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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT, JANE DUXBURY SCHLEINZER

February 2024

Dear Members,

It has been a great pleasure to serve as your President for the term 2023-2025. This coming April, we will hold our biennial election of new Cabinet officers, with several new faces coming onboard. Just as it has for all of its 22 years thus far, I feel confident the affairs of our Order will continue to be administered by dedicated Cabinet members who will bring considerable experience and excellent leadership skills to their respective offices.

Though there were no issues of *Executive Diary* last year, I am pleased to introduce this third issue, bringing the membership up to date on the affairs of our Order. Included in this issue are the Minutes from last year's meeting, Officer Reports, an important genealogical article, and of course, our Annual Meeting announcement and reservation form. This will be our second consecutive year sharing meeting time and venue with our sister societies, *The IX* and *Scions of Freedom Signers*.

We hope to see you at our Annual Meeting at the Willard Hotel, and in the mean time, please continue to stay safe and healthy.

Yours in patriotism,
Jane Schleinzer, President



Notable Presidential Anniversaries in the Year 2025

John Quincy Adams began his term of office 200 years ago.

Andrew Johnson died 150 years ago.

First Ladies Louisa Johnson Adams and Anna Symmes Harrison each would be 250 years old. Barbara Bush would be 100.



NOTE THE DATE!

The Annual Meeting of The Hereditary Order of the Families of the Presidents and First Ladies of America will be held on April 13, 2025 at the Willard Inter-Continental Hotel in Washington, DC. As noted elsewhere, the Order will partner with its sister societies, *The IX* and *Scions of Freedom Signers*. Details appear on the last two pages of this issue of *The Executive Diary*.



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from Jane Routt Power

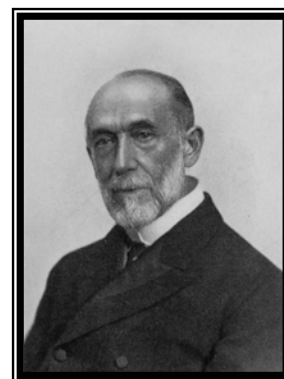
In 1902, a Wall Street broker gifted President Theodore Roosevelt a parrot named Polly, purchased at a pet store on Second Avenue in New York City. Polly, a large grey parrot, knew more than one hundred words, spelled her own name, and sang songs in multiple languages. The bird's two favorite tunes to belt were "Yankee Doodle" and "So Lebensnier," a merry-making often sung by students. Polly also enjoyed chatting with politicians.

Though no photograph seems to exist of President with Polly, from the story above, we can conclude she was almost certainly an African Grey



Sen. William Mason – R-IL

Once, after Illinois Senator William Mason entered the President's ante-room, Polly shrieked in German, "What's the matter with Billy?" The parrot also told New York Senator Thomas Platt to, "Cheer up, cheer up."

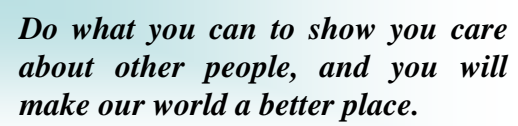


Sen. Thomas Platt, R-NY



While living in the White House, President Roosevelt and his family owned several parrots, including one named "Loretta" and another named "Eli Yale." Loretta was taught to say, "Hurrah for Roosevelt!"

Among the President's many bird buddies was a Hyacinth Macaw




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Published Sources – Cautionary Points

Questions regularly arise about what sources are unacceptable as evidence of lineage for our application. Following is a list of some unacceptable sources, as well as some examples of well-regarded tools and compendia:

James Savage, *Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England*, 4 vols. – no longer generally acceptable for applications. It remains a good source for finding clues during research. Numerous other acceptable printed sources, however, are considered more reliable and authoritative, including **Robert Charles Anderson's *Great Migration*** volumes. These volumes also include his *Pilgrim Migration*, and his *Winthrop Fleet*.

Torrey's *New England Marriages to the Year 1700* is an index, **not** a source. Consult the version that contains sources used and locate those sources for documentation purposes.

Craig Hart, *A Genealogy of the Wives of the American Presidents and Their First Two Generations of Descent* (2004) – not acceptable. Use Gary Boyd Roberts's *Ancestors of American Presidents*, 2009 Edition (rev. 2012) or *Executive Papers* (this Order's publication), both of which are considered authoritative. Note, however, that in the next few weeks, volumes 1-6 of *Executive Papers* will be superseded with *Ancestors of American Presidents and First Ladies*, authored by our Postmaster General, Alexander Bannerman, in collaboration with Gary Boyd Roberts and Patricia Sears Wasilik.

