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# Naturalizations of Scandinavians in New York 1802-1840

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In his mammoth compilation of early New York naturalizations, published in 1981, Kenneth Scott, F.A.S.G., has accomplished a tremendous feat, extracting the names of close to 15,000 foreigners who gained U.S. citizenship in New York City during the years from 1792 to 1840.\* By sorting out material from a number of sources, Dr. Scott has brought it all together in one handy volume. This vast collection provides highly useful information for the genealogist, presenting material which thus can aid those whose forebears arrived in the early part of the 19th century and who acquired U.S. citizenship in New York City during a period covering more than fifty years.

In scrutinizing this work, I was struck by the many early Scandinavians, beginning in 1802, who sought U.S. citizenship in the New York courts. With the kind permission of Dr. Scott and the publishers, I have taken the liberty of culling all individuals of Scandinavian provenance and then have attempted to further identify them. In many cases this has been possible. Yet in other cases the Anglicization of original Scandinavian names has made further identification impossible.

All of the naturalizations presented here emanate from four court jurisdictions. These are, with the abbreviations used within parentheses:

1. The Court of Common Pleas for the City and County of New York (CP).
2. Marine Court of the City of New York (MC).
3. Superior Court of the City of New York (SC).
4. District Court of the United States for the Southern District of New York (USDC).

The material presented in Dr. Scott's work is based upon the examination of these court records as well as a few others, all of the material being on deposit at the Archives Branch of the Federal Archives and Records Center in Bayonne, NJ.

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\*Kenneth Scott, *Early New York Naturalizations*. Abstracts of Naturalization Records from Federal, State, and Local Courts, 1792-1840 (Baltimore 1981). The author is indebted to Dr. Scott for his kindness in allowing him to break out the Scandinavian names from his comprehensive list. The author is also grateful to the publishers for permission to reprint the Scandinavian entries.

In identifying these Scandinavian immigrants it should be kept in mind that early in the 19th century the political boundaries in Europe differed vastly from those of today. As a matter of fact the political and geographic changes imposed upon Scandinavia since 1809 have had a dramatic impact on these nations. A brief summary will show what these changes have meant:

**Denmark** - Until the Treaty of Kiel in 1814, Norway was an integral part of Denmark. In that year Norway was ceded to Sweden to form a dual monarchy, which lasted until 1905, when Norway became independent. Schleswig was a part of Denmark until 1866, when it was ceded to Germany. Holstein, though a German province, was ruled by a Danish duke, who also was King of Denmark. The Danish West Indies remained Danish until 1917 when they were sold to the U.S.

**Finland** - Until 1809 Finland was an integral part of Sweden. In that year it was ceded to Russia. It became independent in 1917.

**Norway** - Until 1814 it was a part of Denmark; after that year a partner with Sweden in a dual monarchy until 1905, when it gained its independence.

**Sweden** - Lost Finland to Russia in 1809 and Swedish Pomerania to Prussia in 1815. In 1878 sold the island of St. Barthélemy in the West Indies to France.

From this it can be seen that as early as the beginning of the 19th century, a Danish subject may have come from Norway, Schleswig, Holstein or the West Indies; a Russian subject may have come from Finland; a Swedish subject may have come from Finland, Norway, Swedish Pomerania or the West Indies.

The nation which received the short end of the stick in this political game of "musical chairs" was doubtless Norway. It is therefore quite certain that among all of the Danish or Swedish mariners to be found in the list, a number of them may very well be Norwegian nationals. This possibility should always be kept in mind.

So far as the identifications are concerned, there is surely much more that can be done. The author has not explored several possibilities such as census lists, estate inventories, church membership lists, cemetery records or other New York City directories beyond those of 1838 and 1850.

Readers are invited to fill in the lacunae and inform the editor of new evidence which might come to light. This material is always welcome and will be published in future issues.

Name	Occupation	Nativity	Date Naturalized	Court	Witnesses
ACHREW, Otto	- - -	Sweden	7 Feb. 1839	CP	John Brown
ADAMS, Peter	Rigger	Denmark	23 Apr. 1807	MC	James Swan, ropemaker
ADRIANSEN, Bartel	- - -	Denmark	16 Feb. 1839	CP	- - -
ANDERSON, Andrew	Rigger and stevedore	Denmark	8 Jan. 1829	MC	Samuel Mitchell, coach lamp maker, and Peter Seely, rigger and stevedore
ARNETH, Christopher	- - -	Denmark	4 Nov. 1839	CP	- - -
BAKMAN, John N. <sup>1</sup>	- - -	Sweden	6 Nov. 1839	CP	- - -
BERNDTSON, Eric <sup>2</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	13 Aug. 1835	CP	John A. Sidelr, <sup>3</sup> guardian
BERRY, Charles	- - -	Sweden	17 Oct. 1831	CP	- - -
BIRCK, Mathias	- - -	Denmark	22 Oct. 1840	CP	William Raddy
BLACK, Frederick Christian <sup>4</sup>	- - -	Denmark	20 May 1829	CP	
BODT, Charles <sup>5</sup>	- - -	Denmark	7 Nov. 1837	CP	Thomas Kearney
BOSCH, Jacob <sup>6</sup>	Mariner	Denmark	22 Jan. 1837	CP	- - -
BOYSEN, Andrew F.	- - -	Denmark	7 Nov. 1838	CP	Frederick Wang <sup>7</sup>
BRAEM, Rudolph <sup>8</sup>	- - -	Denmark	2 May 1838	CP	- - -
BREDALL, Rasmus Christian <sup>9</sup>	Mariner	Norway	20 June 1828	CP	- - -
BROWN, John <sup>10</sup>	Laborer	Norway	9 June 1828	CP	- - -
BROWN, John	- - -	Sweden	17 Nov. 1828	CP	- - -
BRUNOW, Berndt John	Mariner	Sweden	20 May 1808	CP	Joseph Hilton, mariner
CANTER, Rachel	- - -	Denmark	3 Oct. 1828	MC	Charlotte Saaportas and David G. Seixas, grocer

