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Beale Barclay, Raymond M. Bell, Elizabeth Parker Fitler, Terry A. McNealy, Rita Schive Mowrer, Elizabeth Lea Oliver, and Kenneth Scott. All of these have contributed building stones that we can use in our genealogical edifices of the present.

Finally, these records are focused on individual Pennsylvanians of the past. Genealogy, biography, and local history are all closely related. What a fascinating procession moves before our eyes: emigrants who crossed the Atlantic in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, pioneer settlers of Southeastern, Central, and Western Pennsylvania, veterans of the Revolution, itinerant ministers, frontier parents bringing children to be baptized in log meetinghouses, young couples appearing before the local squire to get married, and families gathering for funerals in country and city churches and burial grounds. Indeed, the heroes and heroines of the book are the individuals whose names and records make their appearance on these pages. If "local history is American history locally exemplified," then in a very real sense genealogy is American history exemplified in the lives of ethnic groups, communities, families, and individuals.

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EARLY SWEDISH RECORDS-EXTRACTS FROM PARISH RECORDS OF GLORIA DEI CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA.-Mr. Rudman, anxious for a speedy and accurate knowledge of his congregation, formed in 1697 and 1698 a list of all the families, and classed them in local districts. This was inserted in the book, still preserved, which also contains the records of baptisms, marriages, burials, etc. It is here translated from the Swedish. Many of the names being somewhat altered by time, they are written in the modern way, as follows: Baptism names-Andrew (Anders), Benedict (Bengt), Isaiah (Esaia), John (Johau), James (Joens), Laurence (Lorenz), Nicholas (Nils), Stephen (Staphan), Swan (Sven), William (Olave). This last name has not, indeed, any corresponding in English, William being called Wilhelm in Swedish; but the offspring of these Olaves substituted William as in some degree similar, and of common use; the former is quite obsolete. The female names are nearly the same in both languages. Brigitta or Bridget for Brita, and Helena for Elanor, may be noticed. Surnames, little altered, are: Johnson (Janson), Morton (Mortenson), Swanson (Svenson), Wheeler (Wieler), Fish (Fisk), of the same meaning. More changed are: Bancson (Bengtson), Cox (Cock), Lycon (Laiken), Jones (Jonason or Jonson), Toy (Tay and Taw). Much varied from the original are: Culin (Van Coelen), Hewlings (Haling then Huling), King (Cone then Koenig), Boon (Bonde), Justis (Gustafson then Justison), Urian (Joergen). Garret (Gertson). The sons of Arian Johnson, at Tinnicum, took the name of Aretzon, and this was afterwards changed into Archer, which is yet preserved. [Note by Rev. Dr. Collin.]

New Jersey.-Senamensing, at the other side of the river. Fredric King, b. in Sept. 1659, married 1686, drown'd Sept. 24th, 1698. His wife Christina, d. of Jonas Nelson. Their children : Andrew, John, twins, 24 years, b. Decr. 11, 1694; Elias, 7 years, born in May, 1690; Alexander, 15 weeks, b. March 31, 1697; Julia, 4 years, born in Sept. 1693. Their hired men, John and Peter.

Elias Toy, born in Oct. 1664. His wife Gertrude, d. of Nelson, born 1671, married Febr. 1690. Their children: Fredric, b. July 30th, 1690; Margret, b. Decr. 14, 1691; Maria, b. Septr. 4, 1693; Christina, born in the year 1694. His wife's sisters: Catharine Nelson, b. May 1st, 1674; Anna do., b. July, 1676. Isaiah do., born June 20, 1697.

Caspar Fish, b. Febr. 4, 1651, married Apr. 17, 1675. His wife Margret, born 1656, died Nov. 14, 1697. Their children: John, 19 ys., born Septr. 15, 1677; Gustavus, 18 ys., b. Decr. 10, 1678; Elias, 17 ys., b. June 16, 1681; Caspar, 9 ys., born Febr. 9, 1684; Susannah, b. Jan. 11, 1688; Maria, 4 ys., born May 15, 1693.

