

## 1194/2234. LOUIS DU BOIS

Born 21 Oct 1626 Wicres, Artois Province, Spanish Netherlands

Died 1696 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Married 1195/2235. Catherine Blanck 10 Oct 1655 Mannheim, Germany

Born before 1640

Died probably c1706 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

## Children:

Abraham Du Bois

b. 1657 Mannheim, Germany

d. 07 Oct 1731 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York

m. Margaret Deyo 06 Mar 1681

Isaac Du Bois

b. c1659 Mannheim, Germany

d. 28 Jun 1690 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York

m. Maria Hasbrouck Jun 1683 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Jacob Du Bois

bapt. 09 Oct 1661 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. 1745 Hurley, Ulster County, New York

m. (1) Lysbeth Vernoy 08 Mar 1689 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

(2) Gerritje Gerritsen van Nieu Kirk before 09 Jun 1695

## 597/1117. Sarah Du Bois

bapt. 14 Sep 1664 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. 1726 Salem, Salem County, New Jersey

m. 596/1116. Joost Jans van Meteren 12 Dec 1682 Kingston, Ulster  
County, New York

David Du Bois

bapt. 13 Mar 1667 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. after 1728

m. Cornelia Vernoy 08 Mar 1689 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Solomon Du Bois

b. 1670 Hurley, Ulster County, New York

d. before 15 Feb 1759 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York

m. Tryntje Gerritsen Foecken before 27 Sep 1691

Rebecca Du Bois

bapt. 18 Jun 1671 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. young

m.

Rachel Du Bois

bapt. Apr 1675 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. young

m.

Louis Du Bois Jr

b. 1677 Hurley, Ulster County, New York

d. after 1729

- m. Rachel Hasbrouck 19 Jan 1701 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
Matthew Du Bois
- b. 03 Jan 1679 Hurley, Ulster County, New York
- d. after 1731
- m. Sarah Matthysen 17 Jan 1697 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Louis Du Bois, a leader of the French Huguenot settlers at New Paltz, New York, was a son of Chretien Du Bois, a Huguenot of Wicres, near Lille, in Artois Province which now is French Flanders. Catherine Blanchan was a daughter of Matthieu Blanchan and Madeleine Joris who came to America on the Gilded Otter, which arrived in New Netherland in June 1660 from England. Louis and Catherine were married in Mannheim, Germany, on 10 October 1655 and, apparently, came to New Netherland on the ship St. Jan Baptist (St. Jean Baptiste) from England, which landed on 06 August 1661. Their sons Abraham and Isaac were aged 4 and 2, respectively, when they arrived. Louis settled his family at Hurley in Ulster County, New York, and they were there in 1670 when son Solomon was born. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ, NEW YORK, AND ITS OLD FAMILIES, Ralph Le Fevre, Albany, 1909, reprinted Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, 1973; BAPTISMAL AND MARRIAGE REGISTERS OF THE OLD DUTCH CHURCH OF KINGSTON, ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK, 1660-1809, Roswell Randall Hoes, De Vinne Press, New York, 1891, reprinted Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, 1980; WHO WAS WHO IN HARDIN COUNTY, Hardin County Historical Society, Elizabethtown, 1941, photocopy; THE VIRGINIA GERMANS, Klaus Wust, The University Press of Virginia, Charlottesville, 1969; IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS, Frederick Adams Virkus, extracted from Volume VII, THE COMPENDIUM OF AMERICAN GENEALOGY, Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, 1980; SHIPS PASSENGER LISTS NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY 1600-1825, Carl Boyer III, Newhall, CA, 1978; data of Alice Lewis Gunter, Independence, MO, Betty Meredith Peger, Brownsville, KY, and Barry W. Downs, Leitchfield, KY, 1984.)

Louis Du Bois was called Louis the Walloon because he came from the part of Flanders lying between the Scheldt and Lys whose residents were known as Walloons. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) The Walloons are a French-speaking people of Celtic descent inhabiting southern and southeastern Belgium and adjacent regions of France. The term Walloon comes from the Medieval Latin word Wallo for foreigner or Welshman. (THE AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY, Houghton Mifflin Company, New York, 1969.)

Lille was in the County of Flanders in the Spanish Netherlands when Louis was born. This area was later conquered by France. (HISTORICAL ATLAS OF THE WORLD, Barnes and Noble Books, New York, 1977.)

Louis Du Bois moved from Wicres to Mannheim on the Rhine River, which was the capitol of the Palatinate, or Paltz, a small principality of the Holy Roman Empire in 1648, which was later incorporated into Baden. At this time Mannheim was a refuge for the Huguenots seeking to escape persecution in nearby France. Despite the religious freedom granted by the Edict of Nantes in 1598, these French Protestants were in constant conflict with the Catholic majority. In Mannheim, Louis Du Bois met and married Catherine Blanchan, daughter of Matthieu Blanchan, who moved there from Neuville in Artois where he had been born. Louis and Catherine had at least two sons, Abraham and Isaac, born to them in Mannheim before they emigrated to America. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Louis and Catherine Blanchan Du Bois were residing in Hurley, New York, by 1661 when their son Jacob was presented at the Dutch Protestant Church in Kingston for baptism. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Louis Du Bois was a member of the first Court of Sessions and led an expedition against the Indians in 1663. (IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS.)

Catherine Blanchan, wife of Louis Du Bois, and her first three children, her sister Marie, wife of Antoine Crespel, and her child, and two of their younger siblings were among the group of women and children taken captive by Indians who attacked and burned Hurley and part of Kingston on 10 June 1663. (HISTORY OF NEW

PALTZ.) Also among the prisoners taken by the marauders were Macyken Hendricksen, wife of Jan Joosten van Meteren, and two of her children, one reputedly being Joost Jans van Meteren who later married Sarah Du Bois. (THE VAN METERENS OF HOLLAND AND AMERICA, Amelia Clay Lewis Van Meter Rogers, REGISTER OF THE KENTUCKY STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Frankfort, Volume 34, Number 106, January 1936, pages 22-41.) On 05 September 1663 an expedition led by Captain Kregier from New York, including Louis Du Bois and others, surprised the Indians at their fort near the Hogabergh in Shawangunk, and recovered, after almost three months of captivity, the 23 women and children who had been taken from Hurley and Kingston. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

During the rescue operation, Captain Kregier's men killed 22 Indians, including their chief, and captured 13 prisoners. The white casualties were 5 men dead and 6 wounded. According to tradition, Louis Du Bois killed a sleeping Indian sentry near Nescatock before he could sound an alarm. As the rescuers approached the Indian encampment, they surprised a squaw named Basha who was getting water from the spring just north of the fort. She shouted a warning to her people before Louis Du Bois shot her. She fell dead into the spring which thereafter was known by her name. The Indian village was surrounded by palisades "as thick as a man's body and fifteen feet high" but it was not completed. When the alarm was sounded, the prisoners began to run away with some of the Indians. It has been said that, in his excitement, Louis Du Bois yelled at his wife, "Stop, 'Trene, or I'll shoot you!" (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

The Huguenot residents of Kingston and Hurley decided to form a settlement of their own and on 26 May 1677 Louis Du Bois and eleven associates (his sons Abraham Du Bois and Isaac Du Bois, his brother-in-law Antoine Crespel, Christian Deyo and his son Pierre Deyo, the brothers Abraham and Jean Hasbrouck, the brothers Andre and Simon LeFever, Hugo Freer and Louis Bevier) purchased a tract of land from the Esopus Indians, "comprising the Paltz patent, occupying all the present town of Lloyd, about two-thirds of New Paltz, one-third of Esopus and one-fourth of Rosendale." The purchase was confirmed in a patent from Governor Edmund Andros on 29 September 1677 with the four corners of the grant being "Moggonck - now Mohonk, Juffrou's Hook, the point in the Hudson where the town line between Lloyd and Marlborough strikes the river, Rapoos - Pell's Island, and Tower a Toque, a point of white rocks in the Shawangunks near Rosendale Plains." The ancient documents, long stored in a trunk in the Huguenot Bank at New Paltz, were translated from the Dutch by the Reverend Ame Vennema: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

By approbation of his Excellency Governor Edmond Andras, dated April 28, 1677, an agreement is made on this date, the 26th of May, of the year 1677, for the purchase of certain lands, between the parties herein named and the undersigned Esopus Indians.

