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This unmodifiable, read-only package is 14 pages long and includes all Peter Craig's annotated family group sheets for the ancestors of Hans Hanson (~1645-1704) m. Martha Kelto and his father Anders Hanson (-1655) m. Annecka. The package available for purchase is 148 pages long and includes additional materials about them.

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FAMILY SHEET

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Husband's Code
 Wife's Code

HUSBAND'S NAME Hans Hanson

Date of Birth c/1645-6 (2) Place Delaware River (2)

Date of Death (Sur) 2 Sept 1703 (2) Place Kent Co., Md. (2)

Present Address (or) Place of Burial St. Pauls, Kent County, Md.

His Father Anders Hanson (2) His Mother's Maiden Name Anneta (2)

Date of Marriage of HUSBAND and WIFE on this sheet 29 March 1679 (2) Place _____ (2)

Check here if there was another marriage: By husband By Wife Was this couple divorced? Yes No When? _____ (2)

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME Martha (widow of John Wells) Kelto (Use separate sheet for each marriage)

Date of Birth _____ (2) Place _____ (2)

Date of Death _____ (2) Place _____ (2)

Present Address (or) Place of Burial _____ (2)

Her Father _____ (2) Her Mother's Maiden Name _____ (2)

Items of interest about the above couple (occupations, hobbies, achievements; social, civil, and political activities; physical descriptions—include photos if possible; military service; cause of death): Will dated 26 Aug. 1703, proved 27 April 1704 (2) Lands in Cecil & Kent counties, Del. (3)

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Have family sheet	CHILDREN (Arrange in order of birth)	Code	Birth Information	Death Information	Marriage Information
1	William (4)(3)	ON	2 Jan. 1682 (4)	ON 4 July 1708 (4)	ON _____ (2)
2	Hans (4)(3)	ON	16 Apr 1685 (4)	ON _____ (4)	ON 29 May 1707 (4) TO Ann Hamer (4)
3	George (3)	ON	26 Apr 1691 (4)	ON 1727 (4)	ON _____ (4)
4	Frederick (4)(3)	ON	22 May 1693 (4) AT Kent Co. Md.	ON 1738 (4)	ON 14 Feb. 1711/12 (4) TO Mary Lowder (4)
5	Ann (4)(3)	ON	17 Apr 1689 (4)	ON _____ (4)	ON _____ (2)
6	Mary (4)(3)	Check here if there are additional children <input type="checkbox"/>		TO Thomas Francis (2) 1748 (4)	

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 - Sarah (4) 16 Mar 1687 (4) (Sur) 6 Sept 1693 (4)
 - Samuel (4) 23 Oct 1696 (4)

- ② Russell, 54 AG 159-64 + 205.
- ③ Cecil County W-16, AA, P. 121-4. (3 MCW 43)
- ④ Hanson, Old Kent, 159.
- ⑤ _____
- ⑥ _____
- ⑦ _____
- ⑧ _____

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Also "Hanson's Choice" 1682.
"Graining Point" 1683.

27 April 1699. Deed, Mary Francis, relict & executrix of Thomas Francis,
To her father Hance Hanson. Cal. Co. Deeds 2, p. 16.

10 May 1661 - Gothofrid Hamner named interpreter of
Captain John Odber's 50 men command going to
assist Susquehanna vs. Severn (Md. Arch 3: 421)

1 Sept 1704 - Marthen Hanson & William Hanson coll.
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1674 - Hans Hanson, aged 28, Test. fis. (O.K. 223)
1684 - " " " 32, " (Md Arch, 17: 293)

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FAMILY SHEET

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Husband's Code
 Wife's Code

HUSBAND'S NAME Anders Hanson

Date of Birth _____ Place ~~Myland, Sweden~~ Sweden

Date of Death June 1655 Place Beaver Neck, Kent Co Mds.