Mrs. Ella, mother of the Steelmans now. Her sons: Eric, aged 16 ys.; Charles, 18 ys.

Mouns Cox. His wife Gunnila, d. of Jonas Nelson. Their children: Peter, 14 years; Jonas, 12; Gabriel, 7; Margaret, 16; Helene, 10; Maria, 5; Catharine, 1. His wife's sister, Brigitta, 17 ys. Peter Matson. His wife Catharine Rambo. Married Febr. 16, 1674. Their children: Peter, 12 ys., b. May 27, 1685; Mathias, 10, b. Augt. 12,

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1688; John, 3, b. June 14, 1694; Jacob, 1, b. May 25, 1697; Eliza, 19, b. February 7, 1678; Catharine, 17, born Decr. 29, 1679; Maria, 14, b. May 11. 1682; Margret, 5, born Febr. 1, 1692.

Laurence Hulings. His wife Catharine. Their son Laurence. Eric Cox. His wife Elizabeth. Their children: Peter, 23 years of age; John. 21; Laurence, 14; Olave, 12; Helene, 10; Margret, 8; Anna, 4; Maria, 2.

Olave Dahlbo. His wife Catharine. Their children: Andrew, Laurence, Gabriel, Charles, Peter, born 1690; John. His mother Elizabeth. John Rambo. His wife Brigitta, d. of Peter Cox. Their children : John, born July 6th, 1692; Peter, born Jan. 6, 1694; Brigitta, b. Nov. 15, 1685; Catharine, b. Octob. 4, 1689; Margret, born Jan. 23, 1691; Maria, born May 5, 1695.

Stephen Johnson. His wife Anna, d. of Matson. Their children: Andrew, 4 years; John, 11 years; Jonas, born Augt. 6, 1697. His wife's sister Gertrude.

John Lock.

Andrew Lock. His wife Christina Fish. Her children by the first husband: Catharine, Peter, Fredric, Elizabeth, John, Regina. The eldest of them fifteen years old. Her child with Andrew Lock: Maria, 2 years old, Aug. 15th.

Trumpeter's Creek.—Andrew Anderson Homan. His wife Catharine, born in Finland. Their children: Olave Anderson, Andrew Anderson, Michael Anderson, Brigitta.

On the Sea Shore Great Egg Harbor.—James Steelman. His wife Susannah, sister of Elias Toy. Their children: Andrew, 54 years; Susannah, 34 years. His mother in law Christina. A servant girl.

Peter Steelman. His wife Gertrud. Two children.

Takokan, near Little Egg Harbor.—Eric Mollicka, born in Helsingeland and Mora Parish, 62 years of age in Apr. 1698. His wife Ingabor, sister of Peter Cox's wife, Their children: John, 20 years; Stephen, 13 ys. the 30th of April; Catharine, 15 years.

Pennsylvania, this side of the river above the Church, Pacquessung.— Andrew Bancson, Junr. His wife Gertrud. Their children: Andrew, 2 years; Elizabeth, 3 months. The girl Magdalen, 10 ys.

Laurence Boor, b. Aug. 1648. His wife Elizabeth, b. Febr. 1654. Married in 1671. Their children: Laurence, 19 years; Andrew, born Sept. 20 or 29, 1691; Elizabeth, 10 ys., born March 14, 1687; Maria, born August 7, 1698. The servant girl Maria, b. 1675.

Peter Rambo, Jr., b. June 17, 1653. His wife Magdalen, d. of Swan Scuter, born March 25, 1660. Married Novr. 12, 1676. Their children: Swan, 20 years, b. Octob. 19, 1677; Peter, 15, born Dec. 20, 1682; Andrew, born Apr. 2d, 1691; Elias, 4, born Febr. 7, 1694; Jacob, 4, born March 28, 1697; Brigitta, 17, b. March 10, 1679. The servant girl Ingabor, 23 ys. Living by themselves: Ann, the sister of Ingabor, 23 ys.; Maria, do., 21 ys.; Helene, do., 10 ys.