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CARTMEL, Robert	Merchant	Sweden	18 May 1818	CP	John Hefferman, merchant
CLARSON, Frederick <sup>11</sup>	- - -	Sweden	7 Nov. 1838	CP	F.W. Estling <sup>12</sup>
CORREA, Emanuel Alvares	- - -	Denmark	31 July 1837	CP	- - -
DECKER, Augustus	Mariner	Sweden	31 Mar. 1832	MC	Thomas Taylor, rigger
EDWARDS, John	- - -	Sweden	24 Sept. 1840	CP	William D. Murphy <sup>13</sup>
ELGREN, Alexander <sup>14</sup>	- - -	Sweden	3 Apr. 1834	MC	Michael Emanuel, <sup>15</sup> grocer, and William Rhodes, marshal of NYC
FABER, Adamine	- - -	Denmark	13 Oct. 1840	CP	- - -
FABER, John H.	- - -	Denmark	12 Oct. 1840	CP	- - -
FLETH, John Christian	- - -	Denmark	28 May 1840	CP	Friedrick Gustof Rode <sup>16</sup>
GADD, Lewis <sup>17</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	9 Nov. 1836	CP	Fernando Wood <sup>18</sup>
GERAERDT, John Peter	Merchant	Denmark	13 Feb. 1803	CP	John Grigg, ironmonger
GREEN, William Alexander	- - -	Sweden	10 Oct. 1840	CP	Henry Jenkins
GREENLEAF, John <sup>19</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	30 Apr. 1828	CP	- - -
HAGEMAN, Nelson	- - -	Sweden	27 Apr. 1807	CP	Jacob F. Shoemaker
HARRIS, Nicholas <sup>20</sup>	- - -	Sweden and Norway	10 Apr. 1838	CP	Wilhelm Meyer
HAWKINS, Charles	- - -	Denmark	14 Nov. 1836	SC	- - -
HENDRICKSEN, William	- - -	Denmark	26 July 1839	CP	- - -
HENNINGSON, Christian August <sup>21</sup>	Mariner	Denmark	-- Feb. 1827	MC	John Meyer, boardinghouse keeper

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HILLSBURGH, Charles <sup>22</sup>	Pewterer and plumber	Sweden	14 May 1827	MC	John J. Rogers, pewterer and plumber
HOFFSTROM, Alexander <sup>23</sup>	- - -	Russia	20 June 1837	CP	- - -
HOLBAERG, Reyer <sup>24</sup>	- - - Sweden	and Norway	12 Apr. 1839	CP	Reynolds Jones
HOLM, Hans Brown	Mariner	Denmark	20 Sept. 1834	CP	Robert McManus, captain of the port of Portland, ME and and John C. Nicholas, mariner
HOLMQUIST, Cornelius	- - -	Sweden	27 Oct. 1840	CP	Martin Murphy
HORN, Christian	- - -	Denmark	12 Apr. 1837	CP	Stephen Norris
JOHNSEN, John	Cartman	Denmark	8 Apr. 1807	MC	John McMannus
JOHNSON, Amund	Rigger	Denmark	22 Apr. 1807	CP	Michael Lebeth
JOHNSON, Jacob	Shipwright	Denmark	29 Apr. 1807	CP	Robert Brown, shipwright
JOHNSON, John	- - -	Sweden	6 Nov. 1838	CP	- - -
JOHNSON, John	- - -	Sweden	28 Sept. 1840	CP	Peter Johnson
JOHNSON, Martin	- - -	Sweden	6 Nov. 1838	CP	John Brown
JOHNSON, Nicholas	Mariner	Denmark	15 Oct. 1802	CP	Henry Thorne, boatbuilder
JOHNSON, Nicholas	- - -	Denmark	29 Apr. 1840	CP	John Jacobs
KAHN, Charles <sup>24*</sup>	Merchant	Sweden	20 Sept. 1832	CP	- - -
KEELER, George <sup>25</sup>	Mariner	Denmark	18 June 1827	CP	- - -
KRAG, Ludvig	Carpenter	Denmark	22 Oct. 1831	CP	- - -
KROOK, August <sup>26</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	1 Dec. 1826	MC	John Peterson, ship's carpenter

