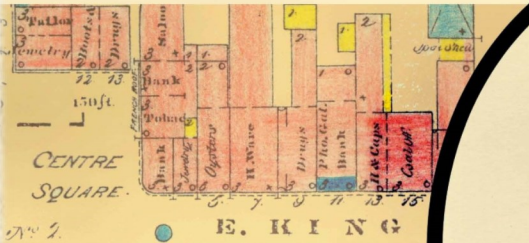


Thaddeus S. Henry

Lancaster's Premiere Tonsorial Artist



Thaddeus S. Henry (1815–1897)

"Henry was born in Philadelphia and moved to Lancaster when a lad of ten years. He learned his trade with Benjamin Simmons, and afterwards entered the tonsorial business in his own interests. In the pursuit of this vocation he was eminently successful..."

By 1873 his barber shop occupied the first floor of a three-story brick building at 15 East King Street, highlighted on the map as "Coal Offices" and present site of the Fulton Bank.

Above quote from "Death of an Aged Barber" Thaddeus S. Henry's obituary, *The Daily New Era*, May 17, 1897

Map detail from Sanborn Insurance Map of Lancaster City, 1873.



The sign of the barber...

In Henry's day, barbers employed elaborate striped poles to identify their businesses. The photo shows another Lancaster barber shop at this time on nearby West King Street, between Prince and Market Street.

Photo courtesy, LancasterHistory.org, Lancaster, PA

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Additional research by Kathleen Anderson of Lancaster, PA, Great-great granddaughter of Thaddeus S. Henry, Sr. and a member, African American Historical Society of South Central PA. Provided here as a supplement to information included on an historical marker installed at 15 East King Street, Lancaster, PA, May 2018.



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Commemorative marker made possible by a grant from Fulton Bank to the African American Historical Society of South Central Pennsylvania. Portrait of Mr. Henry by Michael Abel, inspired by a photograph of Thaddeus S. Henry, Jr. (1847–1929), son of the noted barber. Design by Michael Abel and Randolph Harris, archivist, African American Historical Society of South Central Pennsylvania, May 2018.

Fulton Bank

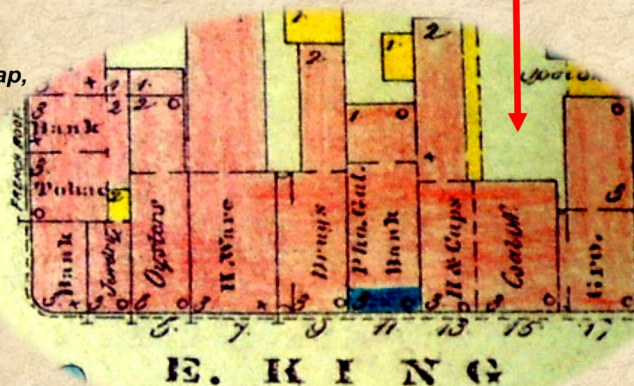


Lancaster's best known *Tonsorial Artist*

BOEHRINGER J G, N Queen cor E Chestnut, Lancaster
GARDNER JOSEPH, 19½ W King, Lancaster
 Gutfleisch Adam, N Queen cor Orange, "
 Haines Joel L, 7 N Duke, "
 Henry Benjamin, Fountain Inn Hotel, 32 S Queen, "
 Henry Thaddeus S, 15 E King, "
 Kuhlman John N, 47½ W King, "
 Labar Joseph, 45 N Queen, "
 Liller Christopher, 225 N Queen, "
 Martin Theodore, 254 N Queen, "
 Sunner Philp P, King cor Center Square, "
 Sunner Conrad, 105 E King, "
WOLF FREDERICK, 27½ Penn Square, "

Lancaster City Directory, 1874-75

*Sanborn Fire Insurance Map,
 Lancaster City, 1973.
 New York, N.Y.*



DEATH OF AN AGED BARBER.
 Thaddeus S. Henry, the Oldest Tonsorial Artist in the City, Passes Away.
 A Noted Character.