Nicholas Jestenberg, b. in 1659. His wife Maria, born in 1663. Married in 1680. Their children: Ingabor, 16 years, b. 1681; Anna, 14 years, b. 1683; Helene, 12, b. 1685; Maria, born Jan. 18, 1690; Brigitta, 6, born Apr. 11, 1691; Abigail, 4, born March 11, 1697; Peter, 4, born Aug. 3, 1693. Marcus, his wife's sister's son, 13 ys.

Eric Jestenberg. His wife Hasin. The servant girl Regina. A negro boy.

Mathias Keen. His wife Henrietta. Their children: Maria, 5 years; Christina, 4; John, 2; Anna, born Sept. 7, 1697; Jonas, born Sept. 16, 1698. A negro boy.

Christian Classon. His wife Margret. Their children: Clas, 14 years; Ann, 12; Catharine, 10; Christina, 8; John, 6; James, 2; Elizabeth, 3; Christian, born Sept. 29, 1697.

Eric Keen. His mother Welamkie. His brothers Jonas and Peter. Nicholas Lycon. His wife Maria. Their children: John, Peter, Christina, Gertrud, Maria, Anna.

Andrew Lycon. His wife Anna. Their child Christina. The servant girl Catharine.

Hans Lycon. His wife Gertrud. Their children: John, Peter, born **Jan. 2d**, 1699.

Gunnar Rambo. His wife Anna. Their children; Peter, 19 years; Gunnar, 17; Andrew, 15; Mouns, 13; Gabriel, 10; Mathias, 7; Elias, 4; Brigitta, 12.

Michael Lycon, b. 1644. His wife Helena, b. 1650. Married in 1670. Their children: Nicholas, born Febr. 20, 1677; Mouns, born March 10, 1679; Andrew. born March 11, 1682; Michael, born Octob. 11, 1686; Zacharias, born Dec. 26, 1696; Gertrud, born Dec. 16, 1675; Christina, born Febr, 17, 1684; Helene, born Decr. 29, 1689.

Wicacoa.—Anna Swanson, widow of Andrew. Her children: Gunnar, 30 ys.; Christopher, 19 ys.; Andrew, 11.

Swan Swanson's widow Catherine. Her children : Barbara, 23 ys.; Catharine, 15 ys.; and four negroes.

Lydia, widow of Olave Swanson, born in Apr. 1647. Her children: John, 30 ys.; Peter, 29 ys.; Lydia, 17 ys.; Judith, 9 ys. A colored girl. Netapkung, at Schuylkill.-John Skute, b. Sept. 4, 1654. His wife Anngott. Their children: Swan, born Jan. 10, 1692; Christina, born Septr. 4, 1687. A servant girl of Engl. religion. His brother-in-law Morton Garret.

Garret Morton. His wife Magdalen.

Mouns Justis. His wife Christina. Their children: John, 2 years; Andrew, 4 year. N. B. John Bowler and his wife, daughter of John Jones. Nicholas Jones. His wife Christina. Their children: Swan, 14 years;

Peter, 10; Andrew, 4; Helene, 12; Margret, 8; Brigitta 6; Cicely, 2. Mouns Jones. His wife Ingabor. Their children Peter, 4 years; Mar-

gret, 6; Christina, $1\frac{1}{2}$; Jonas, born Sept. 23d, 1698. Peter Jocom. His wife Julia. Their children : Peter, 20 years ; Mouns, 19; Charles, 15; Swan, 12; Jonas, 8; Andrew, 4; John, 11; Catharine, 16; Julia, 10. An Indian Boy, 20 years.

Thomas Jenderman. His wife Margret. Their children : Euclides, Elsa (children by her former husband), Longshore; Maria, d. of Thos. Jenderman. Andrew Longacre. His wife Magdalen, d. of Peter Cox. Their children: Peter, 15 years; Andrew, 13; Margret, 9; Helene, 7; Maria, 5; Catharine,

9 months.

