

The Genealogy of the Family of
Dorr and Emma Lobrecht

Part III

Baltic Ancestors

von Törne, Lezius, etc.

Compiled by
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Introduction

This genealogy is planned as **Part III** of five parts:

I: ANCESTORS IN THE NETHERLANDS, van Lobberecht, Kaldenberg, etc.

II: PIONEER ANCESTORS, Hughs, Miner, etc.

III: BALTIC ANCESTORS, von Törne, Lezius, etc.

IV: RHINE RIVER AREA ANCESTORS, Dorn, Schmidt, etc.

V: Descendants

I have divided this genealogy because not too many people will be interested in the entire collection. Perhaps many more will find parts of it of interest.

This genealogy is numbered in the standard genealogical style where number one is my brothers and myself. Any person's number doubled gives that person's father with his mother following next. Examination of the first few pages will make this clear. Of course these numbers are for me and my brother. Cousins who share these ancestors can easily change the numbers to their own. I have underlined my direct ancestors. In the text following each couple I have listed children whenever I have the information at hand. I hope this will help cousins of all degrees tie this genealogy to their own.

I hope this Part III of my genealogy will find its way into the hands of interested people who share with me these ancestors of my grandfather and my great grandfather. I invite correspondence on the subject. Perhaps I can add to your genealogy or you to mine. At the very least we can have the pleasure of acknowledging a shared interest.

My first information for this part of the genealogy came from a collection of our mother's letters and memorabilia left by our grandfather gathered by my brother Alfred Lobrecht. From this small beginning I was able to build. Some of grandfather Paul von Törne's papers gave a handful of names and places. I was stuck there for a while. I did not have enough to go on to find anything in the Mormon Salt Lake City files.

I began correspondence with mother's cousin, Augusta Winebrenner. I have at my hand, as I write this, a two inch thick file of our correspondence dated from 1974 to 1982. With Augusta's help I began to make some progress. From her connections with the Törne family in Germany, it was possible to make some progress working the old church records from the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City. I must give Augusta most of the credit for the success of our collaboration.

We knew from my grandfather's records that his brother, Gottfried, was a part time professional genealogist. Gottfried had written an extensive genealogy of the von Törne family, tracing it back to the first Törne who moved from Sweden to Estonia. Unfortunately all we had was a brief outline listing names. We were told that the only copy of the original was destroyed by fire during World War II. There was a library in Berlin that contained over a dozen of Gottfried's genealogies, but none of them concerned the von Törne family.

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Augusta contacted the Swedish Archives in hopes of finding a connection to our ancestors. The Törne family was extensive, but she could not find anything that could be tied to the Estonian branch. The Chief Archivist was most helpful. Finally, when nothing else worked, he brought out a book that he was sure she already had. It turned out to be a copy of Gottfried's long lost family genealogy. Gottfried had given a copy of the hand written manuscript to his friend, the Swedish Archivist of that time. The Archivist made a microfilm copy of the manuscript for Augusta. The old hand-written manuscript was difficult to decipher. Augusta did wonders with it. She sent me a copy of her English translation. We were in business. I was able to find much confirmation of Gottfried's work in microfilm copies of the original church records that I was able to borrow from the Mormon Genealogical Society..

Next, Augusta found another book in German, *Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius in Anhalt und in Livland (Baltikum)* by Dr. August Lezius. She sent me a xerox copy and I translated many of the more important parts. Later, Augusta sent me her excellent translation. Again, I was able to confirm much of it and even add some from our Mormon sources.

The remarkable and resourceful Augusta was not through. She located some Swedish immigrants of the Gezelius family in the mid-west and from them got material to share with me. She sent me xerox copies of many pages from *GESALASLÄKTENS ÄTTEBALK av Karl Joh. Gezelius* (Gesala Family Genealogy by Karl Joh. Gezelius) written in Swedish. With intense effort, I was able to translate portions of the material. It takes us back many more generations than any other branch of my genealogy.

I suggest that anyone wanting to better their understanding of the setting in which these people lived should study the history Sweden, Russia, Estonia and the Hanseatic League.

Of the all the people I should thank for help in this portion of my genealogy, Augusta von Törne Winebrenner comes first. Without her very active help and encouragement this Part III would be very brief indeed. Next in line are the good ladies at the Houston branch of the *Library of the Genealogical Society of the Church of Latter Day Saints of Jesus Christ*. In those days in the 1970's when I did so much work there, they were always willing and ready help in any way they could. My brother, Alfred, gathered at lot of information from family sources that was quite helpful.

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GEN I: Children

1a. GERARD JOHN LOBRECHT

b. 1 Apr 1917, Greenfield, Illinois¹

1b. TONNER DORR LOBRECHT

b. 13 Jun 1919, Lincoln, Illinois²

1c. ALFRED PAUL LOBRECHT

b. 21 Nov 1924, Premont, Texas³

1d. DORR LOBRECHT, JR.

b. 16b Dec 1926, Premont, Texas⁴

Details of this Generation will appear in
Part V, Descendants

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- ¹ Birth records for Green County, State of Illinois
Birth was recorded as Gerrard John van Lobberecht
- ² Birth records for Sangamon County, State of Illinois
Birth was recorded as Tonner Dorr Lobberecht
- ³ Birth Records, Jim Wells County, Texas
Birth was recorded as Alfred Paul Lobberecht and
later amended to Lobrecht.
- ⁴ Birth Records, Jim Wells County, Texas
Birth was recorded as Dorr Lobberecht and
later amended to Lobrecht.

GEN II: Parents

2. DORR LOBBERECHT

b. 16 Dec 1893, Pleasantville, Iowa¹
d. 20 Sep 1993, Killeen, Texas²
m. 27 Jan 1915, Lafayette, Indiana³

3. EMMA AMALIA von TOERNE

b. 7 Oct 1893, Wheeling, Illinois⁴
d. 23 Feb 1975, Alice, Texas⁵
children:

Gerard John, b. 1 Apr 1917
Tonner Dorr, b. 13 Jun 1919
Alfred Paul, b. 21 Nov 1924
Dorr, Jr., b. 16 Dec 1926

Details of this generation will be included in Part V along with their descendants.