Mr. Thaddeus S. Henry, the oldest barber and best-known colored resident of this city, passed away at half-past seven o'clock on Sunday evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Butcher, No. 420 North street. Mr. Henry, who was in the eighty-fifth year of his age, had been suffering with dropsy for some time past and on Friday last was stricken with paralysis, which resulted in death.

Deceased was born in Philadelphia and moved to Lancaster when a lad of ten years. He learned his trade with Benjamin Simmons, and afterwards entered the tonsorial business in his own interests. In the pursuit of this vocation he was eminently successful, for many years enjoying the patronage of the city's best custom. His services were sought by the most prominent men of the day, among them being President Buchanan and Hon. Thaddeus Stevens. He also became famous as a waiter and served the Jackson Rifles and State Fencibles during their existence with a connoisseur's skill. He was one of the most highly respected colored citizens of Lancaster and by his genial nature he made and retained very many friends. He possessed the faculty of relating a story in an especially happy manner and his fund of reminiscences of his early life in this community formed the theme for many an interesting story. He was a Christian in the full sense of the word and a devout member of the Strawberry Street A. M. E. Church.

The following children survive: Benjamin, Thaddeus, Jane, wife of Simon Roberts; Annie, wife of Chas. Butcher, and Abbie, wife of Henry Nelson. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at one o'clock from his late residence. Services in the Strawberry Street A. M. E. Church.

*The Daily New Era,
 May 17, 1897*

Photo illustration by Randolph Harris, consulting historian, Lancaster, PA, displayed at an exhibit at Amtrak's Lancaster Train Station, February through June, 2018

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Thaddeus S. Henry, Jr., (1847-1924), date of photograph unknown. Son of the notable barber and the image employed by Artist Michael Able to draw the sketch portrait of the Mr. Henry, Sr. shown on the historical marker at 15 East King Street, Lancaster, PA.

Collection of Catherine J. Tucker, Marietta, PA,
the Great granddaughter of Thaddeus S. Henry, Jr.



Thaddeus S. Henry 1847 - 1/1929

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North Street, Lancaster, PA, photographer unknown, circa 1890. Henry Family's neighborhood.

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The life and times of Thaddeus S. Henry, Jr.

Some of the many places he operated his barber shops in the City of Lancaster

Lancaster, PA, 1855



Courtesy LancasterHistory.org

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Gunsmiths.

Drepperd John, W King c Mulberry
 Fordney Jacob, N Prince n Orange
 Gibbs Abraham, 22 Prince

Hair Dressers.

Boston Elijah, W King n Market square
 Boston Robert, 34½ E King
 Cross James, 5 North Queen
 Draper William, E King ab Queen
 Harris George J., Centre square
 Hart John, Miller's row Chestnut
 Heckler Charles, Rising Sun Hotel
 Henry Thadeus S., S Queen n Centre square
 Hoffman Augustus F., 66 N Duke
 Le Bar Joseph, 30 N Queen
 Liller Christopher, N Queen ab Chestnut
 Martain D., southwest c Centre square
 Rusch Mathias, N Queen ab Chestnut
 Williams C. B., 34 N Queen
 Williams John, 76 N Queen
 Williams Samuel, 18 W King

Pinkerton George W., Church cor Duke
 Ransing Henry, E Orange n Ann
 Reinhold & Son, N Queen cor W Walnut
 Ringwalt A. Z., S E angle Centre Sq'r
 Rote Joseph P., S Queen cor W Vine
 Schlott Adolph, N Water cor Mulberry
 Shindle George, 120 W King
 Shreiner A., S Queen n Hager
 Sing Daniel, S Queen cor Conestoga
 Smeltz Jacob R., N Queen cor Lemon
 Smith Lewis, W Chestnut cor Water
 Stahl Frank, W Orange cor N Prince
 Steward Edward, S Queen n Vine
 Swope Isaac, Conestoga cor Beaver
 Taylor S. W., N Mulberry n Lemon
 Vandersaal Sam'l, N Prince cor Chestnut
 Vondersmith H. B., 42 N Queen
 Wall George, High cor W Strawberry

Warren Archibald, 250 Middle
 Weaver John E., W King cor N Prince
 Weyel John, 114 W King
MARIETTA BOR.
 Buchanan Miss Juliet, Market n Market
 Square
 Lindemuth & Bro., Market Sq cor Gay
 Musser Abraham, Market n Elbow Lane
 Roth John, Market n Market Square
MOUNT JOY BOR.
 Arndt Frank, W Main
 Longenecker Chn., New Haven
 Mishey Ann, New Haven
 Stohler Sarah, Main
STRASBURG BOR.
 Bowman John F., High
 Witmer Susan, Miller

GUNSMITHS.