Matsayay, Nekahakaway, Magakahas, Assinnerakan, Wawawanis acknowledge to have sold to Lowies du Booyes and his partners the land described as follows: Beginning from the high hills at a place named Moggonck, from thence south-east toward the river to a point named Juffrous Hooch, lying in the Long Reach, named by the Indians Magaatramis, then north up along the river to the island called by the Indians Raphoes, then west toward the high hills to a place called Waratahaes and Tawaentaqui, along the high hills south-west to Moggonck, being described by the four corners with everything included within these boundaries, hills, dales, waters, etc., and a right of way to the Ronduyt kill as directly as it can be found, and also that the Indians shall have the same right to hunt and to fish as the Christians, for which land the Indians have agreed to accept the articles here specified:

40 kettles, 10 large, 30 small; 40 axes; 40 adzes; 40 shirts; 400 fathoms of white net-work; 300 fathoms of black net-work; 60 pairs of stockings, half small sizes; 100 bars of lead; 1 keg of powder; 100 knives; 4 kegs of wine; 40 oars; 40 pieces of "duffel" (heavy woolen cloth); 60 blankets; 100 needles; 100 awls; 1 measure of tobacco; 2 horses - 1 stallion, 1 mare:

Parties on both sides acknowledge to be fully satisfied herewith and have affixed their own signatures ad ut supra,

Matsaya X his mark; Waehtonck X his mark; Seneraken X his mark; Magakahoos X his mark; Wawateanis X his mark; Lowies Du Booyes; Christian de Yoo X his mark; Abraham Haesbroecq; Andrie Lefeber; Jan Broecq; Piere Doyo; Anthony Crespel; Abraham Du Booyes; Hugo Freer; Isaack D. Boojs; Symon Lefeber.

Witnesses: Jan Eltinge; Jacomeyntje Sleght; Jan Mattyse. Agrees with the original. W. La: Montague, Secry.

I do allow of the within Bargaine and shall Grant patents for y (sic) Same when payments made accordingly before mee or Magistrates of Esopus.

Andross.

We the undersigned persons, former owners of the land sold to Lowies Du Booyes and his partners acknowledge to have been fully satisfied by them according to agreement we therefore transfer the designated land with a free right of way for them and their heirs, and relinquishing ferever (sic) our right and title, will protect them against further claims, in token whereof we have affixed our signatures in the presence of the Justice, Sheriff, Magistrates and Bystanders, on the 15 September 1677, at Hurley, Esopus Sackmakers,

Witnesses: Sewakuny X his mark; Hamerwack X his mark; Manvest X her mark; Mahente; Papoehkies X his mark; Pochquet X his mark; Haroman X his mark; Pagotamin X his mark; Haromini X his mark; Wingatiek X his mark; Wissinahkan X his mark; Mattawessick X his mark; Matsayay X his mark; Asserwvaka X his mark; Umtronok X his mark; Wawanies X sister in his absence called Waramenhtow; Magakhoos X her mark; Wawejask X his mark; Nawah X his mark; Tomaehkapray X his mark; Sagarowanto X his mark; Sawanawams X his mark; Machkamoeke X his mark.

Witnesses: Jan Eltinge; Roelof Henderyckx; John Ward; Gars X Harris; Albert Jansen.

Testis: Thomas Chambers; Hall Sherrife; Wessel Ten Broeck; Dirck Schepmoes; Hendrik Jochensen; Joost de Yadus; Garit X Cornelise; Lambert X Huybertse.

Mattay has publicly proclaimed and acknowledged in the presence of all the Indian bystanders that the land had been fully paid for in which all concurred.

Testis:

W: Montague, Secr.

Governor Edmund Andros confirmed the Huguenot land acquisition from the Indians with an English patent:

Edmund Andros, Esqr. Seigneur of Sansmarez, Lieut. t (sic) Governor Generall under his Royall Highness: James Duke of Yorke & Albany &c. of all his Territoryes in America. Whereas there is a certain piece of Land att Esopus, the which by my approbacon and Consent, hath been purchased of the Indian Proprietors, by Lewis DuBois and Partners; The said Land lyeing on the South side of the Redoute Creek or Kill, beginning from the High Hills called Moggonck, from thence stretching South East neare the Great River, to a certain Point or Hooke, called the Jeuffrous Hoocke, lyeing in the long Reach named by the Indyans Magaatramis, then North up alengst (sic) the River to an Island in a Crooked Elbow in the Beginning of the Long Reach called by the Indyans Raphoos, then West, on to the High Hills, to a place called Waratahaes and Tawaratague, and so alongst the said High Hills South West to Moggonck aforesaid; All which hath by the Magistrates of Esopus been certified unto mee, to have publiquely bought and paid for in their presence; As by the returne from theme doth and may appeare: Know yee that by vertue of his Ma,ties Letters Patents, and the Commission and authority unto mee given by his Royall Highness, I have given, Ratified, confirmed and granted, and by these presents doe hereby give, ratify, confirme & grant unto the said Lewis DuBois and Partners, Thatt is to say, Christian Doyo, Abraham Haesbroecq, Andries Lefevre, Jean Broecq, Pierre Doyo, Laurens Biverie, Anthony Crespell, Abraham DuBois, Hugo Frere, Isaack DuBois, and Symeon LeFevre, their heyres and Assignes, the afore recited piece of Land and premises; Together with all the Lands, Soyles, Woods, Hills, Dales, meadowes,

pastures, Marshes, Lakes, waters, Rivers, fishing, Hawking, Hunting and fowling and all other Profitts, Commodities, and Emoluments whatsoever to the said piece of land and premises belonging, with their & every of their appurtenances, & of every part and parcell thereof; To have and to hold said piece of Land and Premises, with all and Singular the appurtenances unto the said Lewis DuBois and partners their heyres and Assignes, to the proper use and behoofe of him the said Lewis DuBois and partners their heyres and Assignes for ever. And that the plantacons which shall bee settled upon the said piece of land bee a Township, and that the Inhabitants to have liberty to make a High Way between them and the Redout Creeke or Kill for their Convenience. Hee, the said Lewis DuBois and partners their heyres and Assigns, Returning due Surveys & making improvem't thereon according to Law; And Yielding and paying therefore yearely and every yeare unto his Royall Highnesse use as an acknowledgement or Quitt Rent att the Redout in Esopus five bushells of good Winter Wheat unto such Officer or Officers as shall be empowered to receive the same:

Given under my hand and Sealed with y (sic) Seale of the Province in New Yorke this 29th day of September in the 29th yeare of his Ma'ties Reigne, Anno Domini 1677.

Andross Examined by mee

Matthias: Nicolls, Secr.

Two months later, Governor Andros issued a final order pertaining to the Huguenot patent:

Upon request of Louis DuBois and partners at Esopus, that they may have Liberty to goe and settle upon the land by them purchased on the South side of the Redout Creek, at their first convenience, these are to certify that they have Liberty so to do, Provided they build a Redoute there first for a place of Retreat and Safeguard upon Occasion:

Action in New York, November, 1677.

E. Andros.

Louis Du Bois has been credited with selecting the site of the New Paltz settlement on the lowlands along the Wallkill, which he first saw when he was on the expedition to rescue his wife and the others from the Indians in 1663. Louis obtained an individual grant on 02 June 1688 from Governor Dongan for land lying on both sides, but mostly on the west side, of the Wallkill, in the locality called Poughwoughtenonk by the Indians, which adjoined the Paltz patent on the south and extended to a 5000-acre tract at Guilford granted to James Graham and John Delavall in 1685. Across the Wallkill at the mouth of the Plattekill was the last Indian village in the area. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

In 1676 Louis Du Bois, Antoine Crespel, Matthieu Blanchan and about sixty other residents of Hurley and Wiltwyck, of whom only Louis moved to New Paltz, petitioned Governor Andros for a minister to be assigned to Esopus who could preach in both Dutch and English, recommending the Reverend Peter Teschenmaker for the post. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Louis Du Bois and his partners in the New Paltz patent were residents of Hurley when they got the patent and moved to their new settlement about 1677. In 1683 they formally organized a French church there which was not known as the Huguenot church but as the Walloon church. The first record book was maintained by Louis Du Bois in his handwriting in French. The first entry dated 22 January 1683 recorded that the first services were conducted by the Reverend Pierre Dailie and that at his suggestion the congregation elected an elder and a deacon. Louis Du Bois was chosen to be the elder: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Le 22 de Janv. (Janvier), 1683, monsieur pierre daillie, minister de la parole de dieu, est arive (arrive) au nouveau palatinat, . et presca (precha) duex fois le dimance (Dimanche) suivant, et proposa au ceef (chefs) des famille de coisir (Choisir) a plus de vois (voix), par les peres de famille, un ancien et un diake (diacre), ce qu il firt (qu'ils firent), et coisir

(choisirent) Louys du bois pour ancien et hughe frere pour diake ...