Frederick Adams Virkus, *The Compendium of American Genealogy*, 7 vols. (1925-1942) – not acceptable, but useful for clues. From 1932-1943, Virkus also published a series of biographical sketches in his *Handbook of American Genealogy*, which provides many clues and is sometimes considered authoritative when no other treatment can be found.

Ronald Vern Jackson and Altha Polson, *American Patriots* (1981) – not acceptable. Again, however, this work may be useful for finding clues.

Most of the works of **William Richard Cutter** – no longer acceptable. While generally fairly accurate for ancestors on this side of the ocean, much has been superseded, especially regarding English origins; but useful for clues.

"Mug Books," some **County Histories**, some **Town Histories**, and some **Family Genealogies** also may be deemed unacceptable. These must be considered on a case-by-case basis.

NEVER ACCEPTABLE are personal "family trees" from websites such as *ancestry.com*, *geneanet.org*, *familysearch.org*, and *geni.com*, to name a few of the more popular sites. Also, *find-a-grave* memorials that do not contain source materials are unacceptable, again, except for clues.

CONVERSELY, a multitude of well-done **"All-My-Ancestors" Genealogies** that have wide genealogical respect because they were edited (and often compiled) by leading genealogists in their time. Don't overlook these valuable printed sources. Also, there are several remarkably useful tools concerning research generally or at least regionally: Gary Boyd Roberts's *The Best Genealogical Sources in Print* (2012), Robert Anderson's *Great Migration Directory* (2015), Martin Hollick's *New Englanders in the 1600s* (2012), J. F. Dorman's *Adventurers of Purse and Person*, 4th ed., 3 vols. (2007), Lyman Chalkley's *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish Settlement in Virginia* (1912), and usually all of the Genealogical Journals.

REMEMBER: while published Vital Records from the 17th and 18th Centuries are, of course, an important source, be sure you have the record for the **correct person of that name**. **Do not assume!**

Lou Henry was born in 1874 in Waterloo, Iowa, where she was considered to be a tomboy. She went to UCLA,

but after a year she transferred to San Jose Normal School (now known as San Jose State University) and met Herbert Hoover, who was a senior. At Stanford she was a member of the Basketball Committee, Vice President of the Women's Athletic Association, and an active member of the Archery Club. Herbert and Lou delayed their marriage until her graduation. She graduated from Stanford in 1898 with a BA in Geology and was the only female geology major. She also studied Latin, Mandarin Chinese, Spanish, German, Italian, and French. She is the only First Lady to speak an Asian language.

First Lady's Minute



As soon as she graduated, Herbert cabled a marriage proposal, which she promptly accepted. She was raised Episcopalian but chose to become a Quaker. Because there was no Meeting House, they were married in a civil ceremony. After their marriage, they sailed to Shanghai and lived in China for 1½ years. Herbert's job as a geologist and mining engineer required him to travel extensively in remote and dangerous areas. She accompanied him as his assistant to all of these places. Her Chinese name was "Hoo Loo."



Lou Henry Hoover
portrait by Philip A. deLaszlo, 1932

She was decorated by King Albert I of Belgium for providing relief for Belgian refugees during World War I. She also served as National President of the Girl Scouts of America from 1922 to 1925 and again from 1935 to 1937. She designed the Lou Henry Hoover House, where they lived in the Palo Alto foothills. This is now the official residence of the President of Stanford University and is designated a National Historic Landmark.

She oversaw construction of the presidential retreat at Rapidan Camp in Madison County, Virginia. She was also the first First Lady to make regular nationwide radio broadcasts.

She had a heart attack January 7, 1944, and was found dead in her bedroom by Herbert when he came in to kiss her goodnight.

