MINER

NICHOLAS HUNTER, p 19, 124, worked precisely a half year as a Mark Bird miner,
earning 3 Pounds a month, about .307 a day for his 26 day month. He also earned
more money per month from Work and Wages, 4 months and 72 days at 3.5.0 a month,
about .332 a day. His sole other income was 18 Spithings Shillings, less than \$2266
\$2.66, earned by weaving wooden mine baskets. His total income for 1784 was
32.6.9, about \$86. Recall Clerk Dougherty earned 40 L a year.

Hunter's expenditures were nearly all for food. He purchased 270 3/4 pounds of beef, at 4 pence a pound and up, 199 3/4 of beef at 6 pence and up and 21 mackeral.

Twenty one hundred pounds of flour- 2100 LOAVES of bread or abt 5.7 loaves a day suggest a large family. In addition, he took home 112# of Indian Mach and 70 of ryex flour, 182 more loaves.

Since he paid a tax of 10 Shillings, abt 1.33, and bought two bushels of feed, he probably lived on a nearby/farm. His use of tobasce and rum, based on Hopewell outside orders.cloth purchases was quite moderate. He purchased neither/swith nor tailoring service and drew/about \$1.80 in cash. "Under these carcumstances, his purchase of 9 pound of coffee and 5 of sugar might be termed an extravagence. In the above meat purchase was one of 133 pounds. The purchase of a barrel and four wm quarts of salt at the same time suggests beef corning. Then, the beef, from which the 133 pounds came, HUNTER was definitely killed here sincey Hurtir bought the OFFAL. This gave him the head 7 ALLOW meat, tongue, brain, liver, kidneys, tripe, and tail. (Later, in the 1830's offal sold for 50cents.) Hunter's meat purchases averaged about 1.3 pounds daily with out the offal and the 21 mackeral. He also bought 37 additional quarts of salt. At the end of 1784, Hunter mand had overspent his income, owing Mark Bird 9.11. 9 about \$25.50.

Incidentially, Hunter mined ore for Brooke and Buckley after 1800.

four cash payments to him) collected his pay. The total cash drawn was less than a pound, \$2.66, out of a total income of 44.18.5, about \$120. Since he bought five bushels of feed, he probably owned a cow and may have lived near the Furnace. His purchase of a half bushel of potatoes probably meant that his won were condumed.

five pair

Shoe purchases,/seemingly the mark of an ore miner, cost him 10/6, about \$1.36 a pair.

MHIEX He also needed a pair of stockings and a blanket. He spent nothing for tailoring nor cloth, but did pay wight orders to John Gray for 6.6.6, about \$16.80. He liked coffee sufficiently to buy five pounds along with ten of sugar. His other staple was 21 quarts of salt, none p rchased to "corn" a large beef purchase.

Hopewell

His alcohol consumption was but a single quart of whiskey, and he used tebacce moderately.

PETER SHUDER, miner, p 29,126 was a married man, since his wife twice9 out of

His flour purchases suggest a family of size, $49\frac{1}{4}$ quarters or 1386 pounds— LOAVES, about 3.7 loaves daily. Meatwise, Shuder bought $4\frac{1}{2}$ pounds of bacon, 4 of weal at 3 p pence a pound, $165\frac{1}{2}$ m of beef at 4 pence and up, and $115\frac{1}{4}$ of pork at three pence and up, a total of 2 289 $\frac{1}{4}$ pounds of meat amount 21 mackeral. His meat purchases averaged over .79 pounds meatly.

As with other miners, he worked about half of 1784; 6 months and 18 days mining, at 3L 10 S a month, er at about .319 a day for his 26 day month. His non-mining work paid him at a better x rate, 3.15.0 and 4L a month, about .409 a day.

Shuder worked but 9 months and seven days for the furnace, but out of his total earnings of 44.18.5, he drew less than \$2.66 in cash, but had "saved" 11.9.5, which Mark Bird owed him, about \$39.50.