¹ Birth Records, Marion County, State of Iowa
² Death Records, Bell County, State of Texas
³ Marriage Records, Tippecanoe County, State of Indiana
⁴ Birth Records, Cook County, State of Illinois
⁵ Death Records, Jim Wells County, State of Texas

Gen. III: Grandparents

6. PAUL AUGUST THEODORE VON TÖRNE

b. 18 Oct 1863, Gutmansbach, Estonia¹
 d. 14 Jul 1939, Tivoli, Texas²
 m. 29 Aug 1889, Pleasant Ridge (Collinsville), Ill.³

7. AUGUSTA AMALIA PAULINE DORN

b. 25 Jan 1868, Boeuf Creek, Missouri⁴
 d. 22 Aug 1915, Lafayette, Indiana⁵

children:

Oscar	b. 1 Aug 1891,	d. 18 Dec 1914
Emma	b. 7 Oct 1893,	d. 23 Feb 1975
Paul	b. 30 Sep 1895,	d. 15 Nov 1967
Bertha	b. 16 Nov 1897,	d. 16 Dec 1975
Alfred	b. 12 Dec 1899,	d. 14 Apr 1957
Sylvester	b. 31 Dec 1901,	d. 17 Oct 1976
Theodore	b. 7 Jun 1904,	d. 5 Aug 1964

m. 6 Apr 1925, Dresden, North Dakota

Akka Frances Rambke

b. 27 Mar 1883, Imbshausen, Germany
 d. 7 Nov 1970, Austin, Texas

Paul traveled through much of Russia while in the Russian Civil Service. His father felt that the future of German ethnic people might be in jeopardy in Russia, so he was sent abroad. Later his younger brother, Gerhardt, was sent to the U.S. also, while the others remained in Estonia. He studied theology and English for a year in Germany. He came to the U.S. in 1886 at the age of 23. He graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, 20 June 1889 at age 26.

Paul served as pastor at the following churches: Neptune-Hinton-Kingsley, Iowa; Wheeling, Illinois; Algonquin, Illinois; Pittsfield, Illinois; Russell, Kansas; Eagle, Nebraska; Mt Pulaski, Illinois; Dresden, North Dakota; Vernon, Texas; Tivoli-Inez, Texas. The hyphenated parishes were actually separate small congregations in nearby small towns. Sometimes services were in German and sometimes in English. I personally attended one of his services in Tivoli with part of the services in German and part in English.

Paul married his second wife, Akka Francis Rambke, 6 April 1925. She was the daughter of Pastor Franz Rambke of Ibshausen, Germany. The marriage was arranged by family friends in Germany.

Akka was a nurse in the German army during World War I. After Paul's death, she again worked as nurse, usually as a live-in nurse in private homes. One of her favorite

jobs was with a wealthy Jewish family living in Arizona. She suffered from Alzheimer's Syndrome at the end of her life. She is buried beside her husband at Tivoli, Texas.

- ¹ *Nachrichten über die Familie Törne*
- ² *Death Records, Refugio County, Texas*
- ³ *Marriage Records, Madison County, Illinois*
- ⁴ *Family Records (Boeuf Creek church records were destroyed in a parsonage fire)*
- ⁵ *Death Records, Tippecanoe County, Indiana*

Gen.IV: Great Grandparents

12. OSCAR LEOPOLD VON TÖRNE

b. 31 Jul 1826, Reval, Estonia¹
d. 5 Jan 1912, Reval, Estonia²
m. 9 Jun 1853, Dorpat, Estonia³

13. EMMELINE HENRIETTE AMALIE LEZIUS

b. 10 Feb 1834, Flemminghof, Livonia⁴
d. 23 Apr 1915, Reval, Estonia⁵

children:

Gottfried Carl Georg	b. 1854, d. 1918
Christlieb Friedrich	b. 1856, d. 1896
Johannes Abraham	b. 1858, d. 1936
Samuel Andreas	b. 1860, d. 1914
Oscar Ernst Wilhelm	b. 1862, d. 1863
<u>Paul August Theodore</u>	b. 1863, d. 1939
Theodore Wilhelm Hermann	b. 1865, d. 1910
Ernst Eduard Alfred	b. 1867, d. 1874
Sophie Amalie Elisabeth	b. 1869, d. 1870
Gerhard Oscar Leopold	b. 1871, d. 1902
Emma Johanna Sophie	b. 1875, d. 1956

The best account we have of Oscar Leopold is his own autobiography, *Curriculum Vitae of Oscar Leopold von Törne*, as translated from the German by his granddaughter, Augusta von Törne Winebrenner.

Oscar Leopold was the youngest child in his family. He received his early education in Reval, then went on to study philology at the University of St. Petersburg. While studying philology, Oscar decided that he would like to study theology. A rich uncle thought it would be a good idea and financed four years at the University of Dorpat.

After graduation, Oscar Leopold married and lived in St. Petersburg until 1855 when he got a call for a church in Bessarabia.

Life was difficult for Oscar Leopold in Bessarabia. Caring for a German congregation in the face of Russian prejudice created many interesting problems, but the hard life was destroying the health of his family and himself. He gave up his duties there in 1861.

In 1862, Oscar Leopold accepted a call to be the first pastor of a newly created congregation at Gudmannsbach, Estonia. Most of his congregation here spoke Estonian and he had to brush up on his command of the Estonian language. The word for

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Gudmannsbach in Estonian is Häädemeeste. Even as I write this, the memory of Oscar Leopold is still honored there as the first pastor of their congregation.

In 1870, Oscar Leopold accepted a position at a church in Arensburg located on an island off the the coast of Estonia. He was a teacher and assistant pastor here. In 1877 he was called to a church in St. Martens, Estonia. He stayed in St Martens twenty-one years until he retired. Then he moved to Reval to the house where he grew up.

Emmeline grew up at Flemmingshof. She met Oscar Leopold through her brother, Andreas Friedrich Lezius. Andreas was a seminary class mate of Oscar.

¹*Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, and Curriculum Vitae of Oscar Leopold von Törne.*

²Family Records

³*Curriculum Vitae of Oscar Leopold von Törne*

⁴Ditto

⁵Family Records

Gen.V: Great Great Grandparents

24. CARL GEORG VON TÖRNE

b. 23 Feb 1794, Reval, Estonia¹
 d. 29 Oct 1851, Reval, Estonia²
 m. 24 Dec 1813, St. Petersburg, Russia³

25. MARGARITHA ELISABETH VON TÖRNE

b. 9 Nov 1782, Narva, Estonia⁴
 d. 2 Nov 1856, Sasykino, Ryazan⁵
 children:

Jenny Amalie Leontine	b. 31 Jul 1816
Fanny Caroline Elisabeth	b. 1 Jun 1818
Franz Theodor	b. 20 Jul 1820
Jenny Amalie Leontine	b. 5 Apr 1822
Ludwig Julius	b. 31 Jul 1824
<u>Oscar Leopold</u>	b. 31 Jul 1826

The first child named Jenny was not quite six years old when she died. Two months after her death, another daughter was born so the parents recycled the name.