Sunny Hayes, April
2019



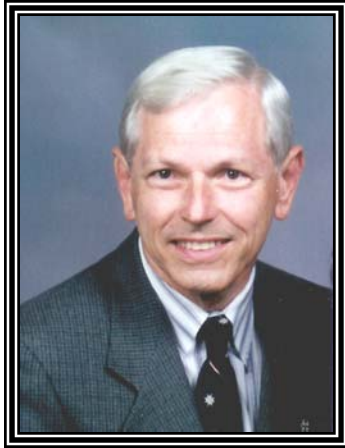
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A qualifying ancestor may have fought on either side of the battle – Scotland or England – and the specific battle must be identified. “Supporters of the cause,” or “supporters of the King” do not qualify without a clear determination of service in a battle, as many gentry, aristocracy, and nobility were supporters without fighting. Ancestors may be used for more than one battle. Charter Membership will begin May 1, 2025 and end November 30, 2025. For an application and instructions, e-mail Alex Gannerman at ScottishWarOfIndependence@gmail.com. Applications will be sent out beginning approximately April 25.

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Remembering Barry

Barrett Lee McKown, 89, passed away peacefully November 25, 2024. He was born June 30, 1935, in Wheeling, WV, to Harold E. and Della E. (McCready) McKown of Prince George's Co., MD. He graduated from the University of Maryland, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree, moving on to take a Master of Biological Science degree from American University. Barry married Anne Willson Grim September 24, 1965, and lived for over 50 years in the community of Loch Haven on the South River in Edgewater, MD, while enjoying many travels across the country and globe.

Barry enjoyed an illustrious career in secondary education, teaching biology at Suitland High School (1957-1961) and DuVal High School (1961-1970). He went on to teach biology, zoology, anatomy, and physiology at the Anne Arundel Community College (1970-1994), after which he retired with 37 years of teaching experience. He served as Chairman of the College Science Division (1974-1978), as Assistant Professor of Biology (1970-1973), as Associate Professor of Biology (1973-1979), and as Professor of Biology (1979-1994). He was named Professor of Biology *Emeritus* in 1994.

Barry served on the Board of Trustees of the Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Public Library for 20 years, serving as President for 4 years. He was an active member and former president of the U.S. Naval Academy Parents and Sponsors Program. Over two decades of sponsorship, he and his wife attended a myriad of sporting and social events, graduations, and weddings and welcomed over 160 midshipmen into their home. As an active member of St. Anne's Church, he served on the altar, as a congregation greeter, and on numerous committees, most notably as the Chairman of the Cemetery Committee for many years.

He was a member of the Maryland Military Monuments Commission, appointed by the Governor of Maryland in 1994, and also as an Archivist for the National Congress of Patriotic Organizations. Additionally, he was a member of many historical, patriotic and genealogical societies. Notably, he was a Founding Member of the **Hereditary Order of the Families of the Presidents and First Ladies of America** – one of its original 13 members. He was also extremely active in the SAR, National Gavel Society (former President), Maryland Society of the War of 1812, National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims (former Captain General), Mareen Duvall Descendants (Registrar), Saint Andrews Society (Baltimore), Saint George's Society (Baltimore), the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem (Officer, bestowed by Elizabeth II, Queen of England), and a plethora of other organizations. His contributions to these organizations earned him many honors and awards; however, it was the friendships he formed and connections he fostered that he cherished most deeply.

In his final days he was able to spend time with his family, whom he so dearly loved and with whom he shared many wonderful life experiences with over the years. He is survived by his loving wife, Anne, of Edgewater, MD; his sister-in-law Mary Elizabeth Grim; and numerous nephews, nieces, and their families.

This memorial was adapted from his obituary appearing at kalasfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/

Executive Papers

Issues 7 through 19 of *Executive Papers* are available either by Issue or as a complete set. Following are the Issues broken down by contents. Be sure to review all of them, as a few lineages were updated in their entirety for publication a second time. These 13 Issues will remain in print only until approximately mid-2026.

Pricing is: \$18.00 per Issue; \$225 for all Issues (7-19). Prices include US postage.

Checks should be made payable to “**Presidents and First Ladies**” and sent to Alexander Bannerman, who has the stock and fills the Orders.

Genealogical Contents of *Executive Papers*, by Issue[£]

Issue 7 – “The Roosevelt Issue” – Theodore and Edith, Franklin and Eleanor.

Issue 8 – Taft and Wilson, and their qualifying First Ladies.

Issue 9 – Harding and Hoover, and their qualifying First Ladies.

Issue 10 – “The Coolidge Issue” – Calvin and Grace.

