

# TO THE READER

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*The Genealogy, History and Alliances of the American House of Delano 1621 to 1899* (GHAHD) provides an 1899 view of the DELANO family in the Americas. It is divided into two books. Significant genealogical research has been completed since then and many errors have been discovered. The reader should keep in mind this genealogy was printed 34 years after the Civil War.

The first book, *The Heraldic and Genealogical History of the Maison de Franchimont & de Lannoy*, edited by Mortimer Delano de Lannoy of New York City has much erroneous information in it. Some of the most significant errors in this difficult to read book are as follows:

- Pg. 24: The American Line in Brief: Jean de Lannoy (11-A) is not the father of Gysbert (Gilbert) de Lannoy (12-A)<sup>1</sup>.
- Pg. 48: “general proof” by Mortimer Delano is incorrect<sup>2</sup>.
- Pg 48: The paragraph about 13-A Jean de Lannoy is incorrect in several places. It is now known that Jean was baptized in Tourcoing on 9 May 1575. His father’s name is listed as Guilbert de Lanoy<sup>3</sup>. He married Marie Mahieu in Leiden 13 January 1596<sup>4</sup>. Jean and Marie de Lanoy’s first child was not “Esaie (Isaiah) de Lanoy baptized in the church Tournai Hanau [Belgium].”<sup>5</sup>
- Pg. 48-49: Phillippe de Lannoy’s mother was not “...Marie de Lanoy who married in 1605 her second husband Jean Pesyn.” After Phillippe’s father died his mother, Marie Mahieu de Lannoy, married woolcomber Robert Manno.<sup>6</sup> Consequently the painting shown as Illustration plate III is not Marie (le Mahieu) de Lannoy.
- Pg 62: DNA tests of a descendant of Abraham de la Noy, mentioned as being of the “first of the Holland House of Lannoy in New Amsterdam [New York],” have shown a 99% likelihood that Abraham de la Noy (or Delanoy) and Philippe de Lanoy have a common ancestor who lived before or during 1575/6<sup>7</sup>.
- Pgs 89 thru 93: Various lines of descent A, B, C, D, E, & F: because of the errors identified on pp 24 & 48 above, these lines of descent are erroneous.

The second book, *The DELANO Genealogy: From 1621 – 1899*, was compiled by Major Joel Andrew Delano, then residing in Grove, Newaygo County, Michigan. Major Delano provides an introduction and identifies major contributors to this work (pages 96 through 98). Unfortunately, the arrangement of book two by Mortimer Delano de Lannoy makes this compilation difficult to follow in some cases<sup>8</sup>. It is arranged by the line of descent from each child of Philip Delano and his wives Hester Dewsbury and Mary Pontus Glass and a listing of unknown lines. Proportionally there are fewer errors in the second book of over 430 pages than in the first book of about 90 pages. Significant errors include:

- Pg 154: Dr. Thomas Delano married Rebecca Alden, not Mary Alden, before 30 October 1667<sup>9</sup>.
- Pg 296: The children of Jonathan Delano Jr. and Amy Hatch Delano are confused and incorrect in many cases. These errors were identified and are corrected by DELANO KINDRED Genealogist Muriel C. Cushing in PHILIP DELANO of the “FORTUNE” 1621 cited in footnote 8 below. These errors also affect the accuracy of the families listed as being those of Jonathan Delano 3<sup>rd</sup> (pg.328), Jonathan Delano 4<sup>th</sup> (pg. 329) and Margaret Delano (pg 354) and others and have been also corrected in Cushing’s PHILIP DELANO of the “FORTUNE”—see Family Numbers 28, 115 through 126, 478, 479 and 480 in Cushing.

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<sup>1</sup> George English, “Ancestry and History of Philip Delano, Born Philippe de Lannoy”, *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. 56 No. 2, pp 173-184.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>3</sup> Dr. Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs, “De Lannoy – Le Mahieu Research”, *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. 56 No.2, p 153.

<sup>4</sup> Dr. Jeremy Dupertuis Bangs, “The Pilgrims and Other English in Leiden Records: Some New Pilgrim Documents”, *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* (NEHGR), Vol. 147, pp 97-198.

<sup>5</sup> George English, “Ancestry and History of Philip Delano, Born Philippe de Lannoy”, *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. 56 No. 1, p 83.

<sup>6</sup> Ibid. & T. N. Schelhaas, Keeper of the Records of the City of Leiden, NL ltr. to G.B. DeLano, citing Judicial Archives nr. 89, Vol. C, folio 142 and nr. 89, Vol. F, folio 20.

<sup>7</sup> George English, “Ancestry and History of Philip Delano, Born Philippe de Lannoy”, *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. 56 No. 1, p 87. Note: The DNA test was sponsored by the DELANO KINDRED, Inc. Y-DNA project.

<sup>8</sup> The first four generations of the descendants of Philippe de Lanoy (Philip Delano) have been compiled by Muriel C. Cushing using the accepted standard genealogical format and is titled *PHILIP DELANO of the “FORTUNE” 1621 and his Descendants for Four Generations*. Her compilation has been published by the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

<sup>9</sup> Plymouth Colony Records, Vol. 4, p 168.