(See also Guns and Cutlery.)

ELIZABETHTOWN BOR.
 Yager Charles, E Main
LANCASTER CITY.
 Buchmiller R., N Queen
 Drepperd John, S Mulberry n W King

Eichholtz & Bro., 31 N Queen
 Gibbs Henry, W Vine n Duke
MOUNT JOY BOR.
 Kuhn Wm., W Main.

HAIR DRESSERS.

COLUMBIA BOR.
 Boyd Samuel, (col'd) 185½ N Front
 Cleggett Wm., (col'd) 43 N Front
 Desher Jacob, 27 N Front
 Gunnison E. N., Locust cor 2d
 Lucas A., 253 Locust
EARL TWP.
 Brubaker Isaac M., New Holland
 Morris William, New Holland
 Schubiger Gottlieb, New Holland
LANCASTER CITY.
 Boehringer John G., under cor N Queen
 and Chestnut
 Boston R., (col'd) Court Avenue cor E
 King
 Brown S. S., (col'd) N E angle Centre
 Square
 Gardner Joseph, 14 W King
 Haines Joel L., E King opp C'rt H'se

Hart Stephen J., under Exchange Hotel
 E King
 Henry Thaddeus S., (col'd) under Foun-
 tain Inn S Queen
 Huber William, under Leopard Hotel E
 King
 Lebar J. Morris, (col'd) 28 W King
 Lebar Joseph, (col'd) 30½ N Queen
 Liller C., 98 N Queen
 Martain D., (col'd) W King cor N Prince
 Martain & Smith, 32½ N Queen
 Reiner Frederick F., 18½ W King
 Resh Matthias, W Orange n N Queen
 Sunner & Bro., S E cor Centre Square
 and S Queen
 Wolf & Bro., E Orange cor N Queen
MANHEIM BOR.
 Yeager John, Market Square

THOMAS HEATH,
11th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, Ornamental Plasterer.

DR. W. N. AMER,

DENTIST,

No. 64 North Queen Street,
LANCASTER, PA.

Risk Rob't B., 122 E King
ROSENMILLER D. P., jr. (district att'y),
23 N Duke

Shank Abm., 38 E King
Shenk R. W., 14 Penn Sq
Slaymaker A., 34 N Duke
Smith A. Herr, 15 S Queen
SNADER AARON W., 25 N Duke
STEINMETZ J. L., 59 N Duke
Swarr H. B., 46 N Duke
Swift J. W. F., 46 N Duke
Swope Zuriel, h 32 N Plum
Warfel John B., h 331 S Prince
WILSON W. A., 32 S Duke
WILSON WM. R., 21 N Duke
YUNDT E. H., 37 N Duke

Auctioneers.

Ehler Dan'l R., 6 E Orange
GUNDAKER & SHENCK, 103 E King
Hess Samuel, 156 E Walnut
SHUBERT HENRY, 3 Court ave

Bakeries.

Albright F. A. & Son, 322 W King
Blessing P. F., 155 S Queen
Boettner C., 169 & 171 E King
Eichler & Bro., pretzels, 333 Church
Gooble Geo., 229 W King
Goos Frederick, 527 N Queen
Gooz Lorenz, 103 Middle
Henry Charles, 410 E King
Hepting Fred'k, pretzels, 523 W King
Hohn John, 309 N Mulberry
Kegel John, 202 E King
Kohlhas Lewis, 634 Manor
Marks Joseph, 325 N Queen
Metzger Chas. W. & Bro., crackers, 18 W
King
Metzroth Anton, 427 W King
Rapp Wm. G., 149 Church
Schleich M. B., 349½ E King
geitz Ernst, 307 Church
gheaffer George, 248 S Queen

Supplee E. G., 353 E Orange
Tapp Christian, 224 N Shippen
Trees J. W., 349 S Queen
Vogleman Charles, 203 Middle
Weaver Casper, 524 N Queen
Weaver Zachariah, 245 W King
Woerner Chn., pretzels, 236 N Water
Wolf Philip, pretzels, 423 W King
Zimmermann Henry, 435 W King

Banks & Banking Houses.