Issue 11 – “The Hollywood Issue” – Nixon and Reagan, and their qualifying First Ladies, plus a revised AT for Mrs. Fillmore.

Issue 12 – Truman and Eisenhower, and their qualifying First Ladies, plus a revised AT for Mrs. Madison.

Issue 13 – Kennedy and Ford, and their qualifying First Ladies.

Issue 14 – L. Johnson, Clinton and Trump, and their qualifying First Ladies, plus a revised AT for Mrs. Obama.

Issue 15 – “The Bush Issue” – George Herbert Walker, Barbara and Laura (and George Walker via both of his parents).

Issue 16 – “The Carter Issue” – Jimmy and Rosalynn.

Issue 17 – Non-First Lady Presidential Wives – Part I, plus a revised AT for First Lady Louisa Catherine (Johnson) Adams.

Issue 18 – The Bidens – Joseph and Jill; Non-First Lady Presidential Wives, Part II – Neilia (Hunter) Biden; plus a revised AT for Anne (Gaskins) Pinckard Lee, wife of Continental Congress President Richard Henry Lee.[§]

Issue 19 – Non-First Lady Presidential Wives – Part III (the divorced wives of Presidents) – the 1st Mrs. Reagan; the 1st and 2nd Mrs. Trumps

£ In addition to the ancestor tables of those listed, each issue contains diagrams showing how Presidents and First Ladies are related to each other through a common ancestor. An index to the most up-to-date diagrams appears at the end of this Issue.

§ Our Order recognizes the contributions of the Presidents of the Continental Congress as Chief Executive Officers of our Government at its birth, and of their wives (if they were married while holding office). The ancestry of these individuals was addressed in Issue 2 and has been much improved over time. The ahnentafels of all of these people are the subject of a separate work to be published in the future and made available to the general public. We also recognize the Presidents and their wives (if they were married while holding office) of the six Republics that existed on American soil *after* the United States of America became an independent nation. All issues from 7 to the present contain fewer ahnentafels due to the number of generations required to reach the immigrant generation.

The Identity of Maria, Second Wife of Peter Jacobse Loockermans of Albany, New York¹

Alexander Bannerman

Peter Loockermans and his second wife, Maria (a Duncanson sister, as discussed in this article), are ancestors of President Theodore Roosevelt and First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt (the President's niece). Catherine Duncanson (Maria's sister) and Alexander Glen previously were identified by this author as ancestors of First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy.² The Duncanson sisters have an established royal descent via their mother, Helen Livingston.³

For over a century, noted genealogists have thought the second wife of "Pieter Jacobse Loockermans" of Albany was "Maritje *poss.* Duncanson."⁴ Unfortunately, very little reasoning for that conclusion has been published.⁵ This article presents the facts and evidence that Maria was, indeed, one of the Duncanson sisters of New York, daughters of Rev. James Duncanson and his wife, Helen Livingston, this last of royal descent.

Looking first at the facts, Peter Loockermans indisputably married twice. In his excellent online article, Prof. Willem Frijhoff notes Peter was married 6 Oct 1637 at Turnhout, Netherlands, to Ursula Vissers.⁶ They seem to have had only one son, Jacob, and