January 22, 1683. Mr. Pierre Daillie, minister of the Word of God, arrived at New Paltz, and preached twice the Sunday following, and proposed to the heads of the families to choose by a majority of the votes of the fathers of the families an Elder and a Deacon, which they did, and chose Louis Du Bois for Elder and Hugh Frere for Deacon ...

The French records of the New Paltz church contain the baptisms of three children to whom Louis Du Bois and Catherine Blancon were godparents: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

April 28, 1684. Baptized a child of Isaac DuBois and Marie Hasbrouck, named Daniel. Godfather, Louis DuBois, and Catharine Blancon, Godmother.

September 23, 1684. Baptized a child of Abraham Ruton (Rutemps) and Marie Petilon, named Daniel. Godfather, Louys DuBois, Catherine Blancon (Blanjean), Godmother.

April 17, 1685. Baptised a child of Abraham DuBois and Margaret Doioie, named Abraham. Louis DuBois, Godfather, and Catherine Blancon, Godmother.

The last entry in the register by Louis Du Bois was dated March 1686. That year he moved from New Paltz to Kingston where he bought a house on the northwest corner of John Street and Clinton Avenue where he lived for ten years until his death in 1696. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Among the papers in the patentees' trunk, which was opened for examination of its contents at the Huguenot Bank in New Paltz in 1850, were three receipts in the handwriting and containing the signature of Louis Du Bois who was a money lender as well as an extensive land owner. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

On 13 October 1670 Louis Du Bois and his wife Catherine Blancon made a joint will providing that their minor children be educated until they could earn a living. After the death of one testator, if the surviving testator should remarry, then one-half of the estate would go to the children and upon the death of the other testator one-fourth of the remaining half would go to the children. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Before he moved from New Paltz to Kingston in 1686, Louis Du Bois made another will: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

In the name of God, Amen, the one and thirtieth day of March, Anno Domini, 1686, I, Louis Du bois, of the New Paltz in the County of Ulster, being both sound in body and of good and perfect memory, thanks be to the Almighty, and calling to remembrance the uncertain Estate of this transitory life, and that all flesh must yield unto death whom it shall please God to call; doe make, constitute, ordain and declare this my last will and testament, in manner following: Revoking and annulling, by these presents, all and every testament and testaments, will and wills, hertofore by me made and declared either by word or writing, and this to be my last will and testament. Imprimis: I will that all my just debts shall be paid within a convenient time after my decease, and what there shall be found afterwards belonging to my Estate, shall be equally dealt among my children! but my two oldest sons desiring to have each of them a part of the land of the New Paltz, more that the other sons by reason their names are upon the Patent, but they will be content to deale equally with my other children, whether in land, houses, or any other sort of goods whatsoever belonging to my said Estate, as well as the lands of the Paltz that I have bought for me and after my death and their mother's decease, shall be dealt equally amongst them, (to wit,) Three parts lying and being situated in the New Paltz, but if they (to wit) my two eldest sons will each of them have a part of the land lying in the New Paltz, they may have it after myn

and their mother's death, with condition they shall pay for the said land with all the interest of the same, unto the other of my children, and shall not inherit any of the other land, houses, or any other sort of goods belonging to my said Estate, but them that have house lots and have built thereon, shall keep the same upon condition that the other of my children shall have so much land instead thereof, in such convenient places as may be found most expedient for them in any place belonging to my said Estate. Myn wife, their mother, shall have the ordering of the Estate, that is to say, to have the profits and perquisites of the same, so long as she remaineth the widow, but in case she cometh to remarry, that she shall have the one right half of the whole Estate, either lands, houses, or any other goods or chattels, whatsoever belong to my said Estate, and the other half shall be amongst the children aforesaid, equally dealt, except my two eldest sons, which, if they will have the Lotts above mentioned, must pay for the same with the interest of the said land, and shall have no other part in my said Estate, that is my last will and testament and no other, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Louis Du Bois.

Signed and sealed in presence of  
Arent Tennisson,  
Dirck Schepmoes.

Entered upon record 19th May, 1686.

Examined per John Ward,  
D'p't Cl'k."

Two wills of Louis Du Bois are filed in the office of the clerk of the court of appeals in Albany but his third and last will is recorded in the office of the Surrogate of the County of New York. In his last will Louis Du Bois left his entire estate to his wife with the unusually generous stipulation that if she married again she was to retain one-half of it. As a widow, she was considered a wealthy woman. Perhaps much of her wealth came to her and her husband from her father Matthieu Blanchan who was described as a very rich man. Written in Dutch and dated 26 March 1694 with a codicil added 22 February 1695/6, the last will of Louis Du Bois was proved on 13 July 1697: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Be it hereby known that on this seven and twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and ninety-four Lowis duboys of Kingston, in the County of Ulster, being sound in body going and standing and in possession of his intelligence, reason and memory and having the full use thereof and considering the brevity and frailty of man's life, the certainty of death and the uncertain hour thereof; and being desirous to put all things in order, makes this his last will and testament in manner and form herein described revoking and hereby absolutely annulling every present will and testament and the wills made and declared heretofore, whether spoken or written, notwithstanding any promise or clause to the contrary and that this shall be received as my last will and testament and none other.

First I commend my soul to Almighty God my Creator and to Jesus Christ my Redeemer and to the Holy Spirit my sanctifier and my body to the earth whence it came to be buried after the Christian manner and at the last day to enjoy the sole bliss of immortality, which God in grace has promised and prepared only through the merits of Jesus Christ for all those who truly unfeignedly repent and believe in Him. And concerning such temporal estate of land, houses, goods and debts as it has pleased the Lord far beyond my deserts to grant me I ordain and dispose of the same in the form herein described.

Imprimis (firstly) it is my will and desire that all my valid debts shall at the proper time be paid.

Secondly, I give to my wife Catrina deboys all my Estate of lands, houses, goods, debts, money, gold, silver, coined or not coined, or what further to my Estate belongs, to be used by her during her life and after my aforesaid wife's decease the aforesaid Estate shall then be available for the benefit of my Heirs hereinafter

described, with this understanding nevertheless, that in case the aforesaid wife should marry again she would then be obliged to turn over half of the entire Estate to my heirs herein named.

Thirdly, I give to my eldest son Abram Duboys Six pounds in money as the right of seniority by birth without pretending beyond this on that ground. Fourthly, I give to my aforesaid son Abram DuBois or Heirs the lawful Eighth part of my entire Estate as being then, when a separation or division of the same should be made according to my order described above. Fifthly, I give to my son Jacob the lawful Eighth part of my entire estate, as afore conditioned. Sixthly, I give to my son David or his heirs the lawful Eighth part of my entire estate, as above. Seventhly, I give to my son Solomon the lawful Eighth part of my entire estate, as before. Eighthly, I give to my son Lowies the lawful eighth part of my entire estate, as before. Ninthly, I give to my son Matthew the lawful Eighth part of my entire estate, as before. Tenthly, I give to the children that are left of the late Isaac duboys the lawful eighth part of my entire estate with this condition that in case the aforesaid children should come to die during their minority then said part shall be equally divided among my other heirs designated without any one else having any pretension on the same. Eleventhly, I give to the children of my daughter Sarah, having married Joost Janse, whether present or future, the lawful eighth part of my whole estate with this stipulation that my aforesaid daughter Sarah shall have and enjoy the usufruct or temporary enjoyment and profit thereof during her lifetime. Twelfthly, I appoint as Executrix of this my last will and testament my aforesaid wife Catrina duboyes ordaining and desiring that all that has been mentioned be deemed valid and held in value and caused to be so held. In attestation of the truth I have signed this at my home and sealed in the presence of witnesses in Kingston on the day and year as aforesaid.

Louys Dubois

Signed and sealed in presence of John Ward Steven, Walloon, W. DeMeyer.