BAIR & SHENK, 15 Penn Sq
DIFFENDERFFER BROS., 59 N Queen
Eshleman & Rathfon, N E cor E King &
Penn Sq
Farmers' National Bank, 52 E King
First National Bank, 11 E King
INLAND INSURANCE & DEPOSIT
CO., 27 Penn Sq
Lancaster County National Bank, 23 E
King
Locher D. P. & Son, Penn Sq cor W King
Mechanics' Bank, (Stelman, Clarkson & Co)
51 North Queen
REED, McGRANN & CO., 28 Penn Sq
Reed & Henderson, 11 N Duke
SPURRIER A. K. & CO., cor N Queen &
Penn Sq

Barber Shops.

Boehringer John G., under Cadwell House
Gartner Joseph, under 19 W King
Haines Joel L., 7 N Duke
Henry Benj. D., under Fountain Inn Hotel
* Henry Thaddeus S., 20 Penn Sq
Herzog J. M., under 29 W King
Huber John A., 1 Court ave
Lebar Joseph, 43½ N Queen
Lebar Morris, under 47 W King
Liller C., 225 N Queen
Martain Dennis, N Prince cor W King
Martain Theo., 7 W Orange
Resh & Brown, under 254 N Queen
Spillman Fred., 49½ N Queen
Sunner Conrad, under Leopard Hotel
Sunner Philip P., cor Penn Sq & E King
WOLF FRED'K, under 27 Penn Sq
Wolf Henry, under cor W Orange & N
Queen

Basketmaking.

Byerly Alis, 323 Low
Lauber Gabriel, 810 High
Miller Charles H., 38 Dorwart

Rowe John H., un 21 N Duke
Sener & Reinfried, un 26 W King
Ulrich & Duffy, 146 N Queen
Waltz Fred'k, 22 Penn sq
Wenditz Theo., 24 and 26 E Chestnut
Witmer L. C., N Christian and P R R
Woodside Jno., un Stevens House, S Water

Rife Manufacturers.

Fox B. & Co., 32 E Chestnut
Leman H. E., 32 E James

Rolling Mill.

Roberts W. H., Penn'a Rolling Mill and
Manuf. Co., Plum cor E Fulton

Roofing Paint.

Hawthorn George, 633 S Queen
Hawthorn & Bro., 635 S Queen
White & Hoffman, 645 Columbia ave

Roofing Slate Dealers.

Arnold John L., 6 Orange
Pfeiffer Frank, 21 Penn sq
Sprecher George D., 15 E King

Rope Manufacturers.

Kaul Jacob, 710 High
Martin George, 341 W King
Shulmyer George, 602 N Queen

Saddlery Hardware.

Reingier Chas. F., jr., 107 N Queen
Saddles and Harness.

Bechtold Jacob, 776 Manor
Fisher & Beard, 249 W King
Haberbush M., 30 Penn sq
Miley Amos, 118 N Queen
Musser George, 19 N Queen
Rudy Philip, 237 N Queen

Sash Factories and Planing Mills.

Stormfeltz P. J., 222 and 224 N Water
Sturgis F. O., 411 N Mulberry
Swartzwelder & Morrow, 125 Plum
Urban & Burger, 424 S Prince

Saw Filing.

Poist Daniel, 229 N Queen

Saw Mills.

(See also Sash Factories and Planing Mills.)

Bartholomew D. B. & D. H., 640 S Prince

Sewing Machines.

Bare D. S., "Domestic," 25 Penn sq
Burkhardt Martin, "American," 118 W King
Davie S. Y., "Singer," 18 S Queen

Fate Christ., "Howe," 50½ N Queen
Guthrie T. Park, "Singer," 148 N Queen
Villev H. W., "Home," 244 S Queen

Shaving Saloons.

