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6. Augusta Valentina Lange (1872-1954), whose married name was Ernst.

The author welcomes additional information on this Lange/Lang family and would enjoy getting in touch with any living descendants.

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Johan Jeremias Lange had a son by the same name, Johan Jeremias Lange or John Lang, as he called himself in America. He was born in Stockholm 9 Aug. 1751 and became somewhat of an adventurer. From his father's will we learn that he had a wife and family in Philadelphia, and that he had "scurrilously" left them and returned to Europe. After having promised his father to go back to his family in America, he instead went to London, where he married once again, thereby committing bigamy. When the father received word of this turn of events he disinherited his son in favor of the grandchildren in Philadelphia. Johan Jeremias the younger returned to Stockholm shortly after his father's death in that city 1794, and became a burgher in Stockholm 1797. He soon departed once more, perhaps back to London, or perhaps even to Philadelphia. Who knows? Can any reader of SAG help me find out what happened the Johan Jeremias Lange/Long family in Philadelphia?

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In a book of homilies (*postilla*) by the Swedish theologian Lars Linderot, published in Göteborg 1829. we find the following inscriptions:

Inside the front cover-

"This Book, blessed by God, belongs to me, Nils Månsson in Norra Ämterud, Eda Parish (Värm.). I was born 20 Nov. 1808 and my dear wife, Märtha Eriksdotter, was born in Grythål, Gunnarskog Parish (Värm.) 17 March 1814. In 1836 we were joined in Christian matrimony, which was confirmed on Midsummer Day. On 16 Aug. 1838 our daughter Birgit Nilsdotter was born and on 18 May 1841 our second daughter was born named Kjerstin Nilsdotter. On 2 Oct. 1843 our son Anders Nilsson was born.

This book was purchased at the Winter Fair in Arvika 1848 and cost me 5 *Riksdaler Riksgälds*."

Inside the flyleaf is the following notation:

"I bought this book at an auction after Nils Månsson in Norra Ämterud 25 Oct. 1850."

Brynte Olsson in Norra Ämterud"