Carl Georg worked most of his life as a civil servant. He had a fine reputation for honesty in a bureaucracy known for its corruption. He finally was promoted to the office of Treasurer for the provincer of Esthonia. He was rewarded by the Tsar by being raised to a high level of the hereditary nobility. The result of his honesty was that he died virtually penniless.

Carl Georg married his first cousin, Margaritha Elisabeth. He met her when he stopped in Narva to visit while on his way to St. Petersburg. She had no means of independent support after his death. Late in life she went to live with her daughter Fanny far out in the Russian interior.

26. ANDREAS FRIEDRICH LEZIUS

b. 27 Mar 1793, Adjamünde, Livonia⁶
 d. 12 May 1850, St. Petersburg, Russia⁷
 m. 6 Sep 1818, Dorpat, Livonia⁸

27. CHARLOTTE AMALIE STÜRMER

b. 5 Oct 1800, Kusthof, Livonia⁹
 d. 29 Jan 1835, Dorpat, Livonia¹⁰
 children:

Julius	b. 11 Jun 1819
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Karl b. 21 Jan 1821
 Emma Elisabeth Wilhelmina b. 1821 d. 1824
 Paul b. 19 May 1824
 Eduard Alexander b. 4 Dec 1826
 Victor Heinrich Hugo b. 9 Dec 1827
 Andreas Friedrich b. 17 Jul 1829
Emmeline Amalie Henriette b. 10 Feb 1834

m. 2nd wife, 1839, Flemminghof, Livonia

JULIE CATHARINE AUGUSTE ROSENPFLANZER

b. 3 May 1819, Werro, Livonia

d. 18 May 1876, Werro, Livonia

children:

Theodor Adolph b. 5 Jan 1840
 Gustav Wilhelm b. 29 Mar 1842
 Woldemar Adolph b. 6 Oct 1846
 Marie Louise b. 22 Feb 1848

Our best source of information about this family is Dr. August Lezius's book, *Brief Historu and Genealogy of the Lezius Family*, as translated by Augusta von Toerne Winebrenner. Or, even better for those who read German, the original.

Andreas's mother died when he was about 14 years old. His father was living in Russia at that time, so a rich noble friend of his father's, Count Siever, looked after him and saw to it that he received an education in agriculture. His father died of war wounds in 1812. In 1815 Andreas became an estate mangager at Count Siever's Warrol Estate, near Dorpat.

1818 was a big year for Andreas. He was married to Charlotte Amalie and he leased the large estate, Kayafer, near Warrol. He was so successful at Kayafer that in 1828 he was able to lease the very large crown estate (property of the Russian Tsar) Flemmingshof. Flemmingshof was about 40,000 acres in American land measure and it included about 500 serfs. With all this cheap labor, he enhanced his income by grinding his grain into flour and distilling some of it into vodka. He became very rich and bought property in Dorpat. His house there was convenient when he sent his sons to the university.

In 1847 Andreas recieved a certificate of Prussian citizenship. The research to make this possible is responsible for most of our knowledge of this branch of our family.

In 1850 Andreas developed a serious nervous disorder and was taken to specialists in St Petersburg. He died of cholera while there.

¹*Nachrichten über die Familie Törne*

²Ditto

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⁴*Geborene, Narva Tyska Församling 1644-1833*, (Births, Narva German Parishioners)

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Gen.VI: GGG Grandparents

48. GOTTHARD TÖRNE

b. 27 May 1750, Narva, Estonia¹

d. 7 Jan 1821, Reval, Estonia²

m. 16 Sep 1781, Reval, Estonia³

49. MARGARETHA ELISABETH SEIGLER

b. 4 Dec 1760, Reval, Estonia⁴

d. 22 Jan 1842, Reval, Estonia⁵

children:

Christoph Johan b. 22 Jul 1782 d. 25 Mar 1785

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Gotthard moved to Reval and became a property owner, citizen and merchant. He was mentioned as a member of the brewer's guild. He was an elder of the *Schwartzenhäupter* and a member of the Great Guild.

50. GOTTFRIED TÖRNE

b. 11 Oct 1747, Narva, Estonia⁶

d. 9 Sep 1796, Narva, Estonia⁷

m. 11 Sep 1775, Narva, Estonia⁸

51. CAROLINA KIÖLSON

b. 1750, Stockholm, Sweden⁹

d. 6 Dec 1821, St. Petersburg, Russia¹⁰

children:

Carolina Friederika

Anna Maria

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Carl Gottfried

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Gottfried was a member of the Narva salt company. he died of *Schwäche d. Brust* (T.B.?)

52. JOHANN FRIEDRICH AUGUST LEZIUS

b. 23 Sep 1760, Potsdam, Germany¹¹

d. Sep 1812, Moscow, Russia¹²

m. 1792, Fellin, Livland¹³

53. JOHANNA ELISABETH LOUISE THEIßNER

b. 29 Mar 1764, Pernau, Livonia¹⁴

d. 4 Aug 1807, Adjamünde, Livonia¹⁵

children:

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Johann Friedrich was an unusual person. He graduated from the Danish Military Academy and served as an officer in Hesse-Darmstadt. Johann's good friend Andreas von Reussner persuaded him to move to Livland after Reussner had inherited a large estate there. In Riga he became a close friend of Count Siever who owned several very large estates. He served as an officer in the Russian Army during the the Turkish War of 1788. After the war, he became a forester for von Reussner.

Later, after his marriage and the birth of his son, he accepted a job with the Russian government as the master forester in a province along the Volga River. Because of hardships involved in his new job, he left his wife and son in Livland. When his wife died, Count Siever looked after the education of his son.

When Napoleon invaded Russia in 1812, Johann Friedrich entered the Russian army again. He was slightly wounded near Smolensk. Later he received a fatal wound at Borodino. He died in a Moscow hospital. Family tradition says he was raised to the nobility for his gallantry, but all the records were burned when the French took the city, so there was no record to confirm it.

54. JOHANN BENJAMIN STÜRMER

b. 1754,¹⁶

d. 19 Jul 1811, Dorpat, Livonia¹⁷

m.