Beck Theo., 233 W King
Boehringer J. G., un Cadwell House, N
Queen cor E Chestnut
Darrenkamp Philip, 463 High
Eichmann Chas., 7 S Christian
Fisher Philip, un 30 N Queen
Gardner Joseph, un 19 W King
Gutfleisch Adam, W Orange cor N Queen
Haines Joel L., 7 N Duke
Henry Thad. S., un 47 W King
Herzog J. M., un 33 W King
Huber John A., 1 Court ave
Kappler Edw. S., 104 W King
Kuhlman J. M., 344 S Queen
Lebar Joseph, 43½ N Queen
Liller Christ., 225 N Queen
Martain Dennis, N Prince cor W King
Smith Isaac, 47 S Queen
Spillman Fred'k, 47½ N Queen
Sunner Conrad, un 105 E King
Sunner Philip P., Penn sq cor E King
Wolf Fred'k, un 20 Penn sq
Wollig John, un 307 N Queen

Shipping Co. Agency.

Ranninger P. C., German Ship Co., 111 N
Prince

Shirt Manufacturers.

Erisman E. J., 110 N Queen
Reilly John B., 3 N Queen
Shank Henry B., 26 Penn sq

Shoe Upper Manufacturer.

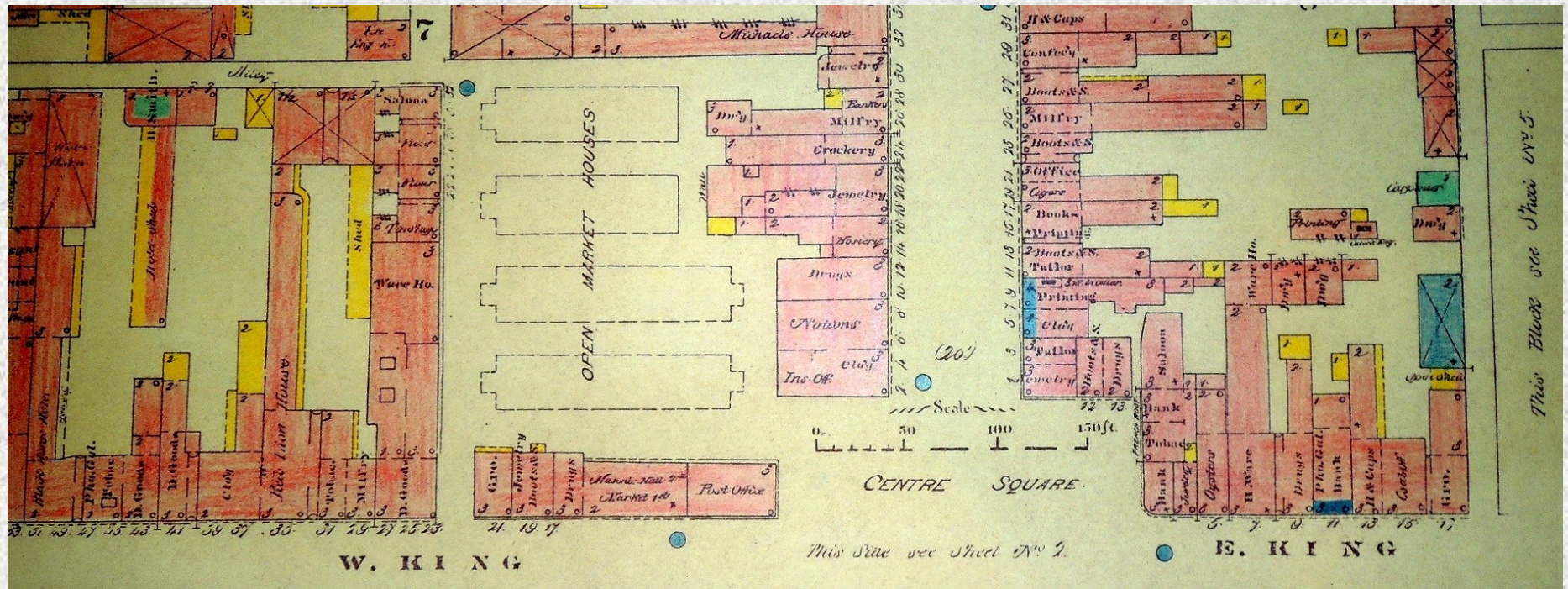
Gerstly Gottlieb, 7 Penn sq

Silver Plating.