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KUEBEL, John Jacob	Mariner	Sweden	17 Jan. 1806	CP	William Jacobs, grocer
LAWSON, Henry <sup>27</sup>	- - -	Sweden	18 Aug. 1836	CP	John Lindmark <sup>28</sup>
LINDMARK, John <sup>28</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	2 May 1839	CP	James Underhill, grocer
LINN, Charles <sup>29</sup>	- - -	Finland	28 May 1840	CP	Christian Barnes <sup>30</sup>
LOWRY, William <sup>31</sup>	Engineer	Sweden	14 Mar. 1835	CP	- - -
MAGNUSSON, Levi Joseph <sup>32</sup>	- - -	Sweden	20 May 1834	CP	- - -
MARTIN, Henry <sup>33</sup>	- - -	Sweden	4 Nov. 1840	CP	Emanuel Swanson <sup>33*</sup>
MILLER, Christian <sup>34</sup>	Milkman	Denmark	27 Apr. 1821	CP	- - -
MITCHELL, Henry	Rigger	Denmark	25 Apr. 1807	MC	Aspinwall Cornwell, grocer
MÖLLER, Frederick	- - -	Denmark	7 Nov. 1838	CP	Frederick Wang
MULLER, Peter <sup>35</sup>	Mariner	Denmark	24 June 1830	CP	- - -
MYERS, Cornelius	- - -	Denmark	3 Apr. 1834	MC	Constantine Price and Richard Totten <sup>36</sup>
NELSON, Andrew	- - -	Sweden	19 Oct. 1839	CP	- - -
NORDBLAD, Gustaf <sup>37</sup>	- - -	Sweden	9 Oct. 1840	CP	Joseph Reynolds
OLSEN, Andrew Julius <sup>38</sup>	- - -	Denmark	6 Nov. 1838	CP	Frederick Wang
OSTRAND, Carls	Shipwright	Sweden	1 May 1806	MC	Robert Brown, shipwright
PAUL, John	Tavernkeeper	Denmark	30 Apr. 1807	CP	Moses Brown, tavernkeeper
PAULSEN, John Christian	- - -	Denmark	7 Nov. 1838	CP	James Walters
PEDERSEN, James	Mariner	Sweden	19 Oct. 1831	CP	- - -
PETERSEN, George Christopher <sup>39</sup>	- - -	Denmark	2 Jan. 1827	MC	Francis J. Berier, teacher

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PETERSON, Hans <sup>40</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	8 Aug. 1827	MC	John Thompson, rigger
PETERSON, John	- - -	Sweden	15 Apr. 1807	MC	James Nott, rigger
PIHLSTROM, Adolphus Peter <sup>41</sup>	Seaman	Sweden	24 Aug. 1816	CP	- - -
PRUDHOMME, John Francis Eugene <sup>42</sup>	Engraver	Denmark	4 Sept. 1834	CP	Augustus Gaetam, <sup>43</sup> former dentist, and Augustus Holbert, engraver
REED, Thor	Laborer	Denmark	10 Apr. 1832	MC	George Higday and James H. Brizier
REIMER, Friedrich	Mariner	Denmark	9 Nov. 1831		Ensign Stadley, mariner
RODEN, Charles <sup>44</sup>	Mariner	Sweden	23 May 1811	CP	Thomas Hasam, grocer of Newark, NJ
ROSENLOR, Charles A.	- - -	Denmark	7 Nov. 1838	CP	Frederick Wang
ROSENQUEST, John <sup>45</sup>	- - -	Sweden	2 Apr. 1834	MC	John Jacobs and Lawrence Green
SAGO, John	Mariner	Sweden	19 Aug. 1806	CP	William Downs, shipmaster
SALBORG, Jonas M. <sup>46</sup>	Shipmaster	Sweden	16 July 1819	CP	- - -
SCHACK, Otto	- - -	Denmark	24 Oct. 1840	CP	John D. Jones
SMEDBERG, Charles Gustaf <sup>47</sup>	Merchant	Sweden	21 Nov. 1824	USDC	John B. Miller and William Renwick <sup>48</sup>
SMITH, Henry K.	Student at law	Denmark	23 Mar. 1831	MC	Edmund D. Barry, <sup>49</sup> clergyman
SMITH, John	- - -	Denmark	9 Apr. 1839	CP	John Brown