#### Codicil

Be it hereby known to every one, that I undersigned Louis duboys of Kingston in the County of Ulster, being sick but in the full possession of my faculties and mind, praised be the Lord, on the 27th day of March, 1694, in the presence of Jan Ward Steven, Walloon, and Wm. de Meyer as witnesses of the same made what shall appear to be my last Will and Testament, I hereby approving and confirming the same and desire that the same shall in all respects be followed up, with this change however as is here according to my desire expressed and described, to wit: Firstly, it is my will and desire, that my son Jacob Duboys shall have in right and in true possession the lawful half of my Farm that lies on the Hurley Piece between the land of Hyman and Jan Rosa and the land of Lammert Huyberse leaving him to dispose of the same according to his pleasure with this stipulation that my aforesaid son Jacob duboys shall be in duty bound to pay for the aforesaid land the quantity of one thousand and five hundred bushels of wheat. So also shall the aforesaid Jacob duboys use the other half of aforesaid land, hired, until my youngest son Matthew duBois shall have attained his majority and for the use of the same to pay sixty bushels of wheat per annum and I hereby declare that on this day I have transferred to my youngest son Matthew DuBois a house and ground in Kingston, a parcel of pastureground and the lawful half of my land that lies on the Hurley Piece according to the tenure of the aforesaid transfer and that my aforesaid son Matthew DuBois shall have to furnish and pay the quantity or amount of fifteen hundred bushels of wheat notwithstanding the aforesaid transfer mentions how that payment thereof shall be made. In the third place, It is my will and desire that the land bought by my son David of Jan Wood shall be paid out of my Estate whereas I have so promised my son David. 4th, It is my will and desire, That my sons Solomon and Loues Deboys shall have for themselves, in true and rightful ownership and to their order or for their heirs my land that lies in the vicinity of the Paltz, to wit the ground obtained of Coll Thomas Dongan the 2nd day of June 1688 and to pay for the same the quantity of eight hundred bushels of wheat. 5, It is also my will and desire that my daughter Sarah, wife of Joost Janse, shall have in true and rightful ownership for herself and to her order or for her heirs a piece of land in the jurisdiction of Hurley adjoining the ground of Cornelis Cool and for the same to pay the quantity of seven hundred bushels of wheat, to understand that the woodland adjoining the aforesaid land is included with the same. Sixth, I declare that all has herein been specified agreeing with several papers written by my own hand and signed in presence of witnesses, desiring that the whole shall be



perfectly followed up and carried out, only that in place of a thousand bushels of wheat touching Solomon and Lowies, this now shall be put at but eight hundred bushels, having thus done at Kingston at my house the 22nd of February 1695/6.

Louis due Bois.

Signed, sealed and declared by Lowies duboys to Be His Last Will and Testament in presence of William de Meyer, Jacob Rutsen, Jan Burhans, Mattij Slecht.

The conveyance from Louis Du Bois to his youngest son Mathew Du Bois was also signed by his wife Catherine: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

To all Christian people To whom this Shall or May Come Lowies dubois of Kingston in ye County of ulster and Catharina his wife Sendeth greeting.

Whereas the said Lowies duboys and Catharine his Wife for Divers good Causes and Considerations them thereunto moving but more & Especially for and Inconsideration of a Certaine Summe or quantity of One thousand and five hundred Schuypples of Wheat to them in hand payd before the Ensealing and Delivery of these presents by Matthw duboys Jongest Sunn of them the said Lowies duboys & Catharina his Wife have Bargained, Sold, alienated, enfeofed, assigned and Settover, and by these presents doe Bargain, Sell, alienate Enfoefe assign and Settover unto the Said Matthew Duboys the Right halfe of ye Certaine tract or parcell of Land Situate, Lying & being uppon hooly peece betwixt the Land of Hyman & Jan Roos and the Land of Lammert huylands and now in the possession of Jacob duboys. Likewise a house, barne & lot of ground in ye towne of Kingstowne betwixt the housing & ground of Coll. Henricus Beekman & Saloman Duboys. Likewise a small piece of pasture Land to ye east side of the towne of Kingstowne afous'd betwixt ye ground of sd Henricus Beekman and Wessel Ten Broeck; To have and to hold the said tract or Parcel of Land, house and lot of ground and pasture Land unto the Said Matthew Duboys his heirs and assigns and to the Only proper use benefit and behoofs of him the Said Matthew Duboys his heirs and assigns for ever, and the Said Matthew Duboys to Enter in peaceable possession of ye Said Land When hee shall Come to ye age of one & twenty years, and the house, pasture Land, &c ., O - after the Decease of them the Said Lowies Duboys and Catharina his Wife have hereunto Sett their hands and Affixed their seals.

In Kingstowne this 22nd day of February, 1695-6.

Lowies du boys, (seal)  
Catharina duboys. (seal)

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

Jan Burhans,  
Marttys Slecht,  
W. D. Myer.

In the presence of Me

Jacob Rutsen.

After the death of Louis Du Bois in 1696, Catherine Blanchan married Jean Cottin, a French Huguenot schoolmaster at New Paltz during the period 1689-1699 who moved to Kingston and became a merchant. Her second marriage occurred when she was about 63 years old, probably not too long before 22 September 1702 when, as Catherine Cottin, she made a new will, written in French, that provided for: (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

... the freedom heretofore bestowed upon her negro woman Rachel shall remain in force and she shall be given thirty pieces of eight before the testatrix' children divide her property; also that the letters of manumission given to her negro woman Dina shall remain in force.

Catherine Blanchan was still living on 05 September 1703 when her servant Rachel was baptized: (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

After profession of her faith she received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, aged 17 years. Besides the points required of her in the formula of baptism, she also promised the congregation to serve her mistress, Catharin Cottyn, faithfully and diligently until the death of her mistress, and after that to serve her master, Jan Cottyn, and afterwards she shall be at liberty and free.

If not the first, this must be one of the earliest acts of emancipation recorded in this country.

Catherine Blanchan probably died in 1706 when the children of Louis Du Bois executed quit claim deeds to each other for their shares in their father's estate. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

On 01 August 1689 "the resident proprietors of the twelve parts of the village of New Paltz, a dependency of Kingston, county of Ulster, province of New York," which included Louis Du Bois, Abraham Du Bois, Isaac Du Bois, Antoine Crespel, Abraham Hasbrouck, Jean Hasbrouck, Pierre Doyo, Hugo Frere, Louis Bevier and Elizabeth Doyo, gave schoolmaster Jean Cottin a cottage and some land near the place reserved for building a church. The deed restricted Cottin from selling the property to anyone "not of good life and manners." The conveyance, which apparently constituted a contract with Cottin to teach school at the village, also stipulated that the proprietors were "not to keep said Cottin as schoolmaster longer than we think fit and proper." Cottin sold this house and lot to Hugo Freer in 1701, probably at the time he relinquished his teaching post and moved to Kingston where he married Catherine Blanchan, the widow of Louis Du Bois. Jean Cottin died in 1723, leaving much property to the church. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) In describing the location of the cottage, which undoubtedly was to serve as the schoolhouse and home of the teacher, at the end of the street on the left side near the large clearing where they planned to erect a church, this document indicates that the Huguenots of New Paltz were well-organized and business-like with an established plan for their community, including covenants to protect the sale of land to undesirable persons.

## ABRAHAM DU BOIS

Born 1657 Mannheim, Germany  
 Died 07 Oct 1731 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 Married Margaret Deyo 06 Mar 1681

Born  
 Died

## Children:

Sarah Du Bois  
 bapt. 20 Jun 1682 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Roelif Elting 13 Jun 1703 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Abraham Du Bois Jr  
 bapt. 17 Apr 1685 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. 1758 Somerset County, New Jersey  
 m. Maria La Siliere 1717

Rachel Du Bois (twin)  
 bapt. 13 Oct 1689 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Perkiomen Creek, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania  
 m. Isaac Du Bois 06 Apr 1714 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Mary Du Bois (twin)  
 b.  
 d. young  
 m. not married

Leah Du Bois  
 bapt. 16 Oct 1689 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Lancaster County, Pennsylvania  
 m. Philip Fiere 02 Jun 1713 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Catherine Du Bois  
 bapt. 21 May 1693 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Lancaster County, Pennsylvania  
 m. William Daniels 04 Oct 1728 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Noah Du Bois  
 bapt. 18 Feb 1700 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. young  
 m. not married

Joel Du Bois  
 bapt. 20 Jun 1703 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. 1734  
 m.

