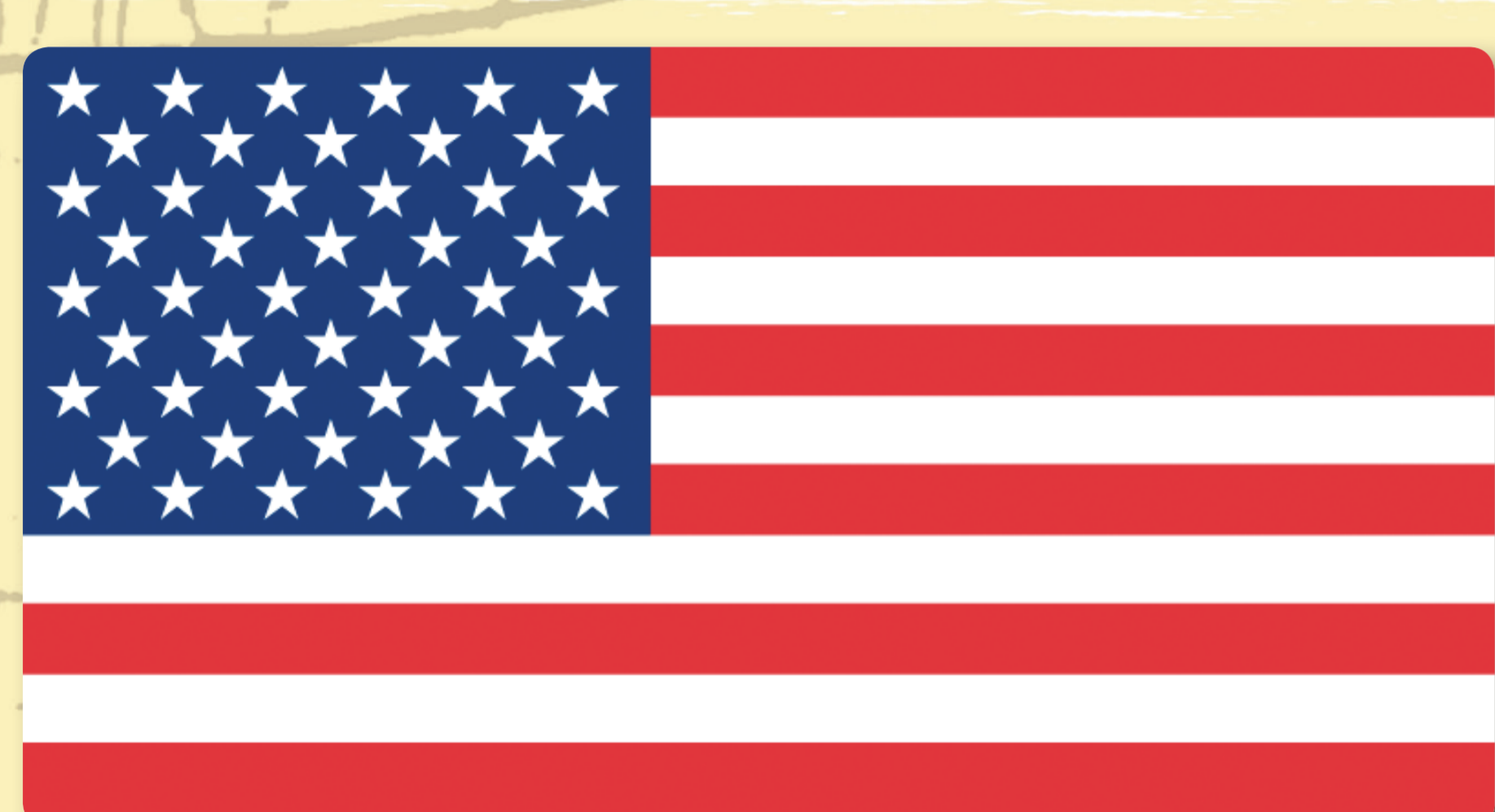


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Derry, Dauphin County Pennsylvania



Latitude: 40°12'00"N
Longitude: 76.68306°W
Distance from Derry,
Londonderry, NI, 3268 miles

The Township of Derry was incorporated on August 1, 1729, when Lancaster County partitioned its territory for tax purposes. At that time, the boundaries of Derry Township were much larger and included what are currently three other townships within Lancaster and Dauphin counties.