Present Address (or) Place of Burial _____

His Father _____ His Mother's Maiden Name _____

Date of Marriage of HUSBAND and WIFE on this sheet _____ Place _____

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WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME Anneka (Use separate sheet for each marriage)

Date of Birth _____ Place _____

Date of Death _____ Place _____

Present Address (or) Place of Burial _____

Her Father _____ Her Mother's Maiden Name _____

Items of interest about the above couple (occupations, hobbies, achievements; social, civil, and political activities; physical descriptions—include photos if possible; military service; cause of death): Wife remarried 3 times.

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Have family sheet	CHILDREN (Arrange in order of birth)	Code	Birth Information	Death Information	Marriage Information
	1 Catharine	ON	Dda. R.	(Buried) 28 Oct 1646	
X	2 Hans	ON	c 1645-6	(Buried) 2 Sept 1703	29 March 1679
	3 Frederick	ON	c 1647-8	Dd R.	Martha Ketto
	4 Catharine	ON	c 1649-50		
	5 Margaret	ON	c 1651-2		
	6 Barbara	ON	Oct 1655		

Check here if there are additional children

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- ② Russell, 54 AB 159-164 + 205
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Dr. Peter Stebbins Craig, F.A.S.G.

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21 April 1995

Lawrence Mattson

[Redacted]

Re: Matts Hansson, Progenitor of the NJ Mattson Families

Dear Lawrence,

It was a pleasure to see you and your wife at the recent Forefathers' Day Luncheon of the Swedish Colonial Society. At the meeting, I promised to share with you what I have learned about Matts Hansson.

The earliest discovered reference to him is the passenger list for the ship *Charitas*, dated 3 May 1741, on the eve of its departure from Stockholm. The document is at the Riksarkivet [National Archives] in Stockholm in a file marked "Handel och sjöfart 196," which in translation means "trade and commerce, volume 196." Relevant entries are:

"5. Anders Hansson, the Constabel's brother, hired as a tobacco servant at 20 Riksdaler annually, of which he has received 20 Daler copper money here. Also receives a suit." <=

"21. Matz Hansson, Mr. Fleming's former servant, is to have no pay, but to be supplied only with necessary clothing because he has committed some offense, and must go in punishment."

"32-33. Matz Hansson, Constabel [gunner] at the new fort, has received nothing on departing. His salary has not been fixed as yet. He also wishes to begin a farm or tobacco plantation with his wife."

As is obvious, the first and third entries are the Hansson brothers. The second entry is the Mats Hansson who in other records is listed as being from Borgå, Nyland, Finland.

It may be helpful, however, to sketch out briefly the known facts about Mats Hansson from Borgå: The account of the New Sweden Company shows that on 23 Feb. 1741 Måns Kling had paid him 12 Daler. (#39). Hendrick Huygen's *Monatgelderbuch*, page 26, shows that "Matz Hanson of Borgå" went on the payroll [his punishment period having expired] as of 1 April 1644 at a wage of 5 florins (guilders) per month. He was listed as a tobacco worker at the Upland plantation at that time.

Later in 1644 he was given a raise to 10 florins (guilders) per month. He went off the payroll on 1 July 1645, when he became a freeman and was charged 80 florins for his share of an ox. As of 1 March 1648, balancing his accrued wages against expenses charged to him, he owed 30.6 florins to the company.

Mats Hansson from Borgå was one of the 22 freemen filing the 1653 complaint against Governor Printz. After Rising's arrival, he signed the oath of allegiance on 9 June 1654 as "Matts Hansson Nylénning," meaning Matts Hansson from Nyland, the province in which Borgå was located. Peter Lindeström, in his journal, reports that at court on 4 June 1654 "one of the miutineers, named Matts Hansson, from Nyland, replied: "We confess there has been a disorderly and riotous life here and that many have deserted; this gives us pain." But at this time they were not willing to disclose who was the cause of the disturbance. Therefore the examination was postponed to another court-day." (Amandus Johnson, *Geographia Americae* by Peter Lindeström, 125-126.) Governor Rising's own journal stated that on 9 June 1654 "Hans Nylénning" [clearly the same person] claimed that Governor Printz had caused the "rebellion" and was the reason why so many had fled New Sweden. Rising "was horrified" and explained that all freemen would not say so, but "then they all cried with one voice, Aye." (Dahlgren & Norman, *The Rise and Fall of New Sweden; Governor Rising's Journal in Historical Context*, 174, note 50.)