5. EVA AMALIE SIEBERT

b.

d. 29 Jan 1835, Dorpat, Livonia¹⁸

children:

Charlotte Amalie

b. 5 Oct 1800

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Gen.VII: GGGG Grandparents

96. CARL TÖRNE

- b. 8 Jan 1702, Novasolka, Ingermannland¹
 d. 9 Jan 1769, Narva, Estonia²
 m. 8 Feb 1733, Narva, Estonia³

97. ANNA MARIA PLOHMANN

- b. 2 Feb 1713, Moscow, Russia⁴
 d. ⁵

children:

Eva Wigmuth	b. 18 Nov 1733
Margaretha Elisabeth	b. 16 Nov 1734
Johan Gustav	b. 21 Dec 1735
Carl	b. 28 Jan 1737
Carl Georg	b. 11 Nov 1738
Anna Maria	b. 11 Nov 1738
Wilhelm Lorenz	b. 4 Dec 1740
Hedwig Helena	b. 28 Jan 1742
Juliana	b. 1 Dec 1743
Charlotte Dorothea	b. 5 Feb 1745
Juliana	b. 14 Jun 1746
<u>Gottfried</u>	b. 14 Oct 1747
Hermann	b. 24 Feb 1749
<u>Gotthard</u>	b. 27 May 1750
Catharina	b. 2 Jan 1752
Martha	b. 11 Oct 1753
Johanna	b. 11 Oct 1753
Christopher	b. 14 Jul 1757

Carl was only a year old when his father and his siblings were killed by the troops of Peter the Great. Later on, in 1708, he was sent into exile in Russia along with his mother and stepfather. Shortly after their return from Russia, Carl was apprenticed to the merchant firm of Thomas Clayhills of Reval, 21 Sep 1717. That would have made Carl about fifteen years old. Carl did well in the Scottish firm.

98. CHRISTOPH GIDEON SEIGLER

- b. 6 Dec 1718, Friedrichstadt, Kurland⁶
 d. 12 Sep 1785, Reval, Estonia⁷

m. 13 Nov 1757, Reval, Estonia⁸

99. DOROTHEA ELISABETH FORSELIUS

b. 23 Dec 1739, Reval, Estonia⁹

d. 21 Apr 1810, Reval, Estonia¹⁰

children:

Catharina Dorothea

Margaretha Elisabeth

Caspar Johann

Christoph Gideon

Louise

Charlotta Christina

Justus Heinrich

Sophia Gerdrutha

Justus Heinrich

100.= 96. (Carl Törne)

101.= 97. (Anna Maria Plohmann)

See 96. and 97. for details

102. NILS KIÖLSON

b.

d.

m.

103. --

b.

d.

children:

Carolina b. 1750

Helena

104. JOHANN WILHELM LEZIUS

b. 11 Oct 1726, Köthen, Anhalt¹¹

d. ¹²

m. 7 Jul 1754, Köthen, Anhalt¹³

105. DOROTHEA LOUISE MAGDALENE SOPHIE DULONG

b. 20 Jan 1735, Potsdam, Prussia¹⁴

d. ¹⁵

children:

Friederike Eveline

b. 20 Jul 1756

Johann Friedrich Wilhelm

b. 28 Apr 1759

	<u>Johann Friedrich August</u>	b. 23 Sep 1760
—	Johann Friedrich Leberecht	b. 2 Apr 1762
	Johanna Henriette	b. 2 Apr 1768

Johann Wilhelm was orphaned at the age of twelve.. His rich uncles looked after him. Instead of sending him to school to be trained for a profession as was usual for males in the Lezius family, they apprenticed him to a cabinet maker. I wonder if he might have had dyslexia and his uncles thought him stupid because he could not read. He learned his trade well and was listed in the Köthen records as a *Burger und Tischlermeister*. He moved on to Potsdam where he prospered as the owner of a factory making walnut rifle stocks for the army of the king of Prussia. He married the daughter of a member of the King's elite "Giant Guards." He must have become wealthy as a *Fabrikant* in Potsdam. In any case, he and his whole family disappeared. Probably they moved far away where they could live without the stigma of being labeled a "tradesman." We have no further knowledge of him and his family except that one of his sons was entered in the Danish Military Academy to become an army officer.

106. JOHANN JOACHIM THEISSNER

b. 3 Aug 1732, Pernau, Livonia¹⁶
 d.
 m.

107. MARIA CHRISTINA GRABBE

b.
 d.
 children:
Johanna Elisabeth Louise b. 29 Mar 1764

We know very little of Johann Joachim except that he was a *Kaufman und Ratsherr* in Pernau meaning that he was a merchant and a member of the city council. In 1772 he moved to Fellin and later on to Moscow.

108. ---- STÜRMER

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children:
Johann Benjamin b. 1754

110. JOHANN JACOB SIEBERTT

111. EVA ELISABETH KINZEN

children:
Eva Amalie

Johann Jacob was an *Inspector des Rittergutes Moisekatz (Kries Dorpat)* Livland.¹⁷ This means he was the inspector of the Noble Estate "Moisekatz" in Dorpat County of Livalnd.

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- 1 Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, Gottfried von Törne
 - 2 Narva Tyska Församling 1644-1833. (German Parish), Begrabene in der Deutschen Gemeinde alhier zu Narve, LDS Library
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 - 4 Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, Gottfried von Törne
 - 5 no data found
 - 6 Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, Gottfried von Törne
 - 7 ditto
 - 8 ditto
 - 9 St. Nikolai Kirche, Reval, Födda 1652-1833, LDS Library
 - 10 Begravna i St. Olai Kyrkan i Reval, 1603-1821, LDS Library
 - 11 Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius in Anhalt und Livland (Baltickum), von Dr. August Lezius.
 - 12 ditto
 - 13 ditto
 - 14 ditto
 - 15 ditto
 - 16 ditto
 - 17 ditto

Gen. VIII: GGGGG Grandparents

192. GUSTAV TÖRNE

b. 1660, Squoretz, Ingermanland¹
 d. 20 Apr 1703, Novasolka, Ingermanland²
 m. 20 May 1691,³

193. EVA MARIA VON MOLSDORF

b. 13 Nov 1671, Stockholm, Sweden⁴
 d. 12 Apr 1752, Narva, Estonia⁵

children:

Catharina d. 20 Apr 1703, Novasolka

Anna d. Ditto

Hedwig d. Ditto

Helene d. Ditto

Gustav d. Ditto

Johannes b. 22 Sep 1699, d. 8 Dec 1732

Carl b. 8 Jan 1702, d. 9 Jan 1769

JOHANNES SCHÜTZ, 2nd husband, d. 22 Jan 1722

children:

Friedrich

another son

Andreas

Lorenz

Maria

Gustav received his training at the the University of Åbo, one of the schools founded by his wife's grandfather, Bishop Johannes Georgii Gezelius. We can assume that it was while he was in school that he met Eva Maria. Gustav went on to become a pastor in Ingermannland, the Swedish province in which he was born and died. Apparently he was an important figure in the local society. In addition, he served as Chaplain of the Swedish Circuit Court in Ingermannland and the detailed Swedish court records even gives the Bible verses he used in his invocations.

