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"Lest we forget..."

[A continuing column to help us remember our Waldensian heritage and the sacrifices these ancestors made, emphasizing the imprisonment and exile of 1686-1690, and the survivors' subsequent return.]

On 29 Oct 1697, Francesco LUSSIANO, a Catholic from Pancalieri, claimed goods, at Angrogna, in the name of his wife Consunza and her sister Maria, daughters of Davide GIOVVE [JOUVE], who died in 1686 in prison at Cherasco. Maria was then Catholic in Torino, but Consunza, Catholicized in 1686, had become "religionary" again. They became heirs when their brother Paulo died in 1691. [A classic instance of forced Catholicization and forced marriages to Catholics; but Francesco had permitted his wife to rejoin the Waldensian Church.]

On 30 Oct 1697, Daniele ODINO, son of deceased Gioanni (who had been dead 30 years), for himself and for his brother Bartholomeo, and for Gioanni and Suzana who are children of his [Daniele's] deceased brothers Pietro and Paolo who died in prison in 1686, reclaimed the paternal inheritance. He also claimed the goods of his dead wife Gioanna MONASTERO, who died incarcerated in 1686, his right through the death of their four children, two sons who died [in prison] in 1686, one daughter who had died the past year, and another daughter who died but they know not when nor where.

On 30 Oct 1697, Davide CATTRE, son of deceased Guillelmino, for himself and his [second] wife Gioanna REVEL, reclaimed the inheritance that his first wife, Gioanna, dead now two years and one month, had from her maternal uncle, Pietro GONINO, who died [in prison] in 1686 at Orbassano. That uncle had two sons, one of whom died in Switzerland [during the Exile], the other [in prison] at Fossano, and two daughters, of whom one is dead and the other "dispersed" [kidnapped when the Waldensians were rounded up and imprisoned]. Then Davide claimed the goods his second wife, Gioanna REVEL, inherited from her father Paulo, who died in Switzerland in

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The value of our research project: a Cardon pedigree extension

Marthe Marie TOURN (1799-1873), mother of Jean Paul CARDON, was a second-great granddaughter of Lucie GOSS (1682/3-1749). It was known that Lucie was daughter of a Paul GOSS, but that's where the pedigree stopped—until now.

Our research project now permits us to fill in Lucie's family, and additional research promises to shed even more light on the pedigree.

Paulo GOSSO (Italian form of Paul GOSS) made his will on 21 Oct 1697. He mentions his deceased father, also named Paulo; his wife, previously unknown, deceased Ludovica [Louisa] BENECHIO, daughter of deceased Gioanni; and

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1687, and also from her sister Maria, who was apparently “dispersed.”

On 29 Oct 1697, Gio GARSINO, son of deceased Bartholomew (who died “30 years ago,” “about 1665”), reclaimed his paternal inheritance for himself and his brother Pietro. Then he claimed, for himself and his deceased wife’s sister Madalena, the inheritance of his own daughter Cattarina, who died [in prison] at Carmagnola in 1686, and that of his wife Margarita, who also died [in prison] at Carmagnola that same year, but before their daughter Cattarina.

On 29 Oct 1697, Pietro BUFFA, son of deceased Daniele (who died before 1686) reclaimed the goods of his [current] wife Madallena, daughter of deceased Giacomo MARCHETTO (dead 20 years); and also, due to the death in prison of all his children, their inheritance from his first wife [and their mother] Margarita CHIAVIA, who died before 1686, daughter of deceased Giannetto. In addition, he claimed the inheritance of his brother Giovanni BUFFA, who died [in prison] at Cherasoc in 1686.

Cardon extension, cont.

their children: Catterina (widow of Giacomo DAVITO, son of deceased Giuseppe); Maria; Ludovica; *Lucia, wife of Sidracco MALANO*, son of deceased Giovanni; Daniele; Elliseo; Paulo; and Anna (widow of Daniele BENECHIO).

An act of 3 Apr 1698 mentions Lucia, daughter of deceased Giovanni BENECHIO, widow of Antonio BELLONATO, and her sister Ludovica, widow of Paulo GOSSO. (LSG 51:2:55R)

And on 22 Nov 1697, Elliseo GOSSO, son of deceased Paul (who died 15 days before) and of deceased Ludovica BENECHIO (who died [in prison] in 1686 at Saluzzo, the daughter of Giovanni BENECHIO who died in 1655), claimed his mother’s inheritance, having acquired portions of it from his siblings, unnamed. (Senato 99: 321)

With this information, we can turn to records of the Exile. Several members of this family appear in Swiss and German refugee records. The father

Paul was born in 1638 at San Giovanni; and his children Catherine, Marie, Louise, and Lucie appear without birth years given. The son Elisée, a bootmaker, born 1660, is listed, with his wife Marie MONDON, born 1660, and their son Paul, born 1688 at Berne. Catherine is listed a second time, with her sister Anne. (Armand-Hugon & Rivoire, *Gli Esuli Valdese*, pp 109-110)

It is hoped that a Cardon family historian will use this, and related, information to prepare the remaining members of this family for ordinance work. (Contact the editor for assistance, if desired.)