Gustavus Justis. His wife Anna. Their children: John, 15 years; Mouns, 13; Gustavus, 10; Morton, 8; Andrew, 6; Peter, 4; Helene, 2; Charles, b. Oct. 15, 1697.

Peter Lock.

Tahokaning.-Olave Mollicka, 24 ys.; Eric Mollicka, 22; Anna Mollicka, Helena, sisters. Anna Runnels, Engl., professing our religion. Her daughter Elsa, son Olave.

Nishammeni Creek.-Clas Johnson. His wife Walburg, d. of Mathias Bancson. Their children: John, 14; Laurence, 9; Derick, 6; Gertrude, 3; Barbara.

John Classon. His wife Margret, d. of Johnson. Her [or his] sisters: Catharine, 17 ys.; Elizabeth, 19 ys.

John Enochs. His wife Brigitta, d. of Olave Jestenberg. Their children: John, 7 years; Peter, 6 ys.; Brigitta, 4; Anna, $\frac{1}{2}$.

Michael Fredrics. His wife Anna, d. of John Classon. Their daughter Frances, 20 yrs.

Walburg, widow of Donck Williams. Her son William, born in Nov. 1676.

In the City of Philadelphia.-George Thompson. Single men : Clement Paul, John Bartholomews, Nicholas Matson, Peter Homan, Matthew Henricson, Peter Lock.

From the Church down the River, at the Hollander's Creek (near Moyamensing).-Benedict Bancson. His wife Catharine. Their children: son Daniel, 3 ys.

Andrew Wheeler. His wife Catharine. Their children : John, 7 ys.; Andrew, 5; Laurence, 4; Anna, $1\frac{1}{2}$.

John Stille. His wife Gertrud. Their children : Christina, 13 ys.; Anna, 12 ys.; Olave, 10; John, 5; Sarah, 7; Brigitta, 4; Barbara, 4. Andrew Bancson, b. 1640. His wife Gertrud, b. Oct. 19, 1650. Married

Nov. 22, 1668. Their children: Peter, born March 6, 1677; Catharine, b. Jan. 29, 1679; John, b. March 31, 1681; Jacob, b. Octob. 19, 1684; Brigitta, b. April 10, 1687; Daniel, b. Jan. 22, 1691; Joseph, b. May 2, 1696. John Cox, Junr., b. Jan. 20, 1673. His wife Margret, born in 1671. Mar-

ried May 25, 1694. Their children: Swan, 2 ys.; Martha, 2 months. The servant boy Fredric, 10 ys., part Swede.

John Rambo, Junr. His wife Anna, d. of Michael Lycon, b. Aug. 21, 1673. Their son Peter.

Peter Cox, Junr., b. Jan. 20, 1671. His wife Elizabeth. Their children: Laurence, 5 years; Andrew, 14.

Captn. Laurence Cox, b. March 21, 1646. His wife Martha, b. in Augt. 1650. Married May 15, 1669. Their children: Robin, b. Sept. 1681; Mouns, b. Nov. 4, 1683; Laurence, b. Aug. 15, 1688; Gabriel, b. March 25, 1695; Margret, b. February 18, 1685; Deborah, b. July 7, 1693. Note. A negro girl 14 ys., a heathen. Richard Ross, an Englishman, married a daughter of Captn. Lawrence Cox.

Richard Rods, Englishman. His wife Catharine, b. Decr. 1669. Their children: John, Laurence, Richard, Joseph, Benjamin, Martha. His wife and children are Lutherans.

Peter Cox, Senr. His wife Helene. Children: Peter, 9 ys.; Israel, 4; Mouns, 2; Maria, 14; Helene, 12; Margret, 7.

