militia.

24, ANDREW FITE, of Roxborough.

26, WILLIAM WATKINS,

JONATHAN PAUL,

WILLIAM DAVIES,

PHILIP REFFERT,

JAMES McCOTTER,

LEONARD EGEN,

JACOB ALBRIGHT,

ROBERT IRWIN,

DAVID PAUL,

} belonging to the Company  
 of Artificers.

JOHN GEORGE FOX SENR., do.

JOHN HARRAWAY, do.

27, THOMAS BOURNE, of Philada., Gentleman.

JOHN BIGONY (his mark), of Roxborough, Hosier.

DAVID RITTENHOUSE Esq., State Treasurer.

CORNELIUS HOULGATE, of Roxborough. Affirmed.

March 13, 1779

Source: *Names of Persons who took the oath of allegiance to the State of Pa, between the years 1777 and 1789*, page 6.

Note famous David Rittenhouse, Esq.

~~Additional Information:- The immigrant ancestor of the Hansell family of Philadelphia, was Peter David Hansell, B. abt. 1724, probably in Norfolk County, married Anne Dorothy Henchy ad. 1750 and came to Phila. in the ship "Anderson". (see Pa. Archives) Settled immediately in Kingsessing Twp. buying a large tract of land from Peter Yocum and other Swedes. They had 11 children (see will of Peter David #247 of 1786 Book T. P. 421) Constable of Darby Twp. in 1769 and his son William held same office in 1788. He died Nov. 10, 1788 and his wife died Dec. 22, 1812. Both are buried in St. James of Kingsessing graveyard, formerly the Swedish church. His second son William (Rev. ancestor) married Sarah Morris, dau of Dr. Jonathan Morris, of Marple Twp. Del. Co. (see Pa. Archives). She died Dec. 12, 1833, and is buried with her husband and his father and mother. (See Orphans Court Records, March term 1815, Book 25, page 97, for William Hansell, son of William and Sarah~~

Excerpt from the 1/29/1952 application to Sons of the American Revolution by Charles Richardson Hansell (grandson of William Henry Hansell) – this application is at ancestry.com

3/18/1908 Application to the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania by William Henry Hansell in Ed Bradford's book contains the same information as above.

In my humble opinion: Ship Anderson is a guess unless there is other corroborating material. Constable for Darby in 1769 – I haven't found the source. Jonathan Morris of Marple is the brother of Sarah Morris Hansell, not her father.

As Ed Bradford has noted, William Hansell and Sarah Morris Hansell are not the parents of the William Hansell (1792-1860) who married Sarah Ann ?. William Hansell and Sarah Morris Hansell are the parents of William Morris Hansell (1795-1846) who married Eliza Ann Berrett.

The Sons of the American Revolution application by Charles Richardson Hansell cites Orphans Court Records March Term 1815, Bk 25, Pg 97. A copy of this court document was provided to me by an Act of Genealogical Kindness volunteer. This document is paperwork to settle the estate of our Charles Hansell who died intestate in 1813. The copy is legible enough to see the names of all the children of Peter David and Dorothy Hansell plus the widows and children of the deceased brothers. In this document, William Morris Hansell's name is written as William Hansell. Apparently it is from this document that the above applicants based their lineage and one can understand how this error in attribution came about.

I have spent a bit of time on the William Hansell (1792-1860) married to Sarah Ann ? who is truly the ancestor of the applicants. I call him William of the Mint because he did work at the US Mint in Philadelphia from 1830 until his death on May 16, 1860. He first appears in an 1822 Philadelphia City directory, living at Schriver's Court (which is right in the heart of the area where our Hansells lived) and his occupation was blacksmith until he started at the Mint. There are deeds for the various places he lived; his male children are fairly easy to follow; the one known girl falls off the paper trail but seems to have been the real estate maven in the family. I went down several inconclusive trails looking for Sarah Ann ?'s maiden name. Most of this family is buried in Laurel Hill in Philadelphia.

The only hint to William of the Mint's origins is in the death notice of his son William A. Hansell who died 9/18/1872 in which he was described as the son of the late William and Sarah A. Hansell of Blockley. As the parents always had downtown Philadelphia addresses and died at 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Blockley may be a clue but William of the Mint's ancestors will probably remain a mystery.