

THE MATTICE and/or MATTIAC FAMILY

Research has disclosed that Hendrick Mattice the progenitor of the Mattice family, who settled in Schoharie Valley at Weiserdoef (now Middleburgh, N. Y.) in 1712 came from Duerheim commune Altzheim of the Rhinish Palatinate. Traveled down the Rhine to Holland with his wife Catharine and six, children. They embarked at Rotterdam in, the 3rd party of palatines (approx.) June 5th 1709. Within ten days they had arrived in London, England, where they were at St. Catherine's, in the 3rd party as of June 15th 1709. In the sailing list his name is given as Henrig Matheys and upon arriving in London ten days later his name is given as Henry Mathes age 42, sons 8-6-1, daughters 13-10-6, they were Reformed.

They embarked January 10th 1710 to sail for America, but remained aboard ship off the coast of England until April 10th 1710, when they sailed. The first ship reached New York June 13th 1710 and the last to arrive (10 ships) was August 2nd 1710.

Governor Hunter's Ration list of 1710 lists Henrich Mathias as having 4 over 16 yrs. and 3 under 16 yrs. In the same list for 1712 his name is given as Matheus; it will be noted that one child was lost since their arrival in England. Of those listed as being at Livingston Manor (East Camp) 1710/11 is one Henrich Mattheis. Those who were at Queensbury as Volunteers for the invasion of Canada in 1711 lists Henr. Mathous.

Sabina Matteus (Hendrick's oldest daughter) was married in Schoharie June 4th 1716 at which time-Hendrick had died. A census taken of Weiserdorf about 1715 gives Henrich Matthaus, his wife Catharine and 4 children. "Tacitus, " the Roman historian who wrote in the first century A. D. in his "Germania, " Chap. 29, in writing the Rhineland people says. "--Est in eodem obsequio ot Mattiacorum gens: Peotitit enim magnitudine populi Romani ultra