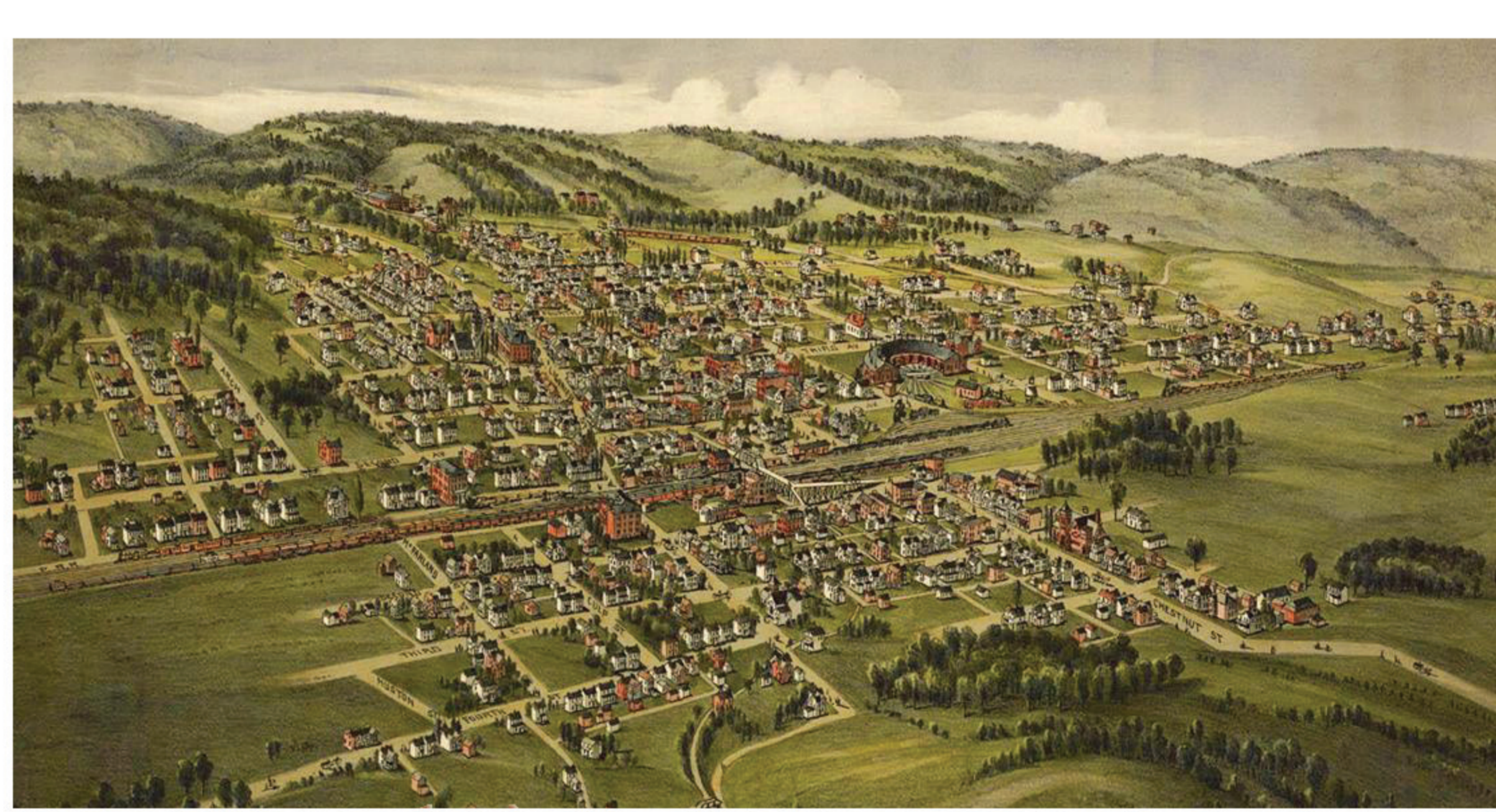
Derry was one of the first Townships formed in the new county. Londonderry Township originally was part of Derry Township. Since the Township was so large and difficult to govern, the residents petitioned the court in 1767 to subdivide the land into two parts, the western section to remain Derry and the eastern to be Londonderry. The area known as Londonderry was believed to first be inhabited by the Susquehannock. William Penn travelled up the river as far as the mouth of the Swatara Creek and in 1690 proposed locating a city at or above the mouth of the creek. The word Swatara translated from the Indian means "where we fed on eels". Historically the Scotch-Irish are accepted as the first settlers.

Londonderry Township

The Township has extensive water frontage along the Swatara and Conewago Creeks and the Susquehanna River. There are several islands included in the Township. Chief among them are Shelly's Island, Elliot's Island (now called Three Mile Island), and Hill Island. Three Mile Island Nuclear Generating Station, was the location of the largest accident in the history of the American nuclear power generating industry, which took place in 1979.

Did you know

That Pennsylvania has townships named after Donegal Ardara, Raphoe, Rutland, Milford, Colrairie, Tyrone, Strabane, Fermanagh as well as 4 Derry townships 3 Londonderry townships a North Londonderry township and a South Londonderry township.



Derry Station
Pennsylvania 1900



Facts and figures Pennsylvania

Area: 46,055 sq miles
Population: 12,763,536
Capital: Harrisburgs
Language: English