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SMITH, Martin	Mariner	Denmark	22 June 1831	CP	- - -
SPARR, John Henry Godfrey	Farmer	Denmark	25 June 1832	CP	- - -
STEWART, William	Mariner	Sweden	19 Oct. 1831	CP	- - -
SWEDMAN, George Douglas	Mariner	Sweden and Norway	12 Oct. 1830	MC	Charles Harrington, mariner
TALIN, Wladimir Appolonius <sup>50</sup>	- - -	Sweden	7 Nov. 1838	SC	- - -
TAXBOLD, William	Ship's painter	Denmark	17 Apr. 1807	MC	Richard Sawyer, ship's painter
THOMPSON, John	Mariner	Sweden	21 Sept. 1808	CP	James Dupart, grocer
THOMPSON, Peter	Rigger and stevedore	Sweden	30 Mar. 1827	MC	James Weldon, <sup>51</sup> shipmaster
TRUMPY, John Jacob	Ship's carpenter	Sweden	14 Oct. 1831	MC	Jacob S. Bogert, printer
TYSON, Peter	Rigger	Denmark	21 May 1812	CP	Peter Stream, rigger, Adam Logan, watchmaker and Thomas Wallace, brass founder
WARBURG, Israel Marcus	Farmer	Denmark	27 Aug. 1831	CP	- - -
WARDELL, Christopher <sup>52</sup>	Fisherman	Denmark	23 Aug. 1828	MC	Jonas Beekman, <sup>53</sup> rigger and Peter Mansfield, <sup>54</sup> fisherman
WEBURGH, William	- - -	Denmark	12 Oct. 1840	CP	William O'Connor
WETHEREL, Charles	- - -	Sweden	1 June 1827	MC	Thomas Armstrong <sup>55</sup>
WILLIAMS, John	Mariner	Sweden	19 Oct. 1831	CP	- - -

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WILLIAMS, John	- - -	Sweden	11 Apr. 1839	CP	William Witberg <sup>56</sup>
WILLIAMS, Roger <sup>57</sup>	Grocer	Norway	21 Apr. 1821	CP	- - -
WILSON, Andrew	Mariner	Sweden	29 Apr. 1807	CP	Robert Brown, shipwright
WILSON, Andrew	Mariner	Sweden	13 Oct. 1832	CP	- - -
WILSON, John <sup>58</sup>	Seaman	Norway	25 Aug. 1827	CP	- - -
WITTROCK, Hans Christopher <sup>59</sup>	Seafarer	Denmark	30 Apr. 1819	CP	- - -
WORTMANN, Henry <sup>60</sup>	- - -	Denmark	2 Nov. 1840	CP	Gamaliel L. Leycraft

