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It is a little confusing to connect up the genealogical lines from the time the Palatinate came to America to the time of the American Revolution as the records are incomplete, and during that period the families and different branches thereof moved to other localities and settled and it is necessary to study the church records of their different localities in order to do so and again the different branches of families used the same names for their children and at times we may find several Georges or other given names attached to one surname and perhaps all of about the same age and in the same locality, as the sons and daughters were generally sponsored by the grandparents or a brother or sister and sometimes by a neighbor or friends and given the name of the sponsor and in that way the name is spread throughout the family.

It is to be assumed that the children who came to America with Christian Hauss soon became of marriageable age which was very young at that period and made homes for themselves. Christian Hauss and some of these children soon reached the Mohawk valley and others settled elsewhere and before following him up the Mohawk we will list some records as found along the Hudson river and in Schoharie county.

Early Hudson river church records: Parents, Reinhard House and Anna Elizabeth; son John Heinrich born Nov. 5, 1715 at Yonkers, baptized on Pentacostal Sunday 1716 at New York city; sponsors, John Marcells Koning, John Heinrich Gussinger and wife Anna Elizabeth.

Parents Reinhard Hauss and wife Anna Elizabeth; child Christian born Aug. 2, 1722 at Tapan. baptized Aug. 1722 at Tackensack; sponsors Ph

the Hudson valley records is also the following:

Married July 11, 1736 Johann Herrich Haus an unmarried young man born at Phillipsburg, son of Rheinhard Haus and wife Anna Elizabeth to Anna Catherine Jonger (Young) an unmarried young girl born in Dutchess county, a daughter of John Eberhard Jong and wife Gertruda both living in Dutchess county.

Schoharie Lutheran Church:

Parents Conrad Rickart and Elizabeth Hous; child, Johannes baptized May 19, 1728; sponsors Johannes Schaffer and Anna Maria. This Elizabeth was a daughter of Christian.

Parents, Conrad Rickart and Elizabeth Hous; children Johan George and Conrad, twins, born July 7, 1729; sponsors George Zimer, Johannes Layer (Lawyer), Maria Eliza Zimer and Elizabeth Layer.

Also the following: Elizabeth Schaffer died March 28, 1749 aged 85 years, census of Palatinate on the Hudson river 1713-1714; Elizabeth Schaffer, widow with three children lived at Queensburg.

Parents Conrad Rickert and wife Elizabeth Haus; child, Christyan born April 25, 1736; sponsors Norman Haus and Barbara Warner.

Schoharie Reformed church:

Parents Conrad Rickert and Elizabeth Haus; child Anna Eva born Sept. 15, 1731, baptized in Schoharie Lutheran church Oct. 5, 1732; sponsors, William Fox and wife.

Parents Conrad Rickert and Elizabeth Haus; child, Elizabeth, born March 19, 1733; sponsors, Johannes Layer and Elizabeth Schaffer.

Parents George Hauss and wife Maria Catherina; child, Maria Elizabeth, baptized Oct. 30, 1734; sponsors, Maria Elizabeth and Herman Haus.

Parents Jurrian Haus and wife Catherine Earhart; child, Maria Dorothea, baptized Jan. 7, 1736; sponsors Hendrick Kneeskern and Maria Dorothea Warner.

Parents, Jurrian Haus and Catherine Earhart; child, Johan George, baptized Nov. 8, 1737; sponsors John Jurria Ecker and Elizabeth Margaret Warner.

The names Jurrian and Jurria are George. We find no House record at Schoharie after 1737.

The Stone Arabia Reformed church:

Married Jan. 20, 1761 George House, George House's single son to Maria James Gamals single daughter.

Our line of the House family as we believe prior to the American Revolution although we are lacking in some church records is as follows:

Christian (1) and first wife, name unknown.

George (2) and Maria Catherine Ecker.

Conrad (3) and Engelga.

Johnathan (4) and Lena Van Slyke.

We believe from our studies that the above George and Conrad both took part in the Revolutionary war. Conrad and his wife Engelga was the parents of a large family and at the time of his death was living near Schuyler Lake. He had several sons and many took part in the war. Three are prominently mentioned as living on the south side of the Mohawk river in the town of Canajoharie and vicinity after the war, namely Johnathan, Nicholas and

George. Johnathan lived at Indian Castle during the war. Besides the three mentioned above there was one brother Harmanas who was a Tory. We have good reason to believe that Capt. Christian House was also a brother of those mentioned above.

Johnathan, Nicholas and George were all members of Capt. Jost Dygert's company in Col. Clyde's regiment of 1st Canajoharie Militia. Whether all were present at the Battle of Oriskany we do not know, but we do know that Johnathan was present at that battle and assisted in placing General Herkimer on the saddle under the beech tree after the General was mortally wounded, and from which position he directed the battle. We have affidavit that he made that claim. It has always been tradition in our family and our genealogist says there is no doubt of the truth of his claim as history shows that John House was a private in the company of Jost Dygert who was in command of General Nicholas Herkimer's front guard in the battle of Oriskany and would have been in a position to be near the General when he fell. The military service of John House has been accepted by the Daughters of the American Revolution and he believes that all members of Capt. Jost Dygert's company are entitled to have their names placed upon the Oriskany monument.

History also shows that Johnathan, Nicholas and George were all at some period made prisoners of war.

In Governor Clinton's papers reference is made to the capture of John House by Brandt and his subsequent release and the service he did the colonies at that time. This will be taken up in a later writing. The House family was very large and that it was very patriotic is shown by the fact that in the Revolutionary records we find the name mentioned over sixty times. Of course there were not that many who took part, as many re-enlisted several times as emergency presented itself and their service was needed. Further service of the House family will follow.

(To be continued)