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We would like to hear about your success if you receive useful information as a result of placing a query in this publication. Please send us your feedback, and we will endeavor to report your new discoveries in this section of the journal.

Nilsson, Nelson, Björk

My grandfather, Carl Johansson, lived in a little croft in the northern part of Skåne. The name of the croft was "Lilla Ryd" in Villands Vånga parish, on the lands of Mjönäs manor, owned then by Baron von Düben.

My grandfather's uncle, Carl Nilsson, born 30 November 1829 in Villands Vånga, emigrated 5 May 1857 from Vä (Skån.) to Denmark, and is supposed to have continued on to America.

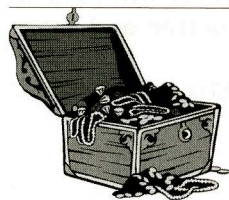
Nobody ever heard from him again. We have not been able to find any authority who has any records about him in America. We have been searching for him for 60 years, please help, if you can.

Two of his cousins, Sissa, born in 1834, and Karl, born in 1828, left Sweden for Chicago in 1867, and it is not unlikely that they joined their cousin in the U.S.

Carl Nilsson might have changed his surname to Nelson, or started to use the name Björk, which can be found in earlier generations of his family.

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We will try to get good answers to these questions, and will try get them together as fast as possible, but if it is a complicated matter, it might take some time.

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