Pool S. J., r 39 N Prince

Small Variety Stores.

Bomberger Mary, 161 E King
Donnelly Rose, 406 E Orange
Dostman J. P., 29 E Mifflin
Frasch Henry, 501 Middle
Gundaker George, 220 W King
Harry William, 557 N Queen
Leonard Eliz., 106 S Duke
McCullon Hannah, 321 E Orange
Metzger E. D., 250 N Queen
Pool Barbara, 414 N Queen
Shindel Sophia, 52 S Queen



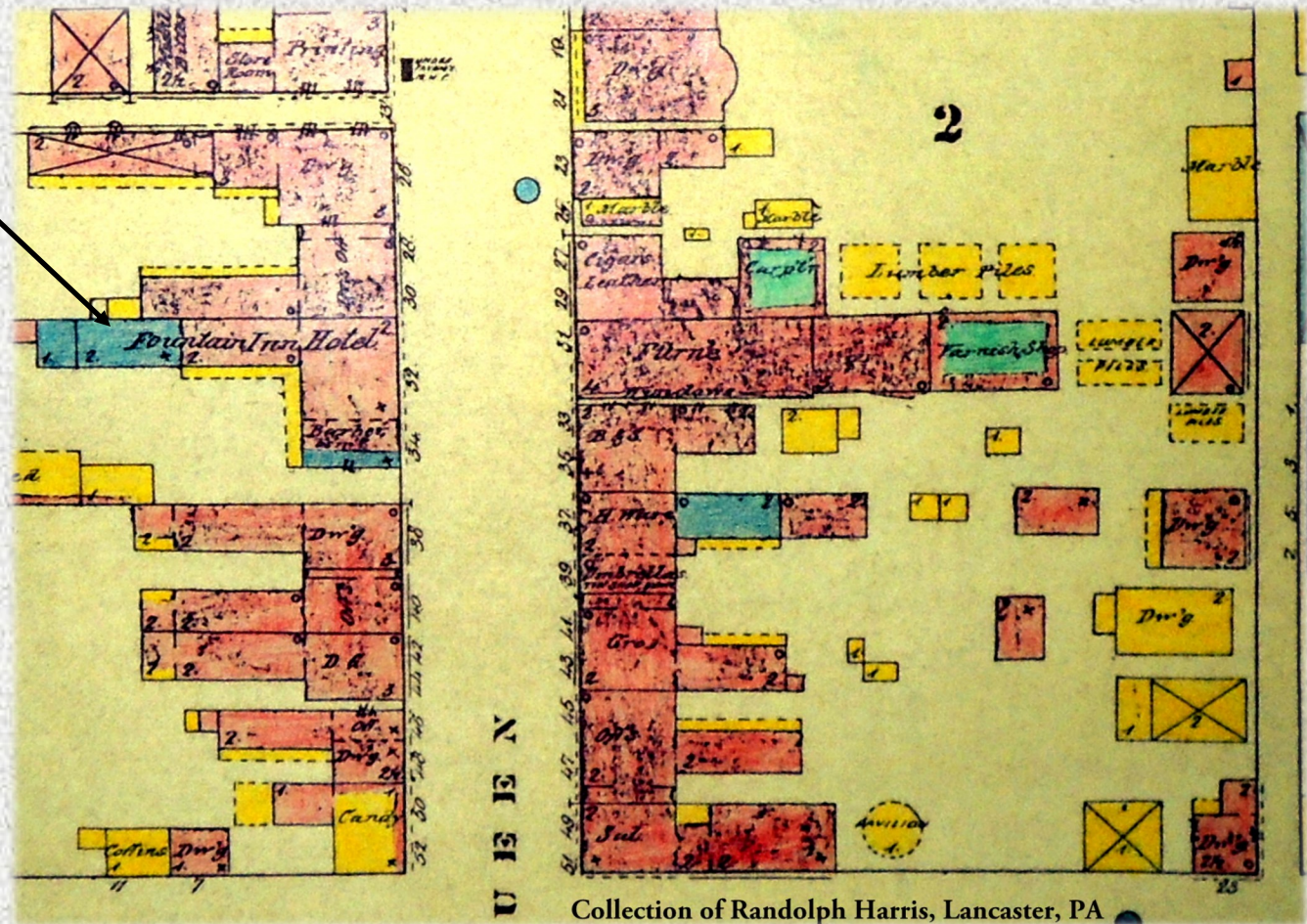
Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, City of Lancaster, 1873, detail See "Coal Office" at 15 East King St.