Bishop Gezelius took in his daughter, Anna, and her family when he decided that his son-in-law was incompetent to take care of them. So, Gustav found Eva Maria in Åbo.

Peter the Great wanted Ingermannland so that he could build St.Petersburg. When military action seemed imminent Gustav sent his wife and two babies to Åbo for safety. Surely, by civilized rules of warfare women, children, peasants and clergy were exempt from military action. Gustav was wrong. By Russian standards the upper class was

executed, the middle class was exiled, and the lower class was enslaved. Peter used his new slaves to build St. Petersburg. See most any history book.

A few years later Peter overran all of Finland and Eva Marie and her new husband and all her remaining children were exiled to central Russia. In her later life Eva Maria was prominent figure at baptisms and marriages.

194. JOHANN PLOHMANN

b. 1 Apr 1678, Stockholm, Sweden⁶
 d. 25 Sep 1733, Narva, Estonia⁷
 m. 16 Feb 1700, Kexholm, Finland⁸

195. ANNA MARGARETHA SOLDANIN

b. 1681, Arensburg, Ölsel⁹
 d. 20 Nov 1714, Moscow, Russia¹⁰

children:

Carl Johann	b. 11 Nov 1703
<u>Anna Maria</u>	b. 2 Feb 1713
Johann Gustav	b. 30 Oct 1714

JULIANA KETTLEWEL, 2nd wife

m. 24 Apr 1716, Jaroslava, Russia
 d. 8 Jan 1724, Narva, Estonia

children:

Hedwig Helena	b. 10 Nov 1717
Margaretha Elisabeth	b. 5 Sep 1719
Wilhelm	b. 5 Feb 1721
Lorenz Johan	b. 16 Aug 1722
Anna Helena	b. 21 Nov 1723

ANNA WIGMUTH GNOSPELLIA, 3rd wife

m. 28 Apr 1726, Narva, Estonia

Johann was a Kaufmann (merchant). He was married where his first child was born in an area of Finland that was annexed by Peter the Great. Peter wanted the area because it was close to where he intended to build St. Petersburg. In 1703, Johann and his wife and child were exiled to Russia. Most of the time of his exile, he lived in Moscow, but in about 1718 he was allowed to move west. He settled in Narva, Estonia.

 196. ---- Seigler

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198. CASPAR REINHOLD FORSELIUS

b. c. Aug 1701, Oberpahlschen,¹¹
 d. 21 Mar 1775, Reval, Estonia¹²
 m. 30 Nov 1731, Reval, Estonia¹³

199. DOROTHEA VON SCHOTENb. 20 Jan 1717, Reval, Estonia¹⁴d. 2 Nov 1783, Reval, Estonia¹⁵

children:

Bendix Johan	b. 30 Jan 1733	
Dorothea Elisabeth	b. 21 Jul 1734	d. 1735
Caspar Reinhold	b. 22 Mar 1736	
Carl Friedrich	b. 20 Feb 1737	
Andreas	b. 14 Mar 1738	
<u>Dorothea Elisabeth</u>	b. 23 Dec 1739	
Anna Margaretha	b. 2 Mar 1742	
Anna Christina	b. 30 Apr 1745	
Catharina Helena	b. 19 May 1747	
Gerdrutha	b. 1 Mar 1750	
Johanna Christina	b. 3 May 1751	
Gerdrutha Helena	b. 24 Jun 1752	

Caspar Reinhold was a merchant and a leading citizen of Reval. He was an elder in the Great Guild. Dorothea was from a very old and important family of Reval.

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208. GEBHARD JULIUS LEZIUSb. 1674, Reinsdorf, Anhalt¹⁶d. 16 Jun 1738, Köthen, Anhalt¹⁷m. 9 Oct 1718, Köthen, Anhalt¹⁸**209. ANNA DOROTHEA WILCKEN**b. 16 Jan 1718, Frenz, Anhalt¹⁹d. 3 Oct 1730, Köthen, Anhalt²⁰

children:

Johann Wilhelm b. 11 Oct 1726

Gebhard Julius and Anna Dorothea had three sons and three daughters of which two sons and a daughter died in early childhood. Two sons and a daughter died in childhood. Gebhard started his adult career as a merchant and a tobacco processor. Later, he became a city official serving as the City Clerk and Accountant.

210. LUDWIG DULONG (Louis D'Oulon)

b. 20 Nov 1692, Villeneuve-Chillon, Switzerland²¹
 d. 10 Oct 1752, Unna, Herzogtum Cleve²²
 m. 28 Jun 1731, Potsdam, Prussia²³

211. DOROTHEA MARIE ELISABETH BOHNSTEDT

b.
 d.
 children:

Dorothea Louise Magdalene Sophie

Swiss born Louis was very tall. He was recruited for service in the "Giant Guards" of the King of Prussia, Frederick William I. When he was too old for active service, the King rewarded him with the job of "Königlich Torschreiber zu Unna im Herzogtum Cleve." I take this to mean that he was the Royal Tollkeeper for the city of Unna which is near Dortmund.

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- 1 *Nachrichten über die Familie Törne*, von G. C. G. Törne
 2 ditto
 3 ditto
 4 ditto
 5 ditto
 6 ditto
 7 *Narva Tyska Församling 1644-1833*, (Narva German Parish), *Begrabene in der Deutschen Gemeinde alhier zur Narve*, LDS Library
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 9 ditto
 10 ditto
 11 ditto
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 14 *St. Nikolai Kirchenbuch, Födda 1652-1833*, (page 195), LDS Library
 15 *Nachrichten über die Familie Törne*,
 16 *Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius*,
 17 ditto
 18 ditto
 19 ditto
 20 ditto
 21 *Paroissiaux Naissances Bapt. Marages 1572-1706*, Villeneuve. LDS Library.
 22 *Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius*.
 23 ditto

388. LORENTZ PLOMANNb. Saxony⁹

d.

m.

389. MARGARETHA KUSTIG

b.

d.

children:

Johann

Lorentz was citizen and hatmaker in Stockholm.

390. THIEL SOLDAN*b. Nyenkantz¹⁰

d.

m. c. 1660,¹¹**391. CHRISTINA MOBACK***b. , Örebro¹²

d.

children:

Gustav b. 2 Jan 1668

Peter b. 1671

Anna Margaretha b. 1681

*I have no documentation to place Anna Margaretha in this Soldan family, but it surely must be correct.