In 1655 Mats Hansson from Borgå, Nyland, was one of five freemen from Kingsessing who volunteered to help Fort Christina during the Dutch attack. (Johnson, *Swedish Settlements on the Delaware*, 602) In 1656 he became one of the original justices on the Swedish Nation's court and continued in this capacity until at least 1663. After that time, his name disappears from records. He had no surviving sons. It is unknown whether he married; he might have had daughters.

New Sweden records do not identify the origins of either Anders Mattsson or his brother Matts Hansson. From the fact that they boarded ship at Stockholm, rather than Gothenburg, one can assume that they came from the Stockholm area or some place adjoining the Baltic Sea. <=

Hendrick Huygen listed the account of Anders Hansson on page 20 of his *Monatgelderbuch* and his brother Matts Hansson on page 16. Although hired as a servant in Stockholm, Anders Hansson was not on the payroll and was treated as a freeman until a brief 4-month period, 1 October 1646 to 1 Feb., 1647, when he was employed at 10 florins per month. He then became a freeman again and owed the New Sweden Company 46.4.8 florins as of 1 March 1648. He had married soon after <=

arriving in New Sweden. His daughter Catharine was buried 28 Oct. 1646, the first reported burial at the Swedes' church on Tinicum Island. (Johnson, *Swedish Settlements*, 367)

In contrast the account of Matz Hansson, Constapel [gunner], shows that he earned 174 florins for service up to 1 Sept. 1642, when he was named constapel at 19 florins per month. He was the gunner at Fort Christina in the 1644 census. He finally went off the payroll and became a freeman on 1 December 1646. His account, as of 1 March 1648, showed that he had been debited 160 florins for oxen and 80 florins which he owed to Måns Kling. Because of the credits for his salary as gunner, he then owed the company only a small amount.

Both Anders and Matz Hansson were among the freemen signing the 1653 complaint against Governor Printz. This is last reference to Matz Hansson, the former gunner, alive. I feel positive that he must have been one of the two Swedes fleeing the colony that were killed by Indians employed by Printz' son-in-law, Johan Papegoja. <=

Anders Hansson made it safely to Kent Island, Maryland. He arrived there with his wife Anna, sons Hans and Frederick and daughters Catharine and Margaret. (*Maryland Archives*, 54:140; *Maryland Land Patents*, Q:345) Anders Hansson died a natural death at Beaver Neck, Kent Island, in June 1655. (*Maryland Archives*, 54:38, 85) His son Hans, who was known as Hans Hanson, became very prominent in Maryland affairs until his death in 1704. (Papenfuse, *Biographical Dictionary of the Maryland Legislature, 1635-1789*, 1:404-405.) <=

A complete listing of the children of Matts Hansson's son Peter Mattson (1647-c.1700) and his wife Catharine Rambo is as follows:

1. Brita Mattson, born c.1675, married John Hendrickson of New Castle County c. 1699; she died 11 June 1750.
2. Elisabeth Mattson, born 7 Feb. 1678, married Rev. Andreas Rudman c. 1698 [her eldest daughter Gertrude Magdalene, who married Andrew Robeson, Jr., died 25 Feb. 1769 at the reported age of 70]; she died before 1734 when the Passyunk tax list showed Widow Rudman's estate among its entries.
3. Catharine Mattson, born 29 Dec. 1679, married John Cock [son of Eric Cock] of Deptford Township, Gloucester County. The dates of their deaths are uncertain.
4. Maria Mattson, born 11 May 1682, married Rev. Andreas Sandell, 22 Feb. 1704. They lived at Passyunk until he returned to Sweden in 1719.

