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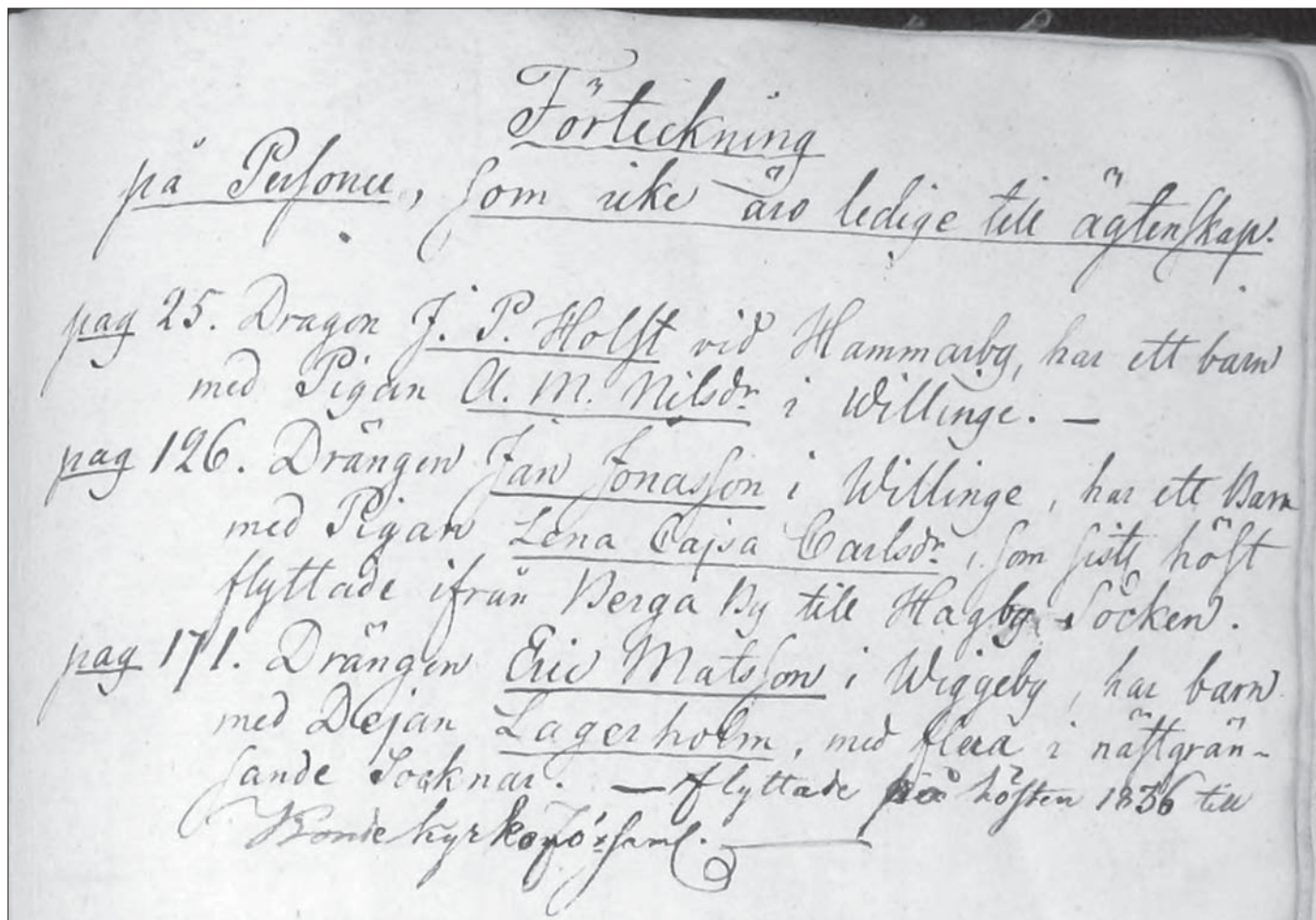
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This list is an example of the fact that the *husförhörslängder* (clerical surveys) sometimes have additional content of much interest.

The above list was found in Denmark (Upps.) AI:14 (1836-1840) Bild 13 (Arkiv Digital). Here the clergyman has listed all the people in the parish that were not free to marry. The reasons vary, but these three cases had to do with children born out of wedlock, and where it seems that the parties involved had not come to any agreement on the payment of child support.

The clergyman had many other irons in the fire, so in this volume there are other helpful and interesting lists.

First there are two indexes for the farms and minor places in the parish,

with page numbers. The first is alphabetical, the other is a geographical one. Then a list of all the dragoons (13 individuals) of the Royal Life regiment [a cavalry regiment], that had their homes in the parish.

Next comes a list of all the soldiers of the Royal Uppland regiment and Rasbo Company (an infantry Regiment). These soldiers numbered 17 individuals who all had their little soldier's cottage in the parish. Then there is a list of all the places where the household examinations were to take place in the next five years.

Next we have a list of all the orphans that were supported by the parish poor account (*fattigkassan*) until they reached the age of 15. One little boy who lived with his aunt in Vaksala parish got 1 barrel of rye, 1

barrel of barley, and 1/4 barrel of herrings.

All the children preparing for their first communion are also listed with year of birth and where they lived.

There is also a list of those that were prohibited from going to communion. People were required to sign up for this, and if the clergyman knew that they had failed their examination, they were not allowed to go to communion. One woman had tried to use a false name, but was found out.

At last there is a list of those that had been admonished either publicly or privately. Females were usually admonished privately after giving birth out of wedlock. Males most often had been caught stealing.

Transcription and translation on p. 19.