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Genealogical Queries

Redin, Ståhl, Grip

I am looking for information concerning the following persons:

a. Johan Eric Redin, b. in Axberg or Hallsberg Parish (Ore.) 8 Oct. 1858, s. Eric Redin and Sara Lisa Ståhl. He emigr. 1879 to New York and then to Rockford, IL, where he m. Lydia Johanna Gustafson 3 May 1884. He d. in Rockford 30 Sept. 1926.

b. Eric Redin, b. in Stora Mellösa Parish (Ore.) 15 Oct. 1824. I do not have the names of his parents or siblings. He m. in Axberg 6 June 1858 Sara Lisa Ståhl and d. in Sweden between 1872 and 1877.

c. Sara Lisa Ståhl, b. in Ervalla Parish (Ore.) 20 June 1828, dau. Lisa Grip. Sara Lisa had many siblings with the surname of Ståhl, but no father is mentioned. Where did the name Ståhl come from? She emigr. to Rockford between 1874 and 1877 and d. before 1900.

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The year of 1984 has been designated as “The Homestead Year” (Hembygdens År 1984) in Sweden, when Americans of Swedish descent are invited to visit the land of their ancestors — to view the landmarks of the countryside, from they which emigrated, such as churches, farms, crofts, schools, etc. A huge program is being offered in almost every section of Sweden. The County Library of Skara, serving Skaraborg County in Västergötland, contains a wealth of local historical materials as well as microfilms of that county, particularly parish records of the Swedish churches. The Director of the library, Dr. Arne Sträng, has announced that his library will attempt to help Americans find their Skaraborg ancestors. His advice to readers of SAG is to write to him, giving him all pertinent information on hand, and he and his staff will take it from there. He may be addressed at Stifts- och Landsbiblioteket i Skara, 532 00 Skara, SWEDEN.