## Notes

- <sup>1</sup>He is perhaps identical with Nils Johan Beckman (Bäckman), b. in Falkenberg 30 Aug. 1807, the s. of Anders Beckman, sailor, and Johanna Lindström. He left Falkenberg in 1831 and checked in at the police headquarters in Göteborg 26 Sept. The following day he departed for New York. He may also be identical with a Swede named Backman, an instrument maker, who was res. in NY in the 1850s as well as a Swede named Backman, who in 1861 was in the welcoming party for the crew of the Swedish frigate *Norrköping*, which visited NY that year. —Information courtesy Erik Wikén; Lars Johan Govenius, *Fregatten Norrköpings Expedition 1861-1862* (Göteborg 1862), p. 81; Alvar Kullgren, *Dagbok 1850-1856* (Ms. in the District Archives of Göteborg).
- <sup>2</sup>Eric Berndtson was b. in Stockholm ca. 1815 and had emigr. from Göteborg. —*Scott*, p. 210.
- <sup>3</sup>Probably John A. Sidell, a NY attorney affiliated with the law firm Sidell and Livingston, located at 20 Chambers Street in 1838. —Longworth's *American Almanac, New York Register and City Directory* (New York 1838), p. 572.
- <sup>4</sup>Frederick C. Black, a piano maker, res. at 10 Fifth Avenue in 1838. —*Longworth*, p. 97.
- <sup>5</sup>Charles Bodt res. in a boardinghouse at 73 Cherry Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 102.
- <sup>6</sup>Jacob Bosch was b. in Glückstadt in Schleswig-Holstein (at that time a part of Denmark) ca. 1813 and had emigr. from Hamburg. —*Scott*, p. 210.
- <sup>7</sup>Frederick Wang maintained a porterhouse or tavern at 292 Greenwich Street in 1838. His name appears as a witness on several occasions when Danish subjects were naturalized. —*Longworth*, p. 658.
- <sup>8</sup>Rudolph Braem, merchant, was located at 87 Beaver Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 111.
- <sup>9</sup>Rasmus Christian Bredall was b. in Tromsø, Norway ca. 1794 and had emigr. from Copenhagen. —*Scott*, p. 211.
- <sup>10</sup>John Brown was b. in Stavanger, Norway ca. 1781 and had emigr. from Kristiansand, Norway. —*Ibid.*
- <sup>11</sup>Perhaps he is identical with Fredrik Carlson, a Swedish mariner, who res. in NY in the 1820s. He was b. ca. 1801 and departed from NY 1 July 1828 for Brazil aboard the ship *New Orleans* and returned to NY 5 Feb. 1829. —*New York Port Crew Lists*, National Archives, Washington, DC.
- <sup>12</sup>Theodore William Estling (Östling) was a carver and gilder in partnership with Robert Soderbery (Söderberg) at 1 St. John's Lane. Estling res. at 250 Canal Street in 1838. Estling became a member of the Swedish Society in NY 28 Feb. 1836 and Söderberg 29 April 1841. —*Longworth*, p. 236; *Svenska Societetens arkiv* (The Archives of the Swedish Society), on deposit at the Emigrant Institute, Växjö, Sweden.
- <sup>13</sup>William D. Murphy, sailmaker, had his shop at 32 Depeyster Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 467.
- <sup>14</sup>Alexander Elgrean (sic!), a carpenter, res. at 96 Allen Street in 1838. He is identical with Alexander Elgrim (sic!), a res. at 96 Allen Street, a native of Sweden, who d. 20 Nov. 1843 at the age of 50 and probably was buried in Orange Co., NY, since his body was remanded there. —*Longworth*, p. 231; *NY City Register of Deaths*, New York City Archives.
- <sup>15</sup>Michael Emanuel, grocer, had his shop at 146 Front Street in 1838. He res. at 77 Oliver Street. —*Longworth*, p. 234.
- <sup>16</sup>Frederick G. Rode res. at a boardinghouse at 67 James Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 541.
- <sup>17</sup>Lewis Gadd, a native of Sweden, d. at 9 Ninth Avenue in NY 14 Aug. 1852 from heart disease. He was 50 years old. His body was removed from the city. —*NY City Register of Deaths*.
- <sup>18</sup>Fernando Wood, grocer, had his shop at 133 Washington Street in 1838. He res. at 136½ Chapel Street. —*Longworth*, p. 694.
- <sup>19</sup>John Greenleaf was a native of Stockholm, b. ca. 1791 and had emigr. from Stockholm. —*Scott*, p. 234
- <sup>20</sup>Nicholas Harris' declaration of intent was dated 1836. —*Ibid.*, p. 116
- <sup>21</sup>Christian August Henningson was b. in Denmark ca. 1791 and had emigr. from Gibraltar. —*Ibid.*, p. 338.
- <sup>22</sup>There are two references to Charles Hillsburgh's naturalization. He was naturalized in CP 20 March 1827 and in MC 14 May the same year. In 1838 he had his plumber's shop at 342 Water Street and res. at 75 Monroe Street. On 21 Aug. 1848 he visited Göteborg, staying there at Todd's Hotel. He produced his passport at the police headquarters that day, which stated that he was domiciled in New York, also that he was b. in that city. The latter statement is erroneous. —*Longworth*, p. 321; *Journal öfver Utländske Resande för åren 1848-1851* (Register of Foreign Travelers 1848-1851, *Göteborgs Poliskammare DIV:12a* in the District Archives of Göteborg; information courtesy Erik Wikén.
- <sup>23</sup>Alexander Hoffstrom res. in Thomaston, ME, and though a subject of Russia, was probably of Finnish origin. The name, sometimes spelled Hofström, appears in Finnish genealogical works. —*Scott*, p. 241.
- <sup>24</sup>Reyer Holbaerg had declared his intention of becoming a U.S. citizen in 1833. —*Ibid.*, p. 116.
- <sup>24\*</sup>Carl Sam. Kahn, 22 years of age, clerk, rec. passport to NY in Stockholm 12 June 1818. Four years later, he arr. at age 26 from America and checked in with the police headquarters in Göteborg 23 Nov. 1822, continuing on to Stockholm. Three years later he arr. at the police headquarters in Göteborg 13 May 1825 at the age of 29, coming from Cadiz in Spain. He rec. another passport in Göteborg 28 May to Karlskrona and Stockholm. In the latter city he rec. a passport to Copenhagen 30 Aug. 1831. He may be the s. of a Jewish merchant in Stockholm, Samuel M. Kahn, who d. in 1829. —Information courtesy Erik Wikén.

- <sup>25</sup>George Keeler had come from Holstein, at that time a part of Denmark. He had emigr. from Hamburg. —*Ibid.*, p. 246.
- <sup>26</sup>August Krook was b. in Stockholm ca. 1801 and had emigr. from that city. He d. at 326 Madison Avenue in NY 14 June 1842 and was bur. in the Oliver Street Baptist Cemetery by the Rev. L. Davis. His age at the time of his death was listed as 45 years. —*Ibid.*; *NY City Register of Deaths*.
- <sup>27</sup>He is possibly identical with Henry Larson, native of Göteborg, a Swedish sailor, who in New Orleans on 12 June 1815 signed aboard the ship *Hebe* destined for Gibraltar. —*New Orleans Port Crew Manifests*, National Archives, Washington, DC.

- <sup>28</sup>John Eric Lindmark, was b. in Ekerö Parish (Stock.) 2 June 1792, the s. of Eric Lindmark, miller, and Elisabeth Björkstедt in her second marriage. Very little is known about his early life, but according to an advertisement in the *American Druggists' Circular* for June 1859, his s. William Mount Lindmark stated that his father arr. in the U.S. in 1815. From 13 Oct. 1817 to 13 Sept. 1818 he served as a seaman in the U.S. Navy, being regularly discharged from the 74-gun U.S. ship *Washington* on the latter date.

He established himself as a merchant in NY, specializing in the manufacture and sale of perfumes. In 1828 he visited Sweden and received a passport in Stockholm 17 June of that year for travel to NY. In 1838 he was established as a perfumer at 88 Chatham Street with a residence at 3 Roosevelt Street. In 1850 he was still listed as a perfumer, this time in the Merchants' Exchange and a residence at 256 Bowery. He d. in NY 24 July 1868.