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- 1 For simplicity, the English versions of these two people's first names are used, unless spelt differently in quotes or citations.
 - 2 *Executive Papers* 13 (2016):9-18, 14 (2017):11-19.
 - 3 See the three-part article by Adrian Benjamin Burke, "The Livingston Ancestry of the Duncanson Sisters of New Netherland...", in *TG* 27 (2013):28-50, 162-81, 28 (2014):58-89 (hereinafter, "Adrian Burke").
 - 4 He is sometimes confused with his cousin, Pieter *Janse* Loockermans, which may be partly responsible for the failure to identify the parentage of Mrs. Maria Loockermans, the subject of the instant sketch. See, e.g., Edwin R. Purple, *Contributions to the History of Ancient Families of New Amsterdam and New York* (1881), pp. 35-36 (hereinafter "Purple"), and *The Dutch Settlers Society of Albany Yearbook*, vol. 40 (1964-1966):10 (hereinafter "DSSAY"), each showing daughters of Pieter *Jacobse* Loockermans as children of his nephew, Pieter *Janse* Loockermans *d'jongh* (the Younger). Cf. Willem Frijhoff, "Govert Loockermans (1617?-1671?) and his relatives: How an adolescent from Turnhout worked his way up in the New World" (rev. 7 Jan 2016), pp. 35-38, at *NewNetherlandInstitute.org* (hereinafter, "Frijhoff"), which seeks to correct this error, noting Peter *Janse* Loockermans *d'jongh* married Maritje Lambertsen, and was socially involved with different families. See also David M. Riker, *Genealogical and Biographical Directory to Persons in New Netherland, from 1613 to 1674*, 4 vols., and *Supplement* (1999, 2004), and Eugene Van Autenboer, "De familie Lokermans in Turnhout en ... de Nieuwe Wereld?," in *Vlaamse Stam: Tijdschrift voor familiegeschiedenis* 22:3-4 (Mar-Apr 1986):115-132.
 - 5 See, e.g., William Asbury Williams, *Early American Families: The Williams, Moore, McKittrick, Fonda, Van Alen, Lanning, King, Justice, Cunningham, Longacre, Swanson and Cox Families* (1916), p. 22; *DSSAY*, *supra*; Gordon L. Remington, "The Duncanson Wives of Four New Netherland Settlers: Glen, Teller, Powell, and Loockermans," in *NYGBR* 128 (1997):1-10, at 10; Adrian Burke, *supra*, p. 50. Remington notes, however, that such a conclusion is "suggested."
 - 6 Frijhoff, *supra*, p. 36.

Frijhoof concludes that both mother and child must have died soon before embarking for America or shortly after their arrival. Peter's second wife has always been called Maria (or a similar Dutch form of the name), and Peter's daughters have been ascribed universally to the second wife, with ample reason.⁷

The key to Maria's identity is a legal document in Albany County records. On 19 April 1664, before Johannes La Montagne (Commissioner at Fort Orange), William Teller declared his contract for marriage with his second wife. He indicated his late wife was Margaret Duncanson, the mother of his children. He also names his "seven remaining children by Margaret Duncanson" with their ages and appointed guardians for his minor children: "Sander Leendertse Glen and Pieter Loockermans, *uncles of said children*."⁸ This kinship is a significant clue to the identity of Loockermans's second wife, Maria.

Alexander Glen of Schenectady (usually called "Sander Leendertse Glen" in Dutch records) married Catherine Duncanson, sister of William Teller's wife, Margaret, at Amsterdam on 31 Oct 1638.⁹ Because both Loockermans and Glen were called "uncles," this Glen marriage evidence suggests Loockermans's second wife was another sister of Margaret Duncanson. As noted, several sources indicate a Duncanson sister named Maria *possibly* married Peter Loockermans. The fact that a sister of that name existed is established.¹⁰ Since Peter was called the children's uncle, further discussion of his wife's identity would be unnecessary. *However*, no record calling Peter's wife a Duncanson seems to exist; thus, we must identify the family that permits Peter to be called an "uncle" of the Teller children.

The ten Duncanson siblings from Adrian Burke's above-referenced article in *The Genealogist* are (1) Henry, for whom no wife is given; (2) Jonet (or Jannetje), who married John Ardes, Thomas Powell (her younger sister Anne's widower), and Robert Orchard; (3) Mary (our subject), who married Jan Macfasse and "*possibly*" Peter Loockermans; (4) John, named with only his baptismal date; (5) Anne, who married at Amsterdam in 1646 Thomas Powell (her widower who later married her elder sister Jonet, as noted above); (6) Margaret, who married at Amsterdam in 1639 William Teller; (7) Catherine, who married at Amsterdam in 1638 Alexander Glen; and three unnamed siblings who were living in 1633 about whom we know nothing further.

7 Frijhoff most recently assigns an approximate marriage date for Peter and Maria. He and others reasonably approximate birth dates for their daughters, based on the births and marriages of their children. Because it is clear that a Peter Loockermans had children of this name, and they cannot belong to his nephew of the same name, assignment to this couple is logical. For one example, see *The Dutch Settlers Society of Albany Yearbook*, vol. 40 (1964-1966), p. 10, number 5 (children of Anna Loockermans and Peter Winne).

8 Jonathan Pearson, *Early Records of the City and County of Albany, and Colony of Rensselaerswyck (1656-1675)*, 4 vols. (1869-1919), 1:345-46 (hereinafter, "Pearson Records").