Margaret Deyo who married Abraham Du Bois was a daughter of Christian Deyo, one of the patentees of New Paltz. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Roelif Elting (Eltinge, Elten) who married Sarah Du Bois was a son of Jan Elting and his wife Jacomyntje Slecht

who were married about 1677. Roelif was baptized on 27 October 1678. His brother Cornelius Elting married Rebecca van Meteren, a daughter of Joost Jans van Meteren and Sarah Du Bois, in 1704. Cornelius was baptized on 29 December 1681. The first child of Roelof Elting and Sara Du Bois to be baptized in Kingston was Johannes in the presence of Cornelis Elting and Rebecca van Maitre on 03 September 1704. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ; OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Isaac Du Bois who married Rachel Du Bois was her first cousin; a son of Solomon Du Bois and Tryntje Gerritsen. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Abraham Du Bois, Jr. and his cousins Barent and Louis Du Bois, sons of Jacob, were members of a large group of residents who moved from New Paltz to Salem County and other areas of New Jersey, where Abraham finally settled at or near Neshanic in Somerset County. Leah Du Bois and Catherine Du Bois went to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Rachel Du Bois settled at Perkiomen Creek in Pennsylvania. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) None of them had children baptized at Kingston, so they must have moved away shortly after marrying. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Abraham, Jr. (1685-1758) married Marie La Siliere in 1717. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

## ISAAC DU BOIS

Born c1659 Mannheim, Germany  
 Died 28 Jun 1690 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 Married Maria Hasbrouck Jun 1683 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Born Mutterstadt, Germany  
 Died

## Children:

Daniel Du Bois  
 bapt. 28 Apr 1684 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. 1755 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 m. Maritje (Maria) LeFevre 08 Jun 1713 New Paltz, Ulster County,

New York

Benjamin Du Bois  
 bapt. 16 Apr 1689 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. young  
 m. not married

Philip Du Bois  
 bapt. 14 May 1690 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Mombaccus, Ulster County, New York  
 m. Esther Guimar 20 Jun 1717 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Mary Hasbrouck who married Isaac Du Bois was a daughter of Jean Hasbrouck, one of the New Paltz patentees, and Anna Deyo. She was born at "Moudestad, in the 'Paltz in Duytslants' (German Palatinate)," which is "the present Mutterstadt, a town of Rhenish Bavaria, in the Palatinate, 6 miles S.W. of Mannheim." Originally from the vicinity of Calais, the Hasbroucks emigrated from the Palatinate to New York on 17 May 1672. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH; HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Mary LeFevre who married Daniel Du Bois was a daughter of Simon LeFevre, another of the New Paltz patentees. Among the ancient papers in the patentees' trunk was a release, dated 1713, from Andre, Isaac and Jean LeFevre, sons of Simon LeFevre the patentee, to their sister Mary, wife of Daniel Du Bois, for their share in certain lots of land lying in and near New Paltz; a quit claim, dated 1718, from Mary, widow of Isaac Du Bois, to their son Daniel for her interest in the real estate of her late husband; and the will of Daniel Du Bois, dated 1729. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) The first child of Daniel Du Bois (de Boys) and Marytjen Le Fevre (La Feber) to be baptized in Kingston was Isaak in the presence of Isaak Le Febre (La Feber) and Jacomyntjen Du Bois (de Boys) on 20 December 1713. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Esther Guimar who married Peter Du Bois was a maternal first cousin. Baptised on 16 May 1697 at Kingston, she was a daughter of Peter Guimar (Gumaer, Gemaar), who was born in Moir in Saintonge, and Esther Hasbrouck, sister of Mary Hasbrouck and a native of the German Palatinate, who were married in New Paltz on 18 April 1692. The first child of Peter and Esther to be baptized in Kingston was Maria in the presence of Daniel Du Bois (du Bois) and Marytje LeFevre (le Feber). This daughter apparently died in infancy since another Maria was baptized on 25 December 1723 with the same witnesses. Peter Du Bois moved to Rochester (Mombaccus) in Ulster County and the baptism of a third child Rachel in Rochester on 28 January 1728 was recorded in Kingston. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ; OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

## JACOB DU BOIS

Bapt. 09 Oct 1661 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Died 1745 Hurley, Ulster County, New York  
 Married (1) Lysbeth Vernoy 08 Mar 1689 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Born  
 Died

## Child (1):

Madeleine (Madeleentjen, Magdalena) Du Bois  
 bapt. 25 May 1690 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. (1) Gerrit Roosa 30 Dec 1710  
 (2) Pieter van Ness III 20 Oct 1718 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Married (2) Gerritje Gerritsen van Nieu Kirk before 09 Jun 1695  
 Born  
 Died

## Children (2):

Barent Du Bois  
 b. 03 May 1693 Hurley, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Pittsgrove, Salem County, New Jersey  
 m. Jacomyntje Du Bois 23 Apr 1715 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Louis Du Bois  
 bapt. 09 Jun 1695 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. 1784 Pittsgrove, Salem County, New Jersey  
 m. Margrietjen Jansz 22 May 1720 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Geiltje Du Bois  
 bapt. 13 May 1697 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m.

Gerrit Du Bois  
 bapt. 29 Mar 1700 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. before 13 Feb 1704  
 m. not married

Isaac Du Bois  
 bapt. 01 Feb 1702 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. (1) Neeltje Roosa 05 Aug 1732 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 (2) Jannetje Roosa 05 Oct 1760 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Gerrit Du Bois  
 bapt. 13 Feb 1704 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Margrietjen Elmendorf 18 Jul 1731 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Catherine (Catrina, Catareyntie) Du Bois  
 bapt. 24 Mar 1706 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.  
 m. Petrus Smedes 12 Feb 1725 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Rebecca Du Bois  
 bapt. 31 Oct 1708 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Petrus Bogardus 15 Sep 1726 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Johannes Du Bois  
 bapt. 10 Nov 1710 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Judikje Wynkoop 11 Dec 1736 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Sarah Du Bois  
 bapt. 20 Dec 1713 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Coenraad Elmendorf Jr 21 Jun 1734 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Neeltjen Du Bois  
 bapt. 27 May 1716 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Cornelis Nieuwkerk 09 Sep 1737 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Lysbeth Vernoy, the first wife of Jacob Du Bois, probably was a sister of Cornelia Vernoy who married David Du Bois, since the couples were married on the same day by the same minister. Cornelia was a daughter of Cornelis Cornelisse Vernoy and Annetje Cornelis whose first child to be baptized in Kingston was Seletje on 22 March 1665. Lysbeth probably was born prior to that since Jacob was born in 1661. Gerritje Gerritsen van Nieu Kirk, the second wife of Jacob Du Bois, (SHIPS PASSENGER LISTS NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY) appears to be Gerritje, child of Gerrit Cornelissen and (Wife not named) who was baptized in Kingston on 12 March 1669. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

The published family record of Jacob Du Bois (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ) ignores his first marriage to Elizabeth (Lysbeth) Vernoy and fails to include his last daughter Neeltje, applying her marriage to Cornelius Newkirk to her sister Geiltje: (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

08 March 1689. Jacob du Bois, j.m., born in Kingstouwn, and Lysbeth Varnoye, j.d., born in Kings Touwn. Date of banns not given.

Magdalena, child of Jacob du Bois (wife's name not given), baptized 25 May 1690 in the presence of the father, Annetje Vernoy and Louis Du Bois.

Gieltje, child of Jacob du Boys and Gerritje Gerritsen, baptized 13 May 1697 in the presence of Ari Gerritsen and Lysebet Lammersen.

Neeltjen, child of Jacob de Bois and Gerritjen Gerrits, baptized 27 May 1716 in the presence of Jan Nieuwkerk and Madelena de Bois.

09 September 1736. Cornelis Nieuwkerk, j.m., and Neeltjen du Bois, j.d., both parties born and resid. in Horly (Hurley). Banns registered, 21 Aug."

All of the children of Jacob Du Bois have been credited to Gerritje Gerritsen (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ) but the fact that Annetje Vernoy was a witness or godmother to Magdalena Du Bois indicates that her mother must have been Lysbeth Vernoy. Also, since the father was specified as being present, the mother obviously was not at the baptism which suggests that she was deceased.

The baptismal records of the Old Dutch Church at Kingston do not include Barent Du Bois, whose birth date appears in a family record. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) His mother may have been either of the wives of Jacob Du Bois but, if the foregoing premise is credible, then Barent was a son of Gerritje Gerritsen.

Louis Du Bois is the first child of record in Kingston whose mother was identified at Gerritje Gerritsen: (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Louys, child of Jacob Du Boys and Gerritje Gerrits, was baptized 09 June 1695 in the presence of Louys Du Boys, Jr. and Neeltje Gerrits.

Gerrit Roosa who married Madeleine Du Bois must have been Geurt Rosa, son of Jan Rosa and Hillegond Willemz, who was baptized at Kingston on 07 January 1683 in the presence of Ary Rosa, Mathys ten Eyck and Jannetie Rosa. When Madeleentjen de Boys married Pieter Van Est on 20 October 1718, she was identified as the widow of Geurt Roosa. Geurt Roos and Madeleen de Boys were the parents of Elisabeth who was baptized in Kingston on 03 August 1712 in the presence of Jacob Du Bois (de Bois) and Gerritjen Nieuwkerk. Elizabeth was their only child baptized in Kingston. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) Pieter van Est, who was born in Somerset County, New Jersey, was Pieter van Ness III, son of Pieter van Ness, Jr. and Marguerite Crocheron, who were married in 1684 on Staten Island and moved to New Jersey. Since the Kingston register contains no reference to children of Madeleine Du Bois by Pieter van Est, perhaps they returned to New Jersey after their wedding.