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Henry Benjamin, Fountain Inn Hotel, 32 S Queen,	" son
* Henry Thaddeus S, 15 E King, *	"
Kuhlman John N, 47 1/2 W King,	"
Labar Joseph, 45 N Queen,	"
Liller Christopher, 225 N Queen,	Boyd's Business Directory,
Martin Theodore. 254 N Queen.	Lancaster, PA—1874-75

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Sanborn Fire Insurance Map, 1873.

Mr. Henry operated a shop on the lower level of The Fountain Inn and Hotel, 32 South Queen Street, current location of the building that housed the printing presses of Lancaster Newspapers, beginning in 1880. It is believed this is the location that Mr. Henry was the barber of former President James Buchanan and US Congressman Thaddeus Stevens, probably in the 1860s.



Stevens lived and conducted his law practice from 45-47 South Queen Street, from the mid- to-late 1840s until he died in 1868, before this map was published. At the time of this map, the property was owned by Lydia Hamilton Smith (1815-1884), who was Stevens' property manager and confidant, beginning this role in about 1847.

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An Old Lancaster Barber—Some Interesting Points in the history of Thaddeus S. Henry

Lancaster Intelligencer

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January 19, 1885

AN OLD LANCASTER BARBER.
SOME INTERESTING POINTS IN THE HISTORY OF THADDEUS S. HENRY.
A Colored Man Who Has Been a Tonsorial Artist More Than Fifty Years—Some Notable People That He Attended—A New Story of Thad Stevens.

Few men are more generally known in Lancaster than Thaddeus S. Henry, the old colored barber, who has been following the art tonsorial from a period to which the memory of our citizens runneth not to the contrary. Although he was a wielder of the keen-edged razor and the clipping scissors before any of his present competitors were born, he is not yet such an old man, being only 70 years of age, and possessing a great deal of physical vigor and a delicate touch as a chin-scraiper, which bids fair to serve him a useful purpose for many years to come.

Thaddeus S. Henry was born in Philadelphia on the 8th of January, 1815, the very day that Andrew Jackson, with his army of white and colored militia defeated the British army at New Orleans. Thaddeus was not named, as many suppose, for Thaddeus Stevens, but for a maternal uncle, named Simmons. His father, Benjamin Henry, was a laboring man, a native of Norfolk, Va., who removed to Philadelphia and married Miss Simmons, where Thad and several other children were born. "Wishing to have at least one gentleman in the family," Thad informs us "my father apprenticed me to my uncle Benjamin Simmons, a barber, who then had a shop in the City hotel, North Third street." In 1830 Uncle Simmons hearing that there was a barber in Lancaster named Jerud Gray, a white man, who wanted to sell out, determined to come on and buy his place. There was no railroad then, and the cheapest route between the two cities was by the way of Wilmington. So Simmons and Thad took a boat at Walnut street wharf, went down the river to Wilmington and came thence by stage to Lancaster. Gray's shop was in Centre Square where Swarr's coal office now is. Simmons bought the good will and fixtures and at once commenced business. He was a "tony" barber and soon built up a good business, many of the better class of people of that day being his patrons.

A New Story of Thad Stevens.