In many ways Lindmark was a remarkable individual. In 1832 he wrote and published two novelettes, *The Vigilant Farmer: A Western Tale*; and *The Magic Stone: An Eastern Tale*, probably the very first Swedish American work of fiction in the U.S.

Additional information regarding this early Swedish emigrant can be found in Benson's account. —Adolph B. Benson, "John Lindmark: Versatile Swedish Immigrant in New York" in *The American Swedish Historical Museum Yearbook 1946* (Philadelphia 1946), pp. 5-22; *Svenska flottans pensionskassas verifikationer* (Swedish Passport Records); *Longworth*, p. 395; *Daggett's New York City Directory for 1850-1851*, p. 202.

- <sup>29</sup>He may be identical with Charles Linn, a Swedish Finn, whose original name was Karl Erik Engelbert Sjö Dahl, and who was b. in Pojo in the province of Nyland, Finland 13 June 1814. He became a sailor in North American waters, arr. for the first time in the U.S. in 1833 and then settled in the South, where he played a leading part in the early days of the city of Birmingham, AL.

Soon after his naturalization he returned to his native land, arr. in Stockholm 24 Aug. 1840 with a passport dated Helsingfors 30 July. He arr. in Göteborg 27 Aug. together with Emil Sjö Dahl (a brother?) and departed for Hull England the following day. When he visited Finland he carried a passport dated Åbo (Turku) 16 Sept. 1842, countersigned in Göteborg 1 Oct., stating that he was on his way to Copenhagen. He departed from Sweden via the fortress of Malmö 5 Oct. 1842 together with his wife, who if the two individuals named Charles Linn are identical, was Emile Antoinette Forss, also b. in Finland. For further information concerning Linn and his role in the building of the modern South, see Ernest J. Moyné, "Charles Linn: Finnish-Swedish Businessman, Banker, and Industrialist in Nineteenth-Century Alabama" in *The Swedish Pioneer Historical Quarterly* (now *The Swedish-American Historical Quarterly*), Vol. XXVIII, No. 2, April 1977, pp. 97-105. —Passport lists for Stockholm and Göteborg in the City Archives of Stockholm (*Stockholms Stadsarkiv*) and the District Archives of Göteborg (*Göteborgs Landsarkiv*); information courtesy Erik Wikén.

- <sup>30</sup>Christian Barnes res. at a boardinghouse at 25 Oak Street in 1838. —*Longworth*, p. 78.

- <sup>31</sup>William M. Lowry, engineer, res. at 123 Cannon Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 403.

- <sup>32</sup>Levi Magnusson was b. in the Jewish Congregation (*Mosaiska församlingen*) in Stockholm 10 April 1810, the s. of Joseph Magnusson, a wholesale merchant, and Fredrica von Halle. As a young clerk he received a passport in Göteborg 27 May 1831 for travel to NY. There he m. Sara Corning, b. 3 Aug. 1821, and had with her two children, b. in NY—Anna Fredrika, b. 31 March 1842 and Howard Campbell, b. 7 Feb. 1845. On 2 July 1845 he returned to Sweden with his family and remained in Stockholm the next four years, during which time his American wife met and associated with many of the leading literary Swedish men and women of that day. Here a third child, Rosalie, was b.

In 1849 the Magnussons returned to the U.S. aboard the vessel *Augusta*, which arr. in NY 3 Sept. that year. Aboard the same ship was a Norwegian immigrant by the name of Gerhard Styhr Christian Hjort Paoli, who on the voyage lost his Swedish wife by death. Back in the U.S. the Magnussons at first res. in Cincinnati, where Levi Magnusson and Gerhard Paoli opened a pharmacy. After a short time the family moved to Chicago where Magnusson d. and his widow, Sara Corning Magnusson, remarried Gerhard Paoli. Levi Magnusson's s. Howard C. Magnusson became one of the founders of the Northwestern University School of Dental Surgery. —Nils William Olsson, *Swedish Passenger Arrivals in New York 1820-1850* (Stockholm and Chicago 1967), pp. 186-187; information courtesy Erik Wikén; Hans Peter Christian Hansen (who used the pseudonym Axel Fredrik), *Langt fra Danmark*, 3, 1855, p. 260; Ernst W. Olson, *History of the Swedes of Illinois 1-II* (Chicago 1908), pp. 711-713.