Our families in the San Giovanni records

[Past issues presented several ancestral families who survived the exile and returned to claim lost family lands, as revealed by the Luserna San Giovanni records. We also included notarial record references to those families. This issue continues our report.]

Abbreviations/terms: bro = brother; dau = daughter; dec = deceased; fu = child of deceased (followed by parent’s name); numbers in parentheses indicate the volume number and then page in the Luserna San Giovanni notarial record.

For more details, or to use this information to update family group records, family genealogists should contact Ron Malan (address on page 1).

Spelling variations abound, for spelling was not at all standardized at that time.

Cardon surnames

Berger

12 Jul 1697: Giovanni BERGERO, son of dec Giacomo. (52:199R) Same, 18 Dec 1699 (52, 1700:84)

Cardon

12 Dec 1698: Deaf-mute Giovanni-Battista CARDONE, son of dec Giovanni, and his [current] wife Cattarina, dau of deceased Giovanni-Antonio SERVINO of Frusasco. (51:2:244)

Durand

22 Jan 1700: Gioanni DURANDO son of dec Giovanni. (52,1700:32R)

Favotto

27 Sep 1697: Paulo FAVOTTO, son of dec Pietro, and wife Margarita CHIANFORANO, dau of deceased Tommaso of Prarostino.

Forneron

23 Aug 1700: David FORNERONE, son of dec Paulo of Prarostino. (52:131)

Goss

21 Oct 1697: Will of Paulo GOSSO, son of dec Paulo; wife, deceased Ludovica BENECHIO, dau deceased Gioanni; children, Catterina (widow of Giacomo DAVITO, son of dec Giuseppe), Maria, Ludovica, *Lucia (wife of Sidracco MALANO*, son of dec Gioanni), Daniele, Elliseo, Paulo, and Anna (widow of dec Daniele BENECHIO). (51:1:279)

3 Apr 1698: Lucia, dau dec Gioanni BENECHIO, wid Antonio BELLONATO; her sis Ludovica, wid Paulo GOSSO. (51:2:55R)

Olivet

5 Apr 1699: Anna MALANO, dau dec Gioanni, wife six years [md 1693] of Gioanni OLLIVETTO, son of dec Daniele; Gioanni's siblings Bartholomeo and Catterina OLLIVETTO. (52:142R)

7 Jan 1700: Gioanni OLLIVETTO, son of Antonio & of dec Maria, dau dec Guglielmino MALANOTO son of dec Antonio. (52,1700:40R)

22 Dec 1696: dec Daniele OLLIVETTO, son of dec Gioanni; Daniele's bro Antonio; Daniele's children Gioanni, Bartolomeo, Catterina, Antonio, Daniele. (51:1:29R)

3 Jun 1695: sisters Margarita (wife first of dec Gioanni PONT, now of Gioanni BLANCHIOTO of Pinachia) and Anna (wife of Gioanni OLLIVETO of San Giovanni); their bros Bartholomeo and Guglielmino MALANO, children of dec Gioanni of San Giovanni. (51:2:74)

Reymond

12 Jul 1697: Giacomo REIMONDO son of dec Bartholomeo and wife Madalena ROSTAGNO-TARELLO, dau of deceased Daniele. (51:1:248)

Justet surnames

Justet

5 May 1708: Vincenzo GIUSTETTO, son of dec Gioanni of Pinasca, valle Perosa. (57:331R)

Lazear surnames

Lazear

17 Oct 1695: Pietro LAGGIARDO, son of Pietro and of dec Gioanna FORENGO, dau of dec Gioanni of Pomaretto. (51:1:339)

11 Jan 1697: Dec Cattarina, called Fontena, ROSSETTO, wife of Paulo LEGIARD; her bros Gioanni-Battista and Carlo ROSSETO. (51:2:276)

Long surnames

Long

7 Apr 1700: Maria ODDINO, dau of dec Bartholomeo and wife of Giacomo LONGO of Perosa. (52:116)

Pons surnames

Bertino-Passello

10 Jun 1699: Maria, dau of dec Gioanni and Susanna BERTINO-PASSELLO; her bro Paulo. (52:138R)

17 Feb 1695: Will of Pietro PASSELLO-BERTINO [sic; see next entry], son of dec Gioanni; his wife Ludovica MONERO, dau of dec Gioanni; their son Gioanni; Pietro's bro Paulo. (51:2:70)

2 Jan 1696: Heirs of Gioanni and Madalena MONERO, including their dau Ludovica, wife of Pietro BERTINO-PASSELLO. (51:2:100)

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Another member of the Church in the Torino area, just finishing her master's degree, could perform additional research for us—such as in other Waldensian villages, such as Prarostino, Pomaretto, etc., on the other side of the mountains. Some of the families whose ancestors are from those areas have donated almost nothing to date; if they are willing to support a researcher in those other areas, I am willing to coordinate the contact.