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It was in this shop that Thaddeus, the barber, first met Thaddeus, the statesman. It was about the year 1834, '35 or '36. Mr. Stevens who lived in Gettysburg, had come over to Lancaster to make an Abolition or Anti-Masonic speech in the court house. Wishing to look presentable he visited Simmons' barber shop to get shaved. A number of customers were "waiting their turn" to have the same operation performed. Stevens wouldn't wait for his turn, but said, "Give me a razor—I'll shave myself." The razor, cup and brush were furnished and the shave was soon finished. As Stevens laid down the razor and looked at himself in the mirror, Uncle Simmons said to his nephew, "Thaddeus, Thaddeus! what are you standing there for? Jump around now, be lively." Mr. Stevens, who supposed these remarks were addressed to himself, glared at old Simmons as though he would crush him; young Thad meanwhile hurrying up with towel, soap and hair brush, for the unknown customer. Stevens washed his face and brushed his hair and stalked out of the shop as majestically as his club foot would admit. As he slammed the door behind him, one of the gentlemen present asked Simmons if he knew the customer who had just left. Simmons said he had never seen him before, whereupon the gentleman told him he was Thaddeus Stevens, the great anti-Mason and friend of the colored man, and that he was no doubt insulted by the inopportune and apparently impertinent remarks made by Simmons. It was not until Mr. Stevens came to Lancaster in 1842, and the two Thaddeuses became acquainted that the true inwardness of Uncle Simmons' innocent words was made known to him.

After remaining in Lancaster a few years Simmons sold out to Thad, Henry, and returned to Philadelphia. At that time there were only three barber shops in Lancaster, one of which was kept by a white man named Seibert, another by Israel Williams, colored, and the third by himself. Thad being not only a good barber but an accomplished waiter, of genteel address, secured as customers many of the first gentlemen of the city, and became indispensable as a waiter when balls were given or weddings took place in the first families. Even at this late day, Thad refers with pardonable pride to the distinguished men who honored him with their patronage—Gov. George B. Porter, James Buchanan, James Hopkins, John R. Montgomery, Edw. Parker, Burt Coleman, Wager Reigart, Judge Walter Franklin, Dr. F. A. Muhlenberg, Capt. John K. Findlay,

their patronage—Gov. George B. Porter, James Buchanan, James Hopkins, John R. Montgomery, Edw. Parker, Burt Coleman, Wager Reigart, Judge Walter Franklin, Dr. F. A. Muhlenberg, Capt. John K. Findlay, Dr. Humes, Judge Lewis, Thaddeus Stevens, Col. George Mayer, Judge Champey, Judge Hayes and scores of others of equal note were his customers. He was head waiter at the weddings of Hon. Thos. E. Franklin, John F. Long, Col. John W. Forney, Charles Boughter and many other notable people. When Forney was an actor, before his marriage, and took leading parts in the plays that were put upon the stage of the old theatre on Chestnut street, he always had Thad to superintend his "make-up," and so did many other amateur Thespians of that day.

Thad was a great favorite also of the old Lancaster Fencibles, and whenever they went on a military journey he was taken along. He was with them when they made their grand tour to Baltimore, Washington and Mount Vernon, and recalls many incidents of that pleasant journey, which took place forty years ago.

An Abstainer and a Church Member.

Thad's life has been a rather checkered one; in his younger days he was rather wild; liked sport a great deal better than work, though he could do as much as the "next man" if he had a mind to; he was a judge of good liquors and had frequent opportunity to sample them at the houses of his wealthy patrons, and once in a while he would "shut up shop" and go on a cantico. But that is all over now. For the past five years he has not drank a drop of intoxicating liquor and is a member of the Strawberry street church.

On the 12th of February, 1840, he was married to Miss Annie Causbury, the marriage ceremony being performed by Rev. Jeffrey Golden, a noted colored clergyman. He has eight children and a number of grand-children. He was never in a fight, though he says he often ran away to avoid such troubles. Has never been sick a day in his life, except having had occasional headaches from over-indulgence. His wife is as hearty as he is, and as active as a girl, and they live in peace and comfort at their little home, 544 North street. Thad may be seen every day of the week wielding the razor at his little shop in the basement of the Rohrer house, where he meets his customers with as polite a bow and as suave a manner, as he was wont to meet guests at the wedding feast or the ball room.

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