Jacomyntje Du Bois who married Barent Du Bois was a daughter of Solomon Du Bois and Trintje Gerritsen, so they were first cousins. They may have gone to New Jersey shortly after their marriage since the Kingston church register does not include baptisms of any of their children.

A family record of Jacob Du Bois shows that his son Louis was married to (1) Jannetjen van Vliet and (2) Margrietjen Jansz (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ) but Louwies Du Bois who married Jannetjen van "Vlied" on 16 April 1718 appears to be the son of Matthew Du Bois. "Lowies du Bois" and Margrietjen Jansz were married on 21 June 1720. Jacob, child of "Lowies de Bois" and Grietjen Jansz was baptized on 23 April 1721 in the presence of Jacob "de Bois" and Gerritjen Nieuwkerk while "Lowies du Bois" and Jannetjen Van "Vlied" had a son Elias baptized on 08 April 1722 in the presence of Mathys "du" Bois and Zara Matthysz. Margrietjen Jansz was born in Kingston (OLD DUTCH CHURCH) but her parents have not been identified.

Jacob Du Bois of Hurley, his sister Sarah Du Bois, widow of Joost Jans van Meteren, her sons Isaac and Jan Joosten van Meteren (John Van Meter) bought 3000 acres in West Jersey in 1714. Two years later Sarah and her sons sold their shares to Jacob. Barent and Louis Du Bois lived on this land and Louis died there in 1784. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Margrietje Elmendorf who married Gerrit Du Bois was a daughter of Coenraad Elmendorf (Elmendorp) and Ariaantje van den Berg. Margrietje was baptized on 01 January 1701 in Kingston with Gerrit Aartsen and Jenneke "Elmendorp" present. Her relationship with Coenraad Elmendorf, Jr. who married Neeltje Du Bois has not been determined. He may have been the son of Coenraad "Elmendorp" and Blandina Kierstede who was baptized on 10 November 1710 in the presence of Hans Kierstede and Eyke Rosa. The first child of Cornelis Nieuwkerk and Neeltjen Du Bois to be baptized in Kingston was Catrina in the presence of Petrus Smedes and Catrina "du" Bois on 26 February 1738. The first child of Gerrit Du Bois and Grietjen Elmendorf to be baptized in Kingston was Catrina in the presence of Petrus Smedes and Catrina "de" Bois on 14 April 1745. (OLD



## DUTCH CHURCH.)

Neeltje Roosa, the first wife of Isaac Du Bois was Neeltjen, daughter of Aldert Roosa and Aagjen Krom, who was baptized on 05 April 1713 in Kingston with Gysbert Krom, Jr. and Annat Anderiesse present. The first child of Isaac Du Bois and Neeltjen Roosa to be baptized in Kingston was Jacob with Jacob "du" Bois and Gerretjen Nieuwkerk present on 14 January 1733. Their second child to be baptized was Rachel on 02 January 1737 in the presence of Aldert H. Roosa and Agjen Roosa. The last child of Isaac Du Bois and Neeltje Rosa to be baptized was Petrus on 29 July 1753 with Petrus Bogardus and his wife Rebecca "DuBois" present. Jannetje Roosa, the second wife of Isaac Du Bois, was described as a young woman who had not been married before ("j.d.") in their marriage record but the term "young" does not necessarily apply to chronological age. Isaac and Jannetje do not have any children on the baptismal list but they appear together twice as godparents. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) The parents of Jannetje Roosa have not been identified nor have the relationships between her, Neeltjen Roosa and Gerrit Roosa who married Madeleine Du Bois been determined.

Petrus Smedes who married Catherine Du Bois appears to be Petrus, the son of Benjamin Smedes and Helena Louw, who was baptized on 07 December 1701 in the presence of Abraham Smedes and Rachel Smedes. Petrus Smedes and Catrina Du Bois, who were married on 12 February 1725, had a son named Benjamin who was baptized in Kingston on 04 July 1725 in the presence of Benjamin Smedes and "Rebekka du" Bois. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) There may be a transcriptional discrepancy that accounts for the closeness of these dates.

Petrus Bogardus who married Rebecca Du Bois probably was Petrus, the son of Evert Bogardus and Tjaatje Hoffmann (Hofmans), who was baptized on 01 May 1698 in Kingston in the presence of Zacharias Hofman and Antje Hofman. Their first child to be baptized in Kingston was Gerritjen in the presence of Jacob "du" Bois and Gerritjen Nieuwkerk on 18 February 1728. Their next child to be baptized was Tjaatjen with Johannes Wynkoop and Maria Bogardus present on 22 December 1734. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Judikje Wynkoop who married Johannes Du Bois was a daughter of Cornelius Wynkoop. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) Judik, child of Corn. Wynkoop and Hendrikjen Nieuwkerk, was baptized on 31 August 1712 in Kingston in the presence of Johannes Wynkoop and Cornelia ten Broek. The first child of Johannes Du Bois and Judikje Wynkoop to be baptized in Kingston was Catharina in the presence of Cornelis Wynkoop and Henrike Nieuwkerk on 25 September 1737. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Cornelis Nieuwkerk who married Neeltjen Du Bois apparently was Cornelis, child of Gerrit Nieuwkerk and Grietjen ten Eyk who was baptized in Kingston on 01 May 1715 in the presence of Jacob ten Eyk and Jacomyntjen ten Eyk. The first child of Cornelis Nieuwkerk and Neeltjen Du Bois was Catrina, baptized in Kingston on 26 February 1738 in the presence of Petrus Smedes and Catrina Du Bois. Their first son Gerrit was baptized on 23 September 1739 with Willem Burhans and Grietjen ten Eyk present. In subsequent baptisms, Cornelis is identified as junior but that may be to differentiate him from another, apparently older, Cornelis Nieuwkerk who married Diena Hoogteeling on 29 October 1731. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

## DAVID DU BOIS

Bapt. 13 Mar 1667 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Died after 1728 Rochester, Ulster County, New York  
 Married Cornelia Vernoy 08 Mar 1689 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Bapt. 03 Apr 1667 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 Died

## Children:

Catherine (Catrina) Du Bois  
 bapt. 25 May 1690  
 d. before 07 April 1692  
 m. not married

Catherine (Catrina) Du Bois  
 bapt. 07 Apr 1692  
 d.  
 m. Willem Kool before 06 Jan 1712

Hannah Du Bois  
 bapt. 11 Oct 1696 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m.

Anna Du Bois  
 bapt. 28 Mar 1703 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Jacob Vernoy 1728 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Josephat Du Bois  
 bapt. 17 Mar 1706 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Tjaatjen Van Keuren 26 Apr 1730 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Elizabeth Du Bois  
 bapt. 31 Oct 1708 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m.

Cornelia Vernoy who married David Du Bois was a daughter of Cornelis Cornelisse "Vernoey" and Annetje Cornelis who was baptized on 03 April 1667 in Kingston in the presence of Cornelis Barentsen Vandecuyt and Lysbet Arents. She was probably a sister of Lysbeth Vernoy who married Jacob Du Bois since both couples were married on the same day by the same minister. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Catherine Du Bois and Willem Kool were married before 06 January 1712 when their first child was baptized in Kingston. David, child of Willem Kool and Catryntjen "du Boy," was baptized in the presence of Reolof Elten and Sara "du Boy" on 06 January 1712. One of their later children was baptized in Rochester (Mombaccus in Ulster County) and the last ones were baptized in Minisink which was west of Kingston toward the headwaters

of the Delaware River. Willem Kool could have been either Willem, the son of Pieter Kool and Jannetje Dingman who was baptized on 28 April 1693 in the presence of Mathys Slegt and Magdaleen Crupell, or William, son of Leenardt Kool and Marietje Cornelis who was baptized on 03 February 1689 in the presence of Roulof Henderixen and Altje Henderixen. Only Willem who married Catherine Du Bois had children baptized in Kingston. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