5. Peter Mattson, born 27 May 1685, married Catharine Bengtson c. 1710. He died in Deptford Township, Gloucester County, 28 March 1722; widow married John Van Culen, 26 May 1726.
6. Mathias Mattson, born 12 Aug. 1688, married c. 1712, Judith Swanson, daughter of Olle Swanson and Lydia Ashman; died 5 October 1750 in Greenwich Township, Gloucester County.
7. Margaret Mattson, born 1 Feb. 1692, married Peter Cock of Passyunk [son of Peter Cock and Helena Helm]; died before 1749. Their eldest daughter Eleanor Cock married [1] the Swedish minister Johan Dylander, 8 May 1739, [2] Daniel Depuy, Sept. 1746.
8. John Mattson, born 14 June 1694, married Anna Cock [daughter of Eric Cock], 1 May 1717; he died in Gloucester County in Sept. 1739 "when his cart overset" [Pa. Gazette, 20 Sept. 1739]
9. Jacob Mattson, born 25 May 1697, married [1] Lydia Van Culen, 29 April 1724, [2] Maria Reynolds, 20 Jan. 1733; he died between 1745 and 1753 in Gloucester County.

You may note a number of differences in the above compared with Walmsley's genealogy of the family. Unfortunately, his work is quite unreliable.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Peter S. Craig

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Will of Hanse Hanson (Md.)

Dated 26 August 1703, proved 27 April 1704.

Names as eldest sons William Hanson and Hans Hanson; youngest, George Hanson and Frederick Hanson. Also wife Martha and daughters Ann Hanson and Mary "Cadd." Also "my brother Jno. Macheney shall be maintained out of the estate during his life by my four sons." Lands willed were in Cecil and Kent counties.

Cecil County Wills,
Book AA, folio 121-24.

Must be son of Anneka and Anders Hanson. See George Ely Russell, 54 American Genealogist 54 (1978).

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JOHN HANSON OF MARYLAND

A Swedish Origin Disproved

By George Ely Russell, F.A.S.G., F.N.G.S.

Various writers have since 1876 uncritically accepted and repeated obviously erroneous, even ridiculous, claims regarding the overseas origin of John¹ Hanson, founder of a prominent Charles County, Maryland, family, and ancestor of the "Signer" John Hanson, important as the first elected President under the Articles of Confederation in 1781. George A. Hanson, in his book Old Kent: The Eastern Shore of Maryland (Baltimore 1876), pp. 110-113, foisted on Maryland Hanson descendants a fabricated and fantastic European ancestry, replete with a lineage back to "Roger de Rastrick" of "York county, England, in the year 1251," down to "John Hanson of London," who, "while taking a summer tour in Sweden, fell in love with and married a Swedish lady, who was closely connected, in friendship, at least, with the Royal Family." Their alleged son, "who was reared in familiar intimacy with Gustavus Adolphus, ... entered the army, ... rose to the rank of Colonel, ... and was always retained near the royal person in action." The writer of this nonsense then killed off "Colonel Hanson" at the Battle of Lützen on 16 Nov. 1632. But not before the Colonel had fathered four sons: "viz., Andrew Hanson, Randal or Randolph Hanson, William Hanson, and John Hanson, all of whom were taken under the immediate protection of the Royal Family of Sweden." We are told that "in August 1642 Queen Christina placed them in the special care of Lieutenant Colonel John Printz, Governor of New Sweden, with whom they came to the Delaware, and remained there, on Tinicum Island, until the year 1653, when they came to Kent Island," Maryland. The writer then provided the deceased Colonel with a coat of arms.

The successive fallacies inherent in this fantastic fiction were briefly, if not forcefully, pointed out by Harry Wright Newman in his definitive account of the John Hanson family in Charles County Gentry (Washington DC 1940), pp. 219-223. But, nevertheless, historians, biographers, genealogists, writers, reporters, and historic plaque makers continue to repeat the myths.

The documentary records of the colonist John Hanson clearly demonstrate his British origin and refute the fabricated Swedish origin.

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