The name Soldan is of Saracen origin and was probably adopted by a Teutonic Knight during a Crusade. The Teutonic Knights conquered and christianized the Eastern Baltic Region.

Thiel was a Captain of Artillery and *Ober Hauptman* of Ösel.-----
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396. JOHANN FORSELIUSb. 14 Jan 1663,¹³

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m.

397. DOROTHEA VON ACKEW

b. c. 1672, Reval¹⁴
 d. 26 Feb 1739,¹⁵
 children:
 Anna Dorothea
Caspar Reinhold b. c. Aug 1701,

Johann was pastor of St. Johannis in Oberpahlschen Parish in 1681, confirmed by the high consistory 26 May 1685 and in May 1699.

398. BENDIX VON SCHOTEN

b. c. 1685,¹⁶
 d. 23 Dec 1756, Reval¹⁷
 m.

399. DOROTHEA GARMANN

b. 9 Aug 1683, Reval¹⁸
 d. 28 Oct 1753, Reval¹⁹
 children:

Dorothea

The Schoten family was a large and important family descended from early Hanseatic League settlers from Germany. The very early church records appear to have been written in Low German, the language of the Hanseatic League.

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418. BARTHOLOMÄUS WILCKEN

b.
 d. 3 Oct 1730,²⁰
 m.

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Bartholomäus was *gerichtsschöppe zu Frenz, Anhalt* (court juryman).
 Parents of Anna Dorothea

420. JEAN FRANCOIS DULONG

b. 8 Nov 1667, Villeneuve, Chillon, Switzerland²¹
 d.

m.

421. MARIA BERTECK

b.

d.

children:

Ludwig b. 20 Nov 1692

Jean Francois was *Lieutenant de la Villeneuve*. Chillon was the castle on the shore of Lake Geneva made famous by the poetry of Lord Byron in *The Prisoner of Chillon*.

422. BERTHOLD BOHNSTEDT

b.

d.

m.

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children:

Dorothea Marie Elisabeth

Berthold was a *Handwerksmeister* in Potsdam.

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- 1 *Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, von G. C. G. Törne*
 - 2 ditto
 - 3 ditto
 - 4 ditto
 - 5 *Geslasläktens Ättebalk av Karl Joh. Gezelius*
 - 6 *Church Records of Stora Skedvi, Kopparberg Län, Vigde 1650-1660. LDS Library*
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 - 8 ditto
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 - 13 *Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, G.C.G. von Törne*
 - 14 ditto
 - 15 *St. Nikolai Kirchenbuch - Döda, LDS Library*
 - 16 *Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, by G.C.G. von Törne*
 - 17 ditto
 - 18 ditto
 - 19 *St. Nikolai Kirchenbuch - Döda, (page 192) Reval, LDS Library*
 - 20 *Kurze Geschichte un Stammreihe der Familie Lezius, by Dr. August Lezius*
 - 21 ditto

Gen.X: GGGGGGG Grandparents

768. BERO (BJORN) TÖRNE

b.
d.
m.

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children:

Abraham Beronis Törne

Bjorn was possibly the son or grandson of Olaf Törne. He may have been related to some of the famous Törnës active in the court of Gustav Vasa. Reputedly, one member of the family was a queen of Sweden. His son was born in Söderköping, Östergötlands, Sweden. There are some church records of Söderköping from that time still existing, however the names are all patronymics and I was unable to find anything conclusive.

770. ---- von Genschau

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A noble family of Pomerania

772. DANIEL HANSSON MOLSDORF

b. Germany
d.
m.

773. ANNA HANSDOTTER

b.
d.
children:

Hans	b.
Baltsar	b. 3 Oct 1624
Mickel	b. 31 Sep 1625
Aron	b. 24 Mar 1627
Samuel	b. 8 Dec 1628
Maria	b. 4 Oct 1634

Daniel was brought from the copper mines in Southeast Germany by the King of Sweden to help manage the Swedish copper mines. He is mentioned frequently in the Swedish Archives. In 1614 he is listed as a copper buyer in *Kopparbergit* for King Gustav

Adolph. He was also listed as a master armourer. Several of his sons were employed by the Swedish government. His widow, Anna, petitioned the King for special consideration because of her husband's service to the King.

Anna was, apparently, Swedish. I have found birth records in Swedish church records for all the children except the first one.

774. JOHANNES GEORGII GEZELIUS

b. 3 Feb 1615, Romfartuna, Västmanland, Sweden¹

d. 20 Jan 1690, Åbo (Turku), Finland²

m. 20 Feb 1642, Riga, Livonia³

775. GERTRUD GUTHEIM

b. 3 Jun 1626, Riga⁴

d. 24 Nov 1682, Åbo⁵

children:

Anna b. c. 1642, Dorpat

Gertrud b.

Ebba b.

Christina b.

Maria b.

Elisabeth b.

Johannes b. 6 Sep 1647, Dorpat

Five other sons died in childhood

CHRISTINA PERSDOTTER BERGENSTUERNA, second wife

m. 12 Feb 1684, Åbo (Turku), Finland

Johannes Georgii Gezelius is easily the most famous of our ancestors. Modern books acknowledge him as "father of Finnish education" because he established elementary schools throughout his diocese. In addition, he established the University of Åbo. He started a translation of the bible into Finnish, a work which was finished by his son, Bishop Johannes Johannes Gezelius.

Johannes entered the University of Uppsala, 1 Feb 1637. 23 Nov 1638, he entered the newly formed University of Dorpat at the urging of the King. It was at this time that he adopted the Latinized form of his name changing it from Johan Jöransson. He was the first to use the name Gezelius even though the family had always had a connection to Gesala.

In the years 1643-1648, he was professor of Greek and Oriental Languages at Dorpat. In 1649-1661 he was the pastor at Stora Skedvi in Södra Dalarna. He was the Lutheran Superintendent for Livland, 1661-1664. He was Bishop of Åbo, 1664-1690. I refer you to any good history book for details.

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792. ANDREAS FORSELIUS **

b. 31 Dec 1637, Reval

d. 12 Jan 1678, Reval

m.

793. HEDWIG AGNETA DEHN **

b.

d. 23 Dec 1675, Reval

children:

Johannes b. 14 Jan 1663

Andreas was Pastor of Ueber-Pahlen in 1661.

** This represents a best guess. The documentation leaves much to be desired.

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796. THOMAS VON SCHOTEN **

b.

d. 14 Jun 1693, Reval⁶

m.