The relationship of Jacob Vernoy who married Anna Du Bois with Cornelia and Lysbeth Vernoy who married David and Jacob Du Bois has not been determined but he must have been a nephew. He may have been Jacob, child of Cornelis "Vernooy," Jr. and Sarah ten Broek, who was baptized on 11 September 1709 in the presence of Jacob Vernoy, Jacob ten Broek and Annetje Vernoy. The date of the marriage of Jacob Vernoy and Anna Du Bois in 1728 is missing from the record. They apparently lived in Rochester (Mombaccus), since the baptisms of their first and last child occurred there but were recorded in Kingston. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Tjaatjen Van Kueren who married Josephat Du Bois in 1730 was a native of Kingston. She probably was a sister of Cornelis Van Keuren, who was born in Ulster County, and married Kezia Hoogeteeling, both residents of Kingston, on 29 December 1718 in Kingston and named their first child Tjaatjen, who was baptized on 08 November 1719 in the presence of Mathys Van Keuren and Tyrntjen Slegt. Josephat Du Bois and Tjaatjen Van Keuren had a child Maria baptized on 21 May 1732 in the presence of Tjerk Van Keuren and Maria ten Eyk and another one, Catrina, baptized on 21 January 1739 in the presence of Matheus Van Keuren and Catrina Van Keuren. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

David Du Bois was a lieutenant in Captain Vernoy's Company for Rochester (Mombaccus) and Wawarsing in 1715. He was supervisor for the town of Rochester in 1717-1728. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

## SOLOMON DU BOIS

Born 1670 Hurley, Ulster County, New York  
 Died before 15 Feb 1759 New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 Married Tryntje Gerritsen Foecken before 27 Sep 1691

Born  
 Died

## Children:

Isaac Du Bois  
 bapt. 27 Sep 1691 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Perkiomen Creek, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania  
 m. Rachel Du Bois 06 Apr 1714 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Jacomyntje Du Bois  
 bapt. 05 Nov 1693 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. probably Pittsgrove, Salem County, New Jersey  
 m. Barent Du Bois 23 Apr 1715 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Benjamin Du Bois  
 bapt. 16 May 1697 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. c1767 Catskill, Albany County, New York  
 m. Catryntjen Suyland 30 Mar 1721 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Sarah Du Bois  
 bapt. 11 Feb 1700 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Simon Jacobsz van Wagenen 17 Nov 1720 Kingston, Ulster County,  
 New York

Catherine Du Bois  
 bapt. 18 Oct 1702 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Petrus Matthys Louw 09 Dec 1722 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Cornelis Du Bois  
 b. New Paltz, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m. Anna Margrieta Hoogteeling 07 Apr 1729 Kingston, Ulster County,  
 New York

Magdalena Du Bois  
 bapt. 15 Apr 1705 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d. before 20 Dec 1713  
 m.

Deborah Du Bois  
 b.  
 d.  
 m.

Hendrick (Hendericus) Du Bois

bapt. 31 Dec 1710 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Jannetjen Hoogteeling 06 May 1733 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Magdalena Du Bois

bapt. 20 Dec 1713 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Josiah Elting 14 Jul 1734 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Tryntje Gerritsen who married Solomon Du Bois about 1692 was a daughter of Gerrit Cornelissen Foecken and Jacomyntje Cornelis Slecht. Jacomyntje Cornelis Slecht married (1) Jan Barentsen Kunst; (2) Gerrit Cornelissen Foecken, by whom she had Tryntje Gerritsen; and (3) Jan Elting by whom she had Roelof Elting who married Sarah, daughter of Abraham Du Bois. This record gives the name of the father of Tryntje Gerritsen who married Solomon Du Bois as Gerrit Cornelissen and as Gerrit Foecken. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ, pages 305 and 482.) Jan Barentsen, house carpenter of Alkmaar, North Holland, widower of Jannetjen Ariens, married Jakemyntje Cornelis, of Woerden in Holland, on 14 March 1663 in Kingston. In 1668 Gerrit Foecken of Ritson in East Friesland married Jakomeyntie Cornelis of Woerden, widow of Jan Baerentsen Kunst. There is no record of her third marriage. Jacomyntje must have been a sister of Hendrick Cornelissen Slecht, wheelwright of Woerden in Holland, who married Elsjens Barents of Amsterdam in Kingston on 08 August 1666. Jacomyntje had two children by Jan Barentsen whose baptismal records give her name as Jakemyntje Cornelis: Jannetje on 24 February 1664 and Barent on 30 January 1667. There are no baptismal records for children by Gerrit Foecken or Foecken but Gerrit Cornelissen had a daughter Gerritje baptized on 12 March 1669 (wife not named) which fits the chronology of Jacomyntje Cornelis Slecht. Jacomyntje married Jan Elting before 27 October 1678 when Roelof, child of Jan Elting and Jakomyntie Slecht, was baptized. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Solomon reportedly was born in 1670 at Hurley, New York, and died in 1759 at the age of 82 years (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ) but this does not compute correctly. Solomon lived on the land outside New Paltz that was granted to his father in 1688 and by him conveyed to Solomon and Louis Du Bois, Jr. Solomon built a house there having two chimneys. At one time the provincial government levied a tax on chimneys and Solomon was assessed for two of them. Solomon and Louis Du Bois, Jr. sold part of this tract to Roelif Elting, who married their niece Sarah, on 04 February 1726/7. Solomon was an officer of the church and owned much land at New Paltz and in Pennsylvania. Solomon's will was dated in 1756 and proved in 1759. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Rachel Du Bois who married Isaac Du Bois was a daughter of Abraham Du Bois and Margaret Deyo, so they were first cousins. Isaac moved to Perkiomen Creek in Pennsylvania and inherited his father's land there. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Barent Du Bois who married Jacomyntje Du Bois was a son of Jacob Du Bois and Gerritje Gerritsen, so they were first cousins, also. They also moved to Pennsylvania. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Catherine Suyland who married Benjamin Du Bois was a daughter of Huybert Suyland and Sarah Crespel who was baptized on 05 April 1696 in Kingston in the presence of Jean Crespel and Marie Crespel. Sarah Crespel was a daughter of Antoine Crespel and Marie Blanchan, so she was a niece of Catherine Blanchan who

married Louis Du Bois which makes Catherine and Benjamin second cousins. Benjamin settled at Catskill in (then) Albany County where his will was proved in 1767. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

The parents of Simon Jacobsz van Wagenen who married Sarah Du Bois are not known but he was born in Kingston. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Anna Margrieta Hoogteeling (Hotaling) who married Cornelis Du Bois was a daughter of Philip Hoogteeling and Jannetje Roosa who was baptized on 18 August 1706. Jannetje Hoogteeling who married Hendrick Du Bois was baptized on 15 February 1713 and apparently was a sister of Anna Margrieta. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Petrus Matthys Louw who married Catherine Du Bois was a son of Matthys Louw and Jannetje van Heyning who was baptized on 18 February 1700. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ; OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

One record of the family of Solomon Du Bois shows that his daughter Catherine (Catryn), who was baptized on 18 October 1702, died in infancy and that another daughter named Catherine, who was born after Magdalena who was baptized on 15 April 1705, married Petrus Louw on 09 December 1722. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) It is possible that a daughter born after 1705 could marry in 1722 but she would have been only 16 at the most. Since there is no baptismal record for a second Catherine and since there is another child born between 1705 and 1710, this compiler assumes that there was only one Catherine who was born in 1702 and married Petrus Louw in 1722.

Josiah Elting who married Magdalena Du Bois was a son of Roelof Elting and Sarah Du Bois who was baptized on 12 October 1712. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ; OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) Magdalena must have been Josiah's first cousin, once removed.

## LOUIS DU BOIS JR

Born 1677 Hurley, Ulster County, New York

Died after 1729

Married Rachel Hasbrouck 19 Jan 1701 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Born

Died

## Children:

Maria Du Bois

bapt. 07 Dec 1701 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. before 24 Mar 1706

m. not married

Nathaniel Du Bois

bapt. 06 Jun 1703 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. probably Salisbury Mills, Orange County, New York

m. (1) Gertrude (Geertruy) Bruyn 17 May 1726 Kingston, Ulster

County, New

York

(2) Gertrude Hoffman

Maria (Mary) Du Bois

bapt. 24 Mar 1706 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Johannes Hardenbergh Jr 06 Dec 1728 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Jonas Du Bois

bapt. 20 Jun 1708 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m.