Matthias Holstein, b. 1642. His wife Catharine, b. 1673. Married in 1688 (sic). Their children: Laurence, b. Sept. 15, 1677; Andrew, b. Jan. 19, 1679; Mathias. b. July 1, 1681; Fredric, b. Jan, 13, 1684; Peter, Jan. 16, 1691; Henry, b. March 29, 1694; Catharine, b. Jan. 10, 1697.

Andrew Rambo. His wife Maria. Their children: John, Andrew, Peter, Brigitta, Maria, Martha. Note. Old Peter Rambo. The hired man, Peter Homan.

Peter Justis. His wife Brigitta. Their children: Peter. Jonas, his wife's sister's son.

Brigitta, daughter of Mouns. Swan Justis, 20 years; Andrew Justis, 16 y.; Maria, a nurse child, 8 years; Charles Justis, Taylor, single man; John Justis, widower.

Andrew Jones. His wife Catharine. Their children: Boerje, 5 years; Swan, 34 y.; Jonas, 2.

Gabriel Cox. His mother Margret. His wife Maria. Children : Peter, 9 ys.; Gabriel, 7; Rebecca, 5; Margret, 3; David, $\frac{1}{2}$. The hired man Matthew.

Valentine Ernest Cox. His wife Margret, d. of Swanson.

Nicholas Boon. His mother Anna. His brothers and sisters: Olave, 20 y.; Andrew, 14; Margret, 18; Brigitta, 16; Ambor, 12. Peter Boon. His wife Catharine.

Otto Ernest Cox. His wife Christina. Their son Zacharias, 23 ys. An Engl. boy, Jacob Davis, 13 ys. Their son-in-law Mathias Nezelius. His wife Eliza. Their daughter Christina.

Calkoon Hook.-Swan Boon. His wife Brigitta, d. of Swanson. Their children: Gertrud, 8 ys.; Catharine, 6; Andrew, 24. Hans Boon, 28 y.

Morton Morton. His wife Margret. Their children: Morton, b. June 17, 1675; Laurence, b. Oct. 5, 1678; Andrew, b. Sept. 8, 1681; John, b. June 1, 1683; Jacob, b. May 24, 1686; Matthias, b. Sept. 8, 1690; David, b. Feb. 20, 1695; Margret, b. March 27, 1687. John Bartholomews, single man.

Mouns Peterson. His son Peter, 30 y. His wife Anna Fish. Their children : Magdalene, 5 y.; Peter, 2 y.; Henrietta. A nurse boy, 4 years. An old man, Nicholas Matson.

Hans Urian. His wife Elizabeth. Their children: John, 18 years; Fredric, 10; Andrew, 7; Ann Mary, 17; Helene, 12; Elizabeth, 8; Dorthea, 5. His stepson Laurence.

Tennicum Creek.—Anan Johnson. His wife Gertrud. Their children: Helene, 17 years; Gunnar, 12; John, 10; Jacob, 3; Adam, 1. His wife's sister's daughter Elizabeth, 7 years.

Mathias Morton. His wife Anna, d. of John Justis. Their children: Andrew, 6 ys.; Martin, 5 y.; Maria, 2 y.; John, b. April 14, 1697; Christina, b. Oct. 23, 1699.

Morton Morton. His wife Helene. Their children: Mathias, 28 ys.; Andrew, 26.

Henric Johnson. His son John Henricson. His wife Magdalen. Their children: Ann Mary, 5 ys.; Elizabeth, 3; 2 children not baptized, Andrew, Sarah, twins, b. Aug. 6, 1697. A hired girl, Brigitta. A boy, Michael, 12 ys.

William Cabb. His wife Christina. Their children: John, Christina, Deborah, Mary, Elsa, William, Helene.

Crum Creek.-Andrew Henricson. His wife Brigitta, d. of Morton. Their children: Henric, 6 years; Jacob, 4; Helene, 1.

John Cox, Senr. His wife Brigitta. Their children: Peter, 18 years; Charles, 12; Magnus, 9; John, 2; Catharine, 16; Anna, 7; Mary, 4; Augustus.