797. ELISABETH ROLOFSEN **

b.

d. 3 Nov 1666, Reval⁷m. 14 Oct 1667, Reval⁸**797. DOROTHEA STRALBORN****

** Best guess, documentation is ambiguous.

798. IMMANUEL GARMANN

b.

d.

m.

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children:

Gertaut b. 9 Aug 1683

Dorothea b. 9 Aug 1683

Immanuel lived in Reval.

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832. HENRICUS LEZIUS

b. 26 Mar 1612, Kormigt, Anhalt⁹
 d. 2 May 1689, Gross-Paschleben, Anhalt¹⁰
 m. 1637, Köthen, Anhalt¹¹

833. CATHARINA BRUMBY

b. 20 Mar 1606, Köthen¹²
 d. 25 Mar 1673, Gross-Paschleben¹³
 children:

Petrus Rudolphus b. 11 Nov 1639,
 Wilhelm Ludwig b. 6 Mar 1642
 Christian Heinrich b. 12 Oct 1643
 Peter Hienrich b.
 Two daughters

second wife: 11 Oct 1674,

Amena Amalia Stange

Henricus became pastor of Gross-Paschleben, near Köthen in 1637. In 1642, he became *Deaconus an ner Kathedralkirche zu St. Jakob* in Köthen.

834. ----- MEINHARD

b.
 d.
 m.

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The father of **Regina Meinhard** was *Diakonus* in Dessau.

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840. ETIENNE DULON

b. 23 Nov 1631, Villeneuve, Chillon, Switzerland¹⁴
 d.
 m.

841. SUZANNE RECOLIER

children:

Jean Francois

Etienne translates into English as Stephen. The documents are difficult. Suzanne may have been Susanne Chastelard.

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- 1 *Geslaskläkten Ättebalk av Karl Joh. Gezelius*
 - 2 Ditto
 - 3 Ditto
 - 4 Ditto
 - 5 Ditto
 - 6 *St. Nikolai Kirchenbuch - Döda, Reval, LDS Library*
 - 7 *St. Olai - Begrabene 1603-1821, Reval, (page 113). LDS Library*
 - 8 *St Nikolai Kirchenbuch - Copulerte 1652-1833, (page 15). LDS Library*
 - 9 *Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius, Dr. August Lezius*
 - 10 ditto
 - 11 ditto
 - 12 ditto
 - 13 ditto
 - 14 *Paroissiaux Naissances bapt. Mariages 1572-1706 (baptism). LDS Library*

Gen.XI: GGGGGGGG grandparents

1548. GÖRAN ANDERSON

b. Gesala, Romfortuna, Västmanland¹

d. 5 Apr 1663,²

m.

1549. ANNA GUDMUNSDOTTER

b.

d.

children:

Johannes b. 3 Feb 1615

three sons names not known

Jöran b. 19 Jun 1631

The name Göran translates into German as Georg and into English as George. An alternate spelling of Göran was Jöran. Göran was a Keeper of Arms and a District Judge. He was the owner of the estate called Gesala which had been handed down from father to son for more generations than there are records to show.

1550. PETRUS JONAE GUTHEIM

b. Gutheim, Vestergötland³

d. 21 Dec 1644, Riga, Livonia⁴

m.

1551. EBBA WITTSANT

b. Riga or in Kurland⁵

d. 1654, Riga⁶

children:

Jakob m. Anna Maria Brandt

Gertrud b. 3 Jun 1626, Riga

Kristina m. Nils Ebsander

Anna

Petrus was at one time the Court Preacher for King Gustav II Adolph. He was the Schoolmaster and Superintendent in the Riga District. In 1621 he became the Pastor at Riga. Petrus Latinized his name and took the name of city where he was born as his last name.

Evidently Ebba Wittsant was wealthy. She left a considerable inheritance to her children when she died.

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1664. JOHANNES LEZIUS

b. c. 1565, Magdeburg⁷
 d. 2 May 1636, Köthen, Anhalt⁸ m. 1665. -- --

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children: 4 sons and 5 married daughters
 Friedrich d. before 1638
 Gregorius d. before 1638
 Frantz d. before 1638
Henricus b. 26 Mar 1612

Johannes was a County Court Judge at Cörmigt. He was also called Hans Letz. He probably adopted the Latinized form of his name when he was in a university law school. Johannes Latinized his name changing it from Hans Letz.

1666. LUKAS BRUMBY

b.
 d. Oct 1625, Köthen, Anhalt⁹
 m. 1596, Köthen¹⁰

1667. AGNES KÜHNE

b. 1567,¹¹
 d. 10 May 1640, Köthen¹²
 children:

Catharina b. 20 Mar 1606

Lukas was the Burgomaster of Köthen. He died of the bubonic plague.

1668. --

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1680. NIKOLAS DULON

b. 10 Sep 1592, Villeneuve, Chillon¹³
 d.
 m.

1681. MARGUERITE CLAREL

b.
 d.
 children:

Etienne b. 22 Nov 1631

Nikolas was the Chatelain of Villeneuve.

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- 1 *Geslaskläkten Ättbalk av Karl Joh. Gezelius*
 - 2 ditto
 - 3 ditto
 - 4 ditto
 - 5 ditto
 - 6 ditto
 - 7 *Kurze Geschichte der Familie Lezius, by Dr. August Lezius*
 - 8 ditto
 - 9 ditto
 - 10 ditto
 - 11 ditto
 - 12 ditto
 - 13 *Paroissiaux Naissances Bapt. Mariages 1572-1706 Villeneuve, LDS Library*

Gen.XII: GGGGGGGGG Grandparents

3096. ANDERS NILSSON¹ Anders was born in Romfortuna. He died about 1618. He was the owner of Gesala and the father of **Jöran Andersson**.

3100. JOHANNES HAQUINI
 b.
 d. 1631, Gutheim, Vestergötland²
 m.

3101. KRISTINA HALVARSDOTTER
 b.
 d.
 children:

Petrus Jonae
 Johannes was a pastor at Gutheim in Vestergötland from 1610 until 1630.

3328. MICHAEL LEONHARD LETZ
 b. 1517, Aub, Franken³
 d.
 m.

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 Michael was educated in a Latinschool in Augsburg. He converted to the Evangelical-Reformed church and moved to Magdeburg where his son **Hans Letz** was born.

3334. JOHANN KÜHNE
 m.⁴

3335. SARA THIEL
 Johann and Sara were the parents of of **Agnes Kühne**. Johann was a "Bürger" in Köthen, Anhalt.

3360. Francois Dulon

m⁵.

