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### Letter From A. Miriam Herr to Alfred L. Shoemaker, November 20, 1948

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MRS. LESLIE HOWE SHANNON

PORT COQUITLAM, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

Dr. Alfred L. Shoemaker,

Nov. 20, 1948.

Dear Sir:- Among a sheaf of Lancaster News clippings sent me by my faithful friend, Mrs. Annie Watt Davis, I came across your article "Folklore and legends of Lancaster County."

Being a former Lancastrian, - the daughter of L. B. Herr, founder of L. B. Herr and Son, Books and Stationery, et al (not two L's), I am taking up the challenge of your query: "What is your favorite 'all' story?"

Possibly 35 years ago when stopping to make a purchase at one of the market stalls on the N. Duke St. side of the Lancaster Court House, I asked the Amishman from whom I was purchasing some blackberries, if he would kindly put them into a paper-bag. He searched diligently for a minute or two; being unsuccessful, he turned to his next stall-neighbor and said: "Jake, are you all for tooth?" This, in a delightfully heavy broken Penna.-Dutch accent and inflection.

Very Truly

(Mrs. L. H.) A. Miriam Herr Shannon.