9 See most recently, Adrian Burke, *supra*, p. 50.

10 See, e.g., most recently, Adrian Burke, *supra*, pp. 49-50, in which she is included in a list of ten children of James Duncanson and Helen Livingston.

Considering the four ways a man can be an uncle, the first two – those of blood kinship – are easily eliminated. Loockermans was neither a Duncanson nor a Teller, so the kinship must be through marriage. William Teller had a sister Maria. If she had married Peter, he would be the Teller children's uncle by marriage. However, Frijhoff notes that Maria Teller could not be our subject, as she seems to be the person of that name who enrolled in the Dutch Reformed church at New Amsterdam on 11 Jan 1665, when Loockermans lived in Albany.¹¹ No evidence suggests that Willem Teller had a second sister named Maria. Thus, Peter Loockermans's wife was not a Teller. Since three of the four possibilities for Peter to be an "uncle" of the Teller children have been eliminated, the only remaining option is that she must be a Duncanson.

Before drawing a final conclusion, other questions must be asked. First, could Maria Loockermans be a sister of Willem Teller's second wife? Not likely. Peter would be a *step*-uncle by marriage to the Teller children, and Teller's second wife was also named Maria. Again, two women with the same first name in the same family is not unheard of but nevertheless unlikely.

Second, could Maria be a sister of Peter's first wife, Maria Van Alen? No, since she, too, was named Maria. More, in each of these two instances, Peter would not have been related to the Teller children by blood or marriage. Therefore, almost certainly he would have been referred to by Willem as his "friend," not as his children's "uncle."

Third, could Maria be a sister of Alexander Glen? Perhaps, but not likely. This author has found no indication that Glen had siblings living on this side of the ocean. Even if there were, the identity of Maria as a Glen sister would mean she was a sister of an uncle by marriage, and therefore not a kinswoman. This logic also applies if Maria were a sibling of any of Margaret Duncanson's other brothers- or sisters-in-law. Suggestion of such kinship stretches the term "uncle" beyond reasonable bounds.

Fourth, could Peter Loockermans be a great-uncle, either by blood or marriage, of the Teller children? Although this must be considered, the chronology makes it unlikely. Peter was baptized at Turnhout 5 Oct 1614 and married for the first time in 1637 (one day after his 23rd birthday), as noted above.¹² His birth and marriage records prove he was contemporary with the Duncanson sisters, William Teller, and Alexander Glen.¹³ Birth-years, or at least approximations, for William Teller's children are given by Jonathan Pearson in his "Contributions to the History of the Ancient Dutch Families of

11 Frijhoff, p. 37, provides numerous dates and circumstances showing Peter resided at Albany until at least 2 July 1674.

12 Frijhoff, p. 36.

13 Adrian Burke, *supra*, pp. 49-50 (Mr. Henry Duncanson b. say 1604, Jonet bp. 1613, Mary b. say 1614, John bp. 1615, Anne, b. say 1616-17, Margaret bp. 1618, Catherine bp. 1621, three additional siblings alive in 1633; the marriages, as given for each of the sisters, occur in the timeframe 1638-1646); *NYGBR* 128 (1997):10 (providing similar information, excepting the three unknown siblings); Frijhoff, p. 36, n. 114 (Willem Teller... b. ca. 1616).

New York,” and their ages are provided by their father in his marriage contract with his second wife.¹⁴

Having considered the logic, suggestive evidence now must be studied, as there is no extant record that unequivocally states Maria Loockermans’s identity. The four known daughters of Peter and Maria Loockermans were named Maria, Anna, Catherine, and Hilletje (Hilda).¹⁵ The first three of these are also names of Duncanson sisters. Despite being common names, three of four Duncanson sisters’ names borne by would-be nieces in the same family is suggestive.

On 18 Dec 1657, “Thomas Powell,” “Sander Lenrsen [Glen],” and “Pieter Loockermans” served as sureties in the public sale by Cornelis Cornelisse of his house and lot at Beverwyck (Albany).¹⁶ Thomas Powell was married to Anna Duncanson and later to her sister, Jonet Duncanson, and Alexander Glen was married to sister Catherine Duncanson. If Peter Loockermans’s wife Maria were also a Duncanson sister, these three men would be brothers-in-law through marriage, in the same service as sureties for Cornelisse, almost certainly the man of that name who was Alexander Glen’s neighbor.¹⁷ This evidence meets the fourth option for Peter’s designation as an uncle of the Teller children.