3361. PERNETTE SIMON

Francois and Pernette lived near the eastern end of Lake Lucerne between 1580 and 1629. They were the parents of **Nikolas Dulon**.

¹ *Geslaskläkten Ättbalk av Kal Joh. Gezelius*

² ditto

³ *Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius*, by Dr August Lezius

⁴ ditto

⁵ *Paroissiaux Naissnes Bapt. Mariages 1572-1706, Villeneuve*, LDS Library

Gen.XIII: GGGGGGGGGG Grandparents

6192. NILS LARSSON

- b. Romfortuna¹
- d. c. 1570,²

Nils was owner of Gesala and the father of Anders Nilsson.

6656. CLAUS LETZ

- b. 1463,³
- d. 1523, Toblingen⁴

Claus was a Judge, Mayor, and a freeholder in Aub, Franken. He was the father of Michael Leonhard Letz.

6670. HEINRICH THIEL⁵

Heinrich was the Burgomeister of Alsleben and the father of Sara

6720. NIKOLAS DULON⁶

- b.
- d.

Nikolas was the father of Francois. One of his ancestors was Dominus (Lord) Amalricus Dulon who lived in 1246. The Dulon family was closely associated with Chillon, a castle located on the shores of Lake Lucerne. It was locale for Lord George Bryon's epic poem, *The Prisoner of Chillon*.

¹ *Gesalaslåktens Attebalk av Karl Joh. Gezelius*

² ditto

³ *Kurze Geschichte un Stammreihe der Familie Lezius*, by Dr August Lezius

⁴ ditto

⁵ ditto

⁶ ditto

Gen.XIV: GGGGGGGGGGG Grandparents

12348. LASSE NILSSON

b.
d. c. 1578,

Lasse was an owner of Gesala and the father of Nils Larsson.

Gen.XV: GGGGGGGGGGG Grandparents

24768. NIELS

Niels was alive at the end of the 1400's. He was the owner of Gesala and the father of Lasse.

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49536. CHRISTMAN

Christman was alive in 1415. He was the owner of Gesala and the father of Niels.

Gen.XVII: GGGGGGGGGGG Grandparents

99072. NIELIS

Nielis was owner of Gesala in his turn. He was the father of Christman and he was alive in 1371.

Gen.XVIII: GGGGGGGGGGG Grandparents

198144. PAEDHAER ILIANSSON

Paedhaer was alive in 1371. He was owner of Gesala and the father of Nielis.

Gen.XIX: GGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG Grandparents**396288. ILIAN**

Although oral tradition was that Ilian's family had owned Gesala for many generations, 1371 seems to be the earliest documentation of it. Records found in Germany in the Schwerin Archives showed that Ilian paid taxes to the King that year and it also listed his son and grandson. This would indicate that Ilian was born early in the 14th century.

All the information I have in the Gesala line for the Generations 14 through 19 comes from *Gesalaskätens Ättetabalk* by Karl Joh. Gezelius.

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Maria, Augusta, and my mother are cousins. A copy of this translation made its way into the Lobrecht family when Augusta gave one to my brother Alfred. Any one interested in genealogy and family history should enjoy reading it.

Geslalsläktens Ättbalk av Karl Joh. Gezelius

[Gesala Family Ancestral Tree, by Karl Joh. Gezelius]

Göteborg
Josef Bergindahls Boktryckeri
1940

Karl Joh. Gezelius was a Swedish nobleman who traced his ancestry from the early 1300's down to the present time. It is carefully documented. The information is valuable. Augusta Winebrenner found some the Gezelius family living in the northwestern United States who had a copy of the Gezelius book. Augusta passed on about 50 or more xeroxed pages from the book to me. I have translated a few pages, but since I know no Swedish I soon gave up. Any translators want to volunteer? I am sure that there is a copy of this book in the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City.

Kurze Geschichte und Stammreihe der Familie Lezius in Anhalt und in Livland
(Baltikum).

Verfasst und zusammengestellt von Dr. med. August Lezius, Staatsrat a.D.

[Brief History and Genealogy of the Lezius Family in Anhalt and in Livland and in the
Baltic]

Written and Compiled by August Lezius, M.D., Councilor of State, Ret.

Königsberg Pr. 1935

Augusta Winebrenner met some of the Lezius family on one of her trips to Germany. They gave her a copy of Dr. August Lezius's book. She gave me xerox copies of all the pages in the book. I translated much of the more important parts of the book. Later, Augusta sent me her translation of the book in loose typewritten form and told me to bind them. I added the following notation in the back of the book:

ABOUT THIS BOOK -----

This translation was sent to me in August 1978. Augusta was aware that I was doing a little bookbinding so she sent loose pages with instructions to bind it my own way.

Aunt Maggie Orts says that you can't translate German into English. If you write something in German, you have to read it in German. It is true that something is always lost in translation. For any who wish to read the original German version, I call attention to the volume in my library, also given to me by Augusta.

Although there is room for argument about an occasional passage, this is, never-the-less, a good translation. I have worked enough on short passages from the original to know how good it really is. Thank you very much, Augusta, I could never have done it.

Bound - December 1978.

----- Gerard Lobrecht

Nachrichten über die Familie Törne, Gesammelt u. gestellt von G.C.G. Törne
[**An Account about the Toerne Family**, Collected and arranged by G.C.G. Törne]

Uncle Gottfried von Törne was a part time professional genealogist. His works existed only as handwritten manuscripts. The only known copy of his family genealogy was lost in Germany during World War II, presumably by an air raid fire. A few members of the family did have brief outlines of the family tree. I learned somehow that a library in West Berlin contained some of his work. I wrote to the library and received a reply. They did indeed have a dozen or so of his manuscripts, but none about his own family.

The ever resourceful Augusta von Toerne Winebrenner found another copy of Uncle Gottfried's genealogy in the Swedish Archives. Gottfried had given a copy to them. The chief archivist made a micro film copy for Augusta. Augusta has sent me a copy of her translation of it. The information is well documented and I find it

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corresponds with the information I have been able to find in material from the Mormon Library. No doubt Gottfried used the originals of the documents that the Mormon microfilms were made from.
Gottfried's manuscript was completed about 1893.

Von Toerne Family Album and History, Assembled by Alfred Lobrecht with picture copies made by Dorr Lobrecht, Sr. 1966.

My brother Alfred together with my parents, put together several volumes of this picture album and included a great many old family records and memorabilia. This was the beginning of the research that resulted in this genealogy.

The Library of the Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

This is undoubtedly the greatest genealogical research facility in the world. Sometimes I have referred to it as the LDS Library and sometimes as the Mormon Library.