Jonathan Du Bois

bapt. 31 Dec 1710 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d. c1749 Ulster County, New York

m. Elizabeth Le Fevre 23 or 25 Dec 1732

Catherine (Catryna) Du Bois

bapt. 31 Oct 1714 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Wessel Brodhead 25 Jan 1734

Louis Du Bois III

b. 1717

d. probably Staten Island, New York

m. Charity Andrevelt c1743

Rachel Hasbrouck who married Louis Du Bois, Jr. was a daughter of Abraham Hasbrouck of Calais and Marie

Deyo of Mutterstadt, Germany, who were married on 17 November 1676 in Kingston. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ; OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Geertruy Bruyn (Bruin), the first wife of Nathaniel Du Bois, was a daughter of Jacobus Bruin and Tryntje Schoonmaker who was baptized on 18 September 1709 in the presence of Benjamin Smedes and Magdalena Louw. Nathaniel and Geertruy were married at Shawangunk where she resided and the marriage was recorded in Kingston. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) Nathaniel moved to Blooming Grove, now Salisbury Mills in Orange County, New York, perhaps shortly after his first marriage since none of his children were baptized at Kingston and his second marriage is not recorded there.

The second Maria Du Bois married Johannes Hardenbergh, Jr., son of Sir Johannes Hardenbergh, Colonel of the Ulster County Militia and High Sheriff of Ulster County who was knighted by Queen Anne of England for his role in the Battle of Blenheim and from her was granted 2,000,000 acres in 1708 which comprised much of what is now Ulster, Delaware and Sullivan counties, New York, and his wife Catherine Rutzen. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Elizabeth Le Fevre who married Jonathan Du Bois was a daughter of Andre (Andries) Le Fevre and Cornelia Blanchan. The date of their marriage is given as 23 and 25 December 1732 in Du Bois and Le Fevre family records (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ) but there is no record of their marriage in Kingston. Their first child baptized in Kingston was Andre (Andries) on 16 October 1737 in the presence of its grandparents "Andries le Feeber and Cornelia Blansjan." (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) The will of Jonathan was written in 1746 and proved in 1749, leaving his Dutch Bible to eldest son Louis J. Du Bois and the rest of his estate to wife Elizabeth. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

Wessel Brodhead (Bradet, Bradeth, Bradhaed, Bradhaet, Bradhead, Bradheat, Bradhet, Bradid, Braedhaed, Breder, Bredeth, Breeder, Broadhead, Brodeth, Brodhaed and Brodhed) who married Catherine Du Bois was a son of Charles Bradet and Marytje ten Broek who was baptized on 31 January 1703 in the presence of Wessel ten Broek, Sr. and Laurentia ten Brook. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)



## MATTHEW DU BOIS

Born 03 Jan 1679 Hurley, Ulster County, New York

Died after 1731

Married Sarah Matthysen 17 Jan 1697 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Bapt. 16 Apr 1688 Kingstown, Ulster County, New York

Died

## Children:

Louis Du Bois

bapt. 18 Jul 1697 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Jannetjen van Vliet 16 Apr 1718 Kingston, Ulster County, New

York

Matthew (Matheus) Du Bois Jr

bapt. 09 Oct 1698 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m.

Hezekiah (Hiskia) Du Bois

bapt. 26 Jan 1701 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Annatjen Peerson 17 Jun 1722 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Ephraim Du Bois

bapt. 30 May 1703 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Anna Catrina de la Maitre 10 Nov 1727 Kingston, Ulster County,

New York

Johannes Du Bois

bapt. 17 Mar 1706 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Rebecca Tappen 13 Nov 1728 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Tjaatje (Tiatie) Du Bois

bapt. 02 Nov 1707 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m. Johannes Tappen 22 Sep 1726 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

Jesse Du Bois

bapt. 18 Sep 1709 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m.

Elizabeth (Elisa) Du Bois

bapt. 04 Oct 1713 Kingston, Ulster County, New York

d.

m.

Catherine (Catrina) Du Bois  
 bapt. 04 Dec 1715 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m.  
 Gideon Du Bois  
 bapt. 11 Jan 1719 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m.

Jeremiah Du Bois  
 bapt. 18 May 1721 Kingston, Ulster County, New York  
 d.  
 m.

Sarah Matthysen who married Matthew Du Bois was a daughter of Matthys Matthysen and Tjaatje de Witt who was baptized in Kingston on 16 April 1678 in the presence of Willem de Meier and Mr. Chambers. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ; OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Johannes Du Bois was the only son of Matthew De Bois who remained near Kingston. Hezekiah settled at Saugerties and the others went to the area around Poughkeepsie where their father had purchased 1337 acres of land in Dutchess County on Wappingers Creek from Andrew Teller in 1730. He later acquired a total of 2000 acres there. Poughkeepsie records reveal that Matthew Du Bois, Jr. was a justice there in 1734. Louis Du Bois was assessor at Poughkeepsie in 1742 and owned much land where Academy Street and Vassar College are now located. Louis (Lewis), Matthew (Jr.), Gideon, Jeremiah and Ephraim Du Bois signed a call for a minister to be sent to Poughkeepsie from Holland in 1744. Jesse Du Bois is listed in a church book at Poughkeepsie. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.)

"Louwies du Bois" who married Jannetjen van Vlied in Kingston on 16 April 1718, both natives of that town, must be the son of Matthew Du Bois and Sarah Matthysen. On 08 April 1722 Elias, child of "Lowies du Bois" and Jannetjen Van Vlied, was baptized in the presence of godparents "Mathys du Bois" and Zara Mathysz. Jannetjen van Vliet (Vlied) appears to be Jannetje, child of Gerrit van Vliet (mother not named), who was baptized on 30 October 1692 in Kingston. The mother of other children of Gerrit van Vliet who were baptized before and after Jannetjen is identified as Pieternelle Swart. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Anna Catrina de LaMeeter who married Ephraim Du Bois appears to be Anna Catharina, child of Cornelis La Metere and Margritt van Steenberg, who was baptized on 18 September 1709. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.) Her surname, which was spelled in many variations, probably was de la Maitre.

Johannes Tappen who married Tjaatje Du Bois and Rebecca Tappen who married Johannes Du Bois appear to be children of Teunis Tappen and Sarah Schepmoes who had a son Johannes baptized on 29 August 1703 in the presence of Barent van Wagenen and Leah Schepmoes and a daughter Rebecca baptized on 19 October 1707 in the presence of Pieter Tappen and Rebecca Schepmoes. (OLD DUTCH CHURCH.)

Joost Jans van Meteren who married Sarah Du Bois was a son of Jan Joosten van Meteren and Macyken Hendricksen of the Province of Gelderland in The Netherlands, who arrived in America on 12 September 1662 with their five children on the ship Fox and settled at Wiltwyck, which became Kingston, in Ulster County, New York.

As a widow in 1714, Sarah Du Bois, her sons Isaac and John Van Meter and her brother Jacob Du Bois of Hurley bought 3000 acres of land in West Jersey. Two years later, Sarah and her sons sold their shares to Jacob Du Bois. (HISTORY OF NEW PALTZ.) Jan Joosten van Meteren (John Van Meter), son of Joost Jans van Meteren and Sarah Du Bois, engaged in extensive trading with the Indians and became very familiar with the western frontier areas where he began looking for new land upon which to settle in western Maryland and the Shenandoah region. On 06 June 1730 John Van Meter was assigned 10000 acres and the pre-emption rights to another 20000 acres of land on the Shenandoah River for "himself & eleven children, & also that of divers of his Rela'cons & friends living in the Government of New York." (THE VIRGINIA GERMANS.)

John Van Meter, "descendant of a Holland Dutchman from New York," Jacob Stover (Stauber) from Switzerland and Hans Jost Heydt (Hite) from Alsatia were instrumental in promoting the settlement of the Shenandoah Valley by Germans. Stover and Hite, with their wives and one child each, sailed to England from Rotterdam on 15 July 1709 and to New York in 1710. Hite was married to Anna Maria Du Bois, daughter of a Louis Du Bois, a French Huguenot and a relative of Sarah Du Bois van Meteren whose family migrated earlier from Mannheim and settled at New Paltz in Ulster County, New York. Hite lived with the Du Bois family at New Paltz and he became acquainted with the van Meteren family of Kingston. Hite moved to Kingston by November 1711 and engaged in fur trading. He went to Germantown, Pennsylvania, about 1716 and bought a large tract of land on Perkiomen Creek in Montgomery County (then Philadelphia County) where he operated mills and weaving shops in addition to farming. In May 1728 "Yost Hyt" was among "ye Back Inhabitators about Falkner Swamp and New Coshahopin" who appealed to Governor Patrick Gordon of Pennsylvania for protection against Indian encroachments. When the government failed to support the settlers, many began looking for new homes. With the assistance of John Van Meter, Hite soon moved to Virginia. (THE VIRGINIA GERMANS; IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS.)