On 27 April 1680 at Albany, a bond and mortgage was filed by Geertruy Vosburgh for agreement to make payment to Maria Loockermans, widow of Peter Van Alen, and to the guardians of the latter’s children. The language of the bond reveals that the guardians of the Van Alen children were Andries Teller and Lawrence Van Alen. The bond also reveals that Vosburgh was a neighbor of William Teller.¹⁸ This document provides evidence of interaction between a probable Duncanson daughter (Maria) and a known Duncanson son (Andries), Maria’s would-be adult nephew.

14 Pearson’s Teller article appears in *NYGBR* 2 (1871):139-40, and see below for a discussion of the marriage contract.

15 Frijhoff, pp. 37-38; cf. Purple, pp. 35-36, which, as noted in the first footnote of this article, erroneously assigns the same four daughters to Peter *Janse* Loockermans, nephew of Peter *Jacobse* Loockermans of the instant sketch. A similar error occurs in *DSSAY*, *supra*.

16 Pearson Records, 1:61-62.

17 Kathlyne Knickerbocker Viele, *Viele, 1659-1909: Two Hundred and Fifty Years with a Dutch Family of New York* (1909), pp. 60-61, suggests he was possibly Cornelis Cornelisen Viele; cf. Pearson’s Records, p. 61, suggesting he might be Cornelis Cornelisse [De Vos?]. As Alexander Glen consented to the purchase of land by Cornelis Cornelisen in 1670, and some 13 years earlier served as his surety, it is highly probable these transactions pertain to the same man – likely Cornelis Cornelisen Viele, who acquired land near Glen at least as early as 1667. See Thomas E. Burke, Jr., *Mohawk Frontier: The Dutch Community of Schenectady, New York, 1661-1710* (1991), p. 181. Additional research can be or may have been performed on this matter, but is outside the scope of this article.

18 “New York State Library History Bulletin 9: Early Records of the City and County of Albany and Colony of Rensselaerswyck,” vol. 2 (Deeds 3 and 4, 1678-1704), in *New York State Library, Ninety-Ninth Annual Report, 1916* (1918), pp. 80-81.

At the 1691 baptism of Johannes Stephenson, Hendrick Rensselaer and Sophia Teller were sponsors. Johannes was the son of Cornelis Stephenson and Hilletje Loockermans, and Hilletje was the daughter of Peter and Maria. Sophia Teller was almost certainly William Teller's granddaughter, as she is not listed among the children in his marriage contract or in his 1698 will,¹⁹ or in Pearson's treatment of the family referenced above.

Hendrick Rensselaer was the grandson of Peter Loockermans's sister, Anna, who married Olof Courtland. Thus, the sponsors were near kinsmen, being elder second-cousins of the infant Johannes. As Johannes was a grandson of Peter and Maria, it would be logical that a sponsor from each side of the family might be chosen for sponsorship – Hendrick Rensselaer (as a Loockermans relative) and Sophia Teller (as a Duncanson relative).

These facts and this analysis taken collectively are sufficiently compelling to draw a conclusion about what other genealogists previously have *suggested*: the identity of Maria, second wife of Peter Loockermans of Albany, was Maria Duncanson, sister of Catherine Duncanson (wife of Alexander Glen), Margaret Duncanson (first wife of William Teller), Jonet/Jannetje Duncanson (wife of John Ardes, Thomas Powell [her sister Anne's widower], and Robert Orchard), and Anne Duncanson (wife of Thomas Powell, later her sister Jonet's second husband).

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19 The necessary details from his will are given by Pearson in his treatment of the family, referenced above.



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= Pieter Jacobsz Loockermans

Anna Loockermans
= Adam Pietersz Winne

Catalyntje (Catalina) Winne
= Christoffel Yates

Johannes G. Yates
= Rebecca Waldron

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Johannes Sanderse Glen(n)
= Anna Pee(c)k

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Martha Glenn
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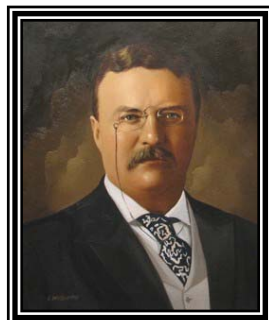
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