- <sup>33</sup>Henry Martin res. at 74 Henry Street in 1840. He is doubtless identical with Henrik Martin, b. in Öregrund, Sweden 15 Aug. 1807, s. of Henrik Martin, sea captain, and his first wife, Brita Christina Wising. He became a sailor and is listed in the Öregrund household examination roll as having run away from home in 1831. He d. in NY 13 Sept. 1841, at which time he was first mate aboard an American merchantman. He was m. to Christina Öberg, who with their dau. Henrietta, emigr. to America, arr. in NY 19 July 1839 aboard the vessel *Betty* from Stockholm. —Olsson, *SPANY*, pp. 30, 31; *Scott*, p. 182; information courtesy Erik Wikén.
- <sup>34</sup>Emanuel Swanson, the witness at Henry Martin's naturalization, may be identical with Emanuel Swinson, who arr. in Boston 22 July 1833 aboard the vessel *Sereno* from Göteborg. —Nils William Olsson, *Swedish Passenger Arrivals in U.S. Ports 1820-1850 (except New York)* (Stockholm and St. Paul, MN 1978) (*SPAexNY*), p. 6.
- <sup>35</sup>Christian Miller was b. in Haalborg (probably Aalborg), Denmark ca. 1792. He emigr. from Haalborg, read Aalborg. *Scott*, p. 260.
- <sup>36</sup>Peter Muller had arr. in NY from Copenhagen. —*Ibid.*, p. 262.
- <sup>37</sup>Richard Totten, carter, res. at 20 Avenue C in 1838. —*Longworth*, p. 629.
- <sup>38</sup>Bror Gustaf Nordblad was b., probably, in Söderhamn 29 March 1816, the s. of Carl Nordblad, the city physician of Söderhamn and his second wife, Anna Helena Holm. According to one source he left for America 1833 but another source fixes the date of departure from Gävle in Sweden to 28 Sept. 1835 aboard the vessel *Amalia*. When the ship was to return to Sweden, Nordblad stayed behind in NY because of illness and was not on board when the captain discharged the crew in Göteborg 22 April 1839.
- He res. in Suffield, Hartford Co., CT in 1850, when he is listed in the census as a cigar maker, married to Mary Nordblad, a native of Ireland and an eleven year-old son by the name of Charles, b. in NY. He d. in 1864. —A.J. Bruzelius and Carl Edling, *Sveriges läkare-historia. Ny följd I-II* (Stockholm 1873-1876), II, pp. 559-560; *7th U.S. Census*, CT, III, p. 193; *Avmönstringsrullor för 1839 (Crew Mustering Out Rolls) in Göteborgs Sjömanshus* (Göteborg Merchant Marine Hiring Hall) Records in the District Archives of Göteborg (*Landsarkivet*).
- <sup>39</sup>Andrew J. Olsen was listed as an upholsterer, res. at 465 Broadway in 1838. —*Longworth*, p. 483.
- <sup>40</sup>George Christian Petersen was b. in Helsingør, Denmark ca. 1804 and had emigr. from Göteborg. There are two entries for him—one naturalization took place in CP 19 Sept. 1825 and the other at MC 2 Jan. 1827. The earlier appearance was probably a declaration of intent. —*Scott*, pp. 270, 337.
- <sup>41</sup>Hans Peterson was b. ca. 1789 and emigr. from East Stadt (Ystad?) in Sweden. He is possibly identical with Hans Peterson, a native of Sweden and a resident of NY who filed his intention of becoming a U.S. citizen. He was listed as being 39 years old when he signed on board the ship *Eagle* in NY 1 Oct. 1823 bound for Port au Prince, Haiti. —*Scott*, p. 343; *New York Port Crew Lists*, National Archives, Washington, DC.
- <sup>42</sup>Adolphus Peter Pihlstrom was b. in Göteborg ca. 1773 and emigr. from that city. His s. Joseph was b. in Dorchester, England and was eight years old at the time the father was naturalized. —*Scott*, p. 269.
- <sup>43</sup>John Francis Eugene Prud'homme was b. on the island of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands 4 Oct. 1800, the s. of French parents. In 1807 he accompanied the family to the U.S., settling in New York. Early in life John Francis, the boy, was tutored in the art of engraving by his brother-in-law, Thomas Gimbrede. His skill improved and by the age of 21 he was doing his own engravings. Some of his best work was done with famous Americans as well as Europeans, including the Swedish writer Fredrika Bremer. From 1834 to 1853 Prud'homme was curator of the National Academy of Design and in 1869 he went to Washington, DC to become a designer of banknotes and securities at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, staying there until his resignation in 1885 at the age of 85 years. He d. in Georgetown, DC 27 June 1892. —*Dictionary of American Biography*, Vol. XV, p. 253.
- <sup>44</sup>Augustus Gaetan's (sic!) widow Susannah res. at 23 Barclay Street in 1838. —*Longworth*, p. 262.
- <sup>45</sup>Charles Roden was a resident of Newark, NJ at the time of his naturalization. He d. at the Park Hospital in NY 27 July 1832 and was bur. in the Potter's Field. —*Scott*, p. 57; *NY Register of Deaths*.
- <sup>46</sup>Probably Johannes Rosenqvist, b., probably, in Göteborg 11 March 1807, the s. of Jöns Rosenqvist, customs officer, and probably Sophia Westerberg. He left Göteborg 21 Sept. 1824 to go to sea and eventually came to America. In 1838 he was res. at 3 Pike Street in NY, listed as a rigger. —*Longworth*, p. 546; *Domkyrkoförsamlingens personalförteckning över gifta 1818-1829* (Register of Married Couples in the Cathedral Parish of Göteborg) in the District Archives of Göteborg (*Landsarkivet*).
- <sup>47</sup>Jonas M. Salborg was b. in Stockholm ca. 1786 and emigr. from Göteborg. He must be identical with a Swedish sailor with the same name who appears in the crew lists of both New Orleans and New York. He first appears in New Orleans 6 Aug. 1819 when he shipped aboard the *Corvo* bound for Amsterdam. He returned to Amsterdam once more on the *Corvo* 27 May 1820. On 9 April 1825 he signed on board the Java-bound vessel *London Packet* in NY. —*Scott*, p. 278; *New Orleans and New York Port Crew Lists*, National Archives, Washington, DC.