Culen's children : Jacob, Reigner, Gregory, Maria. John Friend. His wife Annà, d. of Henr., Colman. Their daughter Helen,

b. Jan. 26, 1697.

95, 1695; Andrew.

Anna, widow of Nelson. Her children: Sarah, Barbara, Gabriel, Lau-G. B. KEEN. rence.

CORRECTIONS .- In Mr. Rudman's list of his congregation, printed among the Notes in the last number of the Magazine, page 225, 24th line from the * foot, for "Pacquessung" read Pocquessung; 13th line from the foot omit "23 ys."; page 226, line 25, for "Anngott" read Armgott; 4th line from the foot, omit "[or his]"; page 227, line 30, for "Ross" read Roos; page 228, line 18, for "Anan" read Arian; 15th line from the foot, for "Feb. G. B. KEEN. 95" read Feb. 25.

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Enoch Enochs. His wife Susannah. Their children: Gabriel, born Feb.

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EARLY SWEDISH RECORDS-EXTRACTS FROM PARISH RECORDS OF GLORIA DEI CHUBCH, PHILADELPHIA.-PAPER IN THE HANDWRITING OF THE REV. NICHOLAS COLLIN, D.D.

Claes Johanson died December, 1723, above 60, probably 65 years old. Nils Laican died December, 1723, probably above 60 years old.

-- Gunnar Rambo died January, 1724, 75 years old. (Of Pennypack.) Peter Rambo, vestryman (kyrkorad), died December, 1729, 77 years of

age. Walborg Janson (Shaminy) died April, 1732, aged about 68 or 70 years.

Nils Johnson died January, 1735, aged 79 years and 8 months. Old widow Cock (Elizabeth, Eric's widow, from Jersey) died April, 1735; must have been 80 years old or more. (Had a son Peter, 25 or 26 years of age in 1700, who was drowned near Matson, and buried in Mr. Rudman's time.)

Gertru Stille, widow of Johan, died January, 1744, 79 or 80 years of age. Morten Garret (Sculkil) died January, 1751, aged 75 years. Peter Cock (Passajung) died January, 1751, aged 63 years. Hance Lycon (Pennipack) died September, 1751, above 83 years old. James Lacony (Senamensing) died May, 1752, aged 73 years. Andrew Giurgen (Kalkonhuk) died January, 1753, aged 65 years. John-Rambo (Kensington) died July, 1753, aged 60 years. Susana Keen (Pennipack) died November, 1753, aged 65 years. [Evidently taken like the rest of these statements from the record of burials : to be corrected, from the Rev. Andrew Rudman's List of the Congregation in

1697-8, to 59 years.] Andrew Rambo (Passajung) died November, 1753, aged 64 years. Brigitta Gerts (Skulkil) died December, 1753, aged 75 years. Andrew Rambo (Pennypack) died February, 1755, aged 64 years. Margaret Morton (Amasland) died February, 1755, aged 76 years. Alumkie Scute (probably Armgot, widow of old Scute, from Sculkil) died March, 1755, aged 91 years.

Hans Gales (Amasland) died March, 1751, aged 59 years. Gustavus Hesselius died May, 1755. aged 73 years. Andrew Rambo (Mazong) died July, 1755, aged 71 years. Mary Hughs died March, 1757, aged 74 years. Andrew Justis died June, 1756, aged 66 years.

Elizabeth Hill (wife of Edward Hill) died January, 1758, aged 82 years. Cathrine Rambo (widow of Andrew, from Pennypack) died February, 1758, aged 70 years.

Elizabeth Longaker (widow of Andrew, of Kalk-huk), died February, 1758, aged 78 years.

John Keen (Pennypack) died February, 1758, aged 63 years. Sven Jokum died August, 1758, aged (if he be the one mentioned by Mr. Rudman) 73 years.

Stephen Evans died October, 1758, aged 67 years. Anders Haman, born in Sweden, December, 1626, buried at Chester (Up-

land) September, 1700, about 74 years of age.