- <sup>47</sup>Charles Gustaf Smedberg was b. in Stockholm 27 Dec. 1781, the s. of George Magnus Smedberg, chief accountant with the Royal Swedish Iron Institute and owner of the estate of Hånö in Södermanland, and Hedvig Magdalena Schön. In 1812, during the war between the U.S. and Great Britain, young Smedberg, being a neutral, arr. in New York from Liverpool to study the iron and steel situation in the U.S. He did not return, but instead settled in NY, where he declared his intention of becoming a U.S. citizen 20 July 1816. He m. Isabella Renwick 2 Dec. 1815, with whom he had a total of thirteen children. He d. 29 Aug. 1845. He left a vast progeny. One of his latter-day descendants is Vice Admiral William Renwick Smedberg III, USN (Ret.) who at one time served as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Personnel and Reserves. —Helen McIver, *Genealogy of the Smedberg Family* (n.p. 1923), pp. 4-5; *Stockholms Stads-Calender för året 1803* (Stockholm City Directory for 1803), p. 119; *Washington Evening Star*, 23 Feb. 1964.
- <sup>48</sup>William Renwick, merchant, res. at 31 Barclay Street in 1838. He may have been the father or brother of Isabella Renwick, Smedberg's wife. —*Longworth*, p. 529.
- <sup>49</sup>The Rev. Doctor E.D. Barry was attached to an academy at 35 Murray Street in 1838. His residence was in Jersey City, NJ. —*Ibid.*, p. 80.
- <sup>50</sup>Wladimir Appolonius Talén was b. in Åbo (Turku), Finland 18 April 1812, the s. of Eric Talén, engraver, and Henriette Engelbrecht. The family seems to have moved over to Stockholm soon after Wladimir's birth, for the Stockholm census of 1820 shows that the father, Eric Talén, a bronze artisan, was living in the Jacob Parish with his wife and five children, including Wladimir. In 1833 the latter res. in St. Nikolai Parish, also in Stockholm, as a journeyman carpenter. On 5 July of that year he received a passport to America. Five years later he was back in Stockholm, where he is recorded as getting another passport on 10 Aug. 1838 for travel to America. At this time his occupation is given as a ship's carpenter.
- When his father d. in 1839 and when his mother d. ten years later in 1849, both of the estate inventories list Wladimir Appolonius Talén as being in America, in the latter case his occupation is given as architect. He d. in New Orleans in 1881. —(L.M.V. Örnberg), *Svensk slägtkalender och Svenska årtal 1-XIV* (Stockholm 1885-1908), III, p. 207; *Svenska flottans pensionskassas verifikationer* (Swedish Passport Records), 1833, 1838; Parish Records of the St. Nikolai Parish; *Mantalsuppgifter för Stockholm 1820* (The Stockholm Census of 1820); *Stockholms stads bouppteckningar* (Estate Inventory Records 1839, 1849), Stockholm City Archives; Olsson, *SPæxNY*, p. 55, note 36.
- <sup>51</sup>Mary Weldon, the widow of James Weldon, res. at 105 Henry Street in 1838. —*Longworth*, p. 669.
- <sup>52</sup>Christopher Wardell, furniture dealer, had his shop at 35 Oliver Street at the cor. of Madison Avenue in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 660.
- <sup>53</sup>Jonas Beekman, rigger, res. at 40 South Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 86.
- <sup>54</sup>Peter Mansfield, mariner, res. at 322 Madison Avenue in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 428.
- <sup>55</sup>He is possibly identical with Thomas Armstrong, clerk, who res. at 134 Reade Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 64.
- <sup>56</sup>William Witberg res. at a boardinghouse at 95 Roosevelt Street in 1838. —*Ibid.*, p. 692.
- <sup>57</sup>Roger Williams was b. in Mundel (Mandal?), Norway ca. 1783 and emigr. from Liverpool. A Roger Williams, grocer, res. at 219 Grand Street in 1838 and may be identical with him. He also witnessed the naturalization of John Wilson (see n. 58 below), who also hailed from Mandal. —*Scott*, p. 292; *Longworth*, p. 685.
- <sup>58</sup>John Wilson was b. in Mondel (Mandal?), Norway ca. 1803. There are two naturalizations of John Wilson, both in CP, the first 25 Aug. 1827, the second 1 Oct. 1831. It is to be assumed that the first appearance must have been a declaration of intent. —*Scott*, p. 293.
- <sup>59</sup>Hans Christopher Wittrock was b. in Printz, Holstein, which at this time was a part of Denmark, ca. 1791 and emigr. from Hamburg. —*Scott*, p. 291.
- <sup>60</sup>There are two naturalizations for Henry Wortman(n), one on 2 Nov. 1838 and the second on 2 Nov. 1840. It is to be assumed that the first appearance was when he took out his declaration of intent.